

TOWN OF
POMFRET, VERMONT



2019 Annual Report

For the fiscal year beginning **July 1, 2018** and ending **June 30, 2019**

GENERAL INFORMATION

2010 U.S. Census Population 904
..... Housing Units 544

Town Office

5218 Pomfret Road, North Pomfret, Vermont 05053
<http://pomfretvt.us/>

Town Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM
(802) 457-3861 (phone) | (802) 457-8180 (fax)

Clerk..... clerk@pomfretvt.us Treasurer.....treasurer@pomfretvt.us

Town Garage

(802) 457-2767 (phone)
(802) 369-0225 (cell)

Road Foremanjim.potter@pomfretvt.us

Volunteer Fire Department

Teago Station | 2026 Pomfret Road | (802) 457-1125
Pomfret Station | 7373 Pomfret Road | (802) 457-3730

Fire Chiefkricevt@gmail.com, (802) 457-2364

EMERGENCIES, FIRE AND AMBULANCE 911

Abbott Memorial Library

5 Library Street, South Pomfret, Vermont 05067
<https://www.abbottmemoriallibrary.org/>

Library Hours

Tuesday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM | Thursday 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
(802) 457-2236

Regular Meetings

Selectboard..... 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Town Office
Planning Commission..... 1st and 3rd Mondays, 7:00 PM, Town Office
Trustees of the Abbott Memorial Library3rd Monday, 7:00 PM, Abbott Memorial Library

State Representatives

General Assembly, Windsor County 4-1

Randall Szott (Barnard).....(802) 234-2192

Senate, Windsor County

Alison Clarkson (Woodstock).....(802) 457-4627

Richard ("Dick") McCormack (Bethel)(802) 234-5497

Alice W. Nikta (Ludlow)(802) 228-8432

Community Reminders

The Planning Commission and Zoning Administrator remind residents that new residential, commercial and certain agricultural buildings, most renovations, home businesses and ponds require a permit application to the Town before construction begins. Sewage disposal system and access permits are required before a building permit can be issued. Sewage disposal system permits are issued by the State of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. Failure to observe this procedure constitutes a violation of our zoning ordinance, and could result in serious penalties or other financial losses to those involved.

Residents are required to have an annual permit sticker (valid July 1 through June 30) and coupons to use the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District Center in Hartford. Both are available at the Town Clerk's office. The cost of a permit is \$30.00 and the coupons are \$49.50 for a punch card of ten.

“THE NEED FOR ICE ON THE FARM”

From about 1810 to 1840, farms in Pomfret raised merino sheep that grazed the open land. As farming changed, dairy cows replaced the sheep. As cheese and butter production increased, this required more cows. Excess milk and cream had to be stored and shipped from the farm, in order to keep up with the demand for markets in Boston and other places. In 1922, Pomfret formed a Jersey Breeders Association and became recognized for breeding high quality cows. To cool the milk on the farm, ice was needed.



Leon and Lloyd Stetson, with ice tools, early 1940's, cutting ice blocks

Without refrigeration, ice had to be harvested in the winter and stored for summer use. The photographs on this page show some of the production techniques.

Ice ponds on the farm were created and maintained to harvest high-quality ice in the winter. Snow had to be removed from the ice pond to check the thickness of the ice. Sometimes horses were used to clear snow. The ideal block size to be harvested was a 15-inch cube. Once the ice was thick enough, the ice surface was scored to mark out the size of the blocks and where the cutting needed to be done. Traditionally two men worked along parallel lines, using two-handed ice saws, to produce a long raft of ice.

When the long raft of ice floated free, a long chisel-like tool was used to break the ice cross-wise along the scored lines. A pike pole was used to move the blocks into a position to where they could be picked up. Ice tongs were then used to lift the blocks out of the water onto a waiting horse-drawn sled that had sides to prevent the ice blocks from sliding off. The horses carried the ice to the ice house, ideally a building with some wall insulation, on the north side of a larger building. Ice blocks were carefully packed in sawdust. Ice stored in the winter was used throughout the summer and into the fall. Blocks of ice were placed in the farm water tanks that held the milk cans, waiting for the delivery truck to pick them up.



Leon and Arthur Stetson, with ice tools, early 1940's, with block of ice and hand tools



Leon and Lloyd Stetson, with ice tools, early 1940's, cutting blocks of ice

Alan C. Graham
Pomfret Historical Society

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Cover photo: Horse and Hay Rake – Mary Stetson raking hay, late 1930’s-1940’s
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Katie Brickner
Pomfret Historical Society

TRIBUTE

Charles ("Charley") Jackson III
(1950 – 2019)

By: Chuck Gundersen

Charley Jackson. Two evocative words in Pomfret. They conjure up probably a different image or impression for every single person who knew him. He was unique, but he was unique in more ways than that word normally encompasses.

To start with, nobody ever said, "I thought I saw Charley Jackson yesterday." It wasn't possible to think you saw Charley. You either did or you didn't. If you saw a tall guy with long unkempt hair in a ponytail down his back, and a long unkempt beard much of the way down his front, and if the guy was wearing a battered, worn and stained straw cowboy hat; if he was also wearing a vest that was more patches than vest, with those patches obviously sewn on roughly with needle and thread, and if he was wearing a pair of carhartts with a folding carpenter's rule sticking out of the pocket, with the cuffs of those pants worn ragged around his work boots, and if his hands were the color of axle grease and if he smelled like a combination of wood smoke, wood chaff, bar and chain oil, silage, and cow manure, that was Charley. Couldn't be mistaken for anyone else.

Charley left Pomfret in 2006. He sold his beloved Echo Farm way up at the far end of Caper Street where he'd built a couple of barns, a workshop, sheds and other out buildings, largely by himself; dug a pond, renovated at least part of the farmhouse and raised Red Angus cattle; where he logged, built, invented, repaired, and welded. He sold the farm and moved himself and his cattle to West Haven, Vermont where he did it all over again.

But he'd entwined himself in Pomfret history by then. During his time here, he was known to all, not just for being that singular and, very often, intransigent Charley Jackson, but for his service to the town. He was a long-time member of the Pomfret Volunteer Fire Department. He served as a town auditor for many years and served on the Selectboard for three years, keeping a very sharp eye on the town's finances. Charley was content to shun society in general, but was there and willing when needed.

That was the old independent Vermont farmer side of Charley. The side of Charley not as well-known was the Charley with the dry sense of humor, the quick wit, the formidable intellect and the staggering range of knowledge. The Charley who could contribute to any discussion, the Charley who liked to be challenged simply because he enjoyed and welcomed the challenge. Those people who knew Charley that way; engaged with him that way, were rewarded with a fast and treasured friend.

Charles Jackson III, as he signed his name. Gone from Pomfret thirteen years now, gone from this earth on August 27, 2019. "He thought, therefore he was," and for those who knew him: still is.

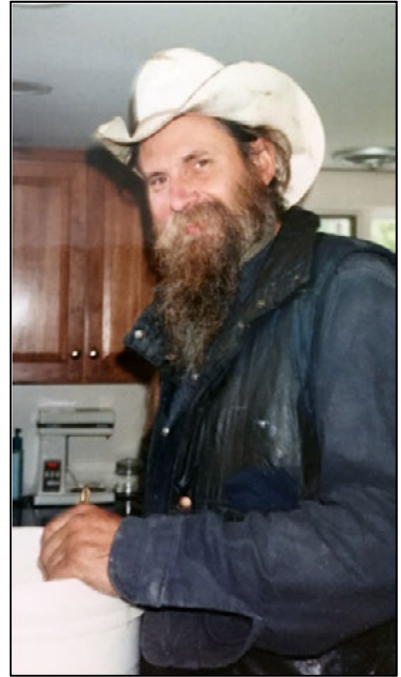


Photo provided by Alicia Jenks.

SUMMARY OF TOWN MEETING

March 5, 2019

Meeting called to order at 9:03am.

1. Kevin Geiger was elected Moderator.
2. Rebecca (Becky) Fielder was elected Town Clerk.
3. Election of other Town Officers: See inside back cover of this Town Report.
4. The sum of \$40,547 was appropriated for the Abbott Memorial Library, and the sum of \$12,000 was appropriated for the Cemetery Commission.
5. The sum of \$9,379 was appropriated for the support of the following social services organizations: \$2,500 to EmpowerUp! (formerly known as the OCP Mentor and Buddy Program); \$3,950 to the Visiting Nurse & Hospice for VT & NH; \$750 to Spectrum Teen Center; \$300 to the Woodstock Area Job Bank; \$979 to Health Care & Rehabilitation Services; and \$900 to Pentangle Arts.
6. The sum of \$3,400 was appropriated to the Woodstock Council on Aging to run the Thompson Senior Center.
7. The sum of \$2,000 was appropriated to the Ottauquechee Health Foundation.
8. It was voted to deposit \$32,624 of the FY18 Town fund balance (surplus) into the Town General Fund revenues to offset taxes to be raised for FY20.
9. It was voted to move \$75,000 from the General Fund Rainy Day Reserve Account to the Town Building Reserve in anticipation of upcoming improvements to town buildings, specifically the Brick Building.
10. The voters authorized the dissolution of the Town Hall Reserve Fund.
11. The question of the Fire Department appropriation was passed over at the request of Kevin Rice, PTFD Chief, as the amount had been included in the General Fund budget.
12. The motion to approve the budget of \$1,312,435 for town and highway expenses (plus \$67,326 for previously voted appropriations) as shown in the town report for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (FY2020) was passed by unanimous voice vote.
13. The sum of \$903,067 to be raised in taxes for town and highway expenses was approved by unanimous voice vote.
14. It was voted to have the Town Treasurer collect taxes in two installments, on August 16, 2019 and February 7, 2020. Late payments will be subject to interest of 1% per calendar month or a portion thereof. All taxes outstanding on February 8, 2020 shall be delinquent and subject to a penalty of 8%.
15. Other business.

Meeting adjourned at 11:23am.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Fielder
Town Clerk

WARNING
TOWN OF POMFRET ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2020

The legal voters of the Town of Pomfret, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Pomfret Town Hall at 5233 Pomfret Road on Tuesday March 3, 2020 at 9:00 AM to transact the following business from the floor:

1. To elect a Town Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To elect a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To elect the following Town officers:
 - Selectboard Member, 3-year term;
 - Selectboard Member, 1-year term;
 - Selectboard Member, 1-year term;
 - Treasurer, 1-year term;
 - Cemetery Commissioner, 3-year term;
 - Lister, 3-year term;
 - Auditor, 3-year term;
 - Town Agent, 1-year term;
 - Library Trustee, 3-year term;
 - Library Trustee, 3-year term;
 - Library Trustee, 1-year term;
 - Library Trustee, 1-year term; and
 - Trustee of Public Funds, 3-year term.
4. Shall the voters authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4791, to collect current taxes?
5. Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$53,500 to the following two entities?:
 - \$41,500 to the Abbott Memorial Library; and
 - \$12,000 to the Cemetery Commission.
6. Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$9,779 to the following social services, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. 2691?
 - \$2,500 to the Empower Up - Windsor Central Mentoring Program (formerly known as the Ottauquechee Community Partnership) to support their Mentor and Buddy Program;
 - \$3,950 to the Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH in support of care provided in patients' homes;
 - \$750 to the Spectrum Teen Center for support of activities at the center;
 - \$300 to Woodstock Area Job Bank to connect local workers with local businesses;
 - \$979 to Health Care and Rehabilitation Services for support of services provided to residents of Windsor County;
 - \$900 to Pentangle Arts for providing artistic endeavors in the community; and
 - \$400 to the Women's Information Service (WISE) of the Upper Valley for support of activities at the service.
7. Shall the voters of the Town of Pomfret appropriate \$3,800 to the Woodstock Area Council on Aging (d.b.a The Thompson Senior Center) to be used for operational expenses to provide meals on wheels,

transportation, wellness and social activities, medical equipment, and other Aging at Home support services to benefit Town residents?

8. Shall the voters of the Town of Pomfret appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred (\$2,500) for the Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF). OHF is a nonprofit community resource that provides funding and support for individuals with limited financial means to help meet critical health and wellness needs such as medical and dental care, eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures, prescription co-payments and short term caregiver services.
 9. Shall the town raise \$10,397.00 for a Regional Energy Coordinator?
 10. In order to prevent an increase of 3.6% in the amount to be raised in taxes for FY21, shall the FY19 General Fund surplus, in the amount of \$176,381 be split in the following ways: \$72,381 to reduce the amount to be raised in taxes, \$85,000 to be transferred to the Paving Reserve Fund to be used for the Howe Hill Rd. paving project, \$4,000 transferred to the Communications Reserve Fund, and \$15,000 to be transferred to the Town Building Reserve Fund?
 11. Shall the voters re-appropriate the FY19 General Fund unassigned fund balance of \$176,381 to the following purposes:
 - \$90,000 to the Highway Paving Reserve Fund; and
 - \$86,381 to offset the amount to be raised in taxes for FY21?
 12. Shall the voters approve the combined budget of \$1,574,871 for general purposes (\$405,492), for highway purposes (\$1,099,800), to the Abbott Memorial Library and Cemetery Commission (\$53,500), and to social service organizations (\$16,079), of which \$922,493 will be raised by current year taxes and \$652,378 by other sources?
- Note: The amounts in this Article may change if any of Articles 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11 are not adopted, if any of Articles 9 and 10 are adopted, or if any of the aforementioned Articles are amended.
13. Shall the voters require that taxes be paid in U.S. funds in two installments, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4773? The first installment will be due and accepted at the Treasurer's office on or before 2:30 P.M. on August 21, 2020, and the balance will be due at the same location on or before 2:30 P.M. on February 5, 2021. Interest on overdue taxes will be charged at 1% per month pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4873. All delinquent taxes will be subject to an 8% penalty in accordance with 32 V.S.A. 1674.
 14. To do any other proper and necessary business.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2020,
by the Selectboard of the Town of Pomfret:

Emily Grube, Chair
John Peters Jr.
Steve Chamberlin
Frank Perron
Scott Woodward

AUDITORS' REPORT

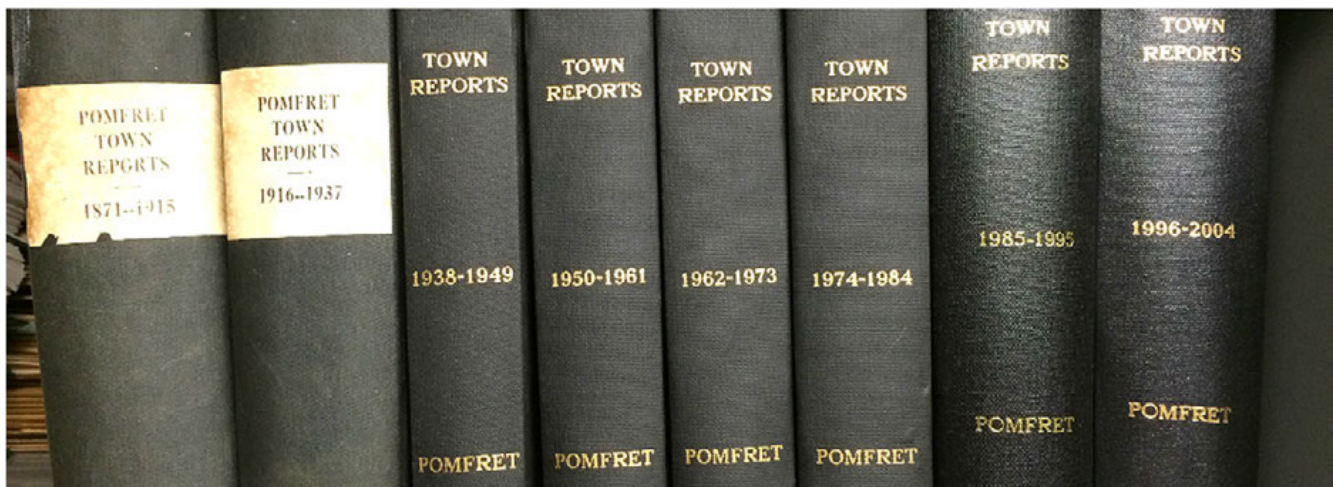
The Auditors have examined the accounts and financial records of town officers for the Town of Pomfret. We have verified the stated cash balances, checks, and deposits. The Auditors and Town Treasurer have generated reports which give an accurate picture of the condition of the town's finances for Fiscal Year 2019. We consulted with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and the town's accountant to ensure our statements are presented transparently and consistent with generally accepted practices. To the best of our knowledge, the statement of accounts in this report portrays the condition of the finances of the Town of Pomfret as of June 30, 2019.

New initiatives this year include:

- Working on an earlier schedule to give the Auditors, Selectboard and other concerned parties additional time to prepare and review their financial statements and reports. This appears to have been a welcome and successful change.
- Expanding the "calculation of taxes to be raised" statement to clearly show taxpayers the different types of revenues and expenditures, and how each impacts taxes to be raised.
- Having representation on the Financial Management Committee as appointed by the Selectboard. The purpose of this committee is to explore, research, and develop financial management policies and procedures that will help the Town of Pomfret establish more consistent and disciplined financial management practices. These policies will be an important addition to the already adopted and revised Purchasing Policy which is available on the Town of Pomfret Website along with documents including other policies, ordinances and regulations, forms and applications, and maps.

We are grateful for the invaluable assistance of Ellen DesMeules, Town Treasurer, and Becky Fielder, Town Clerk, throughout the year. We thank the Selectboard for completing their budget and reports much earlier this year which has given us more time to complete our work on this Annual Report. We also thank the town departments, contributors, and other organizations who submit their annual summaries for the Pomfret Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Matthews
Regina Lawrence
Benjamin Brickner



TREASURER'S REPORT

Both the General and Highway Funds ended with surpluses this year.

The General Fund surplus was the result of more income and lower expenses than budgeted: Current Use payment from the State over by \$30,000; Interest and penalty fees on late taxes over by \$25,000. The budget had been planned as a deficit-spending year, hoping to use up a prior surplus of \$36,746, but this money remained unspent. Total spending was \$53,000 under budget, from the following sources: \$6000 not spent by FAST squad; \$10,000 not spent on police patrol; \$4000 not spent on Town Hall repairs; \$30,000 not spent on salaries and insurance (all Officers categories of the General Fund).

Highway income was over by the \$40,000 from the State of Vermont, a grant payment against a project that was completed in the 2017-18 fiscal year. Expenses were under by \$200,000, but this reflects the amount in the operating budget for paving; the town's accountant suggests this should have been a payment to the paving reserve rather than an operating line item. In any case, this money will be spent soon on paving projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen DesMeules, Treasurer

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

The Town of Pomfret had no indebtedness as of December 31, 2019.

SURETY BOND

All Town officers are covered by a blanket \$500,000 bond through the Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

PROPERTY TAX RECONCILIATION

as of June 30, 2019

Beginning Balance, Delinquent Taxes	186,088.62	receivables beginning of the year
Billings per NEMRC status report	5,004,499.01	from grand list tax book summary
Late fee retained by Town	180.00	from final education report
Less Payments sent directly to School by State	(344,208.47)	from final education report
Less Current Year Taxes	(4,524,619.94)	from GF trial balance
Less Town Delinquent Taxes recorded	(127,657.36)	from GF trial balance
Adjustments/Rounding	(11.67)	
Net	194,270.19	
Delinquencies per List	(194,270.19)	receivables at the end of the year
Difference	(0.00)	

TREASURER'S TAX REPORT

As of June 30, 2019

This is the funding schedule on which the tax bills are based. The town voted to raise \$903,067 in taxes, including \$60,000 associated with the local agreement associated with Vietnam veterans in particular war locations. The State sets the Education tax rates to cover local school budgets and contribute to State equalization spending.

Rate name	FY 2018-19 Tax rate	Grand list value	Total taxes raised
Homestead education	1.6738	1,077,558.09	1,803,616.73
Non-residential education	1.5937	1,436,949.37	2,290,066.21
Local agreement	0.0004	2,514,507.46	1,005.80
Town tax	0.3613	2,516,369.09	909,164.15
Total tax			5,003,852.90
School payments			
Windsor central modified district	1,848,654.00		
State of Vermont	1,892,203.86		
State payments toward Education	356,790.63		

HISTORIC POMFRET TAX RATES

Residential Rate	2010	2011	2012	2013	1H 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Town rate	0.4207	0.3339	0.3663	0.3651	No taxes assessed	0.3261	0.3767	0.3852	0.3882	0.3613	0.3616
Local agreement	0.0008	0.0009	0.0009	0.0009		0.0023	0.0012	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004
Residential edu. rate	1.4880	1.4937	1.5789	1.6826		1.5707	1.3642	1.4459	1.5437	1.6738	1.6586
Total residential rate	1.9095	1.8285	1.9461	2.0486		1.8991	1.7421	1.8315	1.9323	2.0355	2.0206
Non-Residential Rate	2010	2011	2012	2013	1H 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Town rate	0.4207	0.3339	0.3663	0.3651	No taxes assessed	0.3261	0.3767	0.3852	0.3882	0.3613	0.3616
Local agreement	0.0008	0.0009	0.0009	0.0009		0.0023	0.0012	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004
Non-res. edu. rate	1.3938	1.3610	1.4249	1.4000		1.3614	1.4427	1.4559	1.4993	1.5937	1.6372
Total non-res. rate	1.8153	1.6958	1.7921	1.7660		1.6898	1.8206	1.8415	1.8879	1.9554	1.9992

The education rates are set by the State of Vermont. Further information is available from the Vermont Department of Taxes (802) 825-5860. The Local agreement tax pays for voted Education tax exemptions for some Vietnam veterans; this tax covers \$60,000 in State Education taxes. The total tax rate is comprised of the municipal rate, the local agreement rate, and the resident or non-resident education tax rate.

**STATEMENT OF OPERATING AND HIGHWAY RECEIPTS,
DISBURSEMENTS AND FUND BALANCE CHANGES**

For Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019

GENERAL FUND

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Cash receipts:	
Property taxes, gross collection	4,524,619.94
Education funds paid to State	(1,892,203.86)
Education funds paid to local schools	(1,848,654.00)
To highway fund	(795,400.00)
Current Use reimbursement	280,539.10
Delinquent tax payments	127,657.36
Interest and penalties on late + delinquent payments	29,525.27
Payments in lieu of taxes	10,503.86
Tax sale proceeds	28,350.00
Miscellaneous income	21,835.34
Total income	486,773.01
Cash disbursements:	
Operating expenses	293,308.33
To Reserves: Reappraisal fund	15,000.00
Town building fund	10,000.00
Charitable and town appropriations	65,576.00
Total town expenses	383,884.33
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Increase to fund balance (income-expenses)	102,888.68
Fund balance as of July 1, 2018	106,115.91
Fund balance increase for FY 2018-19	102,888.68
Total fund balance as of June 30, 2019	209,004.59

HIGHWAY FUND

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Cash receipts:	
Tax support	795,400.00
State aid to highways	132,707.06
Grant reimbursement	49,466.72
Miscellaneous income	1,463.46
Total income:	979,037.24
Disbursements:	
Operating expenses	622,026.92
To reserves (vehicles)	73,100.00
Grant and project costs	30,834.10
Total expenses	725,961.02
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Increase to fund balance (income minus expenses)	253,076.22**
Fund balance as of July 1, 2018	0.00
Fund balance increase for FY 2018-19	253,076.22
Total fund balance as of June 30, 2019	253,076.22**

** \$200,000 in highway operating account for paving; unspent in FY 2018-19, but paid in Q2 of FY 2019-20. This allocation should have gone to paving reserve rather than highway operating account.

LISTERS' REPORT

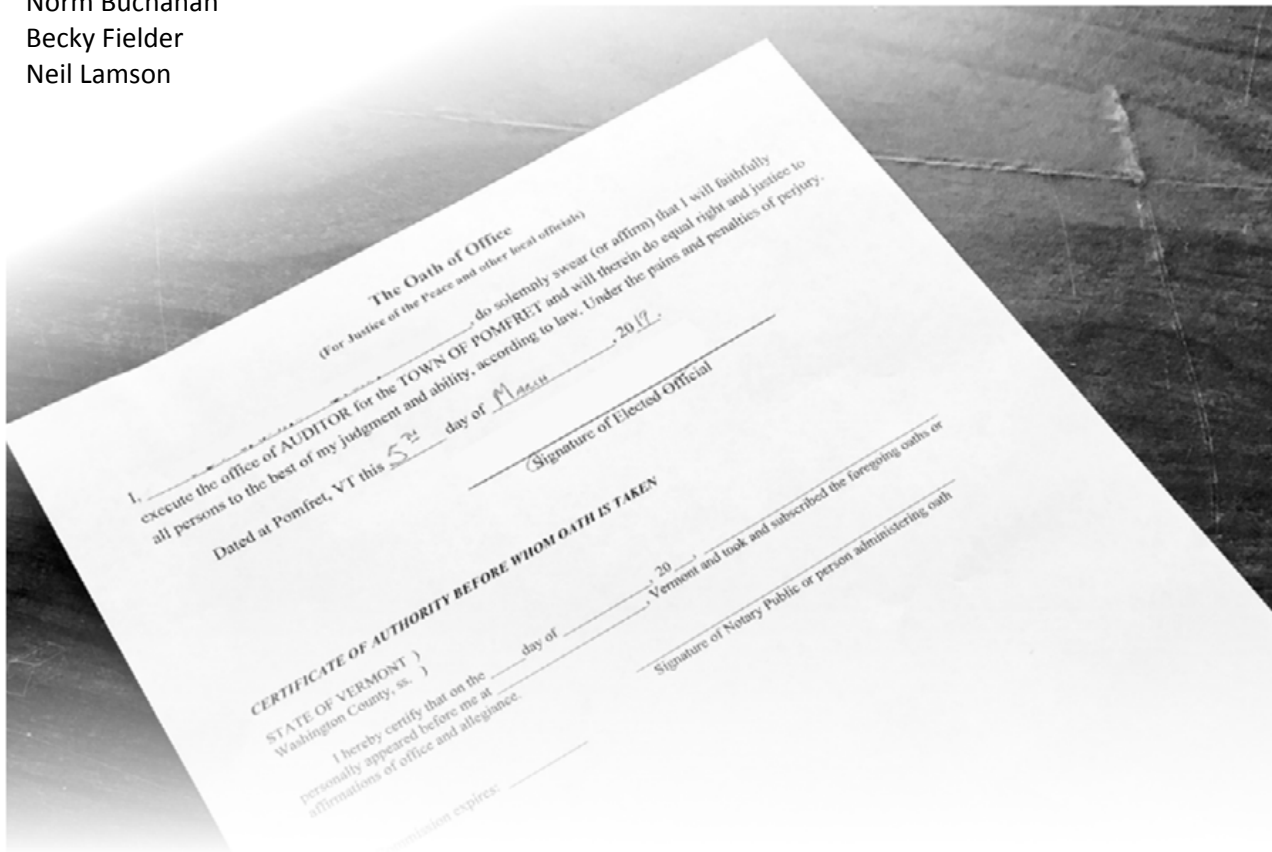
There are 587 taxable parcels in the Town of Pomfret. We also have 19 non-tax parcels, such as Town Hall, the Town Offices, the cemeteries, the garage, and other town owned land. There are two voted exemptions (the two Fire Department buildings); two partial Veteran exemptions, one partial Statutory exemption (Purple Crayon Productions, Inc. dba ArtisTree) and one special exemption (the lifts at Suicide Six, but not the land or buildings). There are 169 parcels enrolled in the current use program.

The current Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) is 105.22%. This year marks 11 years since the last town-wide reappraisal was completed. In light of this fact and the fluctuation over the past few years of our CLA and the COD (Coefficient of Dispersion, which is currently at 12.36%), the Listers are beginning the process of performing a new town-wide reappraisal. This will be a long process and we ask for the cooperation of all property owners as we work to make the property values as accurate, fair, and equitable as possible over the next 2 or so years.

Homestead Declarations (VT HS-122 form) are required annually by April 15th and are to be filed with your Vermont Income Tax forms or online. There is a penalty applied by the State for anyone filing after this date, and if not filed, your property tax will be calculated based on the non-residential rate. Filing an extension for your income taxes does NOT extend the deadline for the Homestead Declaration!

Pomfret's tax map as well as those of surrounding towns are available for viewing online at the State of Vermont's Interactive Map Viewer at <http://maps.vermont.gov/vcgi>. Once you have zoomed in to view Pomfret, the parcel data and imagery can be toggled on using the menu at the left of the page. Updates to the tax map are ongoing as surveys are recorded and land changes hands.

Respectfully submitted,
Norm Buchanan
Becky Fielder
Neil Lamson



GRAND LIST DATA SUMMARY

as of December 31, 2019

(Taxable properties only; State and Non-tax status properties are not included - see list below for "NON -TAX" parcels)

	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Residential Ed Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
<u>REAL ESTATE</u>					
Residential I	168	45,995,450	31,359,910	14,635,540	45,995,450
Residential II	290	230,907,670	88,107,431	142,800,239	230,907,670
Mobile Home-U	1	26,160	-	26,160	26,160
Mobile Home-L	4	377,160	238,890	138,270	377,160
Seasonal I	5	428,540	-	428,540	428,540
Seasonal II	5	2,786,120	-	2,786,120	2,786,120
Commercial	9	5,048,990	-	5,048,990	5,048,990
Commercial Apartments	1	761,050	-	761,050	761,050
Utilities-Electric	1	2,596,740	-	2,596,740	2,596,740
Farm	7	10,405,790	4,449,440	5,956,350	10,405,790
Other	1	175,880	-	175,880	175,880
Miscellaneous	95	27,073,810	553,770	26,520,040	27,073,810
TOTAL LISTED REAL ESTATE	587	326,583,360	124,709,441	201,873,919	326,583,360
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		326,583,360	124,709,441	201,873,919	326,583,360
<u>EXEMPTIONS</u>					
Veterans 10,000 or Less	1	20,000	10,000	10,000	20,000
Veterans 10,000 or More	1	60,000	-	-	-
Total Veterans	2	80,000	10,000	10,000	20,000
Grandfathered (<i>Fire Departments</i>)	2	425,000	-	425,000	425,000
Current Use	169	73,161,590	18,809,615	54,351,975	73,161,590
Special Exemptions (<i>Ski Area</i>)	1	-	-	703,320	703,320
Partial Statutory (<i>PCP Inc.</i>)	1	2,775,081	-	2,775,081	2,775,081
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS		76,441,671	18,819,615	58,265,376	77,084,991
LISTED VALUE MINUS EXEMPTIONS		250,141,689	105,889,826	143,608,543	249,498,369
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		2,501,416.89	(This amount equals 10% of the total Grand List)		
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			1,058,898.26	1,436,085.43	2,494,983.69
NON-TAX	19	THE FOLLOWING NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ABOVE:			
		Abbott Memorial Library		Pomfret School Land	
		Appalachian Trail		Pomfret Town Forest	
		Bunker Hill Cemetery		Pomfret Town Brick Building	
		Burns Cemetery		Pomfret Town Garage	
		Hewittville Cemetery		Pomfret Town Hall	
		North Pomfret Church		Pomfret Town Offices	
		North Pomfret Church Parsonage		Pomfret Town Picnic Area	
		Tax Sale parcel - Handy Road		The Prosper Valley (Pomfret) School	

CLERK'S REPORT

In 2019 our office received 259 documents for recording (including 39 property transfers), issued 7 marriage licenses, notarized 55 documents for townspeople, registered 201 dogs, sold 153 landfill permits and 208 punchcards, and registered 42 new voters.

This year there were two big legislative changes that directly affected the Town Clerk's office. The first change comes to how we process requests for certified copies of Vital Records (births and deaths). In order to receive a copy of a birth or death record, you must now fill out an application and attest that you are an authorized requestor (self, parent/guardian, spouse, child, etc.) of the record before the certified copy can be made. The cost is still \$10 per certified copy. Additionally, you can now request birth and death records from any Town Clerk in the State of Vermont, not just the town in which the record was originally filed.

The other change is the fee table for documents that are recorded in the land records. The fee to record documents has been increased to \$15 per page, and of that amount the law mandates that \$4 of each page fee needs to be put into a Restoration and Preservation Reserve Fund. Many towns have records that are aging and deteriorating, and the cost of restoring just one of our oldest land records books can run in the thousands. This Fund will ensure that towns have the necessary funding to preserve our vulnerable volumes. The money can also be used for digitization efforts, renovation of vaults, and purchasing supplies that directly relate to the preservation of the land records.

If you have questions about the legislative changes or are interested in learning more about our records preservation efforts, please feel free to stop in during regular office hours!

Becky Fielder
Town Clerk



CLERK'S DOG ACCOUNT REPORT

Fees from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

119	Neutered/Spayed	@ 10.00	\$1,190.00
14	Unaltered dogs	@ 14.00	\$196.00
59	Neutered/spayed with penalty	@ 12.00	\$708.00
9	Unaltered with penalty	@ 18.00	\$162.00
201 Dogs			\$2,256.00

NOTE – All dogs and wolf-hybrids, 6 months of age or older, must be licensed with the Town Clerk each year on or before April 1st. A current Rabies Certificate is required for licensing.

For the purposes of licensing a dog or wolf-hybrid, a current vaccination against rabies means that:

1. All dog and wolf-hybrid vaccinations recognized by state and local authorities shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian.
2. All dogs and wolf-hybrids over three months of age shall be vaccinated against rabies. The initial vaccination shall be valid for 12 months. Within 9 to 12 months of the initial vaccination, the animal must receive a booster vaccination.
3. All subsequent vaccinations following the initial vaccination shall be valid for 36 months.
4. All vaccinations, including the initial vaccination, shall be with a U.S. Department of Agriculture-approved vaccine product.



The number of dogs licensed this year is down from 206 dogs registered in 2018. **If you are a dog owner and do not register your dog, you are in violation of 20 V.S.A. Section 3590, which states that animals may be destroyed if not immunized and licensed.** Please make an effort to license your dogs each year on or before the April 1 deadline. Pomfret's dog ordinance dated October 1, 2014 is available from the Town Clerk or can be downloaded from our website at <http://pomfretvt.us> under the Documents tab.

VITAL STATISTICS

2019 Births

February 11	Agnes Lauridsen Morgan, daughter of Eric Morgan and Sarah Lauridsen
March 3	Fritz Hughes Amyx, son of Joel and Louise Amyx
July 11	Riley James Barger, daughter of James and Kelly Barger
July 16	Westley Aslan Fox, son of Timothy and Emily Fox
July 19	Briggs Christopher Benoit, son of Cyrus and Piper Benoit
September 4	Samuel Kenfield Gaeddert, son of John Gaeddert and Heather Durkel

2019 Marriages

June 22	Donald Lorne Keith and Claire Amelia Kawski, both of Pomfret, VT
July 21	Philip Thomas Frizzell and Kimberly Ellen Bean, both of Pomfret, VT
September 1	Hilary Fulton Post White and Benjamin Gerard Rampone, both of Providence, RI
September 6	Heidi Jo Bowley of Pomfret, VT and Francis Cadoret of Saint-Lambert de Lauzon, Québec
September 14	Daniel Christopher Workman and Leigh Ramsey Browning, both of Fort Collins, CO
September 21	Karen Lyn Hewitt of Pomfret, VT and Lee Walter Osnoe of Pittsford, VT
September 21	Kayla Jane Thibodeau and Daniel Hawkins Maxham, both of Pomfret, VT

2019 Deaths/Burials

February 7	Paula C. Maxham of Bridgewater, VT, age 71
February 12	Glendine M. Piper of Pomfret and Sharon, VT, age 93
February 21	Judith Andrews Repp of Pomfret, VT, age 89
March 29	Real J. Champagne of Bradford, VT, age 84
April 9	Lewis Perry Curtis of Pomfret, VT, age 86
May 22	Eva Slattery Martin of Pomfret, VT and Plattsburgh, NY, age 91
June 15	Edna T. Luce of Pomfret, VT, age 83
August 27	Charles Jackson III of West Haven, VT (formerly of Pomfret, VT), age 69
September 8	James King Kelly of Pomfret, VT and Manchester, NH, age 59
September 11	John "Jack" Crowl of Pomfret, VT, age 84
October 9	Coleman W. "Bill" Hoyt of Pomfret, VT, age 93
December 2	Carole T. Brown of Pomfret, VT, age 71
December 7	Joan H. Nichols of Pomfret, VT, age 76

VERMONT VITAL RECORDS LAW



The New Vital Records Law (Act 46) and What It Means for You

The Vermont Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records – namely, birth and death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth and death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage and tracking of birth and death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a Vermont birth or death certificate. **The changes went into effect on July 1, 2019.** The most notable changes are:

- Only family members (as defined in Act 46), legal guardians, certain court-appointed parties or legal representatives of any of these parties can apply to obtain a certified copy of a birth or death certificate. In the case of a death certificate only, the funeral home or crematorium handling disposition may apply for a certified copy.
- An individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for a certified copy of a birth or death certificate.
- An individual who refuses to complete the application or cannot provide valid identification will be ineligible and referred to the Vital Records Office.
- Certified copies of birth and death certificates can be ordered from any town, not just where the birth or death occurred or where the person was a resident.
- Certified copies will be issued on anti-fraud paper.
- Access to noncertified copies (previously called “informational” copies) is not significantly changed by the new law or rules.
- Marriage, civil union, divorce or dissolution certificate copies and processes are not affected by the new law or rules.

For text of Act 46, go to <https://bit.ly/2JDudmd>.



COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES REPORT

I was appointed the Collector of Delinquent Taxes in April 2016. I am continuously working with the delinquent properties in getting the past due taxes resolved.

While I do not hold regular office hours at the Town Office, please feel free to contact me at any time throughout the day at my phone number of 1-802-299-8211 or by email karen.hewitt@pomfretvt.us or if you wish to meet in person, we can schedule a time.

Karen Hewitt Osnoe
Collector of Delinquent Taxes

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT AS OF JUNE 30, 2019

Tax Year	Payment 1	Payment 2	Interest	Penalty	Other	Total
2012	-	4,384.47	3,444.32	350.76	-	8,179.55
2013	5,848.94	5,848.94	8,130.11	935.82	-	20,763.81
2014	5,222.21	5,222.21	5,900.86	835.56	-	17,180.84
2015	6,589.76	6,589.76	5,733.91	1,054.36	-	19,967.79
2016-17	17,647.21	18,493.35	11,539.28	2,891.26	921.40	51,492.50
2017-18	22,394.87	25,513.93	9,439.90	3,832.67	-	61,181.37
2018-19	29,844.60	40,669.94	5,283.26	5,641.17	-	81,438.97
TOTALS	87,547.59	106,722.60	49,471.64	15,541.60	921.40	260,204.83



SELECTBOARD REPORT

This past year of 2019 was a busy year in Pomfret. We have a new Road Foreman. Jim Potter returned after a few years away while working in private business. We are delighted to have him back. His experience and knowledge are invaluable.

The Town completed several Highway projects with the help of various grants. The Rudge Road project of new culverts, lining ditches with stone and cutting a few trees to make travel safer was completed with the help of a state water quality grant. Two large culverts were replaced on Caper Street, one that had washed out in the 2017 storm and one that was failing, with the help of another grant. The Town also replaced the Cloudland Road bridge near the Pomfret Town line with the assistance of a structures grant from the State of Vermont. Several roads were damaged in an April storm event and all that damage has been repaired. The Town expects to be reimbursed for most of the costs through the FEMA Public Assistant (PA) grant program, as well as the Vermont Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund (ERAF). We also completed a culvert and erosion inventory with the help of the Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission and a grant opportunity through TRORC. We have received another grant to work on part of Bunker Hill next summer and we were able to purchase a hydro-seeder with the aid of an equipment grant.

The board would like to thank Frank Perron for his patience and persistence. Through Frank's efforts, the Town purchased small parcel of land adjacent to the Town garage. We hope that in the future that acquisition will allow improvements to the LaBounty and Pomfret Road intersection, making that intersection safer for both the public and Town Highway employees.

The Town replaced the slate roof on the brick building with local slate and the electrical system has been tied into that of the Town offices so that our generator will feed both in case of a power outage. A fiber optic line has also been added to the brick building. We also hope to get the Town garage repaired and painted and the back of the Town Hall painted as well. There is a small amount of work left to do on the exterior of the brick building.

Our Delinquent Tax Collector, Karen Hewitt-Osnoe has been busy getting us caught up on taxes that are overdue. She continues with that project with fewer properties on her list. We also contracted with a human resources consultant to assess our policies and procedures for compliance with various state and federal laws and to assist the board in improving its HR practices. We expect to have her work on special projects that need attention.

We have many projects on our list for 2020. The biggest is the Howe Hill Road rebuild. Sharon and Pomfret are working together on the coordination of the bid and the project. The project will be completed in the summer of 2020.

We want to thank all those willing to take a public office and those that volunteer their time in various capacities that make this town a wonderful place to live. Your many hours of service do not go unnoticed. Thank you.

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
	TOWN REVENUES						
	Taxes Current Year (100-6-10-00-300)						
5	Current Year Taxes*	922,493	903,067	4,524,620	911,563	4,281,560	973,853
6	School Tax Adjustment	-	-	-	-	11,148	-
7	Act 68 funds paid to State	-	-	(1,892,204)	-	(1,673,514)	-
8	School Tax Pd to School	-	-	(1,848,654)	-	(1,775,095)	-
9	School tax-Admin fee	-	-	(8,437)	-	(7,777)	-
10	Appropriation to Highway Fund	(856,341)	(827,600)	(795,400)	(795,400)	(774,000)	(774,000)
11	TOTAL TAXES CURRENT YEAR	66,152	75,467	(20,075)	116,163	62,322	199,853
12	<i>* Actual "current year taxes" includes both town and education tax revenues; Budget "current year taxes" includes only town tax revenues.</i>						
	Other Town Revenues						
20	Other Taxes (100-6-10-00-305)	285,354	294,300	427,137	264,300	383,590	239,255
27	Penalties and Interest (Taxes) (100-6-10-00-310)	10,000	3,500	29,525	3,500	16,367	6,000
32	Earnings on Accounts (100-6-10-05-315)	2,000	500	2,827	500	2,415	1,000
48	Income Accounts (100-6-10-10-320)	12,135	10,285	14,518	11,155	8,175	11,145
55	Town Permits (100-6-10-15-325)	1,850	1,900	2,802	1,400	2,054	1,425
62	Misc. Income (100-6-10-20-340)	10,592	1,000	953	3,000	1,213	4,000
67	State Funds and Other Grants (100-6-20-00-355)	607	-	607	-	747	-
71	Tax Sale Income (100-6-35-00-360)	-	-	28,350	-	-	-
75	Transfers (100-6-40-00-365)	-	85	-	-	85	-
79	Public Safety (100-6-50-40)	-	-	128	-	960	-
	TOTAL OTHER TOWN REVENUES	322,538	311,570	506,848	283,855	415,606	262,825
81	TOTAL TOWN REVENUES	388,690	387,037	486,773	400,018	477,928	462,678
	TOWN EXPENDITURES						
	Town Expenditures						
92	Clerk (100-7-10-10)	40,180	38,150	34,794	38,150	37,524	39,900
102	Financial Management (100-7-10-15)	47,630	46,500	41,065	46,500	40,750	46,000
111	Listers (100-7-10-20)	20,650	20,150	14,316	20,150	21,629	24,400
128	Other Officers (100-7-10-25)	48,660	54,510	31,249	52,816	42,751	48,476
144	Municipal Office (100-7-10-30)	26,800	22,300	20,706	23,150	24,568	27,400
148	Extraordinary Expenses (100-7-10-45)	14,000	6,000	16,410	6,000	6,604	6,000
155	Assessments (100-7-10-55)	32,380	32,344	32,013	32,297	29,691	33,283
164	Town Hall (100-7-10-65)	8,950	7,450	6,221	10,750	7,477	18,050
172	Brick Building (100-7-20-33)	2,500	1,500	1,480	1,700	962	2,500
184	Misc Town Expenses (100-7-20-35)	8,175	7,260	7,465	7,260	7,668	10,950
214	Fire Department (100-7-30-40)	57,115	44,975	44,683	44,975	Included in Voted Appropriations	
221	Contract Services (100-7-30-42)	88,652	56,196	42,552	55,640	45,485	55,812
227	Fast Squad (100-7-30-44)	3,000	3,000	-	6,000	-	Incl. in Voted Approps.
233	Communications and Disaster (100-7-30-46)	800	1,000	355	800	343	800
237	Municipal Special Projects (100-7-90-75)	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-
243	Reserve Accounts	5,000	10,000	25,000	25,000	66,746	66,746
246	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	405,492	352,335	318,308	371,188	332,196	380,317

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
267	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	69,579	67,326	65,576	65,576	113,107	119,107
269	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	475,071	419,661	383,884	436,764	445,303	499,424
271	TOWN REVENUES LESS TOWN EXPENDITURES AND LESS VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	(86,381)	(32,624)	102,889	(36,746)	32,624	(36,746)
273	BEGINNING GENERAL FUND BALANCE			106,116		73,492	
274	ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE*			209,005		106,116	
275	<i>General Fund Balance Change</i>			102,889		32,624	

277 * \$32,624 of the FY 2019 ending General Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2020. As a result, the unassigned General Fund Balance is \$176,381, a portion of which amount is proposed to be used to reduce FY 2021 taxes to be raised. See Line 271. See also Warning Article 11.

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HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
	HIGHWAY REVENUES						
5	Appropriation from General Fund	856,341	827,600	795,400	795,400	774,000	774,000
6	Transfer in from HWY Rainy Day Fund #475	-	-	-	-	26,793	-
7	State Aid - Highways	132,500	132,500	132,707	132,500	132,746	132,500
8	Grant: VLTC garage security	-	-	-	-	2,519	-
9	River Road Stabilization	-	-	-	-	31,200	-
10	Grant: Scoping Study	-	-	3,441	-	5,399	-
11	Grant: Bartlett Brook	-	-	-	-	16,400	-
12	ST grant Handy Rd Slide B	-	-	42,618	-	-	-
13	Grants-Allen Hill culvert	-	-	3,408	-	-	-
14	FEMA 4445DR April 15, 2019 Storm	60,000	-	-	-	-	-
15	Highway Interest Income	-	-	910	-	398	-
16	Highway Misc. Income	-	-	553	-	152	-
17	Transfer from Guardrail Fund #426	-	-	-	-	2,471	-
18	TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES	1,048,841	960,100	979,037	927,900	992,079	906,500
	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES						
33	Labor and Benefits (150-7-10-70)	280,750	247,100	211,367	239,000	218,936	236,900
40	Insurance (150-7-15-85)	29,300	29,300	28,459	25,000	28,061	32,250
53	Materials (150-7-20-75)	267,000	259,000	241,580	248,000	345,143	235,750
65	Small Equipment (150-7-30-80)	65,500	68,300	49,903	67,000	68,050	62,800
69	Large Equipment Maint and Repair (150-7-35-05)	35,000	25,000	66,219	25,000	35,684	35,000
77	Garage Building (150-7-40-83)	14,400	13,300	20,964	13,300	10,648	15,600
84	Contracts (150-7-50-90)	28,500	35,000	3,535	235,000	21,600	35,000
100	Special Projects and Grants (150-7-50-93)	1,750	10,000	30,834	2,500	150,970	2,500
105	Highway Reserves (150-7-95-50)	377,600	273,100	73,100	73,100	250,700	250,700
107	TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	1,099,800	960,100	725,961	927,900	1,129,794	906,500
109	HIGHWAY REVENUES LESS HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	(50,959)	-	253,076	-	(137,715)	-
111	BEGINNING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE			-		137,715	
112	ENDING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE*			253,076		-	
113	<i>Highway Fund Balance Change</i>			<i>253,076</i>		<i>(137,715)</i>	

115 * \$201,299 of the FY 2019 ending Highway Fund Balance was used to pay repaving expenses budgeted in FY 2019 and incurred in FY 2020. As a result, the unassigned Highway Fund Balance is \$51,777, most of which amount is proposed to be used to offset highway expenditures in FY 2021. See Line 109.

FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET NARRATIVE

The combined FY21 Town and Highway budget of \$1,574,871 is 14.1% higher than FY20's total budget of \$1,379,761 (including voted appropriations, except for \$10,397 for the regional energy coordinator). Highway Fund spending and a sharp increase in the annual ambulance fee account for a majority of the \$195,110 increased spending with an additional \$100,000 appropriation to the Highway Paving Reserve Fund that will go toward the Howe Hill Rd. reclaiming and repaving project. If all voted appropriations pass, including the regional energy coordinator appropriation, the amount to be raised in taxes for FY21 will be 3.3% higher than FY20 (\$932,890 vs. \$903,067).

The General Fund finished FY19 with an unassigned fund balance of \$176,381, substantially higher than the previous FY18 unassigned fund balance of \$32,624. A primary driver of the increase is collection of delinquent taxes, which has averaged \$117,908 per year since 2016. The Selectboard proposes that voters approve re-appropriating the unassigned fund balance in the following ways: \$86,381 to offset and stabilize the amount to be raised in taxes and \$90,000 to be re-appropriated to the Highway Paving Reserve Fund to help cover anticipated costs of the Howe Hill Rd. reclaiming and repaving project. As noted in last year's report, the institution of "Rainy Day" Reserve Funds for the General and Highway Funds should allow the board to better control the amount carried over from year to year for beginning of the year expenses and unanticipated expenditures. The Town anticipates holding about \$258,000 in unreserved balances within the respective "Rainy Day" Reserve Funds (\$83,758 for General Fund purposes and \$174,175 for Highway Fund purposes).

Including all voted appropriations, except the regional energy coordinator appropriation, the proposed FY21 General Fund budget is 13.2% higher than the FY20 budget (\$475,071 vs. \$419,661) and substantially above the five-year moving average of \$446,620. Increased spending in the General Fund largely consists of \$12,000 for building improvements for the Fire Department and an increase of \$32,544 for ambulance coverage from Woodstock. Operating expenses continue to gradually rise, mainly due to increases in healthcare, wages and professional services. The board increased the budget for professional services to account for rising professional service costs and the hiring of a Human Resources consultant to assist the Town with improving its human resources practices.

The proposed FY21 Highway Fund budget is 14.6% higher than the FY20 budget (\$1,099,800 vs. \$960,100) and above the moving five-year average of \$957,871. The increased spending of \$139,700 is primarily attributable to the aforementioned addition of \$100,000 to the Paving Reserve and an additional \$25,000 in gross labor costs for increased part-time labor and increases wages for the Highway Crew. Other costs have increased as well, including fringe benefits, but some of the costs will be offset by projected reductions in large equipment maintenance expenditures (due to the anticipated purchase of two new trucks) and a slight reduction in material costs. The Board will use \$50,959 from the Highway Fund balance to offset FY21 expenditures in the Highway Fund.

We continue to do our best to limit the creation of surpluses, a pattern that has existed for the last several years. The board will continue to refine its budgeting process while focusing on those areas of the budget that warrant the greatest attention and need.

Emily Grube, Chair
Steve Chamberlin
Frank E. Perron, Jr.
John Peters, Jr.
Scott Woodward

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
TOWN REVENUES (100-6)						
Taxes Current Year (100-6-10-00-300)						
Current Year Taxes*	922,493	903,067	4,524,620	911,563	4,281,560	973,853
School Tax Adjustment	-	-	-	-	11,148	-
Act 68 funds paid to State	-	-	(1,892,204)	-	(1,673,514)	-
School Tax Pd to School	-	-	(1,848,654)	-	(1,775,095)	-
School tax-Admin fee	-	-	(8,437)	-	(7,777)	-
Appropriation to Highway Fund	(856,341)	(827,600)	(795,400)	(795,400)	(774,000)	(774,000)
TOTAL TAXES CURRENT YEAR	66,152	75,467	(20,075)	116,163	62,322	199,853
<i>* Actual "current year taxes" includes both town and education tax revenues; Budget "current year taxes" includes only town tax revenues.</i>						
Other Taxes (100-6-10-00-305)						
Prior Years Delinquent	-	-	127,657	-	81,319	-
Appalachian Trail in lieu of taxes	7,000	3,500	7,487	3,500	7,326	3,000
Current Use Reimbursement	268,354	280,000	280,539	250,000	283,738	225,000
VT State in Land in lieu of taxes	3,000	3,800	3,017	3,800	3,430	4,255
School tax collection fee	7,000	7,000	8,437	7,000	7,777	7,000
TOTAL OTHER TAXES	285,354	294,300	427,137	264,300	383,590	239,255
Penalties and Interest (Taxes) (100-6-10-00-310)						
Interest Current Year Tax	5,000	500	15,875	500	1,364	500
Interest Prior Years	-	1,500	342	1,500	6,749	1,500
Late Penalty 8% Curr Tx	5,000	500	12,928	500	1,484	3,000
Late Penalty 8% Prior Yrs	-	1,000	380	1,000	6,770	1,000
TOTAL PENALTIES AND INTEREST (TAXES)	10,000	3,500	29,525	3,500	16,367	6,000
Earnings on Accounts (100-6-10-05-315)						
Checking Acct Interest	2,000	500	2,827	500	1,718	500
Other income from account	-	-	-	-	697	500
TOTAL EARNINGS ON ACCOUNTS	2,000	500	2,827	500	2,415	1,000
Income Accounts (100-6-10-10-320)						
Recording	13,000	8,000	10,015	8,000	6,976	8,000
Restoration and Preservation Reserve Fund	(4,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Copying	1,500	1,500	1,863	1,500	1,916	1,500
Landfill Coupons Rcpts	13,800	12,000	12,768	12,000	13,569	12,000
Landfill Coupons-Cost	(13,800)	(12,000)	(11,780)	(12,000)	(16,026)	(12,000)
Marriage-CU License Rcpts	300	300	40	270	530	270
Marriage-CU Licenses-Cost	(250)	(300)	(100)	(210)	(550)	(210)
Dog Licenses Rcpts	2,000	1,200	2,312	2,000	2,234	2,000
Dog Licenses-Cost	(1,200)	(1,200)	(1,130)	(1,200)	(1,194)	(1,200)
Liquor Licenses	185	185	185	185	255	185
Auto Reg Fees	-	-	-	10	-	-
Rent Town Hall	500	500	250	500	400	500
Land posting fees	100	100	95	100	65	100
TOTAL INCOME ACCOUNTS	12,135	10,285	14,518	11,155	8,175	11,145

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
49							
50	Town Permits (100-6-10-15-325)						
51	Access	100	100	200	100	50	100
52	Excess Weight	250	300	245	300	270	325
53	Ridgeline	750	-	2,357	-	-	-
54	Misc. Bldg. and Zoning Permits	750	1,500	-	1,000	1,734	1,000
55	TOTAL TOWN PERMITS	1,850	1,900	2,802	1,400	2,054	1,425
56							
57	Misc. Income (100-6-10-20-340)						
58	Charitable Donations	10,092	-	-	-	-	-
59	Misc. Select Board	-	-	98	-	-	-
60	Misc. Town Clerk	-	-	439	-	20	-
61	Traffic Fines	500	1,000	416	3,000	1,193	4,000
62	TOTAL MISC. INCOME	10,592	1,000	953	3,000	1,213	4,000
63							
64	State Funds and Other Grants (100-6-20-00-355)						
65	Reimburse Listers	-	-	-	-	140	-
66	Tax Equalization Income	607	-	607	-	607	-
67	TOTAL STATE FUNDS AND OTHER GRANTS	607	-	607	-	747	-
68							
69	Tax Sale Income (100-6-35-00-360)						
70	Tax Sale Proceeds	-	-	28,350	-	-	-
71	TOTAL TAX SALE INCOME	-	-	28,350	-	-	-
72							
73	Transfers (100-6-40-00-365)						
74	From LaBounty Fund	-	85	-	-	85	-
75	TOTAL TRANSFERS	-	85	-	-	85	-
76							
77	Public Safety (100-6-50-40)						
78	Insurance Reimbursement	-	-	128	-	960	-
79	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	-	-	128	-	960	-
80							
81	TOTAL TOWN REVENUES	388,690	387,037	486,773	400,018	477,928	462,678
82							
83	TOWN EXPENDITURES (100-7)						
84							
85	Clerk (100-7-10-10)						
86	Clerk Salary	25,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000
87	Clerical Assistant	3,500	3,500	1,620	3,500	2,225	2,500
88	Clerk Insurance	9,330	7,900	7,988	7,900	7,563	7,500
89	Clerk Gen Exp	300	200	176	200	38	200
90	Permanent Records Maintenance	1,200	1,200	379	1,200	3,697	4,500
91	Record Books and Supplies	850	1,350	630	1,350	3	1,200
92	TOTAL CLERK	40,180	38,150	34,794	38,150	37,524	39,900
93							
94	Financial Management (100-7-10-15)						
95	Treas Salary	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	24,000	24,000

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
96	Tax Collector	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	-
97	Bookkeeper	19,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	-	-
98	Asst. to Treasurer/Bookkeeper	7,500	7,500	4,385	7,500	6,400	7,500
99	Treas Insurance	9,330	7,900	7,954	7,900	7,122	7,500
100	Treas General Expense	800	1,100	337	1,100	730	1,000
101	Accounting Support	5,000	6,000	4,389	6,000	2,498	6,000
102	TOTAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	47,630	46,500	41,065	46,500	40,750	46,000
103							
104	Listers (100-7-10-20)						
105	Listers Payroll	15,000	15,000	12,444	15,000	11,883	15,000
106	Listers Education and Dues	600	600	-	600	60	5,000
107	Listers mileage	150	150	-	150	109	600
108	Listers Gen Exp	150	150	120	150	241	150
109	Listers software: Proval	2,250	2,250	1,752	2,250	2,426	1,650
110	Tax mapping	2,500	2,000	-	2,000	6,910	2,000
111	TOTAL LISTERS	20,650	20,150	14,316	20,150	21,629	24,400
112							
113	Other Officers (100-7-10-25)						
114	Select Board	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
115	Select Board Gen Exp	500	500	337	500	195	500
116	Select Board Admin Asst	10,000	15,600	608	15,600	9,405	13,260
117	Board of Auditors	9,000	9,000	4,208	9,000	7,765	9,000
118	Constable and Expense	500	1,250	120	1,250	722	1,250
119	Delinquent Tax Collector	2,500	2,500	3,125	2,500	1,964	2,500
120	Zoning Administrator	5,000	3,500	5,855	3,500	3,725	3,500
121	Trustees of Public Funds	600	600	-	600	-	600
122	Town's Cost SS and Med	9,300	9,300	7,599	7,506	9,256	7,506
123	Pub Officials Liab Insurance	2,200	2,200	3,887	4,000	2,141	4,000
124	Workers Comp	400	400	510	400	-	400
125	Select Board Admin. Asst. Exp	660	660	-	660	-	660
126	ZBA and Admin Exp	1,000	500	-	2,000	2,577	-
127	Planning Comm Exp	2,000	3,500	-	300	-	300
128	TOTAL OTHER OFFICERS	48,660	54,510	31,249	52,816	42,751	48,476
129							
130	Municipal Office (100-7-10-30)						
131	Cleaning	2,000	2,000	1,940	2,000	1,443	2,000
132	Town Office Building Maintenance	3,000	3,000	640	1,300	3,995	7,500
133	Insurance	2,700	2,700	1,763	2,500	5,197	2,200
134	Telephone-Internet	1,300	1,300	899	1,300	1,224	900
135	Postage and Envelopes	2,500	1,500	2,589	2,250	1,457	2,000
136	Town Offices: Supplies	1,500	1,500	793	1,500	1,295	1,500
137	Town Office Electricity	1,500	1,500	1,367	1,800	1,469	1,800
138	Propane	1,600	1,600	1,466	1,800	1,328	1,800
139	NEMRC Support	5,000	2,000	2,058	2,250	1,998	2,000
140	Office 365 Software	2,000	2,000	1,836	2,250	2,031	2,000
141	Computer Services/Cloud Backup	2,000	1,500	3,956	2,000	1,496	2,000
142	Other New Equip/Copier lease	1,700	1,700	1,398	2,000	1,634	1,500

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1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
143	Misc Mun Office Exp	-	-	-	200	-	200
144	TOTAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE	26,800	22,300	20,706	23,150	24,568	27,400
145							
146	Extraordinary Expenses (100-7-10-45)						
147	Legal and Professional Fees	14,000	6,000	16,410	6,000	6,604	6,000
148	TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES	14,000	6,000	16,410	6,000	6,604	6,000
149							
150	Assessments (100-7-10-55)						
151	Windsor County Tax	19,000	19,000	18,705	19,000	18,472	18,472
152	GUVSWMD waste dues	9,944	9,944	9,944	9,944	9,944	11,500
153	VLCT Dues	2,053	2,053	2,053	2,053	-	2,011
154	Two Rivers	1,383	1,347	1,311	1,300	1,275	1,300
155	TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	32,380	32,344	32,013	32,297	29,691	33,283
156							
157	Town Hall (100-7-10-65)						
158	Misc and Cleaning, Town Hall	300	300	-	300	372	200
159	Repairs and Maintenance, Town Hall	2,000	1,000	-	5,000	330	10,000
160	Insurance	2,700	2,700	2,379	2,500	2,352	3,500
161	Electricity, Town Hall	750	750	637	750	594	1,000
162	Propane, Town Hall	200	200	202	200	74	350
163	Fuel Oil, Town Hall	3,000	2,500	3,003	2,000	3,755	3,000
164	TOTAL TOWN HALL	8,950	7,450	6,221	10,750	7,477	18,050
165							
166	Brick Building (100-7-20-33)						
167	Brick Bldg Maintenance and Repair	1,000	-	292	-	35	1,000
168	Brick Bldg exp	1,500	1,500	-	1,700	-	1,500
169	Brick Bldg - insurance	-	-	599	-	352	-
170	Brick Bldg - electricity	-	-	263	-	243	-
171	Brick Bldg - propane	-	-	326	-	331	-
172	TOTAL BRICK BUILDING	2,500	1,500	1,480	1,700	962	2,500
173							
174	Misc Town Expenses (100-7-20-35)						
175	Grounds Maintenance	2,500	1,500	2,400	1,500	480	1,500
176	LaBounty Funds	-	85	-	85	-	-
177	Bank Fees and Service Charges	25	25	69	25	36	-
178	Town Report Printing and Mailing	1,400	1,400	2,050	1,400	1,139	1,200
179	Published Legal Notices	2,000	2,000	1,368	2,000	1,288	2,000
180	Ed Conferences/Mileage	1,500	1,500	1,420	1,500	755	1,500
181	Signs and Posts (911)	250	250	158	250	71	250
182	Misc Gen Exp	500	500	-	500	-	500
183	School Plowing and Contracted Expenses	-	-	-	-	3,900	4,000
184	TOTAL MISC. TOWN EXPENSES	8,175	7,260	7,465	7,260	7,668	10,950
185							
186	Fire Department (100-7-30-40)						
187	Buildings Maintenance	13,600		1,269	1,500		
188	FD: septic systems	300		-	300		

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1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
189	Insurance	17,500		15,933	17,500		
190	Pomfret FD phone:3730	1,300		1,033	1,300		
191	Teago FD phone: 1125	1,100		846	1,100		
192	FD Training, conf, mileage	1,000		220	1,000		
193	FD alarm systems	875		432	875		
194	Supplies	500		740	1,300		
195	FD vehicle gasoline	200		96	200		
196	Vehicle Maintenance	-		-	-		
197	FD mini pumper maintenance	2,000		530	2,000		
198	PFD Rescue Vehicle	350		141	350		
199	PFD Engine 1	2,000		4,237	2,000		
200	Teago Engine 2	1,200		3,649	1,200		
201	Emergency Reporting	-		-	-		
202	Administration	800		-	800		
203	Electricity--Pomfret FD	1,250		1,402	1,250		
204	Electricity--Teago FD	1,250		1,150	1,250		
205	Propane Pomfret Fire Dept	3,500		3,242	3,000		
206	Teago FD propane	50		-	50		
207	Heating oil, Teago FD	3,500		3,355	3,000		
208	Equip (Hose, Tools etc)	1,300		2,161	-		
209	SCBA and Gas Meter	1,240		811	1,200		
210	Traffic Control Devices	-		-	1,500		
211	Turnout Gear	2,000		3,435	2,000		
212	Membership/Subscriptions	300		-	300		
213	Dispatch Fees	-		-	-		
214	TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	57,115	44,975	44,683	44,975		
215							
216	Contract Services (100-7-30-42)						
217	Ambulance Service Assessment	63,280	30,736	29,832	29,832	28,928	28,928
218	Unpaid Ambulance Bills	1,200	1,200	-	2,000	2,370	4,000
219	Dispatch Fees	2,172	2,260	1,808	1,808	1,356	1,356
220	Sheriff's Patrol/VT State Police	22,000	22,000	10,912	22,000	12,831	21,528
221	TOTAL CONTRACT SERVICES	88,652	56,196	42,552	55,640	45,485	55,812
222							
223	Fast Squad (100-7-30-44)						
224	FAST Squad: conf, train, mileage	1,500	1,500	-	2,000	-	
225	FAST Operating Expenses	-	-	-	3,000	-	
226	FAST Squad supplies	1,500	1,500	-	1,000	-	
227	TOTAL FAST SQUAD	3,000	3,000	-	6,000	-	
228							
229	Communications and Disaster (100-7-30-46)						
230	Repeater expenses	500	500	-	-	343	-
231	Training, conf, mileage	-	200	-	500	-	500
232	Repeater electricity	300	300	355	300	-	300
233	TOTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND DISASTER	800	1,000	355	800	343	800

Fire Department FY 2020 Budget was not itemized. See Total below.

Fire Department was funded in FY 2018 by voted appropriation. See Line 264 below.
For an itemization of FY 2018 actual expenses, see the Fire Department Operating Account Detail elsewhere in this annual report.

Fire Department was funded in FY 2018 by voted appropriation. See Line 264 below.

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1		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
234							
235	Municipal Special Projects (100-7-90-75)						
236	Veterans Memorial	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-
237	TOTAL MUNICIPAL SPECIAL PROJECTS	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-
238							
239	Reserve Accounts						
240	Reappraisal Reserve #160	5,000	10,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
241	Communications Reserve #410	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
242	Building Reserve #452*	-	-	10,000	10,000	46,746	46,746
243	TOTAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS	5,000	10,000	25,000	25,000	66,746	66,746
244	<i>* FY 2018 Budget includes \$36,746 appropriated by separate warning article. See Page 4 of the 2018 Annual Report.</i>						
245							
246	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	405,492	352,335	318,308	371,188	332,196	380,317
247							
248	VOTED APPROPRIATIONS (100-7)						
249							
250	Voted Appropriations (100-7-95-50)						
251	<i>Town Entities</i>						
252	Abbott Memorial Library	41,500	40,547	40,547	40,547	39,828	39,828
253	Cemetery Appropriation	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	9,500	9,500
254							
255	<i>Social Service Entities</i>						
256	Visiting Nurses of VT and NH	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950
257	Thompson Senior Center	3,800	3,400	3,250	3,250	3,200	3,200
258	Woodstock Area Job Bank	300	300	300	300	300	300
259	Healthcare and Rehabilitation Services	979	979	979	979	979	979
260	Empower Up - Windsor Central Mentoring Program	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
261	Spectrum Teen Center	750	750	750	750	750	750
262	Pentangle Arts Council	900	900	900	900	900	900
263	WISE of Upper Valley	400	-	400	400	400	400
264	Pomfret/Teago Fire Department	-	-	-	-	50,800	50,800
265	Pomfret FAST Squad	-	-	-	-	-	6,000
266	Ottawaquechee Health Foundation	2,500	2,000	-	-	-	-
267	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	69,579	67,326	65,576	65,576	113,107	119,107
268							
269	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	475,071	419,661	383,884	436,764	445,303	499,424
270							
271	TOWN REVENUES LESS TOWN EXPENDITURES AND LESS VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	(86,381)	(32,624)	102,889	(36,746)	32,624	(36,746)
272							
273	BEGINNING GENERAL FUND BALANCE			106,116		73,492	
274	ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE*			209,005		106,116	
275	<i>General Fund Balance Change</i>			<i>102,889</i>		<i>32,624</i>	
276							

* \$32,624 of the FY 2019 ending General Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2020. As a result, the unassigned General Fund Balance is \$176,381, a portion of which amount is proposed to be used to reduce FY 2021 taxes to be raised. See Line 271. See also Warning Article 11.

HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
1						
2	HIGHWAY REVENUES (150-6)					
3						
4	Highway Revenue (150-6-10-00)					
5	Appropriation from General Fund	856,341	827,600	795,400	795,400	774,000
6	Transfer in from HWY Rainy Day Fund #475	-	-	-	-	26,793
7	State Aid - Highways	132,500	132,500	132,707	132,500	132,746
8	Grant: VLTC garage security	-	-	-	-	2,519
9	River Road Stabilization	-	-	-	-	31,200
10	Grant: Scoping Study	-	-	3,441	-	5,399
11	Grant: Bartlett Brook	-	-	-	-	16,400
12	ST grant Handy Rd Slide B	-	-	42,618	-	-
13	Grants-Allen Hill culvert	-	-	3,408	-	-
14	FEMA 4445DR April 15, 2019 Storm	60,000	-	-	-	-
15	Highway Interest Income	-	-	910	-	398
16	Highway Misc. Income	-	-	553	-	152
17	Transfer from Guardrail Fund #426	-	-	-	-	2,471
18	TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES	1,048,841	960,100	979,037	927,900	992,079
19						
20	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES (150-7)					
21						
22	Labor and Benefits (150-7-10-70)					
23	Gross Pay	165,000	155,000	152,181	180,000	165,971
24	Part-time Labor	30,000	15,000	-	-	233
25	FICA Social Security	9,900	10,000	8,957	10,000	9,486
26	Medicare Expense	2,200	2,200	2,095	2,200	2,218
27	Retirement Expense	9,500	9,500	10,576	9,000	9,485
28	Health Ins. - Town's Cost	54,350	51,600	36,607	35,000	30,251
29	Disability insurance	1,500	1,500	889	1,500	1,198
30	Employee tax on Disabilit	-	-	42	-	-
31	Drug and Alcohol Test/DOT	300	300	-	300	95
32	Protective Clothing/Supplies/Uniforms	8,000	2,000	20	1,000	-
33	TOTAL LABOR AND BENEFITS	280,750	247,100	211,367	239,000	218,936
34						
35	Insurance (150-7-15-85)					
36	Property and Liability Insurance	9,300	9,300	9,270	10,000	11,776
37	Workers Compensation Insurance	18,000	18,000	17,993	13,000	15,054
38	Unemployment Insurance	1,000	1,000	373	1,500	889
39	Highway, conf, training and mileage	1,000	1,000	824	500	342
40	TOTAL INSURANCE	29,300	29,300	28,459	25,000	28,061
41						
42	Materials (150-7-20-75)					
43	Salt	75,000	61,000	74,737	61,000	62,474
44	Sand	-	-	28,404	55,000	-
45	Manufactured Sand	70,000	65,000	26,281	-	13,709
46	Crushed Stone	85,000	80,000	94,184	80,000	244,121
47	Chloride	12,000	19,000	8,010	19,000	10,170
48	Cold Patch and Hot Mix	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	-

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1		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
49	Culverts and Headwalls	8,000	7,000	7,940	7,000	7,430	7,000
50	Bandrail	5,000	5,000	-	4,000	-	5,000
51	Signs, snow fence and posts	10,000	20,000	488	20,000	6,566	12,750
52	Highway Misc.	1,000	1,000	1,535	1,000	675	500
53	TOTAL MATERIALS	267,000	259,000	241,580	248,000	345,143	235,750
54							
55	Small Equipment (150-7-30-80)						
56	Diesel	32,000	32,000	30,090	30,000	32,094	30,000
57	Gasoline (small equip)	100	100	118	200	-	200
58	Diesel Exhaust Fluid	500	500	426	750	424	1,000
59	Shop, oil, small tools, etc.	10,000	12,000	8,273	10,000	11,743	10,000
60	Tires and Chains	13,500	16,000	7,728	16,000	18,337	12,000
61	Blades, Shoes, Rake Teeth	7,000	6,000	1,500	7,000	4,578	7,000
62	Rented Equipment	1,000	1,000	275	1,500	275	1,800
63	Radios and Cellphones	1,400	600	1,493	800	598	700
64	Garage Computer and expense	-	100	-	750	-	100
65	TOTAL SMALL EQUIPMENT	65,500	68,300	49,903	67,000	68,050	62,800
66							
67	Large Equipment Maint and Repair (150-7-35-05)						
68	Large Equipment Maint and Repair	35,000	25,000	66,219	25,000	35,684	35,000
69	TOTAL LARGE EQUIPMENT MAINT AND REPAIR	35,000	25,000	66,219	25,000	35,684	35,000
70							
71	Garage Building (150-7-40-83)						
72	Garage Utilities	1,500	1,500	788	1,500	832	1,000
73	Garage Building and Grounds	5,000	5,000	12,855	5,000	3,141	8,000
74	Telephone	600	600	465	600	456	400
75	Garage electricity	1,300	1,200	1,309	1,200	1,129	1,200
76	Garage Fuel Oil	6,000	5,000	5,547	5,000	5,090	5,000
77	TOTAL GARAGE BUILDING	14,400	13,300	20,964	13,300	10,648	15,600
78							
79	Contracts (150-7-50-90)						
80	Paving	-	-	-	200,000	-	-
81	Crack Sealing	15,000	25,000	-	25,000	21,600	25,000
82	Tree Removal	10,000	10,000	950	10,000	-	10,000
83	Contracted Services	3,500	-	2,585	-	-	-
84	TOTAL CONTRACTS	28,500	35,000	3,535	235,000	21,600	35,000
85							
86	Special Projects and Grants (150-7-50-93)						
87	Garage security camera	-	-	-	-	5	-
88	FEMA 433ODR July 1 2017 storm	-	-	-	-	48,711	-
89	River Rd Stabilization Hillside	-	-	-	-	39,000	-
90	Bartlett Brook Hillside	-	-	-	-	4,000	-
91	Scoping Study - Holden	-	-	1,924	-	15,066	-
92	Totman Hill Road Repairs	-	-	-	-	1,330	-
93	Slide bank - 10400 Pomfret Rd	-	-	-	-	42,618	-
94	Cloudland Culvert Project	-	-	14,790	-	-	-
95	Annual Storm Water Permit	1,750	2,500	1,750	2,500	-	2,500

HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2021 Budget (proposed)	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
96	VT DEC: inventory grant	-	-	8,040	-	240	-
97	LaBounty/Pomfret Road Intersection	-	7,500	-	-	-	-
98	Allen Hill Road culvert	-	-	1,720	-	-	-
99	Kenyon Hill-R Johnson	-	-	2,610	-	-	-
100	TOTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS AND GRANTS	1,750	10,000	30,834	2,500	150,970	2,500
101							
102	Highway Reserves (150-7-95-50)						
103	Highway vehicle reserve	77,600	73,100	73,100	73,100	108,700	108,700
104	Highway paving reserve	300,000	200,000	-	-	142,000	142,000
105	TOTAL HIGHWAY RESERVES	377,600	273,100	73,100	73,100	250,700	250,700
106							
107	TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	1,099,800	960,100	725,961	927,900	1,129,794	906,500
108							
109	HIGHWAY REVENUES LESS HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	(50,959)	-	253,076	-	(137,715)	-
110							
111	BEGINNING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE			-		137,715	
112	ENDING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE*			253,076		-	
113	<i>Highway Fund Balance Change</i>			<i>253,076</i>		<i>(137,715)</i>	

115 * \$201,299 of the FY 2019 ending Highway Fund Balance was used to pay repaving expenses budgeted in FY 2019 and incurred in FY 2020. As a result, the unassigned Highway Fund Balance is \$51,777, most of which amount is proposed to be used to offset highway expenditures in FY 2021. See Line 109.

Notes: _____

CALCULATION OF TAXES TO BE RAISED

	A	B	C
1	Expenditures and Voted Appropriations		
2	Total Town Expenditures	405,492	<i>From General Account Detail, Line 246. See also Warning Article 12.</i>
3	Total Highway Expenditures	1,099,800	<i>From Highway Account Detail, Line 107. See also Warning Article 12.</i>
4	Total Voted Appropriations	69,579	<i>From General Account Detail, Line 267. See also Warning Articles 5 through 8.</i>
5	TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	1,574,871	Sum of Lines 2, 3 and 4
6			
7	Non-Tax Revenues		
8	Total Town Revenues (excluding FY 2021 taxes to be raised)	322,538	<i>From General Account Detail, Line 81, minus General Account Detail, Line 11.</i>
9	Total Highway Revenues (excluding FY 2021 taxes to be raised)	192,500	<i>From Highway Account Detail, Line 18, minus Highway Account Detail, Line 5.</i>
10	General Fund Balance to be used in FY 2021	86,381	<i>From General Account Detail, Line 271. See also Warning Article 11.</i>
11	Highway Fund Balance to be used in FY 2021	50,959	<i>From Highway Account Detail, Line 109.</i>
12	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	652,378	Sum of Lines 8, 9, 10 and 11
13			
14	Calculation of Taxes to be Raised		
15	Expenditures and Voted Appropriations	1,574,871	<i>From Line 5</i>
16	Non-Tax Revenues	652,378	<i>From Line 12</i>
17	FY 2021 TAXES TO BE RAISED	922,493	Difference between Lines 15 and 16. See also General Account Detail, Line 5.

TOWN AND HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE SHEET

	A	B	C
1		General Fund No. 100	Highway Fund No. 150
2	ASSETS		
3	Cash	1,135,298	-
4	Mascoma Certificate of Deposit	5,001	-
5	Due from School	-	-
6	Other Accounts Receivable	1,615	253,076
7	TOTAL ASSETS	1,141,914	253,076
8			
9	LIABILITIES		
10	Due to Other Funds	926,247	-
11	Other Accounts Payable	6,662	-
12	TOTAL LIABILITIES	932,910	-
13			
14	Fund Balances	209,005	253,076
15			
16	Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	1,141,914	253,076



TRUSTEE AND OTHER FUNDS BALANCES

Fund Name	Henry T. LaBounty	Mabel Vaughan Educational	Avis Keith Educational	Community Funds	Dorothy Moore Fund
<i>Fund Number</i>	<i>#456</i>	<i>#550</i>	<i>#550</i>	<i>#550</i>	<i>#454</i>
<i>Investments</i>	<i>Mascoma CD</i>	<i>Vanguard Life Strategy</i>	<i>Vanguard Balanced Index</i>	<i>Vanguard Balanced Index</i>	<i>Vanguard Balanced Index</i>
BALANCES, July 1, 2018	74,781	10,044	13,964	10,417	31,465
REVENUES					
Donation	-	-	-	-	2,500
Interest/Dividends	345	249	329	247	645
Market Change	-	411	906	681	1,730
TOTAL REVENUES	345	660	1,235	928	4,874
EXPENDITURES					
Hartford Probate Fees	(85)	-	-	-	-
LaFlamme Land Purchase	(15,802)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES*	(15,887)	-	-	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OR (EXPENDITURES)	(15,541)	660	1,235	928	4,874
BALANCES, June 30, 2019	59,239	10,704	15,199	11,345	36,340
<i>Restricted</i>	<i>53,434</i>	<i>8,611</i>	<i>10,410</i>	<i>2,398</i>	
<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>5,806</i>	<i>2,093</i>	<i>4,789</i>	<i>8,947</i>	

* The Mabel Vaughan and Avis Keith Educational funds each awarded one \$500 scholarship in FY 2019 to be reported in FY 2020.

MISCELLANEOUS SMALL BALANCES

Fund #450 (MACCU Certificates of Deposit)

	Raymond Potter Memorial Fund	Scott Harrington Memorial Fund	Lease Land Fund	Green Up Fund	Membership Deposit CD MACCU	Total
BALANCE, July 1, 2018	126	365	2,176	270	15	2,952
Revenues*	-	-	22	16	-	38
Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-
BALANCE, June 30, 2019	126	365	2,198	286	15	2,990

* The Green Up Fund received \$16.00 in donation revenue. The Lease Land Fund received \$21.56 in interest.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS BALANCES

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
	Account	Fund No.	Bank CDs and Investments	Cash and Other Net Assets	Liabilities	Fund Balance as of June 30, 2019	Fund Balance as of June 30, 2018	Net Change 2018 to 2019	FY 2019 Fund Transfers and Notes
1									
2	General Fund Operating	100	5,001	1,136,913	(932,910)	209,005	106,116	102,889	Income: See General Account, Line 81; Expenses: See General Report, Line 269
3	Highway Fund Operating	150	-	253,076	-	253,076	-	253,076	Income from Highway Account, Line 18; Expenses: See Highway Account, Line 107
4	Reappraisal/Lister Reserve	160	115,220	1,898	-	117,118	96,241	20,877	Income: Appropriation from General Fund, state grant
5	Library Fund Operating	200	-	4,547	-	4,547	2,500	2,047	Income: Appropriation from General Fund, fund raising
6	Library Endowment	210	117,148	-	-	117,148	108,567	8,581	Income: Library transfer, interest, dividends, market change
7	Cemetery Fund	300	34,299	14,780	-	49,079	45,932	3,147	Income: Appropriation from General Fund, interest
8	Fire Department Vehicle Reserve	400	388,839	-	-	388,839	387,351	1,488	Income: Interest
9	Fire Dept. Non-vehicle Reserve	402	23,977	-	-	23,977	23,796	181	Income: Interest
10	Communications Reserve	410	15,944	-	-	15,944	15,824	119	Income: Interest
11	Highway Vehicle Reserve	420	300,973	73,100	-	374,073	299,725	74,348	Income: Appropriation from Highway Fund, interest
12	Highway Road Paving	422	-	111,727	-	111,727	111,449	279	Income: Interest
13	Highway Bridge Reserve	424	76,889	75,900	-	152,788	152,014	774	Income: Interest
14	Library Reserve	440	9,162	-	-	9,162	9,116	46	Income: Interest
15	Miscellaneous Small Balances	450	2,209	781	-	2,990	2,952	38	Income: Donation, Interest
16	Town Buildings Reserve	452	35,000	123,990	-	158,990	80,879	78,111	Income: Approp. from General Fund, x-fer from Town Rainy Day Fund, interest; Expense: Brick Buiding repair
17	Moore Fund for Town Hall	454	28,823	7,516	-	36,340	31,465	4,874	Income: Donation, interest, dividends, market change
18	LaBounty Fund	456	59,239	-	-	59,239	74,781	(15,541)	Income: Interest; Expense: LaFlamme land purchase, recording fees
19	Town Rainy Day Reserve	470	-	83,758	-	83,758	158,362	(74,604)	Income: Interest; Expense: transfer to Town Building Reserve Fund
20	Highway Rainy Day Reserve	475	-	174,175	-	174,175	173,740	434	Income: Interest
21	Trustee of Public Funds	550	36,249	1,000	-	37,249	34,426	2,823	Income: Interest, dividends, market change
22	TOTALS		1,248,972	2,063,160	(932,910)	2,379,223	1,915,236	463,987	

Note: For detailed revenues, expenses, etc., see financial reports elsewhere in this Annual Report.

RESERVE FUNDS BALANCES

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Fire & Public Safety Reserve Funds	FD Vehicle #400	FD Equip. & Gear #402	Bridge #424	Communications #410	Total Fire & Public Safety	Estimated Future Revenues/Expenses FY 2020 & FY 2021
1						
2						
3	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2018	387,351	23,796	15,824	426,971	FD Equip & Gear Expenses
4	REVENUES					FY 2020 Thermal Imaging Camera: \$2,400
5	Interest income	1,488	181	119	1,789	FY 2020 Gas Meters: \$1,240
6	TOTAL REVENUES	1,488	181	119	1,789	FY 2020 Extractions Gloves: \$500
7	EXPENDITURES					Communications Expense
8	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	-	-	FY 2020 Repeater Work & Upgrade to Radios: \$8,300
9	EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	1,488	181	119	1,789	
10	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2019	388,839	23,977	15,944	428,760	
11	Highway Reserve Funds					
12						
13	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2018	299,725	111,449	173,740	736,928	HWY Vehicle/Equip Revenues and Expenses
14	REVENUES					FY 2020 Town Appropriation: \$73,100
15	Town appropriation	73,100	-	-	73,100	FY 2021 Budget Request: \$77,600
16	Interest income	1,248	279	434	2,735	FY 2020 Expense: 2 Plow Trucks: \$247,028 (ordered)
17	TOTAL REVENUES	74,348	279	434	75,835	Paving Revenues
18	EXPENDITURES					FY 2020 Appropriation: \$200,000
19	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	-	-	FY 2021 Budget Request: \$300,000
20	EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	74,348	279	434	75,835	FY 2021 Budget Request Stated in Warning: \$90,000
21	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2019	374,073	111,727	174,175	812,763	Paving Expense: FY 2020 Howe Hill paving & culverts: ± \$700,000
22	Other Reserve Funds					
23						
24	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2018	96,241	80,879	158,362	344,598	Reappraisal/Listers Revenues
25	REVENUES					FY 2020 Town Appropriation: \$10,000
26	Town/State appropriation	20,160	10,000	-	30,160	FY 2021 Budget Request: \$5,000
27	Transfer to Town Building #452	-	75,000	-	75,000	Town Building Expenses
28	Interest income	718	186	396	1,345	FY 2020 Completed Brick Building Replacement Slate Roof: \$7,075
29	TOTAL REVENUES	20,877	85,186	396	106,505	FY 2021 Town Garage Repairs and Painting: \$25,000
30	EXPENDITURES					
31	Brick Building Roof Tiles	-	(7,075)	-	(7,075)	
32	Transfer from Town Rainy Day #470	-	-	(75,000)	(75,000)	
33	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	(7,075)	(75,000)	(82,075)	
34	EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	20,877	78,111	(74,604)	24,430	
35	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2019	117,118	158,990	83,758	369,028	
36	TOTAL FUND BALANCE OF ALL RESERVES July 1, 2018				1,508,497	
37	TOTAL FUND BALANCE OF ALL RESERVES June 30, 2019				1,610,551	
38	CHANGE OF VALUE				102,053	

TOWN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT
(per the Pomfret Selectboard)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
2010 John Deere Loader (replaces 2001 loader)	\$70,000	\$60,000	\$58,000	\$56,000	\$54,000	\$52,000
2002 John Deere Grader, model 672CH	90,000	80,000	78,000	76,000	74,000	72,000
2008 Komatsu PC78US-6 Excavator	30,000	25,000	23,000	21,000	19,000	17,000
2003 John Deere 5520 Tractor, 4WD with mower & bucket	20,000	17,000	20,000	<i>sold</i>		
2014 Truck Freightliner 4WD with plow, sander & wing	175,000	170,000	168,000	166,000	160,000	150,000
2013 Truck Freightliner 4WD with plow, sander & wing	140,000	135,000	133,000	131,000	120,000	114,000
2016 John Deere 6110M 4WD with side mower				109,000	107,000	105,000
2007 Truck, International, 2WD with plow & wing	39,000	<i>sold</i>				
2005 Truck, International. 4WD with sander & blade	32,000	<i>sold</i>				
2008 Ford F550 4x4 1 Ton Truck with plow	19,000	<i>sold</i>				
2015 Truck, Western Star 4WD with plow, wing & sander		190,000	188,000	186,000	175,000	160,000
2015 Truck, Ford 550 4WD with plow & sander		68,000	66,000	64,000	60,000	58,000
2008 Tag Trailer	7,000	6,000	6,000	5,000	3,000	3,000
2008 Compactor	300	250	250	250	200	200
Generator	350	350	350	350	300	300
Hotbox	7,000	7,000	6,800	6,800	6,400	6,000
2000 Bandit Chipper	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,000	5,000
Flail Head Mower	700	700	700	700	<i>sold</i>	
Austin-Western V Snowplow	250	250	250	250	250	250
Bale Chopper	4,000	3,750	3,500	3,500	3,000	2,500
Frontier Debris Blower	3,100	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,500	2,500
Pressure Washer (purchased new one in 2018)	350	300	300	300	1,500	1,500
2001 Steam Cleaner	900	900	900	900	800	800
2001 Rock Rake	1,000	1,000	800	800	800	800
Air Compressor	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Snow Fence and Posts, 5000 feet	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Chainsaws	600	550	500	500	400	400
Welder, Lincoln Wire Feed	900	800	800	800	800	800
Small Tools	25,000	27,000	28,000	28,000	29,000	29,000
Hydroseeder						7,000
TOTAL	\$675,450	\$805,850	\$795,050	\$869,050	\$825,950	\$791,050

TOWN ASSETS

Buildings with land:

Town Hall
Town Offices, Brick Building, and Carriage Shed
Town Garage
Abbott Memorial Library

Cemeteries:

Bunker Hill Cemetery
Burns Cemetery
Hewittville Cemetery

Land only:

100 acres (more or less) off Joe Ranger Road
35 acres (more or less) off Joe Ranger Road
2 acres off Handy Road (formerly Salmon – tax sale purchase)
North Pomfret picnic area (across from firehouse)
<1 acre above Kenyon Hill Bridge

Artifacts:

Abida Smith Tavern sign
Thomas Ware portraits (7), currently on loan to Woodstock Historical Society
Benjamin Franklin Mason paintings (5)



POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2019 Annual Report

PTFD responded to 44 calls in 2019. The details on the number and types of calls are listed below.

Two fundraising events were held in 2019: The Annual Pomfret Pull held in August and the Fire House Pancake Breakfast held in late October. Many thanks to our volunteers, sponsors, and patrons who helped to make them a success!

We welcomed several new firefighters to our team this past year: Greg Olmstead, Abe Kanda-Olmstead, Jake Astbury and Scott Barger. Greg recently moved to Wild Apple Road with his wife Alexis, son Abe and daughter Mimi. Greg and Abe are currently enrolled in the Firefighter 1 and 2 training held in Thetford. This extensive training started last September and runs through June for a total of 266 hours of combined classroom and practical. We thank them for this huge commitment to training and their entire family for serving our community. Next, we welcome Jake Astbury who lives on Bartlett Brook road with his partner Kasia Wright. Jake comes to us with a wealth of experience. He studied Fire Science in college and is currently certified at the Firefighter 2 level. Jake is also a member of the Bridgewater and Woodstock Fire Departments and Kasia has been helping out at our fundraisers. So we are delighted that Jake and Kasia have made Pomfret their home. Most recently, Jake brought in another recruit, Scott Barger who lives on High Pasture Rd. Scott trains with us every month and has proven to be a quick learner and a hard worker. Please join me in welcoming them all to our ranks!

Sadly, we said goodbye to Chris Reilly and Zack Bowley – both have recently moved out of Pomfret. With the loss of these two firefighters from the north end of town, all fire department responses are now handled through the Teago station. We continue to look for new recruits and hope soon to be able to respond from both stations again as we have for so many years.

MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. It's happening everywhere. It affects every community. Less people volunteering creates more work for those that do. Volunteers in any capacity are a benefit to our fire department and community. Volunteers can serve in so many ways. We would love for you to join and become Firefighter certified but we realize that not everyone can commit that much time. So, how about a couple of nights a month for a few hours? Maybe you could learn how to run a pump, raise a ladder, advance a hose or control traffic. Maybe you have an interest in helping with our fundraising events. Perhaps you could help us with station maintenance. Did you know that we also have a Cadet program for High School Students? They are all a great way to serve your community and make a difference.

If you have any questions about the fire department, home fire safety or volunteering in various capacities please contact Chief Kevin Rice at 457-2364 or email at kricevt@gmail.com.

Listed below is our current active roster. Please take the opportunity to thank these men and women for their service to our community when you see them. Your continued support means a lot to all of us.

Kevin Rice
Chief

POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
2019 Annual Report

Active Roster	2019 Calls	
Chief Kevin Rice	Alarm Calls	19
Asst Chief Terri Chamberlin (Sec/Treasurer)	Mutual Aid (<i>req. for assistance from another FD</i>)	8
Lt Josh Trimpi	Medical Assist	2
Tom Gubbins	Motor Vehicle Accident	4
Greg Olmstead	Carbon Monoxide Alarm	3
Abe Kanda-Olmstead	Electrical Problem Investigation	1
Jake Astbury	Smoke in Home Investigation	2
Scott Barger	Unattended Permitted Fire	1
	Bonfire Unattended	1
	Utility Problem	1
	Agency Assist	1
	Brush Fire	1
	TOTAL CALLS	44

2019 Financial Statement

General Acct.	5,568.44	beginning balance 1/1/19
	(437.55)	office expenses
	(1,661.18)	equipment
	(666.02)	training
	(2,064.00)	misc
	739.69	
	1,580.35	reimbursement (town, ins.)
	2,320.04	ending balance 12/31/19
Fundraising Acct.	21,105.74	beginning balance 1/1/19
	(3,309.39)	expenses
	5,899.00	income
	23,695.35	ending balance
Truck Acct.	63,903.46	beginning balance 1/1/19
	23,152.74	donations and interest
	87,029.20	ending balance 12/31/19
CD	22,189.20	ending balance 12/31/19

All monies raised through our Annual Appeal in 2019 were allocated to a Truck Fund to replace our 1987 Mini Pumper/Brush truck. Our 2020 Appeal funds are also earmarked for the Truck Fund. We are hoping to order the new truck this year!

POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Operating Account Detail

	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2018	FY 2018
	Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
EXPENDITURES						
Building Maintenance	13,600		1,269	1,500	2,903	
FD: septic systems	300		--	300	--	
Insurance	17,500		15,933	17,500	16,902	
Pomfret FD phone:3730	1,300		1,033	1,300	1,024	
Teago FD phone: 1125	1,100		846	1,100	837	
FD Training, conf, mileage	1,000		220	1,000	--	
FD alarm systems	875		432	875	--	
Supplies	500		740	1,300	1,719	
FD vehicle gasoline	200		96	200	78	
Vehicle Maintenance	--		--	--	522	
FD Operations	2,000		--	--	954	
Teago Engine 1	350		530	2,000	--	
PFD Rescue Vehicle	2,000		141	350	4,526	
PFD Engine 1	1,200		4,237	2,000	--	
Teago Engine 2	--		3,649	1,200	2,949	
Administration	800		--	800	--	
Electricity--Pomfret FD	1,250		1,402	1,250	1,354	
Electricity--Teago FD	1,250		1,150	1,250	1,058	
Propane Pomfret Fire Dept	3,500		3,242	3,000	2,848	
Teago FD propane	50		--	50	--	
Heating oil, Teago FD	3,500		3,355	3,000	3,945	
Equip (Hose, Tools etc)	1,300		2,161	--	3,023	
SCBA & Gas Meter	1,240		811	1,200	638	
Traffic Control Devices	--		--	1,500	1,356	
Turnout Gear	2,000		3,435	2,000	3,766	
Membership/Subscriptions	300		--	300	288	
Dispatch fees	--		--	--	136	
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	57,115	44,975	44,684	44,975	50,825	50,825

FY 2020 Budget was not itemized. See Total below.

FY 2018 Budget was not itemized. See Total below

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2019 Annual Report

2019 was a very full year for the Abbott Memorial Library, with a host of varied programs, including: Winter and Summer Moth Storytellings hosted by Mark Binder, a poetry reading by Laura Foley, Mike Leonard's showing and discussion of his film "One Town at a Time," Heather Durkel and John Gaeddert's talk about "Hiking Thru' the Appalachian Trail," Laura Foley and Clara Giménez's presentation about hiking *El Camino de Santiago*, and another roundtable concerning invasive plants and insects.

With the Prosper Valley School closed and our students now in Woodstock Elementary, our programs for children have been smaller in attendance numbers but still vibrant: the annual parties for Valentine's Day and Halloween, our annual lantern-making and evening walk, various after-school programs and the story hour for little ones, plus the Summer Reading program. The Prosper Valley School book group (open to 4th, 5th, and 6th graders) did meet in Woodstock for a lively, thoughtful discussion in the spring.

The staff works on all those programs but has, of course, been kept busy lending out books, DVDs, and audiobooks, keeping these collections current, managing interlibrary loans for patrons and helping them use the "Listen Up Vermont" audiobook and e-book streaming systems, and other online resources. They have tracked the use of our park and museum passes as well, which provide free or reduced admission to VINS (Vermont Institute of Natural Science), Billings Farm & Museum, Vermont State Parks and Historic Sites, and ECHO Leahy Center for Lake Champlain.

Maintaining our historic building also takes considerable attention and work. This year we gained a new basement stairway railing as required by insurance standards (big thanks to volunteer Jim Rose); had the entryway porch masonry repaired and resealed; did some minor plumbing and roof repairs; used the remaining old cresting tiles to line the path between ArtisTree and the Library; regraded the lawn behind the back door to the Library so that water and ice don't accumulate there (thanks here especially to Kevin Geiger); and thanks to Jane Metcalf's skill, now have a beautifully renovated garden.

While we maintain the old, we must also look to the future, especially with technology changes. Library staff has continued the necessary work to create an online catalog; this should be completed in 2020 and will make the Library's collection more accessible to all. And while our historic 1905 building still isn't fully accessible, we're looking into ways to use interactive online systems so that folks at home can enjoy presentations at the Library, and continue our book delivery systems for those who need such service.

Abbott runs on people power and we're grateful for our dedicated staff: Cory Smith, Head Librarian, JoAnn Webb, Assistant Librarian, and Sue Heston, Library Assistant. The Trustees take on a lot of work too: Anne Bower, Tina Clifford, Nancy Merrill, Betsy Rhodes, Jean Souter, and Tessa Westbrook.

We also thank our wonderful group of volunteers who do everything from helping with programs and maintenance to working at the front desk: Mark Binder, Susan Cross, Peter Gebhardt, Kevin Geiger, Alan Graham, Barbara Henzel, Dan Maxham, Jane Metcalf, Ron Rhodes, Jim Rose. We also thank Will Coates who did summer mowing as a Scout project, and Eric Gieseke, who bagged all the leaves and did a final mowing of the lawn in the fall.

Generous donations from our community make up about 20% of our annual operating budget. For the rest, we depend on and appreciate the Town of Pomfret's historic support of its municipal Library. The amount we are requesting this year is \$41,500.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Bower, Tina Clifford, Nancy Merrill, Betsy Rhodes, Jean Souter, Tessa Westbrook

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report

	<i>FY19 Budget 12-Month</i>	FY19 Actual 12-Month	<i>FY20 Budget 12-Month</i>	FY20 Actual 6-Month	<i>FY21 Budget 12-Month</i>
Library Fund Opening Balance		\$2,500.37		\$4,547.32	
Income					
Town Appropriation	40,547	40,547.00	40,547	20,547.00	41,500
Annual Appeal	7,000	11,530.00	7,000	3,645.00	9,000
Fundraising--Other	500	1,000.00	500		500
Grant					
Interest--Checking	20	26.11	30		30
Book Sales	250	182.50	250	61.00	200
Donations--Other		879.00		563.00	500
Miscellaneous	150	87.95	150	420.26	150
Reserve Sweep					
Total Income	48,467	\$54,252.56	48,477	\$25,236.26	51,880
Expenses					
Payroll					
Wages--Librarians	30,718	31,619.39	31,640	16,164.36	32,431
Wages--Cleaning	495	461.84	510	238.44	523
Payroll Taxes	2,462	2,454.14	2,536	1,254.78	2,599
Collection					
Books	2,100	1,778.87	2,100	702.64	1,850
Audio/Video	1,000	993.23	1,000	275.00	1,000
Electronic	300	329.60	300	344.20	450
Miscellaneous	800	887.50	500	495.00	500
Program					
General Programs	250	153.23	250	77.42	200
Building					
Electricity	1,250	897.97 ¹	1,300	346.81	1,300
Telephone	1,200	1,204.56	1,300	602.82	1,400
Heating	1,600	2,134.94	1,750		2,300
Maintenance	300	1,585.94 ²	491	699.57	1,577
Insurance	2,167	2,329.17	2,600	2,184.56	2,600
Fundraising					
Annual Appeal	400	1,000.80 ³	400	393.48	400
Fundraising Other					
Other					
Conference & Travel	275	129.56	200	46.40	200
Postage	500	309.08	500	116.49	500
Supplies	800	813.26	750	94.59	750
Information Technology	100	161.95	100	20.00	200
Reserve Funded					
Professional Services					
Miscellaneous	250	960.58	250	422.19	500
Reserve	1,500	2,000.00			600
Total Expenses	48,467	\$52,205.61 ⁴	48,477	\$24,478.75	51,880
Gain or Loss		2,046.95		757.51	
Library Fund Ending Balance		\$4,547.32		\$5,304.83	

¹ The FY19 electricity expense total reflects 11 payments instead of 12, because we began a new procedure in January of paying Green Mountain Power bills in the month due rather than the month the electricity was used.

² The FY19 maintenance expense was significantly over budget because of a \$950 cost to repair the slate roof, a \$475 entryway porch masonry repair, and \$125 for minor plumbing repairs.

³ The FY19 Annual Appeal expense includes the cost of \$530 to print new note cards to replenish our depleted supply. They will be used for several years to come.

⁴ Abbott Memorial Library benefits from and greatly appreciates the generosity of community members and wishes to report the following in-kind donations that have reduced its FY19 operating expenses by \$2,211: books, \$100; dumpster use, \$200; garden renovation and maintenance, \$500; lawn mowing, \$700; snow removal, \$500; solar electricity credits, \$211.

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Assets Report

Assets	Balance as of 07/01/18	Deposits	Disbursements/ Expenses	Gain/Loss	Balance as of 06/30/19
Mascoma Savings Bank Checking Account	2,500.37	54,252.56	(52,205.61)	2,046.95	\$4,547.32
Abbott Memorial Library Fund					
Ira Abbott Fund (69.57%)--Restricted	43,470.27	3,872.94		3,872.94	47,343.21 ¹
One Hundred Year Fund (29.20%)--Unrestricted	18,245.39	1,625.55		1,625.55	19,870.94 ²
Wood & Harding Fund (1.23%)--Restricted	768.55	68.47		68.47	837.02 ¹
Total Abbott Memorial Library Fund	----- 62,484.21				----- \$68,051.17
Reserve Account					
Reserve--Unrestricted	46,082.93	3,014.30		3,014.30	49,097.23 ²
Total Reserve Account	----- 46,082.93				----- \$49,097.23
Total Abbott Memorial Library Assets as of June 30, 2019					\$121,695.72

¹ The balances of the Ira Abbott Fund plus the Wood & Harding Fund as of 06/30/19, is the total of the Library's restricted reserves, \$48,180.23.

² The balances of the One Hundred Year Fund plus the Reserve Account as of 06/30/19, is the total of the Library's unrestricted reserves, \$68,968.17.

NOTE: Further investment detail is available from the Abbott Memorial Library treasurer. Please telephone the Library at (802) 457-2236 to request additional information.



CEMETERY COMMISSION

2019 Annual Report

Not much has changed this year. We have done some work in both the Hewittville and Burns cemeteries. We had some trees come down! We are still looking for an acre or two suitable for a new cemetery. We will run out of plots at some point so acquiring new space soon will be a must.

Respectfully submitted,

Pomfret Cemetery Commission

Ona Chase (chair)

Diana Tuthill (secretary)

Bruce Tuthill

CEMETERY OPERATING ACCOUNT AND FUND BALANCE

	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2018 Budget
Cemetery Income (300-6-10-00)				
Town Appropriation	12,000	12,000	9,500	9,500
Sale of Lots	--	--	400	--
Income for Corner Stones	--	--	200	--
Interest	625	--	615	--
TOTAL CEMETERY INCOME	12,625	12,000	10,715	9,500
Cemetery Expense (300-7-94-00)				
General Maintenance	8,800	--	9,038	9,100
Restoration of Headstones	--	--	--	--
Purchase of Corner Stones	100	--	1	200
Flags	550	--	450	150
Misc. Cemetery	28	--	1,264	50
TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENSE	9,478	--	10,752	9,500
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	3,147	--	-37	--
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	45,932		45,969	
ENDING FUND BALANCE	49,079		45,932	

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

2019 Annual Report

The Trustees of Public Funds are responsible for management of town endowment and trust funds. Throughout the year, the trustees meet to review market performance of existing funds, discuss any adjustments as needed, and review overall fund management strategies. The trustees also determine if disbursements, as designated by the originators from the two education funds, are possible.

In June 2019, fund performance was sufficient to allow the Trustees to make disbursements from the two education trust funds: Avis Keith Education Trust Fund and Mabel E. Vaughan Trust. In keeping with the settlors' intentions, awards from these trusts in the amount of \$500 each were given to Pomfret graduating seniors, Alexa Tsouknakis and Claire Coates, respectively.

Respectfully,

Michael Doten, Secretary
Robert Hatfield
Marjorie Wakefield, Chair



PLANNING COMMISSION

2019 Annual Report

We have had another busy year finalizing the revision of our Zoning Ordinance. Having spent years on this project, giving careful and considerate thought to our citizens' needs and our state's requirements for local planning, we conducted a special hearing prior to moving the final draft on to our Selectboard for their consideration and adoption.

We enlisted the services of the Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission for the final editing and their professional recommendations as well as legal counsel to ensure all state planning guidelines were met. Several extra, warned Planning Commission (PC) meetings were needed to allow more time for this endeavor. We wanted to keep the document simple but with enough teeth to help preserve not just our pastoral landscape but also our traditional rural way of life, maintaining family values that have been a part of Pomfret for generations.

It is our hope that we have broad community support for our effort, as it is a governing document with a lot to absorb. It is also our intention to ease the burden for the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) and our Zoning Administrator (ZA) by clearly defining all scenarios involved in rural development.

The Planning Commission wishes to thank Ben Brickner for helping us navigate the finer points of planning and for the time he devoted to our cause both at meetings and on his own. It is the selfless efforts such as his and the members of the PC that make rural community life special.

We conducted two Ridgeline and Hillside Conservation Area (RHCA) hearings with outcomes favorable to both the applicants and our town; one for replacing a barn and one for reclaiming a pasture within the RHCA.

We always welcome your thoughts and concerns and hope you will join us at our regularly scheduled meetings and share them with us. We have need for new commissioners and are on the lookout for interested persons to serve with us. It is an educational and rewarding experience.

Respectfully submitted,

William B. Emmons, III, Chair

Orson St, John, Vice Chair

John Moore, Secretary

Nelson Lamson

Cy Benoit

Ann Raynolds



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

2019 Annual Report

The Pomfret Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) is a committee of resident volunteers appointed by the Selectboard. We hold public hearings approximately every six weeks or whenever a resident or a business submits an application or an appeal.

The ZBA approves or denies requests for non-conforming uses and variances from the town's zoning by-laws. We also rule on appeals from decisions made by the Pomfret Zoning Administrator. In its public hearings, the ZBA hears sworn testimony on situations or issues which arise when the Zoning Administrator is unable to approve an application or the zoning by-laws require the ZBA to render a decision following a public hearing.

Examples of such issues are variances to zoning set-backs from roads and property lines; pond construction; building dimensions; business hours of operation, parking, lighting, signage, noise and public safety or health issues; and wetlands considerations.

The overall charge to the ZBA is to administer the zoning by-laws, which were written to eliminate situations which may create a public nuisance or adversely affect the character of the neighborhood or the comfort, convenience and general welfare of the community.

To this end, the ZBA applies carefully considered performance standards and attaches conditions to its decisions if needed to implement the purposes and relevant provisions of the zoning by-laws and to safeguard the public welfare. ZBA decisions have legal force. They may be appealed to the Environmental Division of the Vermont Superior Court.

At present the ZBA consists of five members. The zoning by-laws call for a committee of three to nine members. Additional members are welcome. If you are interested in serving on the ZBA please contact any of us or members of the Selectboard about the work.

Alan Blackmer, Chair
Benjamin Brickner
Loie Havill
Shaun Pickett
Michael Reese

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

2019 Annual Report

I was appointed the Zoning Administrator in July 2017. As a longtime resident with many ties to the Pomfret Community, it is my ultimate desire to see the Town succeed both financially and in development while still holding the quaintness of Pomfret as it has been for many, many years. This is a great town to live in and to raise your family in.

While I do not hold regular office hours at the Town Office, please feel free to contact me at any time throughout the day at my phone number of 1-802-299-8211 or by email karen.hewitt@pomfretvt.us or if you wish to meet in person, we can schedule a time. Zoning Applications can be picked up at the Town Office or obtained on the Town of Pomfret Website www.pomfretvt.us

Karen Hewitt Osnoe
Zoning Administrator

FAST SQUAD

2019 Annual Report

In 2019 the FAST Squad responded to about 58 medical emergencies within the borders of our town.

I want to thank the members of our squad for another year of dedication to our townspeople. They are Dana Wright, Missy Middleton, Holly Strahan, Amanda Perron, and Andy Hutt.

I would like to highlight and acknowledge the Woodstock Emergency Services (ambulance and fire) for their continued partnership with us. As an example, recently Woodstock responded to a single automobile accident with two ambulances and a rescue crew with their "Jaws of Life" to cut open the car in order to extricate a passenger. Without their equipment and talents, we would be sorely disadvantaged. Thanks again to Chief David Green and all his Woodstock first responders!

Thank you,
Frank Perron, Jr.
Head of Service, Pomfret FAST Squad
(802) 457-3402
frank@frankperron.com

FIRE WARDEN

2019 Annual Report

During the 2019 spring forest fire season the frequent rain events kept the typically-dry ground fuels wet which helped mitigate any major fire conditions. As a result of that, and the careful kindling of fires by residents there were no uncontrolled brush fires in our town.

As a reminder, Fire Wardens in the State of Vermont can only give permits to kindle "natural" products like leaves, brush, grass, and other products of tree removal.

There was a total of 182 burn permits issued for the 2019 calendar year.

Fred Doten (our Deputy Fire Warden) can also be contacted to get fire permits.

Frank Perron, Jr.
Pomfret Fire Warden
(802) 457-3402
frank@frankperron.com



TREE WARDENS

2019 Annual Report

The Pomfret Select Board appointed two tree wardens to manage trees in Pomfret's public road right-of-ways and develop a town tree policy. This policy will discuss the protection of public shade trees, guidelines for removal of disease/insect infested trees, and the planting of replacement trees. One of the priorities of the Tree Warden this year will be a hazardous tree survey and an assessment of tree health. With the appearance of the Emerald Ash Borer beetle in Vermont, roadside ash trees will eventually become a town expense, either before or after the infestation has occurred.

According to state statutes, public shade trees along the public right of way cannot be cut or removed except by the tree warden or a person having written permission of the tree warden. Public hearings are required in order for healthy trees to be removed. No requests were received for tree removal in 2019.

If you would like to help with either a tree inventory or developing a town tree policy, please contact us.

Cy Benoit, tree warden
cyrusbenoit@gmail.com

Alan C. Graham, deputy tree warden
alan.c.graham@gmail.com



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2019 Annual Report

The Pomfret Historical Society is a non-profit tax-exempt 501(c)3 volunteer organization whose mission is to continue town historic preservation activities.

This past year we digitized our artifact catalog and part of the town cemetery records. We added digital photos to our collection, scanned a number of old documents, and re-labeled artifacts that had lost identification tags due to mice.

We recently found the original copy of a 1761 document which contains notes of a meeting of the first proprietors of Pomfret. We are looking for people who are willing to transcribe this scanned document into a searchable digital format. Folks with computer or web design skills can work from home. Any historic photos of the town or its people that you would allow us to scan, would be appreciated. A Pomfret Military Veterans Memorial committee is forming. If you are interested in being part of this committee, or other projects, please contact us.

We work Friday mornings from 10 to 12 am.

Alan C. Graham
457-1021
PomfretHistoryVT@gmail.com
President, the Pomfret Historical Society

INVASIVE PLANT COMMITTEE

2019 Annual Report

The Pomfret Invasive Plant Committee continues to work to manage invasive plant populations in our town. This year a number of town residents worked on their own roads, pulling out or cutting down poison parsnip and wild chervil. The timing of roadside mowing continues to be a concern, since mowing during the peak of invasive plant seed development encourages the spread of the seeds along mowed roads and produces a bank of seeds. These seeds can remain viable in the soil for many years.

We welcome additional volunteers during specific flowering periods to cut or pull plants. Many of the plants have a narrow window for management opportunities before they go to seed. Our group provides information for recognizing and combating the wide variety of invasive and non-native species that are a growing problem on our roadsides and spreading into fields and woodlands.

We appreciate all the efforts of our town road crew, who are adopting proactive mowing schedules to reduce the spread of invasive plant seeds along roadsides.

Thank you also to the citizens who are vigilant in spotting these species early, when it can be relatively easy to remove them before they take hold, and for everyone's efforts to combat them.

To help or obtain information, please call one of us.

Alan Graham, 457-1021; Joanna Long, 457-2918; or Betsy Rhodes, 457-1247

U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

The 2020 U.S. Decennial Census begins in March and April

Every ten years the US Constitution requires an 'enumeration' of all persons in the United States, commonly referred to as "The Census." For the next ten years, the numbers produced in this effort will help determine how more than 675 billion dollars will be distributed to states and localities annually through more than 65 federal programs. These programs include special education funding, school lunch programs, meals on wheels, fuel assistance, Medicare, housing rehabilitation, community economic development and revitalization block grants, early childhood education, cooperative extension offices, and more. This year, you will have the option of responding on-line, over the telephone or with a traditional, short-form written response. Look for your invitation to respond in the mail or at your door. It is critical that everyone participate and that all household members be included. Make sure that our community counts!

WINDSOR COUNTY COURT

2019 Annual Report

The County held the preliminary budget meeting on December 11, and the final budget meeting on January 16. The 2020-2021 budget calls for the amount to be collected from countywide property taxes to be \$455,361, a slight increase of .016 % over the current year's amount of \$448,185. The tax rate will be .0048368 per hundred dollars. Last fiscal year, the rate was .0048571 per \$100 of valuation; the year before that it was .00483684 per \$100 of valuation. So, the rate is holding steady. What changes each year is the value of the grand list in the county, and in each town in the county.

For the 2020-2021 fiscal year, expenses are slightly down from FY 19-20 \$570,137 to \$568,333. Income is projected to be slightly up from FY 19-20 \$566,841 to \$568,333.

Pursuant to Title 24, § 134, the County Treasurer shall issue warrants on or before March 1 requiring the tax to be paid in two equal installments on or before July 5 and on or before November 5, 2020.

Construction Bond Repayment

The Windsor County Court House rehabilitation was completed in 2014. We are now in the sixth year of repayment of the bond. A rate of .00257238 is assessed to collect the total 2020 bond repayment of \$240,747. As with the county tax, towns may elect to submit this bond repayment in two payments, on or before July 5 and November 5, 2020.

Projects completed in the Past Year

The County completed the following projects on its properties at 12 The Green and 62 Pleasant Street:

- The parking lot at the County Building was repaved and re striped;

- The courtroom lights were switched from metal halide bulbs to LED bulbs;

- We purchased and installed interior storm windows on the first and second floors of the Sheriff's office;

- The second story windows on the Court House were prepped and repainted;

- The entryway to WCTV 8 (our tenant upstairs at the County Building) was expanded and Hard packed;

In the works for the summer: a new roof membrane over the cell block in the rear of 62 Pleasant Street.

Local Health Report for POMFRET

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. Your district office is in White River Junction at the address and phone number above. We provide a wide range of resources and services to 22 Vermont towns of the Upper Valley to promote health and wellness for all Vermonters. For example, in 2019 we:

Supported health for everyone in the community: We worked on a variety of projects and programs in partnership with schools, worksites, town offices, and local providers. We also served individuals and families right in our office. Our focus is on health equity because all people should have a fair and just opportunity to be healthy.

Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families: We served more than 900 residents of our district with the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Education and Food Supplementation Program, which provides individual nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables.

Ensured emergency preparedness: We worked with local partners, including schools, hospitals, and emergency personnel, to ensure we are prepared to distribute medicine, supplies, and information during a public health emergency.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: We investigated more than 90 infectious disease cases in our district. We also responded to New Hampshire's Hepatitis A outbreak by immunizing more than 125 vulnerable individuals in our region of Vermont against the disease.

Student health and youth empowerment: According to the Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 61% of students in Windsor County agree or strongly agree that they "believe they matter to people in their community." Regionally, we see efforts like mentoring and afterschool enrichment programs helping to ensure youth feel valued and included.

Substance misuse and abuse: Regional substance abuse prevention consultants worked with community groups, schools, human service agencies, hospitals, and law enforcement.

Learn more at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local/white-river-junction>
Join us on www.facebook.com/vdhwj/

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH (VNH)
Home Health, Hospice and Skilled Pediatric Services in Pomfret, VT

2019 Annual Report

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

Between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019 VNH made 501 homecare visits to 25 Pomfret residents. This included approximately \$16,100 in unreimbursed care to Pomfret residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 459 home visits to 21 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 38 home visits to 3 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- **Skilled Pediatric Care:** 4 home visits to 1 resident for well-baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Pomfret's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Hilary Davis, Director Community Relations and Development (1-888-300-8853)



2019 Annual Report

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services (HCRS) is a comprehensive community mental health provider serving residents of Windsor and Windham counties. HCRS assists and advocates for individuals, families, and children who are living with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders. HCRS provides these services through outpatient mental health services, alcohol and drug treatment programs, community rehabilitation and treatment programs, a developmental services division, and alternatives and emergency services programs.

Anyone with questions about HCRS services should contact George Karabakakis, Chief Executive Officer, at (802) 886-4500.

OTTAUQUECHEE HEALTH FOUNDATION

2019 Annual Report

The Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF) Supports the Health and Wellness Needs of Pomfret

Who We Are:

The Ottauquechee Health Foundation strives to improve the health and well-being of people who live in our core towns through grants, community partnerships, education opportunities and support of wellness initiatives. We believe accessible health and wellness care is a vital part of any community.

We assist in the health and wellness needs of these core towns of Barnard, Bridgewater, Hartland, Killington, Plymouth, **Pomfret**, Quechee, Reading, and Woodstock.

About OHF's Good Neighbor Grant (GNG) program

Our GNG program makes grants on behalf of individuals who are unable to pay for their health and wellness needs that are not covered by health insurance such as dental care, physical therapy, counseling, hearing aids, eyeglasses, and more. Assistance is based on financial need and applicants must live in the OHF catchment area.

To date in 2019, OHF has provided 23 grants to Pomfret residents totaling over \$12,500. This equates to approximately 9.5% of our overall granting budget. These numbers are up from only 10 grant requests and \$4000 in grants provided to Pomfret residents in 2017. Town support from Pomfret is invaluable to us and allows us to better serve the Pomfret Community.

Additionally, OHF will continue to provide services from the Homecare Grants Program, as well as other wellness offerings, to the Pomfret Community. These programs are all part of our commitment to providing access to health and wellness services while supporting overall community health. Together we can indeed create stronger, and healthier communities.

Our Funding Sources:

Our funding comes through bi-annual appeal donations, town appropriations, targeted program fundraising, grant writing, a modest draw from our investments, and fundraising events.

How to Contact OHF:

**Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF)
802-457-4188 | www.ohfvt.org | director@ohfvt.org
PO Box 784 | 30 Pleasant Street | Woodstock, VT 05091**



The Thompson

Your resource to age well

2019 Annual Report

Special events, fun exercise classes, interesting programs, tax assistance, free gently-used medical equipment, creative arts programs, and delicious meals are just a few of the things you'll find at The Thompson Senior Center. Our building, staff, and volunteers provide a welcoming and fun environment for people of many ages and backgrounds to gather. But, we're even more than what happens at The Thompson. We have the resources and experience to assist you where you want to be, at home.

One number to call for any need — Thompson staff and volunteers are happy to help with any question — from shower chairs to Medicare and everything in between.

We partner with a wide variety of businesses and individuals to bring you any service you need to AGE WELL at HOME! We check references and only suggest businesses or individuals who have happily agreed to be an Aging at Home service provider.

Age Well Education Series and Outreach — Monthly educational talks are presented on topics ranging from legal planning, fall prevention, driver safety course, nutrition, hospital to home transitions, advance directives, and more. Our Age Well e-newsletter provides readers with information on ways to age well at home and in their community through current and reliable information on health, lifestyle, diet, and resources.

More than 100 Pomfret residents benefited from Thompson services over the past year.

The senior population in our area continues to grow in size and in age, and we see the utilization of Thompson services growing as well. Meals served increased again this past year to 21,076 meals. Participation in all other programs has increased as well. Together, we truly can enrich the experience of aging in our area.

Please contact us at info@thompsonscenter.org or 457-3277 with any questions or needs. You can also see the menu and program calendar online at www.thompsonscenter.org or find us on Facebook. Thank you for your support!

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Jones, Executive Director

The Woodstock Area Council on Aging (d.b.a. The Thompson Center)



Town Hall Theatre
31 The Green / Woodstock, VT 05091
info@pentanglearts.org
www.pentanglearts.org
802.457.3981

2019 Annual Report

Pentangle Arts founded in 1974, with support from surrounding towns, provides and facilitates affordable arts programming that inspires, educates, and entertains audiences of all ages.

Pentangle places special emphasis and attention on the arts in education through programming designed specifically to reach local elementary and high school children. Our programs reach out directly to K-12 students, offering exciting, in-depth programs that bring children into direct contact with artists and initiate a lifelong connection with the arts.

Support from the town of Pomfret allows Pentangle Arts to deliver an affordable Arts in Education program that is more experiential and immersive.

Our 2018-2019 season includes:

- Puppet Making Residency with No Strings Marionettes for Prosper Valley (2018), Reading Elementary (2018) and Barnard Elementary Schools (2019).
- Four live professional musical productions based on children's literature for grades prek-6.
- An inaugural After School Dance Camp for grades 3-8.
- A Summerstock theatre camp for grades 4-12.
- A day long workshop at Woodstock Elementary for Woodstock and Prosper Valley students with the Zimbabwean band Mokoomba.
- Two-week dance residency "Dance instead of Gym" for Woodstock and Prosper Valley students.

We thank the voters in Pomfret for their consideration.

For more information please go to www.Pentanglearts.org.



GREATER UPPER VALLEY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (GUVSWMD)

2019 Annual Report

The GUVSWMD comprises 10 Upper Valley towns, overseeing a system for proper management of solid and hazardous waste, recyclables, and food scraps. GUV also provides special collection events for bulky and household hazardous waste (HHW), paint, electronics, tires, metal, and fluorescent bulbs. In addition, the District offers technical assistance, outreach, and education programs to area residents, businesses, schools, and municipalities.

PLEASE NOTE:

- GUV collected 14.1 tons of tires; 4.2 tons of scrap metal; 7.3 tons of electronics; 12.9 tons of “big” trash/construction & demolition debris; 2.3 tons of batteries; and thousands of fluorescent bulbs.
- 331 GUV residents (22 from Pomfret) participated in four HHW events. 11.1 tons of HHW were collected, including 1,230 gallons of paint.
- 23 people attended our compost workshop at the Town Hall on May 30th.
- Recycle batteries (except vehicle) at the Town Hall.
- **Food scraps will be banned from residential trash as of July 1, 2020.** Contact GUV with questions.
- 2020 GUV collection event dates will be posted on our website, Facebook page, town list serves, and in newspapers.
- Vern Clifford represented Pomfret on the GUVSWMD Board of Supervisors in 2019. We thank him for his long-term dedication and support of our work.
- For information call Ham Gillett at 802-674-4474, email hgillett@swcrpc.org, or visit www.guvswd.org.



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The East Central Vermont Telecommunications District (ECFiber) is a municipal body with 23 member-towns in east-central Vermont. We have banded together to build a fast community-owned fiber-optic network. The network is complete in Pomfret with the exception of the Austin Road area off Route 12, which will be built next year. As of October, of this year, over 4000 ECFiber customers have been connected.

The town Selectboard appoints delegates to represent Pomfret on the ECFiber Governing Board, which meets monthly. These meetings are open to the public. For more information, please visit the website at www.ecfiber.net or email us at Pomfret@ecfiber.net.

Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Alan Graham and Betsy Rhodes - ECFiber town delegates

TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION

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The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is an association of thirty municipalities in east-central Vermont that is governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our member towns. As advocates for our members, we seek to articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while enhancing the Region's quality of life. The following are highlights from 2019:

Technical Assistance on Planning Issues

Our staff provided technical services to local, state and federal levels of government and to the Region's citizens, non-profits, and businesses. TRORC staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, bylaws and studies, and assisted towns with Municipal Planning Grant (MPG) applications.

Water Quality

TRORC staff was involved in the development of the White River Tactical Basin Plan as well as assisting with public hearings to gain input from community members. TRORC also completed several water quality grant projects with our town and non-profit partners that focused on stormwater master planning, scoping green stormwater infrastructure projects, and promoting watershed resiliency.

Creative Economy and Public Health

This year, TRORC obtained Federal grant funding to support the Region's creative economy. Staff hosted several Cornerstone Creative Community of Vermont (3CVT) steering committee meetings, as well as informational and networking events. TRORC continued to serve as the Zone Agent for the Vermont Art Council's Creative Network, and is on the Council's statewide steering committee. TRORC also worked on public health projects, including incorporating health-related goals and policies into town plans.

Emergency Management and Preparedness

TRORC conducted a statewide Hazardous Materials Flow Study to inform and update local emergency response plans. Our Local Emergency Planning Committee efforts with local emergency responders, organizations, and town officials continued meeting the needs of our first responders. TRORC assisted several communities with updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans.

Energy

TRORC assisted six towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to save money for communities and further the state energy goals to meet 90% of Vermont's energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. TRORC has begun working to support town Energy Committees on energy efficiency outreach and education with funding from Efficiency Vermont.

Transportation

TRORC is managing the Municipal Roads Grants-In-Aid program in our Region. This provides funding for towns to implement Best Management Practices (BMP) on municipal roads ahead of the state's forthcoming Municipal Roads General Permit provisions. Funding provides for projects including grass and stone-lined ditches, up sizing and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets.

Specifically in Pomfret this past year, TRORC helped complete the Local Emergency Management Plan, assisted with a Zoning Bylaw update, and completed an inventory of road erosion within the town. As part of the Grants in Aid program, ditching and culvert improvements on Rudge Road were completed.

We are committed to serving you, and welcome opportunities to assist you in the future.

*Respectfully submitted, Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director
Jerry Fredrickson, Chairperson, Barnard*



Mentoring Advisory Board

Sherry Sousa, Program Supervisor
 Annie Luke, Program Coordinator
 Maggie Mills, WES Principal
 Vali Stuntz, WUMS/HS School Liaison
 Erin Klocek, WES School Liaison
 Nancy Boymer, BA School Liaison
 Mary Dolan, KES School Liaison
 Melanie Sheehan, Prevention Coalition

Empower UP Staff

Annie Luke
 Program Coordinator
 mentoring@wcsu.net
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Empower Up - Windsor Central Mentoring Program (previously known as Ottauquechee Community Partnership's Mentor and Buddy Program) has been matching mentors with WCSU students since 1999. This WCSU-wide initiative strives to build positive intergenerational relationships between adult role models and students.

Empower UP Mentoring program is grateful for the local funding support from towns. Community support is essential to sustain this program and serve the maximum number of students in the district.

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 WCSU Mentoring Program

Highlights of work this past year:

- Empower Up has continued to maintain and support 16 mentor/mentee matches.
- In order to increase capacity to mentor more students, the Program Coordinator has performed outreach to 6 area businesses with mid – large employee bases. The purpose of the outreach was to increase awareness of the program and encourage adult employees as mentors.
- Through collaboration with ArtisTree, mentors and mentees were celebrated in a fun crafting event. This collaboration continues to support the program in many ways including vouchers for free classes for mentoring matches.
- In collaboration with the Norman Williams Public Library, mentor recruitment was supported by presentation of Mentoring Information Evenings. The purpose of the events was to increase awareness of the program and encourage adults to become mentors.
- Collaboration with local businesses expanded mentoring sites with local support from businesses such as The Woodstock Inn, VINS, The Woodstock Athletic Club, Green Mountain Rock Climbing Center – Quechee and Tip Top Pottery to name a few.

SPECTRUM TEEN CENTER



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The Spectrum Teen Center has been serving teens for 23 years from the six sending towns that make up the Windsor Central Supervisory Union.

This past year we offered two Miniature Golf/Pizza Nights where we had 40 teens in attendance at each. We partnered with Mon Vert Café where 65 students attended. We had an Ice Skating Night at the Union Arena where 65-70 students attended. Each month we partner with Artistree where we feature “Branch Out Teen Nights” which are offered once a month throughout the school year. We offered several pizza nights at Pizza Chef with an average of 40-50 teens. We offered a Comedy Night at the Woolen Mill Comedy Club. They had professional comedians come in from all over to perform for high school students. We offered a number of movie nights at the Town Hall Theater with Pentangle, featured a night at the Upper Valley Aquatic Center and more! We offered our popular Ice Cream Social Night (twice this year) at Sweet and Salty and we had over 65 students. These are some examples of the types of events that we offer. All these events were provided for **FREE!!!!!!**

Enthusiastically,
Heather Rubenstein & Joni Kennedy



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For almost 50 years, WISE has been the sole provider of crisis advocacy and support for victims of gender-based violence within 21 communities of the Upper Valley, including Pomfret. WISE is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting people and communities impacted by domestic violence, sexual violence and stalking. WISE offers a confidential and free 24-hour crisis line, peer support groups and workshops, emergency shelter, safety planning and in-person advocacy at hospitals, police stations, courts and other social service agencies. WISE works with youth, professionals, and the community to develop relevant and comprehensive prevention strategies. WISE is committed to engaging everyone in learning to recognize and eliminate the root causes of violence.

For more information, please contact:

Peggy O’Neil, Executive Director
603-448-5922
wiseuv.org



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Since 1974 the Job Bank has helped many hundreds of people in the greater Woodstock community by matching those looking for work with those seeking workers. Today the jobs listed range from full-time professional to hourly household work. Workers are of all ages and skill levels. We're even helping to recruit volunteers for events and causes in our community.

Requests for workers continue to grow each year. There are over 50 active job seekers on our list and over 470 jobs posted by employers.

Our budget is limited and dependent on contributions from our community. This year our funding request remains level with last year. These funds will help toward operating expenses as we continue offering in-person, online, and telephone resources.

Office located in the Woodstock Town Hall 2nd floor
Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9-11 or by appointment
www.woodstockjobbank.org woodstockjobbank@gmail.com 802-952-9010

We thank the town of Pomfret for its continued support!





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The mission of the Prosper Valley School Trust (the Trust) is to provide funding for educational enrichment for the children of Pomfret and Bridgewater who attend The Prosper Valley School (TPVS), beyond that which can be fairly and reasonably raised through local and state taxes. The Prosper Valley School Trust is a private foundation that conforms to all provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the IRS.

Originally founded in 1992, the Trust has been responsive to the needs of our elementary school students and the changing landscape of local education for the past 27 years! When The Pomfret and Bridgewater Schools merged, the Pomfret Trust amended its name and mission to include students from both communities. However, with the unexpected relocation of TPVS students due to mold, and the subsequent consolidation of TPVS into Woodstock Elementary School, the Trust must once again adjust its structure to meet the new situation and needs of our children. Against this backdrop, the members of the Trust have agreed to return to the distinct, community-based entities of Pomfret and Bridgewater and have restricted fundraising efforts over the past 18 months. As such, the Trust will enter a “dormant phase” for the next several months, during which time it will not entertain any new funding requests while members re-establish a clear vision for the future and elect new members.

The Prosper Valley School Trust funded the following initiatives in 2019:

- **Band instrument scholarships:** Scholarships were provided for three students in The Prosper Valley School Band. Long term rentals covered the purchase of instruments which are now the property of the TPVS. Funds were also provided for repair and maintenance of school instruments.
- **Community Breakfast:** Traditionally, at the closing of each school year, the TPVS community sends off the 6th grade as they step up to Middle School by hiking to WUMSHS. The Trust provided breakfast for this event.
- **WES Playground:** The Woodstock Elementary School is fundraising to upgrade the school playground. The Trust donated to this initiative. In the future, look for the engraved brick on the WES walkway, honoring the importance of play.

The Board of The Prosper Valley School Trust wishes to thank the community for its continued support to nurture excellence in education for our children.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Trustees: Emily Harrington and Kate Christou Overbay

1071 POMFRET ROAD WOODSTOCK, VERMONT 05091

PVS TRUST is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All donations are tax-deductible in accordance with Internal Revenue Code regulations



2019 Financial Statement

Reporting Period 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2019

Total Assets Forward 1/1/2019 (checking, savings, investments)		111,615.92
Revenue		
Savings Interest	7.72	
Total Revenue		7.72
Gains		
Vanguard Brokerage	9,905.06	
Total Gains		9,905.06
Program Disbursements		
Fire Pit	19.99	
Basketballs	99.19	
Band Scholarship, purchase, repair	1,286.79	
Community Breakfast	125.00	
WES Playground improvements	500.00	
Total Disbursements		2,030.97
Net Income (Loss) for year		7,881.81
Return of Bridgewater Principal		
Bridgewater Community Trust	10,000.00	
Total Other Disbursements		10,000.00
Checking Account Balance	1,098.95	
Savings Account Balance	6,159.23	
Investment Portfolio Balance	\$102,239.22	
Total Assets of the Prosper Valley School Trust (12/31/19)		109,497.73

WCMUUSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS POMFRET REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

The 2019-2020 school year has seen some positive developments for the Windsor Central Supervisory Union. There has been a formal adoption of a five-year strategic plan and The Portrait of a Graduate. Both of these documents had extensive administrative, faculty, student and public input. They will be the templates and guides for the path of the district in the near future.

Additionally, the town of Barnard has voted to join the unified district at the elementary level and all member towns will be voting on accepting them in and adopting new articles of agreement on town meeting day.

Work at reopening The Prosper Valley School has moved forward albeit at a pace that will still prevent opening next school year. All TPVS students will continue to attend WES for the foreseeable future but plans for the future configuration of the facility are ongoing.

Work has been done on the foundation and perimeter drains of TPVS to help ameliorate the moisture issues and a commitment by the board to get a new HVAC system into the building has been made.

There is ongoing work to explore the economic feasibility of a new middle/high school for the district as the current building shows its age and we look forward to developing students ready for the 21st century.



WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL REPORT

The 2018-2019 school year continued the strong tradition of Woodstock Elementary School providing quality education to the children of Woodstock. Our school's mission continues to emphasize the school, families, and community working in partnership to ensure that each student experiences the joy and rigor of learning. Our goal is for all students to become enthusiastic, persistent, and competent learners that care about and demonstrate respect for themselves, others, and the environment. We are grateful for the many numerous community partner organizations, volunteers, and donors who make our work toward this mission possible.

2018-2019 was the first year WES offered full day PreK classes for students ages 3-5 years old. Our program was fully enrolled at 20 children for the morning session with some families opting for an extended afternoon program. Given the success of the model, the district fully funded full day PreK for the 2019-2020 school year. 2018-2019 was also the first year of school choice in the Windsor Central Unified District. WES welcomed approximately 15 students from other district towns via school choice. WES's total enrollment for 2018-2019 was 206 students PreK-6th grade. In addition to increasing enrollment in 2018-2019 with the addition of PreK and school choice students, WES opened its doors to the entire staff and student body of The Prosper Valley School. TPVS building was not able to open during the 2018-2019 school year due to moisture and mold issues, so two elementary schools ran parallel programs for the duration of the school year in the WES building. There were opportunities for collaboration between the two schools during this sharing of space.

The 2018-2019 school year was our second year implementing school-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) as a unifying school culture structure. Vermont PBIS recognized WES as a School of Distinction for our solid implementation of this program. In addition to adopting PBIS, WES also adopted a school-wide enrichment and intervention program called What I Need (WIN) to differentiate and individualize small group instruction for all students

WES extends its gratitude and well wishes to Woodstock resident and longtime staff member Cindy Towne who is retiring from service on the WES staff at the close of the 2019-2020 school year. During her time at WES, Mrs. Towne has served as a paraeducator, crossing guard, library assistant, and technology support specialist. She leaves big shoes to fill.

While WES continues to pursue school-based initiatives to further the educational outcomes of our students, the school works in concert with the Portrait of a Graduate and Strategic Plan of the merged Windsor Central Unified District. We are optimistic about the future endeavors of our school and district!

WCMUUSD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

The 2018-2019 school year was the first operational year of the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District. This first year saw both successes and challenges as the new district and Board worked through the complexities and opportunities of six towns coming together to operate as a single entity.

Board members, community members, educators, and students engaged in collaborative work sessions to define the skills and dispositions that Windsor Central students should possess upon graduation. After productive debate and compromise, our district agreed on the following five essential outcomes for students:

- Achievement of **Academic Excellence**
- Ability to successfully engage in **Critical Thinking and Problem Solving**
- Demonstrate **Skillful Communication**
- Demonstrate **Self-Direction**
- Demonstrate **Stewardship** skills

Once the targeted outcomes were established, additional citizens and educators joined the work and came together as the Strategic Planning Design Team. This group of 30+ individuals from all member communities came together to help develop and advise on a strategic plan that would provide direction and guidance for how the Portrait of a Graduate outcomes would best be attained. On June 10, 2018, the merged Board unanimously voted to adopt the end result of this collaborative work: the 2020-24 Windsor Central Strategic Plan. This plan identifies five focus areas:

- **Student Success**
- **Learning Environments**
- **Community Alliance**
- **Culture**
- **Foundational Systems**

The full strategic plan can be viewed at: <https://bit.ly/30gv0Rf>

The Windsor Central Strategic Plan will serve as a map to guide and prioritize the work of the district. One area of focus and concern for many of our member communities is related to Learning Environments. There is a single goal under this focus area: “Our facilities serve as an exemplar for Vermont and meet or exceed nation best practices for school design.” The issue of repairing, remediating and replacing facilities was one that immediately required the Board’s attention during its first year of operation. The issues surrounding the WUHSMS and TPVS facilities are complex. So many invested people are working towards finding solutions that will serve all communities and taxpayers well.

As the district grows and evolves, the promise of a cohesive PreK-12 educational program continues to be in the forefront. Our vision is to ensure that all of our students graduate being prepared to follow their passions and interests, equipped with the needed skills and dispositions as they head down their chosen path. We continue to invite all community members to join and support this important work; *it takes a village*.

TOWN OFFICERS

— ELECTED —	Term Expires	— APPOINTED —	Term Expires
MODERATOR		CONSTABLE/POUNDKEEPER	
Kevin Geiger	2020	vacant	
TOWN CLERK		COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES	
Rebecca Fielder	2020	Karen Hewitt Osnoe	
SELECTBOARD		HEALTH OFFICER (February 1)	
Emily Grube, Chair	2020	Hugh Hermann, M.D.	2020
Frank Perron	2020	FIRE WARDEN	
Steven Chamberlin	2020	Frank E. Perron, Jr.	2020
Scott Woodward	2021	Fred S. Doten, Sr. (Deputy)	2020
John Peters Jr.	2022	TREE WARDEN	
TOWN TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR		Cyrus Benoit	2020
Ellen DesMeules	2020	ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK	
CEMETERY COMMISSION		Sally Weglarz	
Diana Tuthill	2020	ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER	
Ona Chase, Chair	2021	Sally Weglarz	
Bruce Tuthill	2022	SELECTBOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	
LISTERS		Cynthia Hewitt	
Neil Lamson	2020	ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	
Norman Buchanan, Chair	2021	Karen Hewitt Osnoe	
Rebecca Fielder	2022	ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (June 1)	
AUDITORS		Michael S. Reese	2020
Regina Lawrence	2020	Lois Havill	2020
Nancy Matthews	2021	Alan R. Blackmer, Chair	2021
Benjamin Brickner	2022	Shaun Pickett	2022
TOWN AGENT		Benjamin Brickner	2022
John Putnam	2020	PLANNING COMMISSION (June 1)	
LIBRARY TRUSTEES		Cyrus Benoit	2020
Betsy Rhodes	2020	William Emmons, Chair	2020
Tina Clifford	2020	Nelson Lamson	2021
Nancy Merrill	2021	Orson St. John	2021
Tessa Westbrook	2021	John Moore	2022
Anne Bower, Chair	2022	Ann Raynolds	2022
Jean Souter	2022	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR	
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS		Kevin Rice	2020
Marjorie Wakefield	2020	GUVSWD REPRESENTATIVES	
Robert Hatfield	2021	Vernon Clifford	2020
Michael Doten	2022	Douglas Tuthill (alternate)	2020
WINDSOR CENTRAL MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTORS		e911 COORDINATOR	
Patti Kuzmickas	2020	Rebecca Fielder	
Robert Coates	2021	2020	
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE (February 1)			
Anne Bower (appointed October 2019)	2021		
Jack Crowl (until September 2019)	2021		
Charles "Chuck" Gundersen	2021		
Ann Raynolds	2021		
Marjorie Wakefield	2021		
JoAnn Webb	2021		

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TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, March 3, 2020, 9:00 AM

PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING