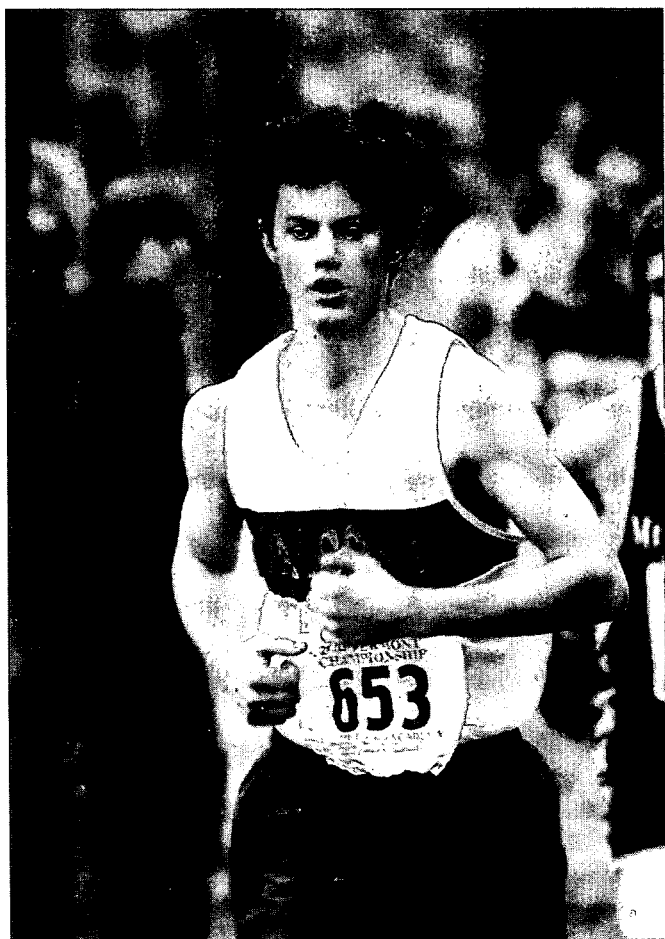


Annual Report

Town & School District



Town of
Coventry, Vermont

For the Year Ending June 30, 2004

Community as defined in the dictionary is a group of people living in the same locality and under the same government. Our community of Coventry, Vermont is comprised of unique individuals that each bring their strengths and weaknesses to share the 14,283 acres that we call home. Coventry has always had its controversies, hardships and celebrations. Some residents have aspired in these events and other residents have been overcome by the same events. As kids we admire those that take interest in us or those that have accomplished great things or sometimes just the person that is "down to earth" and just like us.

A hero or person to admire doesn't need to be "old". A person that has overcome great adversity to bring credit to our community could be young in years but old in experiences. Don't let Coventry's Community lose its uniqueness. Get involved and share in the lives of our residents. Make a difference to someone.

Daniel Webster,
Sr @ North Country Union High School

ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

TOWN OF
COVENTRY, VERMONT

For the Year Ending
June 30, 2004

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WARNING

ANNUAL TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Coventry are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Coventry Community Center on Tuesday March 1, 2005 at 10:00am to transact the following business:

1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.
2. To see if the Town will accept the Town Officers' reports.
3. To elect all necessary Town and School District officers for the year ensuing.
4. Shall the voters of the Coventry Town School District appropriate the sum of \$2,133,893 necessary for the support of its schools and the \$4483 for the support of the North Country Technical Center for the year beginning July 1, 2005?
5. To see if the Town will approve a budget of \$306,582 for support of its Summer and Winter Highways, and to pay current expenses of the Town for the year ensuing, including repairing and rebuilding bridges, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
6. To see if the Town will vote to pay Property and Real Estate Taxes to Town Treasure on or before November 3, 2005.
7. To see if the town will appropriate \$75 to the Orleans County Court Diversion Program and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
8. To see if the Town will appropriate \$425.88 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
9. To see if the Town will appropriate \$325 to Step O.N.E. and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
10. To see if the Town will appropriate \$3000 to Orleans Essex VNA and Hospice Inc., for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Home Health Aide/Homemaker/PCA, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Programs, and other health programs provided by the Agency and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
11. To see if the Town will appropriate \$200 to support the Northeast Kingdom Adult Education and Literacy Program, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$130 to help the Vermont Center for Independent Living and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.

13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1065 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., to assist in maintaining services in mental health, mental retardation, family counseling, and services to children and elderly, including 24-hour services, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
14. To see if the Town will appropriate \$250 to assist the Northeastern Vermont Area Agency on aging, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
15. To see if the Town will appropriate \$300 to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy for the purpose of creating and supporting one-to-one relationships between people with disabilities and community volunteers and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
16. To see if the Town will appropriate \$100 to Green Up Vermont and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
17. To see if the Town will appropriate \$2450 to help defray the operational expense of the Newport Ambulance Service, Inc., and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
18. To see if the Town will appropriate \$200 to the Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its Educational Program, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
19. To see if the Town will appropriate \$500 to the Big Red Wagon Bookmobile, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
20. To see if the Town will appropriate \$500 to the Frontier Animal Society, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
21. To see if the Town will appropriate \$452.25 for the Rural Community Transportation ("RCT") services, and direct the Select Board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
22. To act on any other business that may legally come before said meeting.
23. Adjourn.

Dated at Coventry, Vermont this 24th day of January, A.D., 2005.

SELECTBOARD

Michael Marcotte, Chair
Bradley Maxwell
Barry Allen

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Viola Poirier, Chair
Mary Ellen Linton
Jerry St. Sauveur
Frank Carbonneau
Mark Mohrmann

Received for record this 24th day of January, A.D., 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST: Cynthia J. Diaz, Town Clerk

TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

		Term Expires
Moderator	Jean Maxwell	2005*
Clerk	Cynthia Diaz	2007
Treasurer	Cynthia Diaz	2007
Selectboard	Michael Marcotte	2005*
	Barry Allen	2006
	Bradley Maxwell	2007
Listers	Larry Broe	2005*
	Dennis Lafoe	2005
	Lyell Reed	2007
Trustee of Public Money	Cynthia Diaz	2005*
Grand Juror	James Moulton	2005*
School Directors	3 Year Terms	
	Mark Mohrmann	2005*
	Mary Ellen Linton	2006
	Frank Carbonneau	2007
	2 Year Terms	
	Gerry St. Sauveur	2005*
	Viola Poirier	2006
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	Town Clerk/Treasurer	2005*
Town Agent	James Moulton	2005*
First Constable	James Moulton	2005*
Second Constable	Zachary Hart	2005*
Trustee of Cemetery Fund	Cynthia Diaz	2005*
Cemetery Association	Lester Carbonneau	2005*
	Barbara Young	2006
	Gerry St. Sauver	2007
Planning Commission	Jack Smith	2005*
	Timothy Maikshilo	2006*
	John Miller	2006
	Gerry St. Sauver	2007
	Jeff Vinton	2007

2004 Town Officers Appointed

Road Commissioner	David Gallup
Town Service Officer	Mary Ellen Linton
Civil Defense Chairman	Chester Taylor
Tree Warden	Francis Beaumier
Fence Viewers	Maurice Maxwell
	George St. Onge
	Sylva Piette
Fire Warden	Pedro Grondin

Deputy Fire Warden David Gallup
Poundkeeper Zachary Hart
Health Officer William Birgé
Zoning Administrator Richard Cook
Assistant Clerk Mona Rounsevelle
Assistant Treasurer

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Justices of the Peace (Elected-2004)

Jane Booth, Alan Feltmarch
James Moulton, Jacqueline Gallup
Melissa Gallup, Anita Allen, Richard Lussier

Board of Civil Authority

Town Clerk
Selectboard
Justices

Board of Tax Abatement

Board of Civil Authority
Listers
Treasurer

Hazardous Waste & Recycling Advisory Committee

The Selectboard

Margaret Maxwell
Mary Ellen Linton
Sherry St. Onge

Kathleen Gingras
Richard Lussier

MEETINGS

Annual Town Meeting First Tuesday in March
10:00 a.m. Community Center
Selectboard Second Tuesday each month
6:30 p.m. Town Clerk's Office
Planning Commission Second Monday each month
..... 7:00 p.m. Community Center
Town Clerk Office Hours Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Wednesday
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Third Saturday of each month
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Closed on Federal and State holidays.
Telephone 754-2288
FAX 754-6274
E-mail covtc@sover.net

Notices concerning meetings, checklist updates, and town business are posted in the Community Center and the Post Office.

Notices are also published in the Newport Daily Express.

ABSTRACT OF 2004 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

The voters of the Town of Coventry met at the Community Center on March 2nd, 2004 and transacted the following business. The meeting was called to order at 10:00a.m. by Moderator Walter Tarbox. After Richard Cook and Jean Maxwell were nominated to be Moderator, Richard Cook declined and Jean Maxwell became Moderator. Voters agreed to waive the reading of the warning and a 10 minute recess was agreed upon. Meeting was re-convened at 10:15am and the following business was conducted..

The officers' reports were accepted. The Town and School District Officers were voted upon and all were reelected as shown on previous page. The school budget of \$1,831,829 for the school and \$9,924 for the support of the North Country Technical Center was passed as in the warning after discussion on the new Act 60 and how it affected our taxes.

Real estate taxes were voted to be collected on or before November 4, 2004.

The following appropriations for a total of \$9,064.68 were passed:

Orleans County Court Diversion Program	\$ 75.00
Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA)	\$ 425.88
Step O.N.E.	\$ 275.00
Orleans Essex VNA / Hospice Inc.	\$ 3000.00
Northeast Kingdom Adult Education and Literacy Program	\$ 200.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$ 130.00
Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.	\$ 1,065.00
Northeastern Vermont Area Agency on Aging	\$ 250.00
Orleans County Citizen Advocacy	\$ 300.00
Green Up Vermont	\$ 100.00
Newport Ambulance Service, Inc.	\$ 2,000.00
Orleans County Historical Society	\$ 150.00
Northern Vermont Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council	\$ 50.00
Big Red Wagon Bookmobile	\$ 300.00
Frontier Animal Society	\$ 500.00
Rural Community Transportation ("RCT")	\$ 243.00

All articles passed with little discussion. It was asked where the residents were picked up and taken by RCT. Barry Allen replied that the residents of Coventry were picked up and transported to treatments and returned to their homes. A more detailed report would be available if needed.

In new business, Fred Webster was voted to be a committee of one to investigate/mediate boundary disputes. In other business John Miller spoke about the Planning Commission looking into the possibility of zoning in Coventry. It was left that the Commission would research a zoning need and report back to the voters. The dog leash ordinance was brought up again and the selectmen were asked what as being done. Mike Marcotte said that William Davies our town lawyer was consulted and that as with all ordinances there needs to be someone to enforce it. Jeanne Desroches asked the Selectmen to address wind development with the legislature and how it affects our natural resources.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SELECTBOARD

Dear Community Members,

This past year in the Town of Coventry has been, to say the least, full of excitement to many, and dread to some.

The Phish Festival, "Coventry", certainly brought about many different emotions not only from our community, but from the surrounding communities as well. The decision to support the festival by the board was done as a way to help the economic climate of our region. But we feel that what came out of this showed the fans and each of us what we are made of. It showed that we are caring people who will go out of their way to give aid to complete strangers when it is required of us, given from the heart. The festival has given 60,000 plus people an intimate look at our Town and region which will never be forgotten and we hope that many will return to visit the area. We want to thank all Coventry residents for their patients during the times leading up to and during the festival as well as the aftermath.

On behalf of the Town of Coventry, we wish to give a heartfelt "THANK YOU" to Dr. Alan Feltmarch for the two beautiful framed photographs of the "Phish Festival" which he graciously donated to the Town. These photos may be viewed in the listers' room. Again, many thanks Alan for all that you do for our community.

One thing that has come about because of the Phish festival is that the Town must rely on the State concerning mass gatherings. It is possible that the Town could adopt a mass gathering ordinance. Please give this some thought before Town Meeting. If it is your wish, we will discuss this at Town Meeting, and if it is the consensus of those present to move forward, we would be in need of 5 volunteers who we would appoint to a committee, who will be charged with writing this ordinance, and reporting back to the Select Board.

You will notice that we have increase the recreation budget for 2005-2006. We are in hopes that at least 5 community members will step forward to serve on a recreation board. There are many good things that we can do for our Community other than Coventry Day, but we need your help.

It is also time to purchase a new pick-up for the Town Highway Dept. Dave has recommended that we purchase a Ford F-550. You will see a line item in the budget of \$51,000.00 for this. The figure includes a new plow and sander, and takes into account the trade-in of our current pick-up. Dave will have the details at Town Meeting should you require more information.

Town Clerk, Cynthia Diaz, has set up a rabies clinic for Coventry on March 19th from 12:00 to 2:00 at the Community center. We will give a \$2.00 per license break for all those who license their pet during this clinic. Many thanks to Cynthia for her work in getting this done.

We wish to recognize former Town Clerk and Treasurer, Peggy Rackleff, for the years of dedicated service to the Community. It was through Peggy's guidance that the Town of Coventry came into the computer age. Peggy always had the best interest of the Town at heart, and was exceptional at her job. It was a pleasure for us to work with Peggy, and we wish her the best.

We also welcome new Town Clerk and Treasurer, Cynthia Diaz. After a bumpy start, Cynthia is settling into her new position and is more than capable and doing a good job for the Community. We look forward to continuing a strong relationship with Cynthia and to work with her for the good of the Coventry.

The Town of Coventry is only as strong as its citizens, and we continue to ask you to volunteer for the various positions on boards and committees within the Town. Keep Coventry vibrant by being involved.

Sincerely,

Bradley Maxwell

Michael Marcotte, Chair

Barry Allen

Town of Coventry
GENERAL FUND BUDGET REPORT

	BUDGET 2003/04	ACTUAL 2003/04	BUDGET 2004/05	BUDGET 2005/06
<u>REVENUES</u>				
<u>LOCAL</u>				
Fees Delq. Taxes	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,849.86	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Interest Delq. Taxes	1,500.00	916.42	1,500.00	1,500.00
Local government-school	1,600.00	1,600.00		
Interest Checking & Savings	15,000.00	7,631.66	8,500.00	8,500.00
Interest Reappraisal Fund	250.00	52.49	100.00	100.00
Interest Building & Maintenance Fund	350.00	652.66	250.00	250.00
Interest Roads & Bridges Fund	2,500.00	1,058.81	1,500.00	1,500.00
Interest Gravel Pit Fund		746.53	100.00	100.00
Town Clerk Fees	6,500.00	11,715.71	6,500.00	6,500.00
Dog Licenses	800.00	554.00	800.00	800.00
School Bookkeeping				8,500.00
Waste U.S.A. Fees	275,062.25	394,032.82	455,193.75	298,027.45
Community Center Rent	350.00	270.00	350.00	350.00
Transfer-Reappraisal Fund				
Reimbursement Roads				
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	3,223.97	2,000.00	2,000.00
	308,412.25	425,304.93	479,293.75	330,627.45
<u>STATE</u>				
Transportation				
Agency of Nat.Resources	3,000.00	3,243.80	3,000.00	3,000.00
Railroad Tax				
FEMA Flood Reimbursement				
Dept. of Taxes-Reappraisal	3,700.00	3,871.00	3,700.00	3,700.00
Judicial Fines Refund		716.50	200.00	500.00
	6,700.00	7,831.30	6,900.00	7,200.00
TOTAL REVENUES - GEN. FUND ..	\$315,112.25	\$433,136.23	\$486,193.75	\$337,827.45
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
<u>SALARIES</u>				
Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 15,782.00	\$ 15,782.00	\$ 16,571.00	\$ 16,571.00
School Bookkeeper				8,500.00
Assistant Town Clerk	3,225.00	4,050.26	3,225.00	7,000.00
Select Board members	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,900.00
Delinquent Tax Collector		-		-
Health Officer	100.00	100.00	150.00	150.00
Dog warden	50.00	-	100.00	100.00
Ballot Clerks		-	1,200.00	-
E-911	250.00		250.00	250.00
FICA	1,641.46	1,716.86	1,710.00	2,770.91
Unemployment	50.00	73.39	50.00	100.00
Total SALARIES	23,198.46	23,885.50	25,406.00	37,591.91

	BUDGET 2003/04	ACTUAL 2003/04	BUDGET 2004/05	BUDGET 2005/06
OFFICE				
Legal Services	2,000.00	410.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Equipment Repairs	500.00	80.00	500.00	500.00
Postage	1,200.00	1,394.79	1,200.00	1,500.00
Telephone	720.00	1,313.14	720.00	1,500.00
Advertising	300.00	256.70	300.00	300.00
Town Report	2,000.00	1,681.38	2,000.00	2,000.00
Supplies	1,500.00	2,948.67	1,500.00	1,800.00
Reference Books		-	100.00	100.00
Microfilming Fees	500.00	-	900.00	900.00
Software	900.00	-	500.00	500.00
Equipment and Furniture	500.00	2,344.93	1,500.00	1,000.00
Internet	275.00	431.60	300.00	300.00
Dues and Fees	2,500.00	1,802.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Seminars & Workshops		250.00		400.00
Miscellaneous	150.00	45.00	100.00	100.00
Total OFFICE	13,045.00	12,958.21	14,620.00	14,900.00
LISTERS				
Salaries	5,700.00	2,567.25	5,000.00	7,500.00
FICA	436.05	238.20	382.50	573.75
Reappraisal		-		
Postage	200.00	11.10	200.00	200.00
Supplies	250.00	178.78	250.00	250.00
Equipment		35.00		
Dues & Fees	400.00	-	400.00	400.00
Software				
Reappraisal Fund		546.00		
Tax Mapping Update	750.00		750.00	750.00
Miscellaneous		-		-
Total LISTERS	7,736.05	3,576.33	6,982.50	9,673.75
INSURANCE				
Workers' Comp Insurance	5,096.00	4,594.00	4,600.00	5,200.00
Property & Liability	6,017.00	5,369.00	6,732.00	7,300.00
Bond Insurance		1,363.00		1,500.00
Total INSURANCE	11,113.00	11,326.00	11,332.00	14,000.00
UTILITIES				
Electricity - Village green		203.84	300.00	250.00
Street lights	2,370.00	1,087.60	2,000.00	1,500.00
Total UTILITIES	2,370.00	1,291.44	2,300.00	1,750.00
COMMUNITY CENTER				
Unemployment		0		
Water	150.00	257.50	150.00	300.00
Cleaning Services	750.00	854.28	850.00	1,000.00
FICA	57.50	65.36	65.00	76.50

	BUDGET 2003/04	ACTUAL 2003/04	BUDGET 2004/05	BUDGET 2005/06
<i>Community Center con't.</i>				
Repairs and Maintenance	2,500.00	8,858.22	2,500.00	2,500.00
Supplies	400.00	530.99	400.00	400.00
Electricity	500.00	790.71	700.00	800.00
Propane	50.00	7.53	50.00	50.00
Heat	2,000.00	2,034.00	2,100.00	2,500.00
Equipment	1,000.00	728.43	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total COMMUNITY CENTER	7,407.50	14,127.02	7,815.00	8,626.50
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
Newport City Fire Dept.	2,000.00	1,647.50	2,500.00	2,500.00
Newport Center Fire Dept	1,200.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
Orleans Fire Department	1,200.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
Emergency Equipment	10,000.00	7,876.36		
Emergency Equipment Repair			500.00	
Dry Hydrants	2,500.00			
Total FIRE DEPARTMENT	16,900.00	9,523.86	6,000.00	5,500.00
MISCELLANEOUS				
Planning Commission		-		
Village Common Repair/UpKeep				4,000.00
Stray Dog Kenneling	250.00		250.00	
Audit Services	3,500.00	4,410.00	3,500.00	3,850.00
May Davies Trust Account	500.00			
Edmund Douglas Price Fund	775.50			
Recreation	8,000.00	9,406.67	8,000.00	15,000.00
Orleans County Tax	7,000.00	7,603.79	7,500.00	7,809.78
Sheriff Department	5,000.00	5,219.67	5,000.00	5,000.00
Newport City Police Department	500.00		500.00	500.00
Appropriations	7,000.00	7,972.40	8,000.00	10,000.00
Cemetery Association Expenses	6,200.00	10,641.53	8,700.00	11,453.80
Other Misc. Expenditures	1,000.00	232.93	1,000.00	300.00
Total MISCELLANEOUS	39,725.50	45,486.99	42,450.00	57,913.58
TRANSFERS-TO OTHER FUNDS				
Solid Waste Fund	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Grader Fund	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Roads and Bridges Reserve Fund	58,705.58	58,705.58	117,262.75	56,790.57
Building & Maintenance Reserve Fund	58,705.58	58,705.58	117,262.75	56,790.57
Gravel Pit Fund	58,705.58	58,705.58	117,262.75	56,790.57
Total TRANSFERS-				
TO OTHER FUNDS	\$193,616.74	\$193,616.74	\$369,288.25	\$187,871.71
TOTAL EXPENDITURES -				
GENERAL FUND	\$315,112.25	\$315,792.09	\$486,193.75	\$337,827.45

HIGHWAY FUND

	BUDGET 2003/04	ACTUAL 2003/04	BUDGET 2004/05	BUDGET 2005/06
<u>REVENUES</u>				
<u>LOCAL</u>				
Waste USA	\$174,937.75	\$174,937.76	\$174,806.25	\$236,582.33
Reimbursement Roads		381.76		
Miscellaneous		50.00		
	<u>174,937.75</u>	<u>175,369.52</u>	<u>174,806.25</u>	<u>236,582.33</u>
<u>STATE</u>				
Transportation	70,000.00	133,690.33	70,000.00	70,000.00
FEMA-flood reimbursement				
Miscellaneous				
	<u>70,000.00</u>	<u>133,690.33</u>	<u>70,000.00</u>	<u>70,000.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES -				
HIGHWAY FUND	\$244,937.75	\$309,059.85	\$244,806.25	\$306,582.33
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
<u>ROADS & BRIDGES</u>				
FICA	\$ 2,562.75	\$ 2,547.86	\$ 2,486.25	\$ 2,654.55
Health Benefits	8,060.00	5,960.17	8,155.00	9,937.78
Retirement	1,575.00	1,060.07	1,575.00	1,600.00
Unemployment	200.00	370.29		
Water - Main St	70.00	105.00	140.00	70.00
Equipment Repairs	1,500.00	2,349.92	1,500.00	3,000.00
F-450 Warranty Extension				
Building Repairs	5,000.00	2,683.81	5,000.00	4,000.00
Town Gravel Pit Garage	3,500.00	1,188.94	1,800.00	
New Garage - Well				
Road Maintenance	90,000.00	121,231.80	90,000.00	97,500.00
Gravel pit	5,500.00	6,497.50	7,000.00	3,500.00
Telephone	820.00	756.77	1,100.00	820.00
Cellular phone	150.00	-		
Supplies	500.00	1,465.03	750.00	500.00
Fuel	7,200.00	4,310.78	5,000.00	7,500.00
Heating - Main St	1,500.00	3,051.00	2,000.00	1,800.00
Heating - Route 14	1,500.00	-	2,000.00	1,200.00
Electricity - Main St	1,100.00	1,120.92	950.00	1,100.00
Electricity - Route 14	450.00	766.00	550.00	400.00
Equipment		1,996.52		51,000.00
Parts	2,500.00	7,271.23	3,500.00	2,500.00
Road Signs	1,500.00	240.35	1,500.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	1,506.72	500.00	500.00
Total ROADS & BRIDGES -				
SELECT BOARD	135,687.75	166,480.68	135,506.25	191,082.33

	BUDGET 2003/04	ACTUAL 2003/04	BUDGET 2004/05	BUDGET 2005/06
ROAD COMMISSIONER-WINTER				
Road Commissioner Salary	15,750.00	15,144.25	15,750.00	16,000.00
Other Salaries	500.00	1,316.00	500.00	1,200.00
Cont. Services-Meunier	36,000.00	26,644.50	36,000.00	39,000.00
Road Stakes	300.00	-		300.00
Equipment	1,200.00	37.75		1,500.00
Miscellaneous	250.00		1,000.00	500.00
Total ROAD COMMISSIONER- WINTER	54,000.00	43,142.50	53,250.00	58,500.00
ROAD COMMISSIONER-SUMMER				
Road Commissioner-Salary	15,750.00	16,355.79	15,750.00	16,000.00
Other Salaries	1,500.00	656.75	500.00	1,500.00
Cont.Services-Meunier	36,000.00	68,441.00	38,000.00	38,000.00
Other Contracted Services	500.00	1,400.00	500.00	
Road Stakes			300.00	
Road Maintenance	1,000.00	63.57		
Equipment				500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total ROAD COMMISSIONER- SUMMER	55,250.00	86,917.11	56,050.00	57,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES- HIGHWAY FUND				
	\$244,937.75	\$296,540.29	\$244,806.25	\$306,582.33

SOLID WASTE FUND

REVENUE

Transfer from General Fund	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Interest	300.00	266.30	150.00	150.00
TOTAL REVENUE	2,800.00	2,766.30	2,650.00	2,650.00

EXPENDITURES

Postage		148.00		
Fees-HHW Days	1,700.00	1,209.70	2,500.00	2,500.00
Educational Projects	3,000.00	500.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous		2105.18		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 3,962.88	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 4,000.00

GRADER FUND

REVENUE

Transfer from General Fund	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Interest	500.00	432.11	500.00	500.00
Miscellaneous				
TOTAL REVENUE	15,500.00	15,432.11	15,500.00	15,500.00

EXPENDITURES

Repairs and Maintenance	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00
Parts	4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL EXPEND. GRADER FUND. \$	6,000.00	- \$	6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00

2003 STATEMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED

Grand List:

Real Estate Property	\$463,824.20
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Tax Rate: \$1.1144

Statewide Property Tax \$1.0358	510,207.00
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Local Share Property Tax \$.0786	38,740.00
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	<hr/> 548,947.00
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Taxes Assessed and Billed:

Grand List (\$463,824.20) at \$1.1144	\$548,947.00
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Taxes Accounted For:

Property Taxes to Treasurer	510,659.91
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Delinquent Taxes to Collector	38,287.09
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Taxes Abated	<hr/> 0.00
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Total Taxes Accounted For	\$548,947.00
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STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

The Town of Coventry has no indebtedness.

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT

There were no 2003 delinquent taxes owed on June 30th, 2004.

TOWN OF COVENTRY, VERMONT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES
June 30, 2004

ASSETS	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Grader Fund	School Bond Reserve Fund	Solid Waste	Fund Type	
				Fund	School Trust Fund	
Cash:						
Unrestricted	\$ 779,247	\$ 60,694	\$ -	\$ 17,676	\$ -	\$ 857,617
Restricted	269,285	-	-	-	-	269,285
Investments	-	-	314,116	-	8,568	322,684
Accounts receivable:						
Other	175,524	-	-	-	-	175,524
Due from other funds	=	14,452	=	=	=	14,452
Total assets	\$ 1,224,056	\$ 75,146	\$ 314,116	\$ 17,676	\$ 8,568	\$ 1,639,562
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY						
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 10,298	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,298
Payroll taxes payable	1,623	-	-	-	-	1,623
Due to other funds	8,751	=	=	3,951	1,750	14,452
Total liabilities	20,672	=	=	3,951	1,750	26,373

TOWN OF COVENTRY, VERMONT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
Year Ended June 30, 2004

	General Fund	Community Development Fund	Grader Fund	School Bond Reserve Fund	Solid Waste Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Revenues						
Intergovernmental	\$ 141,521	\$ 321,070	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,591
Licenses/permits	987	-	-	-	-	987
Fees and charges for services	583,708	-	-	-	-	583,708
Appreciation in fair market value - investments	-	-	-	3,861	-	3,861
Interest and dividends	11,155	-	266	11,811	77	23,309
Miscellaneous	3,656	-	-	1,220	435	5,311
Total revenues	<u>741,027</u>	<u>321,070</u>	<u>266</u>	<u>16,892</u>	<u>512</u>	<u>1,079,767</u>
Expenditures						
General government	55,232	-	-	-	-	55,232
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-	3,963	3,963
Public safety	15,107	-	-	-	-	15,107
Transportation	285,008	-	-	-	-	285,008
Recreation	30,165	-	-	-	-	30,165
Cemetery	10,602	-	-	-	-	10,602
Appropriations	7,989	-	-	-	-	7,989
Intergovernmental	7,604	-	-	-	-	7,604
Capital outlays	-	321,070	-	-	-	321,070
Total expenditures	<u>411,707</u>	<u>321,070</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,963</u>	<u>736,740</u>

Other financing sources (uses) Transfers in (out)	Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	329,320	-	266	16,892	(3,451)	343,027
		<u>(17,500)</u>	=	<u>15,000</u>	=	<u>2,500</u>	=
Fund Balance, Beginning	Excess of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	311,820	-	15,266	16,892	(951)	343,027
		<u>891,564</u>	=	<u>59,880</u>	<u>297,224</u>	<u>14,676</u>	<u>1,263,344</u>
Fund Balance, Ending		<u>\$ 1,203,384</u>	\$ -	<u>\$ 75,146</u>	<u>\$ 314,116</u>	<u>\$ 13,725</u>	<u>\$ 1,606,371</u>

CEMETERY REPORT

Passumpsic Savings Bank-Money Market Acct.

Balance in Bank January 1, 2004		\$ 6,761.68
Interest Received on Certificates	\$ 364.19	
Interest on Money Market	72.10	
Perpetual Care	18.65	
Inheritance ***	41,851.83	
Total Receipts	42,306.77	
Total Funds Available		49,068.45
Cemetery Expenses		
Balance in Money Market, December 31, 2004		49,068.45

Village Cemetery

Balance in Bank January 1, 2004		5,757.18
Perpetual Care		
Interest on Savings	16.09	
Total Receipts	16.09	
Balance in Bank, December 31, 2004		5,773.27

Sale of Lots

Balance in Bank, January 1, 2004		3,161.18
Sale of Lots		
Interest in Savings	8.84	
Total Receipts	8.84	
Balance in Bank, Decemebr 31, 2004		\$ 3,170.02
Certificates of Deposit		\$ 21,613.94

***The Cemetery was remembered in Kenneth Hilliker's will when he past away this summer.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia J Diaz, Trustess Cemetery Funds

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

2004 VITAL RECORDS

BIRTHS

Name	Date	Place
Levi Eugene Petit	January 19, 2004	Newport
Connor Michael Broe	February 10, 2004	Newport
Isabelle Christine Brown	April 2, 2004	Newport
Carson David Gray	April 5, 2004	Newport
Averi Rebecca Morse	April 12, 2004	Newport
Timothy James Smith	May 10, 2004	Newport
Felicia-Ann Jean Flint	July 26, 2004	St. Johnsbury
Landon David Hamilton	July 26, 2004	Newport
Marina Mae Rockwell	September 4, 2004	Newport
Krysten Dawn Lathe	October 8, 2004	Newport
Emily Nicole Marie Kostrube	November 21, 2004	Newport
Hanna Leighann Jacobs	December 8, 2004	Newport
Jacob Raymond Lucas	December 11, 2004	Newport

DEATHS

Name	Date	Place
Edgar Brault	May 24, 2004	Newport
Eian N. Gardiner	August 26, 2004	Coventry
Andre J. Mathieu, Sr.	September 9, 2004	Derby
Albert Authur Lauzon	November 9, 2004	Coventry

MARRIAGES

Name	Date	Place
Robin W. Orne Karen E. Blake	February 14, 2004	Albany
Daniel D. Wood Marjorie A. Sargent	April 24, 2004	Jay
Mark A. Aigher Trina L. Bailey	May 15, 2004	Craftsbury
Benoit J. Guay Claire M. Burnham	May 22, 2004	Derby
Stephen P. Benedict Donna L. LaCross	May 22, 2004	Newport
Henry A. LeClair Crytal A. Sylvester	May 29, 2004	Coventry
Brandon R. Smith Rebecca F. Louzan	June 19, 2004	Newport
Justin F. Passut Sharon A. Kimball	June 19, 2004	Newport
Deric A. Lunna Tracy A. Macomber Lewis	July 3, 2004	Coventry
Nathan J. Smith Beth A. Hall	July 10, 2004	Orleans
Mark P. Brown Marcia L. Racicot	July 24, 2004	North Troy
Anthony J. Tribul, Jr. Karey R. Fields	July 13, 2004	North Troy
Timothy L. Martell Sarah L. Before	August 21, 2004	Derby
Thomas W. Gray Tiffany A. Carrier	August 28, 2004	Newport
Claude A. Dorais Olida L. Girard	October 10, 2004	Newport

2004 DOGS

23	Male Dogs	9	\$ 207.00
25	Female Dogs	9	225.00
63	Male neutered dogs	5	315.00
60	Female neutered dogs	5	300.00
0	Male Wolf Hybrids	8	0.00
0	Special & Kennel Licenses		0.00
171	Licenses		1,047.00
		Late fees	20.00
		VT Neu/Spay program	6.00
		Total	\$1,073.00
		Clerk	342.00
		State	177.00
		Town	\$ 554.00

As required by Vermont Statute Title 20 SS 3581. (a) and (c)(1) all owners of a dog or wolf-hybrid more than six months old shall annually on or before April 1 register it in the office of the clerk of the municipality in which they live. An additional \$2.00 fee has been added per Title 20 SS3581.(c)(1) for the state spaying neutering program established in Statute 20 ss 3815.

March 19th, 2005 from Noon until 2:00p.m. a rabies clinic will be held at Community Center. **The Coventry Select Board have agreed to waive the \$2.00 extra fee for all dogs licensed in the Town of Coventry THIS DAY ONLY.**

The fees to license dogs on or before April 1, 2005 are \$7 for neutered and \$11 for un-neutered.

The Town Clerk's office is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from January 1 through April 1, 2005 from 8:00am until Noon and Wednesdays from January 1, 2005 through March 30, 2005 from 4:00pm until 7:00pm for your convenience to license your dogs. If your dog has been neutered since the last registration a copy of this certificate must be presented when licensing your dog.

2004 COVENTRY PROPERTY TRANSFERS

July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004

	Number of Parcels
Land to out-of-state purchasers	5
Land to in-state purchasers	8
Land to in-town purchasers	5
Residents to out-of-state purchasers	5
Residence to in-state purchasers	11
Residence to in-town purchasers	7
Mobile Homes to in-town purchasers	9
Mobile Homes to out-of-town purchasers	5
	55

CLERK FEES COLLECTED

March 2, 2004 - June 30, 2004

ATV Permits	\$ 0.00
Certified Copies	98.00
DMV Registration Renewals	63.00**
Dog Licenses	342.00
Hunting License	150.00
Land Record Recordings	2,818.00
Marriage Licenses	120.00
Posting of Land	10.00
Snow Machine Registrations	0.00**
Time and Copies	
VAST TMA Registrations	0.00**

** New in the year 2004.

Registrations can be renewed during normal Town Clerk hours.

There is no charge for a Notary Public signature.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia J Diaz, Town Clerk

EDMUNDS-DOUGLAS-PRICE ENDOWMENT FUND

Committee: Brad Maxwell, Chair
David Gallup
Mary Ellen Linton
Phillis Mosher
Thelma Wilcox

This was a building year for the endowment fund. There was a stock split on 2/14/03, so the Fund now owns 600 shares of Microsoft Corp. An extraordinary dividend was declared on December 2, 2004 and the fund received a check in the amount of \$1848, which included previous smaller dividends.

There were no requests for assistance this year, but the next year may see some new ideas. The students and community continue to be grateful for the generosity of the Douglas and Price families.

Sincerely,
May Ellen Linton

COVENTRY TOWN FOUNDATION 2004 REPORT

Board Members:

President Richard Lussier

Vice President, VSAC Liaison Dale Perron

Secretary Mary Ellen Linton

Treasurer Jeanne Desrochers

Press Secretary Sarah Robinson-Billado

Mona Rounsevelle

Mike Marcotte

Cheryl Currier

Anita Allen

The Coventry Town Foundation (CTF), a nonprofit organization, was created by a vote of the Town at the 2002 Town Meeting to enrich our community through the support of educational, community, disaster relief, historic preservation and other community-based needs. It has established a 501(c) 3 nonprofit tax status with the Federal and State governments and commenced making systematic awards of scholarships and grants in the 2004 year. Grants and scholarships are reviewed via an application process that was created by the CTF Board in 2003.

In 2003-2004 the CTF awarded its first college scholarships. Ten scholarships of \$1000 each were awarded to qualifying Coventry residents who enrolled full-time in an accredited college program. Three grants were awarded to the Coventry Village School in 2004. An additional grant was awarded to a local sports team. Investment programs were initiated to ensure continuation of the Foundations' revenues.

These and our other philanthropic programs were made possible by the hard work of the CTF Board in establishing a firm foundation to insure its continuation for long into the future, and long after the Casella revenues cease to flow into our community. After establishing our income base and budget, writing our bylaws and voting to create an endowment investment fund in the 2002-2003 years, and creating that investment fund to insure the foundation would have scholarship and grant revenues in perpetuity, the CTF was poised for the 2004 year to commence its scholarship program.

2003-2004

Beginning Balance	\$ 9,357.49
INCOME	<u>59,246.15</u>
Total	68,603.64

EXPENSES

Office	563.92
Meals/Entertainment	130.00
Legal	60.00
Postage	434.65
Endowment	16,950.00
Scholarships	10,000.00
School Grants	8,122.00
Sports	350.00
Individual Grants	0.00
Emergency/Disaster Relief	0.00
Community Assistance	0.00
Historical Preservation	<u>0.00</u>

Total Expenses	<u>36,610.57</u>
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Balance	\$ 31,993.07
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2004-2005 Budget

Income Projected	\$ 65,000.00
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EXPENSES

Office	\$ 200.00
Advertising	500.00
Meals/Entertainment	300.00
Continuing Education	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,025.00
Legal	500.00
Postage	500.00
Software	300.00
Accounting	225.00
Repairs	150.00
Endowment	25,893.07
Scholarships	50,100.00
School Grants	10,000.00
Sports	1,000.00
Indiv Educa Grants	1,800.00
Emergency/Disaster Relief	1,500.00
Community Assistance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Historical Preservation	<u>1,000.00</u>

Total Expenses	\$ 96,993.07
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2004 PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

For the past year the Planning Commission has been involved in the permitting process for the Waste USA expansion. We were also involved in the permit process for the Washington Electric Co Op Generating Plant that will be located at the Waste USA Site.

The Planning Commission formed a committee this past year to look into bringing a zoning proposal to the Town of Coventry.

We had an informational meeting in November on zoning. At this time we got a positive response from the Town Residents.

The Planning Commission is now starting work on a Zoning Plan for the Town that will benefit the citizens of Coventry.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Vinton, Chair

Coventry Planning Commission

??? DID YOU KNOW ???

Coventry has a rich colorful history that some know, and that some want to know such as the 5th grade class at Coventry Village School.

Ask any long time resident about the history of Coventry or what they remember growing up here in Coventry and you never know what you'll get. Here are just a few things to get you started.

Did you know that when the aviation industry first came to Coventry stunt planes would land in the fields around the Heermansmith Restaurant?

Did you know that the longest living Coventry born resident living in Coventry is Mrs. Thelma Wilcox?

Did you know two people share the honor of being the most mature residents in Coventry; Mrs. Edith Robinson and Mrs. Lois Hodgdon?

Did you know that in 1966-1967 7 teachers with 91 students earned a total of \$20,752.96?

Did you know that the oldest Annual Report in the Coventry Vault is from 1889?

Did you know that at the 1952 Town Meeting Article 13 of the warning was to instruct the Selectmen to purchase a power grader?

Did you know that Article 20 of the Town Meeting in 1956 was "to see what the Town wants to do if anything, about a public dump"?

Do you know who the children in Town have named the Solider on the common after because it looks like him?

Did you know that the Congregational Church in Town was built by the Town not the congregation and after the party to celebrate its completion the final touches the next day had to be postponed?

Did you know..... Ask and see what you find out about our Ordinary Residents of Coventry that are Extraordinary!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 2005

- 1 Town Meeting at the Community Center 10:00am
Girl Scout Cookies on sale at Town Meeting
- 19 Coventry Rabies Clinic Noon until 2:00pm
Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

April 2005

- 1 Deadline to register dogs in Coventry
- 16 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm
- 15 Deadline to file Homestead Declarations on Time
Sign Up for Little League Players and Volunteers

May 2005

- 14 Household Hazardous Waste Day at Waste USA
- 21 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

June 2005

- 18 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm
- 15 Deadline for Foundation Scholarship Applications

July 2005

- 10 Coventry Day
- 16 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

August 2005

- 20 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

September 2005

- Girl Scouts Sign Up - Daisy, Brownie, Junior and Volunteers
- 17 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

October 2005

- 15 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm
Border Hoop Sign Up - Players and Volunteers (teams locally)

November 2005

- 3 Educational Taxes Due
- 19 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

December 2005

- 17 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

January 2006

- 21 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

February 2006

- 18 Town Clerk's Office open 9:00am to 2:00pm

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Year 2005 Household Hazardous Waste



Collection Days



This is a great opportunity to dispose of those old paints, pesticides, and cleaning products you have in your basement or garage.

**Saturday, May 14, 2005 &
Saturday, October 22, 2005**

8:30 am to 11:30 am

**New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc. Landfill
on Airport Road in Coventry**

These events are **FREE** through an agreement with your municipality

**A Business may bring waste to the event for a fee, provided you have
contacted NEWSVT to make prior arrangements for drop-off time.**

No pre-registration is necessary unless you are a business, but proof of residency will be required.

What is a household hazardous waste?

A household hazardous waste is any discarded household material that can be classified as toxic, corrosive, flammable or reactive.

Materials Accepted at the Event:

Acids, Adhesives, Aerosols, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Cements, Charcoal Lighters, Chlorine, Cleaning Fluid, Degreasers, Disinfectants, Drain Cleaners, Dry Gas, Epoxies, Dyes, Fiberglass Resins, Flea Powders, Furniture Strippers, Hair Removers, Herbicides, Insect Repellents, Lacquers, Lubricants, Mothballs or Flakes, Nail Polish Removers, Oven Cleaners, Latex Paints, Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Permanent Solutions, Pesticides, Photo chemicals, Rat Poisons, Rug & Upholstery Cleaners, Rust Solvents, Wood Preservatives, Spot Removers, Toilet Bowl Cleaners, Tub and Tile Cleaners, Turpentine, Varnish, Weed Killers, Wood Polishes, Wood Stains, Fluorescent Light tubes, Mercury containing products.

Materials NOT Accepted at the Event:

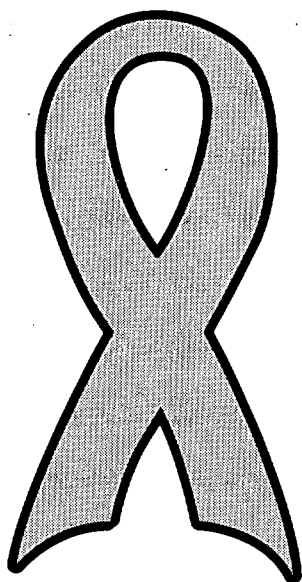
Automotive and Marine Batteries, Tires, Explosives or Shock-Sensitive Materials, Ammunition, Radio-Active Wastes, Pathological Wastes, Infectious Waste, Medicines, Dioxins, PCB containing light ballasts, PCB containing smoke detectors, electronic equipment, fire extinguishers, propane/torch cylinders, TVs, computers, electronics.

If you have any questions about the event or acceptable materials please call Janet at (802) 223-7221.

Sponsored by New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc. - Hope To See You There!

The war overseas has come to Coventry in the past months. There are families that have loved ones serving in various countries. Please think of them as well as all the soldiers serving in our armed forces.

May they return safely and quickly.

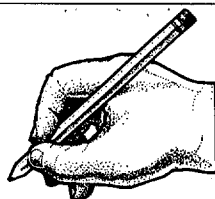


ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

TOWN OF
COVENTRY, VERMONT

For the Year Ending
June 30, 2004

*Notes, Questions,
Ideas for Discussion*



SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

Coventry Village School Board continues to be aware of NCLBA requirements and its role in implementation. In order for Coventry Village School students to be better prepared for high school and to meet Adequate Yearly Progress in regards to state standards in reading and mathematics, the board with administrative input reconfigured the middle school environment (departmentalized Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies for Grades 6-8 promoting continuity). John White was hired for the Math/Social Studies position, Carinthia Grayson for the Science position. Pamela Smith continues with Language Arts. Phillis Mosher's Guidance position was increased to full time. Upon Jane Amey's resignation, Lincoln Martin was hired as the Physical Education teacher.

The transportation contract that was taken over by OENSU goes out to bid in June. OENSU purchased Coventry's two buses.

Upon Becky Therrien's resignation as bookkeeper, the board voted to hire the Town of Coventry to do the school bookkeeping. Cynthia Diaz works closely with Mr. Gene Besaw who completed audit for 2002-2003 and recommended a compilation (financial statement only) for 2003-2004 (awaiting completion). Procedures have been set up giving the Board/taxpayers better financial information.

Lamoille Construction has completed the repair work on the concrete patio and sidewalk. The Board will be looking into costs of having the driveway resurfaced (construction funds). There is only a base coat at this time.

Through a Title II D technology grant Coventry received 12 wireless Dell laptops. Laptops allow freedom of mobility making it easier to integrate technology into classroom learning. The Board has viewed various Powerpoint (multimedia) presentations.

The proposed budget for the ensuing year of 2005-2006 reflects increasing a one-half teaching position (Special Education Services) and a 40% Gifted and Talented teaching position. The total budget increase reflects an increase of 14.16%. Increases occurred in negotiated agreements with staff. Due to increase in enrollment, tuition (in-state public, private, and special programs) amount also increased, based on actual number of students attending high school/special programs.

In closing, the board thanks Superintendent, Rod Weston, Principal, Martha Perron, Financial Manager Glenn Hankinson, Town of Coventry, Cynthia Diaz, the teaching staff and support staff at Coventry Village School, and the taxpayers for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
School Directors

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

March 2005

You may be aware from media reports that Coventry Village School did not meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in the area of Mathematics as measured by the state for the year 2003-2004. When a school does not make AYP for one year it is not identified as in need of improvement. This happens when a school fails to make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area.

Coventry Village School has taken the following steps to improve instruction and better meet student needs in accordance with the state measures of AYP. Grades 6, 7, and 8 are now considered a middle school sharing three content area certified teachers; Pam Smith with Language Arts and Reading, newly hired Science teacher Carinthia Grayson and new to our school veteran Math and Social Studies teacher John White. Kathy Nolan a Math coach hired by the district is working with teachers in their classrooms modeling lessons and providing feedback as is Kristy Ellis a Literacy Specialist working in classrooms to align curriculum and give critical feedback. Self contained classrooms K-5 have implemented a literacy block where students are now engaged in 90 minutes of direct literacy instruction daily. Because all grades are involved at the same time students are able to move and work at their instructional level. Many teachers are involved in professional development with graduate level courses, workshops, state and district level meetings as well as working one afternoon a month as a staff when students are sent home at 1:00. Phillis Mosher is now a full time licensed K-12 Guidance counselor serving students on an individual basis as well as whole class instruction. The whole staff was trained through Operation Respect on an anti bullying program "Don't Laugh at Me" whose goal is to create a caring, compassionate, and cooperative classroom. The Art (Ms. Joslyn Perron), Music, (Mrs. Anderson) and Band (Mr. Card), programs have been expanded to 1 and 2 days a week to allow students more time which meets state standards.

After school programs formally funded by Vermont Student Assistance Cooperation (VSAC) and Foundation for Excellent Schools (FES) (Science club, Dance, French, Homework club) have been expanded with visits to IROC, Art club, Drama club, Cooking, Snowshoeing, Technology, Indoor soccer and Out door recreation being funded by the newly acquired District 21st Century grant. Jaime Blais serves as the after-school site coordinator for the programs whose mission is to "engage learners and enrich lives through out-of school time activities that promote positive attitudes toward academic achievement and lifelong learning."

Students continue to work together in geography (geo buddies) and the World Map Olympics. Each month one class holds an all school assembly and the monthly newsletter continues to go home. Contact the school if you would like to receive one.

We have continued middle school co-ed soccer, and boys and girls basketball. Lincoln Martin with funding from the Parent's Club has served as Athletic Director. Thank-you to coaches Chris Dutton, Dennis Diette, Brandy Goodell, and parents for your support of co- curricular activities.

Coventry Village School operates on the belief that all students have the right to learn in a caring, safe, and orderly environment. To promote this belief; home, school, and community will work together to enable all students to become responsible, respectful, lifelong

learners. Thank-you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Perron

Principal

COVENTRY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2005-06 BUDGET-REVENUES

		FY 03-04 Actual	FY 04-05 Budget	FY 05-06 Budget	Change
REVENUES:					
1000 Local					
1500 Interest	\$	4,512	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 0
1990 Misc		1,086	0	500	500
Total 1000		5,598	6,000	6,500	500
3000 State					
3109 Homestead Revenue to School		0	243,826	310,105	66,279
3110 General State Aid		1,377,865	844,235	1,020,251	176,016
3112 Non-Residential Property Tax		0	326,348	304,252	-22,096
3125 Local State Support Grant		26,896	0	0	0
Prior year funds		23,643	0	0	0
3145 Small Schools Grant		46,480	63,272	81,387	18,115
3150 Transportation		23,264	32,928	32,928	0
3201 Mainstream Block Grant		58,842	49,174	55,617	6,443
3202 Intensive Reimbursement		77,655	149,006	1,74,702	25,696
3203 Extraordinary Reimbursement		0	0	21,048	21,048
3204 Essential Early Education		7,346	6,028	6028	0
Total 3000		1,641,991	1,714,817	2,006,318	291,501
4000 Federal					
4242 Title II-Teacher Development			0	0	0
4247 Title IV-A		0	2,332	2,332	0
4250 Title I-Compensatory		32,539	31,201	32,000	799
4255 Title V			5,136		-5,136
4270 Class Size Reduction			0	0	0
4651 Title II-A TQ		52,998	42,000	52,000	10,000
4651.1 Title II-A PD			1,541	1,541	0
Total 4000		85,537	82,210	87,873	5,663
6000 Other					
5200 Prior Year refunds		583			
6000 BEST Grant Funds		190	0	0	0
6100 Excellent Schools Grant		900	0	0	0
6200 Snelling Center Grant			0	0	0
6300 VT Arts Council		4,262	0	0	0
6400 VSAC		3,679		4,400	
6500 CSRD Grant			0	0	0
6510 Medicaid Funds		0	28,802	28,802	0
6600 Jordan/Nike Grant			0	0	0
6650 VT Comm Found Grant		1,500			
Total 5000		11,114	28,802	33,202	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	\$1,744,239	\$1,831,829	\$2,133,893	\$ 297,664

COVENTRY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2005-06 BUDGET-EXPENDITURES

	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	
REVENUES:				
EXPENDITURES:				
1100 Regular Programs				
110 Teacher Salaries	\$ 351,673	\$ 384,329	\$ 384,329	\$ 0
110.01 Contingency for NEKETA Negotiations			35,958	
120 Substitute Salaries	22,194	8,500	8,500	0
210 Health Insurance	76,488	56,041	56,041	0
220 FICA	30,982	30,051	30,051	0
230 Life Insurance	260	325	325	0
250 Worker's Compensation	1,217	2,048	2,048	0
260 Unemployment Insurance	158	500	500	0
270 Tuition Reimbursement	7,128	12,000	16,200	4,200
280 Dental Insurance	2,617	2,250	2,250	0
290 Long Term Disability	1,016	1,076	1,076	0
321 Contract Music	179	900	900	0
430 Equipment Repairs	0	500	500	0
440 Copier Lease	8,632	7,920	6,603	-1,317
561 Tuition - In State Public	370,014	288,000	485,968	197,968
565 Tuition-Private School	74,106	50,400	24,300	-26,100
610 Teaching Supplies	5,179	5,000	7,000	2,000
611 Copier Supplies	749	1,500	1,500	0
612 Computer Supplies	313	1,000	1,000	0
615 Art Supplies	867	800	1,000	200
616 Testing Supplies	407	750	750	0
640 Textbooks & Periodicals	3,533	3,000	4,000	1,000
660 Manipulative Devices	807	1,000	500	-500
670 Computer Software	301	3,400	3,200	-200
675 Casella Funds	817	0	1,000	1,000
730 Equipment	9,009	12,400	12,000	-400
733 Furniture	848	500	4,000	3,500
738 Phys Ed Equipment	498	400	500	100
739 Music Equipment	959	800	1,000	200
890 Misc	2,763	200	500	300
891 Field Trips	0	2,500	2,500	0
Total	973,714	878,090	1,095,999	217,909
Total 1100	973,714	878,090	1,095,999	217,909
1200 Titles: Class Size Reduction				
110 Teacher Salaries	20,647	0	0	0
120 Substitutes	98	0	0	0
210 Health Insurance	2,210	0	0	0
220 FICA	1,587	0	0	0
250 Workers Comp	97	0	0	0
270 Tuition Reimbursement		0	0	0

		FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
<i>Class Size Reduction con't.</i>		Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
280	Dental Insurance	46	0	0	0
290	Long-term Disability	56	0	0	0
Total		24,741	0	0	0
1211 Special Programs					
110	Teacher Salaries	45,591	47,000	47,000	0
110.01	Contingency for NEKETA Negotiations			25,966	
115	Aide Salaries	40,198	52,565	57,583	5,018
120	Substitutes Salaries		650	650	0
210	Health Insurance	11,819	17,052	14,045	-3,007
220	FICA	6,641	7,666	8,514	848
230	Life Insurance	108	145	101	-44
240	Municipal Retirement	930	2,628	1,443	-1,185
250	Worker's Compensation	428	528	479	-49
270	Tuition Reimbursement	513	1,500	4,070	2,570
280	Dental Insurance	505	600	458	-142
290	Long Term Disability	114	168	228	60
323	Testing Services	3,585		3,657	3,657
330	Contract Services	17,089	9,225	17,431	8,206
561	Tuition-In State Public	98,975	153,650	103,859	-49,791
580	Travel			300	
610	Teaching Supplies	1,141	2,500	1,500	-1,000
640	Textbooks & Periodicals	452	500	500	0
660	Manipulative Devices		1,000	1,000	0
730	Equipment	2,837	3,000	1,500	-1,500
733	Furniture			300	300
Total		230,926	300,377	290,584	-9,793
1212 Special Programs-EEE					
300	EEE Local	5,675	15,482	18,639	3,157
301	EEE State/Federal	7,346	6,028	6,028	0
Total		13,021	21,510	24,667	3,157
1250 Title 1-Compensatory Education					
110	Teacher Salaries	43,466	45,000	39,848	-5,152
120	Substitutes		0	0	0
210	Health Insurance	6,526	10,672	9,291	-1,381
220	FICA	3,325	3,443	3,048	-395
230	Life Insurance	43	25	20	-5
250	Worker's Compensation	207	239	126	-113
270	Tuition Reimbursement	1,812		3,000	
280	Dental Insurance	196	300	275	-25
290	Disability Insurance	101	154	125	-29
610	Supplies	0	117	250	133
640	Textbooks & Periodicals	0	0	0	0
660	Manipulative Devices	0	0	0	0
Total		55,676	59,950	55,983	-3,967

		FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
		Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
1292	Title II - Teacher Development				
270	Tuition Reimbursement	-220	0	0	0
330	Contracted Services	807	0	0	0
	Total	587	0	0	0
2151	Title II-A TQ				
110	Teacher Salaries	0	22,000	22,000	0
110.01	Contingency for NEKETA Negotiations			36,818	
210	Health Insurance	0	2,025	2,025	0
220	FICA	0	1,683	1,683	0
230	Life Insurance	0	25	25	0
250	Workers Compensation	0	117	117	0
280	Dental Insurance	0	0	0	0
290	Disability Insurance	0	75	75	0
610	Supplies	0	75	75	0
	Total	0	26,000	62,818	36,818
2251	Title II-A PD				
330	Contracted Services	0	1,541	1,541	0
	Total	0	1,541	1,541	0
2263	Title II-D				
330	Contracted Services	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0
2247	Title IV-A				
330	Contracted Services	0	2,332	2,332	0
	Total	0	2,332	2,332	0
1294	Title IV - Safe & Drug Free Schools				
270	Tuition Reimbursement	0	0	0	0
330	Contract Services	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0
1295	Title V				
330	Contracted Services	0	5,136	5,239	103
610	Supplies		0	1,000	1,000
640	Textbooks		0	0	0
	Total	0	5,136	6,239	1,103
1296	Title VI - Innovative Education				
330	Contract Services		0	0	0
640	Textbooks & Periodicals		0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0
	Total 1200	324,951	416,846	444,164	27,318
1300	Best Grant				
270	Tuition Reimbursement		0	0	0
330	Contracted Services	87	0	0	0
610	Supplies	356	0	0	0
	Total	443	0	0	0

	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
1305 VT Community Found Grant				
610 Supplies	204			
1310 Science Institute				
110 Salaries		0	0	0
220 FICA		0	0	0
Total	204			
1320 FES Grant				
580 Travel	765		781	781
810 Miscellaneous	95		100	100
610 Supplies	167	0	171	171
Total	1,027	0	1,052	1,052
1330 Jordan/Nike Scholarship Grant				
610 Supplies		0	0	0
730 Equipment		0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
1350 VSAC Grant				
330 Contracted Services	4,449	0	4,538	4,538
Total	4,449	0	4,538	4,538
1370 VT Rural Partnership				
330 Contracted Services		0	0	0
580 Travel		0	0	0
610 Supplies		0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
1380 Gear-Up Grant				
330 Contracted Services	450	0	500	500
580 Travel	144	0	250	250
Total	594	0	750	750
1385 Peace Garden Grant				
610 Supplies		0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
1390 CSRD Grant				
270 Tuition Reimbursement		0	0	0
330 Contracted Services		0	0	0
610 Supplies		0	0	0
640 Textbooks & Periodicals		0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Total 1300	6,717	0	6,340	6,340
1400 Co-Curricular				
110 Salaries	1,915	2,000	2,400	400
220 FICA	0	153	184	31
330 Contract Services		0	184	184
Total	1,915	2,153	2,768	615
Total 1400	1915	2153	2768	615

	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
2120 Guidance				
110 Salaries	12,898	22,500	46,575	24,075
210 Health Insurance	0	3,883	8,670	4,787
220 FICA	987	1,721	3,563	1,842
230 Life Insurance	0	13	22	9
250 Worker's Compensation	61	119	200	81
270 Tuition Reimbursement	269	0	1,500	1,500
280 Dental Insurance		150	305	155
290 Disability Insurance	31	66	145	79
610 Supplies	98	150	150	0
640 Textbooks & Periodicals	24	200	300	100
650 Audio Visual			500	500
660 Manipulative Devices			400	400
730 Equipment			100	
Total	14,368	28,802	62,430	33,528
2134 Nurse				
324 Contract Nurse	14,711	16,678	1,7355	677
330 Contract Services - Tooth Tutor			200	200
610 Supplies	218	350	357	7
640 Textbooks & Periodicals	75	50	100	50
Total	15,004	17,078	18,012	934
2140 Psychological Services				
323 Testing Services		4,500	4,500	0
330 Contract Services		0	0	0
332 NKHS	0	2,100	2,100	0
Total	0	6,600	6,600	0
2150 Speech & Audiology				
110 Salaries	31,382	27,000	27,945	945
115 Aide Salaries	0	2,391	6,186	3,795
210 Health Insurance	4,850	6,327	7,147	820
220 FICA	2,401	2,248	2,611	363
230 Life Insurance	0	30	31	1
240 Municipal Retirement	0	120	309	189
250 Worker's Compensation	148	156	147	-9
270 Tuition Reimbursement	79	900	1,180	280
280 Dental Insurance	142	180	183	3
290 Disability Insurance	56	79	87	8
333 Contract Audiologist	0	200	200	0
610 Supplies	2,095	3,800	1,000	-2,800
640 Textbooks & Periodicals	138	750	250	-500
730 Equipment			500	500
733 Furniture			400	400
Total	41,291	44,181	48,176	3,095
Total 2100	70,663	96,661	135,218	38,557

		FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
		Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
2200 Teacher Aides					
115	Aide Salaries	289	500	2,000	1,500
220	FICA	23	38	153	115
	Total	312	538	2,153	1,615
2213 Support Instructional Staff					
325	In-Service	80	250	250	0
	Total	80	250	250	0
2222 Educational Media/Library					
115	Aide Salaries	12,587	13,468	13,939	471
210	Health Insurance	400	400	400	0
220	FICA	1,042	1,030	1,066	36
230	Life Insurance	22	25	22	-3
240	Municipal Retirement	629	673	697	24
250	Worker's Compensation	59	71	60	-11
270	Tuition Reimbursement	838	700	700	0
580	Travel		100	100	0
610	Supplies	248	425	300	-125
640	Textbooks & Periodicals	2,016	2,800	2,500	-300
650	Audio Visual Materials	351	250	350	100
670	Computer Software	294	580	580	0
730	Furniture	129	300	100	-200
810	Dues & Fees		100	100	0
	Total	18,615	20,922	20,914	-8
2225 Computer-Assisted Instruction					
735	Internet Connection	466	1,148	500	-648
	Total	466	1,148	500	-648
	Total 2200	19,473	22,858	23,817	959
2311 Board of Education					
110	Salaries	2,600	2,600	2,600	0
220	FICA	199	199	199	0
810	Dues & Fees	1,050	1,050	1,200	150
	Total	3,849	3,849	3,999	150
2315 Legal					
360	Legal Services	424	3,000	1,500	-1500
	Total	424	3,000	1,500	-1500
2319 Other Board Expenses					
522	Liability Insurance	4,339	4,819	3,048	-1,771
540	Advertising	1,326	1,000	1,400	400
890	Misc	545	1,000	1,000	0
	Total	6,210	6,819	5,448	-1,371
2321 Office of Superintendent					
327	NKHS	8,801	9,254	9,254	0
331	Assessment	18,902	27,006	27,640	-2,366

	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
<i>Office of Superintendent con't.</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Change</i>
334 SpEd Assessment Est.		0	0	0
Total	27,703	36,260	33,894	-2,366
Total 2300	38,186	49,928	44,841	-5,087
2410 Office of Principal				
111 Principal Salary	54,808	51,000	52,530	1,530
112 Asst Principal Salary	900	900	900	0
114 Secretary Salary	16,218	1,7354	17,966	612
120 Substitute Secretary		0	0	0
210 Health Insurance	14,627	14,362	20,700	6,338
220 FICA	5,433	5,298	5,462	164
230 Life Insurance	43	50	44	-6
240 Municipal Retirement		868	898	30
250 Worker's Compensation	301	362	307	-55
270 Tuition Reimbursement	2,408	1,500	2,200	700
280 Dental Insurance	461	600	611	11
290 Disability Insurance	99	149	167	18
530 Postage	696	1,000	1,000	0
580 Travel	297	300	300	0
610 Supplies	1,449	1,500	1,500	0
730 Equipment	1,823	500	500	0
733 Furniture	0	250	250	0
810 Dues & Fees	642	500	650	150
Total	100,205	96,493	105,985	9,492
Total 2400	100,205	96,493	105,985	9,492
2520 Fiscal Services				
330 Contract Services	5,925	6,700	8,500	1,800
523 Crime Insurance	0	66	0	-66
530 Postage	370	300	400	100
610 Supplies	174	300	300	0
810 Dues & Fees	428	500	500	0
890 Misc	6	50	50	0
Total	6,903	7,916	9,750	1,834
2526 Audit				
370 Audit Services	0	3,200	3,200	0
Total	0	3,200	3,200	0
Total 2500	6,903	11,116	12,950	1,834
2600 Operations and Maintenance				
412 Water	825	660	660	0
421 Trash Disposal	1,183	1,300	1,300	0
431 Contract Services	25,267	23,500	24,570	1,070
521 Property Insurance	2,109	2,363	3,942	1,579
531 Telephone	374	4,500	2,600	-1,900
610 Supplies	3,925	5,500	4,500	-1,000
622 Electricity	16,627	20,000	20,000	0

	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
<i>Operations & Maintenance con't.</i>	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change
623 Bottled Gas	788	750	850	100
624 Heating Oil	14,098	14,000	22,000	8,000
730 Equipment	287	2,500	1,500	-1,000
Total	65,483	75,073	81,922	6,849
2620 Care and Upkeep Buildings				
431 Contract Services	7,638	7,500	7,700	200
610 Supplies	760	0	775	775
Total	8,398	7,500	8,475	975
2630 Care and Upkeep Grounds				
422 Snow Removal	850	750	850	100
424 Lawn Care	1,100	1,100	1,100	0
610 Supplies	0	300	300	0
Total	1,950	2,150	2,250	100
2640 Care and Upkeep Equipment				
430 Equipment	947	14,000		-14,000
431 Wild Branch Support	11,018		12,765	12,765
Total	11,965	14,000	12,765	-1,235
Total 2600	87,796	98,723	105,412	6,689
2711 Transportation to & from School				
431 Contract Services	60,001	60,500	53,000	-7,500
510 SpEd Transportation	13,906	1,000	6,000	5,000
891 Field Trips			1,000	1,000
Total	73,907	61,500	60,000	-1,500
2720 Transportation Co-Curricular				
513 Field Trips	0	1,000		-1,000
Total	0	1,000	0	-1,000
Total 2700	73,907	62,500	60,000	-2,500
5100 Debt Service				
830 Interest	37,445	34,460	31,400	-3,060
910 Principal	60,000	60,000	60,000	0
Total	97,445	94,460	91,400	-3,060
Total 5100	97,445	94,460	91,400	-3,060
5310 Transfers to Food Service				
310 ADM Fee			0	1,200
570 Contract Services	2,000	2,000	2,000	270
730 Equipment		0	0	0
Total	2,000	2,000	3,470	1,470
Total 5300	2,000	2,000	3,470	1,470
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,790,114	1,831,829	2,133,893	302,065

COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Bonds consist of:

1) A general obligation bond for the new building of \$1,130,000.00, issue dated July 19, 1995.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
Prior years	\$ 420,000.00	\$ 386,365.32	\$ 806,365.32
2003-2004	60,000.00	37,445.00	97,445.00
2004-2005	60,000.00	24,707.00	84,707.00
2005-2006	60,000.00	21,647.00	81,647.00
2006-2007	60,000.00	28,280.00	88,280.00
2007-2008	60,000.00	25,100.00	85,100.00
2008-2015	410,000.00	93,297.50	503,297.50
	<u>\$1,130,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 616,841.82</u>	<u>\$1,746,841.82</u>

COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL SALARIES

EMPLOYEE	Position	FY 2005 Salary	FY 2006**** Salary
Amidon, Mary Kay	Adm Asst	\$17,354	\$17,354
Anderson, Marie	Music	13,500	13,500
Bennett, Linda	Para Prof	9,145	9,145
Blais, Jamie	4th grade	30,000	30,000
Boulanger, Laura	Para Prof	11,430	11,430
Card, Stephen	Band	11,429	11,429
Collins, Kelley	Para Prof	10,473	10,473
Dellert, Kristen	Speech	27,000	27,000
Dutton, Elizabeth	1st grade	41,000	41,000
Fix, Margaret	5th grade	39,000	39,000
Grayson, Carinthia	Science 6-8	32,000	32,000
Grims, Jill	Kindergarten	41,000	41,000
Lefevre, Susan	Special Ed	48,255	48,255
Martin, Lincoln	PE	10,800	10,800
McFarland, Julie	2nd grade	30,000	30,000
Montgomery, Jennifer	3rd grade	37,000	37,000
Mosher, Phillis	Guidance	45,000	45,000
Perron, Joslyn	Art	8,400	8,400
Perron, Martha	Principal	51,000	51,000
Smith, Pamela	Language/Reading 6-8	34000	34,000
Tinker, Judy	Titles	45,000	45,000
Tucker, Joan	Titles	22,000	22,000
Walters, Eliza	Library	13,468	13,468
White, John	Math 6-8	43,000	43,000

**** This is pending NEKETA negotiations.

Student Enrollment 2004-2005

K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	Public High School	Private High School	Total
13	11	18	8	17	9	18	11	17	23 LR 44 NCUHS	3	192

NORTH COUNTRY SCHOOLS OENSU ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Community Members,

The North Country Schools (OENSU) and the students they serve are performing well. One good comparison of the performance of our students versus those across the country can be created by utilizing the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and Vermont's New Standards Reference Exam (NSRE). In comparison with students in the other 49 states, Vermont fourth graders had the second highest level of achievement in math and the fifth highest level of achievement in reading. How do our fourth graders compare to all Vermont fourth graders? This comparison is based on the percentage of students who met or exceeded the standard on the NSRE examination.

Literacy - Fourth grade students in the North Country Schools outscored Vermont fourth grade students in the basic understanding of reading, the analysis and interpretation of reading, the effectiveness of their writing, and the use of conventions in their writing. In every category of literacy, our students outscored Vermont students as a whole.

Math - The math scores for fourth graders is a repeat of the literacy scores with our students outscoring Vermont students in basic skills, math concepts, and problem solving.

What about eighth grade? Vermont students rank 3rd in reading and 4th in math when compared with students from every state in the nation. NCS eighth graders lag a bit behind the Vermont students in literacy and math. For about eight years, our focus has been on the early grades. It is time to expand that focus to the upper grades.

Literacy - To address this deficiency, there is a new initiative in place, **Literacy: 3 Through 6 and Beyond**. This includes a full-time literacy coach who works with teachers in grades three through eight.

Math - These scores are more competitive than the literacy scores, but still slightly below the statewide scores. To help bring these scores up, the supervisory union has hired a master teacher with National Board Certification to coach math teachers in grades K through 8. This teacher was previously sponsored by the North Country Schools as she completed the Vermont Math Initiative, a UVM masters degree program. In addition to coaching, she helps to provide graduate level math courses to our staff. By 2007, virtually every elementary teacher will have taken at least one graduate level math course that focuses on challenging content information.

The tenth grade scores are all within three percentage points, plus or minus, of the Vermont scores. NCUHS is involved in a major school improvement effort that is affiliated with the High Schools That Work organization. This work is funded through a federal grant.

One final note on test scores, this is the first year since the inception of the New Standards Reference Exams in 1998 that our scores in every category (4th, 8th, and 10th grades) have improved when compared to the average scores in previous years. With continuous improvement as the overall goal, the North Country Schools are on the right track.

As superintendent, I would like to thank you, the community members in the various municipalities, for your support of public education. With the foundation you provide, the school staffs are hard at work preparing our children for the challenges of a global economy in this new century. My favorite aspect of public education is that it is about quality for all children, not just the wealthiest or brightest or the children of the most powerful. Public education is about community and raising the level of opportunity for the whole community. Who really knows the capabilities of a child until we teach them to open that envelope of hope and opportunity that is the future?

Horace Mann (1796-1859) is known as the father of American public education. Two of his quotes seem particularly appropriate for a New England Town Meeting Day. In one of the last public speeches of his life, Mann said, "Be ashamed to die before you have won some battle for humanity." Horace Mann also said, "The public school is the greatest discovery made by man." Following Horace Mann's thinking, we can see that supporting the education of all children through the local public schools represents one small battle for humanity in which each of us plays a role. Thank you for your support, your commitment to a brighter tomorrow, and your belief in the children of our community.

Respectfully,
Rod Weston, Ed.D.

**NORTH COUNTRY SCHOOLS
ORLEANS-ESSEX NORTH SUPERVISORY UNION
SUMMARY REPORT OF
REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

Year Ended June 30, 2004

	General Fund	Special Rev. Fund
<u>Revenues:</u>		
Investment Income	\$ 11,013	\$ -
Assessments	515,747	120,999
Overhead Costs	238,105	-
Bookkeeping Services	8,705	-
Reimbursements	2,241	-
Private / Local	-	-
Restricted Funds - Local	-	3,269,471
Restricted Funds - State	-	281,181
Restricted Funds - Federal	-	3,312,970
Total Revenues	\$775,810	\$ 6,984,621
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Operations - OENSU	\$777,267	\$ 567,955
Direct Services to Students		1,080,451
Support Services to Students		1,148,244
Support Services		1,915,528
Restricted Funds - Distributed		
Brighton	-	127,482
Charleston	-	99,885
Coventry	-	66,011
Derby	-	229,584
Holland	-	130,627
Jay / Westfield	-	68,392
Lowell	-	109,141
Morgan	-	35,584
Newport City	-	221,412
Newport Town	-	78,508
North Country Union Junior High School & North Country Union High School	-	500,273
Sacred Heart	-	1,127
Troy	-	139,321
Early Childhood Program	-	355,258
EPSDT	-	61,267
Miscellaneous (District-Wide)	-	44,611
Total Distributed	-	2,268,483
Total Expenditures	\$ 777,267	\$ 6,980,661
Excess of Expenditures over Revenues	\$ 1,457	\$ (3,960)
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year	\$ 249,665	\$ 839,645
Fund Balances - End of Year	\$ 248,208	\$ 843,605

**NORTH COUNTRY SCHOOLS/OENSU
GENERAL FUND
APPROVED BUDGET FY 2006**

	BUDGET FY2004	ACTUAL FY2004	BUDGET FY2005	PROPOSED BUDGET FY2006
SUPERINTENDENT				
Salary	\$75,000	\$75,704.72	\$78,355	\$81,137
FICA	5,740	5,955.89	5,990	6,210
Health Insurance Buyout	2,000	2,150.00	2,000	2,000
Dental Insurance	300	0.00	300	300
Retirement/ Annuity	4,000	2,679.99	4,000	4,000
Life Insurance	350	191.00	350	350
Disability Insurance	220	158.98	240	240
Unemployment Insurance	100	78.77	105	131
Workers Compensation	280	249.82	340	490
Travel	5,000	3,197.68	5,000	5,000
Professional Development	2,400	1,696.56	2,400	2,400
TOTAL	95,390	92,063.41	99,080	102,258
CURRICULUM, ASSESSMENT & TITLES COORDINATOR				
Curriculum/ Assess./ Titles .45 FTE	27,000	26,775.00	27,712	28,696
FICA	2,070	2,048.29	2,120	2,200
BC/BS	1,840	1,840.00	2,353	2,343
Dental Insurance	140	140.00	140	140
Life Insurance	10	10.00	10	10
Disability Insurance	40	40.00	40	90
Unemployment Insurance	50	49.48	50	60
Workers Compensation	100	101.00	122	174
Professional Development/ Dues ..	1,200	998.00	1,200	1,200
TOTAL	32,450	32,001.77	33,747	34,913
TECHNOLOGY				
Contracted Svcs.-Tech Integration	30,000	30,000.00	45,000	60,000
Contracted Svcs.-Consultant/ Tech.	12,000	8,742.58	15,000	15,000
TOTAL	42,000	38,742.58	60,000	75,000
FINANCE MANAGER				
Salary	65,000	65,000.00	70,000	72,485
FICA	4,970	5,217.37	5,360	5,550
BC/BS	2,800	6,251.70	3,800	3,800
Dental Insurance	0	0.00	0	0
Life Insurance	25	21.60	25	25
Municipal Retirement	3,900	3,900.00	4,200	4,349
Disability Insurance	190	154.10	210	220
Unemploy. Insurance	100	104.80	105	131
Workers Compensation	240	207.70	310	440
Travel	3,600	3,200.96	3,600	3,600
Professional Development	1,500	1,140.22	1,500	1,500

	BUDGET		PROPOSED	
	FY2004	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006
<i>Finance Manager con't.</i>				
TOTAL	82,325	85,198.45	89,110	92,100
SPECIAL PROJECTS				
Purchase Service Grant Writing	0	0.00	0	0
Purchased Service Special Projects	14,000	9,751.32	14,000	14,000
TOTAL	14,000	9,751.32	14,000	14,000
ASSISTANT FINANCE MANAGER				
Salary	31,500	32,096.80	34,112	35,323
FICA	2,410	2,856.93	2,610	2,700
BC/BS	10,500	10,991.54	10,278	10,232
Dental Insurance	300	280.97	300	300
Life Insurance	25	21.60	25	25
Disability Insurance	90	75.41	100	110
Mun. Retirement	1,760	1,754.84	1,706	1,766
Unemployment Insurance	100	104.80	105	131
Workers Compensation	120	100.34	150	210
Professional Development	500	252.60	500	1,000
Travel	250	0.00	250	250
Training	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL	47,555	48,535.83	50,135	52,048
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES (3)				
Administrative Assistant	27,900	28,471.00	28,912	30,213
Personnel Assistant	23,790	24,355.94	24,606	25,713
Receptionist	16,000	12,014.96	16,640	17,389
FICA	5,180	5,355.61	5,370	5,610
BC/BS	16,070	18,200.87	32,758	27,317
Dental Insurance	900	350.01	900	900
Life Insurance	75	87.39	75	75
Disability Insurance	200	129.58	210	220
Mun. Retirement	3,190	3,035.32	3,510	3,670
Unemploy. Insurance	300	236.31	314	394
Workers Compensation	250	210.53	309	446
Travel	250	581.46	250	250
Professional Development	300	50.00	300	300
Training	1,500		500	500
TOTAL	95,905	93,078.98	114,654	112,996
SUPPLEMENTAL SECRETARIAL				
Leaves/OENSU Minutes	2,500	2,075.00	1,000	1,000
FICA	190	160.00	80	80
TOTAL	2,690	2,235.00	1,080	1,080
BOOKKEEPER & ASSISTANT BOOKKEEPER				
Salary Bookkeeper	30,062	30,676.40	32,760	34,234
Salary Bookkeeper	25,880	26,372.80	30,160	31,517

	PROPOSED			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
	FY2004	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006
<i>Bookkeeper & Ass't. Bkpr. con't.</i>				
Wages Part Time Bookkeeping	2,500	1,315.53	1,500	1,500
FICA	4,280	4,280.00	4,810	5,030
BC/BS	14,920	18,202.00	24,057	23,950
Dental Insurance	600	580.98	600	600
Life Insurance	50	43.20	50	50
Disability Insurance	170	156.10	190	200
Mun. Retirement	3,130	2,939.82	3,150	3,290
Unemploy. Insurance	200	209.60	210	262
Workers Compensation	220	191.63	280	410
Professional Development	150		150	150
Training	250	8.00	250	250
Travel	100	124.69	100	100
Lowell Bkbp-Fund Balance	0	0.00	0	0
Morgan Bkbp-Fund Balance	0	0.00	0	0
NCUHS Payroll Clerk-Wages	8,200	6,590.28	8,487	0
NCUHS Payroll Clerk-Benefits	1,220	959.95	1,273	0
NCUHS Payroll Clerk-Phone Supplies	1,200	262.50	0	0
TOTAL	93,132	92,913.48	108,027	101,544

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

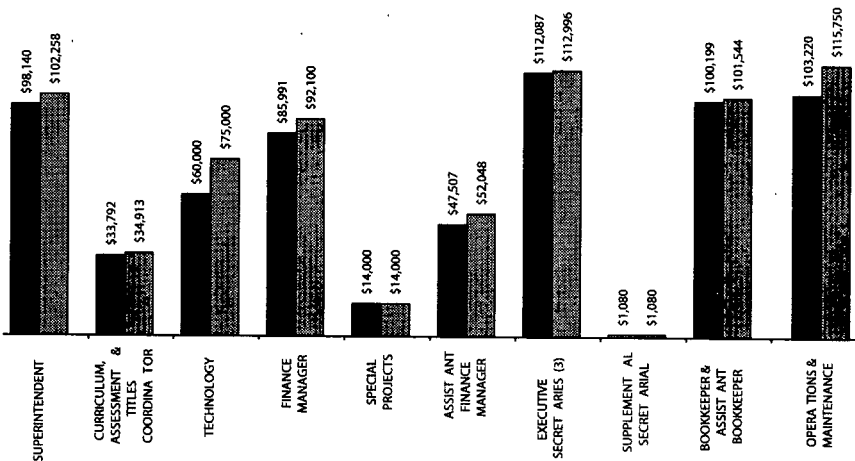
Miscellaneous Town Bills	3,000	1,273.88	1,000	1,000
VSA Dues / In Service	4,000	3,554.00	4,000	4,000
Janitor / Rubbish Removal	2,200	1,690.00	2,200	2,200
Treasurer Stipend	0	1,080.00	820	1,000
Audit	750	750.00	100	750
Legal Services	1,500	177.55	500	500
Supplies	12,600	12,464.51	13,500	13,500
Custodial Supplies	0	1,614.06	0	2,000
Advertising	3,500	675.34	1,500	1,500
Building Lease	26,500	33,337.09	30,000	34,000
Postage	12,000	12,101.05	12,000	12,200
Telephone	7,000	4,920.69	5,000	5,000
Telephone Maintenance	2,000	2,656.64	4,000	4,000
Internet Services	1,500	8,828.82	2,500	8,000
Consolidated Insurance	3,500	3,589.47	750	750
Purchased Service, Insurance	4,000	5,346.30	4,000	3,000
Equipment	5,000	1,997.36	5,000	5,000
Equipment Fund Balance	0	0.00	0	0
Computer Support	0	0.00	500	0
Computer Software	2,000	0.00	2,000	2,000
Cyber Patrol	7,500	0.00	0	0
Equip Maintenance (Copier, Computer)	7,000	8,732.61	7,000	8,500

	PROPOSED			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
	FY2004	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006
<i>Operations & Maintenance con't.</i>				
Equipment Lease (Copier)	4,500	4,884.00	5,000	5,000
Furniture	1,000	1,170.00	1,000	1,000
Books	200	0.00	350	350
Miscellaneous	500	2,231.22	500	500
TOTAL	111,750	113,074.59	103,220	115,750
GROSS GENERAL FUND BUDGET	617,197	607,595.41	673,053	701,688
LESS RECEIPTS:				
Fund Balance	15,000	1,457.16	20,000	32,500
Reimbursements	1,000	2,240.64	5,000	5,000
Bookkeeping Reimbursement	10,500	7,533.29	22,537	22,537
Interest	12,000	11,012.66	10,000	10,500
E.E.E. & EEE Local	500	500.00	500	500
NCLBA Salary/Benefits	2,500	0.00	2,500	0
Special Education Medicaid	4,500	4,500.00	4,500	4,500
SpEdDoc Collaborative	0	8,704.66	1,000	2,000
I-Team/Regional Hearing Impaired	450	1,000.00	450	465
EPSDT	500	400.00	500	515
Title I Salary/Benefits	2,500	0.00	2,500	0
Title I Overhead Costs	42,000	44,500.00	44,000	45,500
Title II A Overhead Costs	10,000	10,000.00	12,000	12,400
TOTAL RECEIPTS	101,450	91,848.41	125,487	136,417
ASSESSED TO TOWNS	515,747	515,747.00	547,566	565,271

**NORTH COUNTRY SCHOOLS / OENSU
GENERAL FUND
APPROVED BUDGET FY 2006**

	BUDGET FY 2004	BUDGET FY 2005	\$ VARI.	% VARI.
SUPERINTENDENT	\$ 98,140	\$102,258	\$ 4,118	4.2%
CURRICULUM, ASSESSMENT & TITLES COORDINATOR	33,792	34,913	1,121	3.3%
TECHNOLOGY	60,000	75,000	15,000	25.0%
FINANCE MANAGER	85,991	92,100	6,109	7.1%
SPECIAL PROJECTS	14,000	14,000		0.0%
ASSISTANT FINANCE MANAGER ...	47,507	52,048	4,541	9.6%
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES (3)	112,087	112,996	909	0.8%
SUPPLEMENTAL SECRETARIAL	1,080	1,080	-	0.0%
BOOKKEEPER & ASSISTANT BOOKKEEPER	100,199	101,544	1,345	1.3%
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	103,220	115,750	12,530	12.1%
GROSS GENERAL FUND BUDGET	841,252	701,688	(139,564)	-16.6%
ASSESSED TO TOWNS	\$547,566	\$565,271	\$ 17,705	3.2%

**Comparison
Budget FY2005 - Budget FY 2006**



2005-2006 NORTH COUNTRY UNION HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

A Message from the Board of Directors

The board and the Administration have put together a 05/06 budget that reflects a 3.96% increase over last year's budget of \$ 354,341.00. The basic student block grant from the education fund to the towns is expected to increase from \$6,800.00 in 04/05 to \$6,975.00 in 05/06.

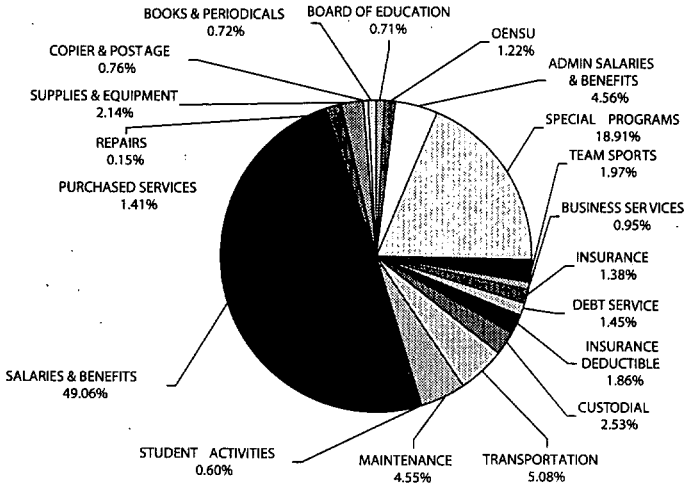
We did complete a three-year contract with the teachers and support staff and 05/06 will be the second year of this contract. We went to a Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan with a \$1,000.00 deductible on a single plan, and \$2,000.00 deductible on the two-person and family plan. We budgeted \$150,000.00 to cover our deductible liability and \$25,000.00 for the plan's administration in 04/05 and it's expected that this will be sufficient for the 05/06 year. We are told by Blue Cross/Blue Shield that there will be a 12% increase in general rates for 05/06.

(Refer to the pie chart on the next page for budget percentages of spending by specific areas.)

The board will continue to provide a comprehensive educational experience while respecting the generosity of the taxpayer.

North Country Union High School Board of Directors

**NORTH COUNTRY UNION HIGH SCHOOL
PROPOSED BUDGET
FY 2005-2006**



**NCUHS INCOME STATEMENT PROPOSED
2005-2006**

	Operating Revenues 2004-2005	Proposed Revenues 2005-2006	% Variance 2004-2005 2005-2006	% Variance 2004-2005 2005-2006
Assessments:				
Sending Districts	\$8,497,204	\$8,960,000	\$ 462,796	5.45%
Fund Balance	126,000	-	(126,000)	-100.00%
FY2004-2005 Articles	126,000	10,000	(116,000)	-92.06%
Total Adjusted Assessment	8,749,204	8,970,000	220,796	2.52%
Tuition				
Regular	235,519	250,000	14,481	6.15%
State Aid Driver Education	14,000	18,000	4,000	28.57%
Interest Earned	56,000	58,000	2,000	3.57%
Field Trip Reimbursement	4,000	2,000	(2,000)	-50.00%
Building Rental	3,000	2,064	(936)	-31.20%
Miscellaneous	5,000	5,000	-	0.00%
Total Anticipated Revenues	317,519	335,064	17,545	5.53%
Revenue Grand Total	\$9,066,723	\$9,305,064	\$ 238,341	2.63%

ASSESSMENT PER TOWN 2005-2006

(based on October 15, 2004, student count)

Town	Student Count	NCUHS FTE	Regular Assessment	NCCC FTE
Brighton	66	56.83	\$630,577	9.17
Charleston	37	29.67	329,214	7.33
Derby	281	236.58	2,625,057	44.42
Holland	36	28.33	314,346	7.67
Jay	17	14.50	160,890	2.50
Lowell	54	43.33	480,783	10.67
Morgan	35	29.67	329,214	5.33
Newport City	231	192.33	2,134,066	38.67
Newport Town	97	80.17	889,555	16.83
Troy	95	78.83	874,686	16.17
Westfield	22	18.17	201,612	3.83
Totals	971	808.41	\$8,970,000	162.59

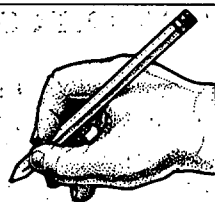
TUITION STUDENT COUNT - OCTOBER 15, 2004

Town	Student Count	NCUHS FTE	Tuition 2004-2005	NCCC FTE
Coventry	45	37.67	\$236,266.24	7.33
Ferdinand	3	2.33	14,613.76	0.67
Montgomery	11	9.33	58,517.76	1.67
Other	2	2.00	12,544.00	0.00
Total Tuition	61	51.33	\$321,941.76	9.67

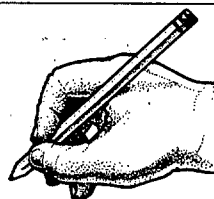
STUDENT COUNT SPREADSHEET - OCTOBER 15, 2004

Town:	9th	10th	Grade 11th	12th	Oct. 15 2004	Oct. 15 2003	Change #	Change %
Brighton	19	19	15	13	66	70	-4	-5.71%
Charleston	15	10	5	7	37	35	2	5.71%
Derby	71	77	60	73	281	264	17	6.44%
Holland	10	8	9	9	36	38	-2	-5.26%
Jay	3	6	5	3	17	21	-4	-19.05%
Lowell	10	22	15	7	54	55	-1	-1.82%
Morgan	10	11	7	7	35	35	0	0.00%
Newport City	56	50	62	63	231	242	-11	-4.55%
Newport Town	30	20	29	18	97	90	7	7.78%
Troy	31	22	23	19	95	99	-4	-4.04%
Westfield	6	3	6	7	22	21	1	4.76%
Sub-Total	261	248	236	226	971	970	1	0.10%
Tuition Towns:								
Coventry	11	14	12	8	45	42	3	7.14%
Ferdinand	1	0	0	2	3	2	1	50.00%
Montgomery	5	3	0	3	11	8	3	37.50%
Non-Resident	0	0	1	1	2	12	-10	-83.33%
Sub-Total	17	17	13	14	61	64	-3	-4.69%
GRAND TOTAL	278	265	249	240	1032	1034	-2	-4.58%

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