

Town of Goshen Vermont

**Annual Report
July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017**



**Please bring your copy of the Goshen Town Report
To the Town Meeting on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7pm**

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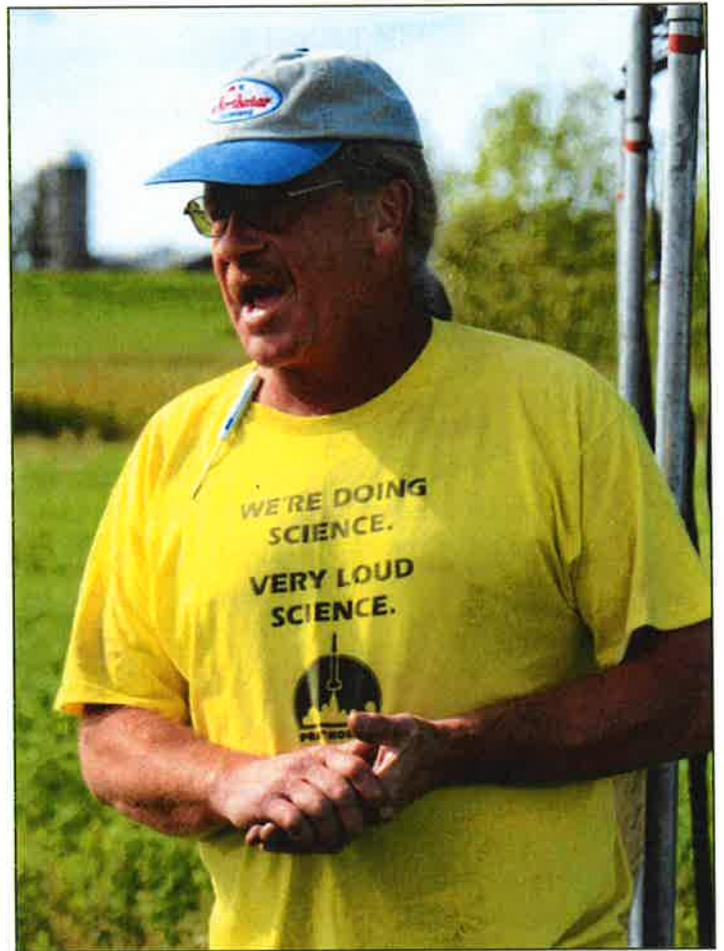
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DEDICATION

Kevin was born in St. Johnsbury Vt, and lived in Danville where he attended grade school and started to find his love of music by playing the trumpet. His family moved to Rutland in 1968, in which he attended Rutland High. At 17 he became an Air Traffic Controller in the United States Air Force, where he served both stateside and internationally. Upon completion of his service, Kevin then went to work at Brandon Training School, where he met his wife Diane, where they worked together until the closure of the school in 1992. After which, Kevin then attended Goddard College where he received a Masters in Psychology, and continued his devotion to work in the mental health field by establishing *The Nurturing Program*

in Rutland, a program that helped parents deal with children with disabilities.

Kevin and Diane moved to Goshen in 1990 with their daughter Sheea, and had a son, Elyas, in 1995. Kevin became increasingly involved in the community, volunteering at the recycling center and helping to build the town barn. He then continued on to serve the Town of Goshen as Treasurer, Planning Commission member, Town Moderator, and Selectman. Members of the town often regard Kevin as very fair, easy to approach, and an open book type of person. He had devoted himself to his career, and to the town, helping to change the future of the town. He wanted to help build a strong community, helping to host events such as the town pot lucks and also an annual fireworks show. Kevin saw and experienced things that not many others would, such as the vast caves in Kentucky and West Virginia, and brought that knowledge to Vermont where he began a group of Cave Rescue workers, the first that had ever been seen in Vermont. Along with this, Kevin had a passion for music, high powered rocketry, and building his own fireworks. Kevin will be missed greatly by all those whole lives he touched and will be remembered forever.



ELECTED OFFICIALS

Office	Term Expires
Moderator of Town Meeting:	
Kevin O'Classen	2018
Selectboard:	
Jeffery Cathcart	2020
David McKinnon	2019
Kevin O'Classen	2018
Diane O'Classen(appointed)	2018
Town Clerk:	
Rosemary McKinnon	2019
Town Treasurer:	
Vickee Whiting	2019
Trustee of Public Funds:	
Tammy Walsh	2020
J Douglas Graham	2018
Vickee Whiting	2019
Delinquent Tax Collector:	
Vickee Whiting	2018
First Constable:	
Eward Hayes	2019
Second Constable:	
Shawn Martin	2018
Town Juror/ Town Agent:	
James Hayes	2018
Justice of the Peace:	
Kenneth Brown	2019
J Douglas Graham	2019
Diane Mott	2019
Barbara Walsh	2019
Jeffery Whiting	2019

Office	Term Expires
Director, Otter Valley Unified Union School District (Goshen Member)	
Martin Fjeld	2018
Listers:	
Diane Mott	2018
Madine Reed	2019
Barbara Walsh	2020
Auditors:	
Barbara Walsh	2018
Lori Lovell (resigned)	2020
Lani Nichols	2019

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Zoning Administrator:	
Tina Wiles	2018
Board of Adjustment:	
Ken Brown	2019
Dick Conrad (Chair)	2019
David Bishop	2019
Diane Mott	2019
Ed Hayes	2019
Barbara Walsh	2019
911 Coordinator	
Diane Mott	2018

APPOINTED OFFICIALS (cont.)

Office Term Expires

Road Crew:
Edward Hayes 2018
Marcy Hayes 2018
David Sabatini 2018

Road Foreman:
James Hayes 2018

Health Officer:
Ben Lawton 2020

Deputy Health Officer:
James Hayes 2018

Service Officer:
Diane Mott 2018

Fence Viewers:
Selectboard 2018

Pound Keepers:
Constables 2018

Tree Warden:
Selectboard 2018

Town Energy Coordinator:
Bob West 2018

Weigher of Coal:
David Sabatini 2018

Emergency Management Coordinator:
David McKinnon 2018

Emergency Management Alternate:
Ed Hayes 2018

Office Term Expires

Selectboard Clerk:
Marcy Hayes 2018

**Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, and Wood
Selectboard 2018**

Fire Warden:
Shawn Martin 2018

Cemetery Commissioners:
Ken Brown 2018
J. Douglas Graham 2018
Lee Baker 2018

Occupational Drug Testing Rep.:
Rosemary McKinnon 2018

ACSWMD Representative:
Diane Mott 2018

ACSWMD Alternate:
Dave Sabatini 2018

ACRPC Representative:
Jim Pulver 2018

BLSG Insect District Representative:
Ben Lawton 2018
Jeff Whiting 2018

BLSG Insect District Alternate:
David Bishop 2018

Goshen Planning Commission:
Jim Pulver 2020
Chad Chamberlain 2019
J. Douglas Graham 2019
Dick Conrad 2018
Annina Seiler 2020

OTTER VALLEY UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 28, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

The legal voters of the Otter Valley Unified Union School District (Unified Union District) comprising the voters of the Towns of Brandon, Goshen, Leicester, Pittsford, Sudbury and Whiting are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Otter Valley Union High School, on February 28, 2018, in the auditorium of said school, at 6:30 p.m. to conduct the following business:

Article 1: To elect the following officers to serve from their election and qualification until the next Annual District Meeting of 2019 following the election and qualification of their successors:

1. Moderator
2. Clerk
3. Treasurer

Article 2: To have presented by the Board of School Directors of the Otter Valley Unified Union School District its estimate of expenses for the ensuing year.

Article 3: To determine and approve compensation, if any, to be paid Unified Union District Officers.

Article 4: To authorize the Unified Union District to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the State Education Fund or Town Tax Funds by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date provided, however, that the Unified Union District is authorized by Vermont Statutes to borrow sufficient funds to meet pending obligations.

Article 5: To transact any other school business thought proper when met.

The meeting shall then be recessed to Tuesday, March 6, 2018, for the purpose of voting the following articles at the usual polling places in the member districts by Australian ballot, said ballots being brought to Brandon Town Hall following the closing of the polls in the member districts where they will be commingled and counted by the Board of Civil Authority of the constituent districts.

The Town polls will be opened as follows:

Town of Brandon	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Brandon Town Hall
Town of Goshen	9:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Goshen Town Hall
Town of Leicester	10:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Leicester Town Office
Town of Pittsford	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Pittsford Town Office
Town of Sudbury	10:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Sudbury Town Hall
Town of Whiting	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Whiting Town Hall

Article 6: To elect the following officers to serve from their election and qualification until March following the election and qualification of their successors:

- A. School Director, Brandon for a term of three (3) years
- B. School Director, Goshen for a term of three (3) years
- C. School Director, Pittsford for a term of three (3) years
- D. School Director, Whiting for a term of three (3) years
- E. School Director, At-Large for a term of three (3) years

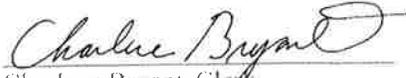
Article 7: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$19,223,835 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$14,524 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.22% less than spending for the current year.

Dated at Brandon, Vermont
January 10, 2018



Barbara Bourne, Chairwoman
Otter Valley Unified Union School
District No. U053

Received and Recorded
January 10, 2018



Charlene Bryant, Clerk
Otter Valley Unified Union School
District No. U053

Otter Valley Unified Union School District Board of Directors' Annual Report

The Otter Valley Unified Union School District Board, comprised of representatives from the towns of Brandon, Goshen, Leicester, Pittsford, Sudbury and Whiting has had a busy year. The Board, organized into three committees: Student Achievement, Finance/Building and Grounds, and Policy and Advocacy, has focused on offering a rigorous academic program to our students while containing costs.

Our student population continues to decline. The small number of students in some of our schools make it difficult to offer cohesive, effective instruction. The Board charged the Superintendent to recommend a school configuration plan to address this challenge, while expanding educational opportunities for students where possible. At the same time, the Board directed the Superintendent to develop a budget that level funds spending. This was a difficult but necessary process. It is believed that our student population will continue to decline. To plan for this, the Board has decided to organize a committee to look at the long term needs of our communities and make recommendations to the Board for how to best meet the educational needs of our students.

In its first year, the Board adopted a school choice policy that is being used by 23 students. This policy gives parents the opportunity to choose a school that best fits their child's needs.

The budget for the operation of our schools will be explained in detail at the Otter Valley Unified Union School District annual meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 6:30 PM at Otter Valley Union High School. During budget development, it was necessary to make difficult reductions in order to reach a responsible level of spending. It is clear to the Board that our communities are in difficult fiscal times. The development of future budgets will require us to be ever more collaborative and creative as we strive to offer to all students the educational opportunities that will prepare them to be engaging and productive citizens.

We encourage all residents of our member towns to actively participate in the activities of the board. If you are unable to attend a meeting but have a question to ask, idea to share or concern to raise, please use the *Let's Talk* link on any school website.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Bourne

Bonnie Bourne
Otter Valley Unified Union School Board Chair



BLSG 2017-2018 BUDGETS

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual 12/20/17	2018 - 4 Town Budget	2018 - 5 Town Budget
INCOME				
Brandon	\$33,889.50	\$33,597.51	\$32,778.13 *	\$27,642.54
Leicester	\$17,702.28	\$17,702.28	\$17,121.75 *	\$16,865.18
Salisbury	\$18,499.68	\$18,499.68	\$17,893.00 *	\$17,434.11
Goshen	\$9,648.54	\$9,648.54	\$9,332.12 *	\$9,892.07
Pittsford	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$24,638.55
Larviciding State Grant Reimbursement	\$70,000.00	\$308,420.80	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
Donations & Misc. Income	\$10.00	\$41.74	\$25.00	\$25.00
Interest	\$164,750.00	\$484,168.55	\$162,150.00	\$168,975.00
TOTAL INCOME				
	\$12,000.00	\$31,376.60	\$13,000.00	\$16,000.00
EXPENSES				
Production				
Adulcide Chemicals *1	\$7,500.00	\$12,841.50	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00
Labor - Adulcide Coordinator	\$5,500.00	\$11,647.50	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00
Labor - Applicators	\$2,200.00	\$8,780.69	\$5,500.00	\$7,000.00
Payroll Taxes	\$1,500.00	\$3,164.27	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00
Gas - Trucks & Sprayers	\$1,000.00	\$4,703.70	\$3,000.00	\$3,300.00
Maintenance - Trucks & Sprayers	\$750.00	\$1,475.62	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Maintenance - ATV & Argo	\$500.00	\$1,039.51	\$500.00	\$500.00
Safety Equipment	\$70,000.00	\$308,420.80	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
State Grant Related Expense Larviciding Only	\$150.00		\$150.00	\$150.00
Legal (other than dedicated fund)	\$101,100.00	\$383,450.19	\$114,150.00	\$120,150.00
Total Production/Spraying Related Costs				
Expenses	\$6,400.00	\$50.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Overhead	\$1,000.00	\$1,852.05	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Board of Directors Stipends ***	\$625.00	\$412.78	\$500.00	\$500.00
Continuing Education	\$509.00	\$623.12	\$750.00	\$750.00
Office Expenses	\$875.00	\$1,397.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Bookkeeping	\$400.00	\$2,922.30	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Building & Grounds	\$1,200.00	\$1,423.19	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Communications (Verizon, Pager, Call Center, Equipment)	\$850.00	\$763.27	\$950.00	\$975.00
Electric	\$2,600.00	\$6,603.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00
Insurance-Worker's Comp	\$2,400.00	\$2,897.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Insurance-Building & Equip	\$2,000.00	\$2,905.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,300.00
Insurance-Trucks	\$10,450.00	\$10,289.00	\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00
Insurance-Liability	\$1,600.00	\$876.75	\$900.00	\$900.00
Data Collection & Field Equipment	\$9,500.00	\$9,499.30	\$0.00	\$0.00
Argo Finance Payment	\$200.00	\$171.20	\$200.00	\$200.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$11,400.00	\$11,400.00
Equipment Replacement and Capital Expenditures Fund	\$7,900.00	\$7,719.06	\$0.00	\$0.00
Loan \$35,000/5 Years - Payment 5th Year				
	\$150.00	\$287.98	\$200.00	\$200.00
Total Overhead Related Costs	\$63,650.00	\$65,692.00	\$48,000.00	\$48,825.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$164,750.00	\$449,142.19	\$162,150.00	\$168,975.00

*** Board of Directors Stipend is to encourage all board members to attend all board meetings, having a quorum has been a problem along with having a full board

Argo finance payment & the \$35,000 - 5 year loan were paid off in 2017

*Pittsford needs to buy-in Adulcide
 cost of Adulcide on hand \$9,950 x .249 = \$2,477.55
 Brandon, Leicester, Salisbury, Goshen share of Adulcide money is as follows:
 Brandon \$1,052.96
 Leicester 550.02
 Salisbury 574.79
 Goshen 299.78
 TOTAL \$2,477.55

Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union Board of Directors' Annual Report

As continues to be the case, this year has been a challenging budget year. We worked hard to produce a fair and comprehensive budget, holding costs down as much as possible. You, the voters, saw that work and passed the budget last March, for which we are grateful. Then, before the Legislature recessed in the spring, they voted to take more money from the education fund to pay the state's other expenses, underfunding OVUU and BUU. In addition, we were told that in order to keep the education fund solvent, taxes need to cover an anticipated 39 million dollars Governor Scott moved to the general fund. All this means that we had to find a way to cover this year's "state imposed budget shortfall", find our portion of the 39 million and absorb the planned 2 cent reduction in merger incentive. This would mean reducing the budget by about \$1,600,000 before we even looked at the needs of our students, staff, and buildings.

We were in contract negotiations with the paraprofessionals and bus drivers again this year and also with the teachers. We tried to be fair and equitable knowing that the taxpayers had limits that had been perhaps already approached. Fortunately, we were able to reach settlements for both. In each contract, both sides compromised.

We continue to struggle with declining enrollment and smaller class size numbers. Our goal continues to be to provide the very best quality of education that our young people need and deserve. We have required our superintendent, Jeanné Collins, to bring in a budget that does more with less. We have publicly discussed plans of reconfiguration of grades, eliminating positions, combining classes, repurposing buildings, and cutting costs in all of our facilities. We held two public forums and many open board meetings. We know that change causes angst. But change must happen if we are to continue to provide affordable quality education for all of our district's students.

Our ultimate goal is to provide the very best quality education for all students. We know that the communities and the students count on our board to guarantee high standards, quality education, multiple opportunities to learn, a high degree of safety, and highly qualified teachers and staff to educate our children and get them ready to be outstanding citizens. We work hard to achieve those goals.

We thank you for the confidence you place in us and the great opportunity you give us to serve all of our children. It is our hope that you will see that the budget we present to you will meet all the needs of our students at a cost we can afford.

Sincerely,

Richard White

Richard A. White
Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union Board Chair



Dear Residents of Brandon, Goshen, Leicester, Pittsford, Sudbury and Whiting

As Otter Valley Unified completes its first merged year of service, we have focused our lens on the equity of opportunities for all students and fiscal sustainability. In our first year, we have a few highlights of our progress in both areas.

Beginning in the fall of 2017, Sudbury and Whiting merged to create a PreK - 6th grade program over 2 campuses. Whiting now serves grades Pre-K through second while Sudbury serves grades third through sixth. This change allowed for class sizes that are slightly larger with peer groups that are appropriate for every grade. In recent years, it was common to have four or five students in a grade level at each school; combining the grades across schools allows for a better peer group and class size. We can focus support at each setting based upon the grades served, such as early literacy at Whiting only. Using staff attrition and looking at opportunities, we were also able to move teachers from one building to another at their request and to share staff across buildings rather than reduce employment. This led to less turnover and greater staffing stability as we started to right size our district in the face of declining enrollment.

Our middle school model also has gotten a deep review this past year, bringing consistency to grades five and six across the district as students prepare for Otter Valley Union High School. Summer school programs also made changes for consistency and equity of opportunity. Neshobe partnered with the Brandon Town Rec to give students a more enriching, longer day program and Leicester did the same as it also opened its doors to children from Whiting and Sudbury. Lothrop continued its summer program and we served 95 students across the elementary schools this summer.

In district elementary school choice began in the fall of 2017. Twenty-three students chose a different elementary school in the district. The opportunity for choice helped families for a variety of reasons and met family needs and student learning styles.

RNESU spent this year updating the Compact into a current Mission and Vision as the administrative team set goals for the coming future. The goals include a focus on early literacy, with the introduction of SuperKids reading program in all kindergarten classrooms in the district. The goals also include ensuring all students get what they need to learn and all classroom instruction is of the highest quality.

This year RNESU says farewell and thank you to Kay Pelletier, Administrative Support for Special Education and Medicaid Clerk. Kay has been a mainstay for families and services for 25 years and we thank her for her service. Beth Ripley, currently of OVUHS, will replace Kay as of July, 2018.

Overall, we are pleased with the results of the first year in the new Otter Valley Unified Union School District and look forward to many more years of growth to come.

Sincerely,

Jeanné Collins

Jeanné Collins
RNESU Superintendent

RNESU Vision/Mission Statement
(pending final approval)

VISION: The Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union empowers all students with the knowledge, skills and attributes needed to be successful and contributing members of a global society through the development of character, competence, creativity and community.

MISSION: By way of the resources invested by our communities, RNESU students will have the knowledge, skills and tools to be prepared for the next stage of their lives.

TOWN OF GOSHEN, VERMONT

WARNING

2018

The legal voters of the Town of Goshen are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Goshen Town Hall, Monday, the 5th day of March, 2018 at 7:00PM to transact the following business not involving voting by Australian Ballot:

Article I: To hear and act on the Report of the Selectboard

Article II: To hear and act on the Report of the Town Officers

Article III: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$229,253 to defray the General Expenses of the Town for the 2019 fiscal year, the amount of such sum to be raised by taxes to be reduced by receipts, state aid, grants, and other income.

Article IV: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$207,700 to defray the Highway Expenses of the Town for the 2019 fiscal year, the amount of such sum to be raised by taxes to be reduced by receipts, state aid, grants, and other income.

Article V: To see if the Town will authorize collection of taxes on real and personal property by its Treasurer, payable in three equal installments, due on or before August 15th, 2018, November 15th, 2018, and January 15th 2019.

Article VI: To see if the town will assess delinquent taxes one percent interest per month or fraction thereof for the first three months, and thereafter one and one-half percent per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of each installment, plus fees as provided in VSA Title 32 § 4873.

Article VII: To see if the Town of Goshen will use the Town's portion of interest earned in the Goshen Town Forest timber sale account amounting to \$4,000 to help pay for renovation of Town buildings.

Article VIII: To do any other non-binding business, legal and proper, at this time.

At the close of the above business, the meeting shall be recessed until Tuesday March 6th, 2018 at 9:00 AM at the Goshen Town Hall to vote by Australian Ballot on the following matters, to wit:

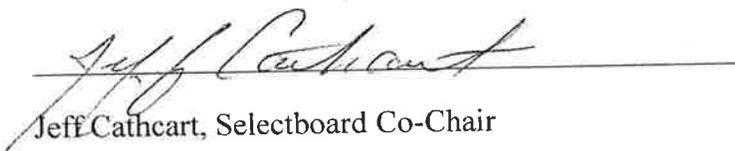
1. Moderator Town Meeting for one (1) year.

2. Selectman for three (3) years.
3. Trustee of Public Funds for three (3) years.
4. Auditor for remainder of three (3) years.
5. Auditor for three (3) years.
6. Lister for three (3) years.
7. Delinquent Tax Collector for one (1) year.
8. Second Constable for two (2) years.
9. Grand Juror for one (1) year.
10. Town Agent for one (1) year.

Selectboard, Town of Goshen



David McKinnon, Selectboard Co-chair



Jeff Cathcart, Selectboard Co-Chair

Dated this 25 day of January 2018.

Goshen Town Office

Received and recorded by:



Rosemary McKinnon, Town Clerk



50 Carlisle Hill Rd.
Goshen, VT 05733
☎ (802) 247-6455

Goshen Town Meeting March 6, 2017

Citizens Present: Richard Conrad, Judith Irvén, Jim Hayes, Marie Hayes, Al Gionet, Madine Reed, Ken Brown, Barbara Brown, Jeff Whiting, Vickee Whiting, Robert West, Janice Gould, Bill Mathis, Josh Davis, Martin Field, Ethan West, Anina Seiler, Chris Stone, Diane Mott, Lee Baker, Barb Walsh, Nancy Graham, Doug Graham, Marci Hayes, Abigail Hayes, Dave Bishop, Mike Goodspeed, Polly Goodspeed, Fernanda Canales, Chad Chamberlain, Jim Pulver, Dave Sabatini, Tony Clark, Cassandra Hayes, Chad Beckwith, Morgan Beckwith, Thomasina Magoon, and Peter Conlon.

Select board Members Present: Jeff Cathcart and David McKinnon

Selectboard Member Absent: Kevin O'Classen

Meeting Called to order: 7:01pm

Meeting opened by Dave McKinnon, discussion followed on choosing a moderator for the town meeting. Previous elected moderator unable to attend due to illness, citizens are within their rights to nominate moderator for the meeting. Doug Graham nominates Jeff Whiting to be moderator, Dick Conrad 2nd moves to a vote, ayes have it. Jeff Whiting will act as moderator for town meeting.

Jeff Whiting began by thanking the citizens for allowing him to moderate and wishes absent moderator to be well soon. He reminded citizens that the meeting will follow Roberts Rules of order for meeting conduct.

Article I: To hear and act on the Town School District Warning.....19 minutes

Reading of school articles. Dave Bishop informed that school report will be printed and distributed, not made electronically. Dave Bishop mentioned that tax rate went up slightly this year from last.

Dave McKinnon would like to strike the last sentence on page five in the town report under article 9. This states that "the polls will be opened from 10am to 7:00pm" to vote on the school budget. Dave McKinnon stated that the election officials would have to not accept ballots of those voting for the school budget before 10am, if they were to withhold to the school district hours for voting. Dave McKinnon stated that hours should coincide with the open hours of Goshen's town voting, which is 9am to 7pm. Dave McKinnon

suggests that the citizens of Goshen modify school article 9, to have hours match that of Goshen Town polling hours. Move by Dave Sabatini, Doug Graham 2nd. Dave Bishop stated that someone from the town should have gone to the meeting and spoken up about this issue prior to it becoming an issue with the article. Continue discussion on issue with different time for voting.

Fernanda Canales moves the article, Dick Conrad 2nd. Vote for OVUUSD polling to be open from 9 am to 7 pm Tuesday March 7th, to coincide with Goshen polling hours. Ayes, 1 Nay, ayes have it. Motion carried

Article II: To hear and act on the Report of the Selectboard.....10 minutes

Moved by Doug Graham, Fernananda Canales 2nd. Open for discussion.

Judith Irven asked about composting pick up and how that would happen. Marci Hayes stated that this issue is still open for options and will be discussed at future selectboard meetings. If town chooses to pick up compost, a separate tank is needed for current truck, it will then be picked up same time as recycling and garbage. In addition private composting is an option for individuals. Diane Mott added that Addison County Solid Waste District has composting bins available for purchase, some are bear proof. Judith Irven offered to help people with composting how to and offered to show individuals her set up for composting. The composting of food scraps is to begin in July of this year. The Selectboard will discuss option for this at regular selectboard meetings. Meetings are held on the second and Fourth Mondays of every month beginning at 7 pm. These are open to the public. Motion to accept Article II, by Dave McKinnon, Doug Graham 2nd, Ayes have it. Motion carried.

Article III: To hear and act on the Reports of the Town Officers.....3 minutes

Fernanda moves, Doug Graham 2nd. Opened for discussion.
No discussion, move for a vote, Ayes have it, motion carried.

Article IV: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$232,817 to defray the General Expenses of the Town for the 2018 fiscal year, the amount of such sum to be raised by taxes to be reduced by receipts, state aid, grants, and other income.

.....8 minutes

Moved by Doug Graham, Jim Hayes 2nd Open for Discussion.

Fernanda Canales inquired about equipment rentals and to what that is. Dave McKinnon mentioned that the new state orange book increases the regulation on roads and erosion control for the towns, this means there is an increase in equipment need. It is in the budget for increased need, due to anticipated increased work in order to comply with state regulations. Jeff Cathcart reminded people that November is when budget is being discussed, and for people to attend that meeting to have a more direct and participatory involvement with the budget. Dave Mckinnon moved the article, Doug Graham 2nd moved to a vote, ayes have it. Motion carried

Article V: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$209,200 to defray the Highway Expenses of the Town for the 2018 fiscal year, the amount of such sum to be raised by taxes to be reduced by receipts, state aid, grants, and other income.

.....31 minutes
Fernanda Canales moved the article, Doug Graham 2nd open for discussion.

Bill Mathis inquired about long range plan of roads. Bill Mathis suggested putting paving fund in a formal sinking fund. Jeff Whiting stated that this would be appropriate wording for consideration for next year. Dick Conrad inquired about whether this is paving or repaving, to clarify answer, it is repaving. Jim Hayes suggested that stretch of road from town sheds north to bottom of Carlisle Hill, the pavement should be brought up, crushed and laid back down. Currently there is not a good base, any pavement put down will not last without a good base. Cape Look off citizen thanked Jim Hayes on work done on the road, with crowning and ditching done he sees a big difference.

There was an inquiry about maintaining route 73. Selectboard clarified that route 73 is a state road and is maintained by the state, the town does not maintain this road, not a town issue. Bill Mathis would like to make available for next year, a projected 10 year budget on the roads, where the money is spent, how and on what projects. Bill moves to have long range paving plan by way of study and report for the next town meeting, 2nd by Jim Hayes. Open for discussion. Jeff Cathcart stated that if people want more work done on road there needs to be more money put in budget. Jeff Whiting, interjected that Carlisle hill road is a class III road, and there is no grant money available paving class III roads.. Selectboard stated that road work, money allotted for projects, projected area of work, is all discussed at the selectboard meetings. It is good for those interested in where money is spent, to attend these meetings. Dave McKinnon stated that in reference to Bill Mathis' proposal, the selectboard already makes available and open for public discussion on how road money is spent, they are also available in minutes from meetings at town office. Dave suggested at regular selectboard meeting to consider Bill Mathis' request for making a long range spending plan in writing, 2nd by Doug Graham, move to a vote, Ayes have it, 1 nay.

Move the article by Dave McKinnon. 2nd by Fernanda Canales, ayes have it, no nays

Article VI: To see if the Town will authorize collection of taxes on real and personal property by its treasurer, payable in three equal installments, due on or before August 15th, 2017 November 15th, 2-17 and January 16th, 2018.....14 minutes

Doug Graham moved, Dave McKinnon 2nd. Open for discussion.

Richard Conrad would like to move to amend article to read "payable in 3 equal installments due or post marked on or before" Doug Graham, mentioned that it would not be wise to change the wording of articles as they are legally binding and should not be changed. Vickee Whiting stated that on the town tax bill it is written, by wording of Goshen, that "post marks are not accepted as proof of timely payment" this is on the tax bill that everyone receives and has been many years. Jeff Whiting stated that this question of due or post marked should be taken in advisory for future consideration for the selectboard regarding changing and making due or post marked by date a policy. Dick Conrad, reworded previous request and would like the selectboard and board of civil authority to take into consideration and re-evaluate whether to accept payments of

tax bills to include “due or postmarked on or before”. Bill Mathis, moved Fernanda Canales 2nd question moved. Moved to a vote, ayes have it, no nays. Motion carried

Tony Clark moves to go into recess for state representative Peter Conlon to speak to the citizens, Dave McKinnon 2nd

Town Meeting goes into recess.....22 minutes
Peter Conlon addresses the citizens and spoke briefly about himself, being newly elected and acknowledges that he has a lot to learn. He discussed federal and Montpelier issues such as school budget- freeze on spending, clean lake/water act budget, marijuana, solar energy, minimum wage, paid family leave etc...

Town Meeting called back in session.

Article VII: To see if the town will assess delinquent taxes one percent interest per month or fraction thereof for the first three months, and thereafter one and one-half percent per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of each installment, plus fees as provided in VSA Title 32 § 4873.....3 minutes
Doug Graham Moved, Ken Brown 2nd Open for discussion.

Al Gionet inquired about in what amount the fee is; Selectboard responded that it is an 8% late fee. Dave McKinnon moved, Doug Graham 2nd, move to a vote, Ayes have it, no nays. Motion carried

Article VIII: To see if the Town of Goshen will use the town’s portion of interest earned in the Goshen town forest timber sale account amounting to \$4000 to help pay for renovation of town buildings.3 minutes
Doug Graham Moved, 2nd by Jim Hayes, open for discussion.

Dave McKinnon stated that once the town office has been buttoned up the fuel bills have been considerably less. Town hall is next for renovations. Vickee Whiting stated that the remaining two sides will be done on the town office, and town hall as well as the window. Jim Hayes stated that there is a bearing timber on the town hall that should be done ASAP, he thought that it should be priority. Dave McKinnon Moved, Cassandra Hayes 2nd, move to a vote. Ayes have it no nays, motion carried.

Article IX: To do any other non-binding business legal and proper to be done at this time.....8 minutes
Doug Graham moved, 2nd by Dick Conrad. Open for discussion.

Request from Judith Irven to state what specifically constitutes a family for the Museum passes. Cassandra Hayes would also like to have a list of museums, location, and time posted for people to view when office is closed. Judith stated that she appreciates the work involved in obtaining the passes from previous Goshen town school board, and is

looking forward to the use of these passes. Marci Hayes stated that she will make a list for outside posting as well as an informational binder for the office for those interested.

Chad Beckwith asked about opting out of being sprayed for mosquitoes and if so will that lower the budget. The answer is no. Madine Reed wanted to make note of the painting in the town hall that commemorates those in the town of Goshen that have spent time working in one way or another in the forest of Vermont. There is a lovely picture with a poem and dedication plaque for people to view inside the town hall.

**Motion to adjourn made by Jeff Whiting, 2nd by Dave McKinnon.
Adjourn at 9:09pm**

At the close of the above business, The meeting shall be recessed until March 7th 2017 at 9:00 AM at the Goshen Town Hall to vote by Australian Ballot on the following matters, to wit:

Submitted by Marci Hayes

Dated: March 10, 2017

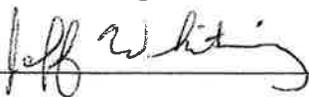
**Selectboard member
Dave McKinnon**



**Selectboard member
Jeff Cathcart**



**Acting Moderator
Jeff Whiting**





July 10, 2017

Value of Real Property, Goshen VT (2017-2018)
 Goshen Grand List:
 Homestead:
 Non-Residential:

\$25,141,300.00
 \$251,413.00
 \$119,140.00
 \$132,273.00

School Homestead	1.5036 X	\$119,140.00	\$179,138.90
School Non-Residential	1.6638 X	\$132,273.00	\$220,075.82
Road	0.6835 X	\$251,413.00	\$171,851.00
Town	0.4134 X	\$251,413.00	\$103,937.01
Total Taxes			\$675,002.73

We hereby certify that the foregoing is the tax set for the Town of Goshen for the 2017 - 2018


 Kevin O'Classen- Chair


 David McKinnon


 Jeff Cathcart

Town of Goshen
Statement of Financial Condition
Road Account
Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/17

CURRENT ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$5,149.00	
Property Taxes Outstanding	\$678.47	
Paving Investment Fund	\$20,000.00	
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$25,827.47

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

\$0.00

BALANCE: \$25,827.47

Town of Goshen Road Fund
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 2016 through June 2017

	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4000000 · Income			
4002000 · Property Taxes	100,397.66	101,076.13	-678.47
4201000 · Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
4202000 · Grants Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
4203000 · Storm Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
4204000 · First Brandon Bank	0.00	0.00	0.00
4205000 · National Forest - Serv. Render	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00
4206000 · Municipal Forest Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
4220000 · FEMA Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
4232000 · State Allocations	28,635.52	28,000.00	635.52
4235000 · Structures Grant -Carlisle Hill	0.00	0.00	0.00
4237000 · Resurfacing Grant -Hathaway Rd.	0.00	0.00	0.00
4940000 · Services Rendered-Brandon	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Total 4000000 · Income	133,233.18	133,276.13	-42.95
Total Income	133,233.18	133,276.13	-42.95
Expense			
5000000 · Expenses			
5000100 · Interest on Loan of 7/13/09	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000101 · Interest on Loan of 7/29/09	0.00	0.00	0.00
5001500 · P/R Tax Expense	3,535.21	2,500.00	1,035.21
5111100 · Summer - Labor	21,864.50	30,000.00	-8,135.50
5111210 · Summer - Materials	23,711.29	50,000.00	-26,288.71
5111560 · Summer - Purchased Services	19,430.00	10,500.00	8,930.00
5111660 · Summer - Equipment Rentals	22,435.00	13,000.00	9,435.00
5140100 · Winter - Labor	19,948.80	22,000.00	-2,051.20
5140210 · Winter - Materials	23,538.25	22,000.00	1,538.25
5140560 · Winter - Purchased Services	525.00	2,500.00	-1,975.00
5140660 · Winter - Equipment Rentals	27,020.00	32,000.00	-4,980.00
5150000 · Equipment Maintenance Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00
5151000 · Paving Investment Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5000000 · Expenses	162,008.05	184,500.00	-22,491.95
6000000 · Other Expenses			
6100100 · Storm - Labor	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
6100210 · Storm - Materials	0.00	1,700.00	-1,700.00
6100560 · Storm - Purchased Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
6100660 · Storm - Equipment Rentals	0.00	0.00	0.00
6200210 · Grant Material	0.00	0.00	0.00
6200560 · 319 Grant Purchase Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
6205560 · Flora White Rd. Grant Pur Serv.	0.00	0.00	0.00
6210560 · Structure Grant Purchase Serv	0.00	0.00	0.00
6220560 · Sucker Brook Hill Purchase Serv	0.00	0.00	0.00
6400100 · Construction - Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00
6400210 · Construction - Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00
6400560 · Construction -Purchased Service	0.00	0.00	0.00
6400660 · Construction - Equipment Rental	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 6000000 · Other Expenses	0.00	2,700.00	-2,700.00
6600000 · Payroll Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	162,008.05	187,200.00	-25,191.95
Net Ordinary Income	-28,774.87	-53,923.87	25,149.00
Net Income	-28,774.87	-53,923.87	25,149.00

Town of Goshen Road Fund
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2017

	<u>Jun 30, 17</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000000 · Goshen Road Account	5,149.00
1001000 · Paving Investment Fund CD	20,000.00
Total Checking/Savings	<u>25,149.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>25,149.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>25,149.00</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	9,705.72
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	44,218.15
Net Income	<u>-28,774.87</u>
Total Equity	<u>25,149.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>25,149.00</u>

Financial Reports Town of Goshen Road Account

	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Road Budget						
Income						
4000000 · Income						
4002000 · Property Taxes	106,993	107,200	100,398	155,000	177,000	175,500
4201000 · Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4202000 · Grants Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4203000 · Storm Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4204000 · First Brandon Bank	0	0	0	0	0	0
4205000 · National Forest – Serv. Render.	3,200	0	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
4206000 · Municipal Forest Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4220000 · FEMA Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	0
4232000 · State Allocations	28,640	28,000	28,636	28,000	28,000	28,000
4235000 · Structures Grant -Carlistle Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0
4237000 · Resurfacing Grant -Hathaway Rd.	0	0	0	0	0	0
4940000 · Services Rendered-Brandon	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total 4000000 · Income	139,833	136,200	133,233	187,200	209,200	207,700
Total Income	139,833	136,200	133,233	187,200	209,200	207,700
Expense						
5000000 · Expenses						
5000100 · Interest on Loan of 7/13/09	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000101 · Interest on Loan of 7/29/09	0	0	0	0	0	0
5001500 · P/R Tax Expense	2,504	2,500	3,535	2,500	4,500	4,500
5111100 · Summer - Labor	16,375	14,000	21,865	30,000	30,000	30,000
5111210 · Summer - Materials	10,030	30,000	23,711	50,000	50,000	40,000
5111560 · Summer - Purchased Services	10,810	10,500	19,430	10,500	10,500	20,000
5111660 · Summer - Equipment Rentals	11,970	10,000	22,435	13,000	13,000	17,000
5140100 · Winter - Labor	13,016	16,000	19,949	22,000	22,000	22,000
5140210 · Winter - Materials	7,814	16,000	23,538	22,000	22,000	22,000
5140560 · Winter - Purchased Services	1,125	2,500	525	2,500	2,500	1,500
5140660 · Winter - Equipment Rentals	14,805	32,000	27,020	32,000	32,000	28,000
5150000 · Equipment Maintenance Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0
5151000 · Paving Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	20,000	20,000
Total 5000000 · Expenses	88,449	133,500	162,008	184,500	206,500	205,000
6000000 · Other Expenses						
6100100 · Storm - Labor	0	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
6100210 · Storm - Materials	0	1,700	0	1,700	1,700	1,700

Financial Reports Town of Goshen
Road Account

	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Road Budget						
6100560 · Storm - Purchased Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
6100660 · Storm - Equipment Rentals	0	0	0	0	0	0
6200210 · Grant Material	0	0	0	0	0	0
6200560 · 319 Grant Purchase Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
6205560 · Flora White Rd. Grant Pur. Serv.	0	0	0	0	0	0
6210560 · Structure Grant Purchase Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
6220560 · Sucker Brook Hill Purchase Serv	0	0	0	0	0	0
6400100 · Construction - Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0
6400210 · Construction - Materials	0	0	0	0	0	0
6400560 · Construction -Purchased Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
6400660 · Construction - Equipment Rental	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 6000000 - Other Expenses	0	2,700	0	2,700	2,700	2,700
6600000 · Payroll Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expense	88,449	136,200	162,008	187,200	209,200	207,700
Net Income	51,384	0	-28,775	0	0	0

Town of Goshen
Statement of Financial Condition
Town General Account
Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/17

CURRENT ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$35,669.99	
Petty Cash	\$150.00	
EEG & Reappraisal	\$9,543.69	
Equipment Replacement Savings	\$9,363.75	
Act 200 Fund	\$2,107.06	
School Trust Fund	--	
Town Hall Renovations	\$1,779.76	
Cemetery Investment	\$751.96	
Goshen Recycling	\$231.49	
Property Taxes Outstanding	\$2,811.61	
Accounts Receivable	\$9,546.45	
Due from Road Account	\$0.00	
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$71,955.76

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Due To (From) Road	\$0.00	
Note Payable - Town Barn	\$2,990.72	
Note Payable - Town Loader	\$32,741.67	
Note Payable - Grader	\$15,369.77	
Note Payable – 2012 Inter. Truck	\$52,814.34	
VT Withholding Payable	\$621.06	
VT Unemployment Tax Payable	\$339.46	
Federal Withholding Tax Payable	\$1,184.60	
Medicare Tax Payable	\$360.49	
Social Security Tax Payable	\$1,541.39	

TOTAL LIABILITIES: \$107,963.50

BALANCE: \$(36,007.74)

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 2016 through June 2017

	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4000000 · Income			
4001000 · Property Taxes	443,587.87	531,985.13	-88,397.26
4030000 · Current Delinquent Taxes	29,360.84	0.00	29,360.84
4031000 · Current Delinquent Tax Penalty	2,548.07	4,000.00	-1,451.93
4032000 · Current Delinquent Tax Interest	1,542.09	4,000.00	-2,457.91
4033000 · Current Tax Sale Fees	0.00	200.00	-200.00
4040000 · Past Delinq. Taxes-2016	0.00	0.00	0.00
4041000 · Past Delinq. Penalty-2016	0.00	0.00	0.00
4042000 · Past Delinq. Interest-2016	0.00	0.00	0.00
4120000 · Dog Licenses	664.00	300.00	364.00
4219000 · National Forest - PILT	20,326.00	17,500.00	2,826.00
4220000 · Recycling Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4220050 · Recycling Revenue	33.70	0.00	33.70
4220100 · Town Office Energy Audit Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4220200 · Town Office Painting Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4220600 · Computer Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4220700 · Salt Shed Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4221000 · Fire Dept. Ins. Claims Income	0.00	750.00	-750.00
4221500 · VT Rural Dry Hydrant Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4222000 · Building renovation Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4300000 · Municipal Forest Income	4,015.00	4,015.00	0.00
4380000 · State of Vermont - Homestead	10,658.24	0.00	10,658.24
4390000 · Miscellaneous Income	2,490.00	5,148.00	-2,658.00
4390500 · Capital Income from Equip. Rep.	0.00	0.00	0.00
4391000 · Current Use Rebate	18,367.00	10,000.00	8,367.00
4392000 · EEG & Reappraisal	1,258.00	1,000.00	258.00
4440000 · Zoning Permit Fees	650.00	600.00	50.00
4440500 · Vault Fee	384.00	0.00	384.00
4440600 · Postage Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00
4440700 · Overweight Permits	160.00	100.00	60.00
4440800 · Trash Tag Fees	873.00	1,200.00	-327.00
4441000 · Town Clerk Fees	2,071.00	2,000.00	71.00
4442000 · Recording Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
4540000 · Equipment Rentals	49,455.00	45,000.00	4,455.00
4540500 · Summer Road Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00
4540600 · Winter Road Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00
4541000 · Copier	10.75	10.00	0.75
4545000 · Town Hall Rental	0.00	0.00	0.00
4930000 · Int. & Div. - Cemetery Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
4930050 · Cemetery Plot Fee	0.00	0.00	0.00
4930100 · Perpetual Care	0.00	0.00	0.00
4932000 · Interest - Savings Account	0.00	0.00	0.00
4970000 · Refund - Insurance Premiums	0.00	0.00	0.00
4971000 · Act 200 Planning Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
4975000 · Reappraisal	0.00	0.00	0.00
4976000 · Transfer from Reappraisal Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
4977000 · Insurance Paymen - Damage Claim	0.00	0.00	0.00
4980000 · Winter Plowing	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 4000000 · income	588,454.56	627,808.13	-39,353.57
Total Income	588,454.56	627,808.13	-39,353.57

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 2016 through June 2017

Expense	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5000000 · General Government			
5000100 · Salaries - Selectmen	3,795.00	3,795.00	0.00
500010A · Special Project Admin. Costs	172.50	2,500.00	-2,327.50
500010B · Select Board Secretary Wages	642.00	575.00	67.00
5000150 · Medicare Tax Expense	894.66	1,000.00	-105.34
5000151 · Social Security Tax Expense	3,825.47	4,000.00	-174.53
5000160 · Fed. Unemployment Tax Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000161 · VT Unemployment Tax Expense	718.48	750.00	-31.52
5000200 · Town Office Supplies	2,460.15	7,000.00	-4,539.85
5000300 · Town Office Advertising	0.00	500.00	-500.00
5000340 · Town Office Postage	405.13	1,000.00	-594.87
5000350 · Town Office Telephone	2,060.73	2,000.00	60.73
5000440 · Addison Co. Solid Waste Landfil	5,796.19	5,437.00	359.19
5000450 · Recycling Tipping Fee	0.00	286.00	-286.00
5000460 · Recycling Pickup	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000480 · Insurance & Bonds	18,375.00	17,500.00	875.00
5000490 · Drug and Alcohol Testing	750.00	300.00	450.00
5000500 · Interest on Note for Town Barn	1,040.16	1,040.00	0.16
500050A · Prin. Pd. on Town Barn-See Liab	0.00	2,607.00	-2,607.00
5000510 · Interest on Note for Town Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
500051A · Prin. Pd. on Town Trk.-see Liab	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000520 · Interest on Note for Loader	1,235.07	1,235.00	0.07
500052A · Prin. Pd. on Loader-see Liab.	0.00	4,676.00	-4,676.00
5000530 · Interest of NP Muni. Forest CD	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000540 · Interest on Note for Grader	303.91	304.00	-0.09
500054A · Prin. Pd on Grader-see Liab.	0.00	3,677.00	-3,677.00
5000550 · Interest on Note for Pickup	0.00	0.00	0.00
500055A · Prin. Pd. on Pickup-see Liab.	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000560 · Interest on Note for 2012 Truck	1,034.80	1,035.00	-0.20
500056A · Prin. Pd. on 2012 Truck-see Lia	0.00	11,630.00	-11,630.00
5000600 · Computer Services	528.40	1,250.00	-721.60
5000620 · Printing Town Report	528.90	800.00	-271.10
5000790 · Miscellaneous	83.84	100.00	-16.16
5000800 · Property Tax Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000980 · Constable - Wages	2,236.00	4,625.00	-2,389.00
500098A · Assit. Constable Wages	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000990 · Constable Expenses	1,716.50	5,000.00	-3,283.50
5020560 · Constable Purchase Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
5020570 · Garbage Pickup	7,792.50	7,800.00	-7.50
5030560 · Mosquito Dist. Purchase Serv.	11,012.00	11,012.00	0.00
5050560 · Vermont Office Products-Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
5060000 · RNESU -School Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00
5060100 · Otter Valley - School Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00
5060500 · Otter Valley Unified Union Dist	288,886.27	295,093.00	-6,206.73
5070000 · Road allocation of Property Tax	100,397.66	101,076.13	-678.47
Total 5000000 · General Government	456,691.32	499,603.13	-42,911.81
5310000 · Elections			
5310100 · Ballot Clerks etc.	1,008.40	1,500.00	-491.60
5310210 · Supplies	0.00	120.00	-120.00
Total 5310000 · Elections	1,008.40	1,620.00	-611.60

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
July 2016 through June 2017

	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5400000 · Finance			
5400100 · Treasurer - Salary	8,549.00	8,549.00	0.00
540010A · Assistant Treasurer - Salary	0.00	100.00	-100.00
5400340 · Treasurer - Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00
5400560 · Treasurer - Purchased Services	90.00	750.00	-660.00
5420100 · Auditors - Salary	3,285.00	3,125.00	160.00
5420340 · Auditors - Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00
5430100 · Listers - Salary	4,507.50	4,375.00	132.50
5430150 · Asst. Lister Hourly Wage	0.00	0.00	0.00
5430340 · Listers - Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00
5430560 · Listers - Purchase Service	920.00	500.00	420.00
5430600 · Special Reappraisal	0.00	0.00	0.00
5440100 · Delinquent Tax Collector - Fees	2,690.88	3,500.00	-809.12
5440200 · Delinquent Tax Postage/Supplies	48.60	100.00	-51.40
5440300 · Delinquent Tax Adv. Tax Sale	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 5400000 · Finance	20,090.98	21,199.00	-1,108.02
5500000 · Administration			
5500100 · Town Clerk - Salary	6,817.50	10,350.00	-3,532.50
550010A · Assistant Town Clerk	90.00	500.00	-410.00
5500110 · Town Clerk Fees	1,981.00	2,000.00	-19.00
5500120 · State Treasurer Animal License	315.00	200.00	115.00
5500130 · State Treasurer Marriage Lic.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
5500200 · Network Administrator	87.50	500.00	-412.50
5500400 · Dues, Meetings & Assessments	55.00	100.00	-45.00
5500560 · Town Clerk Purchased Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
5500600 · Legal Services	360.00	5,000.00	-4,640.00
5500740 · Travel, Meetings & Registration	88.11	500.00	-411.89
5500741 · Training Salaries	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
5520400 · VLCT	1,130.00	1,150.00	-20.00
Total 5500000 · Administration	10,924.11	21,400.00	-10,475.89
5600000 · Boards and Agencies			
5610220 · Planning Commission - Supplies	9.61	100.00	-90.39
5610300 · Planning Commission - Advertis.	288.13	100.00	188.13
5610340 · Planning Commission - Postage	79.47	10.00	69.47
5610560 · Planning Commission -Pur. Serv.	90.00	100.00	-10.00
5610620 · Planning Commission - Printing	107.25	0.00	107.25
5610630 · Addison County Regional Plan.	200.49	201.00	-0.51
5610650 · Zoning Administration Expense	406.00	1,000.00	-594.00
5610670 · Board of Adjustment Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5600000 · Boards and Agencies	1,180.95	1,511.00	-330.05
5700000 · Buildings and Grounds			
5710100 · Maintenance and Labor	741.92	1,200.00	-458.08
5710220 · Supplies	1,008.61	2,000.00	-991.39
5710540 · Renovations Expense	3,750.00	6,000.00	-2,250.00
5710560 · Purchased Services	5,470.47	6,000.00	-529.53
571056A · Recycling Grant Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
5710760 · Utilities -- Electric	2,866.56	4,000.00	-1,133.44
5710761 · Utilities -- Heat	4,482.37	10,500.00	-6,017.63
Total 5700000 · Buildings and Grounds	18,319.93	29,700.00	-11,380.07
5800000 · Equipment			
5820210 · Diesel, Gas, Grease and Oil	7,454.64	13,000.00	-5,545.36
5820220 · Other Materials, Parts, etc.	8,805.45	10,000.00	-1,194.55
5820300 · Capital Expense - Equipment	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
5820400 · Repairs, Maint. and Labor	17,426.90	10,000.00	7,426.90
5820560 · Purchased Services	8,100.93	3,500.00	4,600.93
5820830 · Equip. Replacement Cap. Inv.	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Total 5800000 · Equipment	50,787.92	40,500.00	10,287.92

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July 2016 through June 2017

	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5900000 · Road Labor			
5900100 · Sum.Road Labor-see Road Budget	0.00	0.00	0.00
5900200 · Win. Road Labor-see Road Budget	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5900000 · Road Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00
6000000 · Other			
6110430 · Brandon Area Rescue Squad	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
6110440 · Health Services Contributions	1,315.00	1,600.00	-285.00
6111450 · Humane Society Contributions	400.00	340.00	60.00
6112440 · Brandon Library	255.00	250.00	5.00
6510560 · Firefighting Purchase Services	3,740.00	2,000.00	1,740.00
6510600 · Dry Hydrant Grant Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
6820210 · Cemetery Main. - Supplies	0.00	250.00	-250.00
6820560 · Cemetery Main. - Purchase Serv.	4,408.00	5,000.00	-592.00
6930000 · Addison County Tax Assessment	1,012.49	1,585.00	-572.51
6990000 · Tax Loss (Lease Land)	0.00	25.00	-25.00
6990100 · Tax Loss Due to Abatement	0.00	10.00	-10.00
Total 6000000 · Other	12,330.49	12,260.00	70.49
6600000 · Payroll Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.00
700000 · Interest Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	571,334.10	627,793.13	-56,459.03
Net Ordinary Income	17,120.46	15.00	17,105.46
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8000000 · Interest Income	10.30	0.00	10.30
Total Other Income	10.30	0.00	10.30
Net Other Income	10.30	0.00	10.30
Net Income	17,130.76	15.00	17,115.76

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Town Account

	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Income						
4000000 · Income						
4001000 · Property Taxes	63,163	142,330	54,304	135,816	139,757	129,293
4030000 · Current Delinquent Taxes	32,301	0	29,361	0	0	0
4031000 · Current Delinquent Tax Penalty	2,691	4,000	2,548	4,000	3,000	3,000
4032000 · Current Delinquent Tax Interest	1,680	4,000	1,542	4,000	2,000	2,000
4033000 · Current Tax Sale Fees	0	200	0	200	200	200
4040000 · Past Delinquent Taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0
4041000 · Past Delinquent Penalty	0	0	0	0	0	0
4042000 · Past Delinquent Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0
4120000 · Dog Licenses	605	300	664	300	300	400
4219000 · National Forest – PILT	21,415	15,000	20,326	17,500	17,500	17,500
4220000 · Recycling Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4220050 · Recycling Revenue	20	0	34	0	0	0
4220100 · Town Office Energy Audit Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4220200 · Town Office Painting Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4220600 · Computer Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4220700 · Salt Shed Grant	0	750	0	750	750	750
4221000 · Fire Dept. Ins. Claims Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4221500 · VT Rural Dry Hydrant Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4222000 · Building Renovation Grant	4,000	4,000	4,015	4,000	4,000	4,000
4300000 · Municipal Forest Income	11,429	0	10,658	0	0	6,000
4380000 · State of Vermont – Homestead	1,425	5,148	2,490	5,148	0	1,000
4390000 · Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
4390500 · Capital Income from Equip. Rep.	19,525	10,000	18,367	10,000	15,000	15,000
4391000 · Current Use rebate	1,267	1,000	1,258	1,000	1,000	1,000
4392000 · EEG & Reappraisal	905	600	650	600	1,000	1,000
4440000 · Zoning Permit Fees	380	0	384	0	0	0
4440500 · Vault Fee	163	100	160	100	100	100
4440700 · Overweight Permits	1,530	0	873	1,200	1,200	1,000
4440800 · Trash Tag Fees	2,172	2,000	2,071	2,000	2,000	2,000
4441000 · Town Clerk Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0
4442000 · Recording Fees	26,775	35,000	49,455	45,000	45,000	45,000
4540000 · Equipment Rentals	49	10	11	10	10	10
4541000 · Copier	0	0	0	0	0	0
4930000 · Int. & Div. - Cemetery Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
4930050 · Cemetery Plot Fee	0	0	0	0	0	0
4930100 · Perpetual Care	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Town Budget						
4932000 · Interest - Savings Account	0	0	0	0	0	0
4971000 · Act 200 Planning Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0
4975000 · Reappraisal	0	0	0	0	0	0
4976000 · Transfer from Reappraisal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
4977000 · Insurance Payment - Damage Claim	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 4000000 · Income	191,496	224,438	199,171	231,624	232,817	229,253
Total Income	191,496	224,438	199,171	231,624	232,817	229,253

Expense

5000000 · General Government						
5000100 · Salaries - Selectmen	3,300	3,300	3,795	3,795	3,795	3,795
500010A · Special Project Admin. Costs	84	2,500	173	2,500	2,500	2,500
500010B · Selectboard Secretary	528	500	642	575	575	700
5000150 · Medicare Tax Expense	884	1,000	895	1,000	1,250	1,000
5000151 · Social Security Tax Expense	3,781	4,000	3,825	4,000	5,000	4,000
5000160 · Fed. Unemployment Tax Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000161 · VT Unemployment Tax Expense	676	750	718	750	900	900
5000200 · Town Office Supplies	3,692	7,000	2,460	7,000	5,000	4,000
5000300 · Town Office Advertising	52	1,000	0	500	500	100
5000340 · Town Office Postage	282	1,000	405	1,000	500	500
5000350 · Town Office Telephone	2,019	2,000	2,061	2,000	2,000	2,100
5000440 · Addison Co. Solid Waste Landfill	5,110	5,437	5,796	5,437	5,437	5,600
5000450 · Recycling Tipping Fee	0	286	0	286	286	0
5000450 · Recycling Pickup	96	0	0	0	0	0
5000480 · Insurance & Bonds	20,716	17,500	18,375	17,500	21,000	21,000
5000490 · Drug and Alcohol Testing	415	300	750	300	500	500
5000500 · Interest on Note for Town Barn	1,040	1,040	1,040	1,040	1,040	1,040
500050A · Principal Paid on Town Barn-see Liab.	0	2,607	0	2,607	2,607	2,607
5000510 · Interest on Note for Town Truck	0	0	0	0	0	0
500051A · Principal Paid on Town Truck-see Liab.	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000520 · Interest on Note for Loader	1,396	1,396	1,235	1,235	1,069	897
500052A · Principal on Note for Loader-see Liab.	0	4,515	0	4,676	4,842	5,014
5000530 · Interest on NP Muni. Forest CD	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000540 · Interest on Note for Grader	368	368	304	304	239	173
500054A · Principal on Note for Grader-see Liab.	0	3,614	0	3,677	3,742	3,808
5000550 · Interest on Note for Pickup	0	0	0	0	0	0
500055A · Principal on Note for Pickup-see Liab.	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000560 · Interest on Note for 2012 Truck	1,236	1,236	1,035	1,035	830	621

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	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Town Budget						
500056A · Principal on Note for 2012 Truck-see Liab.	0	11,428	0	11,630	11,835	12,044
5000600 · Computer Services	0	1,250	528	1,250	1,250	1,000
5000620 · Printing Town Report	630	750	529	800	800	700
5000790 · Miscellaneous	92	100	84	100	100	100
5000800 · Property Tax Credit	0	0	0	0	0	0
5000980 · Constable - Wages	2,990	3,700	2,236	4,625	4,625	3,500
5000990 · Constable Expenses	805	5,000	1,717	5,000	2,000	2,000
5020560 · Constable Purchase Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
5020570 · Garbage Pickup	6,959	6,817	7,793	7,800	7,800	7,800
5030560 · Mosquito Dist. Purchase Serv.	9,754	9,754	11,012	11,012	9,649	11,000
5050560 · Vermont Office Products-Copier	0	0	0	0	0	0
5060000 · RNESU -School Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0
5060100 · Otter Valley - School Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0
5070000 · Road allocation of Property Tax	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 5000000 · General Government	66,905	100,148	67,407	103,434	101,671	98,999
5310000 · Elections						
5310100 · Ballot Clerks etc.	787	1,000	1,008	1,500	1,500	1,500
5310210 · Supplies	0	120	0	120	120	120
Total 5310000 · Elections	787	1,120	1,008	1,620	1,620	1,620
5400000 · Finance						
5400100 · Treasurer - Salary	8,300	8,300	8,549	8,549	8,549	8,549
540010A · Assistant Treasurer - Salary	24	250	0	100	100	100
5400340 · Treasurer - Postage	0	0	0	0	0	0
5400560 · Treasurer - Purchased Services	240	750	90	750	500	500
5420100 · Auditors - Salary	1,937	2,500	3,285	3,125	3,125	3,125
5420340 · Auditors - Postage	0	0	0	0	0	0
5430100 · Listers - Salary	4,535	3,500	4,508	4,375	4,375	4,375
5430150 · Asst. Lister Hourly Wage	0	0	0	0	0	0
5430340 · Listers - Postage	0	0	0	0	0	0
5430560 · Listers - Purchase Service	180	500	920	500	500	500
5430600 · Special Reappraisal	0	0	0	0	0	0
5440100 · Delinquent Tax Collector - Fees	2,724	3,500	2,691	3,500	3,000	3,000
5440200 · Delinquent Tax Postage/Supplies	66	100	49	100	100	100
5440300 · Delinquent Tax Adv. Tax Sale	0	200	0	200	200	200
Total 5400000 · Finance	18,006	19,600	20,091	21,199	20,449	20,449
5500000 · Administration						

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	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Town Budget						
5500100 · Town Clerk - Salary	5,628	9,000	6,818	10,350	10,350	9,000
550010A · Assistant Town Clerk	174	500	90	500	500	250
5500110 · Town Clerk Fees	2,172	2,000	1,981	2,000	2,000	2,000
5500120 · State Treasurer Animal License	314	200	315	200	200	350
5500130 · State Treasurer Marriage Lic.	0	100	0	100	100	100
5500200 · Network Administrator	113	500	88	500	500	250
5500400 · Dues, Meetings & Assessments	55	100	55	100	100	100
5500560 · Town Clerk Purchased Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
5500600 · Legal Services	140	5,000	360	5,000	5,000	5,000
5500740 · Travel, Meetings & Registration	512	500	88	500	500	500
5500741 · Training Salaries	0	1,000	0	1,000	500	500
5520400 · VLCT	1,150	1,150	1,130	1,150	1,167	1,250
Total 5500000 · Administration	10,257	20,050	10,924	21,400	20,917	19,300
5600000 · Boards and Agencies						
5610220 · Planning Commission - Supplies	0	100	10	100	100	100
5610300 · Planning Commission - Advertis.	0	100	288	100	100	100
5610340 · Planning Commission - Postage	0	10	79	10	50	50
5610560 · Planning Commission -Pur. Serv.	0	100	90	100	250	250
5610620 · Planning Commission - Printing	0	0	107	0	0	0
5610630 · Addison County Regional Plan.	200	250	200	201	200	200
5610650 · Zoning Administration Expense	526	2,500	406	1,000	1,000	1,000
5610670 · Board of Adjustment Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 5600000 · Boards and Agencies	726	3,060	1,181	1,511	1,700	1,700
5700000 · Buildings and Grounds						
5710100 · Maintenance and Labor	787	1,200	742	1,200	1,200	2,000
5710220 · Supplies	1,120	2,000	1,009	2,000	2,000	2,000
5710540 · Renovations Expense	6,000	6,000	3,750	6,000	6,000	6,000
5710560 · Purchased Services	1,836	6,000	5,470	6,000	6,000	6,000
571056A · Recycling Grant Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
5710760 · Utilities - Electric	2,925	3,000	2,867	4,000	4,000	3,500
5710761 · Utilities - Heat	3,688	10,500	4,482	10,500	7,500	6,000
Total 5700000 · Buildings and Grounds	16,356	28,700	18,320	29,700	26,700	25,500
5800000 · Equipment						
5820210 · Diesel, Gas, Oil and Grease	4,714	13,000	7,455	13,000	10,000	10,000
5820220 · Other Materials, Parts, etc.	13,320	10,000	8,805	10,000	10,000	10,000
5820300 · Capital Expense - Equipment	0	0	5,000	0	0	0

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	15/16 Actual	15/16 Budget	16/17 Actual	16/17 Budget	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Town Budget						
5820400 · Repairs, Maint. and Labor	19,767	10,000	17,427	10,000	20,000	20,000
5820560 · Purchased Services	0	3,500	8,101	3,500	3,500	5,000
5820830 · Equip. Replacement Cap. Inv.	3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	5,000
Total 5800000 · Equipment	40,801	39,500	50,788	40,500	47,500	50,000
5900000 · Road Labor						
5900100 · Sum. Road Labor(see Road Budget)	0	0	0	0	0	0
5900200 · Win. Road Labor(see Road Budget)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total 5900000 · Road Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0
6000000 · Other						
6110430 · Brandon Area Rescue Squad	0	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
6110440 · Health Services Contributions	1,395	1,600	1,315	1,600	1,600	1,500
6111450 · Humane Society Contributions	400	340	400	340	340	400
6112440 · Brandon Library	175	250	255	250	250	250
6510560 · Firefighting Purchase Services	1,130	2,000	3,740	2,000	2,000	2,000
6510600 · Dry Hydrant Grant Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
6820210 · Cemetery Maint. - Supplies	0	250	0	250	250	100
6820560 · Cemetery Maint. - Purchase Serv.	5,058	5,000	4,408	5,000	5,000	5,000
6930000 · Addison County Tax Assessment	987	1,585	1,012	1,585	1,585	1,200
6990000 · Tax Loss (Lease Land)	0	25	0	25	25	25
6990100 · Tax Loss Due to Abatement	0	10	0	10	10	10
Total 6000000 · Other	9,145	12,260	12,330	12,260	12,260	11,685
6600000 · Payroll Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
7000000 · Interest Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expense	162,983	224,438	182,050	231,624	232,817	229,253
Net Ordinary Income	28,513		17,120			
Other Income/Expense						
Other Income	11	0	10	0	0	0
8000000 · Interest Income	11	0	10	0	0	0
Total Other Income	11	0	10	0	0	0
Net Other Income	11	0	10	0	0	0
Net Income	28,524	0	17,131	0	0	0

**Town of Goshen
 Balance Sheet
 As of June 30, 2017**

	Jun 30, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000000 · Goshen Town Account	35,669.99
1050000 · Petty Cash	150.00
1100000 · EEG & Reappraisal Savings	9,543.69
1100500 · Cemetary C.D.	751.96
1101000 · Goshen Recycling	231.49
Total Checking/Savings	46,347.13
Accounts Receivable	
11000 · Accounts Receivable	9,546.45
Total Accounts Receivable	9,546.45
Total Current Assets	55,893.58
Fixed Assets	
1500000 · Trucks & Equipment	175,129.20
Total Fixed Assets	175,129.20
TOTAL ASSETS	231,022.78
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2400000 · Payroll Liabilities	
2400004 · VT Withholding Payable	621.06
2400006 · VT Unemployment Tax Payable	339.46
240001 · Federal Withholding Tax Payable	1,184.60
240002 · Medicare Tax Payable	360.49
240003 · Social Security Tax Payable	1,541.39
Total 2400000 · Payroll Liabilities	4,047.00
2500000 · N/P First Brandon - Town Barn	6,367.00
2520000 · N/P Muni Forest - Loader	32,926.04
2521000 · N/P Muni Forest- Grader	20,674.05
Total Other Current Liabilities	64,014.09
Total Current Liabilities	64,014.09
Long Term Liabilities	
2020500 · N/P Muni Forest - 2012 Truck	63,354.54
Total Long Term Liabilities	63,354.54
Total Liabilities	127,368.63
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	-122,130.52
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	208,653.91
Net Income	17,130.76
Total Equity	103,654.15
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	231,022.78

Town of Goshen
Statement of Financial Condition
Municipal Forest
Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/16

CURRENT ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$42,161.30	
Savings Account	\$77,119.65	
Certificate of Deposit (LS) #1	\$32,556.35	
Certificate of Deposit (LS) #2	\$24,393.28	
Certificate of Deposit (LS) #3	\$71,396.24	
Savings Account (TD)	\$51,389.56	
 TOTAL ASSETS:		 \$299,016.38

PRINCIPAL & INTEREST- Loans to Town (Balances remaining on loans)

Grader	\$15,369.77	
Loader	\$32,741.67	
2012 Inter. Truck	\$52,814.34	
TOTAL LOANS:		<u>\$100,925.78</u>

TOTAL: \$399,942.16

Previous Balance (6/30/16) \$401,259.52

Gain/(Loss) \$(1,317.36)

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Accrual Basis

**Municipal Forest
Profit & Loss
July 2016 through June 2017**

	<u>Jul '16 - Jun 17</u>
Income	
4000000 · Income	
4202000 · Interest Income	4,017.64
Total 4000000 · Income	<u>4,017.64</u>
Total Income	4,017.64
Expense	
5000000 · Expenses	
5000100 · Annual transfer to Town Acct.	4,015.00
5111560 · Summer - Purchased Services	1,320.00
Total 5000000 · Expenses	<u>5,335.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>5,335.00</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-1,317.36</u></u>

ACSWMD Representative

The Addison County Solid Waste District has included their yearly report in this annual report. Meetings are usually evenings once a month in Middlebury.

Auditors Report 2016-2017

In accordance with the VSA 24 Section 1681, we, The Auditors of the Town of Goshen, have examined the towns records for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. We have concluded to the best of our knowledge, that these records represent and accurate account of Goshen's financial activities.

We continue to audit on a monthly basis and up to date on our maintenance records on all vehicles.

Thank you as always to Vickee Whiting in keeping out town records in excellent shape

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Walsh
Lori Lovell
Lani Nichols

911 Coordinator

Any old and new property with a building has been assigned a 911 number and has been registered with the state 911 office. Also, state police, rescue squads and fire departments are able to spot them on their computers and maps.

Please place your 911 number in good view from the road.

Maps of town 911 numbers are kept in the town office and also in my possession.

Diane Mott

911 Coordinator

Emergency Management Report

It is with great pleasure to report, that my services as your Emergency Management Director have not been needed.

Regards,

David McKinnon

Brandon Leicester Salisbury Goshen Insect Control District

P.O Box 188
Brandon, VT 05733

MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE AND LARVICIDE CONTROL PROGRAM REPORT FOR THE BLSG DISTRICT

We thank the citizens of BLSG district for their support during the 2017 season. Joint multi town efforts are economical and efficient for all. Communication and cooperation with property owners, residents and the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, are critical components in the effort to reduce and control mosquito populations. The BLSG is dedicated to improving the quality of our efforts through training, program development, and continuing education.

Larviciding is one of the most economical ways to control and eliminate mosquito populations. Our staff is able to target certain areas of high density, mosquito breeding pools by larvicide applications. July 5th-7th marked the largest aerial treatments that the district has ever done treating 5500 acres. This is in addition to another treatment that took place on May 12, covering an additional 2400 acres; both treatments were a success, with a 95 percent kill ratio.

Our operations budget for this year was \$94,750. The District received an initial \$70,000 towards the larvicide program from the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. We received an additional \$238,000. To this date we have expended \$402,750 towards mosquito control. We are extremely grateful for their cooperation and assistance.

The BLSG insect control district provides larvicide and adult surveillance during the months of April through October. The weather was not in our favor this season. It was an extremely wet spring and early summer, and the weather remained warm well into the fall months. This resulted in the BLSG team performing numerous site visits where we found multitudes of larvae throughout the district, resulting in numerous emergence of adult mosquitoes requiring adulticide treatments.

Adult surveillance serves as a critical part of the BLSG's Integrated mosquito management program. By understanding population levels within the district, we can determine the level of nuisance mosquitoes, genus and species, and the location where the mosquitoes are breeding. Light traps are placed near established mosquito breeding habitats. Critical sites are located along the Otter Creek watershed. As conditions change the BLSG has the capacity to apply the correct larvicide to control outbreaks, when this fails adulticide treatments are necessary. While safety to humans and wildlife is paramount, this flexibility minimizes the environmental impact and increases the safety of an already safe program.

The BLSG insect control district provided aerial larvicide treatments for the town of Pittsford. Sites treated were located along the Otter Creek watershed. These sites were

continually monitored, inspected and treated on a routine basis throughout the mosquito season. During the summer months the BLSG received numerous calls from Pittsford residents requesting an adulticide application. The town of Pittsford contracted with BLSG to provide adulticide treatment for Pittsford day, and the school and fire department areas were treated, which greatly reduced the mosquito populations. The residents of Pittsford will have the opportunity to vote at March town meeting to become full members of an expanded BLSG for the 2018 mosquito season.

The BLSG again thanks the citizens of the district for their support and reminds them to take the necessary precaution against mosquitoes. Mosquitoes transmit pathogens that cause some of the worst diseases known to man, including malaria, west Nile virus, yellow fever, dengue fever, zika, and encephalitis. Recall that in 2012, two residents of the district died from Equine encephalitis, which was mosquito borne. Dr. Ben Lawton became involved with the BLS, when his wife became ill in the spring of 1989. Due to a mosquito bite she laid unconscious for a week at the Rutland hospital. She was one of the lucky ones and after extensive physical therapy made a complete recovery. This is when Dr. Lawton petitioned the town of Goshen and BLS to have the town join the district, hence BLSG!

We have lost some well-qualified members of the board: Pete Hare, Steve Kellogg and Dave Bishop. We want to thank all of our board members for their service. Especially Wayne Rausenberger – Treasurer, Jeff Whiting – Vice Chair, Jeff Smith, Brad Lawes, and our book keeper Eloise Crane. We need new board members with the “fire in the belly”. There is one opening in Brandon and two in Salisbury. If interested please contact BLSG or your local select board.

If you wish to opt out of the adulticide spraying please send a written request annually to BLSG PO Box 188, Brandon, Vermont, 05733. Please provide your 911 address and a property map, which delineates your property boundaries on the public right-of-way. A representative from the district will contact you to assist in marketing your property as a no spray zone. Opting out needs to be renewed annually. Don't forget the five D's: drain/ditch, dress appropriately, defend and avoid dusk to dawn outdoor activities when mosquitoes are most active. Please visit the BLSG website for spray routes and updated information during the season: <https://blsgmosquito.wordpress.com/>

Sincerely,

Will Mathis & Dr. Ben Lawton

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Board of Adjustment conducted one hearing between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. The hearing considered and approved an application requesting a waiver permitting a sign that exceeds the size allowed in the Goshen Zoning Bylaws.

The board of Adjustment member during the ending June 30, 2017 were Ken Brown, David Bishop, Dick Conrad, Diane Mott, Ed Hayes, and Barbara Walsh. Dick Conrad served as Chair, Ken Brown as Assistant Chair and Diane Mott as Secretary.

Dick Conrad
Chair, Board of Adjustment

Cemetery Commissioners Report 1 July 2016 to 31 June 2017

Funds expended are reported in the Treasurers Report.
David Sabatini has performed grounds maintenance for this period.

Ken Brown, Lee Baker, Doug Graham

CONSTABLES REPORT

Constables continue to serve the community in any way that is needed. Welfare checks were conducted on several residents, and many animal complaints were addressed. Both Constables continue to receive training through the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council and other organizations. Trainings this year have focussed on first aid, new equipment available, and the many changes in legislation which directly effect law enforcement in the State of Vermont. As always, it is our continued pleasure to serve the residents of the Town of Goshen.

Edward Hayes
First Constables
(802)-345-0503

Shawn Martin
Second Constable
(802)-247-6433

TOWN OF GOSHEN – COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES
JULY 1, 2016 – JUNE 30, 2017

TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES	2016	TOTAL
To be collected:	\$31,850.92	\$31,850.92
Taxes collected:	28,360.84	28,360.84
Tax balance due as of 6/30/17:	\$ 3,490.08	\$ 3,490.08
OTHER COLLECTIONS:		
Interest	\$ 1,542.09	\$ 1,542.09
Penalties	\$ 2,548.07	\$ 2,548.07
TOTAL	\$ 4,090.16	\$ 4,090.16

Vickee P. Whiting
Collector of Delinquent Taxes
Goshen, VT

Delinquent Tax List
For the year 2016

Ayer, Geraldine	Hand, Daniel	North, Christopher
Basque, David	Hayes, Edward	Peterson, Jory
Boise, Thomas	Irven, Judith	Rantanen, David
Clark, Anthony	Jones, Fred	Reed, Norman
Clark, Timothy	Kutepow, Michael	Staruski, Beverly
Coble, Jeannette	Mason, Ralph	Stone, Ruth Trust
Cummings, Douglas	Masterson, Jennie	Watson, Thomas
Erwin, Jessica	Melanson, John	Young, Jan Swahn

**All Taxes are paid at the time of this printing

Vickee P. Whiting
Collector of Delinquent Taxes
Goshen, VT



FOREST FIRE

WARDEN'S REPORT

I am happy to announce once again there were no forest fires reported in Goshen and I have issued 24 burn permits for the year. Thank you once again to all that have called for permits and worked hard to ensure their fires were handled safely. I am confident that working together we can keep our community safe and forest fire free. **Remember: A burn permit is required for all fires except for a camp fire that is contained within a two (2) foot diameter ring. The fire must not be left unattended until it is entirely extinguished.**

Thank you
Shawn Martin
Fire Warden

Fire Permits. The fire warden is in charge of issuing permits for open burning. The general rule is that it is unlawful to start a fire outside to burn brush, weeds, grass or rubbish of any kind without a permit from the fire warden or a deputy warden, which states when and where the fire may be started. The warden shall issue written permission within 12 hours of granting verbal permission. The warden must use common sense and take into account the particular risk posed in order to determine whether a permit should be granted in each individual case. A permit is not required for kindling fire 200 feet or more from any woodland, timberland, or field containing dry grass or other flammable plant material contiguous to forest or woodland. 10 V.S.A. § 2645(a).



For permits or more information please feel free to contact me, or stop by.

Contact information

Shawn Martin

346 Capen Hill Rd.

Goshen, VT 05733

(802) 247-6433

Thank you for a fire safe year!

Listers Report

This year there has been busy in the office, with property transfers and new properties being built.

A reminder to file for your Homestead Declaration, if you qualify.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Walsh
Diane Mott
Madine Reed

2017 Equalization Study Results

This letter serves as notification of the results of Property Valuation and Review (PVR)'s 2017 equalization study. Every year we are required to certify the equalized education property value (EEPV or EEGL) and coefficient of dispersion (COD) for each Vermont town. 32 V.S.A § 5406. This letter also communicates the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) for your town and explains how it will impact your homestead and nonresidential education tax rates.

Education Grand List (from 411):	\$25,171,300
Equalized Education Grand List (EEGL):	\$27,353,074
Common Level of Appraisal (CLA):	92.02 % or 0.9202
Coefficient of Dispersion (COD):	11.04 %

The **education grand list** listed here is what was reported by your town to the state on the 411 form with your town's cable (if applicable) and tax increment financing (TIF) amounts (if any) included. This number represents the town's total property value that is subject to the education property tax (from the most recent grand list available) and serves as the numerator in the computation of the CLA. Please note: tax revenue from any TIF property value is subject to allocation. 32 V.S.A. § 5404a.

The **equalized education grand list (EEGL)** represents PVR's statutorily-mandated estimate of total fair market value of the education grand list in your town and serves as the denominator in the computation of the CLA. To find out more about how the equalization study is conducted, how to read the certified sales report, and additional instructions on how to appeal your results, please see the "Introduction to Vermont's Equalization Study" document at:

tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/equalization-study

The **common level of appraisal (CLA)** is determined by dividing the education grand list by the equalized education grand list. 32 V.S.A. § 5401. A number over 100% indicates that property in your town is generally listed for more than its fair market value. A number less than 100% indicates that property is generally listed for less than its fair market value. A CLA below 80% necessitates a reappraisal. 32 V.S.A § 4041a. The homestead and nonresidential tax rates in your town will be adjusted by your town's CLA. 32 V.S.A § 5402. The nonresidential rate in your town will be the statewide

nonresidential rate divided by your CLA. The homestead rate will be the town homestead rate (which is determined by the per-pupil spending of any school district(s) to which your town belongs) divided by the CLA. A CLA greater than 100% will result in a downward adjustment of tax rates, and a CLA less than 100% will result in upward adjustment.

To get answers to many common questions about tax rates and how they are determined, please see: tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/tax-rates-and-charts/education-tax-rates/faqs

To see how the per-pupil spending of the district(s) to which your town belongs is calculated and how that, along with your town's CLA, makes the tax rates, please see the tax rate calculations link at: tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/understanding-property-taxes/education-tax-rates

The **coefficient of dispersion (COD)** is a measure of how fairly distributed the property tax is within your town. It is calculated as the average of the (absolute) difference of each sales ratio (list price divided by sales price) in the study from the median ratio. That result is then divided by the median ratio to get the COD, which is expressed as a percent. 32 V.S.A. § 5401. A high COD means that within your town many taxpayers are paying more than their fair share and many are paying less than their fair share. A COD over 20% necessitates a reappraisal. 32 V.S.A. § 4041a.

Appeals: A municipality may petition the director of Property Valuation and Review for a redetermination of its EEPV and/or COD. 32 V.S.A § 5408. All petitions must be in writing and signed by the chair of the municipality's legislative body. Petitions should contain a plain statement of matters being appealed and a statement of the remedy being sought. **Petitions must be received by PVR by the close of business on the 35th day after mailing of this letter.** Additional instructions on appeals can be found in the "Introduction to Vermont's Equalization Study" document at:

tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/equalization-study

If you have any questions, please contact your district advisor or call 802-828-5860. For a copy of your town final computation sheet and certified sales report, please see:

tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/equalization-study

Goshen Planning Commission Yearly Report for 2017

Currently the Goshen Planning Commission is comprised of four members: Chad Chamberlain, Chair, Richard Conrad Secretary, Annina Seiler and Jim Pulver our representative to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission. We currently have our monthly meeting the third Monday of each month at the Goshen Town Hall starting at 7 pm.

Our new town plan has now received final approval from the Goshen select board and the Addison Regional Planning Commission. The Goshen planning commission is in the process of rewriting the Goshen Zoning Bylaws.

Respectfully submitted
Chad Chamberlain

Goshen Municipal Forest Board Report FY 2016-7

The logging in Sections 8 and 14 was completed the previous fiscal year. Final payment for the logs was received earlier. Site cleanup and erosion control and release of the security bond was delayed into FY 2016-17 due to wet spring weather. It was completed in Summer 2016 and the security bond was released by the Forester. Water bars were cleaned out in other areas of the forest by the logger at the same time he had equipment in the forest at a lower cost than at another time.

The Board encourages Townspeople to visit the forest and utilize the recreational opportunities in the forest. The log roads provide good trails for hiking and winter sports along with good opportunities for hunting and fishing.

Materials from Town Road ditching in 2017 have been stockpiled in the forest for use on filling in wash outs and water bars as needed.

The Board has identified access road repairs and other maintenance activities that have been deferred in recent years. Work will continue on water bars and maintaining the road.

Budget for FY 2018-19

Roadside Mowing \$150

Road repairs \$2000

Timber Stand Improvement \$1500

And Forest Cruise

Town Grand Juror and Town Agent Report 2016-2017

There were no significant occurrences that need reporting for this year.

Respectfully,

James Hayes

Town Agent and Grand Juror

Goshen Public Health Officers
2017-2018 Report

Mosquitoes are one of the most dangerous species known to man, causing more deaths worldwide than from any other cause. West Nile Virus is found in every county in Vermont. All the rain we had this past year was especially good for mosquito hatches, and the BLSG treated more acreage than any time in our history, and with good success! Mosquitoes can transmit West Nile virus, the EEE virus, the Zika virus and many other nasty diseases. Personal protection and elimination of breeding sites around the home (ditch, drain, keeping grass/brush trimmed, gutters cleaned) are essential in reducing your contact with mosquitoes. Please visit the BLSG website: blsgmosquito.wordpress.com or the cdc.gov/zika and cdc.gov/stopmosquitoes to review personal protection recommendations.

Vermont has seen an increase in the number of cases of tick-borne diseases over the past 10 years. In Vermont, the risk is highest in the spring and early summer but any time temperatures are above freezing people can get a tick-borne disease. You need to protect yourself and your family members, check for ticks after being outdoors, remove and watch for rash or fever. Information on Lyme and other tick-borne diseases is available at cdc.gov/ticks and healthvermont.gov/beticksmart

Your dogs and cats can carry ticks into the house and should receive monthly tick prevention during non-freezing months.

We had several reports of dog bites this past year. All dogs must be registered with the town and have rabies vaccinations. After a bite, unvaccinated dogs must be restrained and observed for ten days.

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin Lawton, Jr., DMD

Road Report

In the year 2016-2017 there was extensive wind and rain damage. Much work was done on downed trees and erosion. The town has been continuing to comply with the new state roadway rules and regulations. The bridge on South Hill has been upgraded as well as extensive black top repairs on Carlisle Hill and Capen Hill. There was much gravel hauled and spread on many of the roads. Goshen Ripton received much gravel due to storm damage. Future work is in discussion to help this road section as well as others during storms. There was also extensive work on Cape Look Off, which included ditching, widening of road, and reclaiming culvert. Hathaway road also had ditching work done for purpose of water runoff.

During the winter there was much ice and freezing rain. There were two heavy snow storms in March. **Road crew would like to remind people to drive accordingly in winter. Winter roads are not the same as summer roads!! If it is not dry or July drive slower.**

A new stainless steel sander has been purchased and placed on the black truck. This sander has been working very well. The town hopes to purchase a much needed stainless steel sander for the red truck.

There were several installations of headwalls on various culverts in town. In addition major culverts were replaced on Silver Lake road, Goshen Ripton Road, and at the Silver Lake four corners.

In the upcoming year there will be more ditching, culvert maintenance, repaving of sections of existing blacktop, gravel on roads, road side brush work, improvements on trouble areas in regards to water runoff, and continuing of grading and winter road maintenance.

Thanks given to the patience of citizens during times of road work being done and road clearing during storms.

Thanks from the road crew,

James Hayes

Ed Hayes

Marci Hayes

Dave Sabatini

Goshen Select board

Towns Roads and Bridges:

2017 was a very busy year for the town road crew. With the adoption of the State Orange Book rules, the inception of the All-Hazards Mitigation Program and the July 1st storm which washed out a number of town roads and culverts kept this part time crew very busy. We began the year with a number of culvert replacements and extensive ditching on the Goshen-Ripton Road. While the ditching was performed with an excavator rented from G-Stone Commercial we could not have had it on site at a better time. The machine was put to use directly after the July 1st storm. Areas, such as Dutton Brook and North Goshen Ripton Road, utilized the machine to get the roads passable and repaired. We also used the machine for a grant we received from the state for repairs, ditching and gravel addition for a portion of North Goshen-Ripton Road. We have also submitted application for FEMA relief to help with the cost of repairs to roads and culverts after the July 1st storm. The application is moving through the approval process at this writing which along with the Goshen-Ripton Road includes Dutton Brook, Flora White, Portions of Hathaway and South Hill. Inspectors from FEMA viewed all these sites and approved them for application.

All Hazards Mitigation Plan

Working with Tim Boughton from the Addison County Planning Committee and Jeff Whiting. This plan is a compilation of risks that could affect our community from lightning strikes, flood, storms, both rain and snow, fire, auto accidents and many other scenarios that could impact the town and it's residents. Each section of this plan has a vulnerability summary with scoring of high to low. Medium and high priority items such as repeated washouts at the twin culverts on Dutton Brook and the washing out of White Rocks and the culvert replacement just south of the Breen residence are slated for high priority repair this spring. Having this mitigation plan in place also helps us in getting a higher percentage of cash match from grants we apply for. For those interested, the plan is filed in the Town Office. The Select Board would like to express their thanks to Jeff Whiting for volunteering to work with the State obtaining the grants for the Goshen-Ripton North road work.

Highway Equipment

We are not without repairs to our Town equipment this past year. The red truck had to have the transmission bell housing replaced after a crack was discovered. The electronic control module was also replaced. The grader needed a hydraulic steer and articulate cylinder rebuilt. Our stainless steel sander purchased last year is holding up very well. We patched the old sander as best we could to get through this winter. It will need to be replaced at the end of the season. A new windshield and passenger mirror were installed on the black truck. Trees that were close to the road were responsible for this damage. The road crews trimmed back these hazards to resolve this issue. The transmission on the trash haul truck failed due to plugged cooling coil. The transmission and cooler were replaced and the truck is back in service. The Town may want to consider different methods or opportunities for trash and recycling pick up.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Cathcart

David McKinnon

Town Service Officer

No one has requested any service last year from me.

Diane Mott

Service Officer

Report of the Trustees of Public Funds

There was no activity for the period July 1st, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Tammy Walsh, Chair
Ronalds Richards
Douglas Graham, Sec

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

The following is the activity of the Zoning Office for calendar year 2017:

Building Permits Issued:	6
Subdivision Permits Issued:	0
Waivers:	4
Certificates of Occupancy:	0

Residents may contact me by telephone at 802-779-2070 and/or by email at goshenzoning@gmail.com.

Tina Wiles
Zoning Administrator

VITAL STATISTICS

	2017	2016	2015	2014
Births	1	1	2	1
Deaths	1	3	0	3
Marriages	1	0	0	1

PROPERTY TRANSFERS 2017

1. Christopher North to Justin Elicker, 340 Broken Wire Dr.
2. Ralph Mason and Robert Diduch to Rmason Funding LLC, Goshen Ripton Rd.
3. Donald Lattrell Sr. to Donald Latrell Jr., 670 Silver Lake Rd.
4. Harold Moulton to Moulton Family Trust, portion of 2121 Goshen Ripton Rd,
5. Jory Petterson to Brooke Lossmann, 10 Hayes Rd.
6. John Sherry to Clifford Baumann portion of 2019 Gap Rd.
7. Geraldine Ayer to Keith Treblay, Hathaway Rd.
8. Susan Moss to Hope Mt Holding LLC, Goshen Ripton Rd.
9. David Basque to Charles David Lee, 989 Carlisle Hill Rd.

DOG LICENSES

In 2016 there were 65 dogs licensed in the Town of Goshen. The cost to license a neutered or spayed dog is \$10.00 and \$14.00 if unaltered. State Law requires all dog owners to license any dog over the age of six months. You should license your dog from January 1- April 1, 2017, any dog licensed after that will include a late fee of 50%.. All dogs must have a current rabies certificate. There are numerous Rabies Clinic in the area in the month of March. *The Town of Goshen will have a Rabies Clinic on Saturday, March 10, 2018.*

Board of Civil Authority Report

This year the BCA main duties have been elections. The current voter check list has 166 registered voters of which 11 are inactive or challenged. We have same day voter registration, so you can still register to vote even on Election Day. Also when you get your driver's license you will automatically be signed up to vote unless you mark the box not to, if you are already on our voter list, please check off box to avoid duplicates.

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 go into effect on July 1, 2018.**

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://legislature.vermont.gov/assets/Documents/2018/Docs/ACTS/ACT046/ACT046%20As%20Enacted.pdf>

VACCINATE TO ELIMINATE RABIES

WHAT IS RABIES?

Rabies is a viral infection passed from animals to other animals or humans, usually through a bite. The virus affects the brain, and is nearly always fatal (causes death). Here's how we control rabies in animals and reduce transmission to people.



1. VACCINATE DOGS

Rabies shots protect dogs and people. Because dog vaccination is common in the United States, people don't get rabies from dogs like they do in countries where dogs are not vaccinated.

2. VACCINATE CATS

In the last 25 years, most of the rabid domestic animals in the US have been cats. Cats are almost 5 times as likely as dogs to get rabies - but you can prevent this by vaccinating them.



3. VACCINATE WILDLIFE

Many Vermont wildlife are vaccinated with an edible vaccine through a bait drop. Do not touch or feed wildlife.

4. PREVENTION IN PEOPLE



If you are bitten or scratched by an animal or find a bat in a room where you were sleeping, wash any wound thoroughly. Call your doctor and the health department. 1-800-4-RABIES. You may need to get post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), a series of shots that keep the virus from making people sick.



ONE HEALTH VERMONT

VERMONT VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

For more information
www.vtvets.org 802-978-6888

From Vermont Veterinary Medical Association

Jan. 21, 2018

“We continue to believe that towns are on the forefront of rabies prevention by verifying rabies vaccination through licensing. Addison County continues to deal with rabies, having not only 6 cases in 2017 in a variety of wildlife but also the dubious distinction of being the only county with reported rabies thus far in 2018. Vaccination and education play vital roles in keeping rabies at bay!”

Goshen Rabies Clinic will be at the Town Office,
Saturday March 24, 2018 10am - noon



ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

The Addison County Solid Waste Management District is a union municipal district formed in 1988 to cooperatively and comprehensively address the solid waste management interests of its 20 member municipalities: Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge and Whiting. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors (Board) comprised of one representative and one alternate from each of the member municipalities. The Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7PM at the Addison County Regional Planning Commission Office, 14 Seminary Street, Middlebury, VT. The public is invited to attend.

District Mission

To seek environmentally sound & cost effective solutions for: (1) Promoting **waste reduction**; (2) Promoting **pollution prevention**; (3) Maximizing **diversion** of waste through reuse, recycling and composting; and (4) Providing for **disposal** of remaining wastes.

District Office and Transfer Station

Telephone: (802) 388-2333

Fax: (802) 388-0271

Website: www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org

E-mail: acswwmd@acswwmd.org

Transfer Station Hours: M-F, 7 AM–3 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM

Office Hours: M-F, 8 AM–4 PM

HazWaste Center Hours: M-F, 8 AM–2 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM

The District Office, Transfer Station and HazWaste Center are co-located at 1223 Rt. 7 South in Middlebury. The Transfer Station accepts large loads of waste and single stream recyclables for transfer to out-of-District facilities. District residents and businesses may drop off a variety of other materials for reuse, recycling and composting. The *Reuse It or Lose It!* Centers are open for accepting reusable household goods and building materials. A complete list of acceptable items and prices is posted on the District's website.

2017 Highlights

Act 148. The District has devoted most of its resources in 2017 toward public outreach in preparation for expansion of food scrap collection in 2017. District staff spent months gathering data for the annual Implementation Report required by the State Materials Management Plan. The District also assisted haulers, member towns and businesses in implementing the new deadlines of Act 148. Facilities had to begin offering food scrap collection on 7/1/17. The deadline of 7/1/17 for commercial waste haulers to begin offering collection of food scraps was extended to 7/1/18. However, most of the haulers that offered drop-off services for trash in the District began offering the collection of food scraps on 7/1/17. Using a grant from the High Meadows Fund, the District was able to purchase educational materials, signage and totes for the new food scrap collection sites at town drop-offs. The District also provided 5-gallon food scrap buckets to those customers interested in participating in the program. The District began offering compost workshops to community members who wanted to learn about backyard composting. With a grant from the VT Agency of Natural Resources, the District provided compost bins and Green Cone solar digesters at a reduced price for workshop attendees. **Product Stewardship.** As a member of the VT Product Stewardship Council, the District has helped to lead efforts to adopt new extended producer responsibility (EPR) laws for mercury thermostats, electronic waste (E-Waste), fluorescent light bulbs, waste paint, and primary cell batteries, whereby manufacturers of those materials take over the costs of transporting and recycling their products once they are discarded. The District Transfer Station serves as a Collection Site for these programs. **Recycling.** As of September, the Transfer Station received 1,306 tons of single stream recyclables. All generators are required by District ordinance and State law to separate Mandated Recyclables from their waste. A list of Mandated Recyclables is posted on the District website. In 2017, 19 member municipalities had access to town or private recycling drop-off centers, and one – Goshen – provided a curbside program. A list of the drop-off centers can be found on the District website. **Illegal Burning/Disposal.** The District contracted with the Addison County Sheriff's Department to enforce its Illegal Burning & Disposal Ordinance. As of 9/1/17, the Sheriff's office investigated 19 illegal burning/disposal complaints. The District served once again as County Coordinator for Green-Up Day, Vermont's annual litter clean-up event. The District subsidized the disposal of 15.99 tons of roadside trash, 8.8 tons of tires, 2 auto batteries, 2 fluorescent bulbs, 22 E-Waste items, 7 appliances, and various other hazardous items, for a total economic benefit to its member towns of \$3,023.

2018 Budget

The District adopted a 2018 Annual Budget of \$2,992,908, a 0.12% increase over the 2017 Annual Budget. The Transfer Station tip fees will remain at \$123/ton for MSW and C&D. The District Fee of \$33.40/ton on all waste destined for disposal, and \$10/ton on contaminated soils approved by ANR for use as Alternative Daily Cover at the landfill will remain the same. **There will be no assessments to member municipalities in 2018.** For a copy of the full 2017 Annual Report, please give us a call, or visit the District website at www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org.

Green Mountain National Forest Report

Here are the highlights of the projects that were done in our town. There is a copy of the full report posted in the Town office, for anyone to read.

Road, Dam, & Facility Construction & Maintenance

Forest Road Cooperative Aid to Towns: Completed important road improvement and maintenance projects in the Towns of Goshen, Granville, Hancock, Rochester, and Dorset.

Forest Road Maintenance: Maintained 82.5 miles of National Forest System roads in the Towns of Ripton, Rochester, Chittenden, Goshen, Lincoln, Hancock, Mount Tabor, Peru, Somerset, Sunderland, Woodford, Winhall, Stamford, Wallingford, and Readsboro. This work included grading, ditching, culvert cleaning, mowing and brushing.

Recreation Programs

Rochester, Chittenden and Goshen: Implementation of the Brandon Gap Backcountry Recreation Area has been completed with the support of dedicated volunteers donating over 1,300 hours of labor. This Recreation Area was created to address the lack of managed opportunities for alpine-oriented backcountry skiing and riding while aiding in the restoration of Natural Forest conditions and attempting to reduce incidents of unregulated cutting. The collaborative effort involves Forest Service employees, Dartmouth College staff and students, State of Vermont representatives, New York public land managers, Killington Search and Rescue, and the backcountry ski community, including partners: RASTA, CTA, and VTBC.

Botany Program

Goshen: Wild chervil on the road to Silver Lake and the Goshen Dam Trail (9.0 acres total)

Forest Vegetation Management

Staff developed proposed vegetation management activities for the Robinson IRP. This IRP will include restoration activities and timber harvest on nearly 10,000 acres in Rochester, Hancock, Goshen, Pittsfield and Chittenden

Wildlife Habitat Improvement

Wildlife habitat was improved and maintained through the creation and maintenance of early successional habitat important to many species. Nearly 400 acres of permanent upland openings were maintained by prescribed fire, mowing, or mastication in the towns of Bridgewater, East Dorset, Goshen, Granville, Hancock, Hartford, Lincoln, Manchester, Middlebury, Mount Holly, Mount Tabor, Pittsfield, Pomfret, Ripton, Rochester, Weston, Winhall, Shrewsbury, and Woodstock. Nearly 50 acres of new upland openings were created as part of timber harvests in Peru. Work to regenerate 70 acres of aspen began in Lincoln and Bristol. In addition, apple trees, which are a high-value wildlife food, were “released” by cutting competing vegetation from around old orchards in Dorset, Hancock, Granville, Mount Holly, Mount Tabor, Peru, Readsboro, Somerset, Stratton, Weston, and Winhall.

In a partnership with Forest Service State & Private Forestry, pollinator habitat was assessed in permanent upland openings located in Goshen, Granville, Manchester, Mount Holly, Mount Tabor, Pittsfield, Ripton, Rochester, South Wardsboro, Wallingford, and Winhall. Our objective is to begin to understand how pollinators use National Forest

habitats and which management activities are most beneficial to sustaining populations within and near the Forest.

Wildfire and Prescribed Fire Activities

Town	Activity	Name	Acres
<u>Rochester</u>	Prescribed Fire	Rochester RD Wildflowers	2
<u>Granville</u>	Prescribed Fire	Upper White River	11
<u>Pittsfield</u>	Prescribed Fire	Mayo Meadow	30
<u>Goshen</u>	Prescribed Fire	Goshen Blueberry Mgmt	5
<u>Weston</u>	Prescribed Fire	Holt Mountain Road	2
<u>Peru</u>	Prescribed Fire	Hapgood Barrow Pit	2
<u>Peru</u>	Prescribed Fire	Snow Valley B	6
<u>Peru</u>	Prescribed Fire	Country Road C	10
<u>Winhall</u>	Prescribed Fire	French Hollow Slash Pile	10
<u>Peru</u>	Prescribed Fire	Mad Tom Slash Piles	10
<u>Woodstock</u>	Prescribed Fire	AT Brush Piles	1
<u>Manchester</u>	Wildfire	Prospect Rock	.10
<u>Mount Tabor</u>	Wildfire	FR10	.16
<u>Killington</u>	Wildfire	Deer Leap	.10
		Total Acres	90

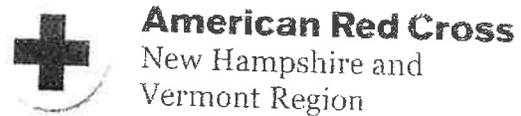
The following are Services that have helped our neighbors in Goshen. The Auditors have a copy of all these services that are available to anyone who would like more information.



VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
Toll Free (800) 639-5861 website www.vabvi.org

Elderly Services, Inc.

Project Independence Adult Day Care
112 Exchange St., PO Box 581, Middlebury, Vermont 05753



Hope

Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects

Other Services include Addison County United Way, Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, Court Diversion, Front Porch Forum, Green Up Day, Parent Child Center, Rutland County Parent Child Program and Women Safe.

"Love is in the Air"

He searched for her for days, intent in his mission despite the dangers he faced. At any moment he could be hit by a passing car, as he traveled at night blending into the darkness. He knew he had competition. Her scent drifted in the air and he, as did other males, would follow her with no regard for safety. If their paths crossed, there would be a battle, not ending well for either. But they were looking for the same creature.

On the other end of town, she reluctantly went home after wandering the neighborhood for hours that night, crying. It was still winter. Usually she preferred to be curled up by the fire, but this year was different. She felt drawn to wander at dark, seeking something undefined.

Her family regretted allowing her outside, but they were besides themselves with anxiety listening to her moaning. Their sweet Kathleen, nicknamed 'Kit' seemed to have transformed overnight. She had moments resembling the sweet, loving, playful 'Kit' they had known since birth, but now she was a teenager. New emotions confused her.

Outside he caught her scent and called out. Creeping through fields he came close to her home. Finally, he saw her inside - his new love! She seemed to be crawling, singing a mournful song. She turned and saw him at the window watching, he wanted in.

To her family at first her behavior was unusual, somewhat comical for one so young, but after a while, it became disturbing. It was up to them to 'fix' this situation before it was too late.

In the morning their veterinarian was called to schedule an appointment to spay Kit, who was only four months old. They learned that her heat would always continue and the chance of mammary cancer increased as she got older if left unspayed. The same applied to female dogs.

They made an appointment for her admirer, too, as he had taken up residence near their home. Just one male will impregnate dozens of cats, resulting in hundreds of kittens. The likelihood of developing testicle cancer increased if he wasn't neutered, and that also applied for dogs. The cats soon became best friends.

For low income Vermonters, the solution may be the VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program, "VSNIP". Participating veterinarian offices throughout Vermont are the heroes of this wonderful program!

For applications send a S.A.S.E. to VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034, or download and print: VSNIP.VT.GOV or VSAHS.org. Cost per cat/dog is \$27.00, including a rabies vaccination and one distemper series. The balance is paid through a designated fund, collected by a nominal fee of \$4.00 added to the registration of dogs. REGISTER and tag by April 1st! The ability to identify your dog in event of loss, and to be sure that animals (and people) are protected from rabies is critical.

New Hampshire offers a similar program through the Department of Agriculture. Call 603-271-3677.

Sue Skaskiw, 802- 672-5302 Director, VT Volunteer Services for Animals H.S./ Administrator, VSNIP



Goshen Information

Planning Commission Meetings- 3rd Monday, 7PM at Town Hall
If inclement weather or other postponement, meeting will be held the following night.

Select Board Meetings – 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7 PM at Town Hall

Recycling & Trash Pickup – Wednesdays, have it out by 8AM

Town Clerk's Hours – Tuesday 9AM – 1PM at Town Office
If Local Schools are closed, due to bad weather, this office will also be closed.

Auditors, Listers, Treasurer –by appointment 247-6455 (leave a message)
Most of the time there is an Auditor and Lister available Tuesday 9AM – 1 PM

Fire Warden – Shawn Martin 247-6433, please call for a burn permit

1st Constable – Edward Hayes Cell 345-0503 pager 290-9990

2nd Constable –Shawn Martin 247-6433

Dog Officers – Constables

Emergency 911

Health Officers - Ben Lawton 247-3607

James Hayes 247-6151

Zoning Administrator – Tina Wiles 779-2070
goshenzoning@gmail.com

