TOWN OF

POMFRET, VERMONT



2021 Annual Report

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

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......treasurer@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 Chief......kricevt@gmail.com, (802) 457-2364

Abbott Memorial Library

15 Library Street, South Pomfret, Vermont 05067 https://www.abbottmemoriallibrary.org/

*Library Hours*Tuesday, Thursday 10:00 AM − 6:00 PM | Saturday 10:00 AM − 2:00 PM (802) 457-2236

Regular Meetings

Selectboard	1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:00 pm (EST) or 7:00 pm (EDT), Town Office
Planning Commission	1st and 3rd Mondays, 6:00 pm (EST) or 7:00 pm (EDT), Town Office
Trustees of the Abbott Memorial Library	3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Abbott Memorial Library

State Representatives

General Assembly, Windsor	County 4-1
Heather Surprenant (Barnard)	hsurprenant@leg.state.vt.us (802) 272-7943
Senate, Windsor Cou	nty
Alison Clarkson (Woodstock)	aclarkson@leg.state.vt.us (802) 457-4627
Richard ("Dick") McCormack (Bethel)	rmccormack@leg.state.vt.us (802) 234-5497
Alice W. Nikta (Ludlow)	anitka@leg.state.vt.us (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 GUVSWMD/Hartford Transfer Station located at 2590 North Hartland Road (U.S. Route 5) in Hartford. Both are available at the Town Clerk's office. The cost of a permit is \$30.00 and the coupons are \$50.00 for a punchcard of ten.

TRIBUTE

Orson Luer St. John, Jr. (1937 – 2021)

Dear Orson,

Many of us Pomfret old timers remember well the early days when, in 1966, you and Tania bought the Dana Farm off the Old King's Highway. It was part of your "exit plan" to escape the New York City and Greenwich, CT hustle and bustle in which you were raised and where you launched a professional career in business. The farm became your passion and for ten years you came up weekends and holidays to lovingly create a home for your family and a productive farm for your Beefalo cattle herd and other critters.

Little did we all realize then what a remarkable influence you would have on our little town. You and Tania moved up permanently in 1976 with three wonderful children having introduced them to Pomfret, skiing at Suicide Six



and Mt. Tom, and a new life in the country. Your dream had become a reality and the fun was just beginning.

Over the years you became a farmer, sometimes learning the hard way. You taught your children the value of hard work and the importance of giving your time and expertise to the community. Your resourcefulness and frugality were legendary. Your collection of antique tractors and farm implements was rivaled only by the famous display at the Tunbridge World's Fair. You probably never had a car payment because you bought used and made them last...and last. It is said that to be a beef cattle farmer one needs to build a chute. The next thing to do is to reinforce it. You did just that. Your chute and corral system could have been the envy of any Montana cattle rancher. It still stands...a tribute to your resourceful work ethic.

The piles of logs and firewood framed your pastoral landscape and reminded us all that winter would always be just around the corner. The flower gardens that surrounded your house gave travelers pause as they passed by. They were the envy of any horticulturalist. They were the result of Tania's love of gardening and flowers. They were the crown of glory surrounding your home.

Your love of skiing was passed on to your children from the very start. You brought them up to ski at Six when you were still living down country. They joined the Woodstock Ski Runners and you made every sacrifice to bring them up for races. You later became a part of the organization and were a familiar face at Six, skiing there and out west with your family.

To say that you were a fixture in Pomfret would be an understatement. Your easy smile and ready laugh endeared you to everyone. Collecting friends was easy for you. Your attention to detail was noteworthy. Everything done on your farm was done your way, no matter who did it. You were meticulous. Over the many years that you were on the planning commission you always stuck to your guns. Disagreements were uncommon but when they arose, you were a true gentleman and listened carefully to others' opinions. You were graceful when outvoted and merely shrugged your shoulders and smiled. When you stood up in town meeting, everyone took notice and listened to every word. You were tall, very well spoken and succinct, always kind, understanding and appreciative of everything and everyone in Pomfret.

Thank you for all that you did for us. We are indebted to you for showing us what a true gentleman is like.

With deep affection and gratitude, Your Friends and Neighbors

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TRIBUTE

Hugh Hermann

Hugh Hermann and his wife settled in Pomfret in 1958 with their young children. Both of their parents thought them foolish to live in such a rural area. But they were tired of the city life and wanted their children to grow up in the country.

Hugh fell in love with the town, the people and way of life in Pomfret. He still wears several hats; small town MD who still makes house calls, professor for Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth, medical advisor to the Suicide 6 ski patrol and health officer for Pomfret for the last 60 years. He is the longest serving health officer in the State of VT.

Hugh admits to bearing witness to many changes in Pomfret thru the years, some for the better, others not so, but he is happy to live in Pomfret with his wife, Kerry, and dog Sailor and to call it home.



When recently asked if he ever feels "burned out" he very quickly responded: "No, I love what I do!"

ANNUAL REPORT PHOTO CONTRIBUTORS

Cover Page

Greg Greene
"Shovel it and they will come"
Pick-up ice hockey on a South Pomfret pond

Interior Pages

Katie Brickner Becky Fielder Greg Greene

WANTED: Your Pomfret photos for next year's report! Email them to pomfretannualreport@gmail.com.



SUMMARY OF TOWN MEETING

March 2, 2021

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, no in-person town meeting was held in 2021. As authorized by Act 162 (2020), the Selectboard at its November 18, 2020 meeting approved the Australian ballot system for municipal elections and articles to be voted upon. Ballots were mailed to all active voters in the Town of Pomfret. The results of voting were as follows:

- 1. The following Town Officers were elected: Kevin Geiger, Moderator; Rebecca Fielder, Clerk; Steve Chamberlin, Selectboard 3yr; Charles "Chuck" Gundersen, Selectboard 1yr; Jonathan Harrington, Selectboard 1yr; Ellen DesMeules, Treasurer; Ona Chase, Cemetery Commissioner 3yr; Susan Burgess, Cemetery Commissioner 2yr; Norman Buchanan, Lister; Nancy Matthews, Auditor; Susan Burgess, Library Trustee; Heather Durkel, Library Trustee; Robert Hatfield, Trustee of Public Funds.
- 2. The voters authorized the Treasurer to be the collector of current taxes.
- 3. The FY22 General and Highway Budget totaling \$1,455,717 was approved.
- 4. \$41,500 was appropriated to the Abbott Memorial Library.
- 5. \$12,000 was appropriated to the Pomfret Cemetery Commission.
- 6. \$3,950 was appropriated to the Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH.
- 7. \$3,800 was appropriated to the Woodstock Area Council on Aging (Thompson Senior Center).
- 8. \$300 was appropriated to the Woodstock Job Bank.
- 9. \$979 was appropriated to Health Care and Rehabilitation Services (HCRS).
- 10. \$2,500 was appropriated to Empower Up Windsor Central Mentoring Program.
- 11. \$750 was appropriated to the Spectrum Teen Center.
- 12. \$900 was appropriated to Pentangle Arts.
- 13. \$400 was appropriated to the Women's Information Service (WISE) of the Upper Valley.
- 14. \$2,500 was appropriated to the Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF).
- 15. The voters approved the establishment of the "Teago Village Fund" and the appropriation of \$10,000 from the General Fund to fund the reserve.
- 16. It was voted to re-appropriate the sum of \$45,056 from the unassigned General Fund balance from FY20 to offset current taxes to be raised.
- 17. The voters authorized changing the compensation of the Collector of Delinquent Taxes from an annual stipend to an hourly rate.
- 18. The voters approved the establishment of the "Highway Equipment Reserve Fund" and the reappropriation of the balance of the existing "Equipment Sinking Fund" to the newly created reserve fund.
- 19. It was voted to have the Town Treasurer collect taxes in two installments, on August 20, 2021 and February 4, 2022. Late payments will be subject to interest of 1% per calendar month or a portion thereof. All taxes outstanding on February 5, 2022 shall be delinquent and subject to a penalty of 8%.

486 ballots were cast out of a total of 784 registered voters.

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca Fielder Town Clerk

WARNING TOWN OF POMFRET ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2022

The legal voters of the Town of Pomfret, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Pomfret Town Offices, 5218 Pomfret Road, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, between 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM, to vote by Australian ballot upon the articles of business listed herein.

An informational hearing to discuss the articles to be voted upon will occur via Zoom pursuant to Act 77 of 2022, on Saturday, February 19, 2022, beginning at 9:00 A.M. Instructions for joining the informational hearing appear at the end this Warning.

The legal voters of the Town of Pomfret, Vermont are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said voting by Australian ballot shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated. For more information, please visit https://sos.vermont.gov/elections/voters/early-absentee-voting/ or call the Pomfret Town Offices at (802) 457-3861 during normal business hours (Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM).

- 1. To elect the following Town officers:
 - Town Moderator, 1-year term;
 - Town Clerk, 1-year term;
 - 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;
 - Library Trustee, 3-year term;
 - Library Trustee, 3-year term; and
 - Trustee of Public Funds, 3-year term.
- 2. Shall the voters change the 1-year terms of the two additional Selectboard members to staggered 2-year terms?

Note: If adopted, this article will take effect as of the 2023 annual meeting.

- 3. Shall the voters authorize the Treasurer to collect current taxes, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4791?
- 4. Shall the voters approve the combined budget for Fiscal Year 2023 of \$1,634,129 for general purposes (\$441,137) and for highway purposes (\$1,192,992), of which \$1,060,365 will be raised by current year taxes and \$573,764 by other sources?

<u>Note</u>: The amounts in this Article 4 are exclusive of the appropriations proposed in Articles 5 through 17 below.

- 5. Shall the voters appropriate \$60,000 to the Fire Department Vehicle Reserve Fund?
- 6. Shall the voters appropriate \$41,500 to the Abbott Memorial Library?

- 7. Shall the voters appropriate \$12,000 to the Pomfret Cemetery Commission?
- 8. Shall the voters appropriate \$3,950 to the Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH in support of care provided in patients' homes?
- 9. Shall the voters 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?
- 10. Shall the voters appropriate \$979 to Health Care and Rehabilitation Services for support of services provided to residents of Windsor County?
- 11. Shall the voters appropriate \$2,500 to the Empower Up Windsor Central Mentoring Program (formerly known as the Ottauquechee Community Partnership) to support their Mentor and Buddy Program?
- 12. Shall the voters appropriate \$750 to the Spectrum Teen Center for support of activities at the center?
- 13. Shall the voters appropriate \$900 to Pentangle Arts for providing artistic endeavors in the community?
- 14. Shall the voters appropriate \$400 to the Women's Information Service (WISE) of the Upper Valley for support of activities at the service?
- 15. Shall the voters appropriate \$2,500 to the Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF) for 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?
- 16. Shall the voters appropriate \$50 to Green Up Vermont for Green Up Day supplies and services?
- 17. Shall the voters re-appropriate the \$121,767 unassigned General Fund balance at the end of Fiscal Year 2021 to offset Fiscal Year 2023 taxes to be raised?
- 18. Shall the voters require that taxes be paid in U.S. funds in two installments, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4773, and that the first installment of such taxes be due and accepted at the Treasurer's office on or before 2:30 PM on August 19, 2022, and that the balance be due at the same location on or before 2:30 PM on February 3, 2023, and that interest on overdue taxes be charged at 1% per month pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 4873, and that all delinquent taxes be subject to an 8% penalty pursuant to 32 V.S.A. 1674?

Dated this 21st day of January, 2022, by the Selectboard of the Town of Pomfret:

Emily Grube, Chair John Peters Jr., Vice-Chair Steve Chamberlin Chuck Gundersen Jonathan Harrington

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AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Informational Hearing Instructions

An informational hearing to discuss the articles to be voted upon will occur via Zoom pursuant to Act 77 of 2022, on Saturday, February 19, 2022, beginning at 9:00 A.M. You may join this informational hearing by telephone, computer or smartphone as follows:

Computer or Smartphone

https://zoom.us/j/95395079923?pwd=ZjBEd3ZuZWgvWmx2M0tpOE8zbjg2dz09

Landline or Mobile Phone

Dial (301) 715-8592. When prompted, enter Meeting ID 953 9507 9923 and Password 306922.



AUDITORS' REPORT

The Auditors are required by state law to examine and, if necessary, adjust the accounts and financial records of all town officers and any other persons authorized to draw orders on the Town Treasurer. To this end, the Auditors have verified stated account balances, confirmed that expenditures have been duly authorized, and that income has been received into the appropriate accounts of the town.

The Auditors also are required to present detailed statements of the financial condition of the town, classified summaries of receipts and expenditures, lists of trust fund assets, and certain information about indebtedness, if any. To the extent applicable, these statements, summaries, lists and information are presented elsewhere in this Annual Report. To the best of our knowledge, these materials collectively and accurately portray the financial condition of the Town of Pomfret as of June 30, 2021.

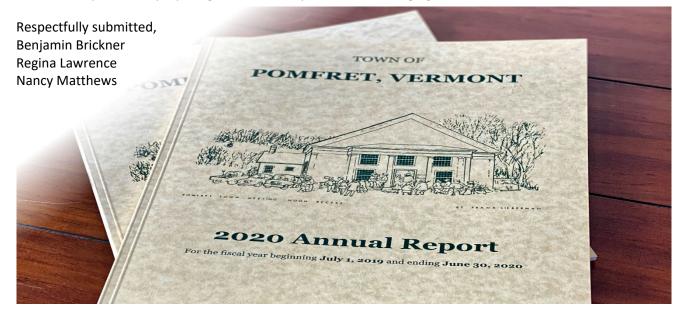
New initiative this year:

 Revising auditing procedures to reflect updated VLCT guidelines and new Mascoma Bank financial statement format.

Continuing Initiatives:

- Creating a checklist to improve written communication between Auditors and to memorialize monthly auditing procedures to ensure consistency and assist new Auditors.
- Accelerating our examination of accounts to align with the Town's fiscal year and to allow the Auditors, Selectboard and other concerned parties additional time to prepare and review their financial statements and reports.
- Continuing representation on the Financial Advisory Committee appointed by the Selectboard and completing the drafts of financial policies for the Selectboard's consideration.

We are grateful for the continuing invaluable assistance of Ellen DesMeules, Town Treasurer, and Becky Fielder, Town Clerk, throughout the year. We thank the Selectboard for striving to submit the budget and reports on a timely basis to enable 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. This cooperation has been critical, especially as the coronavirus pandemic continues to make the process of preparing the Annual Report more challenging.



TREASURER'S REPORT

The Town weathered the first COVID storm (who knew the pandemic would last multiple years?!). Following all the State protocols, the Town's employees made it through the year without becoming sick with the virus. The State provided grants for a safe election, for supplies and materials to sanitize buildings and provide barriers between employees and the public, and for electronic means to fulfill municipal public meeting obligations (Zoom). There was significant public participation in remote zoning hearings and Selectboard meetings, as well as the election and Town Meeting. Pomfret's taxpayers paid their tax bills; total delinquency dropped from July 2020 to June 2021, and one late account was brought current with a payment of roughly \$75,000. All of which enabled the General Fund to complete the year in the black.

As for the Highway Fund, the Town completed the repaving of Howe Hill, with the help of a State transportation grant of \$175,000. The Town planned to replace the three plow trucks; two of which were purchased and on the roads during the year, with the last one due before the snow flies for winter 2021-22. The 20-year old grader had to be replaced too. Prudent funding of reserves allowed these significant expenses without debt. Similar to the General Fund, grant income from the State helped the Highway Fund finish above water. There was a FEMA payment of nearly \$65,000 for storm damage suffered in a previous year, and a State payment of \$35,000 in lieu of the usual grants, which were not available during 2020-21 due to COVID.

It was a dramatic year. Pomfret came through in strong financial shape. Thank you, one and all.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen DesMeules, Pomfret Treasurer

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

The Town of Pomfret had no indebtedness as of December 31, 2021.

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, 2021

Beginning Balance, Delinquent Taxes	210,015.63	receivables beginning of the year
Billings per NEMRC status report	4,858,931.61	from grand list tax book summary
Late fee retained by Town	75.00	from final education report
Less Payments sent directly to School by State	(355,988.93)	from final education report
Less Current Year Taxes	(4,339,355.83)	from GF trial balance
Less Town Delinquent Taxes recorded	(181,467.30)	from GF trial balance
Adjustments/Rounding	(18.12)	
Net	191,192.06	
Delinquencies per List	(191,192.06)	receivables at the end of the year
Difference	(0.00)	

TREASURER'S TAX REPORT

As of June 30, 2021

Below is the funding schedule on which 2021-22 tax bills are based. On Town Meeting Day 2021, the town voted to raise \$922,494 in taxes for town purposes, including \$90,000 associated with the local, voterapproved veterans' exemption agreement. The total tax rate is comprised of the town rate, the local agreement rate, and the resident or non-resident education tax rate. The State of Vermont sets the education tax rate to cover local school budgets and contribute to state equalization spending. Further information about the education tax rate is available from the Vermont Department of Taxes.

Rate name	FY 2020-21 Tax rate	Grand list value	Total taxes raised
Homestead education	1.5472	1,464,224.28	2,265,447.81
Non-residential education	1.5735	1,060,207.36	1,668,236.22
Local agreement	0.0005	2,531,464.84	1,265.74
Town tax	0.3650	2,531,464.84	923,981.84
Total tax			4,858,931.61
School payments			
Windsor Central Unified Union District	1,774,109.00		
State of Vermont	1,796,395.45		
State payments toward Education	355,913.93		

HISTORIC POMFRET TAX RATES

Residential Rate	2012	2013	1H 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Town rate	0.3663	0.3651	es eq	0.3261	0.3767	0.3852	0.3882	0.3613	0.3616	0.3650	0.3776
Local agreement	0.0009	0.0009	No taxes assessed	0.0023	0.0012	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0005	0.0005
Residential edu. rate	1.5789	1.6826	No	1.5707	1.3642	1.4459	1.5437	1.6738	1.6586	1.5735	1.5031
Total residential rate	1.9461	2.0486		1.8991	1.7421	1.8315	1.9323	2.0355	2.0206	1.9390	1.8812
Non Posidontial Pata	2012	2012	1H	FY							
Non-Residential Rate	2012	2013	1H 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Non-Residential Rate Town rate	2012 0.3663	2013 0.3651	2014								
			2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Town rate	0.3663	0.3651	2014	2015 0.3261	2016 0.3767	2017 0.3852	2018 0.3882	2019 0.3613	2020 0.3616	2021 0.3650	2022 0.3776

COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES REPORT

It has been an ongoing process dealing with the delinquent properties and getting the past due taxes resolved. On the Pomfret website www.pomfretvt.us under Documents, subsection Policies is where the Delinquent Tax Collection Policy may be found.

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 (802) 299-8211, by email at 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, 2021

Tax Year	Payment 1	Payment 2	Interest	Penalty	Other	Total
2012	-	4,384.47	4,496.48	350.76	-	9,231.71
2013	4,626.65	4,626.65	8,652.49	740.26	-	18,646.05
2014	4,427.02	4,427.02	7,127.47	708.32	-	16,689.83
2015	5,298.79	5,298.79	7,154.05	847.82	-	18,599.45
2016-17	5,113.93	5,113.93	5,726.61	818.25	-	16,772.72
2017-18	5,935.58	9,054.66	6,502.28	1,199.20	-	22,691.72
2018-19	18,066.20	18,093.03	11,532.85	2,892.73	-	50,584.81
2019-20	22,818.17	26,222.60	9,470.70	3,923.25	-	62,434.72
2020-21	21,980.77	26,703.80	3,753.20	3,894.76	-	56,332.53
TOTALS	88,267.11	103,924.95	64,416.13	15,375.35	-	271,983.54



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

For Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021

Cash receipts:	
Property taxes, gross collection	4,339,355.83
Education taxes paid to State	(1,796,395.45)
Education taxes paid to local schools	(1,774,109.00)
To Highway Fund	(856,341.00)
Current Use reimbursement and penalties	272,458.00
Delinquent taxes and fees paid	221,908.40
Payments in lieu of taxes	10,361.00
Grant reimbursement	5,882.43
Donations	20,285.82
Other income	27,929.05
Total income	471,335.08
Cash disbursements:	
To reserves	15,000.00
Personnel and associated insurance, bonding costs	127,454.79
Town and charitable appropriations	69,579.00
Buildings and grounds expenses	28,551.13
Fire Department, Ambulance & Dispatch contracts, emergency services	138,230.54
Professional fees: Legal, accounting, human resources	10,815.60
Assessments	31,124.00
Computer related: hardware, software, support and technology	10,241.67
Other expenses	4,952.18
Total expenses	435,948.91
Fund balance as of July 1, 2020	131,436.39
Fund balance as of June 30, 2021	166,822.56
Increase in fund balance (income-expenses)	35,386.17
HIGHWAY FUND	
Income:	
State aid to Highways	138,418.84
Tax support	856,341.00
Grant reimbursements	125,805.22
Misc. income	12,708.18
Total income:	1,133,273.24
Expenses:	
Personnel costs and associated insurance costs	322,511.65
Road materials	235,722.36
Vehicle and equipment costs	102,478.23
Building costs	7,543.66
Contracts and grants	56,297.72
To reserves	377,600.00
Total expenses	1,102,153.62
Fund balance as of July 1, 2020	117,029.00
Fund balance as of June 30, 2021	148,148.62
Increase in fund balance (income-expenses)	31,119.62

Accumulated funds were used to pay operating expenses, thus reducing the amount of taxes raised.

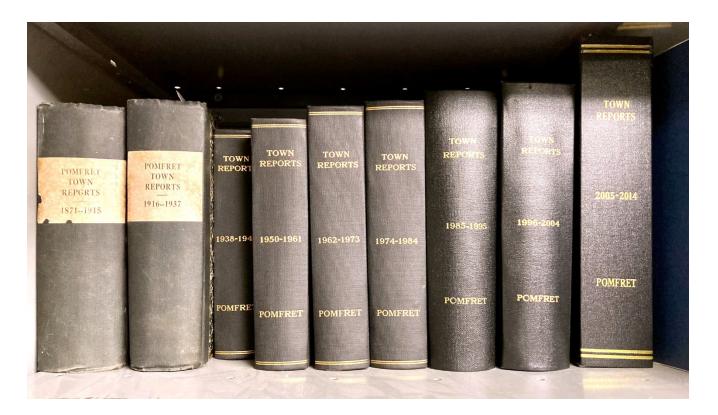
LISTERS' REPORT

For the tax year 2021-22, there are 591 taxable parcels in the Town of Pomfret. There are an additional 19 non-taxed 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); three 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 171 parcels enrolled in the Current Use program.

The current Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) is 97.33% and the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) is currently at 17.28%. The Listers spent a good portion of 2021 refining and sending out a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a full town-wide reappraisal, the implementation of which had been delayed from 2020 due to COVID-19. We have selected the Appraisal Resource Group to conduct the reappraisal, and their work is expected to begin this spring and be completed in early 2023. Property inspections will be conducted from spring through fall of 2022, so please be on the lookout for notices regarding the scheduling of site visits. This will be a long process and we ask for the cooperation of all property owners as we work over the next 2 years to make the property values as accurate, fair, and equitable as possible.

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 and you will be ineligible for a state payment toward the education tax. Filing an extension for your income taxes does NOT extend the deadline for the Homestead Declaration, so be sure to file it on time!

Respectfully submitted, Norm Buchanan Becky Fielder Neil Lamson



GRAND LIST DATA SUMMARY

as of December 31, 2021

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

REAL ESTATE	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Education Listed Value	Non-Residential Education Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I	172	48,384,680	33,323,601	15,061,079	48,384,680
Residential II	292	232,700,620	84,176,541	148,524,079	232,700,620
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	5,472,220	-	5,472,220	5,472,220
Commercial Apartments	1	761,050	-	761,050	761,050
Utilities-Electric	1	4,481,964	-	4,481,964	4,481,964
Farm	7	10,405,790	5,023,930	5,381,860	10,405,790
Miscellaneous	94	27,683,160	928,280	26,754,880	27,683,160
TOTAL LISTED REAL ESTATE VALUE	591	333,507,464	123,717,402	209,790,062	333,507,464
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans \$10,000		30,000	20,000	10,000	30,000
Veterans more than \$10,000		90,000			
Total Veterans	3	120,000	20,000	10,000	30,000
Grandfathered (Fire Departments)	2	425,000	-	425,000	425,000
Current Use	171	72,699,025	14,208,400	58,490,625	72,699,025
Special Exemptions (Ski Area)	1	-	-	703,320	703,320
Partial Statutory (PCP Inc.)	1	2,775,081	-	2,775,081	2,775,081
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS		76,019,106	14,228,400	62,404,026	76,632,426
LISTED VALUE MINUS EXEMPT	IONS	257,488,358	109489,002	147,386,036	256,875,038
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		2,574,883.58	(This amount equa	als 10% of the total Gran	d List)
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			1,094,890.02	1,473,860.36	2,568,750.38
NON-TAX PARCELS (see below)	19				
Abbott Memorial Library Appalachian Trail Bunker Hill Cemetery Burns Cemetery Hewittville Cemetery		North Pomfret Church North Pomfret Church I Pomfret School Land Pomfret Town Forest Pomfret Town Brick Bui Pomfret Town Garage	Ü	Pomfret Town Hall Pomfret Town Offices Pomfret Town Picnic A Tax Sale parcel - Hand The Prosper Valley Scl	Area ly Road

The non-tax parcel list above does not include State owned land off Joe Ranger Road and Amity Pond Natural Area, for which the Town receives PILOT funds (Payment In Lieu of Taxes), nor the "Harrington Condominium" land on Pomfret Road where taxes are divided and paid by the individual building owners, not the condo association.

CLERK'S REPORT

In 2021 our office received 410 documents for recording (including 61 property transfers), issued 6 marriage licenses, notarized 75 documents, registered 204 dogs, sold 144 landfill permits and 191 punchcards, and registered 52 new voters.

This year was once again a bit out of the ordinary due to COVID restrictions and precautions, but we have managed well with the "new normal". Office hours resumed with in-person business, though many people chose to request information and assistance via phone calls and emails rather than coming into the building. We accommodated researchers using an appointment-only system which worked well to limit the number of people in the building at any one time. It worked so well, in fact, that we have decided to continue this practice to give title searchers access to the land records without having to share books and the copy machine.

Over the last few years, I have been working to digitize the land records as they come in, as well as working backwards in the records as time allows. We now have the last 13+ years of land records available online for searching at https://pomfret.lr-1.com/ - there is no fee to search, but a \$2.50 per page fee to print from the website. Using the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds that the town was awarded this year, we have contracted with local companies RecordsForce and NEMRC to have the remaining record books scanned and indexed so that all of our records will be available online. This will not only be a convenient way for people to search the records remotely – it also adds a layer of security by having backup copies of our records in .pdf format stored offsite in case disaster strikes our hard copies.

If you have any questions about the work our office is doing, you know where to find us!



CLERK'S DOG ACCOUNT REPORT

Fees from January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

110	Neutered/Spayed	@ 10.00	\$1,100.00
10	Unaltered dogs	@ 14.00	\$140.00
69	Neutered/spayed with penalty	@ 12.00	\$828.00
14	Unaltered with penalty	@ 18.00	\$252.00
203	Dogs		\$2,320.00

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 up from 174 dogs registered in 2020. 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

2021 Births

March 15	Harold Spencer Schwenk IV, son of Spencer and Elizabeth Schwenk
August 31	Analeigh Celeste Fox, daughter of Emily and Timothy Fox

2021 Marriages

February 6	Emily Lacy Kase and John Thomas Lindsay, both of Brooklyn NY
February 14	Callie Mae Brusegaard and Michael Christopher Zube, both of Pomfret VT
March 2	Tyler Scott Haire and Elizabeth Anne Wellington, both of Pomfret VT
July 10	Lindsey Mae Thompson and Gregg Forbes Freeman, both of Pomfret VT
August 14	Melissa Tamara Tabas and Cory Richard Swingle, both of Pomfret VT
August 21	Kasia Roberts Wright and Jacob Lewis Astbury, both of Pomfret VT
October 2	Per Victor DeVore and Jaclyn Marie Morgan, both of Pomfret VT

2021 Deaths

January 28	Orson Luer St. John Jr. of Pomfret VT, age 83
February 23	Charles C. Luetke of Pomfret VT, age 97
February 23	Thomas S. Scibetta of Pomfret VT, age 58
March 23	Jacob Jaglom of New York NY and Pomfret VT, age 94
May 9	Adalbert F. Shaw of Pomfret VT, age 89
May 13	Patricia Bernardi of Pomfret VT, age 77
May 19	Robert Henry Capossela of Pomfret VT, age 88
August 25	Leon J. Stetson of Pomfret VT, age 92
November 21	Michael K. Goane of Pomfret VT, age 68



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.



SELECTBOARD REPORT

The events of the year have been much affected by the Covid 19 pandemic. We switched to online only meetings via Zoom in March of 2020 and continued that practice until June of 2021, when we returned to inperson meetings in the Town Offices although we continued to make the Zoom option available for those who preferred not to attend in person.

For Town Meeting 2021 we opted, as authorized by the State of Vermont, to vote the warned items by Australian Ballot and hold an online informational meeting before hand to discuss the warned items before voting.

We voted to mail ballots to all registered voters. The ballots could then be mailed to the Town Clerk or brought to the Town Offices on Town Meeting Day, with ballots available at the polling place for anyone who had lost or misplaced their ballot. The result was much greater participation in terms of votes cast than has historically been the case at traditional Town Meetings.

The largest public turnout for a Selectboard meeting was at our April 7, 2021 meeting. A large chunk of time and much discussion centered on the Woodstock Resort Corporation's Act 250 application to host a Ford Bronco Off-Roadeo at Suicide Six and on the roads of Pomfret. Although there were supporters, many town residents were strongly opposed to the plan and Suicide Six Manager Tim Reiter announced that the organizer had been informed that WRC was no longer interested in hosting the event and that the Act 250 application would be withdrawn.

We agreed to release \$161,578.00 to the Fire Department from their Reserve Funds toward the purchase of an E1 Quick Attack Pumper.

We took delivery of three new pieces of equipment for the Highway Department:

- 2021 International 2WD truck with wing, plow, and sander.
- 2022 International Tandem truck with wing, plow, and sander.
- 2021 John Deere 672G grader.
- Road Foreman Jim Potter reports that the new trucks are saving both time and sand.

We signed an agreement with the City of Lebanon to allow Pomfret residents to obtain permits online and dispose of acceptable waste at the Lebanon Solid Waste Facility.

We replaced the crumbling kitchen steps at the Town Hall, installed a ventilation system in the Town Garage and replaced the furnace in the Town Offices building.

In August, we imposed a mask mandate for all town-owned buildings, and in December expanded the mandate to include all public spaces and businesses.

In September, recognizing that the need for people to attend remotely will be part of the new normal, we purchased an OWL PRO audio/visual recording device for the Selectboard to record our meetings and also to allow those attending remotely to both hear and see our deliberations.

We continued our summer program of mowing the roadsides which among other things helps the town to control dangerous invasive species such as wild parsnip and wild chervil, which we have been quite successful in doing.

SELECTBOARD REPORT

(continued)

We voted to digitize town records so that they can be accessed online.

We paved a 2.1 mile section of the Pomfret Road in the north end of town, did some needed ditching and added 1100 feet of underdrain to improve the runoff and drainage in that area. We also reset guardrail that was too low.

We performed stormwater drainage improvements on Cloudland Road under a stormwater mitigation grant.

The Teago General Store reopened in May and we reopened the section of the Pomfret Road between the store and Pickett's house.

We applied for and received a \$44,000.00 VTrans Bike and Pedestrian grant to fund a scoping study for South Pomfret Village. We have begun the Request for Proposal (RFP) preparation process and the scoping work is anticipated to begin in spring 2022.

We recognized the need for a fourth member of the road crew and planned for that in our budget for fiscal year 2023.

We established a new Emergency Services Committee made up of two members each from the Fire Department, Fast Squad and Selectboard.

We agreed to install lock boxes on the Town Hall, Town Offices and Town Garage to allow emergency services access when needed.

We spent a considerable amount of time discussing the problem of tourists jamming the roadway on Cloudland Road in the area of Sleepy Hollow Farm which has found its way onto tourist guides as a must-visit photo stop in our area. Many times the road is nearly impassable which could be a life threatening situation in an emergency. We are still exploring possible remedies and we have budgeted for extra patrol time during next foliage season.

We voted to add changing the terms of Selectboard members to the ballot, The plan is to replace the one-year terms with two-year terms to run alternately, so that only two members can be changed each year. We recognize that turnover of Selectboard members is a good thing, but we also recognize that Selectboard membership is challenging and demanding, that there is a fairly steep learning curve particularly in the first year and that a degree of continuity benefits the town.

We dealt with an increased number of dog complaints over the year, regarding dogs not licensed or not properly under control, intimidating pedestrians, creating a danger for horseback riders and in several cases involving fairly serious bites.

Lastly, we voted to post audio/video recordings of our meetings on the Town's Website, rather than just audio recordings.

Selectboard meetings are open to the public and we thank those who participate and offer us opinions and guidance. We also each thank our fellow Selectboard members for the time they put in and the hard work they do for the town, and for the civil and productive discourse we have had in performing this very important community service.

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
		FY 2023 Budget (proposed)	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2020 Budget
	TOWN REVENUES						
	Taxes Current Year (100-6-10-00-300)						
5	Current Year Taxes*	1,067,927	936,509	4,339,356	922,494	4,540,488	903,067
6	Act 68 funds paid to State	-	_	(1,796,395)	-	(1,832,946)	-
7	School Tax Pd to School	-	-	(1,774,109)	-	(1,878,915)	-
8	School tax-Admin fee	-	-	(8,127)	-	(8,536)	-
9	Appropriation to Highway Fund	(959,513)	(841,365)	(856,341)	(856,341)	(827,600)	(827,600)
10	TOTAL TAXES CURRENT YEAR	108,414	95,144	(95,616)	66,153	(7,509)	75,467
11	* Actual "current year taxes" includes both town a	nd education tax re	evenues; Budget '	'current year taxe	s" includes only t	own tax revenues	5.
20	Other Town Revenues Other Taxes (100-6-10-00-305)	280,433	280,409	472,413	285,354	356,096	294,300
20 25	Penalties and Interest (Taxes) (100-6-10-00-310)	15,000	15,000	472,413	10,000	29,698	3,500
30	Earnings on Accounts (100-6-10-05-315)	2,000	2,000	780	2,000	29,098 1,127	500
45	Income Accounts (100-6-10-03-313)	15,835	11,835	20,186	12,135	16,810	10,285
52	Town Permits (100-6-10-15-325)	6,125	6,125	5,026	1,850	3,235	1,900
59	Misc. Income (100-6-10-20-340)	20,285	20,285	20,398	10,592	21,289	1,000
65	State Funds and Other Grants (100-6-20-00-355)	607	607	6,488	607	606	
69	Transfers (100-6-40-00-365)	-	-	-	-	-	85
73	Public Safety (100-6-50-40)	_	_	1,219	_	337	-
	TOTAL OTHER TOWN REVENUES	340,285	336,261	566,951	322,538	429,198	311,570
75	TOTAL TOWN REVENUES	448,699	431,405	471,335	388,690	421,689	387,037
	TOWN EXPENDITURES						
	Town Expenditures						
86	Clerk (100-7-10-10)	40,150	37,610	38,376	40,180	34,929	38,150
95	Treasurer (100-7-10-15)	44,600	42,060	41,569	42,630	38,703	40,500
106	Listers (100-7-10-20)	20,600	20,650	15,741	20,650	14,417	20,150
123	Other Officers (100-7-10-25)	49,760	51,060	37,956	48,660	37,829	54,510
140	Municipal Office (100-7-10-30)	33,300	26,300	19,690	26,800	27,635	22,300
145	Professional Fees (100-7-10-45)	19,000	19,000	10,816	19,000	28,662	12,000
152	Assessments (100-7-10-55)	31,840	32,380	31,124	32,380	32,458	32,344
161	Town Hall (100-7-10-65)	10,150	8,950	5,548	8,950	6,422	7,450
169	Brick Building (100-7-20-33)	1,500	1,500	857	2,500	1,095	1,500
180	Misc Town Expenses (100-7-20-35)	8,850	8,525	6,463	8,175	5,790	7,260
208	Fire Department (100-7-30-40)	57,235	51,995	57,958	57,115	44,379	44,975
215	Contract Services (100-7-30-42)	92,452	85,452	79,915	88,652	51,813	56,196
220	Fast Squad (100-7-30-44)	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	1,714	3,000
227	Communications and Disaster (100-7-30-46)	1,400	900	357	800	1,698	1,000
233	Municipal Special Projects (100-7-90-75)	1,500	17.500	5,000	1,000	4,387	1,000
241 246	Reserve Accounts TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	25,800 441 137	17,500	15,000 366 370	5,000	100,000	100,000 442,335
240	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	441,137	406,882	366,370	405,492	431,931	442,335

TOWN OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
		(proposed)					
267	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	129,329	69,579	69,579	69,579	67,326	67,326
	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES AND						
269	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	570,466	476,461	435,949	475,071	499,257	509,661
	TOWN REVENUES LESS TOWN EXPENDITURES						
271	AND LESS VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	(121,767)	(45,056)	35,386	(86,381)	(77,568)	(122,624)
273	BEGINNING GENERAL FUND BALANCE			131,436		209,005	
274	ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE*			166,823		131,436	
275	General Fund Balance Change			35,386		(77,568)	

^{* \$45,056} of the FY 2020 ending General Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2022. As a result, the unassigned FY 2021 ending General Fund Balance was \$121,767, which amount is proposed to be used to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2023. See Line 271. See also Warning Article 17.

Notes:			

HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G
		FY 2023 Budget	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2020 Budget
	HIGHWAY REVENUES	(proposed)					
5	Appropriation from General Fund	959,513	841,365	856,341	856,341	827,600	827,600
6	State Aid - Highways	132,500	132,500	138,419	132,500	136,230	132,500
7	FEMA 4445DR April 15, 2019 Storm	-	-	64,723	60,000	-	-
8	FEMA DR4330 7-17 storm	-	-	-	-	45,612	-
9	Rudge Rd grant	-	-	-	-	18,500	-
10	PACIF low temp alarm	-	-	-	-	479	-
11	VBB Grant Cloudland Road	-	-	-	-	91,701	-
12	Caper St grant BR0706	-	-	-	-	17,408	-
13	Culvert inventory grant	-	-	-	-	8,000	-
14	Grant to Comply with Mun. Standards	18,900	18,900	-	-	-	-
15	Hydroseeder Grant	-	-	5,206	-	-	-
16	VT Payment in Lieu of Grant	-	-	35,746	-	-	-
17	Bunker Hill Grant	-	-	20,130	-	-	-
18	Highway Interest Income	-	-	-	-	1,470	-
19	Highway Misc. Income	-	-	12,708	-	8,217	-
20	TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES	1,110,913	992,765	1,133,273	1,048,841	1,155,216	960,100
	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES						
38	Labor and Benefits (150-7-10-70)	364,742	307,185	295,437	280,750	264,353	247,100
45	Insurance (150-7-15-85)	29,300	29,300	27,075	29,300	25,452	29,300
61	Materials (150-7-20-75)	292,000	278,000	235,722	267,000	231,450	259,000
76	Small Equipment (150-7-30-80)	89,600	78,600	50,243	65,500	59,581	68,300
80	Large Equipment Maint and Repair (150-7-35-05)	25,000	35,000	52,235	35,000	53,795	25,000
88	Garage Building (150-7-40-83)	6,500	6,500	7,544	14,400	14,211	13,300
96	Contracts (150-7-50-90)	30,100	28,500	22,028	28,500	225,624	35,000
113	Special Projects and Grants (150-7-50-93)	1,750	1,750	34,270	1,750	143,697	10,000
119	Highway Reserves (150-7-95-50)	354,000	294,000	377,600	377,600	273,100	273,100
121	TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	1,192,992	1,058,835	1,102,154	1,099,800	1,291,263	960,100
123	HIGHWAY REVENUES LESS HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	(82,079)	(66,070)	31,120	(50,959)	(136,047)	-
125	BEGINNING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE			117,029		253,076	
126	ENDING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE*			148,149		117,029	
127	Highway Fund Balance Change			31,120		(136,047)	

^{*\$66,070} of the FY 2020 ending Highway Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2022. As a result, the unassigned FY 2021 ending Highway Fund Balance was \$82,079, which amount is proposed to be used to offset highway expenditures in FY 2023. See Line 123.

FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET NARRATIVE

The combined Fiscal Year 2023 Town and Highway budget of \$1,763,458 is 14.9% higher than Fiscal Year 2022's total budget of \$1,535,296. The Fiscal Year 2023 budget represents a significant increase compared to Fiscal Year 2022 (for the reasons explained below), and is 15.7% above the average combined budget for the last five years (Fiscal Years 2019 through 2023). If the voters approve all voted appropriations and reappropriate the prior year's unassigned fund balances to offset current year taxes to be raised, the amount to be raised in taxes for Fiscal Year 2023 will be 14.0% higher than in Fiscal Year 2022 (\$1,067,927 versus \$936,509).

The General Fund finished Fiscal Year 2021 with an unassigned fund balance (sometimes referred to as a "surplus") of \$121,767 and the Highway Fund finished Fiscal Year 2021 with an unassigned fund balance of \$82,079. The unassigned fund balance in the General Fund arose from \$82,645 in greater than expected revenues and \$39,122 in lower than planned expenditures. The unassigned fund balance in the Highway Fund arose from \$84,432 in greater than expected revenues and \$2,354 in greater than planned expenditures.

The primary drivers of the greater than expected General Fund revenue were collections of delinquent taxes and recording fees. The primary drivers of the lower than expected General Fund expenses were professional fees, insurance and law enforcement patrol costs. The primary drivers of the greater than expected Highway Fund revenue were unanticipated grants and state payments in lieu of grants. There were no significant drivers of the marginally greater than expected Highway Fund expenses.

Including all voted appropriations, the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 General Fund budget is 19.7% higher than the Fiscal Year 2022 budget (\$570,466 versus \$476,461) and 19.9% above the average General Fund budget for the last five years (Fiscal Years 2019 through 2023). The primary drivers of this year-over-year increase are data security and management, staff salaries and fire department building maintenance, protective equipment costs and vehicle replacement reserves. To offset these increased costs, the Selectboard proposes to apply the entire \$121,767 Fiscal Year 2021 unassigned General Fund balance as revenue in Fiscal Year 2023.

The proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Highway Fund budget is 12.7% higher than the Fiscal Year 2022 budget (\$1,192,992 versus \$1,058,835) and 13.8% above the average Highway Fund budget for the last five years (Fiscal Years 2019 through 2023). The primary drivers of this year-over-year increase are increased funding of the paving reserve and the anticipated addition of a fourth full-time member of our Highway Team. These increases are offset in part by a reduction in funding of the bridges reserve. To further offset these increased costs, the Selectboard proposes to apply the entire \$82,079 Fiscal Year 2021 unassigned Highway Fund balance as revenue in Fiscal Year 2023.

The Selectboard recognizes that the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 budget entails a larger than usual increase in spending. This is due in part to macroeconomic conditions beyond our control that are driving up costs generally, not just in Pomfret. It also results from our desire to anticipate future needs through careful reserve funding, and our conclusion that Pomfret residents would be better served with a four-person Highway Team.

Emily Grube, Chair John Peters, Jr., Vice-chair Steve Chamberlin Chuck Gundersen Jonathan Harrington

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
2	TOWALDEN/ENLIES (100 C)	(proposed)					
2 3	TOWN REVENUES (100-6)						
4	Taxes Current Year (100-6-10-00-300)						
5	Current Year Taxes*	1,067,927	936,509	4,339,356	922,494	4,540,488	903,067
6	Act 68 funds paid to State	-	-	(1,796,395)	-	(1,832,946)	-
7	School Tax Pd to School	-	-	(1,774,109)	-	(1,878,915)	-
8	School tax-Admin fee	-	-	(8,127)	-	(8,536)	-
9	Appropriation to Highway Fund	(959,513)	(841,365)	(856,341)	(856,341)	(827,600)	(827,600)
10	TOTAL TAXES CURRENT YEAR	108,414	95,144	(95,616)	66,153	(7,509)	75,467
11	* Actual "current year taxes" includes both town a	nd education tax re	venues; Budget "	current year taxe	s" includes only t	own tax revenues	
12							
13	Other Taxes (100-6-10-00-305)						
14	Prior Years Delinquent	-	-	181,467	-	68,864	-
15	Appalachian Trail in lieu of taxes	7,500	7,480	7,757	7,000	7,738	3,500
16	Current Use Reimbursement	263,329	263,329	263,329	268,354	268,354	280,000
17	Land Use change tax	-	-	9,129	-	-	-
18	VT State in Land in lieu of taxes	2,604	2,600	2,604	3,000	2,604	3,800
19	School tax collection fee	7,000	7,000	8,127	7,000	8,536	7,000
20	TOTAL OTHER TAXES	280,433	280,409	472,413	285,354	356,096	294,300
21							
22	Penalties and Interest (Taxes) (100-6-10-00-310)						
23	Interest on Taxes Due	7,500	7,500	25,549	5,000	17,500	2,000
24	Late Penalty on Taxes Due	7,500	7,500	14,892	5,000	12,198	1,500
25	TOTAL PENALTIES AND INTEREST (TAXES)	15,000	15,000	40,441	10,000	29,698	3,500
26							
27	Earnings on Accounts (100-6-10-05-315)						
28	Interest Income	2,000	2,000	1,008	2,000	899	500
29	Reserve Sweep Income	-	-	(227)	-	227	-
30	TOTAL EARNINGS ON ACCOUNTS	2,000	2,000	780	2,000	1,127	500
31							
32	Income Accounts (100-6-10-10-320)						
33	Recording	18,000	13,000	22,510	13,000	11,493	8,000
34	Restoration and Preservation Reserve Fund	(4,800)	(4,000)	(5,976)	(4,000)	-	-
35	Copying	1,500	1,500	2,863	1,500	1,617	1,500
36	Landfill Coupons Rcpts	13,800	13,800	11,256	13,800	14,915	12,000
37	Landfill Coupons-Cost	(13,800)	(13,800)	(11,679)	(13,800)	(12,858)	(12,000)
38	Marriage-CU License Rcpts	300	300	600	300	480	300
39	Marriage-CU Licenses-Cost	(250)	(250)	(550)	(250)	(350)	(300)
40	Dog Licenses Rcpts	2,000	2,000	2,226	2,000	1,552	1,200
41	Dog Licenses-Cost	(1,400)	(1,200)	(1,354)	(1,200)	(754)	(1,200)
42	Liquor Licenses	185	185	185	185	185	185
43	Rent Town Hall	200	200	-	500	450	500
44	Land posting fees	100	100	105	100	80	100
45	TOTAL INCOME ACCOUNTS	15,835	11,835	20,186	12,135	16,810	10,285
46	T Pit- (400 C 40 47 227)						
47	Town Permits (100-6-10-15-325)	100	100	200	100	200	100
48	Access	100	100	300	100	200	100
49	Excess Weight	275	275	300	250	285	300

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1		FY 2023 Budget	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2020 Budget
		(proposed)	buuget	Actual	buuget	Actual	Duuget
50	Ridgeline	750	750	-	750	-	
51	Misc. Bldg. and Zoning Permits	5,000	5,000	4,426	750	2,750	1,500
52	TOTAL TOWN PERMITS	6,125	6,125	5,026	1,850	3,235	1,900
53							
54	Misc. Income (100-6-10-20-340)						
55	Charitable Donations	20,285	20,285	20,286	10,092	20,092	
56	Misc. Select Board	-	-	6	-	946	
57	Misc. Town Clerk	-	-	16	-	35	
58	Traffic Fines	-	-	90	500	217	1,000
59	TOTAL MISC. INCOME	20,285	20,285	20,398	10,592	21,289	1,000
60							
61	State Funds and Other Grants (100-6-20-00-355)						
62	Tax Equalization Income	607	607	606	607	606	
53	Election Grant	-	-	5,000	-	-	
64	COVID Grant	-	-	882	-	-	
65	TOTAL STATE FUNDS AND OTHER GRANTS	607	607	6,488	607	606	,
66							
67	Transfers (100-6-40-00-365)						
68	From LaBounty Fund	-	-	-	-	-	85
59	TOTAL TRANSFERS	-	-	-	-	-	85
70							
71	Public Safety (100-6-50-40)						
72	Insurance Reimbursement	-	-	1,219	-	337	
73	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	-	-	1,219	-	337	•
74							
75	TOTAL TOWN REVENUES	448,699	431,405	471,335	388,690	421,689	387,037
76							
77	TOWN EXPENDITURES (100-7)						
78							
79	Clerk (100-7-10-10)						
80	Clerk Salary	28,000	25,000	25,962	25,000	24,000	24,000
31	Clerical Assistant	1,500	1,500	2,114	3,500	870	3,500
82	Clerk Insurance	9,300	9,560	9,444	9,330	8,711	7,900
83	Clerk Gen Exp	500	200	151	300	78	200
84	Permanent Records Maintenance	-	500	5	1,200	88	1,200
35	Record Books and Supplies	850	850	701	850	1,183	1,350
86	TOTAL CLERK	40,150	37,610	38,376	40,180	34,929	38,150
87							
88	Treasurer (100-7-10-15)						
89	Treas Salary*	28,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
90	Tax Collector	-	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
91	Bookkeeper	-	19,000	19,962	19,000	18,000	18,000
92	Asst. to Treasurer/Bookkeeper	6,500	6,500	4,271	7,500	5,670	7,500
93	Treas Insurance	9,300	9,560	10,241	9,330	8,041	7,900
94	Treas General Expense	800	1,000	1,095	800	992	1,100
95	TOTAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	44,600	42,060	41,569	42,630	38,703	40,500

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1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget (proposed)	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
98	Listers (100-7-10-20)	(proposed)					
99	Listers Payroll	15,000	15,000	11,514	15,000	9,044	15,000
100	Listers Education and Dues	300	600	-	600	-	600
101	Listers mileage	150	150	_	150	_	150
102	Listers Gen Exp	150	150	5	150	26	150
103	Listers hardware	_	-	-	-	264	-
104	Listers software: Proval	2,500	2,250	4,088	2,250	2,300	2,250
105	Tax mapping	2,500	2,500	135	2,500	2,782	2,000
106	TOTAL LISTERS	20,600	20,650	15,741	20,650	14,417	20,150
107		20,000	20,030	23,742	20,030	,,-	20,230
108	Other Officers (100-7-10-25)						
109	Select Board	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
110	Select Board Gen Exp	500	500	-	500	450	500
111	Select Board Admin Asst	7,000	7,000	4,292	10,000	3,957	15,600
112	Board of Auditors	9,000	9,000	6,404	9,000	6,452	9,000
113	Constable and Expense	500	500	-	500	121	1,250
114	Delinquent Tax Collector	3,500	3,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
115	Zoning Administrator	8,000	8,000	6,146	5,000	7,065	3,500
116	Trustees of Public Funds	600	600	-	600	7,003	600
117	Town's Cost SS and Med	10,000	9,300	9,986	9,300	8,206	9,300
118	Pub Officials Liab Insurance	3,500	3,500	3,098	2,200	3,547	2,200
119	Workers Comp	500	500	524	400	518	400
120	Select Board Admin. Asst. Exp	660	660	-	660	14	660
121	ZBA and Admin Exp	1,000	1,000	8	1,000	_	500
122	Planning Comm Exp	-	2,000	-	2,000	_	3,500
123	TOTAL OTHER OFFICERS	49,760	51,060	37,956	48,660	37,829	54,510
124		10,7.00	02,000	01,000	.5,555	01,020	5 1,525
	Municipal Office (100-7-10-30)						
126	Cleaning	3,000	2,000	1,970	2,000	1,800	2,000
127	Town Office Building Maintenance	3,000	3,000	973	3,000	6,362	3,000
128	Insurance	2,700	2,700	1,851	2,700	1,708	2,700
	Telephone-Internet	1,300	1,300	1,161	1,300	985	1,300
130	Postage and Envelopes	3,250	2,500	1,806	2,500	1,773	1,500
	Town Offices: Supplies	1,500	1,500	884	1,500	1,921	1,500
	COVID expenses		-	680	-	547	-
133	Town Office Electricity	1,500	1,500	1,554	1,500	1,377	1,500
	Propane	1,600	1,600	1,146	1,600	1,293	1,600
	NEMRC Support	6,000	2,500	633	5,000	2,245	2,000
136	Office 365 Software	2,750	2,500	1,326	2,000	2,372	2,000
137	Computer Services/Cloud Backup/Security	5,000	3,500	4,194	2,000	3,559	1,500
138	Other New Equip/Copier lease	1,700	1,700	1,490	1,700	1,693	1,700
139	Misc Mun Office Exp	-	-	21	-	-	-
140	TOTAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE	33,300	26,300	19,690	26,800	27,635	22,300
141			-,	-,	-,	,	,
	Professional Fees (100-7-10-45)						
143	Legal and Professional Fees	14,000	14,000	6,889	14,000	23,581	6,000
144	Accounting Support	5,000	5,000	3,927	5,000	5,081	6,000
	TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES	19,000	19,000	10,816	19,000	28,662	12,000
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1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
146		(proposed)					
147	Assessments (100-7-10-55)						
148	Windsor County Tax	19,000	19,000	17,607	19,000	19,062	19,000
149	GUVSWMD waste dues	9,160	9,944	9,944	9,944	9,944	9,944
150	VLCT Dues	2,233	2,053	2,190	2,053	2,105	2,053
151	Two Rivers	1,447	1,383	1,383	1,383	1,347	1,347
152	TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	31,840	32,380	31,124	32,380	32,458	32,344
153					•		
154	Town Hall (100-7-10-65)						
155	Misc and Cleaning, Town Hall	500	300	-	300	-	300
156	Repairs and Maintenance, Town Hall	2,000	2,000	29	2,000	62	1,000
157	Insurance	2,700	2,700	2,065	2,700	2,229	2,700
158	Electricity, Town Hall	750	750	550	750	742	750
159	Propane, Town Hall	200	200	5	200	77	200
160	Fuel Oil, Town Hall	4,000	3,000	2,899	3,000	3,312	2,500
161	TOTAL TOWN HALL	10,150	8,950	5,548	8,950	6,422	7,450
162							
163	Brick Building (100-7-20-33)						
164	Brick Bldg Maintenance and Repair	-	-	15	1,000	48	-
165	Brick Bldg exp	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	-	1,500
166	Brick Bldg - insurance	-	-	616	-	557	-
167	Brick Bldg - electricity	-	-	-	-	131	-
168	Brick Bldg - propane	-	-	226	-	359	-
169	TOTAL BRICK BUILDING	1,500	1,500	857	2,500	1,095	1,500
170							
171	Misc Town Expenses (100-7-20-35)						
172	Grounds Maintenance	2,500	2,500	2,457	2,500	1,380	1,500
173	LaBounty Funds	-	-	-	-	-	85
174	Bank Fees and Service Charges	50	25	484	25	26	25
175	Town Report Printing and Mailing	2,000	1,750	1,715	1,400	1,249	1,400
	Published Legal Notices	2,500	2,500	1,060	2,000	2,210	2,000
	Ed Conferences/Mileage	1,000	1,000	498	1,500	681	1,500
	Signs and Posts (911)	300	250	249	250	245	250
	Misc Gen Exp TOTAL MISC. TOWN EXPENSES	500	500	- 6 463	500	245	500
180 181	TOTAL MISC. TOWN EXPENSES	8,850	8,525	6,463	8,175	5,790	7,260
	Fire Department (100-7-30-40)						
183	Buildings Maintenance	9,000	1,500	10,898	13,600	5,095	
184	FD: septic systems	350	300	10,989	300	-	was ge.
185	Insurance	17,500	18,000	760	17,500	16,915	get : pa
	Pomfret FD phone:3730	1,300	1,200	16,104	1,300	1,076	Bud next
	Teago FD phone: 1125	1,100	1,200	1,152	1,100	893	020 otal
188	FD Training, conf, mileage	3,000	3,000	968	1,000	1,007	Fire Department FY 2020 Budget was not itemized. See Total next page.
189	FD alarm systems	985	875	-	875	-	ent F . Se
	Supplies	500	500	1,324	500	_	rtmé zed.
	FD vehicle gasoline	50	200	_,5	200	_	epar :emi
	FD operating expenses	_	-	124	-	432	e D. ot it
	PFD Rescue Vehicle	500	350		350	2,157	E u
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1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
101	DED Facing 4	(proposed)	2.000		2 000	620	
	PFD Engine 1	4,000	2,000	4 202	2,000	639	
195	Teago Engine 1	-	2,000	1,302	2,000	1,798	S
196	Teago Engine 2	5,000	1,200	2,396	1,200	78	Fire Department FY 2020 Budget was not itemized. See Total below.
197	Teago Engine 3	500	-	-	-	-	dget
198	Administration	4 700	800	-	800	4.500	FY 2020 Budget v See Total below.
	ElectricityPomfret FD	1,700	1,250	1,445	1,250	1,508	.020 Tot
	ElectricityTeago FD	1,900	1,250	1,613	1,250	1,187	FY 2 See
	Propane Pomfret Fire Dept	3,500	3,000	1,957	3,500	2,718	ent ed.
202	Teago FD propane	50	50	-	50	-	: Department not itemized.
203	Heating oil, Teago FD	3,100	3,650	2,058	3,500	3,624	epa t ite
204	Equip (Hose, Tools etc)	1,500	6,150	3,532	1,300	670	no e
205	SCBA and Gas Meter	1,300	720	1,145	1,240	1,884	Ē
	Protective clothing	-	2,500	-	2,000	2,597	
	Membership/Subscriptions	400	300	192	300	100	
208	TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	57,235	51,995	57,958	57,115	44,379	44,975
209							
	Contract Services (100-7-30-42)						
211	Ambulance Service Assessment	63,280	63,280	63,280	63,280	30,736	30,736
212	Unpaid Ambulance Bills	12,000	10,000	2,649	1,200	3,635	1,200
213	Dispatch Fees	2,172	2,172	2,712	2,172	2,372	2,260
214	Sheriff's Patrol/VT State Police	15,000	10,000	11,274	22,000	15,070	22,000
215	TOTAL CONTRACT SERVICES	92,452	85,452	79,915	88,652	51,813	56,196
216							
	Fast Squad (100-7-30-44)						
	FAST Squad: conf, train, mileage	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	1,714	1,500
	FAST Squad supplies	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	-	1,500
220	TOTAL FAST SQUAD	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	1,714	3,000
221							
222	Communications and Disaster (100-7-30-46)						
223	Repeater expenses	1,000	500	-	500	1,118	500
	Communications supplies	-	-	-	-	225	-
	Training, conf, mileage	-	-	-	-	-	200
	Repeater electricity	400	400	357	300	355	300
227	TOTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND DISASTER	1,400	900	357	800	1,698	1,000
228							
	Municipal Special Projects (100-7-90-75)						
230	Veterans Memorial	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000
231	Planning and zoning project	1,500	-	-	-	4,387	-
	Election Grant	-	-	5,000	-	-	
	TOTAL MUNICIPAL SPECIAL PROJECTS	1,500	-	5,000	1,000	4,387	1,000
234							
	Reserve Accounts						
	Reappraisal Reserve #160	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	10,000	10,000
237	Communications Reserve #410	5,800	2,500	-	-	-	-

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1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget (proposed)	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
238	Paving Reserve #422*	-	-	-	-	90,000	90,000
239	FD non vehicle Reserve #402	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
240	Teago Village Reserve**	10,000	10,000	10,000	-	-	-
241	TOTAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS	25,800	17,500	15,000	5,000	100,000	100,000
242	* FY 2020 Budget includes \$90,000 appropriated by	separate warning	g article. See Pag	e 1 of the 2020 A	nnual Report.		
243	** FY 2022 Budget includes \$10,000 to the new Tea	go Village Reserve	e appropriated by	separate warnin	g article. See Pag	ge 1 of the 2021 A	Annual Report
244	and Warning Article 15 on page 3 of the 2020 Ai	nnual Report.					
245							
246	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	441,137	406,882	366,370	405,492	431,931	442,335
247							
248	VOTED APPROPRIATIONS (100-7)						
249							
250	Voted Appropriations (100-7-95-50)						
251	Town Entities						
252	Abbott Memorial Library	41,500	41,500	41,500	41,500	40,547	40,547
253	Cemetery Appropriation	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
254	FD Vehicle Reserve #400	60,000	-	-	-	-	-
255							
256	Social Service Entities						
257	Visiting Nurses of VT and NH	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950	3,950
258	Thompson Senior Center	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,400	3,400
259	Woodstock Area Job Bank	-	300	300	300	300	300
260	Healthcare and Rehabilitation Services	979	979	979	979	979	979
261	Empower Up - Windsor Central Mentoring Program	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
262	Spectrum Teen Center	750	750	750	750	750	750
263	Pentangle Arts Council	900	900	900	900	900	900
264	WISE of Upper Valley	400	400	400	400	-	-
265	Ottauquechee Health Foundation	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,000	2,000
266	Green Up Day	50	-	-	-	-	-
267	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	129,329	69,579	69,579	69,579	67,326	67,326
268							
269	TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	570,466	476,461	435,949	475,071	499,257	509,661
270	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS						
	TOWN REVENUES LESS TOWN EXPENDITURES	(121,767)	(45,056)	35,386	(86,381)	(77,568)	(122,624)
271	AND LESS VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	(, , , ,	(= /= = = /	,	(,,	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	, ,- ,
272							
273	BEGINNING GENERAL FUND BALANCE			131,436		209,005	
274	ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE*			166,823		131,436	
275	General Fund Balance Change			35,386		(77,568)	

^{*\$45,056} of the FY 2020 ending General Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2022. As a result, the unassigned FY 2021 ending General Fund Balance was \$121,767, which amount is proposed to be used to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2023. See Line 271. See also Warning Article 17.

HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

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1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget (proposed)	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
2	HIGHWAY REVENUES (150-6)	(р. орозош)					
3							
4	Highway Revenue (150-6-10-00)						
5	Appropriation from General Fund	959,513	841,365	856,341	856,341	827,600	827,600
6	State Aid - Highways	132,500	132,500	138,419	132,500	136,230	132,500
7	FEMA 4445DR April 15, 2019 Storm	-	-	64,723	60,000	-	-
8	FEMA DR4330 7-17 storm	-	-	-	-	45,612	-
9	Rudge Rd grant	-	-	-	-	18,500	-
10	PACIF low temp alarm	-	-	-	-	479	-
11	VBB Grant Cloudland Road	-	-	-	-	91,701	-
12	Caper St grant BR0706	-	-	-	-	17,408	-
13	Culvert inventory grant	-	-	-	-	8,000	-
14	Grant to Comply with Mun. Standards	18,900	18,900	-	-	-	-
15	Hydroseeder Grant	-	-	5,206	-	-	-
16	VT Payment in Lieu of Grant	-	-	35,746	-	-	-
17	Bunker Hill Grant	-	-	20,130	-	-	-
18	Highway Interest Income	-	-	-	-	1,470	-
19	Highway Misc. Income	-	-	12,708	-	8,217	
20	TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES	1,110,913	992,765	1,133,273	1,048,841	1,155,216	960,100
21							
22	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES (150-7)						
23							
24	Labor and Benefits (150-7-10-70)						
25	Gross Pay	242,595	192,595	189,376	165,000	176,010	155,000
26	Part-time Labor	-	20,000	11,534	30,000	4,554	15,000
27	COVID-19 sick time pay	-	-	-	-	1,252	-
28	FICA Social Security	16,602	13,180	11,204	9,900	10,797	10,000
29	Medicare Expense	3,882	3,082	2,620	2,200	2,525	2,200
30	Retirement Expense	16,375	13,000	14,669	9,500	13,295	9,500
31	Health Ins Town's Cost	69,944	55,528	54,981	54,350	54,432	51,600
32	Disability insurance	1,889	1,500	1,235	1,500	1,256	1,500
33	Employee tax on Disabilit	-	-	-	-	27	-
34	Drug and Alcohol Test/DOT	378	300	2,926	300	206	300
35	Protective Clothing/Supplies/Uniforms	10,077	8,000	-	8,000	-	2,000
36	Uniforms and Cleaning	-	-	6,891	-	-	-
37	Use of Personal Vehicles	3,000	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>
38	TOTAL LABOR AND BENEFITS	364,742	307,185	295,437	280,750	264,353	247,100
39							
40	Insurance (150-7-15-85)						
41	Property and Liability Insurance	9,300	9,300	9,313	9,300	8,962	9,300
42	Workers Compensation Insurance	18,000	18,000	16,906	18,000	16,389	18,000
43	Unemployment Insurance	1,000	1,000	856	1,000	100	1,000
44	Highway, conf, training and mileage	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
45	TOTAL INSURANCE	29,300	29,300	27,075	29,300	25,452	29,300
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HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
47	Materials (150-7-20-75)	(proposed)					
48	Salt	85,000	85,000	-	75,000	101,404	61,000
49	Clear lane deicer salt	-	-	47,984	-	-	-
50	Sand	-	-	34,395	-	28,026	-
51	Manufactured Sand	70,000	70,000	35,560	70,000	22,719	65,000
52	Crushed Stone	85,000	85,000	77,099	85,000	61,081	80,000
53	Stone for Howe Hill	-	-	5,378	-	-	-
54	Chloride	12,000	12,000	12,896	12,000	4,150	19,000
55	Cold Patch and Hot Mix	1,000	1,000	798	1,000	573	1,000
56	Culverts and Headwalls	18,000	12,000	12,630	8,000	11,991	7,000
57	Bandrail	5,000	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
58	Signs, snow fence and posts	10,000	5,000	6,153	10,000	70	20,000
59	Highway Misc.	1,000	1,000	877	1,000	263	1,000
60	Hydroseeder supplies	5,000	2,000	1,954	-	1,172	-
61	TOTAL MATERIALS	292,000	278,000	235,722	267,000	231,450	259,000
62							
63	Small Equipment (150-7-30-80)						
64	Diesel	40,000	38,000	29,422	32,000	26,513	32,000
65	Gasoline (small equip)	100	100	97	100	12	100
66	Diesel Exhaust Fluid	1,000	500	141	500	283	500
67	Shop, oil, small tools, etc.	10,000	10,000	6,123	10,000	6,255	12,000
68	Gen vehicle maintenance	2,000	-	736	-	2,778	-
69	Bldg & office supplies	500	500	371	-	482	-
70	Tires and Chains	20,000	13,500	11,394	13,500	7,051	16,000
71	Blades, Shoes, Rake Teeth	12,000	12,000	-	7,000	11,439	6,000
72	Rented Equipment	500	500	1,035	1,000	916	1,000
73	Radios and Cellphones	1,500	1,500	923	1,400	607	600
74	Traffic Control Devices	1,000	1,000	-	-	903	-
75	Garage Computer and expense	1,000	1,000	-	-	2,342	100
76	TOTAL SMALL EQUIPMENT	89,600	78,600	50,243	65,500	59,581	68,300
77							
78	Large Equipment Maint and Repair (150-7-35-05)						
79	Large Equipment Maint and Repair	25,000	35,000	52,235	35,000	53,795	25,000
80	TOTAL LARGE EQUIPMENT MAINT AND REPAIR	25,000	35,000	52,235	35,000	53,795	25,000
81							
82	Garage Building (150-7-40-83)						
83	Garage Utilities	1,000	1,000	1,650	1,500	933	1,500
84	Garage Building and Grounds	3,500	3,500	3,621	5,000	6,108	5,000
85	Telephone	600	600	574	600	498	600
86	Garage electricity	1,400	1,400	1,698	1,300	1,378	1,200
87	Garage Fuel Oil	-	-	-	6,000	5,295	5,000
88	TOTAL GARAGE BUILDING	6,500	6,500	7,544	14,400	14,211	13,300
89							
90	Contracts (150-7-50-90)						
91	Paving	-	-	-	-	201,299	-
92	Crack Sealing	15,000	15,000	13,050	15,000	23,925	25,000

HIGHWAY OPERATING ACCOUNT DETAIL

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G
1		FY 2023 Budget (proposed)	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2020 Budget
93	Tree Removal	10,000	10,000	3,488	10,000	400	10,000
94	VT State Permits	1,600	-	1,590	-	-	-
95	Contracted Services	3,500	3,500	3,900	3,500	-	-
96	TOTAL CONTRACTS	30,100	28,500	22,028	28,500	225,624	35,000
97							
98	Special Projects and Grants (150-7-50-93)						
99	FEMA 4330DR July 1 2017 storm	-	-	-	-	1,680	_
100	Cloudland Culvert Project	-	-	-	-	90,913	-
101	Annual Storm Water Permit	1,750	1,750	-	1,750	1,350	2,500
102	VT DEC: inventory grant	-	-	-	-	3,856	-
103	LaBounty/Pomfret Road Intersection	-	-	-	-	-	7,500
104	Kenyon Hill-R Johnson	-	-	-	-	1,638	-
105	Rudge Rd repairs	-	-	-	-	8,097	-
106	FEMA4445-Apr 15 19 storm	-	-	-	-	7,626	-
107	Equip grant PACIF 2019	-	-	-	-	6,508	-
108	Caper Street project	-	-	-	-	10,556	-
109	AT / Cloudland culvert	-	-	-	-	11,474	-
110	Bunker Hill Grant	-	-	18,297	-	-	-
111	Artistree Intersection	-	-	7,473	-	-	-
112	Culvert Below Johnson Road	-	-	8,500	-	-	-
113	TOTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS AND GRANTS	1,750	1,750	34,270	1,750	143,697	10,000
114							
115	Highway Reserves (150-7-95-50)						
116	Highway vehicle reserve	154,000	154,000	77,600	77,600	73,100	73,100
117	Bridges reserve	-	40,000	-	-	-	-
118	Highway paving reserve	200,000	100,000	300,000	300,000	200,000	200,000
119	TOTAL HIGHWAY RESERVES	354,000	294,000	377,600	377,600	273,100	273,100
120							
121	TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	1,192,992	1,058,835	1,102,154	1,099,800	1,291,263	960,100
122							
123	HIGHWAY REVENUES LESS HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	(82,079)	(66,070)	31,120	(50,959)	(136,047)	-
124							
125	BEGINNING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE			117,029		253,076	
126	ENDING HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE*			148,149		117,029	
127 128	Highway Fund Balance Change	<u> </u>		31,120		(136,047)	

^{*\$66,070} of the FY 2020 ending Highway Fund Balance was assigned to reduce taxes to be raised in FY 2022. As a result, the unassigned FY 2021 ending Highway Fund Balance was \$82,079, which amount is proposed to be used to offset highway expenditures in FY 2023. See Line 123.

Notes:		

CALCULATION OF TAXES TO BE RAISED

	A	В	С
1	Expenditures and Voted Appropriations		
2	Total Town Expenditures	441,137	From General Account Detail, Line 246. See also Warning Article 4.
3	Total Highway Expenditures	1,192,992	From Highway Account Detail, Line 121. See also Warning Article 4.
4	Total Voted Appropriations	129,329	From General Account Detail, Line 267. See also Warning Articles 5 through 16.
5	TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	1,763,458	Sum of Lines 2, 3 and 4
6			
7	Non-Tax Revenues		
8	Total Town Revenues (excluding FY 2023 taxes to be raised)	340,285	From General Account Detail, Line 75, minus General Account Detail, Line 10.
9	Total Highway Revenues (excluding FY 2023 taxes to be raised)	151,400	From Highway Account Detail, Line 20, minus Highway Account Detail, Line 5.
10	General Fund Balance to be used in FY 2023	121,767	From General Account Detail, Line 271. See also Warning Article 17.
11	Highway Fund Balance to be used in FY 2023	82,079	From Highway Account Detail, Line 123.
12	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	695,531	Sum of Lines 8, 9, 10 and 11
13			
14	Calculation of Taxes to be Raised		
15	Expenditures and Voted Appropriations	1,763,458	From Line 5
16	Non-Tax Revenues	695,531	From Line 12
17	FY 2022 TAXES TO BE RAISED	1,067,927	Difference between Lines 15 and 16. See also General Account Detail, Line 5.

TOWN AND HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE SHEET

	А	В	С
1		General Fund No. 100	Highway Fund No. 150
2	ASSETS		
3	Cash	859,816	148,149
4	Credit Card Processing	100	-
5	Other Accounts Receivable	115	-
6	TOTAL ASSETS	860,031	148,149
7			
8	LIABILITIES		
9	Due to Other Funds	693,209	-
10	Other Accounts Payable	-	-
11	TOTAL LIABILITIES	693,209	-
12			
13	Fund Balances	166,822	148,149
14			
15	Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of	860,031	148,149
	Resources and Fund Balances		



TRUSTEE AND OTHER FUNDS BALANCES

Fund Name	Henry T. LaBounty	Mabel Vaughan Educational*	Avis Keith Educational*	Community Funds**	Dorothy Moore Fund	Teago Village Fund
Fund Number	#456	#550	#550	#550	#454	#460
Investment	Mascoma	Vanguard	Vanguard	Vanguard	Vanguard	Insured Cash
	CD	Life Strategy	Balanced	Balanced	Balanced	Sweep (ICS)
			Index	Index	Index	Savings
BALANCES, July 1, 2020	59,600	10,157	15,367	12,280	41,047	-
REVENUES						
Donations	-	-	-	-	2,500	10,000
Capital Gains/X-fers	-	199	968	158	-	-
Interest/Dividends	432	190	273	198	1,317	-
Market Change	-	1,936	3,297	2,487	8,880	-
TOTAL REVENUES	432	2,326	4,537	2,843	12,697	10,000
EXPENDITURES						
Hartford Probate Fees	85	-	-	-	-	-
Scholarships	-	750	750	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	85	750	750	2,000	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OR (EXPENDITURES)	347	1,576	3,787	843	12,697	10,000
BALANCES, June 30, 2021	59,947	11,732	19,154	13,123	53,745	10,000
Restricted	53,434	8,611	10,410	2,398	<i>39.575</i>	10,000
Unrestricted	6,513	3,121	8,744	10,725	14,169	-

^{*} The Mabel Vaughan Educational fund awarded one \$750 scholarship. A \$750 check was issued from and later returned to the Avis Keith Educational fund as no scholarship was awarded from that fund. The return of funds is included in "Capital Gains/X-fers".

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, 2020	126	365	2,221	328	15	3,055
Revenues	-	-	22	-	-	22
Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-
BALANCE, June 30, 2021	126	365	2,243	328	15	3,077

^{***} The Lease Land Fund received \$21.79 in interest.

^{**} The Community Funds donated \$1,000 to the Woodstock Area Council on Aging (The Thompson Center) and \$1,000 to the Woodstock Community Food Shelf.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS BALANCES

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	ı
1	Account	Fund No.	Bank CDs and Investments	Cash and Other Net Assets	Liabilities*	Balance as of June 30, 2021	Balance as of June 30, 2020	Net Change 2020 to 2021	FY 2021 Fund Transfers and Notes
2	General Fund Operating	100	-	859,916	(693,094)	166,823	131,436	35,386	Income: See General Account, Line 75;
				·	(000,000),	•	·		Expenses: See General Account, Line 269 Income from Highway Account, Line 20;
3	Highway Fund Operating	150	-	148,149	-	148,149	117,029	31,120	Expenses: See Highway Account, Line 121
4	Reappraisal/Lister Reserve	160	-	144,192	-	144,192	133,612	10,580	Income: town appropriation \$5,000, state grant \$5,151, interest; Expense: education \$50
5	Library Fund Operating	200	-	6,302	-	6,302	7,788	(1,486)	Income: town appropriation \$41,500, fund raising, interest
6	Library Endowment	210	91,915	59,799	-	151,715	123,440	28,274	Income: interest, dividends, market change, fund raising,
_	,	200		,		,	,	•	transfer from Library Operating Account Income: town appropriation \$12,000, lot sales \$1,000,
7	Cemetery Fund	300	35,264	27,628	-	62,891	55,586	7,305	interest; Expense: maintenance \$5,500, corner stones, flags
8	Restoration and Preservation	350	-	10,151	-	10,151	4,172	5,979	Income: fees
9	Fire Department Vehicle Reserve	400	239,527	153,821	-	393,348	390,858	2,491	Income: interest
10	Fire Dept. Equipment and Gear	402	20,344	1,809	-	22,153	22,071	82	Income: interest
11	Communications Reserve	410	-	2,072	-	2,072	3,774	(1,702)	Income: interest; Expense: gas meters \$1,704
12	Highway Equipment Reserve	420	_	42,288	-	42,288	450,282	(407,993)	Income: hwy appropriation \$76,600, interest
				·		•	•	, , ,	Expense: trucks \$486,937 Income: town appropriation \$300,000, state grants
13	Highway Road Paving	422	-	124,832	-	124,832	370,497	(245,665)	\$175,000, interest; Expense: Howe Hill Road \$720,665
14	Highway Bridge Reserve	424	-	153,709	-	153,709	153,344	365	Income: interest
15	Library Reserve	440	-	9,246	-	9,246	9,208	38	Income: interest
16	Miscellaneous Small Balances	450	2,250	826	-	3,077	3,055	22	Income: interest
17	Town Buildings Reserve	452	-	134,798	-	134,798	154,012	(19,214)	Income: interest; Expense: garage repairs, Town Hall repairs, painting
18	Moore Fund for Town Hall	454	53,745	-	-	53,745	41,047	12,697	Income: donations, interest, dividends, market change
19	LaBounty Fund	456	59,862	85	-	59,947	59,600	347	Income: interest; Expense: recording fee
20	Teago Village Reserve	460	-	10,000	-	10,000	-	10,000	Income: appropriation
21	Town Rainy Day Reserve	470	-	84,118	-	84,118	84,051	67	Income: interest
22	Highway Rainy Day Reserve	475	-	174,924	-	174,924	174,784	140	Income: interest
23	Trustee of Public Funds	550	44,010		-	44,010	37,804	6,206	Income: interest, dividends, market change; Expense: scholarship \$750, donations 2,000
24	TOTALS		546,917	2,148,665	(693,094)	2,002,488	2,527,451	(524,963)	

^{*} Liabilities include amounts due to other funds of the Town.

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

RESERVE FUNDS BALANCES

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Fund Name and Number	FD Vehicle	FD Equip. & Gear	Communications	Rest. & Preserv.	Total	Description of Revenues and Expenses
2	Fund Name and Number	#400	#402	#410	#350	Total	FY 2022 (actual through 12/31/2021) and FY 2023 (estimated)
3	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2020	390,858	22,071	3,774	4,172	420,875	FD Vehicle #400
4	REVENUES						FY 2022 Expense: Quick Attack Pumper \$134,129 paid by Fire Dept.,
5	State Appropriation	-	-	-	5,976	5,976	\$161,507 by Town, \$22,071 by FD Equip Fund
6	Interest income	2,491	82	2	3	2,577	FY 2023 Income: proposed appropriation \$60,000
7	TOTAL REVENUES	2,491	82	2	5,979	8,553	FD Equip. & Gear #402
8	EXPENDITURES						FY 2023 Income: proposed appropriation \$10,000
g	Gas Meters	-	-	1,704	-	1,704	Communications #410
1	0						FY 2022 Income: appropriation: \$2,500
1	1 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	1,704	-	1,704	FY 2023 Income: proposed appropriation \$5,800
1	2 EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	2,491	82	(1,702)	5,979	6,850	FY 2023 Expense: proposed \$5,800
1	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2021	393,348	22,153	2,072	10,151	427,724	
1	4 5	Hwy Equip.	Paving	Bridge	Hwy Rainy Day	T-4-1	
1	Fund Name and Number	#420	#422	#424	#475	Total	
1	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2020	450,282	370,497	153,344	174,784	1,148,907	Hwy Equip. #420 (f/k/a Highway Vehicle Reserve)
1	7 REVENUES						FY2021 Expense: Truck \$141,251, Truck \$108,686, Grader \$237,000
1	8 Town appropriation	77,600	300,000	-	-	377,600	Total cost of \$486,937 includes equipment trade-in of \$173,554
1	9 State/Federal Grant	-	175,000	-	-	175,000	FY 2022 Income: approved appropriation \$154,000
2	0 Interest income	1,344	-	365	140	1,848	FY 2022 Expense: Truck \$150,228
2	1 TOTAL REVENUES	78,944	475,000	365	140	554,448	FY 2023 Income: proposed appropriation for 1 truck \$154,000
2	2 EXPENDITURES						Paving #422 – FY 2022 Income: approved appropriation \$100,000
2	3 Vehicle Purchase	486,937	-	-	-	486,937	FY 2022 Expense (to date): northeast Pomfret Road \$300,969
2	4 Howe Hill Project	-	720,665	-	-	720,665	FY 2023 Income: proposed appropriation \$200,000
2	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	486,937	720,665	-	-	1,207,602	Bridge #424
2	EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	(407,993)	(245,665)	365	140	1,762,050	FY 2022 Income: approved appropriation \$40,000 and state grant
2	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2021	42,288	124,832	153,709	174,924	495,753	\$184,000 for Cloudland box culvert
2	8 Fund Name and Number	Reapp./Listers	Town Building	Library Building	Town Rainy Day	Total	
2	Fund Name and Number	#160	#452	#440	#470	Total	
3	FUND BALANCE July 1, 2020	133,612	154,012	9,208	84,051	380,883	Reapp./Listers #160
3	1 REVENUES						FY 2022 Income: appropriation \$5,000 for upcoming reassessment,
3	2 Town/State appropriation	10,151	-	-	-	10,151	state grant \$10,151, interest
3	3 Interest income	479	555	38	67	1,139	FY 2023 Income: expected state grant \$5,051 only
3	4 TOTAL REVENUES	10,630	555	38	67	11,290	Town Building #452
3	5 EXPENDITURES						FY 2021 Expense: S19,769 Garage Ventilation System replacement,
3	6 Membership State Listers Assoc	50	-	-	-	50	Town Hall repairs and painting
3	7 Garage and Town Hall repairs	-	19,769	-	-	19,769	FY 2022/2023 Expense: proposed garage generator
3	8 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	50	19,769	-	-	19,819	Teago Village #460
3	9 EXCESS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES)	10,580	(19,214)	38	67	(8,529)	FY 2022 Income: donation of \$10,000
4	FUND BALANCE June 30, 2021	144,192	134,798	9,246	84,118	372,354	FY 2023 Income: anticipated donation \$10,000
4							
4	TOTAL FUND BALANCE OF ALL RESERVE	S July 1, 2020				1,950,664	
4	TOTAL FUND BALANCE OF ALL RESERVE	S June 30, 2021				1,295,831	
4	4 CHANGE OF VALUE				•	(654,834)	
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TOWN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

(per the Pomfret Selectboard)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
2010 John Deere Loader (replaces 2001 loader)	\$58,000	\$56,000	\$54,000	\$52,000	\$52,000	\$52,000
2002 John Deere Grader, model 672CH	78,000	76,000	74,000	72,000	50,000	sold
2021 John Deere Grader, model 627G	-	-	-	-	-	280,000
2008 Komatsu PC78US-6 Excavator	23,000	21,000	19,000	17,000	17,000	17,000
2003 John Deere 5520 Tractor, 4WD w/ mower & bucket	20,000	sold	-	-	-	-
2014 Truck Freightliner 4WD w/ plow, sander & wing	168,000	166,000	160,000	150,000	135,000	sold
2021 International 2WD with plow, sander & wing	-	-	-	-	-	171,463
2013 Truck Freightliner 4WD w/ plow, sander & wing	133,000	131,000	120,000	114,000	sold	-
2020 Int'l Truck tandem w/ plow, sander & wing	-	-	-	-	198,000	196,000
2016 John Deere 6110M 4WD with side mower	-	109,000	107,000	105,000	103,000	101,000
2015 Truck, Western Star 4WD w/ plow, wing & sander	188,000	186,000	175,000	160,000	100,000	sold
2022 Int'l tandem with plow, wing & sander	-	-	-	-	-	195,228
2015 Truck, Ford 550 4WD with plow & sander	66,000	64,000	60,000	58,000	56,000	50,000
2008 Tag Trailer	6,000	5,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
2008 Compactor	250	250	200	200	200	200
Jumping Jack Compactor	-	-	-	-	2,000	1,900
Generator	350	350	300	300	300	300
Hotbox	6,800	6,800	6,400	6,000	5,800	5,600
2000 Bandit Chipper	6,000	6,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Flail Head Mower	700	700	sold	-	-	-
Austin-Western V Snowplow	250	250	250	250	250	250
Bale Chopper	3,500	3,500	3,000	2,500	2,500	2,000
Frontier Debris Blower	2,900	2,900	2,500	2,500	2,200	2,000
Pressure Washer (purchased new one in 2018)	300	300	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,300
2001 Steam Cleaner	900	900	800	800	800	800
2001 Rock Rake	800	800	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	500	500	400	400	800	1,000
Welder, Lincoln Wire Feed	800	800	800	800	800	800
Small Tools	28,000	28,000	29,000	29,000	29,000	30,000
Hydroseeder	-	-	-	7,000	7,000	6,000
TOTAL	\$795,050	\$869,050	\$825,950	\$791,050	\$775,850	\$1,126,641

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)

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POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2021 Financial Statement

General	179.91	beginning balance 1/1/21	Fundraising	22,521.86	beginning balance 1/1/21
Acct.			Acct.		
	(134,129.00)	truck payment to town		(8,894.19)	misc. transfers
	(2,246.50)	gear lockers		(1,700.00)	equipment
	(1,115.91)	equipment		14,553.00	fundraising/donations
	(893.47)	appeal letter check		26,480.67	ending balance 12/31/21
	(512.02)	office expense			
	(443.24)	misc.	Truck Acct.	112,561.39	beginning balance 1/1/21
	134,129.00	transfer from truck acct			
	9,051.47	misc. transfer		(134,129.00)	transfer to general acct.
	424.63	reimbursements		(893.47)	annual appeal
-	4,444.87	ending balance 12/31/21		57.14	interest
				23,675.00	donations
FF Relief	22,530.35	beginning balance 1/1/21		1,271.06	ending balance 12/31/21
Fund CD					
	259.07	interest			
-	22,789.42	ending balance 12/31/21			

POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2021 Annual Report

In 2021, the Pomfret-Teago Fire Department responded to 44 service calls. The details about the number and types of calls are found below.

The Annual Pomfret Pull and Chicken BBQ returned this year to a record turnout – we continue to enjoy the strong support of our community. Many thanks to our volunteers, sponsors, and patrons who helped to make this year's event an enormous success! Unfortunately, we did not have similar success with the Fire House Pancake Breakfast which had to be cancelled once again this year due to an uptick in the pandemic.

We welcomed four new firefighters to our team this past year! New members are Gordon Modarai, Cory Swingle, Tyler Haier and Adam Von Reyn. Weekly actively has been high as we work to get these men up to speed on the basics. Each has expressed an interest in furthering their skills next summer through the State of Vermont sponsored Firefighter 1 training. Please join us in welcoming them all to our ranks!

Our two recruits from last year, Scott Barger and Scott Pearce are already halfway through the Firefighter 1 and 2 training that started late summer. On average, they attend this training in Hartland two nights a week and a couple of Saturdays per month. On top of that training they routinely attend our weekly meetings at one of our stations each Tuesday night, participating in and giving training, conducting equipment maintenance, and enthusiastically contributing to our business meetings. We are extremely fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers that invest this much time to serve our town, our community, and our citizens.

After years of fund raising and with the offer of reserve fund assistance from the Selectboard, we placed an order for a new Quick Attack Mini Pumper to replace our aged 1987 Ford, which continues to have numerous reliability issues. Our new pumper truck should arrive in March fully equipped and ready to be put immediately in service. Not only will this provide us with a faster and more nimble response truck, it will also have the capacity to get more firefighters on the scene quickly and reliably. Additionally, this truck will come equipped with the Jaws of Life, lightweight but powerful electric-hydraulic extrication tools for vehicle crashes with entrapment. These tools can make the difference between life and death when on-scene seconds matter.

Volunteer firefighting faces ever changing challenges as we look forward. More emphasis is being placed on safety for our firefighters and as such, the compliance requirements for safety equipment and training continue to be more stringent and more expensive. No longer can we place a new firefighter in older turnout gear and send them to fire school. Our gear must remain NFPA compliant, and our testing requirements for hoses, pumps and breathing apparatuses not only require more time but are more costly to implement. Currently, our only Engine stationed in North Pomfret will turn 30 years old this year. According to NFPA 1911 Annex "D" standards "Any apparatus over 25 years of age per should be retired from service." Replacement costs are rising on average at 5-8% per year with no end in sight. Our Pumper-Tanker at the Teago station will turn 20 this year. Our department has compiled an in-depth long range Capital Plan for apparatus, personal protective gear, communications and maintenance, available on the town website at www.pomfretvt.us/index.php/dep/em/f/. Funding the reserves for these planned expenditures is the best way to keep the yearly operating budgets from incurring large fluctuations from year to year. Additionally, we will continue to look for other funding including grant opportunities and more fundraising.

MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. While we recognize the ongoing nation-wide shortage in volunteer firefighters, which is unlikely to recede soon, *we continue to need more volunteer firefighters*, especially those that live in North Pomfret. We also need to continue to focus on the retention of our current firefighters and all who step forward to join. For all new volunteers, we will provide training both in-house and from State sponsored events. While we don't offer pay, and the job comes with weird hours, each new volunteer gets a really cool hat and the knowledge that you are providing an important service to our community.

POMFRET-TEAGO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2021 Annual Report (continued)

We are also in need of new teammates who would like to *help us expand our fundraising and grant writing efforts* as we try to combat the rising costs of Emergency Services to the taxpayers. We've tried and learned that we cannot do it alone. Most of our volunteer firefighters who spend hundreds of hours every year responding to calls, training, maintenance and fundraising don't have this unique skill. Got ideas or have a desire to learn a new and valuable skill? Stop by the stations on Tuesday nights or give us a call and join our team as an important member who no doubt will 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

Active Roster	2021 Calls					
Chief Kevin Rice	Fire Alarm Calls	20				
Asst. Chief Jake Astbury	Motor Vehicle Accident with Injury	4				
Capt. Greg Olmstead	Agency Assist (state police/FAST squad)	2				
Lt. Josh Trimpi	Chimney Fire	2				
Terri Chamberlin (Secretary)	Fire Hazard	2				
Tom Gubbins	Motor Vehicle Accident with Damage	2				
Abe Kanda-Olmstead	Mutual Aid (req. for assistance from another FD)	2				
Scott Barger (Treasurer)	Rescue (medical emergency)	2				
Scott Pearce	Structure Fire	2				
Jake Littlefield	Utility Problem (power lines/transformer fire)	2				
Eric Chase	Carbon Monoxide Alarm	1				
Gordon Modarai	Smoke in Home Investigation	1				
Tyler Haier	Smoke Investigation	1				
Cory Swingle	Wildland Fire	1				
Adam Von Reyn	TOTAL CALLS	44				

Explanation of Fire Department Vehicle Reserve Fund Warning Article

The Town of Pomfret continues to be well protected by its Fire Department and its equipment. However, your town is in need of a new pumper/tanker for North Pomfret. The current 1993 fire engine has already surpassed the 25-year life expectancy outlined by the NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) safety standards. Based on safety considerations for our volunteer firefighters and our community as a whole, the North Pomfret fire truck's life cannot further be extended beyond 2025.

The article you will be asked to vote on is whether to fund \$60,000 this year, and if approved, this funding will be added to the Fire Department Vehicle Reserve Fund to purchase a replacement in the next 3 years.

How much will this cost you? If approved, the amount per taxpayer will be approximately \$24 per \$100,000 of assessed property value. For example, if you house is assessed at \$500,000, you would pay approximately \$120 to fund this article.

Your vote for the article will help to ensure continued safe protection from the North Pomfret Station, well into the future.

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2021 Annual Report

This year we offer special thanks to the Library's amazing staff and volunteers for their work, including a sincere thank you to our Assistant Librarian JoAnn Webb, who retired in November after twenty years of service. JoAnn helped the Library implement its online catalog, kept books in good condition, worked the circulation desk, and assisted patrons with their reading, viewing, and listening choices. She'll be sorely missed. Fortunately, our Library Assistant of several years, Sue Heston, agreed to step up and take over the position. As always, Librarian Cory Smith kept everything running smoothly for which we are truly grateful.

Gratitude extends to all our volunteers as well, who make so much more possible at Abbott. This year they included Jane Metcalf, who maintains our lovely flower garden; Peter Gebhardt, who wrestles with storm windows; Barbara Henzel, who helps cover the circulation desk; Alan and Kris Graham, who generously added red osier dogwoods to our border; and Kevin Geiger, who takes on any number of tasks each year, from pruning apple trees in the spring to working on drainage around the building.

During the pandemic, the Library has been busy with patrons borrowing books, DVDs, park passes, and puzzles. From home, people download ebooks and audiobooks through Green Mountain Library Consortium, use the three little libraries around town (open 24/7), and enjoy our new movie streaming service called Kanopy. More information on all our services is available on the website: www.abbottmemoriallibrary.org.

It took some creativity, but during this challenging year, we successfully had a number of activities and programs for both children and adults. Children took home seasonal craft bags, tracked their summer reading, and enjoyed the outdoor Halloween party, while high school students received help choosing books for their summer English assignments. Adults engaged in lively discussions via Zoom and on the Library lawn, covering topics like invasive plants and regional climate and energy issues. The weather even held for a lovely outdoor poetry reading in October by Anne Bower and Pamela Ahlen from their new poetry chapbook, *Getting it Down on Paper*.

Our treasured building and grounds continue to serve us well. The stonework that has supported the building for 115 years, however, is in need of some significant maintenance. The foundation work to be completed in 2022 will reduce moisture inside the building, secure the masonry, and we hope keep the building safe and sound for another 115 years! This will be a costly but essential project. The same holds true for our other big initiative to improve our parking area (beside Teago General Store), along with stream bank restoration. We will be working with the Town and the Store to ensure this area is as safe and attractive as possible.

To make all these things happen, we appreciate and depend on generous donations from the community and the Town's historic support of its municipal Library. The amount we are requesting from the Town this year is the same as it has been the last two years, \$41,500.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Bower, Susan Burgess, Tina Clifford, Betsy Rhodes, Jean Souter, and Mary Worrell

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report

	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budget	FY23 Budget
Operating Acct. Opening Balance		\$4,547.32		\$7,788.10		
Income						
Town Appropriation	40,547	40,547.00	41,500	41,500.00	41,500	41,500
Annual Appeal	7,000	10,865.00	9,000	10,270.00	9,000	9,000
FundraisingOther	500	1	500	100.00 ¹	,	,
Grant						540 ³
InterestChecking	30	44.92	30	13.78	40	40
Book Sales	250	70.50 ¹	200	68.50 ¹	100	100
DonationsOther		1,989.00	500	41.00	800	800
Miscellaneous	150	573.16	150	129.00	150	150
Reserve Sweep						
Total Income	48,477	\$54,089.58	51,880	\$52,122.28	51,590	52,130
Expenses						
Payroll						
WagesLibrarians	31,640	31,484.46	32,431	25,805.20 ¹	33,434	31,380
WagesCleaning	510	476.88	523	488.88	539	566
Payroll Taxes	2,536	2,444.98	2,599	2,011.60	2,679	2,444
Collection						
Books	2,100	1,894.14	1,850	2,167.09	1,900	2,200
Audio/Video	1,000	1,195.51	1,000	915.96	1,000	1,000
Electronic	300	344.20	450	379.20	850	900
Miscellaneous	500	845.00	500	1,368.35	845	850
Program	252				222	200
General Programs	250	196.29	200	185.43	200	200
Building		cc= cc 1		1		
Electricity	1,300	667.93 ¹	1,300	760.74 ¹	1,000	1,000
Telephone	1,300	1,191.42	1,400	1,160.10	1,200	1,200
Heating	1,750	1,910.37 3,585.03 ²	2,300	1,767.11	2,100	1,800
Maintenance Insurance	491 2,600			1,766.61	1,018	1,000 2,206
Fundraising	2,000	2,184.56	2,600	2,216.30	2,200	2,306
Annual Appeal	400	393.48	400	446.80	400	400
Fundraising Other	400	333.46	400	440.80	400	400
Other						
Conference & Travel	200	107.15	200	102.15	125	125
Postage	500	233.39	500	344.44	400	1,280 ³
Supplies	<i>750</i>	797.67	750	394.72	750	750
Information Technology	100	164.00	200	587.99	150	200
Reserve Funded						
Professional Services						
Miscellaneous	250	732.34	500	739.48	800	800
Reserve			600	10,000.00		1,729
Total Expenses	48,477	\$50,848.80	51,880	\$53,608.15 ⁴	51,590	52,130
Gain or Loss		3,240.78		(1,485.87)		
Operating Acct. Ending Balance		\$7,788.10	1	\$6,302.23		

¹ Various income and expense line items were less or more than expected due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the operation of the Library, including the Reserve Expense of \$10,000, which was transferred to the Library Reserve Account to be used for the significant building foundation work to be completed in 2022.

² The FY20 maintenance expense was considerably over budget because of a \$2,517.98 cost to replace most of the ceiling lights that had deteriorated beyond repair with similar but more suitable and energy efficient fixtures and to install new electrical outlets in the basement to bring them up to code.

³ To enhance our ability to serve the community, Abbott will be joining the State of Vermont's Interlibrary Loan Courier Program, using a grant to help offset the annual expense.

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 FY21 operating expenses by \$1,762: books, \$200; dumpster use, \$200; garden maintenance, \$600; snow removal, \$500; solar electricity credits, \$262.

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Assets Report

Assets	Balance as of 07/01/20	Deposits/ Appreciation	Disbursements/ Expenses	Gain/Loss	Balance as of 06/30/21			
Operating Account	7,788.10	52,122.28	(53,608.15)	(1,485.87)	\$6,302.23			
Abbott Memorial Library Fund								
Ira Abbott Fund (69.57%)Restricted	51,245.02	12,700.49		12,700.49	63,945.51 ¹			
One Hundred Year Fund (29.20%)Unrestricted	21,508.61	5,330.67		5,330.67	26,839.28 ²			
Wood & Harding Fund (1.23%)Unrestricted	906.01	224.55		224.55	1,130.56 ²			
Total Abbott Memorial Library Fund	73,659.64				\$91,915.35			
Reserve Account								
ReserveUnrestricted	49,782.00	10,017.20		10,017.20	59,799.20 ²			
Total Reserve Account	49,782.00				\$59,799.20			
Total Abbott Memorial Library Assets as of June 30, 2021								

¹ The balance of the Ira Abbott Fund as of 06/30/21 is the total of the Library's restricted reserves, \$63,945.51.

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



² The combined balance of the One Hundred Year Fund, Wood & Harding Fund (previously misclassified as restricted), and the Reserve Account as of 06/30/21 is the total of the Library's unrestricted reserves, \$87,769.04. Also, the Reserve Account includes \$10,000 taken from the operating account in June 2021 before the end of FY21 and held in the Town transfer account until it was deposited in the Reserve Account in August 2021.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

2021 Annual Report

The Cemetery Commission is a 3-person volunteer board elected at town meeting. We maintain the cemetery grounds and fences, coordinate with funeral homes to schedule and perform interments, record legal documents with the Town Clerk, and organize and maintain data about Pomfret burials. We also arrange for cleaning and repair of headstones as necessary, and as funds are available.

Plots in Pomfret's three public cemeteries can be purchased by contacting the Cemetery Commission Chair. Only Pomfret residents may purchase burial plots, and any family member may be buried in a family plot of suitable size. Current pricing and availability is posted at the Town Clerk's Office. The price of a single plot (4x8) is \$400, plus \$200 for the required cornerstones. Prices may change due to increasing maintenance cost and scarcity of plots; we hope to expand the existing cemeteries soon.

The funeral home will contact us to schedule a burial. A member of the Cemetery Commission is required by law to be present for all burials. For cremations, the Cemetery Commission will prepare the gravesite for placement of the urn before a memorial service and will do the final clean up once mourners have departed (unless other arrangements have been made with the funeral home or Cemetery Commission).

For casket burials, the Cemetery Commission will prepare the gravesite for burial. We work with the funeral home, the grave digger, and the vault crew to open the site and lower the base of the cement vault. We install boards, cover the site with carpet and railings, set up tents, chairs, and flowers. We assist with traffic control and parking, and provide transportation if needed. Once mourners have departed, the casket is lowered into place. We help the funeral home remove equipment, then the vault crew places the vault cover. The gravesite is filled, and final cleanup is done.

The Cemetery Commission's involvement requires at least eight hours for each burial. We work hard to ensure these difficult times are handled with dignity and consideration.

Respectfully submitted, Ona Chase (Chair), Bruce Tuthill, and Susan Burgess

CEMETERY OPERATING ACCOUNT AND FUND BALANCE

	FY 2021	FY 2020
	Actual	Actual
Cemetery Income (300-6-10-00)		
Town Appropriation	12,000	12,000
Sale of Lots	1,000	
Income for Corner Stones	200	
Donations		200
Interest	455	608
TOTAL CEMETERY INCOME	13,655	12,808
C		
Cemetery Expense (300-7-94-00)		
General Maintenance	5,500	6,300
Restoration of Headstones		
Purchase of Corner Stones	300	
Flags	550	
Misc. Cemetery		
TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENSE	6,350	6,300
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	7,305	6,508
SORFEOS (DEFICIT)	7,303	0,300
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	55,586	49,080
ENDING FUND BALANCE	62,891	55,586

PLANNING COMMISSION

2021 Annual Report

The past year has seen remarkable change in Pomfret. Due to the Covid pandemic, many new faces have come to call Pomfret home. A migration of sorts has transpired and many homes changed ownership. This influx will create many opportunities. New and younger families with school age children will fill our schools. Homebased businesses will provide local income generation and businesses will grow, providing services to homeowners. A sea change is occurring.

The Planning Commission realizes the need to assess this situation and learn what is important to our citizens. We have been planning to conduct a survey to do just that. Many meetings have been dedicated to various topics of interest to our residents. A sound ordinance is on the top of the list and a sound specialist joined our Zoom meeting recently to help us better understand the reasons for such an ordinance and how we can develop one that fits our needs and, most importantly, how it can be enforced. This is still being studied at this point and a recommendation to the Selectboard will be forthcoming.

Our Town Plan must be updated and approved every eight years. This approval (or possible disapproval), as mandated by the State, is done by the Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) and is due in 2024. We are beginning this update now with a chapter-by-chapter review of our present plan. The State is requiring additions to our energy and housing chapters, reflecting the need to address the issues of climate change and housing needs. We recently applied for a state sponsored grant to secure TRORC's assistance in updating our present plan which is viewable on the town website. Due to the highly competitive nature of the grant process we were not awarded funding this time around. However, we have two years to complete the plan approval process and will apply again next year for the next round of funding.

We conducted and approved three Ridgeline and Hillside Zoning applications that met all the criteria of the Regulation. Information for these approvals is available at the town office. One was for a house replacement, one for a small addition to a barn and one for a barn/shop structure. All are well screened from public roads.

As you are all aware, Orson St. John passed away this past year. Orson was a planning commission member for many years and was a key player in all our past planning efforts. He was a delight to work with and always kept the interests of our town at heart, whether school budgets, planning and zoning issues or anything to do with town business. His wise counsel and congenial manner always made our meetings pleasurable.

Last but not least, we have two new members on our planning commission. Tim Reiter is the General manager at Suicide Six and Tyler Haire, having grown up in Lyme New Hampshire, has found a home in South Pomfret. Both are on a steep learning curve with regulations, plans, by-laws and many new State requirements to digest. They are excellent additions to our team.

Planning requires citizen input and we value all opinions, ideas and strategies to implement the resulting goals that planning creates. We meet via Zoom and at the town offices and welcome citizen participation. Future guest speakers are planned so please consider joining us and share with us your vision of Pomfret's future. Our agendas, minutes and Zoom meeting link are available at the town website.

Respectfully submitted,

William B. Emmons, III, Chair John Moore, Secretary Cy Benoit Tyler Haire

Tim Reiter, Vice Chair Nelson Lamson Ann Raynolds

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

2021 Annual Report

The Pomfret Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) is a committee of resident volunteers appointed by the Selectboard. We review requests for development that are considered a "conditional use" under the town's new Zoning Ordinance. The ZBA reviews requests for development in FEMA-designated flood hazard zones. We also consider appeals from decisions made by Pomfret's Zoning Administrator.

The ZBA hears sworn testimony on issues for which the Zoning Administrator cannot approve an application or when the Zoning Ordinance or other local development regulations require a public hearing. Examples of such issues are waivers of setbacks from roads and property lines, building dimensions, business hours of operation, parking, lighting, signage, public safety or health issues, and wetlands considerations.

The ZBA is charged with faithfully and consistently administering the Zoning Ordinance and other local development regulations written to address situations which may create a public nuisance or adversely affect the character of the area, comfort, convenience, safety or welfare of the community.

To this end, the ZBA applies development standards and attaches conditions to its decisions if needed to implement the Zoning Ordinance and other local development regulations. 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 Ordinance calls 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.

Alan Blackmer, Chair Benjamin Brickner Phil Dechert Shaun Pickett Seth Westbrook

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

2021 Annual Report

The 2021 year has seen an exceptionally large growth in permits for subdivisions, new buildings, Ridgeline and Conservation Area permits as well as Flood Hazard Area Permits. As a landowner, you are responsible for obtaining all required permits before beginning any work. Failure to do so could result in monetary penalties. You may also be required to correct any violation, including removal of unpermitted homes, structures or other development.

Please help us keep Pomfret beautiful and safe by following the Zoning Ordinance and Flood Hazard Area Regulations, which are available on the Town website.

While I do not hold regular office hours at the Town Office, please feel free to contact me at any time throughout the day by phone call or text message at (802) 299-8211 or by email karen.hewitt@pomfretvt.us. 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

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

2021 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 determine if disbursements, as designated by the originators of the funds, are possible, and initiate such actions.

In 2020-2021, fund performance was sufficient to allow disbursements from the two education trust funds. Andrew Gubbins was awarded \$500 from the Mabel E. Vaughan Trust Fund. The school did not have any candidates apply for the Avis Keith Education Trust Fund.

Respectfully, Michael Doten, Secretary Robert Hatfield Marjorie Wakefield, Chair

TREE WARDEN

2021 Annual Report

The Pomfret Tree Warden is responsible for making decisions about shade trees along the rights-of-way in town. A Pomfret Tree Policy is in development and will provide guidelines for protection of public shade trees, removal of disease/insect infested trees, and planting of replacement trees.

This year the town, in conjunction with the Tree Warden, removed trees along the Pomfret Road and Howe Hill Road to allow sunlight to dry out the roads in winter. There was one public request to remove a damaged tree from the town right-of-way this past year. We support the creation of a town reserve fund for removal of dead trees from the town roads, especially in areas with frequent use. In the next decade we expect to see large die-off of ash trees in our town.

State detections of the invasive beetle, Emerald Ash Borer, have moved closer to our town, and the insect may already be in Pomfret. We encourage folks to keep an eye out for tree decline in ash trees in their wood lots and along our roads. If you have harvestable ash in your wood lot, you may consider hiring a forester to make plans for the future. Contact Alan if the information link at the bottom does not work for you.

According to state statues, 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 from the tree warden. Public hearings are required in order for healthy trees to be removed.

If you would like to help continue the Pomfret roadside tree inventory, developing a town tree policy, or planting new roadside trees, please contact us.

Cy Benoit, tree warden cyrusbenoit@gmail.com

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

Scan for Information Resources for Emerald Ash Borer in Vermont:



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2021 Annual Report

Like many other organizations this year, the work at the Pomfret Historical Society continues to be limited due to the Covid virus outbreak. Several comprehensive digital lists of Pomfret veterans from all wars has been created and was made available to the public on Veteran's Day. We continue to work on a photo reference to go along with larger items in our collection. We have also created a georeferenced map of the town, showing recreational areas. This map will work on a cell phone to show your exact location in town without using a cell phone connection. From this map template we are working on a map to show important sites and historic houses. Email us if you are interested in viewing either of these digital records.

This year we had several people contact us by phone and email. Five visitors came and went through our indexed filing cabinets to locate paper archives.

The PHS is actively seeking folks to help us continue digitizing information. We have created a series of folders in Google drive to make this possible. If you can volunteer an hour or two each week at home, this would help expand our digital archives. We continue to scan historic photos of the town and its people. The PHS is open most Friday mornings from 10 am to noon in the Red Brick Building. However, it is best to call Alan first if you plan to visit. If you are interested in helping, please contact us.

Alan C. Graham 457-1021 PomfretHistoryVT@gmail.com

INVASIVE PLANT COMMITTEE

2021 Annual Report

The Pomfret Invasive Plant Committee continues to work to manage invasive plant populations in our town. We appreciate all the efforts of our town road crew, who are adopting proactive mowing schedules to reduce the spreading 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.

This year, town residents worked on their own roads to pull out poison parsnip and wild chervil before the roads were mowed. Roadside mowing during the peak of invasive plant seed development can drag seeds up and down our roads. Removing plants or mowing them before they go to seed is critical for management. The road crew has asked us to remind volunteers to not place the pulled weeds in the roadway but place them in the areas to be mowed. This means that plants should be pulled earlier in the season, just after they begin to flower, so that plants cannot continue to develop and drop seeds.

In May, Bob Crean helped us to obtain funding through the Woodstock School Supervisory Union to rehire Mike Bald (of Got Weeds) to continue to manage poison parsnip and chervil at the Prosper Valley School. After several years' effort pulling these plants, Mike has greatly reduced their presence on the school property.

Please be on the lookout for ash trees in decline, due to the invasive insect, Emerald Ash Borer. We will most likely have this beetle in Pomfret within the next couple years if it is not already here. Please see the report from the Pomfret Tree Warden for more information.

Throughout the upcoming year, we hope to increase our invasive plant mapping, identifying where there are invasive plants in Pomfret, and to continue to pull weeds and provide information about invasive plant management. To help with invasive plant management or obtain information, please call or email one of us.

Alan Graham, 457-1021 alan.c.graham@gmail.com

Betsy Rhodes, 457-1247 rhodes@sover.net Joanna Long, 457-2918 jrudgel@sover.net

WINDSOR COUNTY

2021 Annual Report

A Preliminary County Budget meeting was held at the Windsor County Building on December 15, 2021, and the Final Budget meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2022. The 2022/23 budget includes an amount of \$468,504 to be raised by countywide property taxes. The tax rate for 2022/23 is set at 0.00482786 per \$100 of valuation.

Pursuant to Title 24, § 134, the County Treasurer shall issue warrants on or before March 1, 2022 requiring tax to be paid in two equal installments on or before July 5 and on or before November 5, 2022.

Construction Bond Repayment

The Windsor County Courthouse rehabilitation was completed in 2014. We are currently in the 8th year of repayment of this 10 year bond. A rate of 0.002046 is assessed to collect the total 2022 bond repayment of \$214,302. As with the county tax, towns may submit this bond repayment in two payments, on or before July 5 and on or before November 5, 2022.

The courthouse renovation has proven to be both timely and invaluable to the 24 Towns in Windsor County. Our courthouse is one of only two in the State that has an approved HVAC system for air quality control, making it a safe for environment for Jury Trials to be held in our Historic Building.

Notable Activities in the Past Year

Windsor County has seen several changes this year, the most notable of which is that there is a new Windsor County Assistant Judge. Michael Ricci of Woodstock was appointed by Governor Scott to fill the vacancy left when Assistant Judge Jack Anderson retired earlier this fall. Assistant Judge Ricci, a valued community member for nearly 40 years is enthusiastic about his appointment and looking forward to serving the people of Windsor County alongside of Judge Ellen Terie. We thank Judge Anderson who had served the County for ten years, and was instrumental in the renovation of the Woodstock Courthouse.

Currently the Courthouse is closed to the public because of Covid restrictions, however it is hoped that it will soon be open again. We are grateful to the County Staff for keeping the building in tip-top shape during these uncertain times. The fact that the building has been closed has not slowed down the Judiciary; Court hearings are being held remotely via WebEx.

The County Building, located on Pleasant Street, which houses the Sheriff's Office, and the office of the Windsor County Clerk, has a new roof too. This building is open to the public, albeit on limited hours. We are all looking forward to being fully open again soon. If anyone needs to contact the Clerk to file a will, or for any other County business, Pepper Tepperman can be reached at: 1-802 457-5222.





White River Junction Local Health Office 118 Prospect Street., Suite 300 White River Junction, Vermont 05001

Toll free: 888-253-8799 | Main line: 802-295-8820

HealthVermont.gov

2021 Local Health Annual Report

Twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. Additional information about your local health office and related programs can be found at https://www.healthvermont.gov/local.

COVID-19

It has been almost two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began, and in response, our families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless other groups have worked to better protect the health of our communities. Together we ensured towns had access to the vaccine, testing, and other services needed to make more informed decisions about their health. As of December 1, 2021, approximately:

- 494,000 Vermonters received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine.
- 546,055 people have been tested and a total of 2,570,835 tests completed.
- Many COVID-19 resources are now provided in over 20 different languages.
- Up-to-date information, including town-level data can be found on the Health Department's website: https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity.

Public Health Programs

In addition to COVID-19 response efforts, Local Health offices continue to provide health services and programs to Vermont communities, including but not limited to

- In collaboration with Town Health Officers and other local partners, we help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health at a time when more of us are spending time at home with our families. Find information about environmental health and lead, asbestos, toxic chemicals, child safety, food safety, climate change, drinking water, and more at https://www.healthvermont.gov/environment.
- The WIC nutrition program continues to provide primarily remote access to services with phone appointments. In 2021, an average of approximately 11,300 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont each month.
- As of November 23, 2021, 193,000 flu vaccine doses have been administered. Protecting people from influenza continues to be particularly important as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19.

Thank you to everyone involved in supporting these efforts. We look forward to what 2022 brings, to seeing you in the community, and encourage you to stay in touch with us.

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH (VNH)

Home Health, Hospice and Skilled Pediatric Services in Pomfret, VT

2021 Annual Report

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is one of the oldest and largest non-profit providers of in-home healthcare services in the region. VNH is committed to providing the highest quality care throughout all stages of life, from maternal child care to end of life hospice care, and everything in between. Providing individuals and families with the care they need within the comfort of their own home allows them to maintain comfort and dignity throughout their time of need.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

Between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 VNH made 524 homecare visits to 16 Pomfret residents. This included approximately \$15,195 in unreimbursed care to Pomfret residents.

- Home Health Care: 128 home visits to 12 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- Hospice Services: 383 home visits to 3 residents who were in the final stages of their life.
- <u>Long Term Care</u>: 13 home visits to 1 resident with chronic medical problems who needed extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.

VNH serves many of Pomfret's most vulnerable citizens – the frail, elderly and disabled, at-risk families, people with terminal illnesses, children with chronic medical needs, the uninsured and underinsured. We are dedicated to delivering outstanding home health and hospice services that enrich the lives of the people we serve.

Over the past year this has included many telehealth visits for which we did not receive reimbursement. It is with your help that we are able to provide services like this to those in need. 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.

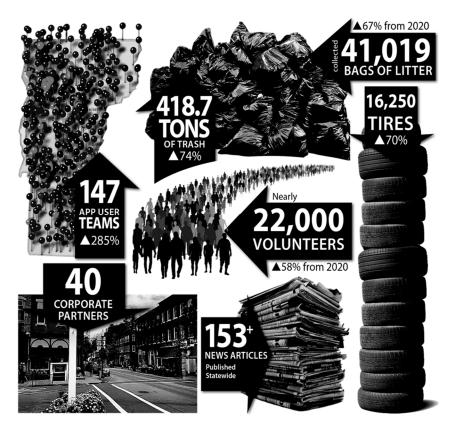
Sincerely,

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



GREEN UP VERMONT

2021 Annual Report



GREEN UP VERMONT www.greenupvermont.org

Green Up Day May 7, 2022

Green Up Day on May 1, 2021 was a huge success thanks to nearly 22,000 volunteers statewide who Greened Up. The infographic shows that all your hard work to beautify Vermont is needed and that it makes where we get to live, work, and play a very special place. As one of Vermont's favorite holidays, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Along with Green Up Day, we work year-round to further our impact with waste reduction initiatives, additional clean-up efforts, and educational programs.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride, and community engagement. Thank you for your support of this crucial program that takes care of all our cities and towns.

Your donations make a huge impact and can be made on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at www.greenupvermont.org.

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont). greenup@greenupvermont.org 229-4586.



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

Thank you for your continued support!

Who We Are:

The Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF) 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 the core towns of Barnard, Bridgewater, Hartland, Killington, Plymouth, Pomfret, Quechee, Reading, and Woodstock.

OHF's backbone programs, Good Neighbor and Homecare Grants, continue to be utilized extensively by those in need, especially during the COVID-19 health crisis. These programs have shifted to accommodate the increased and diverse needs of the communities OHF serves. Year to date, the foundation has received 211 grant inquiries totaling over \$299,000 in funding requests from residents of its nine core towns. The foundation expects to exceed its current granting budget for 2021, and we fully expect to continue to provide pandemic relief into 2022.

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.

In 2021, OHF provided 7 grants to Pomfret residents totaling over \$8000. This equates to approximately 8% of our overall granting budget. Town support from Pomfret is invaluable to us and allows us to better serve the Pomfret Community. Thank you!

Additionally, OHF continues to provide services from our 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, grant writing, and a modest draw from our investments.

How to Contact OHF:

Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF)

802-457-4188 | www.ohfvt.org

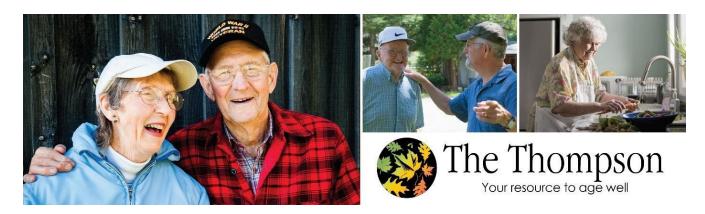
P.O. Box 784 | 30 Pleasant Street | Woodstock, VT 05091

Tayo Kirchhof

Executive Director

director@ohfvt.org

grants@ohfvt.org



Curbside meal pick-up, home-delivered Meals on Wheels, friendly phone calls, drive-in programs, and virtual programming kept us connected while our building was closed to group activities. Our Aging at Home support program, onsite tax appointments, foot clinics, and other one-on-one services continued without pause. We joyously celebrated our return to in-person meals and group activities in July 2021, but have continued with hybrid (virtual and in-person) programs to meet the current needs. Other highlights of the year include expanding our Aging at Home program by adding HomeSharing facilitation to our services, adding more local meat and produce to our menu from Cloudland Farm and Fox Crossing Farm, and beginning much needed improvements to our building.

The Thompson prepared and delivered 1,359 Meals on Wheels to Pomfret homes last year (an increase of 741 meals from two year ago).

During the many changes in our lives over the past two years, The Thompson evolved quickly to fulfill numerous needs and remained a vibrant community of energetic volunteers, eager participants, dedicated staff, expert advisors and teachers. Together, the Thompson community enriches aging in our area.

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



PENTANGLE

2021 Annual Report

We are grateful to the Town of Pomfret for its support of our mission to make our area a more vibrant, creative, and stimulating place to live. This year we respectfully request \$900. These funds are essential to cover the operating expenses and a robust 2022-2023 Season.

Although the COVID-19 pandemic challenged Pentangle's ability to present a complete 2021-2022 season, support from our surrounding communities including Pomfret made possible:

- Pentangle's virtual series Dream Jobs in the Arts, which connected professionals in theatre, literature and visual arts with high school students and faculty
- Poetry and spoken word workshops for students in grades 4-12 with Burlington-based poet Rajnii Eddins, which explored diversity, equity, inclusion, and empathy
- The 12th annual Summer Performance Camp, attended by 25 students
- Nine free Music by the River concerts at East End Park, culminating with a community celebration recognizing individuals and organizations that provided critical services to those in need during the pandemic
- Weekly screenings of feature films and award-winning documentaries
- Pentangle's Wassail Weekend, including performances by Irish Christmas in America, The
 Whiffenpoofs of Yale University, a live musical production of A Christmas Carol, Cookies with Santa,
 and a screening of White Christmas
- Pentangle Arts and Sustainable Woodstock's Sustainability and Climate Change film series
- Professional live musical theatre for local children based on classic literature

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted, Alita Wilson, Executive Director



TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION

2021 Annual Report

The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is an association of 30 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 2021.

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, capital budgets, bylaws and studies. TRORC has applied for funding to assist seven communities review and revise their zoning to enable more housing construction.

Emergency Management and Preparedness

TRORC staff continued to serve on the State Emergency Response Committee, providing state officials with key local information to assist emergency planning. TRORC continues to assist local emergency management directors to meet the needs of our first responders. Again, this past year, TRORC assisted several communities with updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans. Having FEMA approved plans is a condition for many FEMA programs.

Energy

TRORC assisted seven 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. In addition, TRORC sought and received general energy plan implementation funds to assist town Energy Committees on energy efficiency outreach and education.

Transportation

TRORC managed 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, upsizing and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets.

Specifically in Pomfret this past year, TRORC staff assisted with outreach and education on how the Town can invest the American Rescue Plan dollars and helped the Planning Commission prepare and submit a planning grant application.

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





Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District

Serving Bridgewater, Hartland, Norwich, Pomfret, Sharon, Strafford, Thetford, Vershire, West Fairlee, Woodstock

96 Mill St., P.O. Box 58, No. Hartland, VT 05052-0058 • Phone (802) 296-3688 • Fax 281-7088 • E-mail GUVSWD@valley.net

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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.

- GUV held three collections in 2021 in West Fairlee, Strafford and Thetford. Tires 5.96T; Electronics 9.5T; "Big Trash" 10.6T.
- 2021 data for paint and battery recycling will be available in January 2022.
- Please recycle your batteries in the bucket at the Pomfret town offices. Batteries, paint, and fluorescent bulbs may be taken to participating hardware stores as well.
- 264 GUV residents (13 from Pomfret) participated in three household hazardous waste events. 36.3 tons of HHW were collected.
- Statewide food scraps were banned from all trash on July 1, 2020. We thank all who are complying and we are always glad to assist those who haven't started.
- School and business outreach was limited in 2021 due to COVID.
- The second maple sap line collection in our region took place at the So. Woodstock Fire Station on November 6. It was organized and funded by the Windsor County Maple Producers Association with help from the Northwest and Greater Upper Valley solid waste management districts. 11 participants paid a nominal fee to recycle 4,368 lbs. of tubing and spouts. Bales of uncontaminated material will be shipped to a Texas synthetic fuel processing facility.
- 2022 GUV collection event dates will be posted on our website, Facebook page, town list servs, and in newspapers.
- In FY2021, Vern Clifford once again represented Pomfret on the GUVSWMD Board of Supervisors. We thank him for his ongoing dedication.
- For information call Ham Gillett at 802-674-4474, email hgillett@marcvt.org or visit https://www.guvswd.org/.



Pomfret is a member of the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District, a Vermont municipality whose mission is to provide internet service to homes and businesses in its area. In our town, ECFiber has completed construction of its network. As of November 2021, there were 327 customers along 58 miles of network. During the past year ECFiber added almost 1,700 new customers and now serves over 7,000 premises in 23 towns via 1,500 miles of fiber-optic cable. The district consists of 31 member towns, which, when fully built out, will bring fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) to about 31,500 locations over more than 2,000 miles network.

ECFiber is funded entirely by customer revenues, which in turn back tax-free municipal bonds issued by the district to raise capital to build our infrastructure. This model has been adopted as the state's strategy for solving the rural broadband crisis, and eight Communication Union Districts (CUDs) like ECFiber are working hard to get going. The once-in-a-lifetime federal funds (American Rescue Plans Act or ARPA funds) that the state received for broadband have been put into the Vermont Community Broadband fund. ECFiber and ValleyNet leadership were deeply involved in the work of the administration and legislature during the last session and continues to engage with the state and other CUDs in pursuit of the statewide goal of bringing fiber to all homes and businesses on the grid in our state.

If you do not have ECFiber, we invite you to visit our website to learn more about our service and encourage you to subscribe. There are no contracts, and you will not be charged anything until we start service.

Alan Graham, Kristen Esty, Betsy Rhodes Your ECFiber Governing Board delegates for Pomfret Pomfret@ECFiber.net Monthly ECFiber customer revenues now cover the debt of our tax-free municipal bonds issued by the district to raise capital to build infrastructure.





Mission Statement:

WISE leads the Upper Valley to end gender-based violence through survivor-centered advocacy, prevention, education and mobilization for social change.

For 50 years WISE has been the only organization dedicated to providing crisis advocacy and support for victims of gender-based violence within 23 communities in Windsor and Orange Counties, VT and Grafton County, NH. WISE offers a confidential and free 24-hour crisis line, peer support groups and workshops, emergency shelter, safety planning and accompaniment to hospitals, police stations, court houses and other social service agencies. In FY21 (7/1/20-6/30/21), WISE provided advocacy and other critical support services to a total of 1362 people, 67% accessed WISE services for the first time. 75% were victims of domestic violence, 21% were victims of sexual violence, 5% were victims of stalking. Many survivors experienced multiple victimizations. Among the advocacy responses sought from WISE, safety planning, legal advocacy, and crisis counseling were the most common. WISE advocates are available every hour, every day at 866-348-WISE, or chat online at wiseuv.org.

Program Center · 38 Bank Street · Lebanon, NH 03766 every hour, every day · 866-348-WISE tel: 603-448-5922 · fax: 603-448-2799 · www.wiseuv.org



2021 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.



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.

Highlights of work this past year:

- In order to increase capacity to mentor more students, our Program Coordinator has continued to perform outreach to businesses with small to large employee bases. The purpose of the outreach is to increase awareness of the program and encourage adult employees to become mentors.
- Through collaboration with local businesses, our mentors and mentees continue to enjoy such
 opportunities as Vermont Institute of Natural Science, Billings Farm and Museum, and ArtisTree
 Community Arts Center. This collaboration continues to support the program for mentoring matches,
 and mentoring events and activities.
- In collaboration with MENTOR Vermont and other state mentoring programs, we developed a mentor resource page that includes games, activities, and ideas that mentors can do when meeting with their mentee/buddy remotely.
- Developed COVID-19 procedures/guidelines for in-person mentor meetings with their mentee/buddy.
- Empower UP has continued to maintain and support up to 16 mentor/mentee matches.

Empower UP! Mentoring program is extremely grateful for your support. Community support is essential to sustain this program and serve the maximum number of students in the district. We thank you very much for your support!

Respectfully submitted, Annie Luke, Program Coordinator



SPECTRUM TEEN CENTER



2021 Annual Report

The Spectrum Teen Center would like to once again thank the town of Pomfret for their generous support that we received last year. We are grateful for the continued support we have received from you over the years.

The Spectrum Teen Center has been serving teens for 26 years in grades 7-12. Our program serves teens from the six towns that make up the Windsor Central Supervisory Union. We are under the umbrella of the WCSU.

In 2021, we provided over 15 FREE events for teens even though we were in the middle of a pandemic! We hosted outdoor pizza nights, art events at Artistree and some local hikes. Unfortunately, we were not able to hold our two largest fundraisers, which are the John Langhans Road Race and the gate donations at the July 4th Fireworks celebration. This has greatly impacted the revenue for our program.

Thank you again for your support!

The Spectrum Teen Center Director Heather Vonada

70 Amsden Way Woodstock, Vermont 05091



WARNING WINDSOR CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET INFORMATIONAL HEARING

The legal voters of Windsor Central Unified Union School District are warned and notified that an **Informational Hearing** will be held at the Windsor Central Supervisory Union and online via Zoom on **Thursday, February 24, 2022**, commencing at **6:30 P.M.**, for the purpose of explaining the 2022-2023 proposed budget.

Meeting information and Zoom link can be found on the WCSU website at **www.wcsu.net** under the School Board budget information tab.

WCSU AND WCUUSD FINANCIAL DETAILS

Financial details for the Windsor Central Supervisory Union, and the Windsor Central Unified Union School District budgets will be posted on the WCSU website at **www.wcsu.net** as documents become available.

WINDSOR CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

The financial records are being audited by RHR Smith & Company for the year ending June 30, 2021.

Copies of the completed audit, when available, may be requested by calling the Director of Finance and Operations at 802-457-1213, extension 1089.

WARNING

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WINDSOR CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal voters of Windsor Central Unified Union School District, comprising the voters of the Towns of Barnard, Bridgewater, Killington, Plymouth, Pomfret, Reading, and Woodstock, are hereby warned and notified that an **Informational Hearing** will be held via audio/video conferencing pursuant to Act 172^[*], on **Thursday**, **February 24, 2022**, commencing at 6:30 P.M., for the purpose of explaining the 2022-2023 proposed budget.

Pursuant to Act 172 of 2022^[*], the legal voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at their respective polling places hereinafter named for the above-referenced towns on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022**, during the polling hours noted below, for the purpose of transacting during that time voting by Australian ballot.

The voters residing in each member district will cast their ballots in the polling places designated for their town as follows:

Barnard Town Hall	10 am – 7 pm	Plymouth Municipal Building	10 am – 7 pm
Bridgewater Town Clerk's Office	8 am – 7 pm	Pomfret Town Offices	8 am – 7 pm
Killington Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm	Reading Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm
Woodstock Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm		

MARCH 1, 2022 – AUSTRALIAN BALLOT QUESTIONS

Article 1: The legal voters of the specified towns designated within this itemized Article shall elect the following:

- Barnard: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Bridgewater: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Plymouth: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Reading: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Woodstock: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining year of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Woodstock: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining two years of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Woodstock: two school directors to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified

<u>Article 2</u>: Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend Twenty-Four Million Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen Dollars

^{*} Pomfret Auditors Note: Error in original. The correct reference is to Act 77 of 2022 (S.172).

(\$24,314,318), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$19,567 per equalized pupil. This projected spending is \$1,558,680 or 6.85% higher than spending for the current year.

- Article 3: To elect an uncompensated Moderator who shall assume office upon election and shall serve for a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.
- Article 4: To elect an uncompensated Clerk who shall enter upon their duties on July 1 following their election and shall serve a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.
- Article 5: To elect a Treasurer, to be compensated six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500), who shall enter upon their duties on July 1 following their election and shall serve a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.
- <u>Article 6</u>: Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District authorize the board of directors under 16 V.S.A. §562(9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?

Dated the 13th day of January, 2022.

/s/ Bryce Sammel	
Signature, WCUUSD Chair	

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WINDSOR CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Additional School District information, including enrollment trends, Board Chair, Superintendent and Principals' Reports, are available on the Town of Pomfret website at www.pomfretvt.us/index.php/boar/scho/.

Please visit the WCSU website at www.wcsu.net for the School District budgets, and for additional financial details for the Windsor Central Supervisory Union.

Should you have any questions about these materials, please contact Pomfret's School Board representatives:

Bob Crean

90 Wild Apple Road South Pomfret, Vermont 05067 (802) 296-1254 bcrean@wcsu.net P.O. Box 82 South Pomfret, Vermont 05067 (401) 286-4883

boverbay@wcsu.net

Bill Overbay

TOWN OFFICERS, APPOINTEES, COMMITTEES AND EMPLOYEES

— OFFICERS —	Term Expires	— APPOINTEES —	Term Expires
MODERATOR		ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	
Kevin Geiger	2022	vacant	n/a
TOWN CLERK		CITIZEN TRUSTEE OF LABOUNTY FUND	
Rebecca Fielder	2022	Marjorie Wakefield	2022
SELECTBOARD		COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES	
Chuck Gundersen	2022	Karen Hewitt Osnoe	n/a
Jonathan Harrington	2022		
John Peters Jr., Vice-Chair	2022	CONSTABLE	
Emily Grube, Chair	2023	Douglas Tuthill	2022
Steve Chamberlin	2024		
		e911 COORDINATOR	
TOWN TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR		Rebecca Fielder	2022
Ellen DesMeules	2022		
		EAST CENTRAL VERMONT TELECOMMUNICATIONS	
CEMETERY COMMISSION		DISTRICT (ECFiber) REPRESENTATIVES	
Bruce Tuthill	2022	Alan Graham	2022
Susan Burgess	2023	Kristin Esty (first alternate)	2022
Ona Chase, Chair	2024	Betsy Rhodes (second alternate)	2022
LISTERS		EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR	
Rebecca Fielder	2022	Kevin Rice	n/a
Neil Lamson	2023		
Norman Buchanan, Chair	2024	FIRE WARDEN	
		Frank E. Perron, Jr.	2025
AUDITORS		Fred S. Doten, Sr. (deputy)	2025
Benjamin Brickner	2022		
Regina Lawrence	2023	GREATER UPPER VALLEY SOLID WASTE	
Nancy Matthews	2024	MANAGEMENT (GUVSWD) REPRESENTATIVES	
		Vernon Clifford	2022
LIBRARY TRUSTEES		Douglas Tuthill (alternate)	2022
Anne Bower, Chair	2022		
Jean Souter	2022	HEALTH OFFICER	
Mary Worrell (appointed May 2021)	2022	Hugh Hermann, M.D.	2024
Tina Clifford	2023	•	
Betsy Rhodes	2023	PLANNING COMMISSION	
Susan Burgess	2024	John Moore	2022
Heather Durkel (resigned May 2021)	2024	Ann Raynolds	2022
		Cyrus Benoit	2023
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS		William Emmons, Chair	2023
Michael Doten	2022	Nelson Lamson	2024
Marjorie Wakefield	2023	Tyler Haire	2024
Robert Hatfield	2024	Tim Reiter	2024
WINDSOR CENTRAL UNIFIED		ROAD COMMISSIONER	
UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTORS		vacant	n/a
William Overbay	2023	-	,
Robert Crean	2024	TOWN SERVICE OFFICER	
		Sheila Murray	2022
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Anne Bower	2023	TREE WARDEN	
Michael Doten	2023	Cyrus Benoit	2022
Chuck Gundersen	2023	Alan Graham (deputy)	2022
Marjorie Wakefield	2023	· · · · ·	
JoAnn Webb	2023		

— COMMITTEES -	_ Term Expires	— APPOINTEES (cont.) —	Term Expires
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE		TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL	
Neil Lamson	n/a	COMMISSION (TRORC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
John Moore	n/a	William Emmons	2022
Jon Ricketson	n/a	Phil Dechert (alternate)	2022
Hunter Ulf	n/a		
		TRORC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
ENERGY COMMITTEE		vacant	n/a
Amos Esty	2022		
Anne Bower	2023	ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	
Frey Aarnio	n/a	Karen Hewitt Osnoe	2024
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMM	ITTEE	ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	
Ellen DesMeules	n/a	Benjamin Brickner	2022
Emily Grube	n/a	Shaun Pickett	2022
Nancy Matthews	n/a	Phil Dechert	2023
		Seth Westbrook	2023
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTE	E	Alan Blackmer, Chair	2024
Melissa Baker	n/a		
Jonathan Harrington	n/a		
Gregory Olmstead	n/a		
Kevin Rice	n/a		
Holly Strahan	n/a		
	— EMP	PLOYEES —	
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK			
	Sally Weglarz		
	ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER		
Sally Weglarz			
HIGHWAY TEAM Jim Potter, Road Foreman Art Lewin			
	Justin Ricard		
SELECTBOARD ADMINISTRATION Cynthia Hewitt		TIVE ASSISTANT	
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2022 Annual Town Meeting Date:	T. Ware Portraits Owned by Pomfret:
The Word "Whiffenpoofs"	Age of Abbott Library Stonework: years
Number of Fire Alarm Calls in 2021:	Lilacs in Bloom
American Flag	Town Indebtedness as of 12/31/2021: \$
ECFiber Customers in Pomfret:	2022 Green Up Date:
The Number "916"	☐ Wrapped Hay Bales
Amount Spent on Sand in FY 2021: \$	Miles of Pomfret Road Paved in 2021:
Cost to Print Digitized Land Records: \$/pg	Number of Cemetery Commissioners:

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TOWN MEETING – BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT In-person voting is open Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM