

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019



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## DEDICATION



benefited from the leadership of Dot and George Cook, and their legacy in the community will continue to live on for generations.

Please join us in honoring and dedicating this Town Report to George and Dorothy Cook of the Morrystown EMS Department and Morrystown Rescue.

The Members of the Selectboard proudly dedicate the 2019 Town Report to GEORGE and DOROTHY COOK for 40 years of service to Morrystown Rescue and Emergency Medical Services.

Not only have they been active in Emergency Medical Services for over 40 years, they are two of the founding members of Morrystown Rescue, which began serving its community in 1975. After working busy jobs all day (Dorothy as a Copley Hospital nurse, George as a UVM professor), they would volunteer for night shifts for Morrystown and for the Fast Squad in Hyde Park. Having seen and been a part of evolution of EMS over the past four decades, they have accumulated a great deal of wisdom and knowledge which they share as board members for both Morrystown EMS and Vermont EMS District 4, and as mentors and role models for people just beginning their EMS service. Their dedication to the EMS Service undoubtedly saved hundreds if not thousands of lives.

The Town of Morrystown, Lamoille County, and the greater Vermont EMS community has greatly

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# *Notes*

**W A R N I N G**  
for the  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
of the  
**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN, VERMONT**  
**MARCH 3, 2020**

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**AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTING**

The inhabitants of the Town of Morristown, who are legal voters in Town Meeting of said Morristown, are hereby notified and warned to meet in Annual Town Meeting at the Municipal Offices, (Tegu Building) 43 Portland Street in Morristown, Vermont on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at seven o'clock (7:00 am) in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect Selectboard Members of the Town of Morristown:  
1 for a term of three (3) years  
1 for a term of two (2) years  
1 for the remainder of a three (3) year term

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall the voters approve a non-binding resolution to strongly support the completion of the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail and urge the Governor and Legislature to jointly develop a plan that will ensure the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail is completed by 2025?

Notice is hereby given that the ballot box for such election of the Town shall open at seven o'clock (7:00 am) in the forenoon on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 and will close at seven o'clock (7:00 pm) in the evening.

The legal voters of the Town of Morristown are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

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**TRADITIONAL TOWN MEETING**

The inhabitants of the Town of Morristown, who are legal voters in Town Meeting are hereby notified and warned to meet in Annual Town Meeting at the Copley Memorial Gymnasium, Copley Avenue in said Morristown, Vermont on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at nine o'clock (9:00 am) in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, to act on the following articles of business:

**ARTICLE 3:** To elect a Moderator of the Town Meeting for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 4:** In Town Meeting, to elect all Town Officers required by law except for those officers to be elected by Australian Ballot under Article 1 above:

<u>One (1) Year</u>	<u>Three (3) Year</u>	<u>Five (5) Year</u>
First Constable	Trustee of Public Funds	Library Trustee
Second Constable	Lister (Ballot)	Library Trustee
Grand Juror	Lister (Ballot, for the remainder of a three year Term)	
Town Agent to Convey Real Estate	Town Clerk	
Town Agent to Prosecute and Defend Cases	Treasurer	

**ARTICLE 5:** Will the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to establish a Reserve Fund for utilizing the surplus or money left over in the highway or municipal funds and authorize the Selectboard to spend said funds for defraying future Town expenses?

**ARTICLE 6:** Will the Town vote real and personal property taxes to be paid to the Treasurer in two equal installments; with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent penalty after the second installment and interest charges of one percent per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, 1 1/2% per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of such tax? Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136) Payments are due in the hands of the Treasurer by 4:00 P.M. on the due dates. Only official USPS cancellation marks will be accepted as postmarked mail (32 V.S.A. § 4773). Per its Delinquent Tax Policy and Vermont Statutes (32 V.S.A. § 5252), the Town will immediately begin legal proceedings by turning all outstanding account balances over to an attorney for collection.

First installment to be paid on or before November 16, 2020  
 Second installment to be paid on or before May 16, 2021

**ARTICLE 7:** Will the Town vote to authorize the total expenditure of \$6,838,264 for the operation of the Town, with the total of \$5,804,453 to be raised by taxes:

The Selectboard’s Budget defines the total expenditures as follows:

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Estimated Total Budget</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue</b>	<b>Estimated Amount To Be Raised By Taxes</b>
General Government Operations	\$ 2,119,883	\$ 578,986	\$ 1,540,897
Police Department	1,354,240	16,000	1,338,240
Fire Department	369,720	-	369,720
EMS Department	630,066	227,500	402,566
Highway Department	2,174,355	211,325	1,963,030
Paving	190,000	-	190,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 6,838,264</b>	<b>\$ 1,033,811</b>	<b>\$ 5,804,453</b>

**ARTICLE 8:** Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morrystown Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund?

**ARTICLE 9:** Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morrystown Highway Department Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 10: Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one-half (1/2) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to the Noyes House Museum Repair and Maintenance Fund?

ARTICLE 11: Will the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$113,969 for the following purposes:

\$ 2,900	Central VT Adult Basic Education (CVABE)
900	Capstone Community Action
2,500	Central VT Council on Aging (CVCOA)
1,750	Clarina Howard Nichols Center
15,000	Everyone = Morristown Community Center
5,763	Green Mountain Transit
1,000	Justice for Dogs
2,500	Lamoille County Civic Association
5,000	Lamoille County Food Share
1,000	Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity
3,900	Lamoille County Mental Health/Community Connections
12,000	Lamoille County Youth Center (Youth Rocks)
4,000	Lamoille Day Services
4,000	Lamoille Economic Development Council (LEDC)
3,000	Lamoille Family Center
15,681	Lamoille Home Health and Hospice
1,000	Lamoille Housing Partnership
1,500	Lamoille Restorative Center
3,375	Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit
10,000	Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County
1,000	North Country Animal League (NCAL)
5,200	RCT (Rural Community Transportation)
1,000	Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
<u>10,000</u>	River Arts

**\$113,969                      TOTAL**

ARTICLE 12: To do any other business that may legally come before the said meeting.

Dated at Morristown this 23<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

Brian C. Kellogg w/s

Judy Bickford w/s

Eric Dodge w/s

Bob Beeman w/s

**SELECTBOARD  
Town of Morristown, VT**

Attest:

Sara Haskins

**Town Clerk of Morristown, VT**

Received, filed and recorded this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020

## NOTICE TO VOTERS

### **BEFORE ELECTION DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED** at Clerks Office by **February 2, 2020**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by **February 22, 2020**.

**HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to [olvr.sec.state.vt.us](http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us).

**REQUEST EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** You or a family member can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election in person, in writing, by telephone, email, or online at [mvp.sec.state.vt.us](http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us). The latest you can request ballots for the **Annual Town Meeting** is the close of the Town Clerk's office on **March 2, 2020**. (Any other person authorized by you, who is not a family member, must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

### **WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:**

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have a ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home. (Ballots can be delivered on any of the eight days preceding the day of the election or on the day of election.)

### **ON ELECTION DAY:**

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form. If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities, let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place, let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your Town Clerk or any election official for help.

**NO PERSON SHALL:**

- Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- Mislead the Board of Civil Authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

**FOR HELP OR INFORMATION:**

- Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)
- If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.
- If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.
- If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS: Floor Vote**

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a colored piece of paper. This is your ballot.
- Show ballot if you wish to speak.
- Show ballot if a voice vote is called.
- If a paper ballot is called, deposit completed ballot in ballot box and return to checklist table to receive new colored ballot

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS: Australian Ballot****CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOT(S):**

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- An election official will offer ballots for three (3) elections. You may choose to vote in any or all of the elections:
  - Town
  - School
  - Presidential Primary
- If you choose to vote in the presidential primary an election official will offer you **EITHER** the Democratic **OR** Republican ballot and you must declare and choose only one (1) party ballot to vote on.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- Go to a vacant voting booth.

**MARK YOUR BALLOTS:**

- For each office listed on the ballots, you will see instructions to “Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc.”
- Fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

**CHECK OUT:**

- There is no exit checklist
- Cast your vote by depositing your voted ballots into the vote tabulating machine.  
Leave the voting area immediately after voting

## TOWN MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE

The Vermont statutes set out a number of rules regarding the conduct of Town Meeting. Some of the rules are as follows:

- *Robert's Rules of Order* generally governs the meeting.
- Only registered voters may speak during the meeting, unless permission is given by the voters.
- An article once decided shall not be considered again during the same meeting.
- A paper ballot may be taken if the request is supported by seven voters, unless the rules are suspended by a two-thirds vote to not require a paper ballot.
- One voter may request a division of the house, also known as a standing vote.
- Amendments should be in writing and delivered to the Moderator.
- Debate may be cut off by a two-thirds vote.
- Action taken under the article “Other Business” shall not be binding upon the Town.
- All motions and remarks must be addressed to the Moderator. Those wishing to speak must be recognized by the Moderator before speaking.
- Articles must be moved, seconded and restated by the Moderator before discussion may begin. Voters wishing to speak must use a microphone and identify themselves before speaking.
- Please state your opinions in a courteous manner; we all have to live together when this meeting is over!

## WHY WE HAVE RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

- Rules of parliamentary procedure are developed to help promote the conduct of business at Town Meeting while gaining the cooperation of the voters.
- The right of the majority to decide is assured by the use of parliamentary law.
- All voters have equal rights and privileges, but with these go responsibilities.
- The right of the minority to express its opinion is defended by parliamentary law.
- The basic requirement for approval of an article or vote at Town Meeting, except where a rule provides otherwise, is a majority vote. The word “majority” means more than half.
- Only one article or question can be considered at a time.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

43 Portland Street PO Box 748 Morrisville, VT 05661 802-888-6669 morristownvt.org

*Hours: Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 4:00PM and Friday from 8:00AM – 1:00PM*

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**-----**Phone: 888-5147 (Fax: 888-6378)**

If you wish to be on the Selectboard’s agenda or speak to the Town Administrator, you may contact the office. The Selectboard meets the First & Third Monday at 6:00PM in the Tegu Building.

**TOWN CLERK & TREASURER’S OFFICE**-----**Phone: 888-6370 (Fax: 888-6375)**

**LISTERS’ OFFICE**-----**Phone: 888-6371 (Fax: 888-6377)**

This office is responsible for appraising all personal and real property subject to taxation in the Town of Morrystown

**ZONING/PLANNING/DRB**-----**Phone: 888-6373 (Fax: 888-6377)**

The **Development Review Board** meets as needed on either the second or fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM in the Tegu Building to conduct public hearings for subdivisions, site plan approval, conditional uses, variances, waivers and appeals. The **Planning Council** meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:00PM in the Tegu Building.

**MORRISTOWN EMERGENCY SERVICES**-----**IN AN EMERGENCY: DIAL 911**

*Always Looking for Volunteers*-----**Phone: 888-5628 (Fax 888-6380)**

**MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT**----- **IN AN EMERGENCY: DIAL 911**

**For non-emergencies**-----**Phone: 888-3575**

**BURN PERMIT**----- Pager: (802)826-2626 - Monday- Friday. Required for any outdoor burning

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**----- **IN AN EMERGENCY: DIAL 911**

**For non-emergencies**-----**Phone: 888-4211**

**HIGHWAY GARAGE** -----**Phone: 888-6369**

**STREET GARAGE**----- **Phone: 888-3398**

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**-----**Phone: 888-5629**

**MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY**-----**Phone: 888-3853**

Hours: 10:00AM – 7:30PM Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10:00AM – 5:30PM Thursdays and Fridays

9:00AM – 2:00PM Saturdays

**CEMETERY LOTS FOR SALE**-----**Contact Faith Funeral Home at 888-2865**

**MORRISTOWN TRANSFER STATION**-----**Phone: 888-7317**

The Lamoille Solid Waste Management District (LRSWMD) drop-off station is located on Cochran Road at the Town Highway Garage. Hours: Saturdays from 9:00AM until 2:30PM.

**U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION**

**U.S. Senator Patrick J. Leahy (D)**

Washington Office: 433 RSOB, Washington, DC 20510-4502----- (202) 224-4242  
Burlington Office: 199 Main Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Burlington, VT 05401----- (802) 863-2525

**U.S. Senator Bernard Sanders (I)**

Washington Office: 322 Dirksen Bldg, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510----- (202) 224-5141  
Burlington Office: 1 Church Street, Burlington, VT 05401----- (802) 862-0697

**Representative Peter Welch (D)**

Washington Office: 1404 Longworth House, Washington, DC 20515----- (202) 225-4115  
Burlington Office: 30 Main Street, Suite 310, Burlington, VT 05401----- (888) 605-7270

**VERMONT STATE GOVERNMENT**

**Governor Phil Scott**

----- (800) 649-6825  
109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609----- (802) 828-3333  
Website: -----Vermont.gov/governor

**Lt. Governor David Zuckerman**

----- (802) 828-2226  
115 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633-5401  
Website: -----ltgov.vermont.gov

**Senator Richard Westman**

2439 Iron Gate Rd. Cambridge----- (802)-644-2297  
Email: -----rawestman@leg.state.vt.us

**Representative Avram Patt**

139 West Hill Rd. Worcester VT, 05682----- (802) 828-2228  
Email: -----apatt@leg.state.vt.us

**Representative Dave Yacovone**

28 Mansfield Ave, Morrisville, VT 05661----- (802) 888-5958  
Email: -----dyacovone@leg.state.vt.us

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

**TOWN MODERATOR - *Presiding officer at town meeting.***

Term Expires 2020-----Shapleigh Smith Jr.

**SELECTBOARD - *General supervision & control over the affairs of the town.***

2 Year Term Expires 2020-----Judy Bickford

3 Year Term Expires 2020-----Eric Dodge

2 Year Term Expires 2021-----Brian Kellogg

3 Year Term Expires 2021-----Bob Beeman

3 Year Term Expires 2022-----Chris Towne

**TOWN CLERK - *Records, certifies, & preserves public documents. Runs local elections.***

Term Expires 2020-----Sara Haskins

**TOWN TREASURER - *Manages town accounts & collects taxes. Invests town money.***

Term Expires 2020-----Sara Haskins

**LISTERS - *Determines the value of real & personal property.***

Term Expires 2020-----Maria Ward

Term Expires 2021-----Duane Sprague

Term Expires 2022-----Paul Griswold

**FIRST CONSTABLE - *May serve as district court officer, removes disorderly people from Town Meeting.***

Term Expires 2020-----Eric Dodge

**SECOND CONSTABLE - *May serve as district court officer, removes disorderly people from Town Meeting.***

Term Expires 2020-----Garth Christensen

**TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS - *Manages real or personal property held by the town in trust for any purpose.***

Term Expires 2020-----Sara Haskins

Term Expires 2021-----Francis Welch

Term Expires 2022-----Angela Norder

**GRAND JUROR - *Responsible for inquiring into & providing information to the proper authorities of criminal offense. This office is mostly obsolete. The States Attorneys provide most of the Criminal investigation.***

Term Expires 2020-----Richard Sargent

**TOWN AGENT TO PROSECUTE AND DEFEND CASES - *Can act as a liaison between Selectboard and selected attorney.***

Term Expires 2020-----Richard Sargent

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

**TOWN AGENT TO CONVEY REAL ESTATE - *Execute deeds on behalf of the Town.***

Term Expires 2020-----Todd Thomas

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Term Expires 2020-----Meredith McGee

Term Expires 2020-----Barb Kiely

Term Expires 2021-----John Buttolph III

Term Expires 2021-----Ruth Brown

Term Expires 2022-----Ann Louise Santos

Term Expires 2022-----Michael Isabell

Term Expires 2022-----Dave Stevens

Term Expires 2023-----Ann Cardinal

Term Expires 2023-----Marena Youngs

Term Expires 2023-----Deb Wheeler

Term Expires 2024-----Kim Whitcomb

Term Expires 2024-----Jennifer Faith

**JUSTICES OF THE PEACE**

**TERM 2/1/2019- 1/31/2021**

Darcie Abbene-----Rhoda Bedell

Judy Bickford-----Donald Blake

Margaret "Peg" Demars-----Eric Dodge

Sam Guy-----Urban Martin

Monte Mason-----Shelley Nolan

Siri Rooney-----Shap Smith

Ron Stancliff-----Aimee Towne

Edward Wilson-----

**APPOINTED OFFICERS BY THE SELECTBOARD**

**LAMOILLE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE DISTRICT SUPERVISOR**

2 Year Term Expires 2020-----Charles Cooley

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**

1 year Term Expires 2020-----Dan Lindley

**E-911 COORDINATOR**

1 Year Term Expires 2020-----Abby Patch

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

1 Year Term Expires 2020-----Brian Kellogg

**POUND KEEPER**

1 Year Term Expires 2020 -----Brian Kellogg-----Jeffrey Foss

**TREE WARDEN**

1 Year Term Expires 2020-----David Stevens

**GREEN UP DAY COORDINATOR**

1 Year Term Expires 2020-----Conservation Commission -Ron Stancliff

**FENCE VIEWER**

1 Year Term Expires 2020-----Duane Sprague

**HEALTH OFFICER**

3 year Term Expires 2022-----Todd Thomas

**FIRE WARDEN**

5 year Term Expires 2024-----Dennis Digregario

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTBOARD

**PLANNING COMMISSION\* (4 YEAR TERMS)**

Term Expires 2020-----Josh Goldstein

Term Expires 2020-----Steve Foster

Term Expires 2021-----Vacant

Term Expires 2022-----Linda Greaves

Term Expires 2022-----Tom Snipp

Term Expires 2023-----Etienne Hancock

Term Expires 2023-----Allen Van Anda

\*members also serve as DRB alternates.

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD (4 YEAR TERMS)**

Term Expires 2020-----Gary Nolan  
 Term Expires 2020-----Mary Ann Wilson  
 Term Expires 2021-----Chris Wiltshire  
 Term Expires 2021-----Paul Trudell  
 Term Expires 2022-----Karyn Allen  
 Term Expires 2022-----Laura Streets  
 Term Expires 2023-----Susanna Burnham

Alternates-----Mary Ann Wilson----Andrew Strniste-----Theresa Breault

**COPLEY TRUST BOARD**

Richard Sargent-----Gloria Wing  
 Chris Towne-----Bob Beeman  
 Judy Bickford-----Brian Kellogg-----Eric Dodge

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION (4 YEAR TERMS)**

Term Expires 2020-----Richard Sargent  
 Term Expires 2020-----Kristin Connelly  
 Term Expires 2021-----Ron Stancliff  
 Term Expires 2021-----Brent Teillon  
 Term Expires 2022-----Jim Pease  
 Term Expires 2022-----Dave Stevens

**MORRISTOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND (4 YEAR TERMS)**

Term Expires 2021-----Peter Merrill  
 Term Expires 2021-----Sam Guy  
 Term Expires 2021-----Bob Beeman, Selectboard Rep  
 Term Expires 2022-----Steve Leach  
 Term Expires 2022-----Vacant

**TOWN EMPLOYEES**

- Town Administrator -----Dan Lindley (10)
- Administrative Assistant to Town Administrator-----Erica Allen (12)
- Town Clerk/Treasurer-----Sara Haskins (10)
- Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer-----Mitzi Fleming (7)
- Administrative Clerk-----Elizabeth Chase (2)
- Collector of Delinquent Taxes-----Sara Haskins (10)
- Finance Director-----Tina Sweet (13)
- Assistant Finance Director-----Paula Beattie (1)
- Listing Coordinator-----Abbie Patch (0)
- Zoning Administrator / Planning Director-----Todd Thomas (9)
- Community Development Coordinator-----Tricia Follert (8)
- Chief of Police-----Richard Keith (33)
- Chief of EMS-----William Mapes (0)
- EMS ----- Assistant Chief- Corey Boisvert (4), Paramedic- Diana Osborn (1),  
EMT- Tammy Lurvey (4), EMT Heidi Bennet (2), Lori Martin (0)
- Police Officers----- Andrew Glover (14), Scott McCullough (12), Garth Christensen (19),  
Jacques Marcoux (7), Jason Luneau (12), Ron Audet (5), Lance Lamb (3), Kevin LaPlante (3),  
Administrative Assistant: Nancy Merrill (5), Peter Hughes (0), Nathan Wolfe (0).
- Highway Garage-----Roland Boivin Foreman (33), Jeff Baker (5), Robert Cookson (2),  
Panagiotis Kourkoulis (2), Shane Blaisdell (1), Alan Stearns (1), Derek Small(0).
- Street Garage-----Dean Shedd (22), Doug Wallace (27), Luke Heller (5), Matt Friedrich (6), Joey Hall (1).

*Numbers in parenthesis ( ) indicate years of service as of June 30, 2019*

<b>WAGES &amp; SALARIES</b>
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JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

Dept.	Position	Wages	
EMS	EMS Part Time Shift Coverage	\$ 18,094.13	
EMS	EMS Part Time Shift Coverage	\$ 30,018.21	
EMS	EMS Paramedic	\$ 51,058.70	
EMS	EMS Part Time Shift Coverage	\$ 3,714.25	Term: 11/19/2018
EMS	EMS Part Time Shift Coverage	\$ 2,080.50	Term: 07/28/2018
EMS	EMS Part Time Shift Coverage	\$ 32,758.79	Hire 06/18/2018
EMS	Chief of EMS	\$ 10,333.15	Term: 08/05/2018
EMS	Chief of EMS	\$ 35,519.86	Hire: 02/04/2019
EMS	Assistant Chief of EMS	\$ 48,384.49	
General	Administrative Asst. to Town Administrator	\$ 42,413.84	
General	Administrative Clerk	\$ 40,889.16	
General	Assistant Delinquent Tax Collector	\$ 1,545.00	
General	Assistant Finance Director	\$ 52,192.04	
General	Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 50,687.46	
General	Clerical for Town Clerk's	\$ 195.73	
General	Community Development Coordinator	\$ 46,695.58	
General	Delinquent Tax Collector	\$ 4,635.00	
General	Finance Director	\$ 60,196.69	
General	Lister	\$ 8,109.28	Term: 03/05/2019
General	Lister	\$ 3,284.66	
General	Lister	\$ 933.40	Hire: 05/06/2019
General	Lister	\$ 1,191.88	Hire: 04/10/2019
General	Listing Coordinator/Lister	\$ 40,419.46	Term: 03/08/2019
General	Listing Coordinator	\$ 12,094.48	Hire: 02/01/2019
General	Town Administrator/Highway Superintenden	\$ 83,647.14	
General	Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 63,381.12	
General	Zoning & Planning Director/Health Officer	\$ 47,320.05	

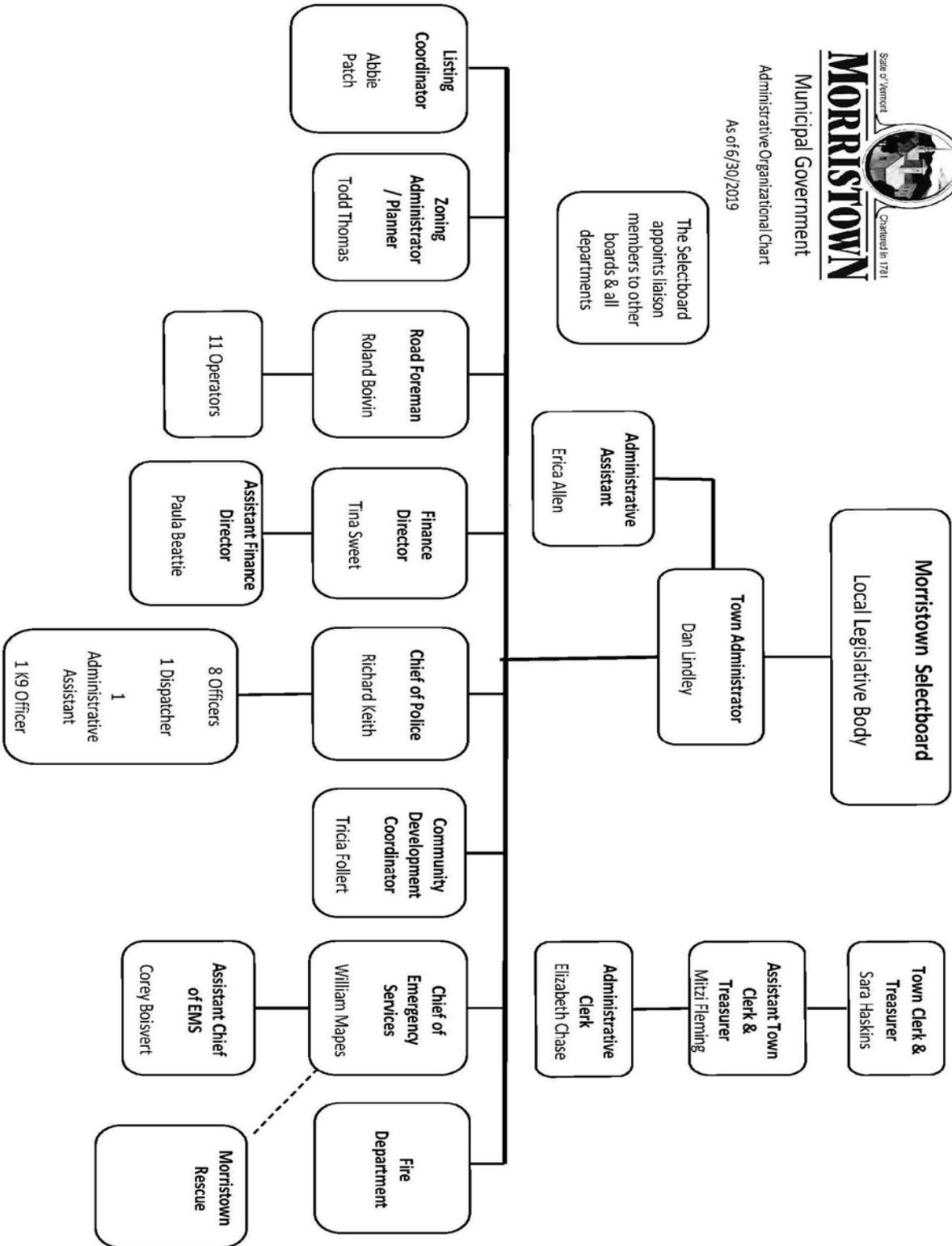
<b>WAGES &amp; SALARIES</b>
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JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

Dept.	Position	Wages	
Highway	Tech 2	\$ 51,479.10	
Highway	Tech 1	\$ 3,197.57	Term: 03/19/2019
Highway	Tech 1	\$ 17,600.52	Term: 02/15/2019
Highway	Tech 1	\$ 45,584.79	
Highway	Tech 1	\$ 49,562.66	
Highway	Tech 1	\$ 24,902.16	Hire: 12/27/2018
Highway	Tech 2	\$ 55,844.88	
Highway	Tech 2	\$ 49,571.25	
Highway	Tech 2	\$ 53,995.65	
Highway	Tech 3	\$ 25,210.08	Term: 12/22/2018
Highway	Tech 3	\$ 52,877.34	
Highway	Tech 3	\$ 68,314.24	
Highway	Tech 3	\$ 58,306.66	
Highway	Crew Leader	\$ 74,248.95	
Highway	Highway Foreman	\$ 88,882.32	
Highway	Temporary/Part Time Equipment Operators	\$ 24,365.00	
Police	Chief of Police	\$ 95,887.68	
Police	Corporal	\$ 84,777.42	
Police	Corporal	\$ 47,209.87	Term: 12/08/2018
Police	Desk Officer	\$ 62,599.98	
Police	Detective Corporal	\$ 1,250.40	Term: 07/01/2018
Police	Patrolman	\$ 68,629.47	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 78,920.59	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 67,318.18	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 85,690.99	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 57,078.84	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 53,751.69	
Police	Part Time Clerical	\$ 11,531.29	
Police	Patrolman	\$ 46,939.11	Hire: 08/27/2018
Police	Patrolman	\$ 20,835.65	Hire: 02/27/2019



**Municipal Government**  
 Administrative Organizational Chart  
 As of 6/30/2019





January 14, 2020

To the Citizens of Morristown, VT:

At the time of this publication, Glenna L. Pound, CPA was concluding the audit for the Town of Morristown, VT as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019. The audit report with the financial statements will be available for inspection at the Morristown Town Office located at 43 Portland Street, Morrisville, VT 05661. I appreciate the opportunity to be of service to the Town.

Sincerely,

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## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN BUDGET OVERVIEW

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Voted %
	VOTED	VOTED	PROPOSED	of
<u>Article</u>	Budget	Budget	Budget	Change
Selectmen Salary	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	in general govt budget	
General Government	\$ 1,943,734	\$ 1,992,602	\$ 2,119,883	
Sub-Total Gen'l Gov't Budget	\$ 1,951,234	\$ 2,000,102	\$ 2,119,883	6.0%
Police Department	1,335,098	1,318,669	1,354,240	2.7%
Fire Department	363,127	380,081	369,720	-2.7%
Rescue Services	537,807	603,158	630,066	4.5%
Highway/Street Dept.	1,830,150	2,026,450	2,174,355	7.3%
Paving	190,000	190,000	190,000	0.0%
Total OPERATING BASE Budgets	\$ 6,207,416	\$ 6,518,460	\$ 6,838,264	4.9%
LESS: Anticipated Revenues	\$ (966,520)	\$ (964,659)	\$ (1,033,811)	7.2%
<b>Operation/Base Budget</b>	<b>\$ 5,240,896</b>	<b>\$ 5,553,801</b>	<b>\$ 5,804,453</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<u>Special Warning Items</u>				
Fire Dept Capital Equip. Fund (1¢)	\$ 63,262	\$ 63,565	\$ 64,545	1.5%
Highway Dept Capital Equip. Fund (1¢)	\$ 63,262	\$ 63,565	\$ 64,545	1.5%
Noyes House - Restoration (1/2¢)	\$ 31,631	\$ 31,783	\$ 32,273	1.5%
Sidewalk Reserve Fund - Voted from Floor	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	
Fire - New Rescue Truck	\$ 24,000	\$ -	\$ -	
EMS - New Ambulance	\$ 54,500	\$ -	\$ -	
Oxbow - Bathroom	\$ 16,300	\$ -	\$ -	
Paving - Australian Ballot - \$500,000 for 5 yrs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Total Special Warning Items</b>	<b>\$ 302,955</b>	<b>\$ 158,913</b>	<b>\$ 161,363</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>Sub-Total Town Budget</b>	<b>\$ 5,543,851</b>	<b>\$ 5,712,714</b>	<b>\$ 5,965,816</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
<u>Appropriations</u>				
Service Agencies	\$ 97,969	\$ 113,969	\$ 113,969	0.0%
	\$ 97,969	\$ 113,969	\$ 113,969	0.0%
Veterans Exemption	\$ 9,120	\$ 9,120	\$ 9,120	
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$ 107,089</b>	<b>\$ 123,089</b>	<b>\$ 123,089</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Warned</b>	<b>\$ 5,650,940</b>	<b>\$ 5,835,803</b>	<b>\$ 6,088,905</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
		\$ 184,863	\$ 253,102	Increase

**MORRISTOWN SUMMARY OF FUND RESERVES**

<b>General Fund Cumulative Surplus</b>				
	<b>Annual Increase</b>	<b>Allocated</b>	<b>Unallocated</b>	<b>Total</b>
June 30, 2016	\$ 147,223			\$ 322,150
June 30, 2017	\$ (12,036)			\$ 310,114
June 30, 2018	\$ 121,492			\$ 431,606
June 30, 2019	\$ (140,987)			\$ 290,619
<b>UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE AS OF 6/30/2019</b>				<b>\$ 290,619</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		These funds can only be used for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.		<b>As of June 30, 2019</b>
Reappraisal				\$ 294,066
Community Garden				\$ 2,147
Community Event Fund/Dog Park				\$ 4,373
DEA Fund				\$ 4,559
Trustee of Public Funds				\$ 3,749
Municipal Records Maintenance				\$ 123,535
Morristown Recreation Council				\$ 53,259
Scholarship				\$ 43,077
Morristown Development Fund				\$ 540,871
Alexander Hamilton Copley Trust				\$ 1,746,933
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>				<b>\$ 2,816,569</b>
<b>Committed Funds</b>		These funds can only be used for specific purposes determined by the Town's highest level of decision-making authority - the voters.		<b>As of June 30, 2019</b>
Land Conservation				\$ 33,677
Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund				\$ 9,881
Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund				\$ 96,350
Sidewalk Reserve Fund				\$ 24,996
Oxbow Bathroom Fund				\$ 74,125
<b>Total Committed Funds</b>				<b>\$ 239,029</b>
<b>Assigned Funds</b>		These funds are intended to be used for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria of Restricted or Committed Funds.		<b>As of June 30, 2019</b>
Municipal Office Building				\$ 32,070
Paving				\$ 89,538
Elmore Street Curb Reserve				\$ 61,305
Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)				\$ 154,348
Electric Vehicle Charging Income				\$ 2,170
Uncompensated Absences Reserve				\$ 13,146
Bridge Repair Reserve				\$ 147,639
Infrastructure				\$ 57,016
Forest & Land Maintenance				\$ 24,227
<b>Total Assigned Funds</b>				<b>\$ 581,459</b>

<b>SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF GRANT AWARDS</b>
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**FY 2018-2019 Expenditures**

	Start Date	Project Amount	Local Sources	Grant Amount	FY 2018-2019 Expenditures
<u>Police</u>					
VT Hwy Safety-NH18402-116 (OP)	10/01/17	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 528
VT Hwy Safety-NH18164-116 (DUI)	10/01/17	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ 4,500	\$ 1,301
VT Hwy Safety-NH18402-225 (Equip)	10/01/17	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
VT Hwy Safety-GR1203 (DRE)	10/01/17	\$ 1,200	\$ -	\$ 1,200	\$ 120
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1316 (OP)	10/01/18	\$ 7,973	\$ -	\$ 7,973	\$ 1,401
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1316 (DUI)	10/01/18	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,914
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1316 (Equip)	10/01/18	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,090
BVP - FY 2018	07/01/18	\$ 1,896	\$ 948	\$ 1,896	\$ 948
<u>Highway</u>					
VT Earmark - Rt 100 South Sidewalk	01/05/09	\$ 543,750	\$ 108,750	\$ 435,000	\$ 330,017
<u>General</u>					
United Way	05/25/16	\$ 3,250	\$ -	\$ 3,250	\$ 468
Rise VT - Benches at Rail Trail	11/19/18	\$ 1,197	\$ -	\$ 1,197	\$ 1,197
Rise VT - Recreation Grant	01/08/19	\$ 1,490	\$ -	\$ 1,490	\$ 1,490
Rise VT - Garden Shed	01/18/19	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Rise VT - Raised Garden Beds	01/04/19	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Rise VT - Amplify - Wellness	04/10/19	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,479
Grand Total				\$ 482,006	\$ 354,951

<b>VEHICLE REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE</b>
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As of June 30, 2019						
				Original	Years to	
Id #:	Dept	Description	Mos/Yr Purchased	Purchase Price	Fully Depreciate	Replacement Year
16013	Hwy	03 John Deere Grader, 770CH	Jun-03	142,000	15	*
16035	Hwy	06 Case 721D Loader-Refurbish	Jul-06	126,500	12	*
16038	Hwy	08 JD Backhoe 410J	Sep-07	106,000	15	*
16034	Hwy	07 Int'l Dump/plow	Aug-06	113,158	12	2019-20
16040	Hwy	08 Int'l Dump Truck	Dec-07	128,461	12	2019-20
16036	Hwy	01 Johnston Sweeper	Jul-06	82,500	15	2020-21
16042	Hwy	09 Bobcat Turbo Toolcat	Nov-08	47,527	10	2020-21
16044	Hwy	10 Freightliner Truck	Sep-09	126,825	12	2020-21
16045	Hwy	11 Int'l Dump Truck	Jul-10	137,657	12	2020-21
16030	Hwy	05 Volvo Wheeled Loader	Aug-05	110,200	12	2021-22
16052	Hwy	12 Ford F350 Dump	Sep-12	55,327	10	2021-22
16057	Hwy	14 International Tandem	Sep-13	179,685	12	2021-22
16063	Hwy	2016 Ford F350	Dec-15	39,861	10	2021-22
16041	Hwy	09 Int'l Dump Truck	Sep-08	127,304	12	2022-23
16059	Hwy	15 International Tandem	Nov-14	163,591	12	2022-23
16067	Hwy	17 Ford F350	Aug-17	48,983	10	2022-23
16012	Hwy	00 Int'l Dump/Plow - new Poly Tank	Jun-99	52,768	12	2023-24
16061	Hwy	16 Freightliner Dump	Dec-15	162,818	8	2023-24
16069	Hwy	19 Ford F550	Sep-18	57,315	5	2023-24
16049	Hwy	12 Bobcat Skid Steer	Nov-11	24,124	6	2024-25
16058	Hwy	14 International Dump	Aug-13	149,519	12	2025-26
16046	Hwy	11 Towmaster Trailer	Aug-11	16,750	15	2026-27
16051	Hwy	Guard Rail Boom Mower	Jul-12	27,250	15	2027-28
16055	Hwy	Rotary Ditch Bank Mower	Sep-12	7,517	15	2027-28
16056	Hwy	11 Volvo Excavator	Nov-12	93,900	15	2027-28
16033	Hwy	06 Challenger Tractor	Jul-06	51,003	25	2031-32
16065	Hwy	2016 Asphalt Emulsifier	Sep-16	32,940	15	2031-32
16020	Hwy	02 Commander Power Sand Screen	May-02	88,725	30	2032-33
16050	Hwy	12 Volvo Grader	Jul-12	236,648	20	2032-33
16062	Hwy	14 Holder Sidewalk Machine	Aug-15	172,535	20	2035-36
16070	Hwy	15 Wacker Roller	Jul-18	9,400	20	2038-39
16071	Hwy	Cyclone Leaf Blower	Jul-18	5,248	20	2038-39
16072	Hwy	Portable Truck Lift	Feb-19	51,056	20	2038-39

<b>VEHICLE REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE</b>
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As of June 30, 2019						
				Original	Years to	Replacement
Id #:	Dept	Description	Mos/Yr Purchased	Purchase Price	Fully Depreciate	Year
14014	Police	17 Chevy Silverado	Nov-17	39,212	5	2020-21
14013	Police	14 Chevy Tahoe	Aug-14	45,305	5	2021-22
14012	Police	14 Chevy Impala	Feb-14	32,800	5	2021-22
14016	Police	17 Chevy Silverado	Aug-17	44,255	6	2022-23
14017	Police	19 Chevy Tahoe	Jan-19	47,235	6	2023-24
15005	Fire	99 Freightliner Rescue Truck	Oct-99	159,377	20	*
15001	Fire	92 Int'l Water Trk-Refurbished 2009	Jul-91	49,549	20	2021-22
15006	Fire	99 Chev 3/4 Ton Utility Truck	Aug-99	27,300	15	2023-24
15007	Fire	03 Spartan Pumper Truck	Jun-03	249,955	30	2033-34
15019	Fire	2018 Ford F 550 Rescue Truck/Extraction Tools/Air Packs	Nov-18	297,265	20	2038-39
15015	Fire	2014 Freightliner	Feb-14	303,661	25	2039-40
15018	Fire	2017 Quint Pumper/Ladder	Jul-17	636,153	25	2041-42
17004	EMS	08 Ford Ambulance	Dec-07	145,861	15	2019-20
17010	EMS	19 Ford Ambulance/Stryker Stretcher/Stair Chair	Nov-18	239,178	15	2033-34

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN REVENUE</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>TAX REVENUE:</b>				
School Tax Admin Fee	\$ 16,700	\$ 17,900.50	\$ 17,500	\$ 17,500
St of VT - Current Use Reimbursement	269,494	288,863.00	274,823	288,000
St of VT - PILOT Reimbursement	39,005	47,848.86	39,000	47,000
Abatements	-	(2,859.71)	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 325,199	\$ 351,752.65	\$ 331,323	\$ 352,500
<b>LICENSES &amp; PERMITS:</b>				
Liquor Licenses	\$ 3,260	\$ 2,660.00	\$ 2,775	\$ 2,775
Dog Licenses	6,000	6,576.00	6,600	6,500
License - Marriage	2,100	410.00	350	350
License - Miscellaneous	-	126.00	-	-
Record Legal Documents	28,800	28,468.00	30,000	55,000
Fees - DMV Processing	825	750.00	750	750
Fees - Preservation Surcharge	4,800	4,881.75	5,000	-
Fees - Digitization	9,600	9,413.00	10,000	-
Fees - Zoning Permits	10,000	23,135.20	15,000	22,500
Issue/Record Miscellaneous	-	70.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 65,385	\$ 76,489.95	\$ 70,475	\$ 87,875
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL:</b>				
State Aid to Highways	\$ 208,200	\$ 208,305.15	\$ 214,800	\$ 208,500
Water & Light - Zoning Svcs	7,000	7,500.00	7,000	8,000
Water & Light - Clerk Treasurer	7,000	6,070.00	7,000	6,875
TOTAL	\$ 222,200	\$ 221,875.15	\$ 228,800	\$ 223,375
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES:</b>				
Charge-Use of Photocopier	\$ 6,500	\$ 5,323.36	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,000
Charge - Use of Vault	1,200	790.00	1,000	1,200
Charge - Facilities Rent	-	50.00	2,000	1,000
Sale-Cert. Copy VITALS	10,000	10,710.00	10,000	12,000
Charge - Tax Sale Legal	-	-	-	2,500
Charge - Tax Sale Costs	-	-	-	100
TOTAL	\$ 17,700	\$ 16,873.36	\$ 19,500	\$ 22,800

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN REVENUE</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Court Fines	\$ 9,700	\$ 5,138.01	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,000
Fines - Ordinances	1,500	4,150.00	2,500	3,500
Fines - Fingerprinting	3,300	4,200.00	3,500	3,500
Fees - Report Copies	2,000	2,525.00	2,000	2,000
SUI Reimbursement	-	20,000.00	-	-
Sale of Assets	-	3,500.00	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	2,226.34	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 16,500	\$ 41,739.35	\$ 18,000	\$ 16,000
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Sale of Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPT:</b>				
Fees - Net Billing for Services	\$ 194,600	\$ 195,326.75	\$ 171,000	\$ 201,500
Fees-Cover Elmore Calls	26,000	26,000.00	26,000	26,000
Donations	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	502.99	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 220,600	\$ 221,829.74	\$ 197,000	\$ 227,500
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:</b>				
HWY- Overweight Vehicle	\$ 700	\$ 805.00	\$ 825	\$ 825
Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	2,000	6,054.85	2,000	2,000
TOTAL	\$ 2,700	\$ 6,859.85	\$ 2,825	\$ 2,825

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN REVENUE</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>FINES &amp; FORFEITS:</b>				
Interest- Late Taxes	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,996.56	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
Interest- Delinquent Tax	9,500	7,642.15	6,000	6,000
Penalty - Delinquent Tax	26,800	6,568.77	26,800	26,000
Other Revenue - Delinquent Tax	-	367.49	-	-
Interest - Abatements	-	(29.52)	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 51,300	\$ 29,545.45	\$ 46,800	\$ 46,000
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME:</b>				
Interest Inc. - Cash Sweep Acct	\$ 40,000	\$ 68,140.97	\$ 45,000	\$ 50,000
Interest - General Acct	200	277.19	200	200
Interest - Payroll Acct	-	23.49	-	-
Interest - Misc.	-	16.10	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 40,200	\$ 68,457.75	\$ 45,200	\$ 50,200
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS:</b>				
4th of July Income/Donations	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ -
Donations - Capital	-	23,052.23	-	-
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 23,072.23	\$ -	\$ -
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>				
Misc. - Parking Lot Maintenance	\$ 4,236	\$ 4,236.25	\$ 4,236	\$ 4,236
Misc. - Other	500	5,771.29	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 4,736	\$ 10,007.54	\$ 4,736	\$ 4,736
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:</b>				
Transfer In	-	38,292.81	-	-
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 38,292.81	\$ -	\$ -

**BUDGET TOTALS****\$ 966,520****\$ 1,106,795.83****\$ 964,659****\$ 1,033,811**

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>LEGISLATING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	(separate article)	\$ 7,500.00	(separate article)	\$ 7,500
Employee Benefits	575	573.60	575	575
Dues & Subscriptions	7,089	7,122.44	7,292	7,594
Meetings & Trainings	200	228.90	200	200
Insurance (all depts combined)	345,000	335,212.47	320,000	340,000
Insurance Deductibles	3,000	5,839.59	2,000	4,000
Contingency	500	100.00	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 356,364	\$ 356,577.00	\$ 330,567	\$ 360,369
<b>TOWN ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 114,400	\$ 112,954.64	\$ 119,425	\$ 123,265
Cash In Lieu of Health Insurance	4,600	4,552.68	4,680	4,755
Deferred Comp	7,410	7,327.58	7,668	8,086
Mileage Stipend	1,800	1,439.56	1,800	1,800
Employee Benefits	19,150	19,271.86	20,330	21,274
Dues & Subscriptions	900	138.00	200	85
Meetings & Trainings	750	271.00	750	500
Other Purchased Services	5,000	7,190.50	5,000	7,000
Travel & Transportation	500	516.36	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 154,510	\$ 153,662.18	\$ 160,353	\$ 167,265
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL/SHELTER:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 1,750	\$ 920.00	\$ 1,750	\$ 920
Employee Benefits	135	70.41	135	75
Other Purchased Services	200	679.00	200	500
TOTAL	\$ 2,085	\$ 1,669.41	\$ 2,085	\$ 1,495
<b>CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Green Up	900	1,078.60	2,000	2,000
TOTAL	\$ 900	\$ 1,078.60	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>FIRE WARDEN:</b>				
Fire Warden	\$ 125	\$ 124.12	\$ 125	\$ 125
TOTAL	\$ 125	\$ 124.12	\$ 125	\$ 125
<b>FOURTH OF JULY:</b>				
Fireworks - July 4th	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,600
TOTAL	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,600
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH:</b>				
Other Purchased Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>PRINT ORDINANCES &amp; PROCEEDINGS:</b>				
Advertising	\$ 4,200	\$ 5,057.91	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500
TOTAL	\$ 4,200	\$ 5,057.91	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500
<b>TOWN CLERK/TREASURER'S OFFICE:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 148,400	\$ 150,693.81	\$ 155,010	\$ 158,630
Cash In Lieu of Health Ins	4,600	4,552.68	4,680	4,755
Deferred Comp	-	-	-	-
Village Wage - Reimbursed	7,000	6,070.00	7,000	6,875
Employee Benefits	62,624	61,886.62	65,336	69,026
Election Expenses	4,500	4,340.46	2,500	5,000
Dues & Subscriptions	300	183.85	300	400
Meetings & Trainings	1,700	1,102.61	1,700	1,700
Miscellaneous	100	45.18	100	100
Print Tax Bills	700	1,546.51	725	750
Dog License Expense	3,900	4,137.85	3,750	3,900
Marriage License Expense	2,000	1,455.00	1,750	1,750
Travel & Transportation	300	372.31	300	400
TOTAL	\$ 236,124	\$ 236,386.88	\$ 243,151	\$ 253,286
<b>BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,854.62	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,500
Employee Benefits	230	218.36	155	268
Meetings & Trainings	50	-	50	50
TOTAL	\$ 3,280	\$ 3,072.98	\$ 2,205	\$ 3,818

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>ACCOUNTING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 102,300	\$ 108,178.59	\$ 107,250	\$ 110,186
Cash In Lieu of Health Ins	-	4,552.68	4,680	-
Deferred Comp	-	-	-	8,086
Employee Benefits	55,504	44,300.37	39,963	42,708
Meetings & Trainings	500	639.50	500	750
TOTAL	<u>\$ 158,304</u>	<u>\$ 157,671.14</u>	<u>\$ 152,393</u>	<u>\$ 161,730</u>
<b>COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,304.40	\$ 8,500	\$ 7,500
Postage	8,500	8,997.22	8,500	9,000
Phones - Landline	6,500	6,251.73	6,500	7,200
Phones - Cell	1,050	968.49	1,080	720
Internet/Cable	1,620	1,620.00	1,620	1,620
Copier	11,100	12,507.51	11,500	11,500
Contract: Software Maint.	6,615	7,570.23	7,117	11,517
Contract: Licenses - Email	1,850	1,865.87	1,728	1,750
Contract: Web Page	265	179.49	8,300	2,800
Map/Scanner - Maint & Supplies	1,300	943.52	1,300	1,100
Land Records System	12,760	11,740.00	12,760	11,580
Computer - Cloud Hosted Ultimate	32,510	32,508.00	32,510	32,510
Network Systems	3,000	10,614.09	6,172	12,500
New Equipment	-	-	-	700
TOTAL	<u>\$ 95,570</u>	<u>\$ 104,070.55</u>	<u>\$ 107,587</u>	<u>\$ 111,997</u>
<b>AUDITING:</b>				
Professional Services	\$ 16,750	\$ 15,657.50	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Printing Town Reports	2,665	1,432.20	1,550	1,550
TOTAL	<u>\$ 19,415</u>	<u>\$ 17,089.70</u>	<u>\$ 16,550</u>	<u>\$ 16,550</u>

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 6,180	\$ 6,180.00	\$ 6,180	\$ 6,300
Employee Benefits	798	820.41	825	837
Professional Services - Legal	-	-	-	4,000
TOTAL	\$ 6,978	\$ 7,000.41	\$ 7,005	\$ 11,137
<b>TAX LISTING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 59,000	\$ 64,940.02	\$ 63,350	\$ 77,395
Employee Benefits	25,172	26,485.90	31,463	27,927
Meetings & Trainings	500	145.00	500	500
Mapping Program	5,300	5,400.00	5,400	5,400
Appraiser Services	12,000	29,500.00	-	-
Travel & Transportation	800	459.40	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 102,772	\$ 126,930.32	\$ 101,213	\$ 111,722
<b>LEGAL SERVICES:</b>				
Professional Services	\$ 8,900	\$ 9,387.55	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000
TOTAL	\$ 8,900	\$ 9,387.55	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000
<b>PLANNING &amp; ZONING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 47,400	\$ 47,359.65	\$ 49,500	\$ 50,972
Village Wage - Reimbursed	7,000	6,430.29	7,000	8,000
Employee Benefits	25,467	25,998.17	26,573	28,032
Advertising	1,200	1,935.50	1,075	1,500
Dues & Subscriptions	400	173.77	500	500
Meetings & Trainings	200	139.00	200	200
Printing	500	-	500	200
Travel & Transportation	175	189.93	175	450
TOTAL	\$ 82,342	\$ 82,226.31	\$ 85,523	\$ 89,854

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 38,800	\$ 39,447.14	\$ 46,500	\$ 47,739
Deferred Comp	7,410	7,327.58	7,668	8,086
Employee Benefits	6,485	6,588.12	7,815	8,049
Meetings & Trainings	200	377.50	750	750
Travel & Transportation	500	460.28	200	200
Events (cover Summer/Rock/July 4 etc.)	10,000	1,500.03	10,000	6,750
TOTAL	\$ 63,395	\$ 55,700.65	\$ 72,933	\$ 71,574
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION:</b>				
Summer Recreation Camp Program	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Salaries & Wages	-	-	-	2,000
Employee Benefits	-	-	-	153
Operating Supplies	-	1,120.29	1,000	600
Advertising	-	-	3,000	500
Software Program	-	1,755.00	3,500	3,500
Program Development	-	-	2,500	1,500
Improvements	-	3,384.00	-	3,000
TOTAL	\$ 15,000	\$ 21,259.29	\$ 30,000	\$ 31,253
<b>MAINT. GEN GOV'T BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,143.49	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,200
Flag Replacement Program	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	1,000
Repair & Maint. Supplies	1,000	500.86	1,500	750
Oxbow Park - Repair & Maintenance	2,000	816.75	9,000	6,500
Waste Disposal/Recycling	1,000	5,925.65	1,000	1,100
Town Clock Maintenance	1,000	780.00	1,000	800
Mowing - Streets & Oxbow	7,875	5,745.38	7,700	5,850
Mowing - Morristown Cemeteries	-	14,239.07	12,000	14,500
Tourist Information	300	53.72	500	1,250
Repair & Maint. Services	12,400	16,207.70	13,500	17,000

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>MAINT. BLDGS (cont'd)</b>				
Heating Oil	3,300	6,676.96	5,500	5,850
Street Light - LED Conversion	14,364	-	4,385	-
Street Lights	32,300	27,170.78	32,500	28,000
Electricity	8,500	7,149.51	8,800	5,900
Water & Sewer	1,160	1,392.37	1,400	1,400
New Equipment	-	-	-	-
Building Improvements	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 88,699	\$ 90,802.24	\$ 102,285	\$ 93,100
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>				
Health/Wellness Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 678.02	\$ 1,000	\$ 750
County Tax	61,263	60,498.00	61,219	61,757
TOTAL	\$ 62,263	\$ 61,176.02	\$ 62,219	\$ 62,507
<b>APPROPRIATIONS/BUDGETED:</b>				
MACC (M' Alliance for Culture & Commerce)	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Morrisville Military Band	1,500	1,500.00	1,500	1,500
Morristown Centennial Library	159,578	159,578.00	174,578	180,601
TOTAL	\$ 167,578	\$ 167,578.00	\$ 183,078	\$ 189,101
<b>CEMETERIES:</b>				
Town Cemetery - Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -
Cemetery - Sexton	2,000	2,000.00	2,000	2,000
Cemetery Records Maintenance	-	-	-	20,000
Pleasant View Cemetery	16,000	16,000.00	16,000	16,000
M'town Cemetery Association	12,000	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 31,000	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,500	\$ 38,000

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>				
Interest Payments: Short Term	\$ 35,000	\$ 38,349.18	\$ 35,000	\$ 38,500
RF1-111 Sewer Study	700	-	-	-
Municipal Building	39,164	39,163.36	39,164	39,200
Oxbow Bathrooms	-	16,022.92	16,100	16,100
Bridge St Bridge Project	83,366	83,373.10	83,366	83,400
Paving Loan - 2017	104,700	104,692.04	104,700	104,700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 262,930</b>	<b>\$ 281,600.60</b>	<b>\$ 278,330</b>	<b>\$ 281,900</b>
<b>RESERVES:</b>				
Uncompensated Absences - Retirees	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000	\$ 40,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>

<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,943,734</b>	<b>\$ 1,979,121.86</b>	<b>\$ 1,992,602</b>	<b>\$ 2,119,883</b>
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Less Anticipated Revenues:

<i>General Government Revenues</i>			
<i>Tax Revenue</i>		\$ (331,323)	\$ (352,500)
<i>Licenses &amp; Permits</i>		(70,475)	(87,875)
<i>Intergovernmental Reimb</i>		(14,000)	(14,875)
<i>Charges for Services</i>		(19,500)	(22,800)
<i>Fines &amp; Forfeits</i>		(46,800)	(46,000)
<i>Investment Income</i>		(45,200)	(50,200)
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		(4,736)	(4,736)
<b>Total Anticipated Revenues:</b>		<b>\$ (532,034)</b>	<b>\$ (578,986)</b>
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>		<b>\$ 1,460,568</b>	<b>\$ 1,540,897</b>

	Operating Budget	To be Raised by Taxes
Proposed: FY 2020-2021	\$ 2,119,883	\$ 1,540,897
FY 2019-2020	1,992,602	1,460,568
	<b>\$ 127,281</b>	<b>\$ 80,329</b>
	<u>6.4%</u>	<u>5.5%</u>

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,771.34	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
Advertising	\$ -	495.63	-	-
Dues & Subscriptions	700	1,397.54	1,000	1,200
Meetings & Trainings	120	349.89	200	300
Other Purchased Services	1,100	2,625.10	1,000	2,000
Lease - Copier	4,000	4,406.36	3,700	4,500
Printing - Forms	500	370.95	500	500
Replacement Equipment	1,000	144.33	1,000	500
TOTAL	\$ 9,920	\$ 11,561.14	\$ 10,200	\$ 11,800
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
Administration	\$ 93,800	\$ 95,812.88	\$ 97,015	\$ 100,407
Desk Officer	62,500	62,048.22	66,462	67,806
Regular & Leave	534,200	476,813.61	540,363	556,541
Overtime	91,000	101,029.27	95,000	88,173
Cash in Lieu	13,700	18,210.72	18,720	19,020
Deferred Comp	7,410	3,322.08	7,668	-
Part-time Clerical	13,900	11,537.29	14,215	19,252
Employee Benefits	251,000	225,780.38	237,620	255,273
Canine Unit	2,500	2,423.10	2,500	2,600
TOTAL	\$ 1,070,010	\$ 996,977.55	\$ 1,079,563	\$ 1,109,072
<b>CRIME INVESTIGATION:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 246.64	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500
Contracts - Equipment	1,500	637.50	1,000	1,000
TOTAL	\$ 4,000	\$ 884.14	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,500
<b>POLICE TRAINING:</b>				
Meetings & Trainings	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,236.58	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Travel & Transportation	-	445.47	200	300
TOTAL	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,682.05	\$ 8,200	\$ 8,300

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Repair & Maint. Supplies	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 250
Postage	400	190.95	400	400
Phone - Land Lines	2,800	2,877.24	2,900	2,900
Phone - Cell	360	360.00	360	360
Pagers	72	72.98	-	-
Phones - First Net	3,400	4,890.69	5,640	6,000
Internet/Cable	450	483.49	450	525
Data Circuit	4,800	5,623.44	5,400	5,600
Computer Repairs	4,000	2,898.37	2,000	3,000
LCSD-Dispatch	48,857	49,150.66	48,141	45,155
Repair & Maint. - Radios	3,000	-	3,000	2,000
IT Systems	17,000	15,730.12	17,500	15,808
Computers/Printers	2,500	5,712.74	4,000	4,500
Replacement Equipment	3,400	3,311.49	3,500	3,500
TOTAL	\$ 91,539	\$ 91,302.17	\$ 93,791	\$ 89,998
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BLDG:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,500	\$ 637.47	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,000
Coffee/Food	1,800	378.08	1,000	500
Repair & Maint. Supplies	500	-	-	-
Other Purchased Services	700	953.51	745	1,000
Waste/Recycle	1,100	1,177.56	1,175	1,175
Generator	500	-	-	-
Repair & Maint. Services-Contracts	14,000	13,442.75	14,600	14,600
Heating Oil	3,450	4,106.75	4,500	4,200
Propane	55	254.37	55	225
Electricity	6,000	5,547.70	6,000	4,500
Water & Sewer	1,600	1,188.29	1,250	1,250
Building Improvements	40,000	36,000.00	5,000	5,000
TOTAL	\$ 71,205	\$ 63,686.48	\$ 36,125	\$ 33,450

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>MAINT. VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 13,740	\$ 13,464.74	\$ 14,700	\$ 15,200
Tires	3,500	2,068.05	3,000	3,500
Uniforms	10,000	9,944.09	10,000	10,000
Tasers/Supplies	1,000	3,606.15	3,600	3,600
Ammunition	2,800	2,718.0	3,000	3,000
Maint. Supplies - Vehicle	500	111.39	500	500
Maint. Supplies - Equipment	500	145.24	500	500
Equipment - Vehicles	500	961.85	500	1,000
Equipment - Officers	4,000	4,328.63	4,000	4,500
Repair & Maint. Services	10,000	14,012.21	12,000	13,000
New Machinery (Lease)	34,884	35,951.55	35,990	44,320
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 81,424</b>	<b>\$ 87,311.90</b>	<b>\$ 87,790</b>	<b>\$ 99,120</b>

<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,335,098</b>	<b>\$ 1,259,405.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,318,669</b>	<b>\$ 1,354,240</b>
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<i>Less Anticipated Revenues: Police Dept</i>	\$ (18,000)	\$ (16,000)
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 1,300,669</b>	<b>\$ 1,338,240</b>

	<u>Operating Budget</u>	<u>To Be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2020-2021	\$ 1,354,240	\$ 1,338,240
FY 2019-2020	1,318,669	1,300,669
	<u>\$ 35,571</u>	<u>\$ 37,571</u>
	<u>2.7%</u>	<u>2.9%</u>

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 600	\$ 417.27	\$ 600	\$ 600
Replace Uniforms	4,000	6,948.50	4,500	5,500
Software Maintenance	800	675.00	800	675
Repair & Maintenance Services	1,000	0.00	1,000	500
Miscellaneous	200	0.00	200	100
Equipment	-	0.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 6,600	\$ 8,040.77	\$ 7,100	\$ 7,375
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
Paid Volunteer - Stipend	\$ 80,000	\$ 62,379.33	\$ 80,000	\$ 70,000
Part-time Administration	15,600	15,600.00	15,600	7,500
Employee Benefits	7,350	5,965.64	7,350	6,000
TOTAL	\$ 102,950	\$ 83,944.97	\$ 102,950	\$ 83,500
<b>FIRE FIGHTING:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Foam/Absorber	2,000	930.00	2,000	2,000
Coffee/Food	2,000	1,228.78	2,000	1,500
Personal Protect. Clothing	12,000	9,300.12	12,000	12,000
Turn Out Gear Decontamination Maint	7,200	69.34	1,000	500
Other Purchased Services	-	0.00	-	-
Dry Hydrants	2,000	0.00	2,000	2,000
TOTAL	\$ 27,200	\$ 11,528.24	\$ 21,000	\$ 20,000
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Repair & Maint. Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$ 86.03	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Tower	100	100.00	100	100
Phone-Land Lines	800	811.68	800	825
Internet/Cable	1,475	1,662.61	1,600	1,700
Dispatch Software	1,100	1,074.00	1,074	1,100
LSCD-Dispatch	48,857	49,150.66	48,141	45,155
Repair Services-Radio	3,000	853.50	2,500	2,000
Replacement Equipment	3,000	363.00	2,500	3,500
TOTAL	\$ 60,332	\$ 54,101.48	\$ 58,715	\$ 56,380

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>FIRE PREVENTION:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
TOTAL	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
<b>FIRE TRAINING:</b>				
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 1,500	\$ 643.00	\$ 1,500	\$ 700
Meetings & Trainings	5,500	4,966.45	5,500	6,000
TOTAL	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,609.45	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,700
<b>PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES:</b>				
Vaccine	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ 300
Professional Services-Medical	3,000	1,423.17	3,000	8,000
TOTAL	\$ 3,300	\$ 1,423.17	\$ 3,300	\$ 8,300
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BLDG:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,600	\$ 3,300.36	\$ 1,600	\$ 3,000
Repair & Maint. Supplies	2,000	2,068.01	-	-
Waste/Recycle	745	887.60	816	890
Generator	800	617.35	-	-
Repair & Maint. Services-Contractor	3,000	4,817.51	3,000	5,000
Heating Oil	4,800	6,752.15	6,250	5,825
Propane	650	838.21	1,000	800
Electricity	5,700	5,701.58	5,700	4,700
Water & Sewer	1,000	986.10	1,025	1,000
Building Improvements	25,000	11,914.22	25,000	25,000
Replacement Equipment	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 45,295	\$ 37,883.09	\$ 44,391	\$ 46,215

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT**

	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>MAINT. TRUCKS/EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 500	\$ 193.11	\$ 525	\$ 550
Diesel Fuel	2,950	2,617.27	3,100	3,200
Repair & Maint. Supplies	5,500	2,769.93	5,500	5,000
Small Tools & Equipment-Vehicles	1,500	1,170.43	1,500	1,500
Repair & Maint. Services	19,000	17,577.32	19,000	20,000
Hose Testing	5,000	3,684.20	5,000	5,000
Replacment Equipment	5,500	17,019.36	5,500	5,000
Capital Equipment	7,000	38,204.14	7,000	8,000
Hose	5,000	1,047.60	5,000	5,000
SCBA	13,000	6,012.20	13,000	15,000
Imagers & Meters	2,000	598.00	3,000	6,000
2017 Quint Fire Truck Loan Payment	42,000	41,936.92	42,000	42,000
2018 Fire Rescue Truck Loan Payment	-	23,810.24	24,000	24,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 108,950</b>	<b>\$ 156,640.72</b>	<b>\$ 134,125</b>	<b>\$ 140,250</b>

<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 363,127</b>	<b>\$ 359,171.89</b>	<b>\$ 380,081</b>	<b>\$ 369,720</b>
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<i>Less Anticipated Revenues:</i>	\$ -	\$ -
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 380,081</b>	<b>\$ 369,720</b>

	<u>Operating Budget</u>	<u>To Be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2020-2021	\$ 369,720	\$ 369,720
Budget: FY 2019-2020	380,081	380,081
	<u>\$ (10,361)</u>	<u>\$ (10,361)</u>
	<u>-2.7%</u>	<u>-2.7%</u>

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN EMS DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 1,200	\$ 872.25	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Food/Coffee	1,000	693.31	1,200	1,200
Advertising	750	208.58	1,200	1,000
Dues & Subscriptions	150	468.00	500	500
Meetings and Trainings	-	880.44	300	1,000
Lease-Copier	900	787.28	825	800
Software Support-Scheduling	2,100	2,200.00	2,100	2,200
Licenses - Email	385	-	-	-
Medicaid Tax	6,100	5,400.09	5,500	6,500
Travel & Transportation	250	260.63	250	300
New Equipment	1,000	0.00	1,000	16,252
TOTAL	\$ 13,835	\$ 11,770.58	\$ 14,075	\$ 30,952
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
FT-Regular & Leave	\$ 173,250	\$ 177,941.96	\$ 181,750	\$ 186,900
Cash in Lieu of Health Insurance	-	1,517.56	4,680	4,755
PT-Shift Coverage	80,200	64,512.75	80,500	98,299
Paid Volunteers-Runs	28,100	29,466.75	28,100	28,100
Paid Volunteers-Training	7,200	1,644.00	7,000	7,000
Employee Benefits	97,025	79,948.51	76,930	82,585
TOTAL	\$ 385,775	\$ 355,031.53	\$ 378,960	\$ 407,639
<b>EMS SERVICES:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 14,000	\$ 18,080.71	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,500
Oxygen/Nitrous Oxide	1,350	500.79	1,200	1,200
Supplies for Other Departments	9,750	908.06	9,750	6,000
Coverage - Paramedic	750	250.00	750	500
Repair & Maint Services	4,000	822.23	3,500	3,500
TOTAL	\$ 29,850	\$ 20,561.79	\$ 31,200	\$ 27,700

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN EMS DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 300
Batteries	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -
Phones - Land Line	1,750	1,717.91	1,750	1,750
Phones - Cell	720	390.00	720	720
Data - Hot Spots	960	619.14	432	1,000
Internet/Cable	2,750	3,250.11	3,200	3,200
LCSD-Dispatch	48,857	49,150.68	48,141	45,155
eDispatch Software	1,100	1,074.00	1,100	1,100
Repair & Maint Services	-	0.00	250	250
Maint Services - Radio	750	320.00	750	-
Replacement Equipment	1,700	4,374.08	1,700	2,000
TOTAL	\$ 59,087	\$ 60,995.92	\$ 58,343	\$ 55,475
<b>TRAINING:</b>				
Meetings & Trainings	\$ 8,330	\$ 1,051.13	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500
TOTAL	\$ 8,330	\$ 1,051.13	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500
<b>PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES:</b>				
Supplies - MCI Trailer	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Professional Services-Debriefing	-	-	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500
<b>MAINTAIN BUILDING:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,595.24	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Waste/Recycle	1,000	1,135.59	1,350	1,320
Generator	420	527.64	-	-
Repair & Maint. Services-Contractor	1,200	2,294.28	1,500	1,500
Heating Oil	1,750	2,665.55	2,300	2,600
Propane	1,100	1,865.87	1,600	1,600
Electricity	2,900	2,858.19	2,900	2,400
Water & Sewer	1,350	1,089.13	1,200	1,200
Capital Building Improvements	-	-	-	-
Machinery & Equipment-Replacement	5,000	5,201.99	2,000	9,100
Machinery & Equipment-New	-	0.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 15,920	\$ 19,233.48	\$ 14,050	\$ 20,920

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN EMS DEPARTMENT**

	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>MAINTAIN VEHICLE:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 550	\$ 1,350
Diesel Fuel	2,300	2,610.15	2,500	1,850
Batteries for Equipment	2,000	1,415.28	-	-
Uniforms	6,000	6,204.53	6,000	8,000
Repair & Maint Supplies	2,960	4,079.52	1,600	1,800
Repair & Maint Services	10,000	6,214.68	10,000	10,000
Repair & Maint Washer/Extractor	-	-	400	-
Repair & Maint Equipment	750	0.00	-	-
Capital Equipment/Durable Med	-	0.00	21,100	-
2018 Ambulance/Stryker Stretcher	-	64,200.24	53,380	53,380
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,510</b>	<b>\$ 84,724.40</b>	<b>\$ 95,530</b>	<b>\$ 76,380</b>

<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 537,807</b>	<b>\$ 553,368.83</b>	<b>\$ 603,158</b>	<b>\$ 630,066</b>
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<i>Less Anticipated Revenues</i>	\$ (197,000)	\$ (227,500)
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 406,158</b>	<b>\$ 402,566</b>

	<u>Operating Budget</u>	<u>To be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2020-2021	\$ 630,066	\$ 402,566
FY 2019-2020	603,158	406,158
	<u>\$ 26,908</u>	<u>\$ (3,592)</u>
	<u>4.5%</u>	<u>-0.9%</u>

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 651,910	\$ 743,368.53	\$ 668,200	\$ 798,052
Employee Benefits	302,200	295,203.24	304,600	313,428
Office Supplies	500	100.27	500	300
Tower	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	1,000
Phone - Land Lines	825	911.11	875	900
Phone - Cell	360	542.37	550	550
Internet	1,000	995.04	1,000	1,100
Meetings & Trainings	2,400	1,565.00	2,400	2,400
Other Purchased Services	-	236.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 960,195	\$ 1,043,921.56	\$ 979,125	\$ 1,117,730
<b>TRUCKS &amp; EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Fuel	\$ 105,450	\$ 130,367.46	\$ 96,800	\$ 119,650
Blades & Plow Shoes	25,300	22,672.08	23,900	26,400
Tires & Chains	23,000	25,016.44	23,000	25,000
Small Equipment	5,400	3,440.64	13,500	6,000
Supplies	43,300	46,890.12	42,200	54,350
Repairs - Parts & Service	98,300	147,595.29	135,000	140,000
New Equipment - Trucks	57,500	109,685.91	137,500	138,500
TOTAL	\$ 358,250	\$ 485,667.94	\$ 471,900	\$ 509,900
<b>SUMMER MAINTENANCE:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 32,720	\$ 60,424.86	\$ 37,900	\$ 41,900
Repairs & Maintenance Service	\$ -	\$ 3,120.00	\$ -	\$ -
Line Painting - Contract	7,000	-	4,000	4,000
Hot Mix	12,000	3,428.49	14,000	10,000
Guard Rails	8,000	2,575.00	8,000	3,000
Chipping	15,000	3,500.00	20,000	5,000
Gravel	-	32,852.30	-	-
Chloride	53,000	55,966.43	57,500	57,500
Culverts/Improvements	30,000	25,085.19	30,000	30,000
TOTAL	\$ 157,720	\$ 186,952.27	\$ 171,400	\$ 151,400

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 5,750	\$ 7,571.36	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
TOTAL	\$ 5,750	\$ 7,571.36	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
<b>SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,058.38	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Granite Curb	-	-	8,000	-
Other Purchased Services	20,000	-	20,000	39,000
Sidewalk Reserve	-	50,000.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 21,500	\$ 51,058.38	\$ 29,000	\$ 40,000
<b>WINTER MAINTENANCE:</b>				
Salt	178,000	257,090.07	207,000	227,100
Calcium Chloride	4,500	-	-	-
Sand	-	38,991.71	-	1,000
Cold Patch	4,800	9,202.10	8,800	8,800
Other Purchased Services	1,600	3,512.60	1,200	1,200
Rentals	-	-	3,000	-
Contractor Services	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 188,900	\$ 308,796.48	\$ 220,000	\$ 238,100
<b>STORM DRAINS:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 1,175	\$ 2,411.66	\$ 500	\$ 500
Swirl Separator/Disposal Fees	2,000	-	4,000	5,000
Discharge Permits	2,750	1,985.60	2,750	2,750
TOTAL	\$ 5,925	\$ 4,397.26	\$ 7,250	\$ 8,250
<b>BRIDGE MAINT. - CLASS I, II, III:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 2,100	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000	\$ -
Bridge Maintenance	-	-	-	4,000
Reserves	30,000	30,000.00	30,000	30,000
TOTAL	\$ 32,100	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

	Budget	Actual	Budget	Proposed
	2018-2019	2018-2019	2019-2020	Budget
				2020-2021
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BUILDING:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 13,000	\$ 8,918.51	\$ 11,325	\$ 11,325
Repair & Maint Service	18,000	8,052.99	18,000	15,000
Environmental Impact Fees	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
Crushing	20,000	22,385.70	20,000	20,000
Act 250 Pit Amendment	10,000	16,763.70	10,000	-
Heating Oil	4,750	8,787.66	7,500	8,200
Propane	3,300	6,109.98	5,100	4,100
Electricity	5,600	6,352.40	6,200	5,200
Water & Sewer	1,160	1,137.73	1,150	1,150
Building Improvements	20,000	18,901.92	26,500	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 99,810</b>	<b>\$ 97,410.59</b>	<b>\$ 109,775</b>	<b>\$ 70,975</b>

<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,830,150</b>	<b>\$ 2,217,775.84</b>	<b>\$ 2,026,450</b>	<b>\$ 2,174,355</b>
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<i>Less Anticipated Revenue: Highway Dept.</i>	\$ (2,825)	\$ (2,825)
<i>Less Intergovernmental: State Aid to Highways</i>	\$ (214,800)	\$ (208,500)
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 1,808,825</b>	<b>\$ 1,963,030</b>

	<u>Operating Budget</u>	<u>To be Raised by Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2020-2021	\$ 2,174,355	\$ 1,963,030
FY 2019-2020	2,026,450	1,808,825
	<u>\$ 147,905</u>	<u>\$ 154,205</u>
	<u>7.3%</u>	<u>8.5%</u>

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAM

### Morristown Summer Recreation Camp Program

The Morristown Summer Recreation Camp program was created by Morristown voters in 1957 and for over 60 years still remains a thriving program that continues to support the needs of the youth in our community. The program runs for seven weeks in the summer and offers a fun and safe program to promote healthy eating and exercise with a variety of planned activities for children ages 5 through 12. Our vision is to provide a safe environment where all children will experience nature, expand their learning, creativity, create everlasting friendships, and engage in recreational activities to deepen their appreciation of Vermont's beautiful landscape and focus on four core values:

- Safety:** To provide a safe and healthy environment for everyone involved in the Morristown Summer Recreation Program.
- Respect:** To develop and foster children's respect for themselves, others, and property used to create a fun camp experience.
- Responsibility:** To increase children's responsibility of their belongings and become positive and social citizens in a variety of recreational activities during their summer camp experience.
- Fun:** To give every child the opportunity to make friends, memories, and participate in a diverse range.

The 2019 Morristown Summer Recreation Camp program was codirected by Peoples Academy graduates Louis Angione & Sarah Davis; 62 children attended the entire summer, 28 children came weekly and 31 children came for daily drop-in days. All children were provided healthy breakfasts and lunches each day. The mornings were spent at the Peoples Academy gym where campers were offered a wide variety of activities centered on the daily themes and weekly campers and counselors wowed each other with their talents on talent Tuesdays. Following lunch each day campers spent the afternoon swimming, building sandcastles, and playing at Lake Elmore. Once a week field trips were taken to various locations including Boulder Beach, a Lake Monsters baseball game, spare time bowling, Lamoille County Field Days, Smugglers Notch Go Zone, and the ever popular Santa's Village to end the summer. All campers and counselors were taught first aid and CPR with the generous support of Morristown Rescue and thanks to a generous amplify grant awarded by Rise Vermont all summer counselors were certified in waterfront safety and as lifeguards.

The Morristown Summer Recreation Camp Committee would like to thank the following businesses for their support: Concept 2, Country Home Center, Donald Blake Inc, Good Dog Grooming, Guys Farm & Yard, Manufacturing Solutions Inc, Marckres Norder & Company, Menard's Agway, Polow & Polow, RK Miles, Suburban Heating Oil, the Union Bank, and the staff of Peoples Academy.

### Morristown Parks & Recreation Committee

The Town of Morristown has recently resurrected the Parks and Recreation Committee that was originally formed in 1949. The purpose of the Committee is to seek the development of a wide variety of recreation programs, park facilities, and services to meet the total needs of the residents of the community and to increase awareness of all the many existing recreational assets and events happening in the greater Morristown community. The Committee plans to partner with community members and organizations to promote, encourage and share information regarding existing recreational activities in Morristown.

Morristown has a new online recreation management software program; you can learn more about it online at: [morristownvt.myrec.com](http://morristownvt.myrec.com). Click on the new account link to create your household account and gain access to program registrations. Be sure to then add all the members of your household into the account and please don't forget to enter your email and cell phone number with the carrier so we can contact you with any last-minute changes. Your new household account will provide you with registration history, financials and much more. This is where you can now register your children for the Morristown Summer Recreation Camp Program, download tax deductible receipts, and check out recreational events happening in town. We look forward to expanding this online program and enjoying the enhanced registration experience with you.

The Morristown public ice skating rink was established in the winter of 1959 in the Academy Park at the base of Copley Ave and Park St. Sixty years later families still continue to enjoy free ice skating with the rink relocated to the Oxbow Park three years ago. Thanks to a group of generous volunteers the community skating shack is open on the weekends with free skates to borrow for the whole family.

In January the Parks & Recreation Committee was awarded a Rise Vermont mini grant to purchase snowshoes and start a snowshoe lending program in partnership with Morristown Centennial Library. You can now borrow up to nine pairs of snowshoes (with a valid library card) for up to three days from the library. In May the committee hosted two community events at the Oxbow Park. The first was a Health & Wellness Event in conjunction with CCV thanks to a Rise Vermont amplifying grant. The second was a Revive your Bike event sponsored by Coldwell Banker Carlson Real Estate. It was a fun morning in the park and on the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail that included bike inspections, an obstacle course and free bike helmets for those in need.

The Parks & Recreation Committee continues to work on ways to improve our wonderful Oxbow Park. During the Wednesday Night Live concerts this summer the group sponsored recreational activities including hula hoop, corn hole, and ping pong. There are now horseshoe pits, a tetherball and a volleyball net for the community to use. The Committee was recently awarded Vermont Building Communities grant to install a swing set and mulch and has purchased a climbing dome to be installed in 2020.

Do you want to be involved in the future of recreation in Morristown? There are lots of great free activities in our community to get your family and friends together and enjoy the outdoors. The seven member committee meets on the second Monday of each month from 4:30-5:45 pm in the municipal building at 43 Portland Street. We can always use an extra hand and fresh ideas and we welcome you to join us moving forward to meet the town's recreation needs and become a part of the committee. Questions or suggestions for Morristown Parks & Rec? Email us at [parksandrec@morristownvt.org](mailto:parksandrec@morristownvt.org).

#### **Parks & Recreation Committee Members**

Judy Bickford, Maggie Cleary, John Duffy, Sara Haskins, Alison Link, Kristi McAllister, Valerie Valcour

#### **Morristown Summer Recreation Camp Program Committee Members**

Kristi McAllister; Coordinator, Angela Peterson, Tammara Laraway, Nicole McAllister

<b>TOWN OF MORRISTOWN SUMMER RECREATION CAMP PROGRAM</b>
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<b>REVENUE</b>	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<i>Summer Program:</i>				
Regular Program Fees	\$ 49,975	\$ 62,216.00	\$ 62,000	\$ 67,335
Sponsors/Donations	2,125	2,340.00	1,000	1,500
<i>Other Revenue:</i>				
Town Appropriation	15,000	15,000.00	20,000	20,000
Fundraisers	-	-	-	-
Grant Reimbursements	-	7,000.00	-	-
Transfer Surplus	-	-	-	-
Interest Earned	-	27.30	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 67,100</b>	<b>\$ 86,583.30</b>	<b>\$ 83,000</b>	<b>\$ 88,835</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<i>Summer Program:</i>				
Payroll	\$ 45,000	\$ 50,165.83	\$ 55,000	\$ 59,936
Payroll Taxes	3,500	3,837.69	4,200	4,586
Administrative	500	356.97	250	400
Supplies/Equipment	1,000	2,220.36	700	2,000
Safety Classes	1,500	1,710.00	3,000	2,813
Special - Outings	6,000	7,743.98	8,500	8,000
Special T-shirts	1,000	1,196.97	750	750
State Park Fee	450	450.00	650	450
Facility Fee	350	350.00	350	350
Transportation	6,800	8,795.85	9,200	9,200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>	<b>\$ 76,827.65</b>	<b>\$ 82,600</b>	<b>\$ 88,485</b>
<i>Food Program:</i>				
Food & Supplies	1,000	353.16	400	350
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>	<b>\$ 353.16</b>	<b>\$ 400</b>	<b>\$ 350</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 67,100</b>	<b>\$ 77,180.81</b>	<b>\$ 83,000</b>	<b>\$ 88,835</b>

## MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Part of a librarian's job is to notice trends and respond to member's interests. Your voices, your literary tastes and your vision inform the collection on our shelves, our programming and our ideas for the community library of tomorrow. As we appreciate our progress and plan for the years ahead, we thank you for your partnership in shaping our library's future.

Because of you, we continue to have the staffing and resources possible to visit and furnish library materials to daycares, preschools, nursing homes and homebound residents. We further our mission of promoting early and lifelong literacy and learning with weekly story times, monthly book discussions, author events and high-interest programs for multiple ages. Due to your support and patronage, we remain a place to relax, read, discover, discuss, grow as individuals and come together as a community.

In 2019, your support has enabled the library to:

- Be a community hub for activities ranging from book talks to exercise, games and music
- Complete the IT audit and computer replacements with Alario Tech
- Try new kinds of year-round programming for all ages
- Team with other Lamoille County libraries for a film and discussion series about shelter
- Schedule popular programs such as *802 Reptiles*
- Bring authors such as Katherine Paterson and Josh Funk to the library
- Host Current Events Cafes with local legislators
- Partner with other Morristown departments and agencies to offer events, recreational equipment and learning opportunities

Here is a quick picture of library activity over the past fiscal year:

- 39,528 visits
- 397 new members
- Over 700 new books, 600 new ebooks and 100 new DVDs procured for our public
- 42,312 physical and electronic materials borrowed
- 1286 InterLibrary Loan consortium requests fulfilled from our collection; 1011 MCL patrons' ILL requests fulfilled from consortium partner libraries
- 276 library programs for range of ages, with 3,380 total attendees

We are proud of the growth we have achieved, and of being a part of this vibrant town of Morristown. We look forward to your presence and participation in the continuing story of the library and its role in enriching lives and serving the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Gizelle Guyette  
Director, Morristown Centennial Library

<b>MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>REVENUE:</b>				
Fees and Sales	\$ 6,350	\$ 5,900.46	\$ 6,200	\$ 6,200
Investment Income & Gains	79,300	83,000.00	80,200	86,882
Grants	3,600	5,692.50	4,000	4,000
Other Reimbursed Expenses	-	710.37	-	-
Donations & Fund Raiser	17,900	15,148.20	18,800	16,500
Morristown Appropriation	159,578	159,578.00	174,578	180,601
Other Income	-	306.33	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 266,728	\$ 270,335.86	\$ 283,778	\$ 294,183

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 2,550	\$ 3,248.11	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,900
Postage	3,500	2,323.74	2,700	2,500
Accounting & Bookkeeping	250	20.00	200	200
Board Expenses	500	1,188.21	500	500
Dues & Publications	3,200	3,392.72	3,200	3,300
Insurance	2,000	2,109.30	2,100	2,200
Outside Services	2,250	1,912.50	2,200	2,100
Website	2,000	160.00	1,500	1,500
Fund Raising	200	17.99	200	100
TOTAL	\$ 16,450	\$ 14,372.57	\$ 15,300	\$ 15,300

<b>LIBRARY SERVICES:</b>				
Payroll	\$ 184,994	\$ 187,161.51	\$ 199,578	\$ 207,283
New Materials	18,950	19,675.97	19,100	19,250
Periodicals	1,600	1,004.44	1,500	1,500
Programs	6,100	6,108.92	6,100	6,100
Meetings	300	1,004.02	300	350
Technical Training	100	-	100	100

**MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

	Budget	Actual	Budget	Proposed
	2018-2019	2018-2019	2019-2020	Budget
				2020-2021
<b>LIBRARY SERVICES (CONTD):</b>				
Audio/Visual (repair/replacement)	100	86.94	100	100
Administrative Systems	1,800	1,642.26	2,000	1,700
Book Binding	100	-	150	-
Miscellaneous	134	264.57	100	200
Equipment	1,500	1,052.03	1,500	1,500
Computer Equipment	4,000	1,788.14	5,500	5,500
Photocopier	2,000	1,705.12	2,100	2,100
Repairs & Maintenance - Computer	6,500	3,406.48	6,500	7,000
Transportation	150	509.20	150	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 228,328</b>	<b>\$ 225,409.60</b>	<b>\$ 244,778</b>	<b>\$ 253,183</b>
<b>BUILDING:</b>				
Supplies - Janitorial	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,482.78	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,650
Tash Removal/Recycling	\$ -	\$ 439.75	\$ -	\$ -
Repairs & Maintenance-Building	8,750	12,280.55	9,750	11,750
Utilities	11,300	11,927.88	12,000	12,000
Furniture & Fixtures	300	2,512.39	300	300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 21,950</b>	<b>\$ 28,643.35</b>	<b>\$ 23,700</b>	<b>\$ 25,700</b>
<b>OTHER:</b>				
Grant Expenses - Copley Fund/Stevens	\$ -	\$ 142.30	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 142.30</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 266,728</b>	<b>\$ 268,567.82</b>	<b>\$ 283,778</b>	<b>\$ 294,183</b>

## PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Mike Day and Brian Quad continue doing an excellent job of keeping the pleasant view cemetery grounds in pristine condition. Mark Faith joins in the efforts by providing sexton services on a volunteer basis. Pleasant View Cemetery Association (PVC) is most appreciative of the pride these individuals take in their efforts. We feel fortunate to have their assistance.

PVC has offered several reminders requesting people to refrain from planting trees and/or shrubs and to remove any they have already planted. This summer signs were placed as yet another reminder. The Rules and Regulations prohibit planting of such vegetation that has not been dealt with by plot owners. Copies of the Rules and Regulations are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Jeff Hunsberger, Wendy Hubbard, Jenn Chittick and Alden Launer approached the Board on behalf of the Child Bereavement Coalition and the SIMON Project (Sudden Infant (&Child) Mourning Network) requesting space for a monument. It was agreed that a space behind the Veterans' Memorial would be provided.

The Association also wants to remind people that when the chains are across the gates, this means the cemetery is closed and access is prohibited. There has been an issue with people driving around the upper gate, destroying lawns, among other things. PVC operates on a very tight budget and unnecessary damages increases expenses.

Keeping grounds the size of Pleasant View Cemetery in such a beautiful condition requires the efforts of many hard working and knowledgeable people. There is always behind the scenes that has to be done. Anyone interested in joining these efforts is encouraged to contact the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Joie Marshall, President

Lee Sturtevant, Vice President

<b>PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION</b>
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	Budget 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
<b>REVENUE:</b>				
Burial Fees	\$ 500	\$ 50.00	\$ 300	\$ 200
Vault Fees	\$ -	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ 400
Sale of Lots	3,000	4,050.00	3,000	3,000
Transfer from Endowment	24,700	15,000.00	24,700	17,200
Appropriation - Town	16,000	16,000.00	16,000	16,000
Sale of Assets	500	615.03	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 44,700</b>	<b>\$ 36,165.03</b>	<b>\$ 44,000</b>	<b>\$ 36,800</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
Gross Wages	\$ 21,760	\$ 21,854.00	\$ 21,835	\$ 22,360
Employer Taxes: Fica/Medi	1,665	1,671.84	1,670	1,800
Employer Taxes: Unemployment	2,000	1,487.63	2,000	2,000
Workers Comp Insurance	1,200	1,772.23	2,000	2,000
Fuel	800	744.10	945	1,000
Small Equipment	-	-	-	3,000
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	500	398.31	1,000	1,000
Capital Equipment	5,500	-	6,000	-
Cemetery Upkeep	200	169.77	250	340
Utilities	250	297.22	350	350
Hydrant Repair	-	-	1,000	-
Tree Removal	10,000	1,650.00	6,000	2,000
Office Expense	150	-	150	150
Miscellaneous	675	700.00	800	800
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 44,700</b>	<b>\$ 30,745.10</b>	<b>\$ 44,000</b>	<b>\$ 36,800</b>

## MORRISTOWN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Morristown Cemetery Association had a very busy summer. Once again trees in and near the cemeteries needed our attention, especially the large white pines. As these trees age, branches break off, threatening cemetery stones below, as well as the people who might be visiting family lots. At least five of these trees were removed and more will need to go in the future. Dead branches were removed from several large maples, but the trees were deemed safe to remain. Our current finances allowed us to pay for professional repair and straightening of historic head stones. Association members and their families volunteered their time to straighten some stones and to finish projects at some locations.

This year, the responsibility for hiring the mowing company returned to the Town. Scott Dronoy of Apex Services was hired just before the mowing season began and soon became familiar with each cemetery and did an excellent job for us.

Some cemeteries are running out of space. The Association does not have sufficient funding to purchase new lands or even adjoining land, should it become available. As a result, we had a company with ground sonar come to some locations to try to verify that unused areas of current cemeteries could be used for burials. We know there are unmarked graves in some of the older areas. Unfortunately, the sonar gives us some input, but is not sophisticated enough to remove all doubt. Former driveways that are no longer used at Mountain View and Plains cemeteries will be studied and may be opened as space for burials. Unused areas at Wheeler will also be looked at for burial spaces. Sales have started in the cremation only section at Mountain View and should be available at Randolph in the spring. These smaller lots save space and are a less expensive option, however, some restrictions do apply.

We are working with the Town Clerk's office to improve lot sales, update old cemetery records and make future records more accurate. Each year one or two problems seem to arise. Some of the old handwritten records are hard to read and understand. At times, records from two sources may give different information. We may never be able to correct 200 years of records, but we will strive to make them more accurate going forward.

We continue to have problems with the quantity and placement of decorations. Please consider the mowers when placing plants and other momentos. A good rule of thumb is to keep the objects within a foot of the head stone. The association is not responsible if damage occurs because objects interfere with mowing.

We wish to thank Annette Smith for her many years of service to the Association as our Endowment Secretary.

Dennis Smith, President, Trustee Randolph & Riverside Cemeteries  
Anne Shackett, Vice President, Trustee Mountain View Cemetery  
Jane Paine, Secretary/Treasurer, Trustee Wheeler & Plains Cemeteries  
Lorinda Smith, Trustee to Executive Board, Trustee Laporte Cemetery  
Irene Wilkins, Trustee Wheeler Cemetery  
Cherie Lefevre, Trustee Lakeview Cemetery  
Brian Kellogg, Select Board Liason

<b>MORRISTOWN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION</b>
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**Current Assets**

Cking - Operating UBMM	\$ 5,551	
Donor Restricted-Wheeler Gate	\$ 4,000	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>\$ 9,551</b>

**Board Designated Endowments**

Savings - UB/VSECU Endowments	\$ 10,005	
Vanguard Investments	<u>\$ 128,948</u>	
<b>Total Other Assets</b>		<b>\$ 138,953</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>\$ 148,504</b>

## LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

**Current Liabilities****Capital**

Retained Earnings	\$ 146,364	
Excess/(Deficit) Rev over Exp	<u>\$ 2,140</u>	
<b>Total Capital</b>		<b>\$ 148,504</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Capital</b>		<b>\$ 148,504</b>

## Morristown Cemetery Association

## Income Statement

For the Period Ending December 31, 2019

**Revenues**

Interest Earned	\$ 3,104
Donations - Wheeler/Randolph	\$ 115
Town Funds - Maintenance & Care	\$ 4,000
Interments	\$ 50
Unrealized Gain(Loss) on Investments	<u>\$ 17,316</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 24,586</b>

**Operating Expenses**

Stone Repairs	\$ 1,445
Fencing	\$ 445
Annual Maintenance	<u>\$ 20,450</u>
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$ 22,340</b>

**Administrative Expenses**

Dues/Office Expense	<u>\$ 106</u>
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>\$ 106</b>

<b>Excess/(Deficit) Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,140</b>
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## ALEXANDER HAMILTON COPLEY TRUST FUND

The Alexander Hamilton Copley Fund was established as a trust by Copley in his will in March 1937. The net income only of the charitable trust fund is to be used.

### Criteria

- Used for creating works of public utility and beauty for the use of enjoyment of the inhabitants of the Village of Morrisville in the Town of Morristown.
- Confined to localities within the area of said Village or to purposes specifically benefiting its residents.
- No part shall be used for a religious, political, educational, or any purpose which it is the duty of the Village to Town to provide.
- No part of income shall be mingled with other funds or applied to joint undertakings but that each work established shall be separate and distinct.

### Terms/Conditions

- Income shall not be anticipated or pledged beyond the amount initially in hand.
- Said income may be accumulated for any purpose within the scope of the gift.
- Successive accumulations may be applied to the same object.
- Any work(s) established from the Fund may be improved, extended, enlarged or added to from time to time.
- Current expense of their care and maintenance shall be borne by said Town
- Each work shall always bear in a conspicuous place a suitable inscription identifying it as erected or established from the Fund.
- No substantial expenditure shall be made for any purpose until it has been under consideration by the trustees for a least three months.
- Priority shall be given to works of important, civic improvement; use of funds for small, comparatively unimportant needs is contrary to Copley's intent.
- Accumulation of income over a period of time is allowed in order to fund important works.

<b>ALEXANDER HAMILTON COPLEY TRUST FUND</b>
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## TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT - 2019

Beginning Balance as of 12/31/2018		
Trust Acct	\$	1,536,412.50
Income Acct		49,042.36
Total Account Balance @ Fair Market Value		\$ 1,585,454.86
Cash Receipts:		
Income (Dividends/Interest)	\$	40,388.21
Cash Disbursements		
Expenses (Fees/Accounting)	\$	(12,201.73)
Expenses (Projects - refunds)		4,225.39
	\$	(7,976.34)
Other Activity		
Net Change in Account Activity & Market Value	\$	198,668.18
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2019		
Trust Acct	\$	1,733,498.24
Income Acct		83,036.67
Total Account Balance @ 12/31/19 @ FMV		\$ 1,816,534.91

The Trustee's have copies of the complete Will and Codicil available for inspection by any voter. Paragraph "Eleventh" of the Will and Codicil are printed in the News & Citizen immediately following this report as required by the terms of the Will. We certify that we have caused said trust to be audited, have verified the items above, and that such account is true and correct.

Bob Beeman, Chair w/s

Brian Kellogg, Vice Chair w/s

Eric Dodge w/s

Chris Towne w/s

Judy Bickford w/s

Gloria Wing w/s

Richard Sargent w/s

Subscribed and sworn to before this 29th day of January 2020.

Erica Allen, Notary Public (Expires 1/31/2021)

## MORRISTOWN LISTERS' OFFICE

### GRAND LIST 2019

The 2019 corrected Grand List total as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 is **\$6,460,656.60**. This is a **1.60%** increase over the 2018 Grand List. This change is due to new construction of dwellings and commercial activity since April 1, 2018 to April 1, 2019.

### COMPARISONS IN COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL

YEAR OF 2018 = **102.55%**                      YEAR OF 2019 = **100.48%**

*(The Common Level of Appraisal is essentially a measure of how close a town or city's local appraisals are to fair market value).*

### FOR THE COMING YEAR OF 2020

**CLA FOR 2020 99.62%**

**COD FOR 2020 15.67%**

### COMPARISONS IN COEFFICIENT OF DISPERSION

YEAR OF 2018 = **14.62%**                      YEAR OF 2019 = **14.41%**

*(The COD is a measure of uniformity of appraisals for all properties on the grand list. Zero is a perfect score as a coefficient of dispersion. It indicates absolute fairness insofar as every taxpayer is appraised at exactly the same percentage) (fair market value). The higher the number, the greater the disparity in how properties are assessed in that town.*

### CURRENT USE PROGRAM

The 2019 Grand List has **138** parcels enrolled in the Current Use Program. There are 13,706.14 acres enrolled in the program. These enrolled acres represent an exempt reduction to the Grand List in the amount of **\$33,958,600**

The Listers office has been very busy this past year requiring the part time assistance of personnel from Vermont Appraisal Company and Consulting Assessor Terri J Sabens. Besides the Vermont required schedule to complete the annual grand list, additional pressure was generated to complete other reports using grand list data. In addition we were faced with the resignations/retirement of Listers Charles McArthur and Richard Tomlinson early in March, 2019. Staffing adjustments began in February.

Abigail Patch was added to the full time staff as Morristown Listing Coordinator and Terri J Sabens was brought on as Municipal Assessor for the Town. In addition Paul Griswold was elected at Town Meeting and Maria Ward was appointed to fill out the term of Mr. McArthur. The Listers office is now at full staffing with only one Lister, Duane Sprague, having any previous experience.

**\*Additional information can be found in Listers office to support above numbers\***

Duane Sprague

Paul Griswold

Maria Ward

Abbie Patch, Lister Coordinator

Terri Sabens, Consulting Assessor

**GRAND LIST - SIX YEAR COMPARISON**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Municipal List (\$)</u>	<u>Education List (\$)</u>	<u>Change (\$)</u>	<u>% Of Change</u>
FY2014	6,117,026		55,331	0.91%
FY2014		6,034,024	48,294	0.81%
FY2015	6,162,835		45,809	0.75%
FY2015		6,074,725	40,701	0.67%
FY2016	6,229,819		66,984	1.10%
FY2016		6,123,522	48,797	0.80%
FY2017	6,300,361		70,542	1.13%
FY2017		6,189,748	66,226	1.08%
FY2018	6,356,574		56,213	0.89%
FY2018		6,252,027	62,279	1.00%
FY2019	6,460,657		104,083	1.60%
FY2019		6,376,426	57,244	0.90%

**TAX RATE - SIX YEAR COMPARISON**

<b>FISCAL YEAR:</b>	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>TOWN:</b>						
Municipal	\$ 0.4858	\$ 0.5172	\$ 0.5363	\$ 0.5243	\$ 0.5857	\$ 0.5844
Highway	\$ 0.2918	\$ 0.2908	\$ 0.2854	\$ 0.3283	\$ 0.2949	\$ 0.3202
Local Agreement	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0016	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0017
<b>Total Town Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$ 0.7791</b>	<b>\$ 0.8095</b>	<b>\$ 0.8233</b>	<b>\$ 0.8541</b>	<b>\$ 0.8821</b>	<b>\$ 0.9063</b>
<b>SCHOOL:</b>						
Homestead	\$ 1.3389	\$ 1.3667	\$ 1.3906	\$ 1.3819	\$ 1.3797	\$ 1.4479
Non-Residential	\$ 1.4760	\$ 1.4605	\$ 1.4753	\$ 1.4979	\$ 1.5407	\$ 1.5864
<b>COMBINED TOWN &amp; SCHOOL:</b>						
Homestead	\$ 2.1180	\$ 2.1762	\$ 2.2139	\$ 2.2360	\$ 2.2618	\$ 2.3542
Non-Residential	\$ 2.2551	\$ 2.2700	\$ 2.2986	\$ 2.3520	\$ 2.4228	\$ 2.4927

## STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

For Fiscal Year July 1, 2018- June 30, 2019

<b>Calculated Taxes</b>			
<b>Category:</b>	<b>Grand List Value at 1%</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>Tax Revenue</b>
Municipal: Original	\$ 6,491,046.19	\$ 0.8644	\$ 5,610,860.33
Municipal: Supplemental	\$ 6,356,573.95	\$ 0.0177	\$ 112,511.36
Education: Homestead	\$ 3,153,399.00	\$ 1.3797	\$ 4,350,744.60
Education: Non-Residential	\$ 3,096,304.51	\$ 1.5407	\$ 4,770,476.36
Taxes Calculated per Grand List			\$ 14,844,592.64
Decimal Rounding			\$ (27.12)
<b>Taxes to be Collected as of 9/13/18</b>			<b>\$ 14,844,565.52</b>
<b>Adjustments:</b>			
Adjustments			\$ (92,952.41)
History Additions			\$ 259.60
Eliminate Credits			\$ -
Abatements: BCA voted			\$ (1,674.57)
Credits: Applied from Previous Tax Years			\$ (76,559.17)
<b>Total Taxes Billed as of 6/30/19</b>			<b>\$ 14,673,638.97</b>

<b>Reconciled Taxes</b>	
Collected	\$ 14,514,792.66
Delinquent	\$ 158,846.31
<b>Taxes Reconciled as of 6/30/19</b>	<b>\$ 14,673,638.97</b>

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

The current Grammar School Savings Account held by the Trustee of Public Funds for the Town of Morristown has a principal basis of \$1619.97. This amount was forwarded to the Trustee of Public Funds as a result of the sale of the Lamoille Grammar School in 1984. Act No. M-10 was enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont instructing the Lamoille Grammar School to be sold and the proceeds be forwarded to the Trustee of Public Funds in the towns in which the grammar school's lease lands were located. All funds distributed must be held and invested by the Trustee of Public Funds for the support of the Town School District.

The 2019 total invested for the school district in a Certificate of Deposit at the Union Bank is \$3,749.10.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Angela Norder  
 Francis Welch  
 Sara Allyn Haskins

## NOTICE TO MORRISTOWN PROPERTY TAXPAYERS

### NOTICE TO MORRISTOWN PROPERTY TAXPAYERS

**Tax Year: July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020**

#### **INSTALLMENT DATES:**

Due dates, deadlines to pay, interest and penalty fees are all voted on at the Annual Town Meeting. ONE BILL will be sent at least 30 days prior to the first due date. **This is the only bill you will receive** and also includes applicable Village taxes. You will **NOT** receive a notice of payment due for the final installment. This bill includes two installment coupons attached to the bottom and you may pay it in full or in installments as follows:

- FIRST installment due and payable at the Town Office by 4:00 PM on November 15, 2019**
- FINAL installment due and payable at the Town Office by 4:00 PM on May 15, 2020**

Any installment not paid on or before the close of business at 4:00 PM on the due date will be subject to interest on the unpaid principal at the rate of 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% thereafter per 32 V.S.A. §4873. An 8% penalty on the unpaid principal will be charged if payment is not received in full on or before the close of business at 4:00 PM on the final installment due date as provided by 32 V.S.A. §5136.

You can pay property taxes more frequently than the two installments. Our system is capable of receiving tax payments weekly, monthly, quarterly or whatever way accommodates your budget, as long as the taxes are paid in full by the due dates.

#### **PAYMENTS:**

Postdated checks or other checks not meeting the requirements will be returned and penalties will be added if applicable. All checks returned by the bank for any reason will cause the payment and receipt to be voided and delinquent penalties will be added.

The Town of Morristown offers various options for paying your property tax bill:

- In person:** Personally pay your property taxes during office hours or in the night deposit box located at the right of the front door. Payments left in the night deposit box after 4:00 PM on the due date are considered late and interest and/or penalty will be applied.
- Mail:** Mail currently dated checks or money orders, made payable to the Town of Morristown, to PO Box 748, Morrisville, VT 05661-0748. Payments mailed from foreign countries may be paid by check but must be payable in US dollars. **Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be considered timely.** For receipts you must send the installment coupon of the tax bill and a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- Direct debit:** Complete the enclosed agreement form to have your tax payment automatically debited from your checking or savings account and return it to the Treasurer's office no later than two weeks prior to the installment date for your payment to be automatically deducted for your tax installment. A new agreement is not needed every year; it will be valid until cancelled by you in writing.

- **Credit/debit card:** For your convenience you can pay your property tax bill by credit or debit card; however additional convenience fees will be applied by the card company. Contact the Treasurer's office at 888-6370 for more information.
- **Electronically:** Electronic bank checks and ACH deposits must be received in the office by 4:00 PM on the due date. Electronic checks dated for the due date, but received after the due date will not be considered a timely payment. Please check with your bank for availability and payment schedules.

#### **PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- By law, taxes are levied on property as it exists for the owner of record on April 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the start of the tax year. Tax bills are mailed to the April 1<sup>st</sup> owner of record to the address on file with the Lister's Office.
- If your property is sold after April 1<sup>st</sup> it is your responsibility to forward the tax bill to the new owner and the new owner's responsibility to take notice of the due dates. This office does not know what arrangements have been made regarding who is to pay the taxes at the time of transfer.
- If your property is subdivided after April 1<sup>st</sup> your bill contains taxes due on the entire parcel. It is your responsibility to make sure the entire tax bill is paid in full for the year. You must contact your attorney for prorated taxes or funds being held in escrow on the sale and division of the property.
- If your taxes are held in escrow by a mortgage company you are responsible for providing your escrow company with all the current information included on your property tax bill. If you receive a revised tax bill for any reason it is also your responsibility to inform your escrow company of changes made to your property tax account.
- You must notify the Town of any mailing address changes at 888-6370 or [mfleming@morristownvt.org](mailto:mfleming@morristownvt.org).
- **FAILURE TO RECEIVE A TAX BILL DOES NOT RELIEVE THE TAXPAYER OF RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY THE TAXES WHEN DUE NOR DOES IT RELIEVE THE ADDITION OF PENALTIES AND INTEREST.**
- Property owners who qualify and have timely filed their annual Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes may see a property tax adjustment in the form of a credit on their tax bill. The Town is required to apply the credit equally to each installment for the current year and cannot be used for delinquent taxes.

#### **OVERPAYMENTS:**

- *First installment:* over payments of any amount will be applied to the next property tax installment unless a refund is requested in writing by the property owner or the source of the original funds (Bank or Mortgage Company).
- *Final installment:* over payments less than \$10.00 will be credited towards the next installment of the next tax year; overpayments over \$10.00 will be returned to whom we received the overpayment unless directed differently in writing by the property owner.

*See the notice printed on the back of your tax bill for more important information provided by the Vermont Department of Taxes.*

## TAX ABATEMENT

Each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes to the Board of Abatement of the Town of Morristown under Title 24 V.S.A., § 1535.

(a) The board may abate in whole or part taxes, interest, and collection fees, other than those arising out of a corrected classification of homestead or nonresidential property, accruing to the town in the following cases:

- (1) taxes of persons who have died insolvent;
- (2) taxes of persons who have removed from the state;
- (3) taxes of persons who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, and collection fees;
- (4) taxes in which there is manifest error or a mistake of the listers;
- (5) taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year;
- (6) the exemption amount available under 32 V.S.A. § 3802(11) - Veterans Exemption - to persons otherwise eligible for exemption who file a claim on or after May 1 but before October 1 due to the claimant's sickness or disability or other good cause as determined by the board of abatement; but that exemption amount shall be reduced by 20 percent of the total exemption for each month or portion of a month the claim is late filed.
- (7), (8) [Repealed.]
- (9) taxes upon a mobile home moved from the town during the tax year as a result of a change in use of the mobile home park land or parts thereof, or closure of the mobile home park in which the mobile home was sited, pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6237.

If you believe that you qualify for abatement, immediately contact the Town Clerk at 888-6370 to request a hearing before the board. At the hearing, you will be required to provide documentation to support your request. Abatement requests must be renewed annually.

## DELINQUENT TAX POLICY

The Town of Morristown follows a consistent policy of collecting delinquent Town, Village and School District taxes. The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines so that all delinquent taxpayers will be treated fairly, will know what to expect and to avoid claims that the town is acting arbitrarily. It is in the best interest of the Town and its residents that property taxes are paid when due. Provisions of Vermont Statutes will be adhered to in order to ensure that the delinquent taxpayer is afforded the necessary “due process”.

- The Town Treasurer will issue to the Delinquent Tax Collector a warrant for collection of all delinquent property tax accounts that are not paid in full by the final installment due date as voted upon at the Annual Town Meeting by the registered Morristown voters.
- As soon as the warrant has been received, and each month afterwards for ninety (90) days, the Delinquent Tax Collector will send a notice to each delinquent taxpayer indicating the amount of taxes, penalty and interest owed.
- Delinquent taxes shall be assessed a onetime penalty of 8% of the principal balance due.
- Interest continues to accrue per installment at a rate of 1% per month for the first 3 months, increasing to 1.5% per month thereafter from the due dates until the total balance is paid in full.
- Partial payments will be applied first to the interest due in full, and the remainder will be divided proportionally between the principal, collection and penalty amounts due.
- Certified notices will be mailed after the close of business on July 15<sup>th</sup> and associated mailing costs will be charged to delinquent taxpayers. This is the LAST NOTICE that will be sent from the Delinquent Tax Collector.
- If the final deadline has passed and payment has not been received in full, the Delinquent Tax Collector will proceed with a tax sale according to the procedures specified in Title 32 V.S.A. § 5252. Once delinquent taxes have been turned over for collection all payments must be made directly to the delinquent tax attorney.
- Statutory collection costs of preparing and conducting the tax sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer and must be paid in order to consider the tax liability no longer delinquent. (Title 32 V.S.A. § 5258)
- The Morristown Selectboard may appoint a tax sale agent to submit a bid that is equal to delinquent taxes, interest, penalty and costs.
- In the event that no one purchases the property at tax sale, or if, in the judgment of the Delinquent Tax Collector, proceeding with the tax sale is inadvisable, the Delinquent Tax Collector shall collect the delinquent taxes using any or all of the methods permitted by law.
- Each taxpayers has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes based on any of the grounds listed in 24 V.S.A. § 1535.

**This policy may be amended at any time by the Selectboard and/or the Delinquent Tax Collector of the Town of Morristown, Vermont as provided by law**

**TOWN DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION REPORT**

Period Ending	Beginning balance as of July 1, 2018	Collected	Abated	Uncollected balance as of June 30, 2019
2014-2015	\$ 51.86	\$ 51.86	\$ -	\$ -
2015-2016	\$ 52.20	\$ 52.20	\$ -	\$ -
2016-2017	\$ 5,201.16	\$ 5,161.98	\$ -	\$ 39.18
2017-2018	\$ 128,002.65	\$ 121,435.58	\$ 278.76	\$ 6,288.31
2018-2019**	\$ 466,741.89	\$ 309,068.27	\$ 89.19	\$ 157,584.43
2018-2019S**	\$ 4,155.07	\$ 2,876.63	\$ 16.56	\$ 1,261.88
	<b>\$ 604,204.83</b>	<b>\$ 438,646.52</b>	<b>\$ 384.51</b>	<b>\$ 165,173.80</b>

\*\*Beginning balance as of May 16, 2019

**TOWN CLERK & TREASURER**

The Town Clerk/Treasurer’s Office is a point of reference for people with questions about our community. Whether it’s assisting citizens to register to vote, providing notary services, licensing dogs, collecting property taxes, posting private land, renewing vehicle registrations, issuing certified copies of birth and death certificates or issuing marriage licenses, we are always willing and able to assist.

The following are statistics for some of the services we offer:

<i>Service provided</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
DMV renewals	288	269	247	273	229
Documents notarized	328	379	360	312	351
Dog Licenses	636	633	631	629	652
Land Postings	10	13	12	13	19
Liquor licenses	30	30	40	43	42

**Green Mountain Passports:** Are you over the age of 62 or a veteran of the uniformed services? Come see us to get a Green Mountain Passport for free admission to Vermont State parks, Vermont State historical sites and events which are fully State sponsored.

**Dog Licenses:** All dogs or wolf-hybrids six months of age and older must be licensed annually on or before the first day of April. Dog licenses are available for purchase starting the first week of January. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be presented to the Town Clerk’s Office before obtaining a license. Morrystown has an animal control ordinance, its purpose is to regulate the keeping of dogs [and wolf hybrids], to protect public health and safety and to protect the residents’ quiet enjoyment of their homes and properties. A full copy of the ordinance can be found on the Town website.

**Vital Records:** Our office is responsible for housing all official birth, burial transit, death & marriage records that have occurred within our town since 1779. We are also the repository for all cemetery deeds, maps and records for the eight Morrystown cemeteries. Certified copies of vital records are available upon request for \$10.00 per document and genealogy research can be done during regular office hours.

<i>Vital Records</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
Births at Copley Hospital	214	209	195	181	184
Births of residents at other hospitals	14	9	13	16	22
Civil marriages	38	37	40	37	23
Deaths	98	100	118	119	117
Sale of certified records	1351	1370	1235	1196	1160
Cemetery deeds	5	8	11	10	2

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

Act 46 went into effect on July 1, 2019 significantly changing the state laws that govern vital records. The new law and rules 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.

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.
- An individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for a certified copy of a birth or death certificate.
- 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.

**Land Records:** The Town Clerk's Office is the repository for all the Morrystown land records. Recording, preserving and restoration of these records for the benefit of the Town is one of the most important responsibility of the Town Clerk's Office. Morrystown's land records date back to 1781 and it is interesting to see the progression from hand written documents to digital recording. Morrystown's land records dating back to 1959 are available to view online for free at: <https://i2d.uslandrecords.com/VT/Morrystown>

<i>Documents recorded</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
Land record pages	4371	5238	5256	5037	5052
Property transfer tax returns	229	264	232	238	254
Survey maps	27	31	27	41	34

**Elections:** 2019 was a very busy election year due to the school district merger and the creation of the newly formed Lamoille South Unified Union School District. During the 2019 calendar year our office registered 401 new voters and managed 10 elections. Although we take great pride in our efforts to efficiently manage all elections, we would not be able to do it without our Board of Civil Authority members and the people who volunteer to assist us during elections. To those election workers, we offer a heartfelt thank you. Volunteers are always needed for elections & special projects; please call us at 888-6370 if you are interested.

Since 2017 same day voter registration has been in effect which means there is no longer a deadline to register to vote and eligible residents can now register and vote at the polls on Election Day. If you can't make it to the polls to vote you can always request an early/absentee ballot. For local elections

early/absentee ballots are available 20 days prior to each election. To request an early ballot contact the Town Clerk's Office by phone, email, mail or by using the Secretary of State's *My Voter Page*.

**“My Voter Page”** – (<http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>) is an online resource that allows every voter to login and have access to a unique, voter-specific web page where they can register to vote, request an absentee ballot, track its status, update their voter registration record, find their polling place, view a sample ballot, and much more.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>#Voters</i>	<i>#Voted</i>	<i>#Absentee</i>	<i>%Voted</i>
January 14, 2019	Special LSUU Organizational Meeting	3803	39	NA	1.03%
February 26, 2019	Special LSUU Articles of Agreement	3813	226	57	5.93%
February 28, 2019	Annual EMUU Floor Meeting	3814	15	NA	.39%
March 5, 2019	Annual Town Floor Meeting	3817	158	NA	4.14%
March 5, 2019	Annual EMUU Australian Ballot	3817	615	75	16.12%
March 5, 2019	Annual Town Australian Ballot	3817	617	75	16.16%
April 8, 2019	Annual Village Floor Meeting	1429	13	NA	.91%
April 9, 2019	Special LSUU School Directors	3828	101	2	2.64%
May 23, 2019	Annual LSUU Floor Meeting	3838	16	NA	.42%
May 24, 2019	Annual LSUU Australian Ballot	3846	208	27	5.41%

**Property Taxes:** If you own the home that serves as your primary residence, you are required by law to file your homestead declaration by April 15<sup>th</sup> every year. You must file your homestead declaration even if you get an extension for filing your income tax return, even if you are not eligible for income sensitivity, and even if you are not required to file income tax returns. You may be eligible for an income sensitivity property tax adjustment on your property taxes if your property qualifies as a homestead and you meet all of the State of Vermont eligibility requirements. For more information visit the Vermont Department of Taxes website at [www.tax.vermont.gov](http://www.tax.vermont.gov) or call 1-866-828-2865.

The State of Vermont is no longer mailing paper income tax book forms to Town Clerk's Offices. To order a form email [tax.formsrequest@vermont.gov](mailto:tax.formsrequest@vermont.gov), call 802-828-2515 or download the fillable PDF form at: <http://tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/tax-forms>

**Recreation Accounting Software:** In March the Town acquired a new online recreation management software program; you can create a household account and learn more about it online at: [morristownvt.myrec.com](http://morristownvt.myrec.com). The program is used primarily for registering and tracking payments for Morrystown summer recreation campers but the Town is now using it to announce and register for all town sponsored events. If your child attended the Morrystown recreation summer camp you can print your tax receipt deduction directly from the system. We hope the ease and efficiency of this new online payment system will be mutually beneficial for the users and our staff.

**School Involvement:** Our office supports learning experiences with the local schools whenever possible. Throughout the year we worked with various Peoples Academy High School classes on current events,

Morristown during the Civil War, community service projects and the Halloween candy drive. In May our office hosted Maple Leaf students from Peoples Academy Middle level. The Maple Leaf Project is a nearly 40 year old project where students spend time each morning at local businesses learning real life skills in the work place. In September I spent a day working with the Morristown kindergarteners teaching them about the importance of registering your dogs and voting. The students were given three choices and in a very close election they choose green clovers as the 2020 Morristown dog tag.

**Keeping Informed:** Please notify our office of any changes in your information so that you may receive timely correspondence. To find out about all the municipal services that are offered, visit our website at <http://www.morristownvt.org/clerk>. The Town utilizes the town website, the Town facebook page, and front porch forum to notify residents of tax due dates, dog licensing dates, office closings, election information and other important news and updates.

Have you signed up for front porch forum yet? It's a neighbor e-newsletter delivered daily to your email inbox. FPF is a free service that helps neighbors connect and build community by hosting a statewide network of online local forums. Learn more at: <http://frontporchforum.com>

**Town Clerk Staff:** Continued education is required for us to stay current on the constantly changing State statutes causing shifts in our job requirements. We attend quarterly Clerks and Treasurers trainings as well as other trainings put on throughout the year. At the Vermont Clerks and Treasurers annual conference I was recognized by the Vermont Clerks and Treasurers Association as a certified Vermont Clerk. VMCTA certification is an honor given to Vermont Clerks or Treasurers for professional development and community service. To earn this designation, recipients complete a series of mandatory continuing education courses, attend professional workshops, participate in the VMCTA, and serve with distinction in their local municipalities.

I would like to thank Mitzi Fleming and Elizabeth Chase for their dedication to tasks throughout this busy year. Morristown is lucky to have such talented individuals; they work hard for me and more importantly for you!

We are constantly looking for ways to improve service and accessibility to information. Don't hesitate to contact me with suggestions or questions at [shaskins@morristownvt.org](mailto:shaskins@morristownvt.org) or 888-6370. Our office hours are: Monday - Thursday from 8:00 - 4:00 and Fridays from 8:00 - 1:00.

We are looking forward to another productive year serving the citizens of Morristown!

Respectfully submitted,  
Sara Allyn Haskins

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR / SELECTBOARD

This past year was highlighted by the much overdue paving of the Town's Class One Highways. This was a State of Vermont Project and they did a great job of minimizing the impact to residents and businesses by completing a significant portion of the project at night. This project was a great enhancement to the wonderful things that are already happening in the downtown area. We also completed more paving on Randolph Road and Stancliff Road. The Village Crew completed the replacement of the sidewalks on Congress Street.

We also formed a committee that worked with the Morrisville Village Trustees to hopefully find some solutions to BOD capacity at the Village's Sewer Plant. Having adequate capacity is vitally important to a number of Town businesses ability to grow and prosper in this area. It was a very educational process and we firmly believe that there are solutions to the problem and we look forward to working together to resolve the issue.

We welcomed Abigail Patch as our new Lister Coordinator as Charlie McArthur retired. Bill Mapes came aboard as our new Emergency Medical Service Chief. Kevin Barrows is the new Highway Foreman as Roland Boivin retired after 34 years of service to the Town. We sincerely appreciate his years of service. The Highway Foreman job is a 24 hour a day commitment and he often put his dedication to the Town ahead of his family and for that he deserves our deepest gratitude. We wish Roland and his family the very best in the future years.

The Selectboard is now working to resolve the parking congestion in the Downtown. Next year we will be adding more parking in the area around the Noyes House Museum. We are working on plans to reconfigure the Copley Parking Lot on Pleasant Street that will add a significant number of parking spaces. There are other areas we are looking to improve as well.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the women and men of our volunteer emergency services. They leave their homes and families at all times and in all conditions in an effort to preserve life and property. We also wish to recognize the members of all military services. Combined, these individuals work tirelessly to guarantee our safety and freedom. Their support to the community is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,  
The Selectboard and Town Administrator

## MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Morristown Police Department had a busy year responding to 4,612 calls for service in 2019. Below is breakdown of the top ten types of calls we have responded to.

Suspicious Events	584	Agency Assists	323
Motor Vehicle Complaints	288	Alarms	195
Motor Vehicle Accidents	263	Fingerprints	109
Citizen Disputes	179	Juvenile Problems	106
Parking Problems	117	Welfare Checks	93

We also conducted 893 traffic stops this past year. 214 arrests were made this year compared to 119 last year. We have seen an increase in not only arrests but also criminal offenses partly due to our calls of service changing; as we adapt to an increase amount of social services organizations coming into town as well as our town continuing to grow. We are experiencing an increase in calls of services that are becoming more time consuming. This is becoming noticeable especially when patrol officers are working alone and other calls of service come in requiring immediate attention.

We continue to be part of the Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit, which investigates allegations related to physical and sexual violence against children and adults. Our detective along with our neighboring law enforcement partners, participated in 109 incidents during fiscal year 2019 within Lamoille County.

In March of 2019, Nathan Wolfe was hired to fill an open patrolman position. Patrolman Wolfe came to us from the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department where he had worked for the past three years. With the hiring of Patrolman Wolfe, we are now fully staffed.

We continue to work closely with our state, local, and federal law enforcement partners in combating drug trafficking. This past year, our officers were involved in an arrest of an out of state drug trafficker who was selling crack cocaine. The drug trafficker was charged in federal court on drug and firearm charges. As mentioned in years prior, we will continue to investigate anyone trafficking illegal drugs into our community.

The K9 Unit continues to be an asset to our community and surrounding communities. K9 Viper assisted in multiple searches and tracks during 2019. To keep up on his skills, K9 Viper and his handler attend 16 hours of training each month. Every May, K9 Viper and his handler spend three days at the Police Academy where they have to pass a recertification test for their patrol certification. Every December, K9 Viper and his handler spend 16 hours at the Police Academy where they have to pass their narcotics certification.

In December we underwent a selection process to appoint two Patrol Sergeant positions. This was the first time the Morristown Police Department has officially appointed Sergeants. Garth Christensen and Jason Luneau were both promoted to the rank of Patrol Sergeants. They will assist in the over-sight of many facets of the Police Department's operations.

Nancy Merrill retired from the Morristown Police Department in December. Nancy was the Administrative Assistant, thank you to all of your years of service to the Morristown Police Department. We hired Darlene Creighton to replace Nancy. Darlene is a Lamoille County resident who retired from the State of Vermont. Darlene will be a great addition to the department.

In closing, I would like to commend the Morristown Police Officers for their continued commitment to their profession, and to thank them for a continued effort to keep our community safe. The Officers assure that coverage is always provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week. On behalf of the Morristown Police Department, I would like to thank the Community and the Morristown Selectboard for their support and understanding and thanks to all assisting Agencies, Local, County, State, and Federal agencies for their support over the past year.

*Respectfully,  
Chief Richard H Keith*

## LAMOILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The Lamoille County Communication's Center received 17,163 E911 calls the past year, which is up from the 16,958 in 2018. We are awaiting the final decision by the Legislature as to the fate of the Independent Board that governs E911. The Board is currently comprised of representatives of all first responder services, members of municipal and the public as well. A recommendation from the Administration would have E911 reside within the Department of Public Safety. We dispatched 34,479 fire, EMS and police calls, which are itemized as follows:

Fire	Total	Ambulance	Total Calls	Police	Total Calls
Barre Town	215	Barre Town	4107	Barre Town	6655
Cambridge	226	Cambridge	442	Hardwick PD	2396
Elmore	42	Hardwick	634	LCSD	6344
Greensboro	41	Morristown	740	Morristown PD*	4612
Hardwick	77	NEMS	803	Stowe PD	5485
Hyde Park	103	Stowe	730		
Johnson	124				
Morrisville	221				
North Hyde Park/Eden	88				
Stowe	348				
Wolcott	46				
<b>Total</b>	<b>1531</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>7456</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>25492</b>

\* Total number of calls dispatched by LCSD & department's own part-time dispatch.

The Patrol Deputies were very busy as well with a total of 3,959 incidents for Hyde Park, Johnson and Wolcott out of a Department total of 6,333 calls for service. The Department has a force of 6 patrol deputies and 1 detective. We had a good stretch of time at full strength with 2 deputies leaving recently. At this time the Department has hired one who will be in the Academy in February. In 29 separate incidents, the Department K-9 recovered illicit drugs and/or drug paraphernalia. He also was instrumental in the location of missing persons who were in mental health crisis as well as individuals wanted for crimes. Sexual assault cases have increased over the last year, going from 10 to 24 cases. These are felony cases that most often involve children and are very time consuming. We continue to work with surrounding Departments in the investigation of narcotics trafficking in our county. These cases are also very time consuming and drug use continues to be a serious issue in the county. 2019 saw several drug overdose deaths and LCSD Deputies deployed narcan on 16 occasions saving those peoples' lives. I am proud of the

dedication to service by the men and women of the LCSD and commend them for their hard work. Below are just some of our incident totals:

Nature of Call	Johnson	Hyde Park	Wolcott
Traffic Accident	93	64	36
Burglary	6	1	0
Citizen Dispute/ Family Fight/ Domestic	82	29	32
DUI/ DLS	10	7	3
Motor Vehicle Complaint	125	90	34
Noise Disturbance	51	11	3
Sexual Assault	5	4	0
Drug Investigations	1	7	0
Theft	54	14	11
Traffic Tickets	125	124	70
	Fine Amount \$21,983	Fine Amount \$21,683	Fine Amount \$11,999

Respectfully,  
 Roger M. Marcoux Jr., Lamoille County Sheriff

**MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY & STREET DEPARTMENT**

The Highway and Village Department has seen many changes this last year, from staff retiring, to a Halloween storm, and adding a few new staff members. As I write this I am using second hand information as I wasn't here, but for only the last third of the year!

Last winter was a good one and the crew only had two full weekends off, from November 1<sup>st</sup> till the end of April, between the snow and rain/ice storms they were very busy keeping the roadways as safe as possible for all of us, we used more salt than normal because of all the ice, as well as more road sand!

At the end of July we hired Mike Buchanan, he has been a very good fit within the department, as well as having a great attitude, and is picking up all aspects of what the job needs are. At the end of August we had a long time employee of 34 years retire our Road Foreman Roland Boivin. Thank you for all that you have done over the years! That was also the time that I came on as your new Road Foreman. I'm sure I won't be able to fill Roland's shoes, but I will do my best!

When I started the department was finishing up all the summer maintenance of replacing culverts, getting ditching done, and cutting trees that needed to be removed from the right of ways, just when we thought we had it under control the Halloween storm hit! We spent the first two days after the storm making sure everyone could get out of their driveways, and emergency vehicles could get into everyone! The storm only lasted a short time but as we all know it did a lot of damage. We spent the rest of November repairing, hauling material, and replacing 10 culverts, and filling in too many washouts to list. We still have Mud City Loop closed to through traffic, with a plan to reopen in the summer! We also cleaned up around the shop and hauled in another 1500 yards of road sand, and 1800 yards of crushed gravel.

We all would like to thank you all for your patience, as we continue to keep our roads and sidewalks clear and safe for all! If needed you can contact us at the Village garage at 802-888-3398, or at the Highway garage 802-888-6369, or in the main office at 802-888-5147.

Kevin Barrows, Highway Foreman

## **MORRISTOWN EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

The Morristown EMS Department is a combination department of paid professional staff and well trained volunteer members, serving the residents of Morristown, and other surrounding communities in Lamoille County.

Starting as Morristown Rescue Squad, we began in 1974. Dr. Lewis Blowers and Copley Hospital's President, John Whitcomb, advised the Selectmen that there was a need for an ambulance service in Morristown. They contacted the Board of Alexander Hamilton Copley Trust Fund, who agreed to purchase the land, build the building, and buy the ambulance, if the town voted to maintain and support this by tax dollars and donations. A squad was formed, trained, and the ambulance went into service at 6:00am on June 2nd, 1975. Morristown Rescue/EMS has been able to provide continual service since that time.

Presently, we have approximately 30 volunteer members along with three full time paid staff members, and five part time staff members, serving our communities. The areas covered are Morristown, Elmore, and part of Wolcott.

Membership is made up of Nationally Registered, Vermont licensed, EMR, EMT, Advanced EMT, and Paramedic certified staff. We staff two Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulances from our headquarters located across from Copley Hospital.

We meet monthly for continuing education, and maintain specialty certifications in High Performance CPR, Hazardous Materials Awareness, Emergency Vehicle Driving Training, and Incident Management. Several of our members are graduates of the FEMA Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Alabama, specializing in Emergency Medical Operations.

Through the efforts of Morristown Rescue/EMS, Morristown has achieved and maintained status as a Vermont Heart Safe Community, and this past year we included monthly Stop the Bleed certification classes, in cooperation with Copley Hospital.

This past year saw the replacement of a 2008 ambulance with a 2013 unit that was purchased as a refurbished ambulance, and is providing us with dependable service in rotation with our new truck. This purchase saved over \$200,000 over the price of a new ambulance.

For the calendar year 2019, Morristown Rescue/EMS responded to a record 740 calls, making 668 patient transports. 659 calls were in the primary Morristown EMS coverage areas, and 81 calls were requests for mutual aid or paramedic intercept in support of our Lamoille County neighbors.

**Runs by City Name**

Incident City Name (eScene.17)	Number of Runs	Percent of Total Runs
Morristown	626	84.5%
Elmore	23	3.12%
Johnson	25	3.39%
Hyde Park	19	2.57%
Hardwick	14	1.89%
Stowe	11	1.49%
Wolcott	10	1.35%
Eden	8	1.08%
Greensboro	2	0.27%
Belvidere	1	0.13%
Craftsbury	1	0.13%
<b>Total: 740</b>		<b>Total: 100.00%</b>

**Run Times Summary Report (Transports)**

Avg Unit Notified to Enroute in Minutes	Avg Unit Enroute to Arrive at Scene in Minutes	Avg Unit Arrived on Scene to Left Scene in Minutes	Avg Unit Left Scene to Arrive at Destination in Minutes	Avg Unit Arrived at Destination to Unit Back In Service in Minutes	Number of Runs
5.20	6.47	19.86	10.63	13.18	668

2019 was a milestone year for some of our people. Christopher Clement successfully obtained National Registry Paramedic certification, and Frank Holiber, Kara Grant, Lori Martin, Stephanie Roddy, Steven Foster, and Rob Darling joined us as EMT members. Nicholas LeBeau came aboard as an Advanced EMT member. EMT Zac Cota has joined Lori Martin in the EMS District Four Advanced EMT program currently underway at Stowe EMS.

On May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, Assistant EMS Chief Corey Boisvert, while off duty, rescued an unresponsive victim of a burning car from a motor vehicle crash. For her actions, done without protective equipment, she was recognized with a Vermont EMS Star of Life Award by Vermont EMS Chief Dan Batsie.

Finally, Morristown Rescue/EMS, along with our Lamoille County EMS and Fire colleagues, said a sad good bye to long time EMS member Sharon Duffy, who passed away on September 26<sup>th</sup>, after a brief cancer battle. Sharon was honored and remembered with an EMS funeral service on October 5<sup>th</sup> in Johnson.

William A. Mapes, NRP, I/C, CCTP  
 EMS Chief, Town of Morristown

## MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Morristown Fire Department has had another record year with 220 calls. We responded to 52 Vehicle accidents. We responded to 52 auto alarms and 14 Co alarms. Changing the batteries when you change your clocks, will make a difference in the amount of these calls we respond to each year. We helped our fellow departments of our mutual aid system 12 times.

Other calls in 2019:

- 11 Structure Fires
- 46 Medical Assist
- 14 Good Intent
- 13 Fuel Spills
- 3 Wildland Fires
- 1 Vehicle Fires
- 1 Aircraft Incidents
- 1 Chemical Spill

We would also like to acknowledge our current members of the Morristown Fire Department and thank them and their families for their active service and dedication to the town and department. We have been able to grow our department over the past year with help of our new members and their families.

Chief Dennis DiGregorio  
 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Michael Desjardins  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Jason Kelley  
 Captain Damien DiGregorio  
 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Ben Carpenter  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Zac Cota-Weaver  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant Seth Foy  
 Engine Captain Brent Labree  
 Asst. Engine Captain Joe Poleio  
 Enginemen: Tim Morrissey, Bruce Emerson

Current Firefighters:

Shawn Goodell	Alex Desjardins	Lucas Marcoux
Mariah Mitchell	David Tanner	Cormac Quinn
Eric Marshall	Andrew Miller	Ariel Love
Scott Droney	Will Angier	Brandon Perretta

We would like to thank the Retired and Honorary Members of the Department who have supported and served us in the past years: William “Twig” Farquharson, Arlo Sterner, Jeffery Churchill, Dennis Smith, Brian Kellogg, Frederick Pierce, Gordon Bowen, Wallace Reeve, James Farnham, Gerry “Gubby” Sutton, Charles Hess, Jeffery Limoge, Dean Lockwood, Todd Yando, William Spear and Donald Hill. Honorary members include: Lee Sturtevant, Wayne Blaisdell, Pierce Reed, Bill Cook, Mark Walker, Brad Wilson, and Jim “Polar Bear” Grover.

We have reinstated the junior/cadet program. Currently we have 4 members, they are:  
Wesley Wilson, Gavin Hodgdon, Logan Chapin, Brandon Crawford

Our rookies completed the 45 hour basic fire course. The state now mandates firefighters to take over 200 hours; this 45 hour course is just an introduction into that class.

Please check the dates on your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, and replace according to the manufacture's specifications. Please remember to change your batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, make sure your chimneys are cleaned and shovel out any fire hydrants in your neighborhood if possible. Please call the fire warden at 802-826-2626 before burning brush; this will reduce the number of calls. If you have a Co alarm sounding please leave the building immediately and call 911. Remember that you cannot see, smell or taste Carbon Monoxide.

The Morristown Fire Department continues to promote the use of the Knox Box Rapid Entry System for all school, commercial and private dwellings in town. This system will allow rapid access to your property in an emergency without damaging your property. Please call the fire station at 888-3575 for more information.

We would like to thank the people of the Town of Morristown; it has been a pleasure serving you this past year. We appreciate all of the support that you have given us. Feel free to stop by the station any time you see a member there. It is your building and equipment. The members would also like to thank all the other town agencies and our Mutual Aid partners for their help this past year. Special thanks to Jim from Polar Bear for his help throughout the year. Thank you for all of your past and future support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief Dennis DiGregorio

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR / PLANNING DIRECTOR REPORT**

Demand to live and invest in Morrisville/Morristown has never been stronger than in recent years. Ten years ago, the zoning office was handling only 5 to 7 permits applications a year for new housing starts. Today the zoning office is handling and approving approximately 10 times that volume annually. The following chart is a breakdown of this increased permit activity over the last 3 years:

<i><b>New Housing Starts by Year</b></i>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>New Single-Family Homes</b>	<b>New Apartments</b>	<b>Total by Year</b>
2017	20	22	42
2018	13	43	56
2019	18	40	58

I am pleased that most of the new housing detailed in the above chart is located in the heart of downtown Morrisville, or in close-by sections of the village. The 3 new apartment buildings that were recently built on the corner of Bridge Street and the Truck Route resulted in 27 new housing units, located right on the edge of downtown Morrisville, on land served by Village water and sewer. These new residents, many of which came from out of state, will patronize nearby stores and restaurants, and add more vitality to our downtown while doing so. Just a few blocks away, directly across from the southern end of Pleasant Street, two new apartment buildings were recently built to the rear of where fire consumed 50 Upper Main Street approximately 2½ years ago. The new building at 50 Upper Main Street, and the two new apartment buildings built to its rear, match the architectural rhythm of the street. When viewing this property from the church across Upper Main Street, most people would never realize that there are now 20 new housing units there. This project is a great example of how significant housing can be added in a downtown without disrupting the character of the area.

While many people find this new construction activity interesting, most people simply want to know how all this new development will affect their taxes. During 2019, the aforementioned new housing units, commercial development, new subdivisions, and multitudes of smaller home improvement projects, resulted in a Grand List growth of 1.6%. This percentage of new growth is comparable to 2018’s Grand List growth of 0.89%. 2017 saw a Grand List growth of 1.15%. Readers should keep in mind that averaging a little over 1% of Grand List growth per year (over the last three years) is not enough new tax base growth to keep taxes from going up. If Grand List growth does not reach 2% to 3% per year on average, the taxes paid by existing residents will need to go up to keep up with the rate of inflation (i.e. the increased cost for the town government to do business). It would be great if new development could grow the Grand List by more than 2% or 3% a year to reduce all of our tax bills (or at least keep those bills from increasing). However, getting that kind of new growth anywhere in Vermont’s regulatory environment, especially outside Chittenden County, is very hard to do. In an age when many communities in Vermont are seeing their Grand Lists shrink, we are lucky to have the rate of new growth that we are seeing. More importantly, the development we are seeing is high quality and it is generally well received by neighboring property owners.

I enjoy helping residents and developers with permitting and development questions, so please contact me in the zoning office at 888-6373 (or via email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org)) before starting any development work. Unless the work proposed is an interior renovation of existing living space, chances are that a permit will be required before that work can commence. Zoning fees are doubled for any project undertaken without first obtaining the necessary permits. Zoning information, including the zoning bylaws, permit application forms and fee schedules are available on the office's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/planzone>.

Thank you,  
Todd Thomas, AICP & CFM  
Zoning Administrator, Planning Director, & Health Officer

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN PLANNING COUNCIL

The Morristown Selectboard and the Morrisville Village Trustees jointly appoint the Morrisville/Morristown Planning Council. The Council is responsible for the Town Plan and the corresponding zoning bylaws that regulate all development in both the Village and the Town.

The Council had a productive year in 2019, warning 19 meetings. Additionally, the Council also appeared at Selectboard & Village Trustees meetings for proposed zoning bylaw amendments. The Planning Council's major accomplishments during the year include the following initiatives:

1. Oversaw a major overhaul of both the contents and the formatting of the zoning bylaw, resulting in a much more workable, user-friendly, document that is just 62 pages long. Less than a decade ago, this same zoning bylaw had ballooned to 176 pages in length!
2. Modernized the Town's subdivision regulations by providing the first update to said requirements in a generation.
3. Loosened criteria for the creation of accessory apartments, which will add much needed housing stock in our community while hardly changing the look and feel of the host properties.
4. Expanded Village zoning into the section of Route 100 south outside the village line to encourage the redevelopment of underutilized properties therein, such as Hess' junkyard and the vacant daycare land across the street.
5. Added new and significant historic preservation criteria to downtown Morrisville's zoning, ensuring that the new construction we are seeing downtown matches its historic character.

In 2019, the Planning Council will continue to make Morrisville a better place to live, work and play. Already this year, the Council agreed to change the waiver percentage maximum from 15% to 25%, which will allow homeowners, developers, and the Development Review Board a bit more flexibility when applying the Town's zoning requirements. The Council is also proposing additional "design criteria" requirements to ensure that new commercial and multi-family residential developments located outside the downtown historic district will be of a similar high quality nature and construction.

Before closing out this report, the Council would like to thank Linda Greaves for her years of service. Linda provided a great perspective during her years on the Council. She will certainly be missed.

If you are interested in planning issues, please feel free to attend an upcoming Planning Council meeting. The Council meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. in the community meeting room of the old Tegu Theatre at 43 Portland Street. Additional information regarding the Council, including agendas and minutes, is available for review on the Town's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/planning>. Correspondence with the Council should be directed to Todd Thomas, the Town's Planning Director. He can be reached at 888-6373 or by email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org).

## MORRISTOWN/MORRISVILLE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Morristown Selectboard and the Morrisville Village Trustees jointly appoint the Morristown/Morrisville Development Review Board. The Development Review Board is responsible for acting on zoning applications for development, located both in the Village and in the Town, when the "use" being requested is listed as "conditional" in the zone where the development is being proposed. The Board also presides over "permitted" uses that are usually handled by the Zoning Administrator via site plan review when more than of 20,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of development is proposed. Requests for major subdivisions (3 or more new building lots), waivers, and appeals of Zoning Administrator actions are also the purview of the Development Review Board.

Typically, the Development Review Board approves all the subdivision, conditional use, and site plan applications it receives with conditions to ensure that the proposed development comports with both the Town's Zoning Bylaws and its host neighborhood. Major projects approved by the DRB in 2019 include a new private school located out on Randolph Road, two new mini-storage unit complexes, and the second phase of the Jersey Way housing development (which entails 17 new single-family homes and 14 new duplexes). The below chart details DRB decision activity over the span of the last 3 years:

DRB Permit Activity	2017	2018	2019
Conditional Uses	9	7	5
Site Plan Reviews	12	12	9
Subdivision Approvals	8	2	3
Waivers	0	0	3
Variances	0	0	0
Appeals	0	0	2

Development Review Board hearings are held, when necessary, on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the community meeting room of the old Tegu Theatre at 43 Portland Street. During the year, Board Members also may conduct site walks of properties on which development is being proposed to familiarize themselves with the details of the proposed development applications. DRB hearings are warned in the *News & Citizen* in advance and are open to the public. Additional information regarding the Board, including agendas and minutes are available for review on the Town's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/drj>. Correspondence with the Board should be directed to Todd Thomas, the Town's Zoning Administrator. He can be reached at 888-6373 or via email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org).

## MORRISTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### Activities that have taken place in the Morristown Forest this year

- Greg Maino, Catamount Trail Association, gave a talk about its organization on February 21 at 10 Railroad Street Café.
- MCC actively supported the Stowe Land Trust in its endeavor to conserve 750 acres of pristine land in Stowe by contributing \$1000 out of its funds with the approval of the Selectboard. This was finalized on July 31<sup>st</sup> with a deed and since has been deeded to the State to become part of the C.C. Putnam Forest. This area is again open to the public for hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and hunting.
- We set up a booth at Wednesday Night Live, soliciting donations for the Brownsville Conservation Project and recruitment for our commission.
- July and August meetings were used for constructing two new trails in the Morristown Forest in anticipation of constructing a Mud Brook Stream crossing. A bidder was selected and the crossing site constructed in October. Completion is expected in the spring of 2020.

### Green up day in May

Successful under the leadership of Brent Teillon, 2.69 tons of trash and 169 tires were collected from the Morristown roadsides by over 130 volunteers. This is a decrease over last year. Thanks again to the Town Highway crew for setting up the collection site and picking up the roadside trash. Additionally, tire disposal for a fair fee was facilitated in the Municipal parking lot. This was a success diverting old tires from improper disposal. Jim Pease provided sign-up sheets and maps.

### Continuing Public Education Presentations

VINS was guest speaker at P.A. on April 17. About 100 attended this presentation on raptors. VINS traveled from Quechee, VT. Richard Sargent made the arrangements.

### Other events participated in.

- 0+ American Chestnut Tree sprouts and 200+ seeds from area trees were planted throughout Lamoille County. For more information, about participating in this project, contact Ron Stancliff.
- Attended Planning Council and DRB development hearings.

To join, please submit a request in writing or by email to the Selectboard for appointment. The term is for three years.

The Conservation Commission has monthly meeting, which has changed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. We meet at the Tegu Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting is open to the public. You can visit us at Town Meeting where we will have a display table.

Richard Sargent, Treasurer	888-3038	Term expires 2020
Kristen Connelly, Vice chair	(802) 730-4194	Term expires 2020
Ronald Stancliff, MCC chair	888-3661	Term expires 2021
Brent Teillon	888-4086	Term expires 2021
James Pease	888-6193	Term expires 2022
David Stevens	888- 4374	Term expires 2022

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

The world of Community Development is continually changing here in Morristown. It is always a bit challenging, but also very rewarding, seeing the community through the years of transitions and changes. Thanks to you, the residents, and to the great businesses in our community, we have made Morristown a better place to live, work and play. Please remember to shop locally. Our locally owned businesses build our strong community by sustaining our vibrant downtown and uptown, linking neighbors in a web of economic and social relationships, and contributing to local causes. This local ownership ensures that important decisions are made locally by the people who live in our community, who feel the most impact of those decisions.

It doesn't seem possibly but "Wednesday Night Live" is starting the 9th year of free live music at Oxbow Riverfront Park. This year will be the 8<sup>th</sup> annual RocktoberFest, our street festival on Portland Street. These successful events, as well as many others, have become anticipated and a point of pride for Morristown. Thank you for supporting our town, it makes my job an exciting learning experience every day.

If you have any thoughts, ideas or suggestions you'd like to see implemented, expanded on or brought forward, please contact me, my door is always open.

Cheers,  
Tricia Follert, Community Development Coordinator  
[tfollert@morristownvt.org](mailto:tfollert@morristownvt.org)  
802.888.6669 x231

## MORRISTOWN ALLIANCE FOR CULTURE & COMMERCE

Did you notice all the awesome community projects our little downtown 501c3 non-profit completed during 2019? If not, the following are just a few of MACC's fantastic projects from the last year:

- MACC planted five new street trees on Upper Main Street.
- MACC's new newsletter featuring all the great things that are happening around our community. Do you want to receive a copy? Please join MACC now and you'll get a copy as one of your member benefits besides being a contribution to the vibrancy of our downtown.
- MACC, with funding from the Alexander Hamilton Copley Trust, completed the Morrisville History and Art Walk in downtown Morrisville. You are missing out if you have not walked the green line yet, linking twenty four downtown Morrisville's historic buildings and public art installations.
- MACC, with funding help from the Village Trustees, expanded the flower pot program by adding eight new white planters around town which included vegetables and herbs for the community to pick and use at their leisure.
- MACC is very proud of its wicked awesome new website ([www.maccvt.org](http://www.maccvt.org)) and how it continues to evolve.
- MACC installed the first of a series of "Welcome to Downtown Morrisville" wayfinding signs at the corner of Portland and Bridge Streets.

During 2019, MACC also wrapped the downtown light-poles with garland for the holidays and hung wreaths on the downtown businesses. Of course, MACC also ran its signature Chair-art-able program,

which adorns the downtown each summer with colorful Adirondack chairs painted by local artists. MACC continued to plan and host Morrisville's annual community events, including Rocktoberfest and the Festival of Lights holiday celebration.

All of these fabulous projects would not be possible without the amazing support of MACC's 79 members. If you are not a MACC member and you like what our organization is doing, please visit [www.maccvt.org](http://www.maccvt.org) to join MACC, learn more about our projects, and sign up for our newsletter. Hint: MACC is also always looking for volunteers for small and big projects. Please also feel free to join us in person on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month for our board meetings, which are held in the meeting room at the Tegu Building from 4:30pm to 5:30pm.

Thank you,  
Mary Lou Nichols  
Secretary  
MACC Board

## MORRISTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Noyes House Museum had a busy 2019 season that included the completion of several improvements to the house. The largest project of the year was working with Donnie P. Blake, Jr., Inc. to repaint a significant portion of the exterior bricks. This project had been on our to-do list for several years and was completed on the recommendation of an expert consultant in historic preservation. The repointed brick surface will prevent water leakage and will safeguard the structural integrity of the bricks as well as the interior of the house.

As part of the repointing project, we worked with Bisson Plastering to replace the back parlor ceiling damaged by years of water leakage. The new plaster ceiling looks fantastic, as does the new crown molding. We decided to leave the back wall of the parlor with the structural bricks exposed. This stylish brick wall allows us to educate our visitors on the history and construction of our house and others like it. Upgraded electrical wiring in the back parlor (completed by Gould Electric) rounded out our attention to that room in 2019.

We thank painter Kevin Moody for all of his work, including the eye-popping touch-up work he completed in several areas of the house interior. Dirty and chipped doors and trim now look fresh and clean, an improvement that has caught everyone's attention.

Our final structural project of the year was to replace hand railings and rebuild sections of the accessibility ramp outside the house. These improvements will make it easier for mobility-impaired visitors to access the main floor of the house.

Noyes House Museum staff were much relieved to complete these improvements to the building and grounds, and were able to focus attention on a variety of public programs and collections projects. We are now able to offer our visitors access to a nearly-complete run of Lamoille County newspapers, and we are almost finished with a multi-year cataloging project. Our annual Ice Cream Social drew a crowd, and our first Moments in Memories event was attended by a lively crowd whose memories of life in Morristown were recorded (thanks to Peter Guihan) for future generations to enjoy.

We look forward to seeing you at the Noyes House Museum in 2020!

**MINUTES  
for the  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
of the  
TOWN OF MORRISTOWN, VERMONT  
MARCH 5, 2019**

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**AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTING**

The inhabitants of the Town of Morristown, who are legal voters in Town Meeting of said Morristown, met in Annual Town Meeting at the Municipal Offices, (Tegu Building) 43 Portland Street in Morristown, Vermont on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at eight o'clock (8:00am) in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1:To elect Selectboard Members of the Town of Morristown:  
1 for a term of three (3) years  
1 for a term of two (2) years**

The following officers were elected:

- Christopher Town for a term of three (3) years
- Brian Kellogg for a term of two (2) years

**ARTICLE 2: Shall the Voters approve a non-binding resolution to change the official name of the Town of Morristown to the Town of Morrisville?**

The voters approved the article on a vote 296 in favor and 268 opposed.

**TRADITIONAL TOWN MEETING**

The inhabitants of the Town of Morristown, who are legal voters, met in the 214<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting at the Copley Memorial Gymnasium, Copley Avenue in said Morristown, Vermont on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 9:00 A.M, Eastern Standard Time.

Again this year, Allen Church entertained with his fiddle. New this year, the Peoples Academy Middle School chorus sang 80's songs as voters gathered. The flag salute was presented by local Boy Scout Troop 876. The Peoples Academy Middle level chorus sang the National Anthem. The town also welcomed PA students Cameron Chertoff & Madeline Moffett to the dais who assisted in the opening ceremonies. There were 158 registered voters in attendance.

The Morristown Selectboard dedicated the 2018 Annual Report to Carol Bradley for her 37 years of service as Finance Director to the Town of Morristown.

Vermont House Representatives Avram Patt and David Yacovone, along with Senator Richard Westman were present at the start of the meeting to speak and answer questions about current issues in the legislature.

After a lengthy discussion with the local representatives the annual meeting was called to order at 9:46 A.M. As David Polow was not in attendance therefore, Bob Beeman, chair of the Selectboard, facilitated the meeting until a moderator was elected. There was a correction noted in the unofficial published warning in Article 9. It was corrected to read business personal property instead of business personnel property. Hearing no objections, the reading of the entire Town warning was waived.

**ARTICLE 3: To elect a Moderator of the Town Meeting for the ensuing year.**

David Polow was recognized with a round of applause for his 17 years serving as moderator. Richard Sargent nominated Shapleigh Smith Jr. for moderator. Shapleigh Smith Jr. was elected moderator of the Town Meeting for the ensuing year on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4: In Town Meeting, to elect all Town Officers required by law except for those officers to be elected by Australian ballot under Article 1 above.**

•**First Constable:one year term**

Richard Keith nominated Eric Dodge. Eric Dodge was elected First Constable on a voice vote.

•**Second Constable:one year term**

Eric Dodge nominated Garth Christensen. Garth Christensen was elected Second Constable on a voice vote.

•**Grand Juror:one year term**

Julia Compagna nominated Richard Sargent. Richard Sargent was elected Grand Juror on a voice vote.

•**Town Agent to Convey Real Estate:one year term**

Brian Kellogg nominated Todd Thomas. Todd Thomas was elected Town Agent to Convey Real Estate on a voice vote.

•**Town Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits:one year term**

Julia Compagna nominated Richard Sargent. Richard Sargent was elected Town Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits on a voice vote.

•**Trustee of Public Funds:three year term**

Mary Ann Wilson nominated Angela Norder. Angela Norder was elected Trustee of Public Funds on a voice vote.

•**Lister: three year term**

Todd Thomas nominated Paul Griswold. Paul Griswold was elected Lister. Clerk instructed to cast one vote.

•**Library Trustees:two (2) five year terms**

Donna Merriam nominated Kim Whitcomb. Kim Whitcomb & Jennifer Faith were elected Library Trustees on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5: Will the Town vote to pay members of the Selectboard a salary, and if so, in what amount?**

Mary Ann Wilson made a motion to accept the article. Gary Nolan seconded it. Mary Ann Wilson withdrew her motion.

Mary Ann Wilson moved to amend the motion to pay the Selectboard a salary of \$1,500 per member per year. Gary Nolan seconded the amendment. The motion as amended passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 6: Will the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to establish a Reserve Fund for utilizing the surplus or money left over in the highway or municipal funds and authorize the Selectboard to spend said funds for defraying future Town expenses?**

Grace Maniatty made a motion to accept the article. Kevin Bracey seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Michael "Min" Cote made a motion to reconsider article #6. Susan Sinnot seconded it. The motion to reconsider passed on a hand count vote of 60 in favor and 46 opposed.

Min Cote amended the article to dedicate the sum of \$50,000 for sidewalk replacement. Sarah Kourkoulis seconded the amendment. After deliberation the amendment failed on a voice vote.

The motion as originally presented passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 7: Will the Town vote real and personal property taxes to be paid to the Treasurer in two equal installments; with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent penalty after the second installment and interest charges of one percent per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, 1 1/2% per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of such tax? Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136) Payments are due in the hands of the Treasurer by 4:00 P.M. on the due dates. Only official USPS cancellation marks will be accepted as postmarked mail (32 V.S.A. § 4773). Per its Delinquent Tax Policy and Vermont Statutes (32 V.S.A. § 5252), the Town will immediately begin legal proceedings by turning all outstanding account balances over to an attorney for collection. First installment to be paid on or before November 15, 2019. Second installment to be paid on or before May 15, 2020**

Edward Lambert made a motion to accept the article. Herbert Tilley seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8: Will the Town vote to authorize the total expenditure of \$6,510,960 for the operation of the Town, with the total of \$5,546,301 to be raised by taxes:**

The Selectboard’s Budget defines the total expenditures as follows:

Purpose	Estimated Total Budget	Estimated Revenue	Estimated Amount To Be Raised By Taxes
General Government Operations	\$ 1,992,602	\$ 532,034	\$ 1,460,568
Police Department	1,318,669	18,000	1,300,669
Fire Department	380,081	-	380,081
EMS Department	603,158	197,000	406,158
Highway Department	2,026,450	217,625	1,808,825
Paving	<u>190,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,000</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 6,510,960</b>	<b>\$ 964,659</b>	<b>\$ 5,546,301</b>

Katherine Bovey made a motion to accept the article. Charles Hess Jr. seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 9: Will the Town vote to exempt Business Personal Property at an increasing amount of 25% (Twenty-Five) percent per year until 100% (One-Hundred) percent of Business Personal Property is exempt?**

Julia Compagna made a motion to accept the article. Edward Wilson seconded it. After brief deliberation the motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 10: Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund?**

Everett Fryman made a motion to accept the article. Brian Kellogg seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 11: Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Highway Department Capital Equipment Fund?**

Mary Ann Wilson made a motion to accept the article. Gary Nolan seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 12: Will the Town vote to raise taxes equal to one-half (1/2) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to the Noyes House Museum Repair and Maintenance Fund?**

Richard Sargent made a motion to accept the article. Mary Ann Wilson seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 13: Will the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$97,969 for the following purposes:**

\$ 2,900 Central VT Adult Basic Education (CVABE)  
     900 Central VT Community Action Council (CVCAC)  
 2,500 Central VT Council on Aging (CVCOA)  
 1,750 Clarina Howard Nichols Center  
 5,763 Green Mountain Transit  
 1,000 Justice for Dogs  
 15,681 Lamoille Home Health and Hospice  
 2,500 Lamoille County Civic Association  
 5,000 Lamoille County Food Share  
 3,900 Lamoille County Mental Health/Community Connections  
 12,000 Lamoille County Youth Center (Youth Rocks)  
 4,000 Lamoille Economic Development Council (LEDC)  
 3,000 Lamoille Family Center  
 1,000 Lamoille Housing Partnership  
 1,500 Lamoille Restorative Center  
 3,375 Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit  
 10,000 Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County  
 1,000 North Country Animal League (NCAL)  
 4,000 Out & About Adult Day Care  
 5,200 RCT (Rural Community Transportation)  
 1,000 Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)  
10,000 River Arts

**\$97,969 TOTAL**

Todd Thomas made a motion to accept the article. Grace Maniatty seconded it. Todd Thomas asked the Selectboard to review their policy and have each agency reapply with a petition every three years. Bob Beeman made a motion to amend the article to require that a member from every agency be present at Town Meeting in order to receive funding going forward. Grace Maniatty seconded it. Everett Fryman made a motion to amend the amendment that in case of emergency and a member from an agency cannot be present that they could still receive funds. Grace Maniatty seconded the motion. The amendment to the amendment passed on a voice vote.

After deliberation the amendment to the motion failed on a voice vote.

Susanna Guthmann suggested that the Town increase funding to Lamoille County Mental Health next year.

The motion as originally presented passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town of Morristown vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,000 for the support of Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity to provide services to the residents of the Town?**

David Bickford made a motion to accept the article. Jennifer Quevedo seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town of Morristown vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$15,000 for the support of Everyone = Morristown Community Center to provide services to the residents of the Town?**

Patrick Spenser made a motion to accept the article. Aimee Towne seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote

**ARTICLE 16: To do any other business that may legally come before the said meeting.**

Marcia Marble requested that a report regarding the Noyes House Museum improvements be included in next year's Town Report.

Community members asked for clarification regarding any financial implications of changing the name of the Town. Mary Ann Wilson & Richard Sargent urged voters to vote in support of maintaining the Town name of Morristown on the non-binding resolution on the Australian ballot.

With no other business to legally come before the said meeting, the 2019 Annual Town Meeting was adjourned upon motion by Todd Thomas and seconded by Evertt Fryman at 11:27 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Allyn Haskins, Town Clerk

Attest:

Shap Smith, Moderator

Edward Wilson, Chair of the Board of Civil Authority

**OVERVIEW OF APPROPRIATIONS**

**Capstone Community Action .....\$900.00**

Capstone Community Action respectfully requests a budget allocation of \$900 from the citizens of Morristown to be determined at the next Town Meeting. Our request remains the same as last year; we are not seeking an increase. Capstone Community Action formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council helps Vermonters achieve economic sufficiency with dignity through individual and family development. We work to alleviate the effects of poverty, help people move out of poverty, and advocate for economic justice. Each year Community Action serves over 13,000 Vermonters, the majority of whom live in the 56 central Vermont communities that comprise our primary service area. Our staff often works with a family in their most vulnerable moment to help them find stability, hope and relief. In recent years, demand for fuel assistance, emergency food, and housing assistance have continued to grow. Hand-in-hand, we help Vermonters develop the skills to tackle problems, identify goals, find the resources and take control of their futures. We offer housing counseling, financial education, home weatherization, early childhood education, job skills training, business counseling and more. Together, we create economic opportunities for all Vermonters.

**Central Adult Basic Education.....\$2,900.00**

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE) has served the education and literacy needs of adult residents of Morristown for 54 years. CVABE provides free instruction to nearly 500 people annually in the overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. It currently costs CVABE \$3,320 per student to provide a full year of instruction. *Nearly all students are low income.* Over 100 community volunteers work with CVABE’s professional staff to meet the large need for these services while keeping overhead low. We deeply appreciate Morristown voter-approved *past* support. This year, your level support is again critical to CVABE’s free, local education services. Only a portion of CVABE’s budget is comprised of state and federal support. Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, to ensure we can help the neighbors who need education for a better life.

**Central Vermont Council on Aging .....\$2,500.00**

Central Vermont Council on Aging is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting elders and family caregivers in leading self-determined, healthy, interdependent, meaningful and dignified lives in their homes and communities. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent for as long as possible. We connect the elders in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income or resources. During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 266 Morristown (includes Morrisville) residents. Case Manager Jamie Viens is designated to work directly with the seniors in Morristown. All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of Morristown for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of those who have contributed to making the Central Vermont communities what they are today.

**Clarina Howard Nichols Center.....\$1,750.00**

*“[Advocate] made me laugh and see that things will get better, that all I have to do is keep trying and tomorrow things will look brighter! From her comforting me when I cried or listening to me vent, she has been the rock I have leaned against until I could stand up and breathe again.” - Survivor*

Founded in 1981, the Clarina Howard Nichols Center works to end domestic and sexual violence in Lamoille County. Clarina provides a 24-hour hotline, a pet friendly emergency shelter, advocacy and support services, outreach and education, and children’s services. During the past year Clarina served 403 individuals, including:

- Provided shelter to 37 individuals (18 adults and 19 children) for a total of 2,753 bed nights
- Provided criminal court advocacy to 104 individuals
- Provided Relief from Abuse Order advocacy to 87 individuals
- Received 1,109 hotline calls

**Everyone= Morristown Community Center..... \$15,000.00**

Equals Morristown Community Center (E=MC2) opened our doors officially Dec, 2018. As a non-profit organization, E=MC2 has been able to offer programming to the Morrisville community and beyond, free of charge. Our current programs offered include the Xtreme Youth Zone (XYZ), Vermont Fatherhood, Friday Night Group (FNG) and Table Tennis Thursdays. All of our programming has seen success beyond our comprehension. The XYZ is a 12+ after school drop in center open from 2:30-5:30 Monday through Friday. As of November 27th we have seen 4986 drop-ins for 2019. We provide a safe third space for youth that promotes leadership, resilience and community. The Vermont Fatherhood Support Group provides space, and time weekly for new, young, and experience fathers to meet and discuss the complexities that fathers face. FNG has grown and continues to serve all of Lamoille County for our youth LGBTQ needs and will continue to do so in 2020. The Table Tennis Thursdays has been a success with over a 150 visits; the competition is serious. We have established collaborative relationships with Behavioral Health and Wellness, Lamoille Restorative Center, Northern Vermont University, the Community College of Vermont, our local Girls Scouts, People’s Academy High School, Outright Vermont and Healthy Lamoille Valley. We have received the Youth 4 Youth Grant that is designated to inspire youth leadership; be on the lookout for our Youth in action! To keep up with us, please check out our website, [www.eemc2.com](http://www.eemc2.com) and subscribe to our monthly newsletter, *The What’s Up*. Thank you again for all your support and feedback. We look forward to another year of support and growth.

**Green Mountain Transit..... \$5,763.00**

Providing public transportation and shuttle service throughout Lamoille County and beyond. The Route 100 Commuter, which travels among the Towns of Waterbury, Stowe, and Morrisville, makes six trips each weekday. The service allows travel to work, area businesses for shopping, and access to social outings, all of which are key components to the economic and social vitality of a community. In FY17, GMT served **8,383** riders on the Route 100 Commuter. The Morrisville Loop travels throughout Morrisville connecting riders to such popular destinations as the Portland Street area, Morrisville Plaza, and Copley Hospital. Seven loops throughout Morrisville are made each weekday, allowing residents to access medical appointments, shopping, and social gatherings. In FY18, GMT served **4,252** riders on the Morrisville Loop. The Morrisville Shopping Shuttle provides three one-way trips between Stowe and Morrisville each weekday, offering residents of both towns the opportunity to access shopping and services. Many individuals use this route in order to travel to grocery and retail shopping at the Morrisville Plaza and Northgate Plaza, which clearly has a positive economic effect on Morrisville. In FY18, GMT served **4549** riders on the Morrisville Shopping Shuttle.

**Justice for Dogs.....\$1,000.00**

Justice for Dogs continues in its 14th<sup>h</sup> year helping only local dogs and cats. Justice for Dogs continues to live trap feral cats in two particular areas of Morrisville. Although improvement is being seen in the number of feral cats in Morrisville, it is time consuming and expensive. Each feral cat must be humanely trapped, transported to and from the veterinarian, spayed/neutered, and released or rehomed if possible. Justice for Dogs continues to partner with other Morrisville organizations such as Home Health, Clarina Howard Nichols Center, and Lamoille County Food Share in a variety of ways to benefit animals and people. Along with adoptions for all the animals that come to us, Justice for Dogs continues to provide assistance to rescue animals that are in abusive /unsafe situations when these animals are brought to Justice's attention. Recently Justice for Dogs' assistance was requested by the town's health officer to assist with an animal hoarding situation to help rescue 22 dogs/puppies. Justice for Dogs sincerely wishes to thank the Morristown taxpayers, community businesses, foster animal families and dedicated volunteers, who work tirelessly for the animals. Your support through town appropriations, adoptions, monetary or item donations and participation in our fundraisers helps us tremendously with the work that we do. Justice for Dogs always welcomes new volunteers to work with us in a variety of ways. Please give us a call at 472-3894, or contact us at [justicefordogs@aol.com](mailto:justicefordogs@aol.com) or check out [www.facebook.com/justicefordogs](http://www.facebook.com/justicefordogs).

**Lamoille Community Food Share.....\$5,000.00**

Lamoille Community Food Share is a locally funded, volunteer powered 501c3 non-profit corporation. Our mission is to help support and improve the physical well-being of individuals who might otherwise go hungry. To this end, we provide supplemental food, free of charge, in a supportive environment, striving to offer healthy choices within our budget. We help all those who ask, but our main service area consists of the towns of Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Morristown, Stowe and Wolcott. We are open 6 mornings a week.

As of November 21, 2019, we have seen 1542 individuals from Morristown visit our pantry, that's an increase over last year. We have served 470 families including 851 adults, 60 seniors and 631 children. 208 of the families had at least one family member who was working but they still could not make ends meet. The support we receive from our community allows us to keep our doors open 6 mornings a week for those in need. More than ever, we appreciate the help we have received in the past and look forward to continued support from our friends and neighbors in Morristown. Your support of LCFS ensures that the citizens of Morristown have access to healthy nutritious food. Thank you!

**Lamoille County Civic Center..... \$2,500.00**

The Lamoille County Civic Center (LCCC) is located on Main Street in Morrisville. The Lamoille County Civic Association (LCCA) Board of Directors are: Gloria Wing from Morrisville, President; Bob Harter from Cambridge, Vice President; Bill Lizotte from Cambridge, Treasurer; Maxine Adams from Hyde Park, Secretary; Sally Harter from Cambridge; Eileen Murphy from Eden; and Sarah Kourkoulis from Morrisville. The Annual meeting of the LCCA was held on June 11, 2019. The LCCC offers many programs and activities throughout the year: Yoga, Bone Builders, Tai Chi, Mah Jong, Cards. A Sunday church service is held by the Love Never Fails Church.

The Meals on Wheels (MOW) kitchen and delivery center are located at the LCCC and a community meal is held every Wednesday in the Hall. A monthly social-cultural program of interest to the community is held on Wednesdays after the meal. The Center is a designated shelter for disasters and is part of the AED program sponsored by Morrisville's EMT Department. The LCCA and MOW co-sponsor Red Cross blood drives throughout the year. The LCCC Hall is available for rental and several organizations held events in the Hall this year – e.g. MoCo's annual meeting

This year a sidewalk and repaved driveway was constructed in cooperation with neighboring Green Mountain Management which significantly improved safety for visitors. Minor routine repairs to the

building were also completed this year. A Building committee was formed to assess what future maintenance/renovations are needed as well as to develop a plan for obtaining the funds. More detailed information on the LCCA and LCCC is on the Web Site at [www.lamoillecountyciviccenter.com](http://www.lamoillecountyciviccenter.com). The LCCA can be reached by telephone at 888-4302.

**Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity.....\$1,000.00**

Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity is a local, non-profit organization pursuing the building of decent, affordable housing for people in our county who do not qualify for a standard loan. The family selected is screened to meet income and personal guidelines and must participate in the building of their home. They must be able to repay their interest-free loan that covers the cost of materials and land. Labor is often donated by local contractors, volunteers and employees released to work on the house by local businesses.

Our local Board coordinates and oversees the fund-raising, family selection, and site selection for home to be built in Lamoille County. We have no paid employees and depend on community volunteers to support our effort to strengthen our communities.

We sponsor Hammerjam, a local musical festival at which local musicians donate their time and energy as well as other fund-raising activities during the year to support our efforts.

In 2019, we installed the foundation, connected sewer and water and coordinated with Green Mountain Technical and Career Center to assist with our build. We hope to complete the build in the spring of 2020 and start planning for our next house.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Lamoille Habitat for Humanity, we thank you and appreciate your support for helping to bring affordable housing to another local family.

Volunteers for this project are appreciated and we need help from those who do not want to swing hammers! Our volunteers and supporters are your neighbors. Contact us at: [volunteer@lamoillehabitat.org](mailto:volunteer@lamoillehabitat.org)

**Lamoille County Mental Health.....\$3,900.00**

Lamoille County Mental Health Services has always strived to provide the highest quality services and support to our community to enhance independence and quality of life. Over the past year we provided quality services to Lamoille Valley residents with all of our programs including a 24 hour 365 day a year Mobile Crisis Team (MCT) responding to requests from children, families, and individuals as well as local police, EMT, Copley Hospital ER, Lamoille Valley school districts and other providers. The MCT also provides Critical Incident Stress Debriefing for first responders, families, and work colleagues coping with the aftermath of a traumatic event. We served three hundred nineteen (320) Morrisville individuals in 2018. We have been collaborating with our community partners on our Crisis Bed stabilization program named Oasis House. This two-bed program opened in February 2013, and the program has been of tremendous help in preventing and/or diverting Emergency room visits and/or hospital stays. This unit will serve our local consumers and when room is available, will support the state’s effort at making available more care in the community. In the past year, we have created a community CADRE team to support individuals who are experiencing a difficult time to have someone to talk to while sitting in the emergency room. This resource has allowed other community resources to be used more appropriately. LCMHS most recently has begun to organize and assist in the development of a local effort to prevent suicides in our area, currently the highest county for suicide related deaths in Vermont. This effort, known as Zero Suicide would help to coordinate all efforts of schools, healthcare providers, human services agencies, churches and other parts of our community regarding prevention. The steps are many, but through training provided by LCMHS and other organizations to increase everyone’s ability to response to the risk of suicide we can achieve this goal. As well, LCMHS is sponsoring a survivors of suicide support group which is open to all communities to help individuals cope with this challenging event. Funding support from local governments can help to expand these efforts.

**Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit.....\$3,375.00**

The LCSIU/CAC is a partnership between the Lamoille County State’s Attorney Office, Vermont State Police, Lamoille County Sheriff’s Department, Morrystown Police Department, Stowe Police Department, Morrisville Probation and Parole, Lamoille County Mental Health, the Clarina Howard Nichols Center, Copley Hospital, and the Department for Children and Families, as well as various medical and therapeutic organizations.

What we do: Respond to reports of child sexual abuse, serious child physical abuse, sexual assault, elder abuse, and the abuse of vulnerable adults; Conduct criminal investigations; Prosecute substantiated crimes; Provide services and referrals to victims; and Respond to other related concerns, such as sex offender registry and child pornography.

We attained *associate membership* with the National Children’s Alliance (NCA). This designation means we meet the national standards developed by NCA and makes our Center eligible for additional funding and training opportunities to help us provide the best possible services to Lamoille County residents. We are located in the Grant House on Main St. in Hyde Park. Where, we are able to provide a neutral, safe and child-friendly space where investigators and other professionals can interview victims about reported abuse and work together to provide comprehensive services. This helps make it less stressful for the children and other victims who have already experienced trauma. The LCSIU/CAC is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 and operates with funding from the Vermont State Special Investigation Unit Grant Funds and grant funds provided through the VT Center for Crime Victim Services. In addition, we rely on financial contributions, from all municipalities within Lamoille County, as a means of sustaining our continued operation. We are asking each town to contribute at the same level as last year. Last year the LCSIU/CAC investigated 109 cases of child sexual abuse, serious child physical abuse and sexual assault cases in Lamoille County. 102 of the cases we investigated, involved children. We rely heavily on town contributions to provide up-to-date specialized training for our Muti-Disciplinary Team (MDT), in responding to and investigating these crimes.

**Lamoille County Youth Center.....\$12,000.00**

The Lamoille County Youth Center has spent over a decade catering to the teens of Lamoille County. The LCYC provides a safe, substance free space after school Monday through Thursday from 2:30-5:30. During this time youths are able to eat a full balanced meal (with the help of produce from Salvation Farms), get help with homework, work on job readiness, or just hang out. This space caters to a majority LGBTQIA\* identifying group, with each staff member working hard to uniquely support each kid who comes through our doors. We believe in a holistic approach and this fall have been working to connect to other members of the community who are working with our students; including the guidance offices at Peoples Academy, the Lamoille Family Centers’ LINK program, Salvation Farms, and others. On behalf of the staff of the Lamoille County Youth Center, thank you to the Town of Morrisville for your continued support through the years.

**Lamoille Day Health Services.....\$4,000.00**

Lamoille Day Health Services (aka Out and About) is proud to serve the community by fulfilling our mission of providing adults with an alternative choice for long-term healthcare while remaining as independent as possible in the care setting of their choice. We are honored the community is continuing to choose

Lamoille Day Health Services (aka Out and About) to fulfill their needs in this way. The number of participants we continue to serve has remained steady at an average of 20 to 25 people per day. We believe we are able to sustain these daily numbers due to our excellent care, devoted staff and positive atmosphere. The appropriations the town of Morrystown gives is crucial in our ability to provide the services our community members require. Some of the services we provide in which the appropriations make possible

are assistance with personal care, transportation, nursing care, fun activities, nutritious meals, and caregiver respite.

We look forward to another year of serving the residents of Morristown and contributing to the well-being of the community. Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Lamoille Economic Development Cooperation.....\$4,000.00**

LEDC provides a full range of economic and business support services to businesses, municipalities and other organizations with the view toward creating and retaining jobs in the County. In the last few years we have also become much more directly involved in workforce development issues and activities as employers in the county have found it to be more and more difficult to meet their workforce needs. We do so by providing consulting and matchmaking services, providing a one-stop portal for businesses and entrepreneurs seeking assistance from various state and federal programs, housing the Vermont Small Business Development Center in our offices, making small business loans through our own revolving loan fund (the LEDC made \$135,000 in small business loans this past year), putting on eight workshops per year in our Business Skills workshop series and sponsoring other business oriented forums as well including the annual Lamoille Business and Financial Assistance Forum every April. We also sponsored the first ever Lamoille Workforce Summit in November 2019 which attracted 46 employers and 38 service providers and educators from throughout the county. In partnership with the Lamoille County Planning Commission we continue to move forward with the building of a regional anaerobic digester in the area to turn waste from breweries, distilleries, cideries, cheese makers, ice cream makers and other producers of high strength BOD waste into electricity, waste heat and compost. We have also partnered with LCPC to fund efforts to advance the build-out of broadband in local rural communities. In addition, our Executive Director serves on the local Workforce Investment Board, is the co-chair of the Planning Commission’s Transportation Advisory Board and Brownfields Advisory Commission, is also the co-chair of the Farm to Plate Education and Workforce Development Working Group, serves on the Working Lands Enterprise Board and the Vermont Fresh Network Board as well as the Hunger Council of the Lamoille Valley. He is also an ex-officio member of the boards of the Lamoille County Planning Commission and Lamoille Chamber of Commerce and serves as the co-chair of the Northern Vermont Economic Development District. The LEDC remains very grateful for the financial support we receive from the residents of Morristown.

**Lamoille Family Center.....\$3,000.00**

In fiscal year 2018, our caring and dedicated staff of 32 reached more than 4,000 children, youth, parents and caregivers throughout the Lamoille Valley. Examples of Morristown residents served include: Children integrated services team home visits providing family support and early intervention for 84 participants. Holiday toy project for 60 families and 129 children, emergency assistance for 53 families with more than 90 children, weekly playgroup for 82 families with 121 children, and affordable child care assistance for 110 Morristown families. Countless children are stronger, safer and more confident as a result of their involvement with the Family Center. Together we strive to help families become healthy, strong and independent. Support through volunteer time, donation of goods and services, and financial contributions remain vital to the sustainability of the Lamoille Family Center. We cannot to this work without you. We invite you to stop by for a visit, meet some of our staff and see a glimpse of what happens each day at the Family Center.

**Lamoille Home Health & Hospice.....\$15,681.00**

Much has changed since our agency was established in 1971. Today, our services have expanded well beyond nursing. We provide an array of therapies that help our clients recover from surgery or other medical procedures in the comfort of their own homes. Our staff use telehealth and other new technologies to help clients manage their own care and even have access to specialists remotely. Our team also provides specialty care, such as wound, IV and ostomy care, our Better Breathing program, falls prevention support,

chronic disease management and lactation consultation and support – all in the clients’ homes. This is so important – not only to our clients, who prefer to receive care at home – but to our fledgling all-payer model. Having home care of such high quality available allows us to avoid the high cost of added hospital care. It also frees hospital resources up for those who truly need them. Home Health can also help Vermonters live outside of nursing homes longer. Our health care system has a goal of providing more than 50% of long-term care in home-based settings. Lamoille County has far surpassed this goal. Our Choices for Care program gives many people the support they need to stay at home longer. While we’re proud of the advances we’ve made in home care, we’re also proud of what has stayed the same – our relationship with our community. It is through your extreme generosity that we are able to support the advances we’ve made as a health care community and the relationships we have with our clients.

**Lamoille Housing Partnership.....\$1,000.00**

Lamoille Housing Partnership (LHP) develops, rehabilitates and maintains safe, decent, energy efficient affordable housing through rental, home ownership, or other means to low and moderate income persons and families living within Lamoille County and the Town of Hardwick. LHP provides such assistance without discrimination or prejudice using a combination of private and public funding partnerships. Area housing needs: Collaborate with local partners including Stowe Land Trust, Lamoille County Planning Commission, and Lamoille Valley Housing and Homelessness Coalition regarding affordable housing, workforce housing, homelessness, rentals and purchase property availability.

Support and Services at Home (SASH) programming: Free health and wellness support program for aging and disabled Medicare recipients living in congregate housing and surrounding communities. Program reduces medical expenses, supports participants too healthfully and independently age at home. Currently SASH assists approximately 5000 people across the state of Vermont.

Intended use of appropriation: All funding received by LHP, including appropriations, support internal operations as well as go to affordable housing project development in our service area. Funding is allocated to aspects of project development including preliminary project development costs, affordable land acquisition, building design costs, and more. Contributions leverage grant funding from Vermont Housing and Conservation Board.

A “Housing Needs & Assessment Study” of the service area reported vacancy rates below 2%. Morrisville’s gross median monthly rental rate is \$870 excluding utilities. LHP’s monthly rental rates in Morrisville range from \$214\* - \$920\*\* including utilities (\*Subsidized apartments. \*\*Higher rental rates represent a small portion of market rate apartments in LHP portfolio.)

**Lamoille Restorative Center.....\$1,500.00**

Lamoille Restorative Center (LRC) empowers people to make good choices and connect positively to their community. Our mission is to address unlawful behaviors and support victims of crime, while promoting healthy families and communities within the Lamoille Valley. The number of children, youth, and adults residing in Morrystown who were served by one of LRC’s twelve (12) programs in fiscal year 2019 was two hundred fifty-two (252) – or 25% of the total individual’s served.

Across the Lamoille Valley in fiscal year 2019, staff at LRC worked with a total of 1,028 individuals, and specifically helped:

- 361 kids attend school.
- 187 people stay out of the justice system with the help of 49 volunteers; meeting each week to repair the harm caused by their crime.
- 40 children and 24 parents and caregivers overcome the negative consequences of incarceration.

- 10 men and women reenter their community from jail, establishing positive relationships and working to avoid re-offense.
- 133 people get drug, alcohol and mental health treatment. They avoided court involvement and many avoided jail.
- 42 young people with disabilities prepare for the world of work, and find meaningful employment.

These interventions save tax dollars, reduce recidivism and help people address issues that often lead to crime in the first place. LRC relies on financial contributions from individuals and communities – like this town’s appropriation. We are grateful for Morristown’s residents’ continued support.

**Meals on Wheels.....\$10,000.00**

The mission of Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County is to improve health and enhance the quality of life for our community elders by providing nutritious meals and social interaction.

This year Meals on Wheels volunteers and staff have driven over 69,000 miles throughout Lamoille County, delivering 35,976 meals. Each hot meal provides 1/3 of the daily Recommended Dietary Allowances and complies with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

Your funding is essential! State and Federal funding account for 40% of our budget. We fill in the gaps by writing grants, campaign letters, fundraising activities, unsolicited contributions, client contributions, and town appropriations.

This fiscal year, October 2018 through September 2019, Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County served meals to **19,998 Morrisville residence**. For more information about Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County or to become a volunteer, please call 802-888-5011 or [www.mowlc.org](http://www.mowlc.org).

**North Country Animal League.....\$1,000.00**

North Country Animal League promotes compassionate and responsible relationships between humans and animals through sheltering of homeless animals, adoptions, education, spay/neuter programs and support of cruelty prevention. We offer programs such as sheltering of homeless animals in our Pet Adoption Center with the philosophy of a commitment to providing any animal in the shelter a warm and friendly environment with nutritious food and training to prepare them for their new homes. Through November 2019, NCAL has accepted 44 stray or surrendered animals into our shelter from Morrisville. We help them find new homes through the assistance of professional adoption counselors who help families and individuals make the perfect match; education and outreach through humane education in classrooms, off-site presentations, open houses, Reading Buddies project, dog bite prevention workshops, high school mentoring programs and children’s programs; spay/neuter of all animals adopted out by NCAL and low cost spay/neuter days throughout the year; support of cruelty prevention with NCAL serving as lead agency in Lamoille County for the Cruelty Response System, a collaboration between agencies and individuals in the county working to protect animals from cruelty; the general public can report animal cruelty by calling NCAL or entering an online submission at [www.reportanimalcruelty.com](http://www.reportanimalcruelty.com)

**River Arts.....\$10,000.00**

River Arts is a nonprofit community arts center with a mission to *enrich the community through the arts*. Our core operating value is *Arts for Everyone*, and we are committed to providing multi-disciplinary arts opportunities and making the arts accessible for everyone no matter their ability, age, or financial means. In 2019, our programs have served over 6,000 community members, providing free art making activities to hundreds of families at the Wednesday Night Live summer concert series, 4th of July, Rocktoberfest, and the Festival of Lights; bringing our innovative, exploratory Kinder Arts program to 7 different preschools

and over 125 children in Lamoille County; offering scholarships to over half of our 145 campers, ages 5-17 years old, who sang, danced, painted public murals, learned how to cook delicious, healthy dishes, wrote songs, created pottery in our clay studio, and had fun getting creative. Over 1,300 people attended more than 26 River Arts events including 16 art exhibits & talks featuring local and national artists, workshops, performances and new public art installations including 1 new mural and 4 new sculptures at the Oxbow River Park. In addition, River Arts continues to serve as a community resource by offering our space for wellness classes, meetings, and other community groups. Support through volunteer time, donations of goods and services, and financial contributions are essential to our continued work as a dynamic, vibrant community arts center where people come together to create a positive future through the arts.

**Retired Senior Volunteer Program.....\$1,000.00**

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) engages, inspires, and recognizes volunteers who serve Older Vermonters in Central Vermont and the Northeast Kingdom. Our program focuses on the healthy future of Vermont’s seniors with measurable outcomes in companionship, transportation, wellness programs and home delivered meals. There are 472 RSVP volunteers in our service area that includes the counties of Orange, Lamoille, Washington, Essex, Caledonia and Orleans that collectively they served 45,551 hours last year. The funding requested from Morrystown is used to help offset the cost of supporting those volunteers. These costs are: training, recognition, travel, insurance, and coordination time. RSVP volunteers serve their community by leading evidence based wellness programs. These programs are designed to improve balance, increase strength and provide social connections. RSVP volunteers also serve at meal sites, visit people in their homes, and deliver Meals on Wheels all with the goal of improving the healthy futures of older Vermonters. There is more to volunteering than the outcomes achieved in service to others. A recent study by the Corporation for National and Community Service indicates that volunteering provides individual health benefits in addition to social advantages. This research has established a strong relationship between volunteering and health: those who volunteer have lower mortality rates, greater functional ability, and lower rates of depression later in life than those who do not volunteer. For more information, or to volunteer in your community, please contact us at 802-888-2190, e-mail [dnoyes@cvcoa.org](mailto:dnoyes@cvcoa.org) or visit [www.cvcoa.org/rsvp](http://www.cvcoa.org/rsvp).

RSVP is your invitation to serve. Sponsored by the Central Vermont Council on Aging, it is a national program designed to provide opportunities to individuals 55 and older who continue to remain actively involved in the life of their community. Offices are located in Morrisville, Barre, and St. Johnsbury.

**Rural Community Transportation.....\$5,200.00**

RCT has been providing transportation services to Morrisville for over 25 years to the elderly, disabled, and general public through a van/bus and volunteers service. RCT is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex and Lamoille Counties. In Fiscal Year 2019, RCT provided 10,213 trips to 154 residents of Morrystown, travelling 205,578 miles at a total cost of \$219,129.00. RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, our funding sources typically require 20% - 50% local match dollars. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required local match.



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**TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020**