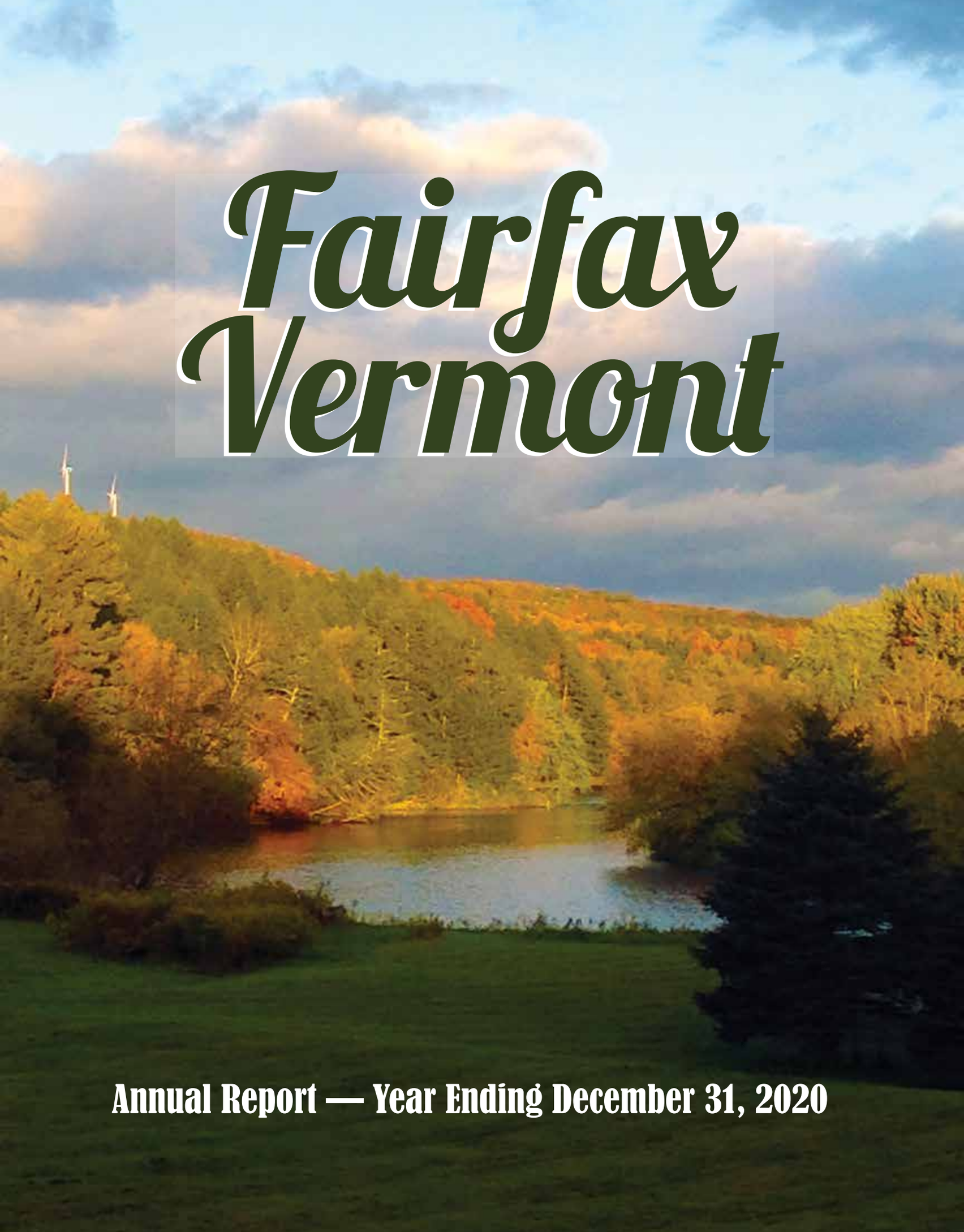

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NOTICE

SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATIONAL MEETING

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2021, 10:00 A.M.

Join via smartphone/tablet/computer:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88224879433

Join by telephone:

(646) 558-8656; Meeting ID: 882 2487 9433; No passcode required

SELECTBOARD INFORMATIONAL MEETING

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2021, 1:00 P.M

Join via smartphone/tablet/computer at: Zoom.us

Meeting ID: 840 973 9940 Password: Fairfax

Join by telephone:

(646) 558-8656; Meeting ID: 840 973 9940; Password: 974880

TUESDAY MARCH 2ND, 2021

POLLS OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

B.F.A. Fairfax, 75 Hunt Street, Fairfax, VT

ALL AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON, WHICH INCLUDES ALL TOWN OFFICES, TOWN BUDGET

AND THE SCHOOL BUDGET

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NOTICE TO VOTERS
For Local Elections

BEFORE ELECTION DAY:

CHECKLIST POSTED at Clerks Office by January 31, 2021. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote.
SAMPLE BALLOTS will be posted by February 20, 2021.

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 calling the town clerk's office or going online to **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 writing, by telephone, email, or online at mvp.sec.state.vt.us. The latest you can request ballots for the Annual Town & School District Election is the close of the Town Clerk's office on February 26, 2021 before 4:00 p.m. The Town Clerk's office is closed to the public on March 1, 2021. Absentee Ballots can be dropped into the secure drop box on the right of the front door at the Town Office before 4:00 p.m. on March 1, 2021. (Any other person authorized by you who is not a family member must apply in writing for a ballot for you.)

WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:

- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office, dropping in the secure drop box on the right of the front door before 4:00 p.m. March 1, 2021 or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, call 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 using Vote Tabulator Ballots

CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- 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 ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT: For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc."

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- WRITE-IN candidate(s). 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:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

CAST YOUR VOTE by depositing your voted ballot into the vote tabulating machine.
LEAVE the voting area immediately by passing outside the guardrail.

Attest: Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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DIRECTORY

TOWN OF FAIRFAX
12 BUCK HOLLOW ROAD
FAIRFAX, VT 05454
802/849-6111 FAX 802/849-6276
sboffice@fairfax-vt.gov

911 IS THE OFFICIAL EMERGENCY NUMBER

LOCAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Vermont State Police	Lieutenant Jerry Partin	524-5993
Franklin County Sheriff's Office	Sheriff Roger Langevin	524-2121
Fairfax Rescue	Bambi Dame	849-2773
Animal Control Officer	Bill Stygles	849-6268
Emergency Management Coordinator	Steve Bessette	309-0891
Fire Chief	Jesse Fleming	849-6075
Fire Station Lieutenants	Aaron Sanders	849-6075
	Calvin Caswell	
Fire Warden	Duane Leach	849-6174
Asst. Fire Warden	David Raymond	849-6075
Community Library	Emily DiGiulio	849-2420
BFA Elementary School	Stephanie Metruk	849-2222
BFA Middle & High School	Amy Plog	849-6711

OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE

www.fairfax-vt.gov	David Raymond, Web Administrator	849-6075

NOTARY PUBLICS: Deb Woodward, Amy Sears, and Lynn Parah

MONTPELIER REPRESENTATION

Senator Randy Brock	rbrock@leg.state.vt.us
Senator Corey Parent	cparent@leg.state.vt.us
Representative Barbara Murphy	bmurphy@leg.state.vt.us

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - 2020

Dog Licensing: Licensing will take place at the Town Office starting on January 1, 2020. It will be considered delinquent after April 1, 2020 and a late fee will be assessed. The fees are as follows: $11.00 for spayed/neutered, $13.00 non-spayed or neutered.

Household and Hazardous Waste Days: Saturday May 15th and October 16th at the Town Garage on Fletcher Road from 8:00am to 12:00 noon.

Property Taxes: First payment is due in November 2021. Second payment is due in February 2022. Third and final payment is due in May 2022. Taxes paid after posted dates are subject to a collection fee of 8% applied to tax bill, and interest charged at 1% for first three months, 1.5% for every month thereafter.

GREEN MOUNTAIN PASSPORT

Fairfax residents over 62 may get an application for a Green Mountain Passport at the Town Clerk's Office. These are free of charge.

LOCAL TALK ON FRONT PORCH FORUM

Have you joined our local Front Porch Forum? FPF helps neighbors connect and build community by hosting a statewide network of online local forums. More than half of Vermont households participate with hundreds more joining every month. People use their FPF to find lost animals, offer assistance to neighbors, organize local projects, share crime reports, draw crowds to events, highlight small businesses, seek contractor recommendations, and much more. Started 10 years ago, FPF is a free service and it's based in Vermont. Learn more at http://frontporchforum.com

TOWN OFFICIALS

POSITION	NAME	TERM
Town Moderator	Roberta Rodimer	Term Expires 2021
Delinquent Town Tax Collector	Johanna Blake	Term Expires 2021
Town Clerk	Deborah Woodward	-
Town Treasurer	Deborah Woodward	-
Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	Lynn Parah	-
First Constable	Matthew Burstein	Term Expires 2023

The Town Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am. - 4:00 pm. and the 1st and 3rd Monday evening from 6:00p. - 8:00p. 849-6111 x 10 or 11. Evening hours may vary to be compatible with Select Board Meetings. The Town Clerk's Office will be closed March 1st and 2nd, 2021 due to elections.

SELECTBOARD

Steve Cormier, Chair	Term Expires 2023
Sheri Rainville, Vice-Chair	Term Expires 2021
Duane Leach	Term Expires 2022
Stephen Bessette	Term Expires 2021
Randy DeVine	Term Expires 2022

The Selectboard meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:00 pm. until adjournment. The meetings are held at the Town Office in Conference Room 116, unless otherwise specified.

ASSESSOR

Patricia McNall

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Peter Fitzgerald	Donna Meunier	Judy Cleary
Gary Gilbert	Lee D. Minor	Greg Hartmann
Marjorie Ellsworth	Robert Horr	Susan Mitchell
Mary Kay Raymond	Peggy Gilbert	

FAIRFAX COMMUNITY LIBRARY TRUSTEES (3 YEAR TERM)

Lisa Griswold, Chair	Term Expires 2022
Patricia Gallant	Term Expires 2021
Carol Vallett	Term Expires 2023
Elizabeth Griffin	Term Expires 2023
Ellen F. Holmes-Henry	Term Expires 2021

Emily DiGiulio, Public Library Director

School year Library Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:30a-5:30p, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30a-8:00p, Friday 8:30a-3:15p, Saturday 9:00a-1:00p

Summer Library Hours: Monday & Wednesday & Friday 10:00a-5:30p, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00a-8:00p, Saturday 9:00a-1:00p

CEMETERY COMMISSION (5-YEAR TERMS)

Dale Bellows (resigned 2021)	Term Expires 2023
Sally Sweet	Term Expires 2025
Trevor Howard	Term Expires 2025
Lucien Hayes	Term Expires 2021
Doug Collins	Term Expires 2022

REPRESENTATIVES TO NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Colleen Steen (Appointed)
Brad Docheff (Appointed)

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Colleen Steen (Appointed) Term Expires 2021

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS –

NAME:	
ADA Coordinator	David Raymond
Animal Control Officer	William "Bill" Styles
Fire Warden	Duane Leach
Assistant Fire Warden	David Raymond
Fire Chief	Jesse Fleming
Deputy Fire Chief	Matt Gillilan
Emergency Management Coordinator	Stephen Bessette
Fence Viewer	Mark Rainville
Fence Viewer	Mary Kay Raymond
Fence Viewer	Randy DeVine
Health Officer	David Raymond
Legal Contact	Brad Docheff
Library Trustee/SB Representative	Sheri Rainville
Real Estate Agent	Randy DeVine
Recreation Department/SB Representative	Sheri Rainville
Road Crew/SB Representatives	Stephen Bessette Randy Devine
Town Manager	Brad Docheff
Tree Warden	Doug Reaves
Water & Sewer Commissioners SB Representative	Steve Cormier
Safety Officer	David Raymond

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Michelle Dufresne	Jason Heyer, Chair	Nicholas Hibbard
Claude Rainville	Adam Fitzgerald	Hunter Gomez

Development Review Board meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, or as posted.

PLANNING COMMISSION (APPOINTED POSITIONS)

W. Greg Heyer, Chair		Jolie Frechette	Richard Wimble
Rikki Albert	Amit Saini	Jeffrey Bartley	Kevin Riordan

Planning Commission meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, or as posted.

UTILITY DEPARTMENT

Utility Office Manager	Amy Sears
Superintendent	Randy DeVine
Assistants	Paul Langelier David Raymond

ZONING OFFICE

Administrator ..... Amber Soter

Please call (802) 849-6111 (ext. 12) for current office schedule.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.

Director ..... Brian LaClair

Please call (802) 849-6111 (ext. 20) for current office schedule.

WARNING 2021 FAIRFAX, VT INFORMATIONAL HEARING & TOWN MEETING ELECTION

The inhabitants of the Town of Fairfax who are legal voters in the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ELECTION are hereby warned and notified of the Select Board Public Informational Hearing through ZOOM on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of a presentation on the proposed Town Budget and discussion on ARTICLES 1 through 7 that will be voted upon using the official Australian ballot.

Information on accessing the remote meeting:

- By computer:

  The hearing can be reached at: zoom.us
  Meeting ID: 840 973 9940
  Password: Fairfax

A direct link to the meeting can also be accessed via:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8409739940?pwd=R0piRjFjWUNEUHNUcFFHQXFEelZidz09

- By phone:

  Dial: 646 558 8656
  Meeting ID: 840 973 9940
  Password: 974880

All ARTICLES 1 through 7 are to be voted upon using the official Australian ballot. The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Bellows Free Academy, 75 Hunt Street, Fairfax.

ARTICLE 1 To elect from the legal voters of the Town of Fairfax the following officers:

Town Moderator	One Year Term
Selectperson	Three Year Term
Selectperson	Two Year Term
Community Library Trustee	Three Year Term
Community Library Trustee	Three Year Term
Cemetery Commissioner	Five Year Term
Cemetery Commissioner	Two Years remaining of a Five-Year Term
Delinquent Tax Collector	Three Year Term

ARTICLE 2 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve the **FY2022 (twelve (12) month Fiscal Budget)** covering the period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, as recommended by the Select Board, of $3,533,491.00 of which $2,457,811.00 is to be raised by taxes and $699,196.00 to be raised by fees associated with the approved trash contract?

ARTICLE 3 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve the **FY2021 (twelve (12) month Fiscal Budget)** of $119,519.00 covering the period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 in support of the Fairfax Rescue toward operation expenses for Emergency Medical Services Coverage?

ARTICLE 4 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve $10,000.00 for a formal review and audit of Fairfax Rescue's financial data?

ARTICLE 5 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of $23,777.00 for the support of social contributions to provide services to the residents of the Town?

A.	Age Well	$1,500.00
B.	American Red Cross	$500.00
C.	Fairfax Historical Society	$2,000.00
D.	Franklin County Home Health Agency	$8,998.00
E.	Franklin County Industrial Development	$500.00
F.	Franklin Grand Isle Restorative Justice Center	$1,000.00
G.	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	$1,000.00
H.	Green Mountain Transit	$2,229.00
I.	Northwestern Counseling & Support Services	$1,800.00
J.	Northwest Unit for Special Investigations	$1,500.00
K.	Vermont Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired	$300.00
L.	Vermont Center for Independent Living	$500.00
M.	Vermont Council on Rural Development	$150.00
N.	Vermont Family Network	$500.00
O.	Vermont Green Up Inc.	$300.00
P.	Voices Against Violence / Laurie's House	$1,000.00
TOTAL		**$23,777.00**

ARTICLE 6 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax accept the reports of the Town Officers?

ARTICLE 7 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize the Select Board to place the tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer as heretofore?

Dated at Fairfax, County of Franklin, State of Vermont, this 26th day of January 2021.

Steve Cormier, Chair

Sheri Rainville, Vice Chair

Randy DeVine

Stephen Bessette

Duane Leach

Attest: Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Town of Fairfax

12 Buck Hollow Road
Fairfax, VT 05454
(802) 849-6111

ABSTRACT/MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL TOWN DISTRICT MEETING

The 2020 Annual Town District Meeting was called to order at the Elementary Auditorium at Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax, Vermont by Moderator Roberta (Robby) Rodimer shortly after 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 29, 2020. She thanked the set-up crew for the wonderful job they did setting up for Town Meeting. She thanked the Ladies of the United Church of Fairfax for providing snacks. Robby welcomed everyone and read Robert's Rules as modified by VT State Statute. She set a three-minute speaking limit allowing speakers to speak twice on an issue.

ARTICLES 1 through ARTICLE 5 were voted upon using the official Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the Middle School Gymnasium of Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax, Vermont. The polls opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m.

Barbara Murphy, State Representative, spoke in sympathy of the absence of long-time resident Sharon's Horr. Sharon was recognized in the front cover of the Town Report. Barbara spoke about Sharon's accomplishments given to the town in numerous ways including being our Community Librarian for over 30 years. Barbara talked about the 2020 Unclaimed Property Listing for Fairfax through the Vermont State Treasurer which was in the Lobby and posted in the Town Office entrance. Check it out to see if there are any funds that are entitled to you. Barbara thanks Newt Garland for his extraordinary generosity to the Town with preserving Fairfax land through the Vermont Land Trust.

Steve Cormier, Select Board Chair introduced the Select Board: Randy DeVine; Sheri Rainville; Duane Leach; and Stephen Bessette, Select Board Assistant, Amy Sears and Town Manager, Brad Docheff. Brad thanked the Select Board; Town Staff; and especially his daughter that helped put this presentation in place.

Brad spoke about celebrating the past, looking to the future. He looked through the highlights of 2019 which included the completion of Phase 1 of the sidewalk plan; the Party in the Park that was put on by Brian LaClair our Recreation Director; and our new Community Corner Lot across from Stones Throw. He thanked the helpers that helped accomplish that. Transportation improvement goals consist of Main Street Crosswalks; Sidewalk Master Plan Phases 2&3; and the review of the 104/128 Intersection. The road safety audit is upcoming. Some upcoming construction projects consist of the Shephardson Hollow Bridge construction beginning this Summer. It will be a single lane bridge. Utility infrastructure on Fletcher Road will begin the Spring of 2021. The Utility Department Meters are almost all installed. The Wastewater Treatment Facility will be evaluated soon. We are doing Broadband Network Exploring.

Brad spoke stating that the 2020 United States Census is safe; easy; and important. This is a source for allocating federal funds. To earn income, go to https://2020census.gov/jobs. We have a waste removal contract that is adding composting service. This is in compliance with Act 148. Brad discussed the upcoming increased communication with using the recollect App. The contract cost is stable.

Brad continued the presentation of where Fairfax is going from municipal planning; public transportation; the energy committee and the bike/pedestrian advisory committees starting up; to developing assets and investing in our future.

The floor was opened to discussion. Out of towners were allowed to speak. Tom Traber asked what the Town's plan for the Coronavirus is. We will follow the State Public Health plan.

Brian LaClair, the director of the Fairfax Parks & Recreation Department talked about the changes with this department since he first came into this position. Our new vision consists of programs, events, and facilities that build community and healthy happy people. Brian's presentation consisted of the Community Park & Bike Path. We saw a great increase in usage of our park from sports to the first annual Party in the Park in July which included fireworks. An estimated attendance of over 1500 people. We will be bringing this back for a second year on June 27th with more fun, food and fireworks. This Summer we will introduce a short series of movies in the park on Wednesday nights. Also, the park entrance on Hunt Street will be redesigned to be more welcoming and accessible for pedestrians. We are working to repave a sizable stretch of the path. The latest addition to the Recreation Department was to develop the Community Corner Park in the heart of our village after funding from a grant and local donations within our Town. We worked with amazing volunteers to achieve the first milestone of this project. We work with the Fairfax Arts Council and others to promote wonderful events at this space. The 100 Acre Woods in North Fairfax now has new road signage including a brand-new message board funded by Rise Vermont. Additional grant funding for this project from Rise Vermont will allow us to implement trail way finding signage and purchase tools necessary for cutting new trails by leveraging the interest we have for community volunteers! The Fairfax Community Center project has dedicated and passionate folks working on it for a very long time bringing this project to fruition. There have been events from the United Church of Fairfax; the Historical Society's Pie and Ice Cream Social; the Haunted House from the FFCC; the Fairfax Tree Lighting celebration along with private parties. The Farmers Market on the front lawn was a great success. We are working on a grant to have the building accessible to the standard that the ADA specifies. There is a possibility of a future Teen Center in the basement. The Farmers' Market is returning as part of an event we are calling Fairfax Fridays, consisting of hosting a concert series in front of the Community Center every Friday during the Summer from 5 – 8 p.m. Stop by to enjoy the evening with local vendors, a special food truck each week, and fantastic music. Rise Vermont will be funding the entire series. Fantastic fitness classes were offered. Brian thanked the instructors for what they have given to our community. Brian also thanked BFA Fairfax and the United Church of Fairfax for the spaces they provided. The calendar of these programs is on our website. We are hoping you are enjoying the clear sidewalks and the recreation path this Winter. We are adding a new position in the Recreation Department that will allow us to expand our capacity to better serve you. Some things to expect by this time next year are in-house affordable summer camps; more educational programs for all ages; low impact fitness programs for seniors; one large scale community event every month; with addition trail projects.

The floor was opened to discussion. Some questions consisted of, is there 100 Acres Woods signage on route 104, Main Street. Yes, there is. Where will be the location of the Farmers Market? It will be in front of the Community Center.

Stephen Bessette, Emergency Management Coordinator spoke about the 2019 Halloween Storm. He is working with FEMA. We should receive 87.5% of our cost of the Town from the FEMA rates. Check out our table in the Lobby. Hand outs are available to better prepare you for an emergency. Fairfax is working on a Vermont Alert program to better inform the Town with emergency messages. You will be able to sign up online to get a response through your phone, email, or text message. The floor was opened to discussion. There was none.

Wendy Alger and Renee Francis from Casella spoke about the upcoming food scraps state mandate that is going into place July 1, 2020. Casella added food scrapes collection to our trash contract. They will be providing seven-gallon containers. They are also working on sending out alerts on service delays through an App that we will be able to sign up for to receive these alerts by phone, email, or text message. They will also be providing two hazardous waste days this year.

The floor was opened for discussion. Some discussion consisted of; will the new App inform you daily? The trash should be put out by 7 a.m. You will not be notified if your trash pickup is delayed by a couple of hours. This App is for more extreme delays or issues that arise. Can the trash bin can be turned around on windy days, so they do not tip over? Yes, if you think that the bin will blow over then it is fine to turn the bin in the opposite direction. Steve Cothalis asked about the quality in Fairfax's recycling. They will be doing testing on March 6, 2020 to get those answers. Tom Traber asked how to sign up for the new App and how to receive this information. You can call Casella or submit through email to receive this information through a phone call, email, or text message.

Pat McNall, Assessor spoke about the upcoming Town Reappraisal that will begin at the end of the Summer. This will reflect on the 2022 Grand List. This will make the home values accurate. We have monies set aside in a special fund account that is given to Fairfax over the years to fully fund this reappraisal. It will not cost the taxpayers anything. This will bring the assessed land values up, lowering the property tax rate. The floor was opened to discussion. There was none.

Patsy Parker spoke about the two electric school buses that is included in the School Meeting Article 2 budget request. The Vermont Energy Investment Corporation funded a pilot program to get school buses on the road to see how well they will function in our climate and on our geography. The cost of the buses through this program is $90,000 each, totaling $180.000. These buses typically run around $35,000 each. $90,000 is the same cost as a new diesel bus. The school likes to purchase a new bus each year but got behind and we are short a bus, needing two buses this year. There is a 75-80% reduction on maintenance on these buses. We can save $5000 per year on fuel. Hook ups are included in this program. These buses reduce carbon. The floor was opened to discussion. Some discussion consisted of Tom Traber being concerned about the buses being a fire hazard as it was with the electric cars and airplanes in the past. These buses were made different and will not have the defects with our updated technology. How long will the batteries last for? They last eight – ten years. How long do these batteries go on a charge and how long is the warranty on these buses? The buses can go 130 miles on a charge. It takes eight – ten hours to charge. They have an eight-year warranty. David Shea asked about the battery disposal. The batteries still have 60% of usage when done. This usage can be used for something within the School or Town. He also asked about the disposal cost which Patsy was not sure of. She would get back to us with the answer.

ARTICLE 1 To following officials were elected by the legal voters of the Town:

Town Moderator	One Year Term	Roberta Rodimer	1327 votes
Selectperson	Three Year Term	Steve Cormier	1293 votes
Selectperson	Two Year Term	Duane Leach	1313 votes
Town Agent	One Year Term	Deborah Woodward	1309 votes
Community Library Trustee	Three Year Term	Rev Elizabeth Griffin	1012 votes
Community Library Trustee	Three Year Term	Carol Vallett	781 votes
First Constable	Two Years Remaining Of A Three-Year Term	Matthew Burstein	1261 votes
Cemetery Commissioner	Five Year Term	Trevor Howard	1296 votes
Cemetery Commissioner	Four Years Remaining Of A Five-Year Term	Sally Sweet	1312 votes

Robby read Article 1. The floor was opened to discussion. There was none.

ARTICLE 2 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve the **FY2021 (twelve (12) month Fiscal Budget)** covering the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, as recommended by the Select Board, of $3,354,321.00 of which $2,335,672.00 is to be raised by taxes and $678,831.00 to be raised by fees associated with the approved trash contract?

Robby read Article 2. The floor was opened to discussion. David Shea wanted to know if the Casella trash contract was in the best interest for the Town with the high cost associated with it. Steve Cormier stated yes, the price isn't much different than the past and mentioned that Casella did a great job for the Town. Dave was concerned with the contract giving Casella the right for first refusal. Brad stated the goal is to get the best low price and quality for the Town.

In Favor: 973 Opposed: 489

ARTICLE 3 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve the **FY2021 (twelve (12) month Fiscal Budget)** of $111,700.00 covering the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in support of the Fairfax Rescue toward operation expense and the purchase of two (2) Zoll defibrillators?

Robby read Article 3. Kathy Jochim, Fairfax Rescue Squad President and Bambi Dane, Director of Operations did a presentation stating they did 485 calls in 2019 with 284 of the calls from Fairfax residents. They have 26,000 volunteer hours. They are also available 24/7/365. The team consist of all nationally certified paramedic level of education and service to serve our community and Fire Department. They do CPR trainings. The ambulance was at the Party in the Park. The Rescue Squad is asking for two Zoll defibrillators in this article at a cost of $70,000. They are working on grants and fundraising. It is an honor to be here today and to help. The floor was opened to discussion. Some questions consisted that people were questioning if Fairfax Rescue would be doing an outside audit for transparency reasons as the Town of Fairfax does? The people recommended having an audit added in the next budget year. Kathy

replied, Carrie Germaine was the Treasurer at the time who found the discrepancy and hired an auditor to come in that went through policy and procedures. At that time, the Auditor said they did not see any financial discrepancies. Carrie responded that the audit was specific for policy and procedure and the document they have from the Auditor specifies that Auditor suggested a financial audit to be done and offered her services to do so. Kathy advised that the Rescue Board felt there was no financial discrepancy. Another concern was why the price for CPR and First Aid classes has risen so high, especially for Child Care Providers? The prices are at half the price when going out of town. The Rescue stated they would work on getting a better price for these classes. Carrie Germaine stated that it was not accurate with her calculation that Rescue provided service 24/7/365 days a year. The significant increase of incoming 911 calls for Fairfax Rescue where there was no schedule crew respond. The lapse in time to respond is upward of 15-20 minutes. This time could be a difference in whether a person lives or dies. Rescue stated they have updated their policies and procedures and only had two occurrences. Rescue stated that we are primarily a volunteer service. Our volunteers provide 81% of our courage, donating over 20,000 hours in 2019. Carrie reported that the calculation did not add up with Rescue's response. Rescue stated they need 26,000 volunteers and out of the 7 per diems on the schedule, two are volunteer paramedics. More discussion consisted of why Fairfax's contribution in Article 3 is so much higher them the surrounding towns. The Rescue calculates from the number of calls per town to get that figure. Tom Traber ask what was being done to protect us from the Coronavirus. The State Department of Health has guidelines we will follow and are working on getting all the items that will be needed.

In Favor: 1187 Opposed: 280

ARTICLE 4 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of $23,427.00 for the support of social contributions to provide services to the residents of the Town?

A.	Age Well	$1,500.00
B.	American Red Cross	$500.00
C.	Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity	$500.00
D.	Fairfax Arts Council	$750.00
E.	Fairfax Historical Society	$2,000.00
F.	Franklin County Home Health Agency	$8,998.00
G.	Franklin County Industrial Development	$500.00
H.	Franklin Grand Isle Restorative Justice Center	$500.00
I.	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	$500.00
J.	Green Mountain Transit	$2229.00
K.	Northwestern Counseling & Support Services	$1800.00
L.	Vermont Adult Learning	$350.00
M.	Vermont Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired	$300.00
N.	Vermont Center for Independent Living	$500.00
O.	Vermont Council on Rural Development	$400.00
P.	Vermont Rural Fire Protection	$100.00
Q.	Vermont Family Network	$500.00
R.	Voices Against Violence / Laurie's House	$1500.00

TOTAL **$23,427.00**

Brad stated that on page 35 in the Town Report, Support of Services, not all the 2019 agencies are listed, only the ones that submitted in 2020. The $27,777.00 represents the total amount of article 4 on the 2019 Warning. The proposed 2020 for Franklin County Home Health of $89,980.00 was AMENDED as $8,998.00.

Amanda Duling, of Fairfax Arts Council spoke about the new council that started in August. It meets on a monthly basis. The Council is designed to enrich the lives in Fairfax. They are going to be providing music and painting the boxes at Community Corner. They are working on groups for photography and writing. They are looking for volunteers to help. Flyers are in the Lobby. The floor was opened to discussion. There was none.

Nicole Vance, Fairfax Historical Society President spoke about the work that has been started in our Town Museum. The mold has been completely removed from the inside. Volunteers are welcome to help work on the outside of the Museum. They are working on getting it completed so that the Museum can be opened to the public.

The floor was opened to discussion. It was asked who Vermont Rural Fire Protection is. They support grants for dry hydrants.

In Favor: 1176 Opposed: 313

ARTICLE 5 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax vote to apply any surplus from a fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year?

The floor was opened to discussion. There was none.

In Favor: 1384 Opposed: 78

ARTICLE 6 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax accept the reports of the town Officers?

A motion was made by Chris Cota and seconded by Mary Kay Raymond. The floor was opened to discussion. Nick Hibbard asked about the adverse opinion on capital assets from our Auditors. Brad stated that NEMRC will be coming into the Town Office to install software to help with the depreciation process. This should resolve that opinion. Nick had a question on page 38 of the Town Report on the second of the last paragraph. Brad is going to reach out to our Auditors this week. The motion was passed by a show of cards.

ARTICLE 7 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize the Select Board to place the tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer as heretofore?

A motion was made by Carol Vallett and seconded by Nick Hibbard. The floor was opened to discussion. There was none. The motion was passed by a show of cards.

ARTICLE 8 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax act on any other business?

A motion was made by Carol Vallett and seconded by Carrie Germaine. The floor was opened to discussion. Some questions consisted of environmental impact on the Town with new businesses coming into town. The Zoning Review Board follows Fairfax's policies and procedures. There was concern with the vehicles driving way too fast in Fairfax. Speed on the Town roads are enforced by law enforcement. Dave questioned the purpose of Town Meeting. He and Carrie Germaine felt that they needed more time to be able to speak on their concerns. Robby suggested coming to Select Board Meetings. Those meetings are for all the Town's people. Meredith Roberts had question about the Energy Committee. Brad stated that we are working on getting grants for the Town through this committee; in groups; and for residents to assist to better this Town. All are invited to be a part of the committee. David Ginter would like safety signs to be put up in Town to caution drivers of horse riders. He is concerned about safety. motion was passed by a show of cards.

ARTICLE 9 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax recess Town Meeting until March 3, 2020 at 7:00 A.M.?

A motion was made Fred Holmes and seconded by Cathy Carlson. The floor was opened to discussion and there was none. The motion was passed by a show of cards at 12:20 p.m. to recess the Town until March 3, 2020 at 7 a.m.

There are 4007 registered voters with 1529 voting by Australian ballot making a 38% voter turnout.

Peter Fitzgerald, Justice of the Peace

Sheri Rainville, Selectperson

Attest: _____ Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer
March 11, 2020

FY2022 Municipal Budget Abstract

After a wild year in which many folks faced economic uncertainties, our goal with the upcoming budget was to minimize any increases, while keeping an eye to the services needed to continue bringing benefits to Fairfax residents and taxpayers. Our focus was once again on maximizing the value and level of return on service being delivered for every tax dollar.

The proposed FY2022 municipal operating budget to be raised by taxes is $2,457,811. It is anticipated that due to the continued growth of Fairfax, the modest increase over last year's budget will be offset by increases to our Grand List value, resulting overall in a stable tax rate.

Some areas in which more investment has been earmarked include:

- Increases to our Law Enforcement agreement with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to cover benefit and pay increases, improved assets, and further program development.
- An allocation to contract with professional planning services to better support long-term growth strategies for Fairfax. Our consistent rate of growth is straining our current capacity and we recognize the need for more support in this department.
- Additional material costs for our Highway Department, which continues to work through a 5-year plan to bring all town roads up to the highest standard through all seasons. This will also allow for the continuation of larger-scale improvements to known trouble spots on our roads.
- Increased staffing hours in our Town Clerk's Office and Recreation Department to meet additional operational needs.

Once again, our departments worked hard to offset any further budget increases. We feel the output from municipal services will be well worth the investment, and will continue to contribute to a high quality of life for the residents of Fairfax.

The future is bright for this town. We aim to continue to be an attractive and affordable place to live, and along with that, maintain the goal of providing the highest level of service to all of our residents.

FY2022
2021-2022 (12 MONTH)
July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

ANTICIPATED TOWN OF FAIRFAX REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

FY2022 (2021-2022) ANTICIPATED REVENUES	$376,484.00
TOTAL	$376,484.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$3,533,491.00
*TRASH	-699,196.00
TOTAL REVENUES	-376,484.00
TAXES TO BE RAISED	$2,457,811.00

ANY APPROVED WARNED ITEMS WILL BE ADDED TO THE TAX RECOMMENDATION TOTAL

NOTE

*TRASH	100-7-64-330.000	$699,196.00
FY2022 (2021-2022) PER UNIT	1989 UNITS ESTIMATE	$352.00

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
100-6-00-100					
Animal Control					
100-6-00-100.005					
Licenses	4,500.00	3,104.00	4,500.00	982.00	3,000.00
Total Animal Control	**4,500.00**	**3,104.00**	**4,500.00**	**982.00**	**3,000.00**
100-6-00-105					
Delinquent Tax Interest					
100-6-00-105.000					
Delinquent Tax Interest	24,000.00	16,840.85	13,250.00	4,765.61	14,000.00
Total Delinquent Tax Inter	**24,000.00**	**16,840.85**	**13,250.00**	**4,765.61**	**14,000.00**
100-6-00-115					
Fire Department Income					
100-6-00-115.005					
Other Receipts	1,500.00	3,451.00	1,500.00	2,375.00	2,100.00
100-6-00-115.010					
Retainer Fee	8,500.00	13,000.00	8,500.00	0.00	10,000.00
Total Fire Department Inco	**10,000.00**	**16,451.00**	**10,000.00**	**2,375.00**	**12,100.00**
100-6-00-117					
Garage Income					
Total Garage Income	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
100-6-00-120					
Highway Income					
100-6-00-120.010					
State Aid	123,500.00	125,973.35	123,500.00	129,103.42	123,500.00
100-6-00-120.050					
Hwy Access Permit	300.00	150.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
100-6-00-120.080					
Hwy 2014 Dump Tk Recovery	0.00	95,417.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
100-6-00-120.099					
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	586.90	0.00
Total Highway Income	**123,800.00**	**221,540.35**	**123,800.00**	**129,990.32**	**123,800.00**
100-6-00-125					
Interest Income					
100-6-00-125.000					
Interest Income	400.00	2,819.90	400.00	0.00	1,000.00
Total Interest Income	**400.00**	**2,819.90**	**400.00**	**0.00**	**1,000.00**
100-6-00-13					
Miscellaneous					

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
100-6-00-130.005					
2nd Class Licenses	465.00	650.00	695.00	70.00	650.00
100-6-00-130.010					
Cemeteries Income	250.00	150.00	250.00	105.00	200.00
100-6-00-130.012					
Land Use Change Tax	0.00	7,727.50	0.00	2,015.00	0.00
100-6-00-130.020					
Other Income	0.00	262.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
100-6-00-130.030					
Pilot Program	30.00	23.40	23.00	23.40	25.00
100-6-00-135.000					
School Treasurer	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Total Miscellaneous	**7,745.00**	**15,813.54**	**7,968.00**	**9,213.40**	**7,875.00**
100-6-00-140					
Other Receipts					
100-6-00-140.005					
Copies	7,500.00	19,507.50	10,500.00	17,782.50	20,000.00
100-6-00-140.010					
Fines-Civil	3,500.00	3,048.53	1,900.00	3,211.69	3,000.00
100-6-00-140.015					
Hazardous Waste	3,400.00	3,396.59	3,400.00	3,409.43	3,409.00
100-6-00-140.020					
Hold Harmless	58,000.00	62,541.00	65,000.00	71,744.00	78,000.00
100-6-00-140.025					
Recordings	28,000.00	64,966.50	44,000.00	50,095.00	60,000.00
100-6-00-140.028					
Trash Bag Stickers Act 14	0.00	62.50	0.00	50.00	0.00
100-6-00-140.030					
Vehicle Registrations	200.00	111.00	150.00	0.00	100.00
100-6-00-140.035					
Weight Permit	900.00	970.00	900.00	35.00	900.00
Total Other Receipts	**101,500.00**	**154,603.62**	**125,850.00**	**146,327.62**	**165,409.00**
100-6-00-145					
Property Taxes					
100-6-00-145.000					
Property Taxes	8,327,753.73	7,965,430.96	0.00	4,080,462.37	0.00
Total Property Taxes	**8,327,753.73**	**7,965,430.96**	**0.00**	**4,080,462.37**	**0.00**
100-6-00-150					
Zoning					
100-6-00-150.010					
Building Permits	41,500.00	25,900.00	41,500.00	27,900.00	40,000.00
100-6-00-150.015					
Compliance	3,000.00	3,230.00	3,000.00	2,040.00	3,000.00
100-6-00-150.020					
Hearings	5,500.00	6,341.00	5,500.00	3,749.00	5,500.00

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
Total Zoning	**50,000.00**	**35,471.00**	**50,000.00**	**33,689.00**	**48,500.00**
100-6-00-160					
Taxes Fees Grants & Licen					
100-6-00-160.001					
COVID LGER Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,222.43	0.00
100-6-00-160.005					
Election Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
100-6-00-160.010					
Delinquent Taxes	0.00	292,336.28	0.00	66,107.13	0.00
100-6-00-160.015					
Library Funds - Fees	2,500.00	1,069.99	2,500.00	15.00	0.00
100-6-00-160.020					
Library Funds - Grants	600.00	390.16	600.00	720.00	0.00
100-6-00-160.025					
Marriage License	250.00	330.00	300.00	160.00	300.00
Total Taxes Fees Grants &	**3,350.00**	**294,126.43**	**3,400.00**	**77,224.56**	**300.00**
100-6-00-165					
Reimbursements					
100-6-00-165.090					
Water & Sewer Postage	650.00	347.20	650.00	225.20	500.00
Total Reimbursements	**650.00**	**347.20**	**650.00**	**225.20**	**500.00**
100-6-00-170					
Special Fund Revenue					
Total Special Fund Revenue	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
100-6-00-175.000					
Tax Collector Fee	0.00	21,740.59	0.00	5,288.21	0.00
Total Revenues	**8,653,698.73**	**8,748,289.44**	**339,818.00**	**4,490,543.29**	**376,484.00**
100-7-10					
Animal Control					
100-7-10-110.000					
Animal Control Stipend	4,200.00	4,550.00	4,368.00	2,184.00	4,368.00
100-7-10-580.000					
Animal Mileage	300.00	254.50	300.00	25.30	250.00
100-7-10-600.000					
Animal Dog Fee	500.00	0.00	400.00	0.00	100.00
100-7-10-600.005					
Animal Expenses	200.00	125.39	150.00	0.00	150.00
100-7-10-600.015					
Dog License & Tags	350.00	346.02	350.00	313.12	350.00

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
Total Animal Control	**5,550.00**	**5,275.91**	**5,568.00**	**2,522.42**	**5,218.00**
100-7-15					
Board Meetings & Election					
100-7-15-110.000					
Town Meeting Stipend	1,200.00	630.00	1,200.00	0.00	5,000.00
100-7-15-110.005					
Civil Board Stipend	1,200.00	245.00	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00
100-7-15-110.010					
Elections Stipend	1,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	3,925.94	0.00
100-7-15-310.005					
Election Supplies	400.00	225.29	1,000.00	759.89	500.00
100-7-15-550.000					
Election Ballots	1,500.00	1,360.80	4,000.00	574.00	4,000.00
100-7-15-550.010					
Town Reports/Postcards	1,800.00	1,214.27	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
100-7-15-811.005					
Election Grant Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,639.29	0.00
Total Board Meetings & Ele	**7,100.00**	**3,675.36**	**10,900.00**	**8,899.12**	**12,200.00**
100-7-20					
Cemeteries					
100-7-20-460.000					
Fairfax Plains	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
100-7-20-460.005					
Cemetary Mowing	10,000.00	8,132.50	10,000.00	4,725.00	10,000.00
100-7-20-460.010					
Repairs	6,000.00	6,900.00	6,000.00	5,935.97	9,000.00
100-7-20-460.015					
Sanderson Corner	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
100-7-20-610.000					
Cemetery Flags	450.00	1,413.61	450.00	0.00	450.00
100-7-20-610.005					
Cemetery Supplies	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
Total Cemeteries	**16,950.00**	**16,946.11**	**17,000.00**	**11,160.97**	**20,000.00**
100-7-22					
Constable					
Total Constable	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
100-7-25					
County Tax					
100-7-25-490.000					
County tax	41,931.00	41,939.44	43,913.00	43,924.20	42,435.00
Total County Tax	**41,931.00**	**41,939.44**	**43,913.00**	**43,924.20**	**42,435.00**

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
100-7-30					
Emergency Management					
100-7-30-110.000					
EM Stipend	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	800.00	1,600.00
100-7-30-350.000					
EM Training	400.00	80.62	150.00	0.00	150.00
100-7-30-610.000					
EM Supplies	600.00	291.44	400.00	0.00	300.00
100-7-30-610.005					
EM Equipment	600.00	263.98	500.00	0.00	400.00
Total Emergency Management	**3,200.00**	**2,236.04**	**2,650.00**	**800.00**	**2,450.00**
100-7-35					
Fire Department					
100-7-35-110.000					
Fire Warden	400.00	400.00	500.00	250.00	500.00
100-7-35-110.005					
Fire Fighters	35,000.00	28,514.21	35,000.00	13,950.01	37,000.00
100-7-35-110.010					
Fireman Bat Chief	41,460.00	43,346.75	43,325.00	25,881.64	44,625.00
100-7-35-110.015					
Fire Part-time Payroll	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
100-7-35-211.000					
Disability Insurance	2,000.00	1,835.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
100-7-35-340.000					
OSHA Mandated Health Chec	2,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
100-7-35-350.000					
Training	2,600.00	368.70	2,600.00	1,187.70	2,500.00
100-7-35-410.000					
Fire Water & Sewer	500.00	411.14	600.00	405.59	600.00
100-7-35-430.000					
Building Maintenance & Re	5,000.00	2,155.55	5,000.00	616.09	5,000.00
100-7-35-431.000					
Equipment Maintenance & R	7,500.00	7,971.88	8,500.00	5,094.17	9,000.00
100-7-35-431.005					
Fire Station Heat	3,500.00	2,864.48	4,500.00	367.61	4,500.00
100-7-35-432.000					
Fleet Maintenance	15,000.00	35,552.36	15,000.00	7,952.16	20,000.00
100-7-35-530.000					
Telephone & Dispatch	50,000.00	45,173.42	60,000.00	56,397.63	60,100.00
100-7-35-580.000					
Fire Mileage	400.00	88.74	500.00	0.00	500.00
100-7-35-610.000					
Equipment & Supplies	12,000.00	9,423.05	15,000.00	4,355.19	15,000.00
100-7-35-610.005					
Turn Out Gear Replacement	5,000.00	4,556.67	5,000.00	642.40	5,000.00
100-7-35-622.000					
Fire Electricity	2,400.00	1,008.00	1,400.00	867.30	1,600.00

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
100-7-35-626.000					
Gasoline	1,400.00	1,121.67	1,400.00	586.37	1,500.00
100-7-35-627.000					
Fire Diesel Fuel	3,000.00	2,537.65	3,500.00	914.86	3,500.00
100-7-35-811.000					
Replacement Fund	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
Total Fire Department	**229,160.00**	**227,329.27**	**244,825.00**	**119,468.72**	**255,425.00**
100-7-40					
Garage					
100-7-40-430.000					
Garage Maintainence	6,000.00	7,255.51	6,000.00	7,639.20	6,000.00
100-7-40-530.000					
Telephone & Cell Phone	1,400.00	1,437.42	1,400.00	1,407.30	2,500.00
100-7-40-610.000					
Tools & Supplies	4,500.00	4,191.20	5,500.00	6,536.82	5,500.00
100-7-40-622.000					
Garage Electricity	2,400.00	2,218.31	2,000.00	1,353.05	2,000.00
100-7-40-623.000					
Propane & Gas	1,000.00	474.69	1,000.00	91.46	1,000.00
100-7-40-624.000					
LP & Burner	2,500.00	3,890.98	2,500.00	399.00	3,500.00
100-7-40-625.000					
Uniforms	4,750.00	5,059.45	5,000.00	3,903.95	5,000.00
Total Garage	**22,550.00**	**24,527.56**	**23,400.00**	**21,330.78**	**25,500.00**
100-7-45					
Health					
100-7-45-110.000					
Health Officer Stipend	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	750.00	1,500.00
100-7-45-580.000					
Health Officer Mileage	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Total Health	**1,600.00**	**1,500.00**	**1,600.00**	**750.00**	**1,600.00**
100-7-5					
Highway					
100-7-52					
Equipment					
100-7-52-432.000					
Maintenance & Repair	65,000.00	93,904.67	85,000.00	74,346.64	0.00
100-7-52-626.000					
Gas & Oil	3,500.00	139.60	2,000.00	40.61	2,000.00
100-7-52-627.000					
Hwy Diesel Fuel	50,000.00	47,072.82	50,000.00	14,868.93	50,000.00
100-7-52-630.000					
Hwy 2014 Dump Tk Recovery	0.00	6,460.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
100-7-52-740.000					
New Equipment	50,000.00	105,391.00	50,000.00	41,142.48	60,000.00

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Total Equipment	**168,500.00**	**252,968.09**	**187,000.00**	**130,398.66**	**112,000.00**
100-7-54					
General Highway					
100-7-54-360.000					
Emerald Ash Borer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
100-7-54-424.000					
Hwy Tree Removal	10,000.00	21,405.00	10,000.00	3,500.00	20,000.00
100-7-54-431.000					
Radios	700.00	755.28	700.00	1,169.10	750.00
100-7-54-460.005					
Cold Patch	10,000.00	3,988.19	10,000.00	6,399.00	10,000.00
100-7-54-460.010					
Culverts	12,500.00	1,277.78	12,500.00	25,269.33	22,500.00
100-7-54-460.015					
Covered Bridge	600.00	585.39	600.00	0.00	600.00
100-7-54-460.020					
Guardrails	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	5,673.70	5,500.00
100-7-54-651.000					
Signs	4,000.00	2,755.10	5,000.00	8,861.10	14,000.00
100-7-54-655.000					
Hwy Misc Stormwater MRGP	1,750.00	2,050.00	1,350.00	240.00	1,350.00
Total General Highway	**43,050.00**	**32,816.74**	**43,650.00**	**51,112.23**	**79,700.00**
100-7-56					
Summer Maintenance					
100-7-56-110.000					
Summer Payroll	102,761.00	123,652.92	107,899.00	88,347.92	112,700.00
100-7-56-430.000					
Summer Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45,000.00
100-7-56-460.000					
Blacktopping	230,000.00	0.00	230,000.00	230,000.00	150,000.00
100-7-56-611.000					
Chloride	30,000.00	35,525.09	30,000.00	23,615.40	37,000.00
100-7-56-650.000					
Gravel & Stone	90,000.00	115,089.01	90,000.00	182,311.79	180,000.00
100-7-56-670.000					
Roadside Mowing	6,500.00	1,831.20	6,500.00	6,000.00	6,500.00
100-7-56-680.000					
Save the Lake	3,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
100-7-56-699.000					
Special Projects	70,000.00	324,973.85	230,000.00	168,417.24	110,000.00
Total Summer Maintenance	**532,261.00**	**602,072.07**	**697,399.00**	**698,692.35**	**642,200.00**
100-7-58					
Winter Maintenance					
100-7-58-110.000					
Winter Payroll	92,700.00	112,476.67	97,335.00	53,472.97	104,030.00

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100-7-58-430.000					
Winter Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
100-7-58-650.000					
Sand	42,000.00	37,122.90	65,000.00	85,810.00	85,000.00
100-7-58-650.005					
State Aid Salt	40,000.00	96,489.64	50,000.00	26,506.92	75,000.00
100-7-58-650.010					
Town Highway Material	16,000.00	14,080.00	16,000.00	32,412.54	25,000.00
100-7-58-650.015					
Town Highway Salt	40,000.00	96,489.38	50,000.00	26,506.83	75,000.00
Total Winter Maintenance	**230,700.00**	**356,658.59**	**278,335.00**	**224,709.26**	**414,030.00**
Total Highway	**974,511.00**	**1,244,515.49**	**1,206,384.00**	**1,104,912.50**	**1,247,930.00**
100-7-60					
Insurance					
100-7-60-210.000					
Medical - HRA Contributio	12,000.00	12,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
100-7-60-210.010					
Medical Insurance	149,755.00	156,373.27	176,714.00	103,082.98	189,148.00
100-7-60-210.015					
Choice Cobra	435.00	435.00	435.00	285.00	435.00
100-7-60-210.050					
Medical - HRA to IRS Fee	19.00	19.60	19.00	22.86	400.00
100-7-60-210.075					
Cyber Coverage	2,086.00	2,086.00	2,086.00	0.00	0.00
100-7-60-210.080					
Flood-Covered Bridge	6,268.00	18,540.00	18,000.00	0.00	0.00
100-7-60-211.000					
Short Term Disability	1,300.00	1,095.25	1,300.00	644.56	1,300.00
100-7-60-250.000					
Unemployment	0.00	0.00	0.00	98.39	0.00
100-7-60-260.000					
Workers Compensation	32,249.00	37,274.89	39,018.00	9,612.11	35,081.00
100-7-60-520.010					
Property	27,494.00	29,731.00	26,708.00	5,042.00	43,181.00
100-7-60-520.015					
Public Officials Bond	2,312.00	1,734.00	1,734.00	0.00	0.00
Total Insurance	**233,918.00**	**259,289.01**	**276,014.00**	**118,787.90**	**279,545.00**
100-7-62					
Interest					
100-7-62-830.000					
Interest Expense	20,000.00	18,840.76	10,000.00	907.98	12,000.00
Total Interest	**20,000.00**	**18,840.76**	**10,000.00**	**907.98**	**12,000.00**
100-7-64					
Landfill Expenses					

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100-7-64-330.000					
Trash	667,840.00	669,999.57	678,831.00	340,105.44	699,196.00
Total Landfill Expenses	**667,840.00**	**669,999.57**	**678,831.00**	**340,105.44**	**699,196.00**
100-7-66					
Law Enforcement					
100-7-66-330.005					
Law enforcement	128,011.00	129,380.00	135,408.00	78,988.00	173,520.00
Total Law Enforcement	**128,011.00**	**129,380.00**	**135,408.00**	**78,988.00**	**173,520.00**
100-7-70					
Library Expenses					
100-7-70-110.000					
Library Wages	33,060.00	29,254.42	33,566.00	17,974.31	35,700.00
100-7-70-110.005					
Librarian Wages	47,776.00	48,405.45	49,209.00	28,392.00	50,685.00
100-7-70-530.000					
Phone/Publicity/Postage/M	2,000.00	1,055.35	2,000.00	467.40	2,050.00
100-7-70-580.000					
Mileage & Prof Developmen	1,345.00	247.18	1,345.00	0.00	1,364.00
100-7-70-610.000					
Library Supplies	2,200.00	1,056.53	2,250.00	941.18	2,500.00
100-7-70-640.000					
Materials & Subscriptions	16,274.00	11,183.26	16,549.00	6,689.68	17,037.00
100-7-70-641.000					
Technology Equip/Software	2,450.00	829.99	2,500.00	439.83	2,700.00
100-7-70-699.000					
Library Programs	4,480.00	3,117.88	5,376.00	1,175.77	5,537.00
Total Library Expenses	**109,585.00**	**95,150.06**	**112,795.00**	**56,080.17**	**117,573.00**
100-7-75					
Assessor Expense					
100-7-75-110.005					
Assessor Assistant Payrol	28,960.00	30,057.51	30,500.00	17,693.68	31,415.00
100-7-75-330.000					
Mapping Service	1,000.00	1,045.25	1,017.00	0.00	1,025.00
100-7-75-350.000					
Assessor Training	1,075.00	58.00	575.00	75.00	400.00
100-7-75-450.000					
Assessor License	650.00	0.00	650.00	1,197.17	650.00
100-7-75-580.000					
Assessor Mileage	1,090.00	949.32	1,160.00	101.20	920.00
100-7-75-610.000					
Assessor Supplies	1,000.00	1,123.91	1,000.00	270.06	1,000.00
Total Assessor Expense	**33,775.00**	**33,233.99**	**34,902.00**	**19,337.11**	**35,410.00**

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100-7-80					
Miscellaneous Town					
100-7-80-110.000					
Misc Twn Website Dir Stip	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
100-7-80-330.000					
Auditing	18,000.00	6,490.00	18,000.00	13,600.00	19,000.00
100-7-80-333.000					
Misc Town Attorney Fees	4,000.00	2,260.00	3,500.00	1,652.50	3,000.00
100-7-80-333.005					
Misc Web/Email Hosting	1,500.00	1,760.00	1,700.00	450.00	1,700.00
100-7-80-340.000					
Direct Deposit Expense	960.00	780.00	600.00	300.00	600.00
100-7-80-370.000					
Franklin Cty ChamberofCom	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00
100-7-80-489.000					
Tax Abatements	0.00	0.00	0.00	577.69	0.00
100-7-80-550.000					
Misc Town Publication	3,000.00	616.75	2,000.00	39.00	2,000.00
100-7-80-560.000					
Vermont league Cities & T	6,162.00	6,162.00	6,347.00	6,416.00	6,416.00
100-7-80-622.000					
Street Light	4,700.00	4,566.03	4,500.00	2,744.17	4,600.00
100-7-80-651.000					
Misc Signs	300.00	21.59	300.00	0.00	250.00
100-7-80-950.005					
NW Regional Planning	4,744.00	4,744.00	4,886.00	0.00	4,886.00
100-7-80-990.000					
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	489.72	0.00	900.00	0.00
Total Miscellaneous Town	**46,955.00**	**31,479.09**	**45,422.00**	**30,268.36**	**46,041.00**
100-7-82					
Office					
100-7-82-110.000					
Town Clerk/Treas Payroll	49,306.00	50,158.42	50,933.00	29,388.00	52,461.00
100-7-82-110.005					
Asst Town Clk/Treas 1	43,818.00	43,484.99	45,264.00	25,547.03	46,622.00
100-7-82-110.010					
Asst Town Clk/Treas 2	585.00	46.82	605.00	1,369.72	623.00
100-7-82-110.015					
Asst Town Clk/Treas 3	2,985.00	1,717.24	3,075.00	807.12	11,200.00
100-7-82-330.000					
Computer Service	13,000.00	14,020.51	18,000.00	8,056.73	20,000.00
100-7-82-330.015					
Land Record/Vitals Expens	13,250.00	9,342.82	13,000.00	6,657.42	13,000.00
100-7-82-330.020					
Office Mapping Service	1,000.00	416.66	1,017.00	71.00	1,025.00
100-7-82-350.000					
Office Lawn Care	2,400.00	3,445.00	2,400.00	3,445.00	3,500.00
100-7-82-411.000					
Office Water & Sewer	500.00	361.27	500.00	349.83	500.00

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100-7-82-423.000					
Office Maintenance	10,500.00	9,115.64	10,500.00	6,583.43	10,500.00
100-7-82-423.005					
OFF BUILDING-GROUNDS MAIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
100-7-82-530.000					
Office Telephone	4,500.00	4,380.03	4,500.00	2,240.35	4,500.00
100-7-82-531.000					
Postage	4,500.00	4,127.22	6,500.00	4,150.20	11,000.00
100-7-82-610.000					
Supplies	4,000.00	3,422.09	4,500.00	3,288.03	5,000.00
100-7-82-622.000					
Office Electricity	3,500.00	4,713.50	4,608.00	2,688.00	5,000.00
100-7-82-624.000					
Office Fuel	1,500.00	1,053.47	1,500.00	133.13	1,300.00
100-7-82-740.000					
Office Equipment	3,500.00	2,784.27	3,500.00	2,031.24	3,500.00
Total Office	**158,844.00**	**152,589.95**	**170,402.00**	**96,806.23**	**193,731.00**
100-7-84					
Officer Training & Expens					
100-7-84-300.000					
Appreciation	500.00	424.60	500.00	0.00	500.00
100-7-84-350.000					
Training Programs	600.00	502.00	800.00	55.00	800.00
100-7-84-580.005					
Officer Mileage	600.00	415.12	600.00	0.00	600.00
Total Officer Training & E	**1,700.00**	**1,341.72**	**1,900.00**	**55.00**	**1,900.00**
100-7-85					
Safety					
100-7-85-110.000					
Safety Officer Stipend	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00	1,000.00
100-7-85-350.000					
Safety Training	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
100-7-85-580.000					
Safety Mileage	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Total Safety	**4,100.00**	**4,000.00**	**4,100.00**	**500.00**	**3,100.00**
100-7-86					
Selectboard					
100-7-86-110.040					
Selectboard Stipend	11,250.00	11,250.00	11,250.00	5,625.00	11,250.00
100-7-86-110.045					
Selectboard Assistant	7,025.00	3,328.62	5,000.00	1,199.26	4,000.00
Total Selectboard	**18,275.00**	**14,578.62**	**16,250.00**	**6,824.26**	**15,250.00**

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100-7-88					
Payroll Obligation & Reti					
100-7-88-220.005					
FICA/MEDI	51,288.00	55,211.53	53,231.00	32,443.28	57,607.00
100-7-88-230.000					
Retirement	30,698.00	32,421.03	35,096.00	19,901.88	36,034.00
Total Payroll Obligation &	**81,986.00**	**87,632.56**	**88,327.00**	**52,345.16**	**93,641.00**
100-7-91					
Town Manager					
100-7-91-110.000					
Town Manager	68,400.00	69,553.62	75,240.00	43,407.60	80,883.00
100-7-91-350.000					
Town Mgr Training	1,000.00	800.64	1,300.00	0.00	1,300.00
100-7-91-580.000					
Town Mgr Mileage	750.00	408.60	750.00	0.00	650.00
100-7-91-610.000					
Town Mgr Supplies	300.00	114.99	300.00	285.92	250.00
Total Town Manager	**70,450.00**	**70,877.85**	**77,590.00**	**43,693.52**	**83,083.00**
100-7-92					
Recreation					
100-7-92-110.000					
Maintenance Technician	6,200.00	6,002.00	4,000.00	1,211.25	3,000.00
100-7-92-110.005					
Rec Dir Payroll	34,000.00	34,651.40	36,000.00	20,769.00	40,000.00
100-7-92-110.010					
Forest Supervisor	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
100-7-92-110.015					
Rec Assistant	0.00	1,417.50	10,000.00	5,378.63	17,200.00
100-7-92-411.000					
Rec Water & Sewer	2,700.00	506.20	2,000.00	369.33	1,000.00
100-7-92-430.000					
Field Maintance	25,000.00	24,050.76	23,000.00	11,833.25	21,000.00
100-7-92-580.000					
Membership and Conference	750.00	598.81	700.00	285.00	615.00
100-7-92-580.005					
Mileage	750.00	21.85	750.00	0.00	400.00
100-7-92-610.000					
Rec Office Expense	500.00	828.82	500.00	947.22	750.00
100-7-92-622.000					
Rec Electricity	750.00	504.80	650.00	0.00	600.00
100-7-92-740.000					
Equipment	1,000.00	991.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
100-7-92-900.000					
Printing	500.00	476.19	500.00	343.13	250.00
100-7-92-900.005					
Rec Digital Media	0.00	0.00	500.00	771.10	500.00

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100-7-92-910.000					
Rec Events	0.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,681.09	6,000.00
Total Recreation	**75,150.00**	**73,049.82**	**87,600.00**	**48,589.00**	**94,315.00**
100-7-93					
Warned Items					
100-7-93-950.010					
Warned Item New Town Off	53,469.00	53,461.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
100-7-93-950.012					
Warned Items Fairfax Resc	92,545.00	92,545.00	0.00	55,850.00	0.00
100-7-93-950.015					
Warned Items Social Servi	27,777.00	27,777.00	0.00	23,427.00	0.00
Total Warned Items	**173,791.00**	**173,783.18**	**0.00**	**79,277.00**	**0.00**
100-7-95					
Zoning Expenses					
100-7-95-110.000					
Zoning Administrator	40,040.00	38,526.85	41,362.00	22,353.83	42,603.00
100-7-95-110.005					
Zoning Board	6,000.00	3,115.00	6,000.00	1,855.00	5,000.00
100-7-95-330.000					
Zoning Mapping Service	1,000.00	1,045.25	1,017.00	0.00	1,025.00
100-7-95-333.000					
Zoning Attorney Fees	2,500.00	390.00	2,500.00	297.50	2,000.00
100-7-95-350.000					
Zoning Training	200.00	439.00	200.00	40.00	150.00
100-7-95-450.000					
Zoning Planning Contract	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00
100-7-95-550.000					
Zoning Publishing	500.00	453.05	500.00	726.80	500.00
100-7-95-580.000					
Zoning Mileage	450.00	388.73	450.00	0.00	350.00
100-7-95-610.000					
Zoning Expenses/Postage	500.00	510.23	500.00	0.00	500.00
100-7-95-610.005					
Zoning Equip/Printing/Sup	250.00	203.25	250.00	1,308.29	300.00
100-7-95-700.000					
State Grant Excess Matchi	0.00	0.00	2,586.00	2,586.00	0.00
100-7-95-990.000					
Zoning Miscellanous	75.00	0.00	75.00	0.00	0.00
Total Zoning Expenses	**51,515.00**	**45,071.36**	**55,440.00**	**29,167.42**	**72,428.00**
100-7-96					
Grant & Fees					
100-7-96-811.005					
Library Grant	600.00	830.00	600.00	343.76	0.00
100-7-96-950.000					
Library Fund - Fees	2,500.00	157.02	2,500.00	0.00	0.00

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Total Grant & Fees	**3,100.00**	**987.02**	**3,100.00**	**343.76**	**0.00**
100-7-97					
Reimbursement Expense					
100-7-97-888.000					
BFA School	5,212,895.73	5,089,350.63	0.00	2,672,176.80	0.00
Total Reimbursement Expens	**5,212,895.73**	**5,089,350.63**	**0.00**	**2,672,176.80**	**0.00**
100-7-98					
Special Fund Expense					
100-7-98-881.000					
Special Account Expense	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Special Fund Expense	**0.00**	**2,500.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
100-7-99					
Tax Assessments					
100-7-99-950.020					
Tax Collector	0.00	22,586.46	0.00	4,939.23	0.00
Total Tax Assessments	**0.00**	**22,586.46**	**0.00**	**4,939.23**	**0.00**
Total Expenditures	**8,394,442.73**	**8,543,666.83**	**3,354,321.00**	**4,992,961.05**	**3,533,491.00**
Total General Fund	**259,256.00**	**204,622.61**	**-3,014,503.00**	**-502,417.76**	**-3,157,007.00**

CEMETERY REPORT

CEMETERY TRUSTS

	6/30/2019	6/30/2020
Carroll Hill Cemetery Fund	8,482.78	10,142.23
Kingsbury Cemetery Fund	413.67	416.41
Safford Trust Cemetery Fund	1,612.93	1,619.70
General Cemetery Fund	280.59	282.43
Balance	**10,789.97**	**12,460.77**

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100-6-00-130.010					
Cemeteries Income	250.00	150.00	250.00	105.00	200.00
Total Revenues	**250.00**	**150.00**	**250.00**	**105.00**	**200.00**
Total General Fund	**250.00**	**150.00**	**250.00**	**105.00**	**200.00**
Total All Funds	**250.00**	**150.00**	**250.00**	**105.00**	**200.00**

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General Fund

Account	Budget FY - 2020	Actual FY-2020 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021 Pd: 7	Budget FY - 2022
100-7-20-460.000					
Fairfax Plains	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
100-7-20-460.005					
Cemetary Mowing	10,000.00	8,132.50	10,000.00	4,725.00	10,000.00
100-7-20-460.010					
Repairs	6,000.00	6,900.00	6,000.00	5,935.97	9,000.00
100-7-20-460.015					
Sanderson Corner	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
100-7-20-610.000					
Cemetery Flags	450.00	1,413.61	450.00	0.00	450.00
100-7-20-610.005					
Cemetery Supplies	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
Total Expenditures	**16,950.00**	**16,946.11**	**17,000.00**	**11,160.97**	**20,000.00**
Total General Fund	**-16,950.00**	**-16,946.11**	**-17,000.00**	**-11,160.97**	**-20,000.00**
Total All Funds	**-16,950.00**	**-16,946.11**	**-17,000.00**	**-11,160.97**	**-20,000.00**

FUND BALANCES AT JUNE 30, 2020

Account Number	Account Description	Account Balance
100-1-00-800.000	General Fund Due To/From Other Funds	-715,725.73
104-1-00-800.000	FEMA Due to/From Gen Fund	13,744.21
105-1-00-800.000	Carroll Hill Cemetery Fun Due To/From Gen Fund	10,142.23
110-1-00-800.000	Cemetery Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	282.43
115-1-00-800.000	Impact Fees Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	127,059.18
120-1-00-800.000	Bridge Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	0.00
121-1-00-800.000	Grants Due to/from Gen Fund	1,223.32
122-1-00-800.000	Highway Grants Fund Due to/From Gen Fund	18.12
125-1-00-800.000	History Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	6,918.39
130-1-00-800.000	Reappraisal Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	271,051.73
135-1-00-800.000	Kingsbury Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	416.41
140-1-00-800.000	100 Acre Woods Due To/From Gen Fund	9,512.05
145-1-00-800.000	Zoning Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	-458.38
150-1-00-800.000	Safford Cemetery Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	0.00
155-1-00-800.000	Records Reserve Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	35,426.72
160-1-00-800.000	Recreation CVPS Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	48,553.72
161-1-00-800.000	Rec Community Ctr Due toFrom Gen Fund	-107.43
162-1-00-800.000	Rec Grants Fund Due to/From Gen Fund	0.00
165-1-00-800.000	Recreation Pav Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	2,070.31
170-1-00-800.000	Sidewalks Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	12,579.96
175-1-00-800.000	Fire Replacement Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	133,946.60
176-1-00-800.000	Fire Grants Fund Due to/From Gen Fund	0.00
180-1-00-800.000	Library Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	5,993.04
185-1-00-800.000	Settlement Due To/From Gen Fund	37,353.12
190-1-00-800.000	New Town Office Fund Due To/From Gen Fund	0.00
	**** TOTALS FOR DUE/TO DUE/FROM ACCOUNTS	0.00

Social Services Support Requests FY2022

Agency	Request
Age Well (CVAA)	$1500
American Red Cross	$500
Fairfax Historical Society	$2000
Franklin County Home Health	$8998
Franklin County Industrial Development Corp.	$500
Franklin-Grand Isle Restorative Justice	$1000
Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	$1000
Green Mountain Transit	$2229
Northwest Counseling	$1800
Northwest Unit for Special Investigations	$1500
Vermont Association for the Blind	$300
Vermont Center for Independent Living	$500
Vermont Council on Rural Development	$150
Vermont Family Network	$500
Green Up Vermont	$300
Voices Against Violence	$1000
Total Requested Contributions	**$23,777**

FY 2021 approved contributions totaled **$23,427** to a variety of service providers.

For clarity, only those agencies making requests for the coming year are listed above. Comprehensive information on past years' contributions and agency requests will be made available by request to townmanager@fairfax-vt.gov.

TREASURER'S TAX STATEMENT

2019/2020 Homestead Education Grandlist	**3,446,901.00**
2019/2020 Non-Residential Grandlist	**1,030,557.55**
2019/2020 Municipal Grandlist	**4,474,628.00**

TAX RATE

School Homestead Education Tax Rate	1.3377
School Non-Residential Tax Rate	1.7302
Municipal Tax Rate	0.5469
Local Agreement (Disabled Veterans Exemption)	0.0031
Trash per unit fee	344

2019/2020 Property Taxes Raised From Residential Grandlist	4,610,919.43
2019/2020 Property Taxes Raised From Non-Residential Grandlist	1,783,070.63
2019/2020 Municipal Taxes Raised	2,447,145.36
2019/2020 Local Agreement Raised	13,871.24
Late Homestead Penalty	1,871.57
Miscellaneous Tax Trash Fee	668,445.00
Total Taxes Raised	9,525,323.23
Adjustment For Corrections & Residential Changes	-27,876.64
	9,497,446.59

School Rebate Credit	1,273,173.01
Town Rebate Credit	27,608.90
Treasurer's Tax Receipts By May 14, 2020	7,941,134.04
Warrant To Delinquent Tax Collector	255,530.64
	9,497,446.59

2019/2020 Property Taxes Transferred To School	5,089,350.63

Respectfully submitted
Deborah Woodward
Town Clerk/Treasurer

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR STATEMENT
July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES

	Received Due	Collected	Balance Due
Year 2017	21,701.86	21,701.86	0
Year 2018/2019	136,553.41	134,538.84	2,014.57
Year 2019/2020	255,530.64	137,146.12	118,384.52
TOTAL	**413,785.91**	**293,386.82**	**120,399.09**

Total Tax Collected	293,386.82
Interest Collected	17,505.45
TOTAL COLLECTED	**310,892.27**

Respectfully submitted
Johanna R. Blake
Delinquent Tax Collector

NOTE: Delinquent taxes are public information posted in the Town Office

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Selectboard
Town of Fairfax, Vermont
Fairfax, Vermont

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Fairfax, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Fairfax, Vermont's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Summary of Opinions

Opinion Unit	***Type of Opinion***
Governmental Activities	Adverse
Business-Type Activities	Unmodified
Governmental Fund – General Fund	Unmodified
Governmental Fund – Reappraisal Fund	Unmodified
Enterprise Fund – Water and Sewer Fund	Unmodified
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmodified

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, management has not recorded capital assets acquired prior to 2013 in governmental activities and, accordingly, has not recorded depreciation expense on those assets. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the capital assets be capitalized and depreciated, which would increase the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities has not been determined.

Adverse Opinion

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Fairfax, Vermont, as of June 30, 2020, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites States of America.

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Fairfax, Vermont, as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the budgetary comparison schedule - General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of the Town's Proportional Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of the Town's Contributions and notes to the required supplementary information – Pension plan on page 34 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

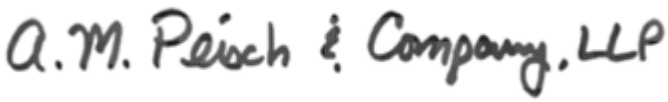
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Fairfax, Vermont's basic financial statements. The Detail Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements – Budget and Actual (Budgetary basis)-General Fund and the combining nonmajor governmental funds financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Detail Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements – Budget and Actual (Budgetary basis)-General Fund and the combining nonmajor governmental funds financial statements are the responsibility

of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Detail Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements – Budget and Actual (Budgetary basis)-General Fund and the combining nonmajor governmental funds financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 19, 2021, on our consideration of the Town of Fairfax, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Fairfax, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Fairfax, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Saint Albans, Vermont
January 19, 2021
VT No. 92-0000102



2020 Selectboard Report

2020 was a year unlike any other. One major shift this past year was the transition to virtual Selectboard meetings. This certainly took some getting used to, and we all look forward to returning to the dynamics of in-person interactions. But, the community in general showed a great ability to respond to this adjustment. Whether via computer or over the phone, we saw an overall rise in attendance at meetings and in participation from residents. This is a great plus in what has been an otherwise very challenging year. Hearing from members of the community is highly informative and a key element of the ability of this body's role of public service.

The Selectboard would like to reiterate our support of the positive forward steps that town departments have taken in their efforts to provide top-notch service and support to Fairfax residents. With more cars on our roads and continued development, our Highway Department is continually pushed to keep up with maintenance and work through planned improvements. That group has done a tremendous job in improving the safety and the standards along our paved and dirt roads throughout town.

Our town's growth has also led to an increase of the workload through much of our town offices, and we are looking to increase the capacity there in the coming year. Earmarking funds to aid in overall planning and to allow for additional administrative help are part of our budgetary plans for the upcoming year. The Recreation Department has also made strides in expanding programming and opportunities for connection despite this year's social distancing challenges, and we are excited by what we see on the horizon from that office.

We are extremely lucky to have the staff and employees that work for our town. It all starts at the top with our town manager Brad Docheff. Brad has a great passion for Fairfax. The board would like to thank him for his council on many of the issues that come before the board. His insight and common-sense approach are appreciated as we work through the simple issues to the more complex.

As always, we'd like to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Amy Sears, the Selectboard Administrative Assistant. Without her behind-the-scenes management of information, documentation, and communication, our duties would be much more challenging. It is wonderful to have her help keeping the trains running on time.

And this board would also like to thank one of our own, current Vice-Chair Sheri Rainville, for three more outstanding years of service to Fairfax. After years working as Town Clerk, Sheri transitioned to take a seat at the Selectboard table and made many valuable contributions to the town over the course of her term. We wish her nothing but the best as she relocates to a neighboring community. We've been lucky to have her serve.

The Fairfax Selectboard looks forward to a healthier, safer 2021, and welcome the next steps forward.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Cormier, Chair
Sheri Rainville, Vice-Chair
Randy DeVine
Duane Leach
Stephen Bessette

Town Manager's Report

2020 certainly did not unfold the way we would have drawn it up. We all faced unforeseen challenges, and had our adaptability and resolve tested in various ways. Throughout our municipal facilities, staff and community members were forced to operate outside of our common comfort zones and under new health and safety parameters. And with that, health and safety really became the primary focus of concern for this past year—for our staff and for our residents. It certainly hasn't been "business as usual," but I'm grateful that we have been able to continue to operate and provide the services needed from local government.

Much thanks are due to the town staff, Board members, and community volunteers for all of their flexibility and willingness to try to adapt over the past year and maintain a semblance of continuity. And while the past year provided a Masterclass in perspective and appreciation, it also made crystal clear some of the brightest aspects of this community, as well as challenges for which we need to continue to pursue solutions.

The ever-present need for improved connectivity for areas of rural Vermont was driven to the forefront as work and school became remote experiences. We have continued our efforts to find affordable and accessible solutions, including being one of the founding towns of the Northwest Communications Union District. With more State and Federal funding becoming available, we hope to be able to work with providers to address the challenges presented to those who are unserved or underserved.

On the positive side, the outpouring of community support for neighbors, and a willingness to roll with many unwanted changes over the past year have shown the best aspects of this community. Here are some of the additional municipal highlights of the past year:

The **Highway Department** has continued improve and expand on the care of roads throughout Fairfax. The refurbishment of Richards and Sam Webb Roads were certainly large undertakings, but the work and time put in was well worth the investment for long-term maintenance.

Having new meters has been nice for the **Utility Department**, but they have stayed busy working through a 20-year evaluation of wastewater assets and exploring upgrades to our existent treatment facility to expand growth capacity.

Despite the limitations on gathering and permitted programming, the **Parks and Recreation Department** seemed to not miss a beat this year. With creative alternatives to our Fourth of July and Halloween celebrations, the expansion of Fairfax Fridays, and the community-driven (thank you!) acquisition of a public ice rink, the crew has kept finding ways to keep this community engaged and active.

As Fairfax continues to grow, our **Zoning and Planning Office** continues to be very active. 2020 saw our Planning Commission expand to 7 members, and this group will continue to examine our growth patterns and retool our regulations to make sure we're growing smartly.

The **Assessor's Office** has been bustling as our town-wide reappraisal has begun to take shape. The cooperation of Fairfax residents has been noted by the firm doing the work, and as this process takes shape, it will help reflect a needed adjustment to the fair market value of our housing stock.

Our **Fire Department** continued its history of tremendous service, responding to over 200 calls. A highlight of the year for many of us was the well-deserved dedication of the Fire Station to former chief, Jim Fields for his many years of service and leadership to the department.

The **Fairfax Community Library** has shown a great deal of resilience and remained a crucial part of community life for residents. Through additional virtual programming, and the introduction of curbside pickup service, the library staff and trustees have kept our community reading, learning, and interacting.

Our **Town Clerk's Office** has been busier than ever before. With increases in recordings, document processing, and the challenges of operating under safety restrictions, the staff has worked very hard to keep processes running smoothly. The management of high-turnout primary and general elections in the time of COVID and the work that went into that behind the scenes was also a noteworthy accomplishment.

What can we look forward to in 2021?

We have worked to maintain a budget that reflects the service needs of a growing community without imposing an undue burden on our taxpayers. Some of the capacity improvements we aim to achieve in the coming year include the following:

- We are moving forward with design plans to complete the Fairfax Sidewalk Master Plan, which will extend our current network along both sides of Main Street as far as the Town Office and Nan's Mobil. We have also been awarded grant funding to improve pedestrian access to BFA-Fairfax and incorporate a safe crossing on Main Street, and design of that will start as well.
- Our town-wide reappraisal process will continue. This reappraisal will bring our CLA back in line with fair market value for our housing stock, increasing the value of owned property.
- Expansion of our utility system's wastewater service along Fletcher Road to Runamok Maple. This will allow for business growth and job creation right here in Fairfax. We have completed a study toward expansion options at our Wastewater Plant to allow for continued growth in our Village Center and to allow for further focused residential and commercial growth.
- More interactive Recreational programming. After a year of having many activities sidelined, the Rec Department is itching to create events that bring people together, foster community, and provide options for our residents to engage with each other and with our beautiful natural landscape.
- Utilizing professional planning contracts to prepare for anticipated development, including traffic safety upgrades, strategic growth layout, stormwater planning, and long-term project funding and implementation options.
- Continued work toward Broadband improvements partnering with the NWCUD and working cooperatively with providers to expand service areas.

Let's hope this year runs a little more smoothly, so we can achieve all this and more!

My thanks,

Brad Docheff
Town Manager

ANNUAL TOWN CLERK/TREASURER REPORT FOR 2020

As Town clerk, I have a myriad of duties overseeing recording, preserving, and certifying public documents, administering oaths of office, complying with the State of Vermont information requests, and running Town, primary, general, and special elections as Presiding Officer.

As Treasurer, I am responsible for keeping the Town's account receivables, account payables, payroll, general and fund accounts, which includes the office, officers, law enforcement, elections, payroll, payroll withholdings, insurance, garage, highway, fire, recreation, Assessor, Constable, animal control, cemeteries, emergency management, zoning, and the library. I work with the independent Auditors to settle Town accounts and provide the Select Board and Town Manager with information about town finances. I serve as the collector of current property taxes. Additionally, I am also the School's Treasurer, verifying all their revenues, liabilities, and accounts payable.

Through the Vermont Elections Management System, both the Online Voter Registration (OLVR) and My Voter Page (MVP) websites are available for you as residents and voters. These websites can be found at http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us (OLVR) and http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us (MVP). Residents are able to register to vote through these websites. They are also now able to request Absentee Ballots through these websites. The State of Vermont sends the information to The Fairfax Clerk's Office for processing. We are continuing land record preservation through Avenu Insights & Analytics, formerly Conduent/ACS. The land records located in the vault are microfilm protected have been converted to digital images back to 1987 using the full-service this indexing Avenu system. Our land records and plot maps are continually being indexed, microfilmed, and converted to digital images. We have two land record computers in the office for searchers use at the price of one. We are so excited that Searchers are now able to access our new online land records which took place May 27, 2020 and lister cards. This makes it much easier with all the COVID-19 mandates making a safer working environment. The new online mapping tool is located on our website. Property owners are still able to take advantage of the free Automated Tax Payment Program, where taxpayers can now automatic withdrawal their property taxes into the Towns checking account when the taxes are due. We accept VISA, MasterCard, and Discover Credit/Debit cards. There is no fee to the Town. The fees charge the card holder 3.5% +.50 swipe fee or a $2.00 +.50 minimum. I have assisted with important town decisions to accomplish goals. Modernization in accounting practices and land record access, coupled with using up to date technology is allowing the Town Office to run more efficiently and provide accurate data, which enables me to attend to other important tasks in our ever evolving, high pace environment, and fast-growing Town.

Here are a few highlights of what happened throughout 2020:

- This year we begin the Love is Everywhere in Vermont that started in Montpelier in 2001. In February we plastered the Town Office with over 100 hearts for all visitors and employees to see and share our LOVE in Fairfax. We also handed out our famous Fairfax Covered Bridge note cards to everyone (given to us from the Library) that came into the office.
- March 2020 Town Meeting along with the Presidential Primary took place having 1529 voters participate. The State of Vermont made several elections changes for the 2020 year due to COVID-19. We had absentee ballots sent out by the State of Vermont for the State Primary and the General Election. Voters were able to still come to the polls to vote. I was able to get a $5000 Elections Grant for COVID-19 relief, which was made it possible to increase pay to our workers. I was able to purchase a laptop with this grant to make elections run more smoothly

along with other supplies and equipment. The State Primary was held at the Fairfax Town Garage as a drive through Election making it a safer environment for the workers and the voters. We had 1217 voters participate. The General Election was held at the Fairfax Town Office due to COVID-19 keeping the school staff and students safe. All twelve Justice of the Peace on the ballot were elected. We had 3,023 voters participate.

- Dog licenses were extended to 5/1/2020 and the rabies clinic at the Town Garage was canceled due to COVIC-19.
- The **FY21 Fiscal Year started July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**. The property tax bill went out in September 2020. The State of Vermont changed the Income Tax due dates. They asked Towns to delay sending out property tax bill. The bills consisting of three installments; the first of three installments was due on **November 17, 2020. The second** of three installments are due **February 17, 2021.** The **third** and final of three installments are due **May 17, 2021.** There will be no interest or penalties on unpaid 2020/2021 property tax installments until after the last installment that is due on May 17, 2021. When you receive your **FY22 fiscal year** property tax bill that starts **July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021,** it will also consist of three installments. The three stubs will be located at the bottom of your property tax bill. Please contact your lenders so they process your escrows accurately. It is also very helpful to them if you submit a copy of your 2020/2021 property tax bill to them. We continue educating the property taxpayers, the searchers, the lenders, and the escrows companies even though the transition is completed.
- We have done an enormous amounts of certified death certificates since the new Vital Records went into place.

Special thanks go out to David Raymond for making the awesome flex glass barriers for our Town Clerk's Office and for elections. Special thanks also go out to Sheri Rainville, Lynn Parah, Justice of the Peace workers, and everyone involved for the countless hours of extra work with getting the absentee ballots processed up through election day. Lynn Parah and I have been in the Town Office everyday assisting through telephone calls and emails, getting the job done. It has never been so busy with so many refinancing with the low interest rates. I have been here for over twelve years and have seem tremendous growth within our Town over these years. Special thanks to Lynn Parah for helping keep this office together through these difficult times that we are all facing. I am thankful for HOPE.

The Annual Town & School District Meeting is being replaced with a public information hearing by the Select Board on Saturday, February 27, 2021, via Zoom at 1:00 p.m. Due to COVID-19, our office is closed to the public. To request an absentee ballot, you can log on to MyVoterPage. This information is listed above or, email clerk@fairfax-vt.gov and assistantclerk@fairfax-vt.gov or call to request your absentee ballot for **The Annual Town & School District Meeting Election** held on Tuesday, March 2 2021, held **at Bellows Free Academy, 75 Hunt Street.** Feel free to call us anytime at the Town Office at (802) 849-6111 extension 10 or 11. We are happy to be of service to each and every one of you.

Respectfully,

Deborah Woodward
Fairfax Town Clerk/Treasurer

FAIRFAX ASSESSORS OFFICE
12 BUCK HOLLOW Rd
FAIRFAX, VT 05454
Tel: 802-849-6111 ext. 19

The Assessor is responsible for performing all town property assessments. Keeping, updating, maintaining the value of real property in the town on which the Selectboard will set a tax rate necessary to raise the monies to pay for town services, maintenance, town roads and school. The office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00am to 2:00pm. If you have questions or need information or assistance you can call the number above or e-mail me at Listers@fairfax-vt.gov. You can check the town web site Fairfax-vt.gov for important dates such as lodging the Grand List and Grievance dates. The web site also has a new mapping tool for information on the Grand List. The property record card with your sketch is available for all properties.

Over the past year the Assessor's office received and reviewed 104 new notices /permits. There were 36 new living units, 31 barns, sheds detached garages, 21 additions and /or finished areas, 35 porches, decks, & pools, etc. It is permissible to have more than one project on a permit. There is also ongoing routine work such as finishing up prior year permits as they are active for two years, Homestead Declarations, Current Use, Veteran Exemptions, Property Transfers and mapping, as there are many changes and subdivisions during the year, it's an ongoing project.

The required Sales Equalization Study was completed in August, it determined the 2020 Common Level of Appraisal **CLA 85.93%** (measures fair market value) and **COD 9.65%** (it measures uniformity of appraised values) if the CLA is under 85% or COD over 15% the state mandates reappraisal. These numbers are very important to school spending and the tax rate.

The town wide reappraisal started in late summer. Due to COVID the firm is not doing any interior inspections. They have found the residents of Fairfax to be extremely helpful and cooperative. **Thank You**, it is appreciated and makes the process easier for everybody. You may view your file using the 5digit code on the NEMRC card left when they collected exterior information. There will not be any values placed on the properties until the reappraisal has been completed in 2022.

To keep informed, usually meetings are attended such as, VALA, MSOL/CAMA, NEMRC, Annual Seminar, TOEC (Town Officer Education Conference) classes the state and PV&R offer. The 2020 year was not normal, the meetings subsequently were by Zoom. We were kept informed of changes and requirements needed to fulfill all statute requirements and complete the Grand List in a timely manner, with few grievances or BCA hearings.

Based on the FY19-20 Grand List figures, and the voted budgets, the municipal tax rate of .5968 plus local agreement of .0036 was set by the Selectboard for residential and non- residential tax purposes. The state sets education rates, the municipal rate is $1.4495 and non- residential is $1.8253. This results in a residential rate of **$2.0499** and a non-resident rate of **$2.4257.**

All Homestead Declarations must be filed with the state every year by April 15th to avoid a penalty. If the April 15th deadline is not met there will be a 3% penalty assessed on your tax bill. The final date for filing is October 15th.The form HS-122 can be found online at http://tax.vermont.gov.

Patricia McNall,
Assistant Assessor

Development Review Board

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Development Review Board Report:
Members of the Development Review board in 2020 were: Jason Heyer (Chair), Michelle Dufresne(Vice Chair), Nicholas Hibbard(Clerk), Adam Fitzgerald, and Claude Rainville. Hunter Gomez has joined as an alternate. Welcome Hunter!

The Development Review Board (DRB) holds public hearings on development projects the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7PM in the Town Offices. Additionally, the DRB schedules working sessions and site visits as needed.

In **2020** the Fairfax Development Review Board conducted **18 public hearings**. Some projects had more than one hearing and other projects have not yet had final decisions. The Board approved 5 subdivisions, all of which were 2 lot Administrative Review by the Zoning Administrator. There is a 5 lot and a 3 lot that have not had final commitment as of year-end but hearings were mostly held in 2020. In addition, there were; 2 Conditional Use/Site Plan Review hearings, a variance hearing, and 2 Site Plan Amendments.

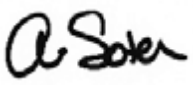
The DRB considers various development proposals and usually conducts one or more public hearings at each meeting. The hearings can be Sketch Plan Reviews, Preliminary Plat Hearings, Final Plat Hearings, Revisions, Variances, Appeals or Conditional Use/Site Plan Hearings. Each hearing must be publicly warned and notification sent to all adjoining property owners. Before each hearing, each Board member must familiarize themselves with the case by reviewing all pertinent information. The minutes are available on the Town of Fairfax website 5 calendar days after the hearing. After the final hearing, the Board will go into deliberative session to discuss the information presented and make a decision. The decision is formally written as a "Findings of Fact and Order" (which must be recorded by the applicant in the Town Records). The final survey map for the project (Plat), if required, must be reviewed by the Board, and signed by the Chairman before it is filed, by the applicant, in the Town's land records.

An Interested Person is anyone who may legally appeal to the Development Review Board or the Vermont Environmental Court, as prescribed by the Vermont Municipal and Regional Planning Act. These include:

1) The party owning title to the subject property, or the designated agent of said property, or a municipality or solid waste management district empowered to condemn it or an interest in it.
2) Persons owning or occupying property in the immediate neighborhood.
3) Any ten voters or property owners in the Town who file a petition with the Development Review Board.
4) The Selectboard of the Town or any adjourning Town.
5) Certain State Agencies

The Zoning Administrator, Amber Soter, conducts Administrative Reviews for eligible 2-lot subdivisions and boundary adjustments. In addition, the Zoning Administrator actively assists residents through the DRB process, produces and posts public notices, invites adjoining landowners to hearings, takes minutes at hearings, drafts decisions for the DRB, and mails correspondence to the Board and participants. Copies of the signed minutes from each meeting can be viewed at the Zoning Office. Schedules and minutes are also available on the Town's website at, http://www.fairfax-vt.gov/.

Respectfully submitted,



Amber Soter
Zoning Administrator,
Planning Commission
& DRB Coordinator

FAIRFAX EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Well here we are the start of a new decade. 2020 really wasn't a good year for many of us with the COVID pandemic. My thoughts are with any of you who were directly affected by this pandemic.

2020 was really uneventful for any serious weather. There were a few wind storms, but between the highway department and fire department the situations were taken care of quickly.

There were plans to install a propane fired backup generator at the Town Office as this is the designated emergency operation center. This generator would also serve to keep the office open during any unforeseen power outage. This was not done as the office has been closed to the public. The cost of the generator should be covered by the reimbursement monies from the October 31, 2019 windstorm.

Our town manager, Brad, has been working diligently with state and federal agencies to get reimbursement monies from the October 2019 flood damages. Working with agencies like this works better with someone who is in the office most every day and can get information as needed, compared to myself.

All state and federal reports were updated as they are every year. Keeping information current helps us with getting reimbursement when these emergencies or disasters do happen.

Thank you for your support. I wish you all the best for 2021. And remember preparedness starts at home.

Best regards,

Stephen E. Bessette-Selectboard/EMC

Fairfax Fire Department 2020 Report

Fire Department Response Breakdown by Major Incident Types

Incident Type	2020 Calendar Year
Fires	**25**
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat (No Fire)	**0**
Rescue & Emergency Medical (Includes Car Accidents)	**42**
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	**25**
Service Call	**67**
Good Intent Call	**12**
False Alarm & False Call	**27**
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	**0**
Special Incident Type	**3**
Total	**201**

Fire Department Budget

Fiscal Year	**FY 20**	**FY 21**	**FY 22**
Budget Cycle	**Previous**	**Current**	**Upcoming**
Date Range	**7/01/19-6/30/20**	**7/01/20-6/30/21**	**7/01/21-6/30/22**
Fire Warden	$400.00	$500.00	$500.00
Firefighter Payroll	$35,000.00	$35,000.00	$37,000.00
Battalion Chief Payroll	$41,460.00	$43,325.00	$44,625.00
Part-Time Payroll	$0	$0	$1,500.00
Disability Insurance	$2,000.00	$2,000.00	$2,000.00
OSHA Health Check	$2,000.00	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
Training	$2,600.00	$2,600.00	$2,500.00
Water & Sewer	$500.00	$600.00	$600.00
Building Maintenance	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00
Equipment Maintenance	$7,500.00	$8,500.00	$9,000.00
Fire Station Heat	$3,500.00	$4,500.00	$4,500.00
Fleet Maintenance	$15,000.00	$15,000.00	$20,000.00
Telephone & Dispatch	$50,000.00	$60,000.00	$60,100.00
Mileage	$400.00	$500.00	$500.00
Equipment & Supplies	$12,000.00	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Turnout Gear	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00
Electricity	$2,400.00	$1,400.00	$1,600.00
Gasoline	$1,400.00	$1,400.00	$1,500.00
Diesel Fuel	$3,000.00	$3,500.00	$3,500.00
Capital Replacement / Apparatus	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	$40,000.00
Total	**$229,160.00**	**$244,825.00**	**$255,425.00**

FY 20 Revenues

Retainer Fee – for FD Fire Responses into Fletcher (2018 Calendar Year)	$8,500.00
FD Responses into Fletcher, in Excess of Base Retainer Fee	$4,500.00
Change of Ownership Building Inspections (15)	$1,800.00
Incident Report Requests	$60.00
Other Revenues	$1,000.00
FD Solar Panel lease (2018 Calendar Year)	$576.00
	$16,436.00

Letter from the Chief

The past year has been a year like no other. 2020 provided our community with many challenges and I am amazed how everyone has been able to adapt to different situations. It was not easy, but the residents of Fairfax always seem to find a way to get through hard times together. The fire department was also able to address the pandemic and had to learn and adapt to ensure our community had continued protection.

Many of our trainings became remote, other trainings would require only half of our crew be present at one time. The station was shut down to the public for parts of last year, and screenings with temperature checks became mandatory. Our calls were handled a little differently as well, with all our firefighters maintaining social distancing and after every call disinfecting all their personal protective equipment and apparatus involved. I am proud of how members handled the challenges and continue to provide an exceptional service to not only our community, but surrounding towns as well.

Last year was a year of great pride and great loss for our department. On a sunny afternoon in July, the Fairfax Fire Department dedicated the station to James A Field. I had the honor of serving under Jim during my early years on the fire department, but it was during the research for his dedication I discovered how much the man did for our community during his tenure. Jim was the department's first training officer and started the first cadet program, which trains young adults about firefighting before the age of 18, when they can enter the state required firefighter training. Jim oversaw the construction of the current fire station back in 1990 and literally helped lay the foundation what the department is today. He was the fire chief for an unprecedent 18 years, but most importantly he was a great mentor and friend. Sadly, we said farewell to Jim in late October as he passed away at his home with his family by his side. I would like to thank everyone involved with sending Jim to his final resting place including serval surrounding departments who took part of his last call at the station.

In the coming years, the fire department looks to update our 31-year-old fire station. This will include an addition, up to date fire alarm system, stand-by emergency generator, new lighting in the meeting room, and a commercial washer and extractor designed for fire-fighting gear. We will also be replacing our current lead attack pumper and aerial ladder truck.

A reminder to all, please have your chimneys, heating vents, and dryer vents cleaned and checked regularly.

As always, be safe and be kind.

Jesse Fleming

Chief of the Fairfax Fire Department

Highlights of 2020 from the Fairfax Community Library

The COVID-19 pandemic brought many challenges to the Fairfax Community Library during 2020. Challenges, though, can bring opportunities and a renewed perspective, and the year's changes brought new ways to provide services to the community. While safety and caution were the main concern, planning for outreach and digital services became a priority. In response to the directive from the Governor of Vermont and statewide recommendations for libraries, along with the decisions made by the BFA Fairfax school, the Fairfax Community Library closed on March 17, 2020, coinciding with the school closing. The library staff made the shift to provide virtual programs and services through social media posts and online tools, and to stay connected to patrons with website updates, emails, and phone calls. During that time, the library staff continued to look at how to safely reopen our combined school and public library.

Programs in 2020, both in-person and virtual, included:

- youth craft and STEM programs
- craft table projects
- reading with a Pet Partners dog
- Preschool Storytime
- Lego Club
- Cabin Fever Cafe
- book club
- chess club
- art exhibit of works by author/ illustrator, David Macaulay, supported by VT Arts Council & VT Dept of Libraries
- Summer Reading Kickoff with Rockin' Ron Carter, the Friendly Pirate
- Summer Reading finale with Modern Times Theater
- story walk book on Rec Path, collaboration with Fairfax Parks & Recreation
- author visit with Rebecca Rupp
- dog training with Deb Helfrich
- knitting group

On May 20, the library began to offer Curbside Pickup Service, first at one day a week, then moving to two days a week. Curbside Pickup allowed patrons to borrow books and materials by request with contactless pickup.The library supplied dozens of books for more than 350 patron requests by the end of the year. Examples of positive feedback about Curbside Pickup Service were: "I was so excited to hear you all are offering this helpful service during this difficult time" and "Thanks for all you are doing to keep us all reading." As of November, patrons could schedule in-person 20-minute appointments once a week to browse the library shelves and use a public computer.

With the support and commitment of the library Board of Trustees, a new Strategic Plan began in 2020 with goals to encourage lifelong literacy and learning, promote a welcoming and safe learning environment, and engage community partners. Collaboration with community groups that support racial justice as well as the Parks & Recreation programs during the year were opportunities for library staff to ensure equitable access to materials, programs, and services for the entire community.

Thank you for all your support for the library!

Respectfully,

Emily DiGiulio

2020 by the numbers:
Public patrons: 1745
New patrons: 40
In-person and virtual programs: 124
ListenUp! Vermont/GMLC digital audiobook checkouts: 2505
ListenUp! Vermont/GMLC ebook checkouts: 1895
Number of items in library collection: 44,018
Number of items circulated: 34,208

2020 Fairfax Highway Department Report

All of us here at the Fairfax Highway Department have worked together to create a great team including full-time employees, part-time employees, and sub-contractors to continue to maintain and reconstruct our paved and dirt roads for our motorists, walkers, and bikers.

We are in the midst of our 5-year plan to rehab our roads and ditches in order to get them into shape and be better able to keep them there. We are still working closely with the Northwest Regional Planning Commission and the State of VT to secure funding for our present and future projects.

In 2020, we were able to tackle many projects that are part of our 5-year plan:

- We had a tree service come in to cut and remove trees that blocked visibility on roadways, including Sam Webb, Meade, Austin, and Nichols Roads.
- Resurfacing, ditching, and stone-lining of Sam Webb Road, Meade Road, and Phase 1 of Nichols Road.
- Ditching and stone lining of Comette and Wilkins Roads.
- We were able to complete construction of the new bridge on Shepardson Hollow Road with the help of GW Tatro as our subcontractor.
- We addressed a hazardous grade on lower Meade Road at the intersection with Rood Mill Road and were able to safely narrow the intersection and install guard rails.
- We did a complete restructuring of Richards Road, removing all necessary trees in the Right of Way, changing out culverts as needed, ditching and stone lining the road, resurfacing the road, and adding new signs (speed limit signs will be upgraded in 2021). This was able to be done through the Grants-In-Aid program with the assistance of the Northwest Regional Planning Commission.
- We were able to replace a large amount of culverts this season, which gets us close to complete with our stormwater/runoff management project.
- We were able to get a large amount of our roads covered with blacktop this season, which is a huge benefit to our 5-year paving goals.
- We are in the process of town-wide sign repair and replacement which will continue through our 5-year plan.

In the 2021 season, here are a few of the projects we have in our plans:

Ditching

King Road, Scenic Vista Road, McNall Road (to the end of the Class 3 portion), Cherrierville Road, Swamp Road, Woodward Road, Rood Mill Road, Hunt Street (to Lamoille Street).

Resurfacing

Nichols Road (Phase 2), Wilkins Road, McNall Road, Woodward Road (sections).

Paving

Rood Mill Road, Buck Hollow Road (from Fletcher town line), McNall Road, Tabor Hill Road, Fletcher Road (section), with other potential sites dependent on timing and costs.

Special Projects

- Rework intersection of Berthiaume Road and Cherrierville Road to reduce the slope and address safety concerns.
- Reconstruction of intersection of Highland and Snowcrest Roads.
- Improve safety and visibility at intersection of Chaffee Road and Shepardson Hollow Road.
- Engineering for improvements to culvert on Swamp Road.

As always, we thank everyone very much for the support we are given by the community and are always here to receive input that community members may have.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to be able to serve the community!

Tim Germaine
Fairfax Highway Supervisor
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Town of Fairfax
PARKS & RECREATION

2020 Report

I'm sure anyone reading this can appreciate how strange of a year 2020 was. Even with the twists and turns of the year, we have a lot to be proud of and excited about here at the Fairfax Parks & Recreation Department!

We entered this year with a focus on creating more opportunities for town residents to connect with each other by bringing in new programs and opportunities, and we managed to accomplish all of our programming goals even while we had to be further apart from each other than planned. Between an incredible uptick of visitors to our parks and hiking areas, creative alternatives to traditions and events, and community fundraising efforts, we had an amazing year overall.

Our hiking area at the 100 Acre Woods has seen great improvement between new trail signage, volunteer work to improve trail drainage, and initial clearing for a picnic area to be installed this upcoming spring. With a significant increase in traffic to the area starting in March, we were excited to receive funding from RiseVT for the signage and more recently, grant money to add activity areas nearby to the trails. We are also the proud recipient of a State of Vermont "Building Communities Grant" which will allow us to work through the upcoming spring and the summer to complete and touch-up the trails that currently exist there. Our other facilities have received smaller upgrades over the last year, at a slower pace than expected due to challenges with the pandemic. Our focus still remains on providing and maintaining spaces that exceed the needs of Fairfax and we have plenty of big plans for our facilities in 2021.

The Fairfax Farmers' Market returned this summer under a new name, Fairfax Fridays. This event drew a lot of participation from the community while highlighting small local business and local performers. We are so excited to bring it back this upcoming summer! We also brought back the "Party in the Park", our Fourth of July celebration, for the second year – this time as a drive-in fireworks and live music experience that was celebrated by the Governor as a creative and safe alternative to traditional gatherings.

We had many other incredibly successful alternative events and programs this year that you can learn about by visiting us on our social media pages.

Lastly, between grants and fundraising this year, we raised over $20,000 for projects we are working on. The most substantial fundraising effort was to purchase a modular outdoor ice rink system for the Community Park – through that effort, we raised over $7000 in only a few days thanks to an incredible level of support from the community as a whole!

We are looking forward to an exciting 2021 with wonderful new opportunities that benefit all Fairfax community members. We continue to welcome suggestions and questions of all kinds from community members like you – the most direct route to reach us is by reaching out to me at **recreation@fairfax-vt.gov** – I am always looking forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

Brian LaClair, Director of Fairfax Parks & Recreation Department

Planning Commission

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Planning Commission Report:
The planning commission has been increased from a 5-person board to a 7-person board with 4 new board members being appointed. The year ending 2020 board members were; Greg Heyer (Chair), Richard Wimble (Vice Chair), Amit Saini, Rikki Albert, Jeffrey Bartley, Kevin Riordan and Jolie Frechette. The new board members come to us with a fresh, positive and go-getter attitudes and we look forward to the years to come. The board is hopeful to increase the planning capabilities within the Town as we continue to grow.

The 2020 Planning Commission conducted 7 meetings. The Planning Commission took a while to adapt to the current in person meeting restrictions and spent a decent amount of time adding new members to the board. This year was the year of re-structuring. We are looking forward to a fresh start and a lot of progress in 2021. The Planning Commission focused on minor Development Regulation amendments. The public is encouraged to provide input and feedback. This can be done by writing to the Zoning Office or coming to a Planning Commission meeting. We like to hear from you.

In addition, the Planning Commission was awarded a large Municipal Planning Grant that started in the spring of 2020. The Planning Commission has worked with the consultant to provide necessary information to complete the study. The Growth Study is in the final phase at the writing of this document. When it is available to put online it can be found under the Zoning department area of our website.

The Planning Commission normally meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7PM in the Town Office Building. Currently, and for the foreseeable future, these meetings are on ZOOM. Please check agendas on the Town website. Public attendance and input are always welcome. The Planning Commission would like to thank the members of all the Town Boards for their hard work and service to the Town.

Agendas and minutes from each meeting can be viewed in the Zoning Office and on the Town website; www.Fairfax-VT.gov. Please feel free to contact the Zoning Office located in the Town Office Building for further information.

Respectfully submitted,

A Soter

Amber Soter
Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission
& DRB Coordinator

FAIRFAX UTILITY DEPARTMENT

July 2020 through June 2021

		2021-2022 Proposed
Income		
Penalty Water & Sewer	$	3,000.00
SEWER CONNECTION FEE'S	$	-
SEWER FINAL FEE	$	-
SEWER MISC.	$	50.00
SEWER PERMITS/Applications	$	400.00
SEWER SERVICE	$	117,400.00
WATER MISC	$	50.00
WATER SERVICE	$	138,700.00
Total Income	**$**	**259,600.00**
Expense		
6560 · Payroll Expenses		
Company SS & Medi		
Direct Deposit Fee	$	130.00
FICA	$	9,000.00
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	$	7,500.00
SEWER WAGES	$	75,017.00
WATER WAGES	$	47,942.00
Total WATER WAGES		
Total 6560 · Payroll Expenses	**$**	**139,589.00**
SEWER		
ADVERTISING	$	100.00
CERTIFICATIONS	$	200.00
CHLORINE	$	1,500.00
COMPUTER PROGRAM UPDATES	$	350.00
EDUCATION/TRAINING	$	300.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	$	75.00
INSURANCE		
DISABILITY INS.	$	106.00
PROPERTY INS.	$	800.00
WORKERS COMP INS.	$	2,602.00
LAB SUPPLIES	$	375.00
Membership	$	200.00
MILEAGE SEWER	$	1,500.00
MISC	$	35.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	$	2,000.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	$	375.00
PERMIT	$	900.00
POSTAGE	$	250.00
PROFESSIONAL FEES		
Legal	$	350.00
Professional Fee's Audit	$	2,500.00
REPAIRS & MAINT / PARTS	$	3,800.00
SHIPPING CHARGES	$	300.00
SHOP SUPPLIES	$	2,000.00
SUB-CONTRACTED LABOR	$	1,500.00
TOOLS- SMALL	$	300.00
UNIFORMS	$	860.00
UTILITIES		
ELECTRIC	$	15,000.00
HEATING	$	1,500.00

FAIRFAX UTILITY DEPARTMENT

		2021-2022 Proposed
TELEPHONE	$	1,050.00
WASTE WATER TESTING	$	3,000.00
Total SEWER	**$**	**43,828.00**
WATER		
Dispatch Service	$	2,240.00
ADVERTISING	$	100.00
CHLORINE	$	1,500.00
COMPUTER PROGRAM UPDATES	$	350.00
DONATION	$	100.00
EDUCATION/TRAINING	$	300.00
EQUIPMENT	$	500.00
INSURANCE		
DISABILITY INS.	$	106.00
PROPERTY INS.	$	800.00
WORKERS COMP. INS.	$	2,600.00
LAB SUPPLIES	$	300.00
MEMBERSHIPS	$	350.00
MILEAGE WATER	$	1,500.00
MISC.	$	35.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	$	375.00
POSTAGE	$	250.00
PROFESSIONAL FEES		
Legal	$	350.00
Professional fee's other/Audit	$	2,500.00
REPAIRS & MAINT./Parts	$	3,800.00
SHIPPING CHARGES	$	300.00
SHOP SUPPLIES	$	350.00
SUB-CONTRACTED LABOR	$	300.00
TOOLS-Small	$	300.00
UNIFORMS	$	860.00
UTILITIES		
ELECTRIC	$	9,270.00
HEATING	$	3,000.00
TELEPHONE	$	900.00
WATER BOND INVESTMENT PYMT	$	53,000.00
WATER SAMPLES	$	1,800.00
Total WATER	**$**	**88,136.00**
Capital Improvement Income	$	11,200.00
Capital Improvement Expense	$	8,800.00

Fairfax Zoning Office

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Zoning Office Report:

The number of permits issued in 2020 totaled 104 compared to 72 in 2019, a 44% increase. New residential growth remains in line with current trends over the past 5 years. A total of 36 new dwelling units were permitted. There were 18 new single unit dwellings permitted and 2 replacement homes. The multi-unit homes consisted of (1) 13 unit, (2) 2 unit, and (1) 1 unit addition to an existing 2 unit. The multi-unit dwelling units totaled 18 units. The number of Certificates of Compliance, issued to homeowners selling or refinancing their homes, remained consisted with 5-year trends, with 76 being issued in 2020. Certificates of Compliances do not directly reflect re-sale home sales in Fairfax, they are only performed when requested and not required by the town. It is becoming common practice for attorneys and lenders to request this when a property is selling. Please note, some Zoning Permits were for multiple items at the same time. For example, a shed and a deck. The summary below is of the types of permits which do not directly reflect the amount.

PERMIT TYPE	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Single Dwelling Unit	23	22	17	19	18
Multi Dwelling Unit	2	2 (9 units)	2 (12 units)	4 (23 units)	4 (18 units)
Replacement Homes	3	6	3	1	2
Additions/Basements	9	8	19	12	21
Garages/Barns/Shed for 2020	4	10	16	8	31
Accessory Apartments	1		2	3	1
Commercial	1		2	1	0
Other (Decks, pools)	22	22	22	28	35
Change of Use	0	1	0	0	1
Signs	0	3	3	1	1
Home Occup/Industry	1	2	3	0	1
Certificates of Compliance	58	67	70	78	76

The Zoning Office would like to remind you that a permit is needed for any construction involving more than 100sq ft. This includes basements, decks, additions and more. Please call the office if you have any questions whether a permit is required or not.

The DRB halted meetings for a period while we adjusted to online meetings and not being able to gather. There was a total of 5 subdivisions and in total the DRB held 18 public hearings. Some projects required more than one hearing and other projects have not yet been issued final decisions. There were also Conditional Use/Site Plan, Boundary Adjustment, and Site Plan Amendments hearings. The Zoning Office continued to aid the DRB by analyzing all development proposals prior to their Public Hearings, and by writing reports to assist the DRB in evaluating projects which come before them. In addition, the Zoning Administrator actively assists residents through the DRB process, produces and posts public notices, invites adjoining landowners to hearings, takes minutes at hearings, drafts decisions for the DRB, and mails correspondence to the Board and participants.

The Zoning Office also provided staff support for the Planning Commission throughout 2020. The Planning Commission welcomed 4 new board members in 2020, taking the board from a 5-person board to a 7-person board. The 2020 Planning Commission conducted 7 meetings. The Planning Commission has spent these meetings discussing regulatory changes as well as continued updates and assistance with our current MPG.

As always, the Zoning Office was a bustling place and continued to answer questions and provide information and guidance for property owners, home buyers, attorneys, mortgage companies, engineers, and anyone else who phoned, wrote, or visited.

Our goal in 2021 is to continue to provide the best possible service and information to those who contact us. With the current COVID-19 guidelines the best way to reach the Zoning Office is via email. There are very limited in office hours. 802-849-6111 ext 12. Our email is always open; zoning@fairfax-vt.gov .

Respectfully submitted,

A Soter

Amber Soter,
Zoning Administrator,
Planning Commission
& DRB Coordinator

Fairfax Rescue
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To the Town of Fairfax,

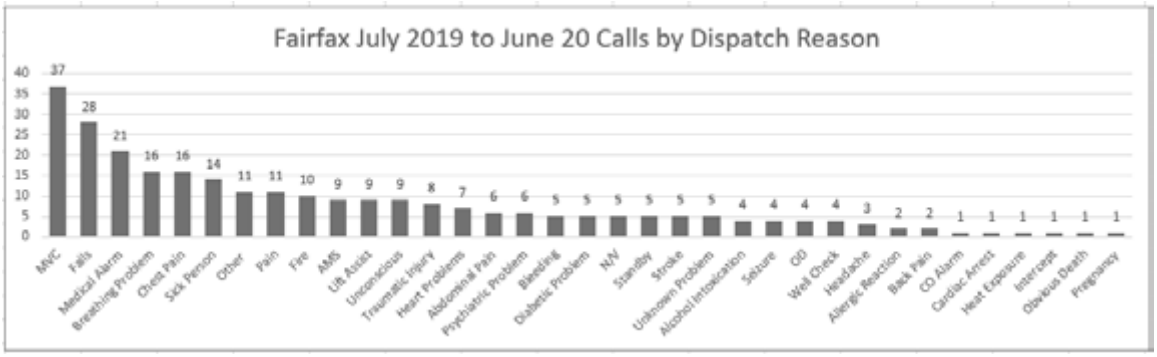
We are honored to present you with our report for 2020. Fairfax Rescue is a private not for profit Paramedic level ambulance service. We provide Advanced Life Support coverage to the towns of Fairfax, Fletcher, and the northern area of Westford. In addition, we provide mutual aid to the towns of Cambridge, Georgia, Milton, St. Albans and East Fairfield. We are also happy to provide standby coverage for community and school sporting events.

2020 has presented new challenges for everyone. Our team was faced with adapting to new ways of working, staffing, and training. We are proud to say that our members rose to the challenge and we have been able to staff our ambulances appropriately throughout the pandemic with a solid plan for going forward. They embraced the new ways of working, put aside their fears, and continued to serve our communities. Fairfax Rescue responded to 279 active 911 calls in the town of Fairfax from 7/1/2019-6/30/2020. This is up from last year. A majority of the calls this year required advanced lifesaving skills. We provided ALS on 92% of the calls this past year.

Call Disposition	
Disposition	**Calls**
Treated/Transported	159
No Transport/Refusal	75
Cancelled	33
Standby	5
Patient Dead - No CPR	4
Transferred Care	2
Intercept	1

Level of Care	
Level of Care	**Calls**
Paramedic	155
AEMT	103
EMT	21

Destination	
Destination	**Calls**
NMC	114
UVM	46



Fairfax Rescue Budget

Income		Proposed 19/20 Fiscal Year 7/1/19-6/30/20	Actual 19/20 Fiscal Year 7/1/19-06/30/20	Proposed 20/21 Fiscal Year 7/1/20-6/30/21	Proposed 21/22 Fiscal Year 7/1/21-06/30/22
Ambulance Runs		$138,000.00	$137,895.15	$145,000.000	$148,600.00
Subscription plan		$19,000.00	$1,520.00	$22,000.000	$22,000.00
Memorials		$350.00	$350.00	$400.000	$250.00
Donations		$9,000.00	$7,241.40	$9,500.000	$9,500.00
Town Allocated Westford		11713	$11,713.00	$11,713.000	*$12,064.00*
Town Allocated Fairfax		92545	$92,545.00	$111,700.000	*$119,519.00*
Town Allocated Fletcher		15760	$15,760.00	$16,863.000	*$18,043.00*
Grants		$4,000.00	$4,000.00	$5,000.000	$5,000.00
COVID Stimulus			$3,859.09		
Fundraising			$98.00	$5,000.000	$15,000.00
Course Fees		$500.00			
	EMS courses		$810.35	$700.000	$13,000.00
	EDVT		$125.00	$250.000	
	CPR/FIRST Aid		$386.00	$150.000	$3,500.00
Signs		$650.00	$764.00	$650.000	$500.00
Ambulance savings			$10,000.00		
Total		***$291,518.00***	***$287,066.99***	***$328,926.000***	***$366,976.000***
Expenses					
Uniforms		$1,300.00	$334.50	$1,500.000	$1,000.00
Medical Supplies		$15,000.00	$11,888.69	$10,000.000	$13,000.00
Building Maint		$4,000.00	$3,035.96	$2,300.000	$2,300.00
	Plowing			$1,800.000	$3,400.00
Building Utillities					
	Electricty	$1,836.00	$2,104.52	$1,900.000	$2,200.00
	Propane	$2,640.00	$2,352.00	$3,100.000	$2,000.00
	Water/Sewer	$572.00	$643.06	$571.000	$650.00
Ambulance purchase		$19,000.00	$11,109.00	$19,000.000	
	Monthly (2800)				$33,600.00
Fuel		$5,400.00	$4,787.93	$5,600.000	$4,500.00
Ambulance Maint.		$5,500.00	$4,977.17	$5,500.000	$3,000.00
	Tires A-2				$1,200.00
Medical Equipment		6000	$30,460.47	$500.000	
	Lucas			$8,000.000	$0.00

	Zoll Monitor			$23,000.000	$23,310.00
Communication Equipment		800	$0.00	$500.000	$246.00
Communication Maint.		$275.00	$0.00	$275.000	$275.00
Mortgage		$24,000.00	$24,000.00	$24,000.000	$24,000.00
Active 911		$188.00	$264.65	$200.000	$200.00
When to work			$278.00		$360.00
Station Supplies		$400.00	$142.72	$400.000	$400.00
Operational Expenses	Office Expense	$850.00	$822.51	$850.000	$750.00
	Late Fees		$41.04		$80.00
	Bank Service Charges	$100.00	$0.00		$0.00
	Postage	$800.00	$174.00	$800.000	$750.00
	Comcast	$1,800.00	$2,002.94	$1,800.000	$2,600.00
Payroll	Salary & Benefits	$56,325.00	$62,204.74	$66,000.000	$126,855.00
	Per Diem Payments	$58,000.00	$69,873.71	$75,000.000	$27,500.00
Payroll Expenses	Inuit (annual)	$500.00	$674.16	$500.000	$500.00
	Inuit (monthly)				$450.00
	Payroll Tax	$10,000.00	$11,326.77	$14,000.000	$14,000.00
Professional Services	Tax Accountant	$1,000.00		$1,000.000	$1,200.00
ALS Intercepts		$2,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.000	$500.00
Accounting Fees		$3,000.00	$1,037.50		
Billing		$5,500.00	$3,807.05	$5,000.000	$5,000.00
	Volunteer Stipend	$26,250.00	$13,607.11	$18,000.000	$15,000.00
	Holiday/	$1,000.00	$2,622.58	$500.000	$500.00
	Squad Incentive	$0.00		$500.000	$500.00
Training	Equipement			$500.000	
	EMS class Contirbution	$2,000.00	$1,953.50	$2,000.000	$1,200.00
Insurance	VFIS	$14,000.00	$14,356.00	$15,000.000	$15,500.00
	Workers Comp	$10,800.00	$3,502.00	$11,000.000	$11,000.00
Ambulance Tax		$4,050.00	$5,348.28	$4,830.000	$5,200.00
Grant Expenditures		$4,000.00	$4,000.00		$5,000.00
Building Capital		$2,000.00		$2,000.000	$2,000.00
Capital Equipment					$2,000.00
Subscription Drive Expense					$1,300.00
Course fee Expense					$11,500.00
Sign Cost		$632.00	$623.96	$500.000	$450.00
TOTAL		$291,518.00	$294,356.52	$328,926.000	$366,976.000
Total Profit/Loss		**$0.00**	**-$7,289.53**	**$0.000**	**$0.000**

In addition to providing emergency services, we are dedicated to educating the communities that we serve. We have been able to continue many of these services despite the restrictions put in place due to COVID-19. Our classes have continued with a new online curriculum. We offer CPR and First Aid, Stop the Bleed, Emergency Vehicle Driver Training, EMR, EMT and Advanced EMT classes on an ongoing basis. We have seven certified CPR instructors and offer CPR and First Aid Training to our community members including daycare providers, schoolteachers and coaches, fire fighters, and community members interested in learning lifesaving skills. Our goal is to help the communities that we serve become HeartSmart Communities. We currently are hosting an EMT and AEMT classes which will provide the area with several new basic and advanced level providers. We also are a precepting site for Paramedic Students from multiple Paramedic Programs.

Our members love participating in community events! We host a Halloween party each year, the Big Truck Day event, Trunk or Treat, the Egg Run in Fairfax, the Turkey Trot, and sporting events at the schools. Many of the events were modified and celebrated differently this year but we

continued as many traditions as possible and participated in some new. We also make and install 911 address signs for the residents of our coverage area at the cost of the materials.

Fairfax Rescue is primarily a volunteer service that provides Advanced Life Support at the paramedic level. We have some of the most highly trained professionals in EMS. We currently have four paramedics on our roster including two critical care paramedics. We also have volunteers enrolled in paramedic courses. Our members provide quality advanced life support coverage 24 hour a day, seven days a week. Our dedicated volunteers provide approximately 80% of our coverage and donated over 15,000 hours of their time in 2020. We are honored to have such a dedicated and highly trained membership.

As technology continues to make life-saving advances, we have updated our equipment and training in order to provide the best care possible. This past year our old cardiac monitors became obsolete and were no longer technically supported. We purchased two new Zoll X Series cardiac monitors, enabling us to provide many advanced lifesaving cardiac interventions. We were also faced with the fact that we had an 11-year-old ambulance that we had already spent thousands of dollars in repairs and in order to make it safe for use, we were looking at spending another $10,000.00 in repairs. We decided to put our patient's and our crew's safety first and purchased a new ambulance. The new ambulance is four-wheel drive and is equipped with the latest safety features for both the patient and the crew. This includes the new stretcher auto load technology.

As the cost of providing care rises, we have been looking for new ways to remain efficient. We continue to focus on volunteer recruitment, grants and fundraising. In addition to obtaining grant funds and recruiting for volunteers, we continue to offer our popular annual subscription plan in an effort to off-set the costs that insurance billing does not cover and greatly appreciate the generous tax-deductible donations that we receive throughout the year.

Fairfax Rescue is always recruiting and relies on new volunteers. Contact us at 802-849-2773, stop by our station at 14 Goodall St in Fairfax, visit our web page at ttp://www.fairfaxrescue.org/, or like us on Facebook for information on becoming a volunteer and the classes that we offer.

We are proud to serve your community and look forward to hearing from you.

Bambi L Dame, NRP, IC, CAC
Director of Operations
Fairfax Rescue

FRANKLIN COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION

Annual Report for the year 2020

As most residents might guess the FCIDC report for calendar year 2020 is focused on the impacts and the ongoing recovery from the Coronavirus Pandemic. During the month of March 2020 everyone became aware of a new vocabulary; we learned words like Coronavirus, COVID, social distancing, quarantine, mandates, droplets, essential and on-line schooling. Along with our new vernacular came mandates to shut down schools, restaurants, construction and all other small non-essential businesses among others. People were encouraged to stay home and to work from home; the State's economy began to struggle soon after the shut-down.

FCIDC was on the front line of communicating with businesses about State and Federal programs. Over the years FCIDC has accumulated a long list of business emails and we added many more during the pandemic. We used the email list to share regular updates and pertinent information with business owners throughout Franklin County. We dispersed information to all Franklin County Municipalities and asked them to share with their local residents. The communities of Enosburg, Swanton and St. Albans City have specific individuals working on economic development and we maintained regular communication with all of them.

During the months of October and November when Federal dollars were being administered to States to assist businesses FCIDC was active in the Navigator program where all of the State's 12 Regional Development Corporations, of which FCIDC is one of the 12, received funds to connect businesses with the needed technical assistance vendor. The vendor assistance could cover a wide range of business topics such as creating an on-line presence, or improve their social media platforms, or be more proficient with their bookkeeping or creating a new product line. Across the state, hundreds of businesses received Technical Assistance. This past fall the Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD) administered a second program which was ReStartVT business grants. Through this program grants were offered to businesses that had experienced significant loss of income over their 2019 business year. ACCD received in excess of 2000 ReSTart applications and all of them needed to be reviewed to confirm they did in fact show a loss, their financials were up to speed and they were in fact a registered business. The Regional Development Corporations reviewed 43% of those applications.

This past summer FCIDC partnered with Northwest Regional Planning and applied for EDA and USDA grants, of which we received. These grants are focused on COVID economic recovery over the next two years. FCIDC in conjunction with local vendors will be producing a number of on-line videos to assist our local businesses with financial literacy and e-commerce. In addition to helping existing business, we believe that there will be a high level of interest for people to start their own businesses in the coming year so we will be offering "Start Your Own Business Workshops" so that those individuals have a basic overview of what is needed.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the Franklin County residents who made the effort to continue to work, essential and non-essential employees and thank you all for supporting local businesses. Some of the small businesses stated they had one of their best Christmas seasons in memory. It appears that we still have 7 or 8 months to go before we are out of the woods and if that is true, I would just ask everyone to continue to follow the guidelines, check on your neighbors and support your local businesses. Let's hope for a great 2021.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Smith
Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation

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The Franklin County Sheriff's Office: YEAR IN REVIEW:

This has been a very unique year for the citizens of Franklin County as it has been for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Seemingly at times facing insurmountable obstacles the Sheriff's Office constantly had to adapt to new approaches in performing our duties as police officers. The one constant that has not changed was the Sheriff's Office commitment to community policing. It will always remain as the cornerstone at to how the Sheriff Office operates.

As many of you know, Sheriff Departments must generate their own revenue. While this can be challenging in good times, it has been made even more difficult due to COVID 19. Many scheduled road construction traffic details were cancelled along with county events like June Dairy Days, Lake Carmi Triathlon, the Franklin County Field Days and other regular details usually contributing to help fund the Franklin County Sheriff's Office operating costs.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office consists of 33 deputies. During this past year, the Sheriff's Office contracted for police services in the following towns, Georgia, Richford, Enosburgh, Sheldon, Franklin & Fairfax while providing property regular property checks for the Lake Carmi Campers Association. Deputies also patrolled the Lake Carmi State Park during the summer of 2020.

2020 did have some bright spots for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Two deputies were blessed the arrival of their first born healthy children. Additionally, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office was awarded the St Albans Town Policing Contract. This contract will allow the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to increase its number of deputies as the new St Albans Town contract starts July 01, 2021. This is, as with all of our towns, an opportunity to partner with the St Albans Town community while promoting safe neighborhoods and addressing quality of life issues.

Statistic totals for 2020:

Town	Incidents	Tickets	Arrests
Enosburgh	1114	163	53
Fairfax	1188	170	29
Franklin	146	31	1
Georgia	1101	189	27
Richford	748	72	62
Sheldon	476	108	20
County Totals	4773	733	192

Sincerely,

Roger G. Langevin

Franklin County Sheriff

Northwest Regional Planning Commission

Town Report, 2020 - Fairfax

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a multi-purpose governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs tailored to local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners.

2020 Fairfax Town Projects

- Updated the Local Emergency Management Plan along with documented and submitted Tier 2 Hazardous Materials reports for the Highway Department and Water and Sewer Departments.
- Provided technical assistance for planning and zoning including a review of proposed amendments to the development regulations.
- Provided technical support for the Emergency Management Coordinator to recoup costs from the 2017 wind storm disaster declaration.
- Consulted with local officials, identified projects and provided technical assistance for Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid construction projects.
- Provided administrative assistance with the Northern Borders Regional Commission grant for a sewer/water line extension.
- Provided administrative support for the Northwest Communications Union District; Fairfax is a founding member.
- Consulted with local officials and evaluated infrastructure projects that address water quality concerns and should be pursued for implementation.
- Coordinated a Road Safety Audit Review with the Vermont Agency of Transportation for the intersection of VT Route 104/VT Route 128/McNall Road.
- COVID-19: Provided technical assistance for the Town with the Local Government Expense Reimbursement Program as well as Continuity of Operations planning.
- Healthy Roots Collaborative delivered gleaned produce to the Fairfax Community Food Shelf and Fairfax NOTCH clinic periodically during 2020 and brought Farmers to Families produce boxes to the Fairfax NOTCH clinic in the summer. Staff and volunteers also gleaned produce regularly at one farm in Fairfax.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Municipal Roads General Permit compliance, water quality project implementation, local energy planning, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will implement improvements to the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail and increase marketing efforts, support local farm and food businesses through its Healthy Roots Collaborative and assist the new Northwest Communications Union District in expanding broadband access in the region. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is greatly appreciated. NRPC is your resource - please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, mapping or other needs.

Fairfax Town Regional Commissioners - Brad Docheff & Colleen Steen

Transportation Advisory Committee - Colleen Steen

Clean Water Advisory Committee - Vacant seat

NRPC Projects & Programs

Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting

Brownfields site assessments, clean-ups and redevelopment plans

Transportation planning, coordination and project development

Bike and pedestrian planning and project management

Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience

Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects

Watershed planning and stormwater project management

Regional plans for growth and development

Geographic Information System maps and data

Downtown and village revitalization and community development

Grant writing and administration

Associated Projects & Programs Managed by NRPC

Healthy Roots Collaborative

Northern Vermont Economic Development District

Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail

Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.

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Vermont Department of Health Local Report

St. Albans District, 2021

At the Vermont Department of Health our twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. More info on your local health office can be found here: https://www.healthvermont.gov/local

COVID-19

2020 has been a challenging year for Vermonters. However, the Vermont Department of Health has been recognized as a national leader in managing the virus. This is what the Health Department has done in your community:

- COVID-19 Testing:
  - Since May 2020, the Health Department has provided no-cost Covid-19 testing. Through November 17, 2020, the Vermont Department of Health has held 509 testing clinics, testing 40,796 Vermonters. This important work helps to identify the spread of Covid-19 and is just one of the many ways your Health Department is promoting and protecting the health of Vermonters.
  - Statewide, 224,284 people have been tested as of November 30, 2020
- COVID-19 Cases:
  - As of November 25, 2020, Vermont had the fewest cases of COVID-19 and the lowest rate of cases per 100,000 population of all 50 states.
  - Statewide, as of November 30, 2020, there have been 4,172 cases of COVID-19
- Even more up-to-date information can be found on the Health Department's website: https://www.healthvermont.gov/currentactivity

Additional Programs

In addition to the COVID-19 response, the Health Department has programs such as influenza vaccinations and WIC.

- Flu Vaccinations: Protecting people from influenza is particularly important in 2020, as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19. (Data is as of November 17, 2020)
  - Approximately 213,00* Vermonters have been vaccinated against the flu this season *(Due to technology outages, flu vaccinations given are underreported by approximately 25%-33%.)
- WIC: The Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Education and Food Supplementation Program remains in full effect, though much of the work that was done in person is now being done remotely through TeleWIC. (Data is as of October 20, 2020)
  - 11,308 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont, either in traditional format or TeleWIC

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
VERMONT STATE POLICE

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St. Albans Field Station
140 Fisher Pond Rd
St. Albans, VT 05478

January 25th, 2021

On behalf of the Vermont State Police, St. Albans Barracks, we are providing our 2020 Annual Report. This report will provide you information reference current staffing issues and detail the specialty services provided by the Troopers assigned to the St. Albans Barracks.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Vermont State Police is to individually and collectively serve and protect by providing the highest quality of professional law enforcement services. The mission of the Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks is to protect the citizens of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. By working together, we can educate, empower and foster trust within our community. While we strive to reduce crime and enforce the laws of our roadways through criminal investigations, COVID-19 has certainly brought great challenges. For the safety of our members and the public we have reduced contact with the public wherever possible, in line with Vermont State Police COVID-19 Operational Response - Level 3.

Specialty Services Provided by Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks

In addition to their field primary responsibilities, many of the troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks are members of special response teams that provide expert response capabilities in a variety of areas to address critical needs throughout Vermont.

The breakdown of these responses is as follows:

1 Trooper – Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

5 Troopers – on the Tactical Services Unit (TSU)

2 Troopers – on the Crime Scene Search Team (CSST)

2 Troopers – on the Search and Rescue Team (SAR)

2 Troopers – on the Bomb Squad (EOD)

4 Troopers - on the CLAN lab team

1 Trooper – on the Crisis Negotiation Unit (CNU)

Annual Crime Statistics for the St. Albans Barracks:

Total Cases: 5484

Total Arrests: 358

Total Tickets Issued: 719

Total Warnings Issued: 1386

Fatal Accidents: 1

Total Burglaries Investigated: 33

Total DUI's: 63

Local Community Report: Fairfax

Total Cases: 333

Total Arrests: 14

Total DUI's: 1

Total Accidents – Property Damage: 11

Total Accidents – Injury: 2

Total Vandalisms: 8

Total Alarms: 27

Total Burglaries: 1

Total Tickets: 18

Total Warnings: 37

We will continue to make our communities safer through enforcement, directed patrols, outreach and community programs. It is our privilege to serve the citizens of this community. Together, we will get through these challenging times.

Respectfully,

Lieutenant Jerry Partin
Station commander

BELLOWS FREE ACADEMY – FAIRFAX TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

75 HUNT STREET

FAIRFAX, VT 05454

BELLOWS FREE ACADEMY – FAIRFAX, VT
ELECTED OFFICERS

POSITION	TERM

MODERATOR

Roberta Rodimer	Term Expires 2021

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Scott Mitchell	Term Expires 2021
Kathi Ellsworth Muehl	Term Expires 2022
Michael Bruso	Term Expires 2021
Sandra Lee (Sandy) Alexander	Term Expires 2022
Matthew Hogan	Term Expires 2023

The School Board meets on the second Monday of every month

BFA TRUSTEES (5 YEAR TERM)

Lee Minor	Term Expires 2024
John Mitchell	Term Expires 2025
James Meunier	Term Expires 2021
Patti Bellows Smith	Term Expires 2021
Dale Bellows (resigned January 12, 2021)	Term Expires 2022

SURETY BONDS

Surety bonds, as required by law, are on file in the Town Office.

ANNUAL FAIRFAX TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING 2021

The legal voters of the Town of Fairfax are hereby notified and warned to meet in a School District Informational Meeting, via zoom, on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 10:00 in the forenoon for the purpose of a presentation of the school budget as set forth in Article 2 and public discussion of Articles 1 through 4. Australian Ballot voting is to be on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 from 7:00 in the forenoon until 7:00 in the afternoon at Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax.

Zoom Bridge:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88224879433. Dial-in option available, 1-646 558 8656, meeting ID: 882 2487 9433.

Article 1 through Article 4 shall be voted upon by use of the official Australian ballot. The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 in the forenoon to 7:00 in the afternoon at the Bellows Free Academy Fairfax, 75 Hunt Street, Fairfax.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the legal voters of said school district elect the following officers?
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

- *School Moderator for one-year term*
- *School Director for three-year term*
- *School Director for two-year term*
- *School Trustee for five-year term*
- *School Trustee for five-year term*
- *School Trustee for one-year remaining of a five-year term*

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters of said school district approve the school board to expend **$14,636,092** which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of **$14,589.86 per equalized pupil.** This projected spending per equalized pupil is **2.29% higher** than spending for the current year.
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters of said school district authorize the School Directors to borrow money for school expenses in anticipation of revenue for the ensuing year?
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

ARTICLE 4: Shall the reports of the School Directors concerning the previous year be accepted?

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

Dated at Fairfax, County of Franklin, State of Vermont, this 20th day of January, 2021.

Sandy Alexander

Michael Bruso

Matthew Hogan

Scott Mitchell

Kathi Muehl

Received by Fairfax Town Clerk's Office for record and this 27th day of January, 2021 at Fairfax, VT and same is recorded in the posted records.

ATTEST:

Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer

ABSTRACT/MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL FAIRFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The 2020 Annual Town District Meeting was called to order at the Elementary Auditorium at Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax, Vermont by Moderator Roberta (Robby) Rodimer at 12:35 p.m. on Saturday, February 29, 2020. Robby welcomed everyone and said that the meeting would be run using Robert's Rules except where State Law takes precedence. Speaker would be limited to three minutes during the time for questions and comments and they only speak twice to an issue. She got approval to have School Officials and FWSU staff to speak. She thanked the set-up crew for the wonderful job they did setting up for Town Meeting.

ARTICLES 1 through ARTICLE 4 were voted upon using the official Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the Middle School Gymnasium of Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax, Vermont. The polls opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m.

Scott Mitchell, School Board Chair, introduced the School Board that was present, Elaine Carpenter; Kathi Muehl; Michael Bruso; Sandy Alexander; along with Amanda Duling, Administrative Assistant. Randy Morton from our FWSU was introduced. Sympathy went out on the absence of our FWSU Superintendent Ned Kirsch. He will be remembered for all he did for Fairfax. A slide show was presented by Scott. He spoke about the Fairfax School Budget FY21 Proposal consisting of: Our Mission *ensuring all students become informed, literate, critical thinkers who demonstrate responsible social and civic behaviors. Per pupil spending is decreasing by 1.51%, with the budget increase of 2.56% causing the school portion of property taxes to decrease. BFA has gained 90 students over the last 4 years. Decrease is due to offsetting revenues, surplus, retired debt, and additional equalized pupils. A few highlights from FY20 consisted of the Middle School Geo Bee State Champions; four Presidential Scholar this school year, 9 in the last 5 years; implementation of Sophomore Exhibitions, to share progress towards proficiently goals; flexible learning opportunities that developed new opportunities for students throughout the school and travel to nationwide and global destinations (France, Florida, Alaska, Quebec, San Francisco, NYC) through HS co-curriculars and academic courses. Varsity Lacrosse makes it debut this spring as the newest of our VPA sanctioned athletic offering, putting our total of varsity sports programs at 14; the number of students accessing Performance Art opportunities, such as band, chorus and drama continues to grow; and students being accepted to colleges and universities with proficiency based transcripts. FY20 building improvements consisted of renovation and addition of new bathrooms in the High and Middle School along with new divider in the Richard Brown Gymnasium. Elaine is getting off the Board. She shared with us the BFA story consist of 7th graders designing their own AR experiences; BFA Elementary implements art integration opportunities; Hiram Bellows Community Service Day; introducing new sensory path in the BFA Elementary so you are able to exercise on the tile floor when waiting in the hallway; 5th grade student complete 6 week robotics unit with LEGO Mindstorms; the ultimate victory for Fairfax/Lamoille football; the annual musical has the largest number of student participants to date; innovation playing field-eSports at BFA High School; advisory and flex time provide access to intervention and enrichment at BFA High School; along with High School students addressing parking situations with creative results. The Board thanks Elaine for all her years in service and presented her with a token of appreciation. An apple to the Teacher to reminder Elaine of BFA and the School Board. Elaine told the story of Peggy Stewart's influence on her. Peg was the one that encouraged Elaine to service on the School Board as Peg has done for so many years. Elaine spoke about Peg's true leadership that she brought to the School and Town. She will be greatly missed and loved by all that knew her. Robby opened the floor for discussion. There was none.*

Robby read Article 1 and Article 2.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the legal voters of said school district elect the following officers?
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

School Moderator	One Year Term	Roberta Rodimer	1299 votes
School Director	Three Year Term	Matthew Hogan	1246 votes
School Director	Two Year Term	Sandra-Lee Alexander	1242 votes
School Trustee	Five Year Term	John Mitchell	1328 votes

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters of said school district approve the school board to expend $**13,760,921** which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of **$14,032.09 per equalized pupil.** This projected spending per equalized pupil is **7.25% higher** than spending for the current year.
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Scott talked about the school budget increase of 6.67%; per pupil spending that is increasing by 7.25%; BFA continues to gain students; BFA and the Supervisory Union were chosen for an electric bus pilot; insurance cost continue to rise with a significant increase in health insurance premiums at a cost of $124,351. This is a 12.9% increase; there was not any surplus this year from last year Act 166; a graph was shown illustrating our kids' enrollment of grades K-12 plus tech center counts. The summary of some of the budget impact are Pre-K: Act 166 tuition increase of an estimate of 55 students; Technical Education: budgeted tuition increases the over 10% an estimated $56,000 over FY20; transportation: the purchase of two electric school buses at $90,000 each totaling $180,000; per pupil spending comparison was shown; along with the estimated school tax bill.

The floor was open to discussion. A chart of per pupil spending comparison was missing in the Town Report that they would like to be included in the future.

In Favor: 822 Opposed: 674

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters of said school district approve the school board to expend up to **$200,000** for scheduled roof replacements? It is estimated that this expenditure, if approved, will result in education spending of **$231.66** per equalized pupil. This spending per equalized pupil is not higher than spending for the current fiscal year. It is also estimated that if this proposed expenditure and the proposed budget (Article 2) are both approved, education spending per equalized pupil will increase by **$1,179.88, or 9.02%** over such spending for the current fiscal year.
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

This is three sections of roof which includes the three gymnasiums. The floor was open to discussion. Some questions consisted of if we cannot move forward with the bond vote, can we expect to have more articles like this in the future. Yes, that is the case. Are there sprinklers included in this Article? No, they are separate.

In Favor: 1104 Opposed: 393

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters of said school district authorize the School Directors to borrow money for school expenses in anticipation of revenue for the ensuing year?
BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

The floor was open to discussion. There was none

In Favor: 874 Opposed: 614

ARTICLE 5: Shall the reports of the School Directors concerning the previous year be accepted?

A motion was made by Cathy Carlson and seconded by Sheri Rainville. The floor was open for discussion. There was none. The motion was passed by a show of cards.

ARTICLE 6: Shall any other legal business come before said meeting?

A motion was made by Tom Traber and seconded by Charles Hazen. The floor was opened to discussion. Some questions consisted of plans for an upcoming bond vote. The plan is to come back in the Fall. Do we receive Act 166 State funding? We receive around half of the amount per student. What is our transportation cost? The cost is purchasing one bus per year. This year we are purchasing two buses. Tom Traber asked what the school plan is with the Coronavirus outbreak. The State just sent information that still needs to be reviewed. The motion was passed by a show of cards.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the meeting be adjourned?

A motion was made. The floor was open for discussion. There was none. The motion was passed by a show of cards at 1:30 p.m. to recess the School meeting until March 3, 2020 at 7 a.m.

There are 4007 registered voters with 1529 voting by Australian ballot making a 38% voter turnout.

Peter Fitzgerald, Justice of the Peace

Sheri Rainville, Select Board

Attest: Deborah Woodward
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January 2021

School Board Report to the Town

I like to be concise and begin these annual reports with a one word summary. There are many words that I could have chosen for this past year, but I think the word that sums it up most is challenging. When last we met, in March of 2020, we were beginning to see something unfold and by mid-month our schools would be dismissed by the Governor, challenging our educators to change and adapt to this new set of circumstances. To their credit our teachers, staff and administration have gone above and beyond to work through these challenges and do what is in the best interest of the students. They transitioned learning to a virtual environment to finish out school last year and resumed in a hybrid model to begin this school year. As I am writing this report we have grades Pre K-6 back in the classroom 4 days a week and are working on measured plans to bring back the remainder of the student body in a safe and structured fashion.

While the pandemic is, of course, at the top of everyone's mind we also have other initiatives and news from the past year. Through an exhaustive process last winter we brought in a new Superintendent, James Tager. Superintendent Tager comes to us from the Flagler School District in Central Florida. With over 30 years in education he brings a wealth of experience to our district and Supervisory Union. He has brought in a different view from those that previously held his position. I believe it was put best by one of our staff members, that I was speaking to, when they said, "He is the right person at the right time." I know that he looks forward to a time when he can get out with his wife and meet the community when social activities resume.

The Board continues to serve the school and community as we meet regularly throughout the year, virtually during the pandemic. Over the past year we graduated our first class on the new Proficiency based standards. Graduation looked a little different this year as it was a remote ceremony, with graduating seniors coming in small groups to receive their diploma. We had mobile ceremonies for 4th and 8th grades as they moved on to the next level of their education

in our school. Co-Curricular activities also looked a little different whether on the playing field or performing. We have seen many challenges this year, however, our enrollment remains steady and while we have not been able to engage in all the activities we normally can during the school year, our staff remains available and open to working with students and promoting a supportive learning environment for all. Below is a review of the past year, including achievements and challenges.

Instruction

- 4 Vermont Presidential Scholars this year (High School)
- Recognized in top 10 Vermont High Schools for college readiness (High School)
- Implemented three Grade 1 and 2 Multi-Age classrooms (Elementary)
- Implemented a new Proficiency Based Middle School Report Card (Middle School)
- Increased access to 1:1 iPads in Grades K-4 (Elementary)
- Held our first virtual music concert (Co-Curricular)
- Held a successful mobile Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony (Middle School)
- Implemented a new writing block and Writing program (Jump Into Writing) in Grades 3 and 4 (Elementary)
- Boys Varsity Soccer was undefeated in regular season play (Co-Curricular)
- Successfully implemented athletics, drama, music activities during COVID-19 (Co-Curricular)
- Coach Jake Hubbard was selected was named the Mountain Division Coach of the Year (Co-Curricular)
- Engaging students and our community in a virtual drama production (Co-Curricular)

Building

- We had several roofing projects completed in the past year. This effort was funded through last year's special article
- As we had a surplus from last year's budget 50% of that surplus was moved into the Capital Improvement Fund, a directive that was approved by the voters several years ago.
- The LRFPC has found it challenging to meet over the past year. However, a member of the board meets on a regular basis with the administration and facilities Director to assess the needs of the building. With a healthy Capital Improvement Fund they are moving forward with projects that had been deferred in the past.

Budget

- An ongoing challenge in our current climate is the budget. While around the state there is an overall decline in enrollment, we continue to see an increase in student population and this year our equalized pupil increased count by 17. Additionally, as referenced earlier we also have a surplus from FY20 that is being carried forward that is being applied to this year's budget..
- The budget we are presenting this year represents a 2.29% increase in equalized per pupil spending of $14,589.86, below the state average which is anticipated to be $17,612. We worked to maintain current services with this budget by not adding staff or additional resources.
- Lastly, I need to address the Common Level of Assessment (CLA) in the Town. As home and property values increase without new property assessments from the Town the CLA decreases. As that number decreases it negatively affects the property tax rate. So while our per pupil increase is the lowest it has been in years this is not reflected in the tax rate due to the lower CLA.

I would like to thank the Student Board Representatives, Laurel Samson from the senior class and Janaya Parsons from the junior class for their work in the school and for keeping the Board apprised of the day to day activities and achievements of the students. I would like to thank the administration, faculty and staff for their continued dedication to BFA Fairfax through the challenges of the past year. I would like to thank my fellow board members for their time, effort and support of the students and school. Finally, I would like to thank our parents and community. This past year has been trying on us all. Teachers have had to explore new ways of engagement, students have had to adjust to a new way of learning and parents have seen an increased role in support of their child's education. Through the work that is done by all of us, as a community, we ensure that our students are prepared for their next step once they move on. I encourage you to contact us if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Mitchell
BFA Fairfax Director, Chair

Fairfax Town School District

FY22 Expenditure Budget

1/11/2021

Expenditures	**FY19 Budget**	**FY19 Actual**	**FY20 Budget**	**FY20 Actual**	**FY21 Budget**	**FY22 Budget**	
Elementary	$2,089,613	$2,051,282	$2,358,124	$2,531,723	$2,766,867	**$2,942,249**	**6.34%**
Middle School	$1,155,195	$1,147,719	$0	$25,480	$0	**$0**	**0.00%**
Secondary	$2,504,511	$2,477,565	$3,469,494	$3,182,878	$3,562,056	**$3,749,578**	**5.26%**
	$5,749,319	$5,676,566	$5,827,618	$5,740,081	$6,328,923	**$6,691,827**	**5.73%**
Schoolwide	$115,826	$145,551	$98,259	$128,214	$116,879	**$116,879**	**0.00%**
Early Education	$341,059	$317,350	$353,448	$376,483	$447,423	**$452,843**	**1.21%**
Special Education	$1,068,770	$792,186	$1,165,173	$1,047,937	$1,282,659	**$1,371,143**	**6.90%**
Speech & Language	$95,960	$89,912	$98,148	$81,943	$106,996	**$110,482**	**3.26%**
Compensatory Ed	$293,522	$190,530	$261,562	$199,008	$278,148	**$245,185**	**-11.85%**
Planning Room	$157,931	$15,238	$24,450	$19,760	$5,850	**$5,850**	**0.00%**
Co-Curricular	$248,891	$259,926	$302,654	$259,038	$302,940	**$303,940**	**0.33%**
Guidance	$390,841	$415,045	$452,356	$444,391	$424,418	**$425,872**	**0.34%**
Nurse	$196,075	$185,819	$198,238	$190,663	$209,494	**$213,922**	**2.11%**
Technology	$274,051	$307,953	$335,303	$372,006	$352,192	**$360,070**	**2.24%**
Professional Development	$210,505	$188,919	$218,257	$188,425	$209,632	**$210,158**	**0.25%**
Library	$155,820	$111,911	$120,371	$112,709	$124,825	**$129,834**	**4.01%**
School Board	$57,176	$30,885	$42,004	$35,350	$42,251	**$39,571**	**-6.34%**
FWSU Assessment	$750,386	$1,193,084	$1,118,674	$1,148,070	$1,264,247	**$1,575,844**	**24.65%**
Principal's Office	$603,841	$600,980	$722,447	$762,840	$794,102	**$859,645**	**8.25%**
Business Office	$30,000	$51,677	$30,000	$62,915	$53,000	**$65,000**	**22.64%**
Buildings & Grounds	$1,197,019	$1,278,968	$967,300	$871,040	$1,212,513	**$1,070,110**	**-11.74%**
Transportation	$222,151	$203,577	$223,290	$252,748	$394,429	**$377,917**	**-4.19%**
Debt Service	$145,000	$148,737	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	**0.00%**
Transfers	$174,260	$174,260	$18,750	$0	$0	**$0**	**0.00%**
Total General Fund	$12,478,403	$12,379,074	$12,578,302	$12,293,621	$13,950,921	**$14,626,092**	**4.84%**
Grant Expenditures	$72,000	$72,000	$72,000	$72,000	$10,000	**$10,000**	**0.00%**
Total	**$12,550,403**	**$12,451,074**	**$12,650,302**	**$12,365,621**	**$13,960,921**	**$14,636,092**	**4.84%**

Revenues	**FY19 Budget**	**FY19 Actual**	**FY20 Budget**	**FY20 Actual**	**FY21 Budget**	**FY22 Anticipated**
Fund Balance	$185,453	$185,453	$200,000	$200,000	$0	**$131,445**
Impact Fees	$10,000	$0	$10,000	$0	$10,000	**$0**
Tuition	$1,389,200	$1,351,132	$1,550,000	$1,485,365	$1,503,500	**$1,520,000**
Interest Earned	$30,000	$66,554	$30,000	$72,254	$53,000	**$73,000**
Game Receipts	$6,500	$6,152	$6,500	$8,186	$6,500	**$6,500**
Hall & Room Rent	$0	$5,000	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Sale of Fixed Assets	$0	$0	$0	$78,002	$0	**$0**
Miscellaneous	$15,000	$22,688	$15,000	$22,862	$15,000	**$22,000**
Misc Drama	$12,000	$14,801	$15,000	$6,135	$15,000	**$15,000**
General State Support Grant	$10,571,863	$10,556,346	$10,696,954	$10,726,180	$12,033,981	**$12,557,838**
State Aid for Tech Center	$263,607	$263,607	$271,515	$274,789	$280,488	**$285,471**
Driver Ed Reimbursement	$6,500	$6,979	$6,500	$6,644	$6,500	**$6,500**
High School Completion Revenue	$20,000	$1,354	$20,000	$605	$20,000	**$1,000**
Prior Year Adjustment	$0	$3,026	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Bond Refund	$0	$0	$6,861	$6,862	$6,952	**$7,338**
Total General Fund Revenue	$12,510,123	$12,483,092	$12,828,330	$12,887,884	$13,950,921	**$14,626,092**
Special Program Revenue	$72,000	$72,000	$72,000	$72,000	$10,000	**$10,000**
Total Revenue	**$12,582,123**	**$12,555,092**	**$12,900,330**	**$12,959,884**	**$13,960,921**	**$14,636,092**

Fairfax Town School District
FY22 Expenditure Budget
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	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Budget	
Elementary (Grades K-6)							
Teacher Salaries	$1,449,247	$1,425,531	$1,639,553	$1,787,069	$1,790,575	**$1,890,242**	
Paraeducator Wages	$65,792	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Substitute Wages	$1,000	$23,126	$1,000	$14,020	$1,000	**$14,000**	
Insurance Benefits	$350,728	$358,776	$450,910	$493,138	$598,273	**$648,904**	
Social Security	$117,706	$105,847	$125,424	$130,158	$136,979	**$144,603**	
Course Reimbursement	$23,000	$27,981	$40,860	$38,986	$48,040	**$50,000**	
Contracted Services	$2,000	$4,663	$5,000	$582	$91,500	**$91,500**	
Contracted Substitutes	$42,000	$51,364	$46,000	$27,207	$46,000	**$46,000**	
Contracted Services - FWSU ELL	$7,600	$15,780	$16,877	$17,003	$20,000	**$22,500**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$500	$25	$500	$54	$500	**$500**	
Supplies	$26,800	$37,089	$28,000	$23,506	$30,000	**$30,000**	
Workbooks	$1,740	$0	$2,000	$0	$2,000	**$2,000**	
Textbooks	$1,000	$732	$1,500	$0	$1,500	**$1,500**	
Equipment	$500	$368	$500	$0	$500	**$500**	
Total Elementary	**$2,089,613**	**$2,051,282**	**$2,358,124**	**$2,531,723**	**$2,766,867**	**$2,942,249**	**6.34%**
Middle School (Formerly reported as grades 5-8)							
Teacher Salaries	$822,901	$832,212	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Paraeducator Wages	$10,998	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Substitute Wages	$0	$30,061	$0	$2,745	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$219,337	$184,063	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Social Security	$64,850	$64,125	$0	$210	$0	**$0**	
Unemployment Insurance	$0	$880	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Course Reimbursement	$17,209	$14,156	$0	$4,915	$0	**$0**	
Supplies	$19,900	$21,634	$0	$17,610	$0	**$0**	
Books	$0	$588	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Total Middle School	**$1,155,195**	**$1,147,719**	**$0**	**$25,480**	**$0**	**$0**	
Secondary (Grades 7-12)							
Teacher Salaries	$1,406,044	$1,371,952	$2,261,445	$2,028,100	$2,064,084	**$2,245,680**	
Hourly Wages	$0	$656	$0	$494	$0	**$500**	
Substitute Wages	$0	$21,424	$0	$11,716	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$313,131	$323,817	$313,131	$331,407	$557,348	**$551,464**	
FICA	$109,192	$103,135	$165,778	$151,157	$157,902	**$171,795**	
Course Reimbursement	$28,000	$42,311	$56,640	$37,993	$54,200	**$57,200**	
Contracted Services	$64,296	$29,214	$58,000	$38,120	$58,000	**$58,000**	
Repairs & Maintenance	$800	$6,114	$1,000	$5,585	$1,000	**$4,000**	
Technical Center Tuition	$541,088	$528,278	$550,000	$534,633	$606,022	**$594,939**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$1,000	$98	$1,000	$203	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Supplies	$33,460	$38,260	$55,000	$33,403	$55,000	**$55,000**	
Books	$2,500	$4,739	$2,500	$2,176	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Equipment	$5,000	$7,317	$5,000	$7,891	$5,000	**$7,500**	
Dues & Fees	$0	$250	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Total Secondary	**$2,504,511**	**$2,477,565**	**$3,469,494**	**$3,182,878**	**$3,562,056**	**$3,749,578**	**5.26%**
Schoolwide							
Teacher Stipends	$8,200	$5,924	$13,081	$2,923	$13,100	**$13,100**	

Summer Camp Stipends	$4,500	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Enrichment Teacher Hourly	$0	$1,500	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Social Security	$17,233	$546	$1,001	$317	$1,002	**$1,002**	
Municipal Retirement	$716	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Course Reimbursement	$500	$0	$500	$1,418	$500	**$500**	
Contracted Services	$12,277	$80,493	$12,277	$72,783	$30,877	**$30,877**	
Repairs & Maintenance	$28,000	$14,997	$28,000	$14,165	$28,000	**$28,000**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$0	$30	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Supplies	$37,000	$22,963	$37,000	$16,292	$37,000	**$37,000**	
Equipment, Furniture, & Books	$7,000	$18,328	$6,000	$20,316	$6,000	**$6,000**	
Dues & Fees	$400	$770	$400	$0	$400	**$400**	
Total Schoolwide	**$115,826**	**$145,551**	**$98,259**	**$128,214**	**$116,879**	**$116,879**	**0.00%**
Pre-Kindergarten							
Teacher Salaries	$69,113	$71,611	$89,793	$108,386	$110,445	**$112,976**	
Paraeducator Wages	$27,966	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Substitute Wages	$3,000	$105	$4,000	$0	$4,000	**$4,000**	
Insurance Benefits	$24,128	$24,689	$24,128	$25,048	$43,070	**$29,693**	
Social Security	$7,761	$5,121	$5,951	$7,435	$8,449	**$8,643**	
Municipal Retirement	$1,573	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$1,400**	
Course Reimbursement	$1,000	$858	$2,250	$0	$3,200	**$3,200**	
Contracted Services	$2,000	$5,775	$2,000	$149	$2,000	**$2,000**	
EE Contracted Svcs FWSU	$66,471	$89,065	$69,130	$53,023	$83,184	**$92,351**	
Pre-K Tuition	$133,947	$114,438	$152,896	$178,788	$189,475	**$194,480**	
Supplies	$3,000	$5,668	$3,300	$3,654	$3,500	**$4,000**	
Books	$100	$20	$0	$0	$100	**$100**	
Furniture	$1,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Total Early Ed	**$341,059**	**$317,350**	**$353,448**	**$376,483**	**$447,423**	**$452,843**	**1.21%**
Special Education							
Summer Teacher (Ineligible)	$0	$0	$0	$3,605	$0	**$0**	
FICA	$0	$0	$0	$273	$0	**$0**	
FWSU Special Education Assessment	$1,068,770	$792,186	$1,165,173	$1,044,059	$1,282,659	**$1,371,143**	
TOTAL SPECIAL ED	**$1,068,770**	**$792,186**	**$1,165,173**	**$1,047,937**	**$1,282,659**	**$1,371,143**	**6.90%**
Speech & Language							
FWSU SLP Assessment	$95,960	$89,912	$98,148	$81,943	$106,996	**$110,482**	
Total SLP	**$95,960**	**$89,912**	**$98,148**	**$81,943**	**$106,996**	**$110,482**	**3.26%**
Compensatory Education / ELL							
Teachers - Comp Ed	$164,264	$112,236	$169,192	$116,216	$118,424	**$127,036**	
Paraeducator Wages	$37,616	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Substitute Wages	$1,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Insurance Benefits	$31,807	$33,710	$32,394	$40,347	$46,793	**$48,601**	
Social Security	$15,712	$8,081	$12,689	$8,312	$9,059	**$9,718**	
Municipal Retirement	$2,172	$0	$0	$0	$3,700	**$1,400**	
Course Reimbursement	$2,500	$1,552	$4,000	$1,500	$0	**$3,200**	
Contracted Substitutes	$0	$3,121	$2,500	$741	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Contracted Services	$2,500	$0	$0	$0	$41,294	**$0**	
FWSU Assessment	$33,951	$30,349	$37,787	$30,666	$53,878	**$49,730**	
Supplies	$1,500	$1,481	$1,500	$1,226	$1,500	**$1,500**	
Books	$500	$0	$500	$0	$0	**$500**	
Total Compensatory Ed	**$293,522**	**$190,530**	**$261,562**	**$199,008**	**$278,148**	**$245,185**	**-11.85%**

Planning Room (1160)							
Teachers - Planning Room	$69,008	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Hourly Wages (Paras)	$41,518	$200	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$11,165	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Social Security	$8,455	$15	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Retirement	$2,335	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Course Reimbursement	$1,500	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Contracted Services	$20,000	$14,460	$24,000	$19,760	$5,400	**$5,400**	
Contracted Services - Substitutes	$3,500	$563	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Supplies	$450	$0	$450	$0	$450	**$450**	
Total Planning Room	**$157,931**	**$15,238**	**$24,450**	**$19,760**	**$5,850**	**$5,850**	**0.00%**
Co-Curricular (1410)							
Cocurricular Wages	$110,800	$91,645	$159,732	$113,524	$160,000	**$160,000**	
Athletic Director Coverage	$7,000	$6,563	$7,000	$12,084	$7,000	**$7,000**	
Social Security	$9,012	$7,445	$12,222	$9,501	$12,240	**$12,240**	
Retirement	$0	$112	$200	$0	$200	**$200**	
Contracted Service - Officials	$26,000	$23,730	$26,000	$20,499	$26,000	**$26,000**	
Contracted Services	$28,000	$32,614	$28,000	$25,266	$28,000	**$28,000**	
Contracted Services - Drama	$17,000	$20,353	$17,000	$16,431	$17,000	**$17,000**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$2,000	$3,214	$2,000	$821	$2,000	**$2,000**	
Co-Curricular Supplies	$26,079	$36,561	$28,000	$30,487	$28,000	**$28,000**	
Drama Supplies	$4,000	$3,418	$3,000	$2,928	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Equipment	$3,000	$19,354	$3,500	$13,055	$3,500	**$3,500**	
Field Improvements	$2,000	$1,506	$2,000	$0	$2,000	**$3,000**	
Dues & Fees	$14,000	$13,411	$14,000	$14,442	$14,000	**$14,000**	
Total Extra Curricular	**$248,891**	**$259,926**	**$302,654**	**$259,038**	**$302,940**	**$303,940**	**0.33%**
Guidance (2120)							
Guidance Salaries	$247,528	$247,813	$257,196	$259,229	$233,674	**$239,873**	
Hourly Wages	$38,314	$39,511	$49,808	$38,683	$38,109	**$39,249**	
Substitute Wages	$0	$540	$0	$6,651	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$52,564	$47,595	$54,358	$51,067	$60,433	**$46,817**	
Social Security	$22,430	$21,790	$22,537	$22,625	$20,791	**$21,353**	
Municipal Retirement	$2,155	$2,224	$2,057	$2,225	$2,387	**$7,580**	
Course Reimbursement	$6,000	$7,035	$6,000	$9,044	$6,624	**$6,650**	
Contracted Services & Subs	$13,050	$32,278	$48,050	$49,867	$48,050	**$50,000**	
Postage	$2,200	$2,965	$2,500	$4	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Mileages Reimbursement	$1,500	$317	$750	$0	$750	**$750**	
Supplies	$4,000	$4,176	$4,000	$3,402	$4,000	**$4,000**	
Books	$100	$0	$100	$0	$100	**$100**	
Dues & Fees	$1,000	$8,801	$5,000	$1,594	$7,000	**$7,000**	
Total Guidance	**$390,841**	**$415,045**	**$452,356**	**$444,391**	**$424,418**	**$425,872**	**0.34%**
Nurse (2130)							
Salaries	$132,436	$127,586	$133,986	$133,821	$139,370	**$140,166**	
Insurance Benefits	$44,352	$42,262	$47,019	$45,638	$52,012	**$55,584**	
Social Security	$10,237	$8,931	$9,983	$9,392	$10,662	**$10,723**	
Course Reimbursement	$5,000	$3,836	$3,000	$0	$3,200	**$3,200**	
Contracted Services	$200	$212	$400	$218	$400	**$400**	
Supplies	$2,500	$2,893	$2,500	$1,594	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Books	$200	$0	$200	$0	$200	**$200**	
Software	$250	$0	$250	$0	$250	**$250**	
Equipment	$900	$99	$900	$0	$900	**$900**	

Total Nurse	**$196,075**	**$185,819**	**$198,238**	**$190,663**	**$209,494**	**$213,922**	**2.11%**
Technology (2280)							
Contracted Services	$138,024	$164,665	$148,807	$310,081	$160,019	**$186,637**	
Maintenance & Repair	$6,696	$291	$6,700	$0	$5,322	**$5,322**	
Equipment	$127,981	$131,060	$179,045	$19,952	$180,517	**$160,739**	
Supplies	$1,275	$11,937	$675	$39,684	$1,835	**$2,873**	
Software	$75	$0	$76	$2,289	$4,499	**$4,499**	
Total Technology	**$274,051**	**$307,953**	**$335,303**	**$372,006**	**$352,192**	**$360,070**	**2.24%**
Professional Development (2213)							
Teacher Salaries	$154,176	$145,141	$158,801	$141,402	$141,341	**$144,066**	
Hourly Wages	$0	-$790	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$26,043	$25,267	$28,908	$27,193	$35,078	**$32,671**	
Social Security	$11,986	$10,877	$12,148	$11,023	$10,813	**$11,021**	
Municipal Retirement	$0	-$43	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Course Reimbursement	$10,900	$5,118	$10,900	$4,514	$14,900	**$14,900**	
Contracted Services	$3,300	$1,084	$3,400	$3,794	$3,400	**$3,400**	
Mileage Reimbursement & Travel	$1,500	$0	$1,500	$0	$1,500	**$1,500**	
Supplies	$2,600	$2,265	$2,600	$499	$2,600	**$2,600**	
Total Professional Development	**$210,505**	**$188,919**	**$218,257**	**$188,425**	**$209,632**	**$210,158**	**0.25%**
Library (2220)							
Salary	$56,358	$56,358	$57,485	$58,188	$59,294	**$61,848**	
Hourly Wages	$28,628	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Insurance Benefits	$29,279	$21,069	$23,438	$22,931	$25,845	**$27,705**	
Social Security	$6,501	$3,971	$4,398	$4,071	$4,536	**$4,731**	
Municipal Retirement	$1,610	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Course Reimbursement	$1,500	$282	$1,500	$91	$1,600	**$1,600**	
Library Contracted Services	$4,044	$4,335	$4,000	$4,388	$4,000	**$4,400**	
Library Substitutes	$4,000	$2,752	$4,000	$2,113	$4,000	**$4,000**	
Postage	$1,000	$300	$750	$26	$750	**$750**	
Supplies	$1,800	$1,594	$1,800	$840	$1,800	**$1,800**	
Books	$14,000	$14,140	$15,000	$13,835	$15,000	**$15,000**	
Periodicals	$3,000	$2,962	$3,000	$2,378	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Audiovisual Materials	$1,100	$1,148	$1,000	$50	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Software	$3,000	$3,000	$3,000	$3,798	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Equipment	$0	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Total Library	**$155,820**	**$111,911**	**$120,371**	**$112,709**	**$124,825**	**$129,834**	**4.01%**
School Board (2310)							
Stipends	$3,500	$2,500	$3,500	$2,500	$3,500	**$2,500**	
Social Security	$268	$191	$268	$191	$268	**$191**	
Course Reimbursement	$128	$0	$130	$0	$130	**$130**	
Contracted Services	$3,649	$1,828	$3,650	$4,295	$3,650	**$3,650**	
Legal Services	$8,000	$6,724	$8,000	$6,525	$8,000	**$8,000**	
Treasurer's Office	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	**$7,000**	
Liability Insurance	$12,114	$9,880	$12,356	$9,121	$12,603	**$11,000**	
Advertising	$2,000	$1,665	$2,000	$5,600	$2,000	**$2,000**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$0	$0	$100	$0	$100	**$100**	
Supplies	$1,000	$221	$1,000	$118	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Dues & Fees	$3,500	$0	$3,500	$0	$3,500	**$3,500**	
Miscellaneous	$16,017	$876	$500	$0	$500	**$500**	
Total School Board	**$57,176**	**$30,885**	**$42,004**	**$35,350**	**$42,251**	**$39,571**	**-6.34%**

FWSU Assessment (2320)							
FWSU Assessment	$750,386	$750,386	$787,905	$787,905	$867,453	**$948,091**	
Regular Ed Paras	$0	$305,293	$330,769	$360,165	$396,794	**$627,753**	
Special Ed Paras	$0	$137,405	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Total Franklin West Assessment	**$750,386**	**$1,193,084**	**$1,118,674**	**$1,148,070**	**$1,264,247**	**$1,575,844**	**24.65%**
Principal's Office (2410)							
Principal Salaries	$325,491	$325,533	$415,256	$417,018	$444,786	**$455,448**	
Hourly Wages	$114,555	$113,524	$117,345	$118,077	$121,493	**$112,992**	
Insurance Benefits	$55,764	$53,817	$83,785	$102,919	$105,713	**$163,822**	
Social Security	$34,306	$34,030	$34,318	$41,347	$43,320	**$43,524**	
Municipal Retirement	$12,275	$12,288	$12,643	$14,736	$15,590	**$20,659**	
Course Reimbursement	$4,500	$3,951	$4,500	$4,482	$4,500	**$4,500**	
Contracted Services	$5,000	$2,987	$3,000	$5,683	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Telephone	$15,250	$19,796	$15,900	$14,749	$20,000	**$20,000**	
Postage	$6,000	$5,695	$6,000	$11,104	$6,000	**$6,000**	
Printing	$700	$431	$700	$2,149	$700	**$700**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$3,000	$2,516	$3,000	$1,414	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Supplies	$4,500	$8,069	$4,500	$7,472	$4,500	**$4,500**	
Books	$500	$0	$500	$360	$500	**$500**	
Graduation Expense	$13,000	$11,304	$12,000	$11,651	$12,000	**$12,000**	
Equipment	$1,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Dues/ Fees & Misc	$8,000	$7,039	$8,000	$9,679	$8,000	**$8,000**	
Total Principal's Office	**$603,841**	**$600,980**	**$722,447**	**$762,840**	**$794,102**	**$859,645**	**8.25%**
Business Office (2520)							
Short Term Interest	$30,000	$51,677	$30,000	$62,915	$53,000	$65,000	
Total Business Office	**$30,000**	**$51,677**	**$30,000**	**$62,915**	**$53,000**	**$65,000**	**22.64%**
Buildings & Grounds (2600)							
Wages	$285,813	$284,295	$329,874	$296,392	$324,158	$347,574	
Substitutes	$12,700	$6,792	$12,700	$12,330	$12,700	$13,000	
Insurance Benefits	$107,308	$100,615	$116,386	$83,257	$130,409	$146,417	
Social Security	$22,997	$21,663	$23,147	$23,198	$25,770	$26,589	
Municipal Retirement	$16,077	$15,754	$17,103	$16,693	$21,112	$40,892	
Course Reimbursement	$500	$0	$500	$0	$500	$500	
Contracted Services	$52,700	$104,789	$46,200	$79,174	$48,200	$59,200	
Water & Sewer	$10,000	$5,531	$6,000	$4,243	$10,000	$10,000	
Repairs & Maintenance	$56,500	$58,225	$59,500	$62,350	$55,500	$55,500	
Property & Liability Insurance	$46,964	$39,686	$48,373	$42,115	$42,464	$43,738	
Phone	$0	$1,060	$1,500	$491	$1,500	$1,500	
Mileage Reimbursement	$100	$0	$100	$0	$100	$100	
Supplies	$60,600	$65,422	$62,100	$64,472	$62,100	$62,100	
Electricity	$122,511	$109,582	$128,637	$101,066	$130,000	$130,000	
Heating Fuel	$74,840	$111,016	$91,340	$83,133	$125,000	$115,000	
Gasoline	$2,500	$12	$2,500	$12	$2,500	$2,500	
Equipment	$24,409	$45,553	$21,340	$1,939	$5,000	$15,000	
Building Improvements	$300,000	$308,763	$0	$125	$215,000	$0	
Fees & Permits	$500	$210	$0	$50	$500	$500	
Total Buildings & Grounds	**$1,197,019**	**$1,278,968**	**$967,300**	**$871,040**	**$1,212,513**	**$1,070,110**	**-11.74%**
Transportation (2710)							

FWSU Contracted Services	$187,151	$203,577	$223,290	$252,748	$394,429	$377,917	
Transportation Equipment	$35,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	
Total Transportation	**$222,151**	**$203,577**	**$223,290**	**$252,748**	**$394,429**	**$377,917**	**-4.19%**
Debt Service (5100)							
Interest	$0	$3,737	$0	$0	$0	$0	
Principal Payments	$145,000	$145,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	
Total Debt Service	**$145,000**	**$148,737**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
Transfers (5300)							
Transfer to Capital Improvement	$174,260	$174,260	$18,750	$0	$0	**$0**	
Total Transfers	**$174,260**	**$174,260**	**$18,750**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
Grant Expenditures	**$72,000**	**$72,000**	**$72,000**	**$10,000**	**$10,000**	**$10,000**	**0.00%**
Total Expenditures	**$12,550,403**	**$12,451,074**	**$12,650,302**	**$12,303,621**	**$13,960,921**	**$14,636,092**	**4.84%**

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Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by AOE

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District: Fairfax
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Franklin County

Property dollar equivalent yield: **10,763** / **12,825**

Homestead tax rate per $10,763 of spending per equalized pupil: **1.00**

Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income

				FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	
		Expenditures						
1.		**Budget** (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)		$12,582,123	$12,900,330	$13,960,921	$14,636,092	1.
2.	*plus*	Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	+	-	-	-		2.
3.	*minus*	Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	NA	-	3.
4.		**Locally adopted or warned budget**		**$12,582,123**	**$12,900,330**	**$13,960,921**	**$14,636,092**	4.
5.	*plus*	Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+	-	-	-		5.
6.	*plus*	Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+	-	-	-		6.
7.		**Total Budget**		**$12,582,123**	**$12,900,330**	**$13,960,921**	**$14,636,092**	7.
8.		S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data		-	-	-		8.
9.		Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data		-	-	-	-	9.
		Revenues						
10.		Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)		$1,746,653	$1,899,361	$1,619,952	$1,792,783	10.
11.	*plus*	Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	+	-	-	-		11.
12.	*minus*	All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	NA	**NA**	12.
13.		**Offsetting revenues**		**$1,746,653**	**$1,899,361**	**$1,619,952**	**$1,792,783**	13.
14.		**Education Spending**		**$10,835,470**	**$11,000,969**	**$12,340,969**	**$12,843,309**	14.
15.		Equalized Pupils		806.89	838.32	867.98	880.29	15.
16.		**Education Spending per Equalized Pupil**		**$13,428.68**	**$13,122.64**	**$14,218.03**	**$14,589.86**	16.
17.	*minus*	Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	$197.38	$15.21	($8.01)		17.
18.	*minus*	Less share of SpEd costs in excess of $60,000 for an individual (per eqpup)	-	$39.36	$0.40	-		18.
19.	*minus*	Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		19.
20.	*minus*	Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		20.
21.	*minus*	Estimated costs of new students after census period (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		21.
22.	*minus*	Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		22.
23.	*minus*	Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		23.
24.	*minus*	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-		24.
				threshold = $17,816	threshold = $18,311	threshold = $18,756	threshold = $18,789	
25.		Excess spending threshold		$17,816.00	$18,311.00	$18,756.00	$18,789.00	25.
26.	*plus*	Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	+	-	-	-	-	26.
27.		Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate		$13,429	$13,123	$14,218	**$14,589.86**	27.
28.		District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)		131.396% based on yield $10,220	123.240% based on yield $10,648	129.278% based on $10,883	135.556% based on yield $10,763	28.
		Prorating the local tax rate						
29.		Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [$14,589.86 ÷ ($10,763 / $1.00)]		$1.3140 based on $1.00	$1.2324 based on $1.00	$1.2928 based on $1.00	**$1.3556** based on $1.00	29.
30.		Percent of Fairfax equalized pupils not in a union school district		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%		30.
31.		Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (0.00% x $1.36)		$1.3140	$1.2324	$1.2928	-	31.
32.		**Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)**		94.01%	92.13%	89.19%		32.
33.		Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town ($0.0000 / 0.00%)		$1.3977 based on $1.00	$1.3377 based on $1.00	$1.4495 based on $1.00	based on $1.00	33.

If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a **PARTIAL** homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.

34.		Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [($14,589.86 ÷ $12,825) x 2.00%]		2.17% based on 2.00%	2.01% based on 2.00%	2.10% based on 2.00%	**2.28%** based on 2.00%	34.
35.		Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (0.00% x 2.28%)		2.17% based on 2.00%	2.01% based on 2.00%	2.10% based on 2.00%	- based on 2.00%	35.
36.		#N/A		-	-	-	-	36.
37.		#N/A		-	-	-	-	37.

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of $10,763 for every $1.00 of homestead tax per $100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commisioner also recommended an income yield of $12,825 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of $1.73. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

FAIRFAX TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020
GENERAL FUND - Cash Basis

RECEIPTS	
Receipts & Electronic Deposits	12,808,277.57
Investment/Sweep Misc Credit	12,594,385.89
Interest	814.56
Total Receipts	25,403,478.02
Disbursements and Debits	
Disbursements	15,412,112.29
Investment Misc Debit	10,063,252.38
Total Disbursements	25,475,364.67
Beginning Cash Balance 7-1-18	101,725.31
Total Receipts	25,403,478.02
Total Disbursements	-25,475,364.67
Fund Balance 6-30-20	29,838.66

Respectfully submitted

Deborah Woodward
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Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Dear Fairfax Community Members,

As we approach Town Meeting Day, I want to thank you for your continued support of BFA Fairfax as a student, parent, family member, or community member. I believe that your commitment to our schools has been fantastic. Our schools in Franklin West Supervisory Union mirror our close knit communities. Each day I see hard work, creativity, and teamwork reflected on the faces of our students. I also see professional dedicated teachers and staff working diligently to make our schools continually improve even during a pandemic. I see educational environments that are inspiring, stimulating, and innovative.

Beginning in September mask wearing, social distancing, sanitizing, and cleaning became the new norm for the 2020-2021 school years. The students at BFA Fairfax began the year in the Hybrid Instructional Model allowing us to keep "pods" of students together, reducing possible exposure, and the reduction of class sizes which resulted in personalized instruction and the formation of lasting relationships within the classroom setting. In November, we brought BFA Fairfax students in grades K-4 back to school four days a week for In-Person Learning, which allowed students to renew friendships with all of their grade level classmates. Beginning in January 2021 students in grades 5-6 returned to school four days a week for In-Person learning as well. The flexibility that our faculty and staff have exhibited this year has been quite remarkable and is a testament toward the BFA Fairfax established tradition of serving others. Students have benefited greatly this year from increased outdoor learning opportunities, and a thoughtful "Big 4 Focus".

The academic "Big 4 Focus" includes Literacy Proficiency Focusing on Writing as Effective Communication for All Learners, Math Proficiency Focusing on High Expectations for All Learners, Comprehensive Early Warning Systems for All Learners, and Equity for All. Teachers are receiving professional learning in the area of writing and the student writing experiences at BFA Fairfax are rich with an abundance of creativity. Students are demonstrating growth in their written and verbal communication at all grade levels. In mathematics, teachers are working to emphasize and grow critical thinking skills at all grade levels. Focusing on Early Warning Systems as we improve learning through our goals in literacy and math enabled us to focus on the needs of individual learners, as smaller class sizes were offered for students in the initial hybrid model, allowing for a net result of personalizing educational goals and objectives for all students to ensure their continuing progress. In the area of equity, there is an emphasis toward providing sustainable, quality learning experiences for all students. An example of this is the distribution of "hotspots" to assist with technology connections to support families struggling with reliable remote access.

BFA Fairfax is a jewel within the community and a source of pride for Franklin West Supervisory Union. The flexibility, caring attitude, and creativity demonstrated by students, families, teachers, staff members, the School Board, and the community have created many bright spots during a challenging time in the history of education. With more than half of the students in the United States learning remotely this year, I am grateful that our students are learning in-person. A few of the positives that have occurred this year include: a rigorous academic offering for all students; resurgence of the arts culminating with a Zoom Holiday Concert showcasing the musical talents of students and staff; and a robust athletics program leading the State of Vermont in demonstrating sportsmanship and maintaining healthy guidelines. BFA indeed does pride itself on "offering something for everyone." The school recently earned a College Success Award for 2020 for standing out in getting students enrolled in and staying in college. BFA was one of ten public high schools in the State of Vermont to win this prestigious honor. The Great Schools Partnership cited BFA with having 73% of its graduates enroll in an institution of higher education within sixteen months of graduation. The organization also states that 83% of those students completed the first year of college and returned for a second year.

In closing, our essential focus on teaching and learning allows us to deliver an education that is rigorous and relevant in the real world and reflects the knowledge and skills our students need to graduate with success. I am honored to serve the towns of Franklin West Supervisory Union in partnership with you to ensure every student's continued growth and success.

Enthusiastically yours,

Jim Tager
Superintendent

Franklin West Supervisory Union
FY22
Expenditures

	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Proposed	
Curriculum	$164,885	$139,969	$175,133	$158,773	$176,050	**$175,291**	**-0.43%**
Technology	$482,597	$409,192	$448,288	$421,465	$450,890	**$471,702**	**4.62%**
Superintendent's Office	$317,879	$320,127	$338,351	$313,041	$356,521	**$422,698**	**18.56%**
Student Support Services	$144,212	$108,573	$153,993	$84,977	$151,719	**$178,824**	**17.87%**
Business Office	$370,969	$281,162	$356,532	$325,052	$381,101	**$396,828**	**4.13%**
Buildings & Grounds	$166,154	$162,106	$174,373	$169,808	$184,459	**$164,917**	**-10.59%**
General Education Paras	$10,713	$555,705	$677,787	$609,944	$797,206	**$1,010,430**	**26.75%**
Other Initiatives	$104,591	$143,085	$133,708	$109,756	$102,660	**$97,389**	**-5.13%**
Transportation	$1,067,321	$1,107,789	$1,171,165	$1,202,863	$1,428,688	**$1,372,538**	**-3.93%**
Total	**$2,829,321**	**$3,227,708**	**$3,629,330**	**$3,395,679**	**$4,029,294**	**$4,290,618**	**6.49%**

Special Education	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Proposed	
Speech & Language	$412,949	$349,975	$422,360	$346,297	$434,241	**$432,103**	**-0.49%**
Special Education	$4,544,973	$4,480,296	$4,891,700	$4,483,674	$5,349,657	**$5,748,650**	**7.46%**
EEE	$262,905	$245,327	$325,584	$261,724	$331,744	**$324,895**	**-2.06%**
Total Special Education	**$5,220,827**	**$5,075,598**	**$5,639,644**	**$5,091,695**	**$6,115,642**	**$6,505,648**	**6.38%**
Total Supervisory Union	**$8,050,148**	**$8,303,306**	**$9,268,974**	**$8,487,374**	**$10,144,936**	**$10,796,266**	**6.42%**

Franklin West Supervisory Union
FY22 Anticipated Revenues

	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Budget
Fund Balance	$70,000	-	-	-	-	
Interest	$3,000	$2,476	$3,000	$3,313	$3,000	**$3,000**
FWSU Assessments (including paras and other)	$1,734,889	$2,457,384	$2,443,770	$2,272,553	$2,507,298	**$2,739,256**
SpEd / SLP / EEE Assessments	$2,144,983	$1,947,057	$2,062,062	$2,215,624	$2,981,382	**$3,048,763**
Grant Administrative Fees	$99,500	$33,828	$100,000	$0	$63,907	**$65,691**
Miscellaneous	$500	$93	$500	$1,357	$500	**$500**
Transportation Assessments	$511,225	$512,916	$581,303	$705,937	$864,265	**$849,082**
State Transportation Reimbursement	$451,097	$432,697	$484,862	$422,778	$454,422	**$419,936**
Special Ed Block Grants	$715,000	$682,555	$770,000	$712,642	$726,652	**$742,927**
Special Ed Intensive Reimbursements	$1,807,449	$1,774,786	$2,189,922	$1,862,386	$1,937,834	**$2,228,781**
Special Ed Extraordinary Reimbursements	$487,603	$494,151	$500,555	$270,729	$552,583	**$589,810**
State Placed Revenue	$30,600	$59,451	$128,000	$544	$5,000	**$5,000**
Vocational Transportation Revenue	$105,000	$123,603	$105,000	$69,301	$110,000	**$103,520**
Total	**$8,160,846**	**$8,520,997**	**$9,368,974**	**$8,537,164**	**$10,206,843**	**$10,796,266**

Franklin West Supervisory Union
FY22 Budget
Expenditures

	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budget	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Proposed	
Curriculum (2211)							
Salaries	$121,866	$105,477	$128,488	$126,137	$130,140	**$129,115**	
Insurance Benefits	$23,909	$17,782	$25,679	$14,443	$24,469	**$22,970**	
Social Security	$9,323	$7,832	$9,829	$9,729	$9,956	**$9,877**	
Retirement Benefits	$3,337	$3,242	$1,435	$3,369	$1,418	**$3,261**	
Conferences & Continuing Ed	$2,250	$345	$3,000	$632	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Mileage	$3,300	$2,613	$4,000	$1,684	$4,000	**$4,000**	
Dues, Fees & Subscriptions	$900	$2,678	$2,702	$2,779	$3,567	**$3,567**	
Total Curriculum	**$164,885**	**$139,969**	**$175,133**	**$158,773**	**$176,050**	**$175,291**	**-0.43%**
Technology (2280)							
Wages & Salaries	$288,863	$252,894	$267,677	$260,811	$266,521	**$274,760**	
Insurance Benefits	$86,765	$64,528	$68,173	$66,108	$75,981	**$86,951**	
Social Security	$22,098	$18,986	$20,479	$19,662	$20,389	**$21,019**	
Municipal Retirement	$14,621	$12,598	$13,409	$13,272	$13,903	**$14,600**	
Conference & Professional Dev	$4,000	$1,363	$4,000	$2,315	$4,000	**$4,000**	
Contracted Services	$60,350	$53,534	$69,500	$54,729	$60,271	**$60,271**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$1,500	$1,072	$2,000	$576	$2,000	**$2,000**	
Supplies	$900	$3,855	$750	$807	$500	**$500**	
Equipment	$3,500	$362	$2,300	$3,185	$7,325	**$7,600**	
Total Technology	**$482,597**	**$409,192**	**$448,288**	**$421,465**	**$450,890**	**$471,702**	**4.62%**
Superintendent's Office (2320-2322)							
Superintendent Office Salaries	$214,588	$210,041	$226,391	$220,673	$230,485	**$247,999**	
Insurance Benefits	$33,499	$29,149	$29,848	$5,867	$34,028	**$75,099**	**120.70%**
Social Security	$16,577	$15,517	$17,128	$17,334	$17,058	**$18,972**	
Retirement Benefits	$6,517	$6,690	$5,134	$7,435	$4,950	**$9,628**	
Conferences & Continuing Ed	$4,200	$1,923	$4,250	$2,028	$4,250	**$4,250**	
Contracted Services	$31,898	$37,689	$40,000	$44,752	$45,000	**$46,000**	
Advertising	$500	$689	$500	$180	$500	**$500**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$4,500	$3,780	$4,600	$1,835	$4,750	**$4,750**	
Supplies & Equipment	$500	$0	$500	$201	$500	**$500**	
Dues, Fees & Miscellaneous	$5,100	$14,649	$10,000	$12,736	$15,000	**$15,000**	
Total Superintendent's Office	**$317,879**	**$320,127**	**$338,351**	**$313,041**	**$356,521**	**$422,698**	**18.56%**
Student Support Services (2140/2420)							
Salaries	$104,684	$83,879	$111,718	$64,698	$115,200	**$130,934**	
Insurance Benefits	$31,528	$13,179	$23,088	$9,959	$19,085	**$29,394**	
Social Security	$0	$6,329	$8,546	$4,814	$9,004	**$10,016**	
Retirement Benefits	$2,500	$1,926	$5,416	$2,055	$2,864	**$2,769**	
Course Reimbursement	$2,500	$300	$1,875	$590	$1,916	**$2,061**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$2,500	$2,960	$2,500	$1,886	$2,800	**$2,800**	
Equipment	$400	$0	$350	$0	$350	**$350**	
Dues, Fees & Miscellaneous	$100	$0	$500	$975	$500	**$500**	
Total Student Support Services	**$144,212**	**$108,573**	**$153,993**	**$84,977**	**$151,719**	**$178,824**	**17.87%**

Business Office (2520)							
Wages & Salaries	$242,205	$218,005	$266,402	$249,656	$275,388	**$252,355**	
Insurance Benefits	$38,251	$30,170	$35,066	$38,648	$50,156	**$90,026**	
Social Security	$18,689	$16,458	$20,380	$19,181	$21,067	**$19,305**	
Municipal Retirement	$13,624	$12,273	$15,984	$14,360	$15,490	**$15,141**	
Conferences & Continuing Ed	$3,500	$461	$2,300	$190	$2,500	**$2,500**	
Contracted Services	$2,000	$1,140	$2,000	$1,347	$2,000	**$2,000**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$1,800	$2,305	$3,500	$1,564	$3,500	**$3,500**	
Software	$50,000	$0	$10,000	$0	$10,000	**$10,000**	
Equipment	$500	$0	$500	$0	$500	**$1,500**	
Dues, Fees & Miscellaneous	$400	$350	$400	$106	$500	**$500**	
Total Business Office	**$370,969**	**$281,162**	**$356,532**	**$325,052**	**$381,101**	**$396,828**	**4.13%**
Buildings & Grounds (2600/2321)							
Salaries & Wages	$78,976	$72,471	$81,532	$78,867	$83,005	**$85,875**	
Insurance Benefits	$24,251	$25,479	$29,900	$28,692	$33,957	**$4,693**	
Social Security	$6,042	$5,379	$6,237	$5,819	$6,350	**$6,569**	
Municipal Retirement	$4,442	$4,078	$4,892	$4,531	$4,668	**$5,153**	
Continuing Education	$1,000	$0	$500	$0	$0	**$500**	
Contracted Services	$4,000	$8,891	$4,000	$8,266	$5,000	**$9,000**	
Rent	$22,288	$22,179	$22,845	$21,000	$23,279	**$23,977**	
Prpoerty & Liability Insurance	$4,055	$7,224	$5,167	$6,344	$7,500	**$7,500**	
Telephone	$1,600	$2,967	$1,600	$2,425	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Postage	$1,500	$1,216	$1,200	$2,145	$1,200	**$2,150**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$1,500	$852	$1,500	$552	$1,500	**$1,500**	
Supplies	$8,500	$5,439	$7,500	$6,020	$7,500	**$7,500**	
Utilities	$7,000	$5,931	$6,500	$5,147	$6,500	**$6,500**	
Equipment	$1,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Total Buildings & Grounds	**$166,154**	**$162,106**	**$174,373**	**$169,808**	**$184,459**	**$164,917**	**-10.59%**
SLP (2150)							
Para Hourly	$22,212	$18,459	$19,025	$15,333	$16,147	**$15,608**	
Teacher Salaries	$298,392	$268,563	$273,802	$273,360	$306,897	**$301,735**	
Insurance Benefits	$53,466	$32,254	$52,241	$32,284	$42,373	**$45,119**	
Social Security	$23,304	$21,987	$28,967	$22,081	$23,480	**$24,277**	
Course Reimbursement	$6,500	$7,328	$9,750	$1,480	$6,769	**$6,790**	
Contracted Services	$0	$0	$30,000	$0	$30,000	**$30,000**	
Contracted Substitutes	$5,000	$0	$5,000	$0	$5,000	**$5,000**	
SLP Travel	$200	$0	$200	$74	$200	**$200**	
Supplies	$2,375	$1,384	$2,375	$1,685	$2,375	**$2,375**	
Equipment	$1,500	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Total Student Support Services	**$412,949**	**$349,975**	**$422,360**	**$346,297**	**$434,241**	**$432,103**	**-0.49%**
Special Education (Program 201/211)							
Teacher Salaries	$825,391	$870,257	$1,031,448	$957,202	$985,133	**$1,139,782**	
Hourly Wages	$952,288	$958,627	$909,208	$1,004,231	$937,152	**$907,531**	
Insurance Benefits	$316,922	$310,487	$393,285	$347,982	$492,953	**$743,659**	
Social Security	$139,254	$135,144	$143,715	$143,470	$146,774	**$156,548**	
Municipal Retirement	$53,982	$51,581	$60,344	$55,511	$76,884	**$65,600**	

Course Reimbursement	$21,300	$30,547	$28,500	$24,059	$34,240	**$36,677**	
Contracted Services	$688,500	$843,159	$930,200	$875,739	$939,571	**$1,043,122**	
Substitute Contracted Services	$40,000	$64,806	$55,000	$35,247	$65,000	**$65,000**	
Transportation	$85,000	$185,558	$157,000	$70,393	$190,950	**$170,000**	
Tuition	$675,836	$719,991	$733,500	$623,095	$855,000	**$757,231**	
Mileage Reimbursement	$1,000	$103	$1,000	$37,192	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Excess Costs	$713,500	$306,589	$411,500	$304,548	$590,000	**$587,500**	
Supplies	$20,000	$3,447	$25,000	$5,005	$25,000	**$25,000**	
Equipment	$12,000	$0	$12,000	$0	$10,000	**$50,000**	
Total Special Education	**$4,544,973**	**$4,480,296**	**$4,891,700**	**$4,483,674**	**$5,349,657**	**$5,748,650**	**7.46%**
EEE (Level 11)							
Teacher Salaries	$63,456	$63,501	$105,282	$62,381	$62,675	**$48,845**	
Hourly Wages	$58,140	$41,312	$65,254	$56,701	$93,940	**$66,071**	
EEE SLP Salaries	$80,147	$80,305	$82,282	$84,105	$82,653	**$91,278**	
Insurance Benefits	$36,441	$37,996	$43,789	$37,206	$63,720	**$70,624**	
Social Security	$15,631	$13,701	$16,492	$14,986	$16,505	**$15,774**	
Retirement	$0	$16	$0	$144	$2,170	**$3,964**	
Course Reimbursement	$5,450	$3,856	$8,835	$2,200	$4,931	**$4,338**	
Contracted Services	$1,500	$3,708	$1,500	$2,342	$3,000	**$20,000**	
Supplies	$1,140	$932	$1,150	$1,659	$1,150	**$3,000**	
Equipment	$1,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Total EEE	**$262,905**	**$245,327**	**$325,584**	**$261,724**	**$331,744**	**$324,895**	**-2.06%**
General Education Paras							
Regular Para at Fletcher	$0	$57,935	$45,293	$43,057	$61,756	**$76,296**	
Regular Para at Fairfax	$5,391	$324,253	$365,949	$360,165	$498,203	**$627,753**	
Regular Para at Georgia	$5,322	$173,517	$266,545	$206,722	$237,247	**$306,382**	
Total Regular Ed Paras	**$10,713**	**$555,705**	**$677,787**	**$609,944**	**$797,206**	**$1,010,430**	**26.75%**
Other Initiatives							
Summer School Teacher Fairfax	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**	
Nurse Substitutes	$0	$1,615	$0	$81	$0	**$0**	
Other Initiatives at Fairfax	$38,533	$70,454	$50,000	$55,982	$53,226	**$49,730**	
Other Fletcher Initiatives	$2,098	$5,937	$2,500	$2,536	$0	**$0**	
General Instruction Georgia	$63,960	$65,079	$81,208	$51,157	$49,434	**$47,658**	
Total Other Initiatives	**$104,591**	**$143,085**	**$133,708**	**$109,756**	**$102,660**	**$97,389**	**-5.13%**
Transportation (2710)							
Fairfax							
Transportation Wages	$291,591	$274,471	$316,252	$262,929	$322,261	**$331,864**	
Insurances	$42,879	$60,796	$47,596	$61,985	$68,637	**$72,486**	
Social Security	$22,331	$20,879	$24,193	$19,892	$24,653	**$25,388**	
Municipal Retirement	$7,050	$8,105	$8,000	$9,293	$7,087	**$10,000**	
Conference & Professional Deve	$500	$610	$500	$75	$1,000	**$1,000**	
Contracted Services	$11,716	$27,970	$12,000	$19,221	$12,000	**$13,000**	
Repairs & Maintenance	$5,000	$3,208	$5,000	$1,105	$5,000	**$5,000**	
Phone / Advertising/Travel	$5,800	$1,361	$5,800	$1,051	$5,800	**$5,800**	
Vehicle Insurance	$4,500	$4,938	$4,725	$4,127	$5,000	**$5,500**	
Utilities	$4,800	$5,212	$5,000	$5,098	$5,500	**$5,750**	
Uniforms	$3,000	$2,688	$3,000	$0	$3,000	**$3,000**	
Supplies	$25,000	$29,279	$25,000	$19,900	$25,000	**$25,000**	

Fuel for Vehicles	$60,000	$44,543	$45,000	$30,356	$55,000	**$55,000**	
Equipment	$92,000	$115,442	$97,000	$122,966	$190,000	**$95,000**	
Dues, Fees and Miscellaneous	$1,700	$581	$1,700	$397	$1,750	**$1,750**	
Total Fairfax	*$577,867*	*$600,083*	*$600,766*	*$558,395*	*$731,688*	***$655,538***	**-10.41%**
						$16,425	
						$671,963	
Fletcher							
Contracted Services	$139,684	$129,004	$153,652	$167,000	$182,000	$188,000	
Diesel Fuel FES	$0	$897	$0	$10,917	$26,000	$26,000	
Total Fletcher	*$139,684*	*$129,901*	*$153,652*	*$177,917*	*$208,000*	***$214,000***	**2.88%**
						-$16,425	
						$197,575	
Georgia							
Contracted Services	$349,770	$349,770	$416,747	$446,000	$459,000	$473,000	
Diesel Fuel GE	$0	$28,035	$0	$20,551	$30,000	$30,000	
Total Georgia	*$349,770*	*$377,805*	*$416,747*	*$466,551*	*$489,000*	*$503,000*	**2.86%**
Total Transportation	**$1,067,321**	**$1,107,789**	**$1,171,165**	**$1,202,863**	**$1,428,688**	**$1,372,538**	**-3.93%**
Total Budget	**$8,050,148**	**$8,303,306**	**$9,268,974**	**$8,487,374**	**$10,144,936**	**$10,796,266**	**6.42%**

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January 6, 2021

Board of Directors
Fairfax Town School District
Fairfax, Vermont

We were engaged by the Fairfax Town School District and have audited the financial statements of the Fairfax Town School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020. A complete copy of the audited financial statements, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the School District.

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January 8, 2021

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Due to the events of the past year, the processing of the fiscal audits of the 2019-2020 fiscal year has been slower than normal and will not be completed prior to town report printing deadlines. We are expected to have draft audit reports available for review by the middle of February and finalized audit reports by March 1, 2021.

Copies of all fiscal audits, both draft and final, will be available on our website as soon as they are released at:

https://www.fwsu.org/budget

Copies will also be available by contacting the FWSU offices directly.

Respectfully,

Randall Morton
Business Manager

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