

# TOWN OF JERICHO ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

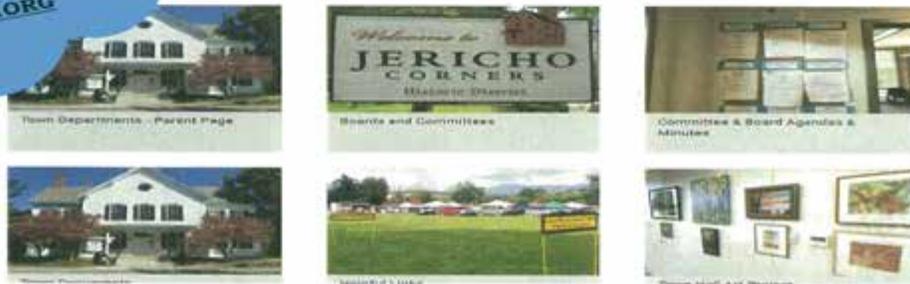
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**Jericho's new online engagement website**

Please bring this report to Town Meeting on March 5, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.  
Town Meeting and polling is at Mt. Mansfield Union High School

The Mt. Mansfield Lodge #26 will provide breakfast. Please see inside back cover for more details. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m.

TOWN MEETING ~ March 5, 2019, 9:00 a.m. in the Mt. Mansfield Union High School Auditorium  
Representative's Trevor Squirrel and George Till will be available to discuss legislative issues and answer questions beginning at 8 a.m.

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**Municipal Monthly Meetings at Town Hall**

SELECTBOARD  
*1st & 3rd Thursday at 7 pm*

PLANNING COMMISSION  
*1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm*

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD  
*2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7 pm*

CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
*4th Wednesday at 7 pm at Jericho Town Library*

MOBBS COMMITTEE  
*4th Monday at 7 pm*

JERICO ENERGY TASK FORCE  
*3rd Monday at 7 pm*

JERICO TRAILS COMMITTEE  
*2nd Monday at 7 pm*

RECREATION COMMITTEE  
*Inactive at this time*

**Community Meetings**

MOUNT MANSFIELD MODIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

*please check the website for dates: [www.cesuvt.org](http://www.cesuvt.org)*

JERICO TOWN LIBRARY BOARD  
*2nd Monday at 5:30 pm at the Library*

DEBORAH RAWSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD  
*3rd Thursday at 7pm at the Library*

JERICO UNDERHILL LIBRARY DISTRICT  
*3rd Thursday at 7pm at the Deborah Rawson Library*

JERICO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT  
*1st & 3rd Wednesday at 7pm at the Deborah Rawson Library*

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**Mark your Calendar.....**

Town Meeting Day ~ 1st Tuesday in March  
Renew Dog License by ~ April 1, 2019  
Property Tax due dates ~ September 16th, 2019  
& March 16th, 2020



*2018 Jericho Pet Parade in Jericho Center*

*Visit our NEW website at [Jerichovt.org](http://Jerichovt.org) - sign up to receive information or participate in discussions on municipal happenings in Jericho.*

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## Child Care provided by the MMU Leo Club

**Child care will be provided from 8:30 a.m. until Town Meeting adjourns. Look for signs for location**

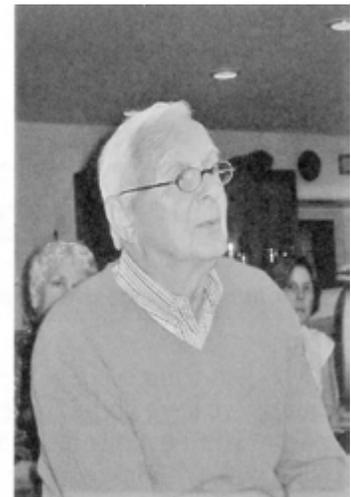
The MMU Leo Club is a group of service-minded students that provide hands-on service around our community. Recently we have helped with Special Olympics events, collected many hundreds of items for the food shelf, been part of a project that bagged and boxed thousands of ready-to-cook meals for Vermont children and families living with food insecurity, raised money for vision testing of children, ran a water station for the Vermont City Marathon, and flew to an Indian reservation in South Dakota for a full week of serving the Lakota people. We have approximately 100 members, so 1 out of 8 students at MMU have been a part of the Leo Club.

## IN MEMORY OF J. BROOKS BUXTON

For the past fifteen years a familiar sight as he maneuvered his wheelchair into March Town Meeting, the Town Hall for the January Tea, the Old Mill for Jericho Historical Society gatherings, the Community Center of Jericho for Green Up Day Breakfast and to the Jericho Pet Parade on the village green, Brooks Buxton gave of himself to the daily life and organizations of his beloved Jericho. From caring for the Jericho Corners Cemetery to organizing a centennial celebration of another favorite son, Wilson “Snowflake” Bentley, Brooks enriched the larger Jericho community and the state of Vermont in countless ways. Jericho and Vermont lost one of its beloved sons on July 4, 2018. Though wheelchair-bound from a rare, non-traumatic spinal injury in the nineties, Brooks was always a figure in motion.

Born in 1934 to Kenneth and Anita Buxton as a seventh generation Vermonter, Brooks grew up with his brothers and sister in the old millhouse at Chittenden Mills on the Browns River in the village of Jericho. At the University of Vermont, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1956 and skied as a member of the University of Vermont Alpine Ski Team. He then went on to University of Virginia Law School. From there, he began his career in finance, first in NYC and then in many cities stretching from London to Tripoli to Dubai before retiring as President of Conoco Arabia Inc. and director of Conoco Middle East Ltd. in 2003 to the house overlooking the Winooski designed by his niece Lori Buxton Myrick. His return to the state of his birth led to his careful collecting of paintings depicting the agricultural and architectural landscapes of Vermont. This Vermont collection and his extensive Middle East collection of material and visual art are now part of the Brooks’ enduring legacy to the University’s Fleming Museum, a living legacy that will inform and educate Vermonters and those beyond its borders for generations to come. This past May, Brooks was awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters from his Alma mater, the University of Vermont, at its 2017th commencement ceremony, honoring this lasting legacy to his state, its university and his community.

Brooks’ final gift to Jericho was the splendid 2019 calendar; “Jericho Through the Artist’s Eye” featuring 19th and 20th century artworks from the J. Brooks Buxton collection for the Jericho Community Center’s annual fundraiser.



## A VOTER'S GUIDE TO DOING BUSINESS AT TOWN MEETING

by Dave Barrington, Moderator

Town Meeting is your chance to speak your mind about the issues relating to town business, so go ahead, speak up! (Only registered voters of the town of Jericho may speak or vote at town meeting, except by suspension of the rules, a special motion.) The Jericho moderator uses Robert's rules of order (as required by the State of Vermont), except where there is a Vermont law that specifies otherwise.

Ordinarily, you must be recognized by the moderator to speak.\* Always wait for a microphone and give your name for the minutes when you begin to speak, even if you have spoken before in the meeting.

It is a Jericho tradition for the moderator to read and ask you what you wish to do with the various warned articles in the town report. Help the moderator do the town's business by making a motion to accept (not reject) each of the articles. You can also be the one to second the motion. You must give your name when you do these things. Only motions that have been warned in the town report can, if approved, be binding for the voters and officers of the town; all other motions are taken as advice.

You can modify an existing motion ("I wish to amend article # to read...") or make a new motion ("I move that..."). If your sense is that all the points of view have been made on an issue and we are going over the same ground again, you can make a motion (not interrupt) to move to vote on the previous question (meaning the motion on the floor - often said as, "I call the question"). This motion to call the question requires a two-thirds majority to pass.

Though it is my first priority to give all the voters their say, it is also important to me to finish in time to allow the school meeting to begin at the warned time. My ground rules related to time: 1) you may not speak again on a motion until all others have had the opportunity; 2) you may speak a total of twice on a motion; and 3) please speak for a maximum of one minute each time.

My best tool for moving things along is to ask the voters for unanimous consent on a motion if it seems non-controversial to me. The way I do this is to say, "if there is no objection...". This is your invitation to object. It only takes one person, and I am happy to consider anything that any one person wants to. On the other hand, I can avoid a vote and the time it takes with this phrase.

The moderator will ask for a voice vote to begin with on all motions that require a simple majority. Once the ayes and nays have been voiced the moderator will say, "The ayes (or nays) appear to have it...", which is your invitation to disagree with the moderator's opinion by saying "Division". Division means that the voters proceed to a vote by count of hands; it takes only one person asking to require a vote by hands. Any seven voters can require a paper ballot, if it comes to that.

The job of the moderator is to make sure that all the voters who wish to speak are heard, and that order prevails in town meeting. I have considerable influence on the course of events by choice of procedure and the like. If you are unhappy with my procedure please either speak up in meeting (the voters have the privilege of voting on an appeal of the moderator's decision on procedure) or speak privately to me.

New, 2009: If it's on the Australian ballot (the one you fill out in the booth) you can talk about it in town meeting, except that you cannot speak for or against someone running for town office during town meeting.

\*exceptions include appealing my procedure decisions, calling for a division (show of hands) or written ballot, asking for a point of information, or making a point of order

*It is this moderator's conviction that we in Vermont are in the business of modeling how to run a democracy for the rest of our country.*

# Policy for Collection of Delinquent Taxes

1. A notice of taxes due (including interest and penalties if applicable) will be sent to taxpayers who have not paid their taxes in a timely manner. A notice will be sent each month while the taxes are delinquent unless the Town Treasurer determines otherwise.
2. No payment arrangements will be accepted.
3. Interest will be charged at the rate of 1% per month (interest rate will increase to 1 ½ % three months after final installment payment is due)-no fraction of a month will be considered-until the taxes are paid in full. Interest will be charged on the day following the due date of each installment and will be charged on that same date in the following months.
4. An 8% penalty will be applied the day after the final installment due date.
5. Notice will be sent to mortgage holders or lien holders 30 days after final payment is due. (Letter to include notice that the process to sell the property at a tax sale will begin within 30 days.)
6. It is the responsibility of the taxpayer to ensure that the Town has the proper address for mailing property tax bills, notices, etc.
7. Partial payments will be applied first to the interest portion of the amount due, and the remainder will be divided proportionally between the principal amount of the tax and the 8% penalty fee, if applicable.
8. All delinquent taxes will be turned over to the Town Attorney for purposes of tax sales within 60 days of the due date of the final installment.
9. The Town Attorney shall be instructed to send an initial letter to the delinquent taxpayer within 10 days of receiving the list. Such letter shall demand payment within 15 days of mailing letter to taxpayer. If payment in full is not received by the due date, Town Attorney shall begin the process to sell the property at a tax sale within 30 days. Such letter shall contain a notice that each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes based on grounds listed in 24 V.S.A. § 1535.
10. Costs of preparing and conducting the tax sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% (or amount specified by current statute) of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer.
11. A listing of delinquent taxes will be available in the Town's office for viewing by the public.
12. In the event no one purchases the property at tax sale, or, if in the judgement of the Town Treasurer, proceeding with the tax sale is unadvisable, the Town Treasurer shall collect the delinquent taxes (including interest, penalties and other costs) using any or all of the methods permitted by law.
13. This collection policy is to be published in the Town's Annual Report and is to be publicly displayed in the Town's offices.

## Town Office Hours

### Town Administrator's Office

Monday – Thursday 7:30 - 3:30  
Friday 7:30 - 3:00

### Town Clerk's Office

Monday – Thursday 8:00 - 4:00  
Friday 8:00 - 12:00

### Treasurer's Office/Fin. Coord.

Monday - Thursday 8:00 - 2:45

### Planning Office

Monday – Thursday 7:30 - 3:30  
Friday 7:30 - 11:30

### Zoning Office

Monday 8:00 - 4:00  
Wednesday 8:00 - 4:00  
Thursday 8:00 - 4:00

### Listers' Office

Monday – Thursday 9:00 - 1:00  
(or by appointment)

### Jericho Highway Department

Monday - Friday 7:00 - 3:00



## Other Contact Information

Animal Control Officer - Ed Stygles	899-4605
Health Officer - Richard Bernstein, M.D.	899-9970 x 3
Fire Warden - Sean McCann ( <i>burn permits</i> )	355-1044
Underhill Jericho Fire Department	899-4025
Game Warden	878-7111
State Police (non-emergency # only)	878-7111
EMERGENCY NUMBER	911

## Town Officials

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

Todd Odit, *Town Administrator*

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Paula Carrier, *Administrative/Personnel Assistant*

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### TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Jessica Alexander, *Town Clerk*

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Lisa Buckton, *Assistant Town Clerk*

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Sandy Tillotson, *Assistant Town Clerk*

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### TREASURER'S OFFICE

Brian Stevens, *Treasurer*

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Amy Morse, *Financial Coordinator*

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### LISTERS' OFFICE

Lori Dykema & P. Andrew Levi, *Listers*

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### PLANNING & ZONING OFFICE

Katherine Sonnick, *Planning & Development Coordinator*

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Chris Flinn, *Zoning Administrator*

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### SUMMER RECREATION OFFICE

Lynn Wagner, *Summer Rec Director*

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793-6452 *alternate*

### JERICHO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Roger Miller, *Road Supervisor*

899-3180 ~ [jerichohighway@jerichovt.gov](mailto:jerichohighway@jerichovt.gov)

Jacob Johnson, Steve Towers, Nate Pelletier &

Felix Streeter, *Road Crew*

*office hours may change, please check the website for updates & changes throughout the year*

# SAMPLE BALLOT- TOWN

## OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION JERICHO, VERMONT MARCH 5, 2019

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

TOWN BALLOT	TOWN AGENT	JERICHO - UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT TRUSTEE
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MODERATOR</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for one year more than ONE</p> <p>DAVID BARRINGTON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for one year more than ONE</p> <p>SARAH JOSLIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for three years more than ONE</p> <p>OLIVIA OLSON STRONG <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TOWN CLERK</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for one year more than ONE</p> <p>JESSICA R. ALEXANDER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for two years of an unexpired three year term more than ONE</p> <p>ISABELLA MARTIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MT MANSFIELD MODIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for one year of an unexpired three year term more than ONE</p> <p>ANGELIKE CONTIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SELECT BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for three years more than ONE</p> <p>WAYNE HOWE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for three years more than ONE</p> <p>BERT LINDHOLM <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MT MANSFIELD MODIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for three years more than TWO</p> <p>TOM CHENEY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CARA CLOPTON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CHUCK LACY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GRAND JUROR</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for one year more than ONE</p> <p>SARAH JOSLIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for four years more than ONE</p> <p>ELISABETH E. LEHR <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>

# OFFICIAL WARNING

## Town of Jericho

The legal voters of Jericho, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Mount Mansfield Union High School in said Town of Jericho on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to transact the following:

- ARTICLE I            Shall the voters approve the proposed fiscal year ending 2020 budget of \$3,829,290, including spending unanticipated funds such as State and Federal grants and gifts?
- ARTICLE II           Shall the voters appropriate \$329,030 to the Underhill Jericho Fire Department for the purpose of providing fire protection/suppression and emergency response services to the Town of Jericho during FY20?
- ARTICLE III          Shall the voters appropriate \$14,400 to the Underhill Jericho Fire Department in order to ensure the provision of certified first response services in the community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week during FY20.
- ARTICLE IV           Shall the voters eliminate the office of Town Agent?
- ARTICLE V            Shall the voters eliminate the office of Grand Juror?
- ARTICLE VI           Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money for the temporary needs of the Town?
- ARTICLE VII          Shall the Town collect its taxes by its Treasurer in accordance with 32 VSA Section 4791?
- ARTICLE VIII        Shall the town exempt from property taxation the lands and premises owned by the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department which consists of the Jericho Center Fire Station building and 2.33 acres with an assessed value of \$387,600, for a period of five years?
- ARTICLE XIV          Shall the Town collect its taxes in equal installments due in the Town Offices on September 16, 2019, and March 16, 2020, with postmarks acceptable?
- ARTICLE X            To hear the reports of the Town Officers.
- ARTICLE XI           Other Town business thought proper when met.

**Polls for voting by Australian ballot will be open on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at the Mount Mansfield Union High School from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at which time they will close, to vote on the following articles:**

- ARTICLE XII To elect a Moderator for a one-year term.
- ARTICLE XIII To elect a Town Clerk for a one-year term.
- ARTICLE XIV To elect a Selectboard member for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE XV To elect a Grand Juror for a one-year term.
- ARTICLE XVI To elect a Town Agent for a one-year term.
- ARTICLE XVII To elect a Cemetery Commissioner for two-years of unexpired three year term.
- ARTICLE XVIII To elect a Cemetery Commissioner for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE XIX To elect a Jericho – Underhill Library District Trustee for a four-year term.
- ARTICLE XX To elect a Jericho Underhill Park District Trustee for a three-year term.
- ARTICLE XXI To elect all school directors as required by law.

JERICHO SELECTBOARD

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D., 2019

  
Catherine McMains

  
Wayne Howe

  
Timothy Nulty

Received for record this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D., 2019

  
Town Clerk

# TOWN COMMITTEES - APPOINTED

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Allaire Diamond.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Ann Kroll Lerner.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Karina Dailey.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Peter Gray.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Tom Baribault (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Laura Vallett.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>

## DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Barry King (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Bruce Jacobs.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Phyl Newbeck .....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Stephanie Hamilton (alternate) .....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
vacant (alternate).....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Jeff York.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Joe Flynn.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>

## ENERGY TASK FORCE

Phyl Newbeck	Eric Bishop
Stuart Alexander	Roger Putzel
Reed Sims	Larry Lamb
Ceilidh Peden-Spears	
Kathie Voigt Walsh	
Catherine McMains (Chair)	

## JERICO TOWN LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Patricia Waite.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Beth Davis Seniw (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Susan McMillan.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Barbara Adams.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Linda Porter.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Jeff York.....	<i>Term expires 2022</i>
Tom Dowd.....	<i>Term expires 2022</i>

## MOBBS COMMITTEE

Terry Hook.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Andy Dumas.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Chris Smith.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Pete Davis (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Dick Sears.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Sam Graulty.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Mike Rocheleau.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Susan Breese.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Conor Lahiff.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Wendy Verrei Berenback.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Jason Cheney (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Chris Brown.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Erik Glitman.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Sarah MacLeod.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee is inactive at this time.

## TRAILS COMMITTEE

vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Stewart Brineger.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
vacant.....	<i>Term expires 2019</i>
Patrice Dezon-Gaillard.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Adam Popkin.....	<i>Term expires 2020</i>
Joan Sloan.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
Steven Schwartz.....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>
John Abbott (Chair).....	<i>Term expires 2021</i>



## TOWN OFFICERS - APPOINTED

Administrative/Personnel Assistant.....Paula Carrier  
 Animal Control Officer.....Ed Stygles  
 Assistant Town Clerks.....Lisa Buckton & Sandy Tillotson  
 C.C.R.P.C. Rep.....Catherine McMains  
     alternate.....Tim Nulty  
 C.C.R.P.C TAC Representative.....Katherine Sonnick  
 CSWD Representative.....Bert Lindholm  
 CSWD Alternate Rep.....Leslie Nulty  
 Delinquent Tax Collector.....Todd Odit  
 Emergency Management Coordinator.....Todd Odit  
 Financial Coordinator.....Amy Morse  
 Fire Warden.....Sean McCann  
 Health Officer.....Richard Bernstein, M.D.  
 Health Officer, Deputy.....vacant

Listers..... Lori Dykema & P. Andrew Levi  
 Planning & Development Coordinator.....Katherine Sonnick  
 Road Supervisor.....Roger Miller  
 Road Crew Members.....Jacob Johnson  
     Felix Streeter  
     Steve Towers  
     Nate Pelletier  
 Summer Recreation Director.....Lynn Wagner  
 Town Administrator.....Todd Odit  
 Town Treasurer.....Brian Stevens  
 Tree Warden.....Don Tobi  
 Trustee of Public Funds.....Selectboard  
 Winooski Valley Park District Rep.....Sonya Schuyler  
 Zoning Administrator.....Chris Flinn

## TOWN OFFICERS - ELECTED

### JERICHO CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

vacant.....*Term expires 2018*  
 Bert Lindholm.....*Term expires 2019*  
 Stuart Alexander.....*Term expires 2020*

### SELECTBOARD

Wayne Howe.....*Term expires 2019*  
 Catherine McMains.....*Term expires 2020*  
 Tim Nulty.....*Term expires 2021*

### TOWN AGENT

Sarah Joslin.....*Term expires 2019*

### TOWN CLERK

Jessica Alexander.....*Term expires 2019*

### TOWN MODERATOR

David Barrington.....*Term expires 2019*

### GRAND JUROR

Sarah Joslin.....*Term expires 2019*

### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

*(Elected to office February 1, 2017-Terms expire February 1, 2019)*  
 Donna Boiney                      Dan Dixon  
 Peter Booth                         Janet Gallagher  
 Thomas Cheney                   Jim Gallagher  
 Mary Coburn                       Kathleen Cramer  
 Bob Robbins                         Mary Jane Dickerson  
 Mike Weinberg

### JERICHO UNDERHILL LIBRARY DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Elizabeth Lehr (J).....*Term expires 2019*  
 Laura Wolf (U).....*Term expires 2019*  
 Joann Osborne (J) (Chair).....*Term expires 2020*  
 Connell Gallagher (U).....*Term expires 2020*  
 Bill McMains (J).....*Term expires 2020*  
 Sue Vaughn (J).....*Term expires 2021*  
 Kristie Kapusta (U).....*Term expires 2021*  
 Sven Lindholm (J).....*Term expires 2022*  
 Carolyn Green (U).....*Term expires 2022*

### JERICHO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Livy Strong (Chair) (J).....*Term expires 2019*  
 Dave Williamson (U).....*Term expires 2019*  
 Carol Smith (J).....*Term expires 2020*  
 Suzanne Graham (U).....*Term expires 2020*  
 Judie Jones (J).....*Term expires 2021*  
 Marie Lynch (J).....*Term expires 2021*  
 James Massingham (U).....*Term expires 2021*

(J) = Jericho  
 (U) = Underhill

1. Town Meeting
2. March 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
3. Mt. Mansfield Union High School
- 4.
5. Moderator: David Barrington
6. Selectboard Members present: Catherine McMains (Chair), Tim Nulty, Wayne Howe
7. Town Administrator: Todd Odit
- 8.
9. Town Meeting was opened at 9:09 a.m. by the Moderator. The Brownie Troop of the Daisies, Brownies, and Girl Scouts of Jericho led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. David Barrington made some opening remarks, including discussing the location of amenities and the many displays around the building. Mr. Barrington made introductions. He invited Representatives George Till and Trevor Squirrel and Senators Michael Sirotkin and Chris Pearson to make comments.
- 10.
11. Mr. Squirrel thanked everyone for getting in touch with him. He said he is a member of the Natural Resources Committee, discussing the committee's work, including: the clean water initiative, which will cost the State of Vermont \$1 million over 20 years; and pending legislation relating to stormwater runoff and household hazardous waste.
- 12.
13. Mr. Till thanked everyone for the opportunity to represent them in Montpelier. He said he is a member of the Ways and Means Committee, noting the committee is working on: implications from the federal income tax changes; a plan to increase Social Security income for the elderly; and school funding.
- 14.
15. Mr. Sirotkin said he provided a handout, so he will make his remarks short. He stated he is the Chair of the Economic Development and Finance Committees, saying it has been a busy season so far. He discussed their efforts, including: dealing with the Equifax breach; raising the minimum wage; net neutrality on internet; campaign finance reform; arbitration clause; wholesale importation of drugs; right to repair; and efforts to allow volunteer first responders the ability to respond to calls without risk of losing their job or being penalized by their employer.
- 16.
17. Mr. Pearson said he serves on the Natural Resources, Energy, and Government Operations Committees. He discussed efforts relating to the following: addressing systemic racism in government; and water quality issues. He thanked everyone.
- 18.
19. Mr. Till reminded everyone to participate in the annual Doyle poll, noting written updates are available in the hall. Mr. Barrington made some additional opening remarks, noting the meeting is being recorded. He discussed some housekeeping matters, noting that only registered voters may speak during the meeting. He explained the role of the moderator, summarizing points from the Voter's Guide on page 2 of the Town Report.
- 20.
21. Town Meeting began with a call to order at 9:30 a.m. by the Moderator. Mr. Barrington drew everyone's attention to the official warning in the Town Report. He noted that items on the Australian ballot can be discussed during Town Meeting, noting what types of comments would be appropriate or inappropriate.
- 22.
23. **ARTICLE I: Shall the voters approve the proposed fiscal year ending 2019 budget of \$4,318,234, including spending unanticipated funds such as State and Federal grants and gifts?**
- 24.
25. Motion made by Barry King; seconded by Peter Booth.
- 26.
27. Mr. Barrington asked the Selectboard to present details of the budget, reminding those present how they may participate. Wayne Howe discussed the revenue portion of proposed budget, noting the following:
  28. • General Tax Revenue is up \$133,000, or 4.78%, which equates to about \$20 on \$100,000 of assessed value.
  29. • Class 2 Structure Grant is for the Raceway culvert project, which couldn't be completed in 2017; we are aiming for June 2018 or fall 2018.
  30. • Class 2 Road Grant, we requested grants to offset paving and reconstruction of Barber Farm Road; if the grants are not received, the project will not be done.
  31. • Special Grants, \$60,000 is for a stormwater grant for the Packard Road depression; and \$40,000 is for the intersection study of Route 117 and Barber Farm Road and for planning of the Lee River Road sidewalk design.
  32. • Safe Routes to School Grant, \$22,000 is for the Mt. Mansfield Union (MMU) multi-modal path; and \$90,000 for Route 15 crossing improvements at Riverside.
  33. • Summer Recreation Fees have increase due to higher fees and enrollment.
  34. • General Dynamics Plowing decreased because we are not plowing the property any longer.
  35. • Comcast Lease is the stated lease price.
  36. • Road Impact Fees, \$75,000 is for Raceway Road; and \$45,000 is for paving.

37. • Heavy Vehicles & Equipment Fund, payments for vehicles are \$51,000 higher than the \$110,000 budgeted annually on Line 103.
38. • Open Space Fund, \$20,000 for Mobbs Farm parking lot expansion on Fitzsimonds Road.
- 39.
40. Heidi Kline said she lives on Fitzsimonds Road and knows there was a meeting. She asked who requested it and why. Catherine McMains responded she will discuss it during the Capital Budget presentation.
- 41.
42. Elizabeth Bernstein stated as someone who has heard Kelly King's voice move the meeting along, I miss her and speak for everyone in the community. She noted the numbers read for Line 1 were different from what is printed. Mr. Howe responded the number in the report is correct, an increase of \$96,000 or 3.47%.
- 43.
44. Dave Schuler asked about the Raceway project. Ms. McMains responded it would be discussed under the Capital Budget. Mr. Schuler said his question is about the revenue piece, noting there is \$150,000 in 2018 and 2019. He asked whether the numbers for 2018 were zeroed out when the project didn't occur. Ms. McMains responded there were some engineering costs, discussing what occurred in Fiscal Year 2018 (FY2018). Mr. Schuler asked about Line 41. Ms. McMains responded those were reserve funds, which were not spent, so the money is sitting in reserves.
- 45.
46. Melissa Wilcox thanked the whole town for the adoration and honor of the cover of this year's Town Report.
- 47.
48. Ann Lavigne said when will we talk about actuals for 2016 and what happened in 2017, specifically delinquent taxes, why is there a minus. Mr. Odit explained the auditors look at what delinquent taxes were outstanding after six months and they are moved to bad debts. Brian Stevens explained the accounting treatment of delinquent taxes further. Ms. Lavigne stated nowhere other than on this line does it show the money is owed, it appears as a write off. Mr. Stevens explained it does appear as a write off; however, the debt is still owed to us and we expect to receive it in a subsequent period. He discussed the matter further with Ms. Lavigne.
- 49.
50. Elizabeth Thompson stated it was a privilege to serve with Phyllis Gray on the Conservation Commission.
- 51.
52. Mr. Howe continued his discussion, noting the following:
53. • Bridge Fund is for the Raceway Road culvert.
54. • Buildings and Property Fund, there is no use of reserves.
55. • Road Improvement Fund, \$10,000 for the Barber Farm Road and Route 117 intersection, local share.
56. • No planned use of Capital Projects Fund or Fund Balance Use.
57. Ms. McMains discussed Capital Budget on pages 28 and 29, discussing the following:
58. • The Capital Budget process and how projects are included using master plans, encouraging public input in the process.
59. • Buildings & Property:
60. Town Hall Exterior Improvements, \$15,000 out of operating costs to replace the front door.
61. Jericho Town Library, \$29,000 out of operating costs for improvements, including: paint on the steps, which may be lead; replacing plaster on the second floor; and a plan for Mary Lacy to do a mural in 2019.
62. Highway Garage, the work was done last year.
63. Packard Road Stormwater Basin, a grant was received to address the Town parcel, which is the highest priority in the plan.
64. Fitzsimonds Parking Lot Expansion, \$40,000 with \$20,000 each from reserves and operating; the Trails Committee and Mobbs Committee have requested funding; for years parking has been problematic and occasionally public safety concerns.
- 65.
66. Peter Bliss, member of the Mobbs Committee, stated there was a meeting on February 12th which a lot of residents attended. He said the outcry we heard from everybody is that we need the parking resolved. He said many people are not aware of the huge parking lot on Browns Trace Road, so the committee decided to put money into reserves and properly sign that parking is available on Browns Trace Road to encourage use and hopefully minimize impact on Fitzsimonds Road.
- 67.
68. Ms. McMains noted there has been a public process and the focus will be on incremental steps. She said because of the odd shape of parking on Fitzsimonds Road, it may eventually need to be squared off. She continued discussion of the Capital Budget, noting the following:
69. • Debt Service continues to decrease.
70. • Highways:
71. Asphalt Improvements, if we don't get the grant, we will not do it until we do get a grant.
- 72.
73. Bernard Paquette asked whether the paving condition index is arbitrary or scientific. Ms. McMains responded

- it is rated by the Vermont Agency of Transportation based on condition. She and Mr. Paquette discussed the approach to caring for the Town's roads. Mr. Paquette said it would be helpful to see something more in the report than dollars, such as the index rationale, to help understand the budgeted amounts better. Ms. McMains noted all the information is available at the Town Hall, noting we try not to impact taxpayers too badly, seeking grant funding where we can. Mr. Paquette and Ms. McMains discussed the matter further.
- 74.
75. Mr. Paquette asked about the Browns Trace Road bridge, whether future potential repair costs are reflected in the budget. Ms. McMains responded they are not this year, but will be the year we do it. She discussed the long-term plan. Tim Nulty said he appreciates Bernie's comments about analytics, noting it shouldn't be beyond our capacity to analyze and explain that further.
- 76.
77. Ms. Lavigne stated some of that could have been clarified if we go into more detail with the Capital Budget on page 28. She suggested the worst highways be listed by priority for the next four years at least, adding the bridges and culverts should also be listed. Ms. McMains thanked her for her comments.
- 78.
79. Marge Douglass asked what is being planned for the Packard Road project. Ms. McMains responded we were fortunate to get a Master Stormwater Plan needed for the clean water initiative. She explained several areas are targeted for phosphorous reduction, discussing the proposed project to reduce stormwater going into the watershed on the Town parcel. Ms. Douglass asked if there is any plan to address the ditching that gets clogged. Ms. McMains said that may be part of the project. Ms. Douglass and Ms. McMains discussed the matter further. Mr. Nulty noted a complicated catchment basin is being planned on the Town parcel at the intersection of Packard Road and Route 15, adding that the plan includes drainage for the areas around it. Mr. Howe said the bottom of the catchment basin delivers stormwater to another area altogether.
- 80.
81. Diane Kirson-Glitman asked about stormwater drainage what the impact would be if Packard Road was paved, whether it would be improved or made worse, and the costs involved. She asked whether paving the entire road would be in our best interest. Elizabeth King said she lives on Skunk Hollow Road, which used to be dirt and we could walk along it; it is too dangerous now. She said paving makes the road a cut through and a high-speed area.
- 82.
83. Ms. McMains responded that paving is very expensive, noting it also increases stormwater runoff. Mr. Nulty reiterated that we have a general policy regarding paving gravel roads that it is cheaper to maintain them as gravel. He discussed the rationale and the costs of paved road maintenance. He stated Skunk Hollow Road was already a cut through and the Town attempted to mitigate speeds, noting there are only two other roads in Town that have as heavy traffic, Raceway and Nashville.
- 84.
85. Chuck Schwer asked if there is money in the budget to study the Route 117 and Skunk Hollow Road intersection. Ms. McMains responded it was in the Capital Budget last year, noting there was a preliminary discussion with consultants recently which a lot of people attended. She noted it is a three- to five-year project. Mr. Nulty noted we are going to do it, but we like to do it with other people's money. Ms. McMains noted the roads that will be addressed with paving grants.
- 86.
87. Molly Boardman-Abby asked who tracks traffic volume, noting Packard Road is very heavily traveled. She said she understands the costs involved but wants to understand who tracks it. Ms. McMains responded that periodically we have traffic counters, adding that Packard Road is not as heavily traveled as Nashville Road. Mr. Nulty suggested we could study Packard Road to find out the current traffic counts.
- 88.
89. Kathy Voigt-Walsh said we just heard Mr. Nulty discuss the cost of maintaining asphalt. She asked which section of Barber Farm Road is due for maintenance. Ms. McMains responded the roads have taken a real hit this year with the freeze-thaw. She discussed the section that is scheduled for maintenance and anticipated grant funding.
- 90.
91. Vince Mack said he knows Raceway Road has gotten worse, noting that adding gravel has raised the surface, creating a lake at the end of his driveway. He asked whether there is anything besides paving we can do to improve the road. Ms. McMains responded we have a gravel road inventory and we are working to improve the roads as we are able, noting eventually we will need a new Master Road Plan. Mr. Nulty added that the short answer is, no. He discussed gravel roads further, including the debate about paving or remaining gravel. Ms. McMains noted the other issue with pre-existing gravel roads is the right of way issues, adding there are sections that are restricted and would not meet the current Public Works Specifications. Mr. Mack, Ms. McMains and Mr. Nulty discussed the matter further.
- 92.
93. Chris Sims said Plains Road has seen increased traffic since Skunk Hollow Road was paved. She agreed with

what Elizabeth King said about safety when a road is paved. She asked if a road is paved that it include bike lanes to improve safety, noting she would gladly give room in her yard to make a bike lane. She asked about water quality, whether there is any consideration to the water quality coming off lawns and gardens where chemicals are used. Ms. McMains responded that in the long-term it will be because towns will be responsible. She stated we are aware of pedestrian safety and trying to do as many complete streets as possible, noting the problem with many roads is the lack of space to create bike lanes. She discussed the matter further.

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95. Donald Signon Asked whether any consideration has been given to the possibility of paving Raceway Road from the bank to the bridge, noting there are 80 homes in the Foothills and it is the shortest end of the road. He stated the bulk of the traffic comes onto Raceway Road is from the community, not people who use the road as a cutoff. He noted the impact would be dramatic and the cost would be minimal. He discussed the history, saying it would benefit a great deal of people. Ms. McMains responded it is something we can look at in the future.

96.

97. Susan Bresee reiterated about safety and shoulder width, saying if we are paving or rebuilding a section of Barber Farm Road it would be good to have the most generous shoulder as possible. She stated the road is a common cycling route and is designated a desired connection in Bike/Pedestrian Plan.

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99. Ben Joslin suggested a solution to the narrowness of Town roads would be to add an advisory bike lane, or advisory shoulder. Ms. McMains responded that is part of the Regional Planning Commission Bike/Pedestrian studies.

100.

101. Julianna Dickson said she is a new resident from Denmark. She encouraged the community and the Selectboard to consider a separated bike lane, even if it requires citizens to donate a portion of their yard to gain community connection. She stated she would gladly donate part of her property to accommodate one.

102.

103. Jesse Pelton stated he is an active cyclist and asked whether we have a policy regarding signage and striping in cases where roads can't be widened to alert people to share the road. Ms. McMains responded that it seems like we could, noting we stripe inward wherever we can. Mr. Nulty explained the meaning of striping inward. He discussed ways it is handled in other countries, noting we should investigate the costs.

104.

105. John Abbott, Chair of the Trails Committee, extended an invitation to all who have interest in furthering the efforts to review the copy of the bike/pedestrian trail map on the Town website. He explained the general charge of the committee, saying he would love to live in a community where we could leave our cars at home and connect to the services we need. Mr. Nulty stated we have considered trying to make what little space we have for bike lanes separate with something small, but more than a white line to deter cars. He discussed concerns raised by bicyclists.

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107. Molly Abby suggested adding road signs reminding people to share the road. Ms. McMains responded we can do that following the National Highway Traffic Safety standards.

108.

109. Bert Lindholm said the Nashville Road improvements a few years ago were significant and well done, asking that we use that approach on other roads. He discussed gravel road conditions further. He added that if the Town is considering paving Raceway Road behind the bank, the Lowery Cemetery is there and has no direct access other than going through private property. Ms. McMains stated that is worth considering.

110.

111. Ms. McMains continued discussion of the Capital Budget, noting the following:

112. • Gravel Road Improvements are standard.

113. • Barber Farm/Route 117 Intersection Study, \$50,000 to conduct a scoping study; targeted in the Master Transportation Plan.

114. • Raceway Culvert, \$400,000 cost with \$150,000 from the bridge fund, \$175,000 from a structures grant, and \$75,000 from impact fees; we did get the grant last year, but not in time to get the work done.

115. • Heavy Equipment and Vehicles, payments on fleet; standard operating costs.

116.

117. Kathy Voigt-Walsh addressed the Selectboard and the Highway Department on energy efficiency in vehicles and trends going forward. Ms. McMains stated the Highway Department employees have taken courses on idling and the Town makes sure trucks purchased meet EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) guidelines. She continued discussing the Capital Budget, noting the following:

118. • Paths and Sidewalks:

119. • Continuing the MMU pathway engineering.

120. • Owens Court to Route 15 sidewalk engineering.

121. • Riverside Route 15 crossings will happen this year with a pedestrian activated crosswalk at Jolley.

122. • Total Capital Budget is \$1,429,558.

- 123.
124. Mr. Nulty discussed budgeted expenditures, pages 23 to 24, noting the following:
125. • Salaries and Benefits are the largest single cost, about 41% of all expenditures totaling \$1.13 million. The budget is slightly smaller for FY19 with changes in the number of people getting benefits and the number of full-time employees. Discussed presentation of information in the Town Report, actuals and projections.
- 126.
127. Bill Drislane clarified the column labeled FY2017 actual is calendar year. Mr. Nulty said no, it is fiscal year. He continued discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
128. • Salaries and Benefits for FY19 for all operating divisions are \$1.13 million, compared to \$1.165 million for FY18, down slightly because in several departments there were changes from full- to part-time personnel; relatively few other changes of note in the expenditures of the operating expenses of those departments.
- 129.
130. Ms. Lavigne asked about the budget for Highways and Bridges of \$144,000 for FY18 versus \$166,000 now budgeted. Mr. Nulty responded he covered expenditures through Planning and Zoning, noting Highways and Bridges, unlike the rest, has larger variations from year to year. Ms. Lavigne clarified that Salaries and Benefits should include all employees of the Town. Mr. Nulty responded it did.
- 131.
132. Richard Bernstein, Town Health Officer, discussed what his role is, and recent actions taken. He said as a member of Richmond Rescue, he thanks the Town for funding us. He discussed various initiatives of Richmond Rescue, including involvement in the Opioid Task Force, encouraging everyone to be careful of syringes on Green Up Day.
- 133.
134. Ms. McMains continued the discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
135. • Salaries and Benefits: \$1,133,000; compared past years to 1995 and the total budget was 26%, within historic ranges; even though the budgets are bigger, Salaries and Benefits remain within the range spent historically.
- 136.
137. Aaron Silver asked about FY17 budget and actuals, saying there was an overage in actual compared to budget of 8-15%, but there is not a similar increase in the FY18 budget. He asked what happened in FY17 relating to the total expenditures for administration, specifically Lines 59 and 60. Mr. Nulty responded the biggest change was in legal expense, discussing the recent change in Town attorney and the activity that has resulted in the increase. Mr. Silver said if the increase is anticipated to continue in the future, why isn't the budget increased to reflect it. Mr. Nulty discussed the matter further with Mr. Silver.
- 138.
139. Ms. Lavigne asked why legal expenses for Planning and Zoning were so high in FY17. Ms. McMains responded there were several court cases and mediation involved, which typically doesn't happen. The Select-board members and Ms. Lavigne discussed the matter further.
- 140.
141. Barry King, Chair of the Development Review Board (DRB), explained the use of the Town attorney and attorney fees in Planning and Zoning are unavoidable because some people will use their right to appeal to District Environmental Court and the Town must represent itself. He said use of the Town attorney is preventive maintenance, keeping us from getting into appeals by crafting decisions carefully and supported by legal advice, which is cheaper in the long run.
- 142.
143. Ms. McMains continued discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
144. • Highways and Bridges:
145. Salaries and Benefits are up slightly because of personnel changes and changes to benefit plans, along with the addition of a full-time employee last year.
146. Building Maintenance and Repairs, \$10,000 which is a reduction because the salt shed was updated last year.
147. Heavy Vehicles/Equipment, payments on trucks; \$13,000 increase reflects newer trucks.
148. Road Improvements, increased \$140,000 which is the rebuilding of Barber Farm Road.
149. Bridge Improvement, Raceway Road culvert.
150. The bulk of the budget is in Highways and Bridges.
- 151.
152. Mr. Howe discussed Summer Recreation & Recreation Committee expenditures, noting the following:
153. • Salaries increased \$34,000, with \$22,000 for a part-time Recreation Coordinator who would coordinate recreation opportunities for the rest of the year, not summer recreation.
154. • Benefits increased \$3,000 with the additional part-time person.
155. • Travel increased with field trips to keep kids engaged.
156. • Programs increased \$1,850 for additional programing.
157. • Revenues increased substantially (Line 18) to make up for the increased transportation costs and

- cost of entrance fees for field trips.
158. • Town support is at its lowest level historically, with fees covering most costs.
159. • He met with Lynn Wagner, Summer Recreation Director, who is doing a good job ensuring people are properly vetted and the program's record has been good over the years. The Selectboard has confidence in Lynn in her role overseeing the Summer Recreation program.
160. • The Recreation Coordinator will oversee the many opportunities the Recreation Committee has identified and inventoried.
- 161.
162. Elizabeth King said she would like to prioritize scholarships to make these programs available, so that all kids in Jericho have the same opportunities. Kim Mercer, Chair of the Recreation Committee, responded there is a private citizen who funds ten slots in the Summer Recreation program. She expressed concern about transparency of the decisions for those scholarships, noting that could be improved. She discussed her knowledge of the existing scholarships.
- 163.
164. Mr. Nulty stated affordability has been a priority since the beginning of this program and it is very affordable compared to other towns. He noted there are higher prices for non-residents, which is still affordable and it is a good program. He said the part-time Recreation Coordinator is not for the Summer Recreation program. Mr. Nulty explained the background that led to the proposed addition to staff. Ms. Lavigne suggested fundraising for scholarships, rather than supporting the program through taxes. Mr. Nulty clarified that the scholarships are funded by an individual, not the Town.
- 165.
166. Jesse Pelton directed attention to Summer Recreation report on page 47. He discussed the coordination of scholarships. Mr. Howe stated there is no failsafe metric that can be applied to determine who can get a scholarship, based on my experience it requires some sort of judgement while using guidelines.
- 167.
168. Ms. Douglass discussed scholarships and the Our Community Cares program, noting she doesn't think there is any coordination between the programs. She discussed how the determination is made on who is awarded scholarships. She suggested if there were more money, they could be broadened. Ms. Douglass noted that Our Community Cares provides food for free to both camps, suggesting it as another place people could support.
- 169.
170. Mr. Howe continued discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
171. • \$22,000 for a part-time Recreation Coordinator is a modest start.
172. • Insurances:
173. o Unemployment decreased due to a lower rate.
174. o Property, Casualty & Liability decreased due to a new carrier with a lower rate.
- 175.
176. Ms. McMains continued the discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
177. • Public Health and Safety:
178. Essex Rescue requested \$15,600, an increase of \$1,470.
179. Richmond Rescue requested \$12,000, an increase of \$2,000.
180. Both rescue squads are moving towards having the same per capita costs.
181. Police Services, no changes; the same contracts with both.
- 182.
183. Ms. McMains moved to a discussion of the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department (UJFD) budget on page 53, noting the following:
184. • Joint meetings were held between UJFD and the Selectboard.
185. • Discussions will continue throughout the year because the contract needs to be updated.
186. • UJFD is asking for increase of approximately 2.75% to \$577,979 from \$562,473.
187. • The UJFD budget for Jericho is \$321,111, which is a decrease because they are using money from reserves.
188. • The unfilled position money went into reserves and will be used to pay for it.
189. • Paid on call stipends are \$60,000.
190. • Full-time Staff salary increased to \$104,000 and benefits increased to \$25,000; while EMS Support is \$0.
191. o Discussed what has been approved in the past to improve EMS services and challenges encountered.
192. o UJFD would like an additional full-time position, but the Town is not willing to give up the part-time EMS support.
193. o How the position will be funded, including the rationale.
194. o The intent for this year is for the Town to engage Essex Rescue, Richmond Rescue, and UJFD in discussions to meet Jericho's needs for the future.
195. • Legal increased to \$500.

- 196. • Accounting Service is for the audit.
- 197. • Workers Compensation Insurance is up because fewer companies provide it.
- 198. • Insurance, Buildings, Equipment, Liability is up slightly.
- 199. • Insurance Accident/Disability decreased slightly.
- 200. • Station Maintenance increased with the addition of plowing service to the stations.
- 201. • Emergency Communications, dispatch is still with Vermont State Police, but a regional dispatch is being considered.
- 202. • New Equipment & Hose, and Dry Hydrant Installation are down.
- 203. • Firefighter Personal Safety increased because physicals are required, but the cost will go down in the future, discussing the rationale.
- 204. • Capital Expenditures show as one line item for \$100,429; the Town is working with UJFD to break out the large expenses into capital expenditures; this budget includes a substation in Underhill, which will allow everyone to be within five miles of a station.
- 205. • Reserve transfers to be made.
- 206. • Reserve Account Statement on page 54.
- 207. • Rivers' property discussion is a separate item.
- 208.
- 209. Mr. Schuler asked when the \$150,000 comes in if the Rivers' property discussion is separate and is not reflected in the budget. He asked how we can have the two things separated. Mr. Barrington responded to avoid repetition. Mr. Shuler asked whether they could delay voting on Article I until Article II has been discussed. Mr. Nulty responded that we don't know whether Article II will happen or not, so we can't put \$150,000 in the budget without an idea whether the Town wants to do it or not. He explained Article II is whether to add to the budget or not, or authorize borrowing. He said as of now, nothing is in the budget and there is no agreement to do it to budget upon; Article II is a discussion of what we should do in the future and how to fund it.
- 210.
- 211. Mr. King offered to clarify Dave's question, asking whether what happens with Article II affects the UJFD budget. Ms. McMains responded technically no because the Rivers' property is not part of their operating budget. She discussed how the \$150,000 would be used. Mr. King asked whether there is anything in this operating budget you are asking us to approve that is affected by Article II. Ms. McMains responded there is nothing in Article II that has to do with the operating budget; the Rivers' property is separate.
- 212.
- 213. Peter Booth asked if Article I passes and Article II passes, will the budget become \$150,000 more. Mr. Nulty responded we will then discuss the funding. Mr. Barrington stated the issue is relevant to Article II, but irrelevant to the budget. Ms. McMains agreed. Mr. Nulty added if the voters decide to approve Article II, then we will discuss how to finance it.
- 214.
- 215. Elizabeth Bernstein said it is a question of how we think about things. She stated it does have to do with the theoretical budget, but nothing to do with what is printed here; there are some people who don't like to be constrained by what is printed when we have to conceptualize how much we will spend. Mr. Barrington said we are complicating Article I with hypotheticals.
- 216.
- 217. Mr. Nulty resumed the discussion of expenditures, noting the following:
  - 218. • Lines 139 through 184, the significant changes have to do with capital expenditures.
  - 219. • Transfers to Reserve Funds:
    - 220. Reappraisal Fund of \$17,800.
    - 221. Open Space Fund of \$2,500 because we haven't put much in the fund in recent years.
    - 222. The existing reserves are in good shape, noting how they are evaluated.
    - 223. Reserve Funds are detailed on page 30.
    - 224. Total Reserve Funds were \$1.73 million at the end of FY17; FY18 projected to be \$1.78 million, which will be drawn down, so the end of FY19 they will be \$1.38 million.
  - 225. Explained Unassigned Fund Balance is free money, not required for any specific purpose, also called the rainy-day fund, which is 15.7% of our projected expenditures; well above the standards set by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns who recommend 10-15%.
- 226.
- 227. Ms. Lavigne asked how cash on hand is invested and how much interest is collected each year. Mr. Nulty responded there are no long-term investments. Mr. Odit stated we don't invest, interest rates haven't been beneficial; we have no certificates of deposit. Mr. Stevens noted Interest on Checking is shown on Line 30.
- 228.
- 229. Bert Lindholm referred to page 30, saying the Brown and Stevens funds are funds for Cemetery properties. He asked whether some of those funds could be used for monuments needing repairs; noting he asked last year but didn't hear back. Mr. Nulty suggested he come to the Selectboard to request the money. Mr. Stevens stated those are restricted funds and have a specific purpose, but we will look at those.

- 230.
231. Bert Paquette asked the following: 1) could consideration be given to include an addendum with an explanation of variances since a lot of questions may have been addressed in that way; 2) is it possible to offer folks the budget and actual data in spreadsheet because people may want to calculate various information; and 3) note that the Reserve Fund Balance is included on page 30. Mr. Barrington noted those as advice to the Selectboard.
- 232.
233. Lisa Hirschberg asked whether there could be research done about how traffic flows through Jericho Corners versus people using the wonderful amenities we have and whether we will do anything about the safety in that area. Mr. Nulty discussed some history of the area and work that has been completed. He stated addressing the area again will be big and expensive, but if it is the sentiment of the Town, we should. Mr. Howe noted there is a sidewalk study about to commence in the area. Mr. Nulty said the Selectboard has asked the Trails Committee to give that area high priority and it is underway.
- 234.
235. Wendell Ferrell asked about the Unassigned Fund Balance on page 30, saying last year there was \$750,000 in it, but now it is down to \$676,000. Mr. Nulty responded it was \$678,000. He discussed the various fund balances, explaining what the Unassigned Fund Balance is and how it is calculated.
236. The question was called by Frank Popeleski; seconded by Phyl Newbeck.
- 237.
238. Tate Branon asked whether any consideration has been given to adding a crosswalk at the end of the sidewalk by Jericho Café and Tavern. Mr. Howe responded yes, recently there has been discussion. Mr. Odit discussed the project further.
- 239.
240. Mr. Barrington re-read and called a vote on Article I. Vote: Motion approved unanimously.
- 241.
242. Mr. Barrington said the Selectboard is seeking the sense of the citizenry under other business.
- 243.
244. **ARTICLE II: Shall the voters approve the raising of \$150,000 in tax revenue for the purchase of 275 Browns Trace, the so-called Rivers Property?**
- 245.
246. Mr. Barrington read Article II. Motion made by Jesse Pelton; seconded by Ann Benano.
- 247.
248. Mr. Howe said there has been a lot of discussion over a number of years and we are thankful to UJFD and their efforts working with the Town on this. He explained this article puts the Selectboard in the position to secure property if everything aligns and the conditions are right, after which there would be a public process; this article does not define the use of the property after the actual transfer.
- 249.
250. Mr. Nulty explained how they arrived at \$150,000, including additional background. He stated \$150,000 is a reasonable amount to reimburse UJFD for costs incurred to make the deal occur, such as costs for survey, subdivision, legal, and engineering. He said the offer was made to UJFD almost a year ago, but the Selectboard thought it is time to get authority to complete the deal if UJFD agrees to the offer or makes a counteroffer. Mr. Nulty stated this is a request for the authority to conclude this transaction, which is why it is hard to put it in the budget because we don't know if they will agree to our proposal.
- 251.
252. Ms. McMains discussed further the background and rationale for the offer that was made. She also discussed the rationale for including the article in anticipation of moving forward. She stated the Selectboard cannot act without the express authority of townspeople.
- 253.
254. Mr. Barrington said there is a difference between approving purchase or ownership, and approval of fees relating to a gift. He asked the Selectboard to speak to the status of approval for bringing the land into the Town. Mr. Nulty responded the Town can purchase land, but this is not a purchase; this is negotiating a gift, and reimbursing costs associated with relaying the gift. He stated there will need to be a lengthy public process to decide what to do with the property. He added that if it happens and if they agree to the payment of \$150,000, then the question of how to finance it would need to be addressed.
- 255.
256. Mr. Nulty stated the intention is to make it a revenue neutral transaction. He discussed the different ways it could be financed and how the money could be recouped. He reiterated what they are requesting is the authority to do what is fiscally necessary to conclude this deal with UJFD.
- 257.
258. Sonya Schuyler said the way the article is worded, it seems to commit you to tax revenue. She asked whether it would prevent you from selling the house. Mr. Nulty responded no, the Selectboard doesn't want to commit to selling the house. Ms. McMains said one way of looking at it is that if we put it on the tax bill, it would be a one-time increase for FY19, then a reduction in FY20. She stated in order to spend the money, the Selectboard needs

- authorization.
- 259.
260. Peter Anderson asked whether the Town could borrow the money internally from reserves to finance it. Mr. Nulty responded we could and it is one of the options under consideration.
261. Mr. Pelton stated the property is valuable and has interest to the Town; what the value is and the interest to the Town, especially if subdividing it multiple ways. Mr. Nulty discussed the history of the property, including: public concern about the property being developed; UJFD decided not to pursue; the terms of the gift to UJFD from Alice Rivers; and budget implications. Mr. Pelton asked about characterization of the property. Mr. Nulty responded that at the time there was opposition to it being sold because it is a critical part of the Town as the gateway. He said there are lots of other uses the Town could make of the property and there were public meetings held where citizens expressed the sentiment that it is valuable. Ms. McMains discussed the costs versus the \$750,000 assessed value of the property, noting there is a section Current Use, reducing the tax bill.
- 262.
263. Ms. Mercer, Recreation Committee Chair, stated I am not sure I like the idea of committing to sell a piece of the property without seeing what it could be used for when surrounded by public lands, asking that the decision not be made before the public planning process. Mr. Nulty asked whether it is a good idea to expel the current occupants. Ms. Mercer responded yes, saying that if it becomes public property, it could be used for public purposes.
- 264.
265. Ms. Lavigne stated I am not in favor of the Town purchase; getting, gifting, or receiving any more property. She said we have plenty that are off the tax rolls for parks and other uses that we continue paying for. She discussed her concerns further, including lack of a plan, condition of the barn, and the costs involved. Ms. Lavigne stated there will be costs down the road and I am not in favor of the Town receiving this property.
- 266.
267. Victoria Tibbetts asked about costs beyond the \$150,000. She also asked about liability and the costs associated with UJFD keeping the gravel pit, and whether it is income producing. Ms. McMains responded the liability would be to UJFD and the gravel pit must be closed by 2020. Mr. Nulty explained the \$150,000 caps the costs, which include legal, survey, engineering, and previous debts to be extinguished. He added that UJFD costs are split 60/40 with Underhill, who refused to pay their portion of the property taxes and requested reimbursement of taxes previously paid associated with the property. He said he is very fiscally conservative and it is entirely possible that the Town could make money on this, noting that some of those revenue opportunities may not be supported publicly, which is why there will be a public process to decide democratically.
- 268.
269. Elizabeth Bernstein clarified that philosophically you are asking if we, the voters in the Town of Jericho, feel this property is an important piece of property to us as a town; and if we do, we should be prepared to invest time, energy, money, and conversation about how we wish this beautiful piece of property to be used. She rephrased the question: do the voters of Jericho consider this piece of property an important asset and one that we should secure for up to \$150,000. Mr. Howe stated I appreciate you framing it that way. Bernie Paquette said on the balance sheet it is an asset valued at \$750,000 costing \$150,000; I can't imagine how it could create a loss.
- 270.
271. Robert Rosedale stated he is against this article, stating it is misleading by saying it is a purchase. He said it assumes the Town is going to favor purchasing the land. He said the question is misleading the public by how it is posed, saying explanations and answers are limited by time, as we are running long. Mr. Barrington stated your point is well taken.
- 272.
273. John Abbott clarified that what we are talking about is not a purchase, it is the cost of the conveyance. He stated I would be in favor of paying for it with tax money because there is not a vision for the property; a space we could all enjoy. He suggested discussion about creating more open space, more recreation opportunity, and more connectivity in a town that relies on car transportation. Mr. Abbott discussed the matter further.
- 274.
275. Motion by Mr. Schuler; seconded by Victor Stone; to amend the article to state: Shall the voters approve the expenditure up to \$150,000 in unassigned funds for the acquisition of 275 Browns Trace Road, the so-called Rivers Property.
- 276.
277. Jim Carroll stated he has a written amendment to this article, including facts and figures that might abbreviate the conversation. He discussed his personal connection to the Rivers and thanked everyone who has been involved in this for working very hard. He stated we should be grateful because they don't want to see us bickering, discussing the history of the property and the relationship with the Fire Department. Mr. Carroll distributed written information to the Moderator and others in attendance. Mr. Barrington noted the process of distributing the material is time consuming, asking Mr. Carroll to streamline this for people. Mr. King made a point of order, saying you asked him not to do this. He asked to hear the proposed amendment. Mr. Barrington stated the amendment is a whole page long, saying it could be made as a substitute amendment.

- 278.
279. Motion by Mr. Carroll for a substitute amendment. Mr. Barrington stated this is a lot to request of a group of citizens without advance warning. He read the substitute amendment as presented in writing by Mr. Carroll. The motion was not seconded, so the amendment to the amendment failed.
- 280.
281. Anna Vasserstein stated this should be an acquisition not a conveyance.
- 282.
283. Liz Thompson said Jim's ideas might be good, but that is not what we are being asked to do today. She clarified this amendment is to approve being able to move forward if this property becomes available; if not, we are crazy.
- 284.
285. Question called by Brian Stevens. Mr. Nulty said the Selectboard agreed with the proposed amendment.
286. Vote on whether to vote: Motion approved unanimously.
- 287.
288. Dave Schuler read the amended article. Vote on the amendment: Motion approved.
- 289.
290. Mr. Lindholm said I think this vote is putting the Town in two positions: 1) moving forward in acquiring property, starting a process in defining what the Town will do with the property; and 2) saying we don't want this property to go to a developer with their own plan and fight it at the DRB level. He stated the Town is taking full responsibility for the property and moving forward.
- 291.
292. John Neil asked why we need this article since Mr. Nulty stated the Town is free to buy property and Article X says the Selectboard can borrow for the temporary needs of the Town.
- 293.
294. Bill Bresee thanked UJFD again, reminding everyone this is a really good idea for the Town. He stated he enthusiastically supports the article.
- 295.
296. Robert Bergeron stated the amendment is in good faith, but it still leaves the question that the Town purchase would have total jurisdiction on the property, which should be stricken. He said it should be left for the entire Town of Jericho to vote on this because it is a huge decision for the entire Town and we can't even get language straight, suggesting it should be an Australian ballot item.
- 297.
298. Elizabeth King said she is one of those rare breeds who came back because she loves this place, it is beautiful. She stated she would rather spend a little money and have this land in 20 or 30 years, for us and for our grandchildren. She stated she is strongly in favor of Jericho purchasing this land.
- 299.
300. Bert Lindholm called the question on amended Article II. Mr. Barrington read amended Article II.
301. Vote: Motion approved.
- 302.
303. **ARTICLE III: Shall the Town collect its taxes in equal installments due in the Town Offices on September 17, 2018, and March 15, 2019, with postmarks acceptable?**
- 304.
305. **ARTICLE IV: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money for the temporary needs of the Town?**
- 306.
307. **ARTICLE V: Shall the Town Collect its taxes by its Treasurer in accordance with 32 V.S.A. Section 4791?**
- 308.
309. Mr. Barrington asked to combine Articles III, IV, and V. There was no objection. Mr. Barrington read the Articles. Motion made by Barry King; seconded by Dave Schuler. No objection to combine.
310. Vote: Motion approved unanimously.
- 311.
312. **ARTICLE VI: Shall the Town exempt from property taxation the lands and premises known as the**
313. **Jericho Historical Society, which consists of the Old Mill building and 5.9 acres, a**
314. **residential duplex building, and the old bindery building for a period of 5 years?**
- 315.
316. **ARTICLE VII: Shall the Town exempt from property taxation the lands and premises known**
317. **as the**
318. **Jericho Center Preservation Association, which consists of 0.35 acres with the**
319. **Community Center Building, and 1.0 acre more or less being the old athletic field**
320. **for the Jericho High School in Jericho Center, for a period of 5 years?**

321. **ARTICLE VIII: Shall the Town exempt from property taxation the lands and premises known as the**
322. Mt. Mansfield Lodge #26, which consists of 0.1 acres and the Mt. Mansfield Lodge
323. #26 building for a period of 5 years?
- 324.
325. **ARTICLE IX: Shall the town exempt from property taxation the lands and premises owned by the**
326. **Winooski Valley Park District, which consists of 12 acres used for a park, for a**
327. **period of 5 years?**
- 328.
329. Mr. Barrington asked to combine Articles VI, VII, VIII and IX. Will Wright objected, asking to move Article VI separate. Mr. Barrington read the Article VI. Motion made by Will Wright; seconded by Victoria Tibbets.
- 330.
331. Mr. Wright said on Line 171 there is no funding of Jericho Historical Society, asking if people have comments on whether they should be tax exempt. Mr. Lindholm responded the Jericho Historical Society has the Old Mill and the building across the street. He said the Old Mill is a historical site for Jericho, Chittenden County, and Vermont. He noted there are a lot of expenses in those buildings, saying the small amount of tax benefit should be kept in place.
- 332.
333. Mr. Till asked about the residential property piece of this and whether it is historically designated. Gary Irish responded, although he is no longer associated with Jericho Historical Society, the buildings have always been part of the same parcel and are historical. Elizabeth Bernstein said it is her understanding that we want to make tax exempt those organizations that are 501(c)(3), that are open to the community and available for enjoyment to the community at large. She asked whether all pieces of Jericho Historical Society are open to the community at large. She said if not, the parts of the Jericho Historical Society that are open to community at large should be tax exempt, noting the residences are income generating.
- 334.
335. Question called on Article VI. Mr. Barrington read Article VI. Vote: Motion passed.
- 336.
337. There was no objection to combine Articles VII, VIII, and IX. Mr. Barrington read the articles. Vote: Motion passed unanimously.
- 338.
339. **ARTICLE X: To hear the reports of the Town Officers.**
- 340.
341. Mr. Barrington presented the written reports in the Town Report and stated this is the time to make comments regarding any of the reports.
- 342.
343. Motion Sonya Schuler; seconded by Elizabeth King. Mr. Barrington called a vote on Article X. Vote: Motion approved unanimously.
- 344.
345. **ARTICLE XI: Other Town business thought proper when met.**
- 346.
347. Robert Degrose expressed concern about burn permits, suggested zoning different areas and requiring some type of advance notice. He addressed teacher's salaries, saying that when we vote on the school budget, there should be some paragraph noting that the increase of 3% does not apply to all teachers. Mr. Barrington said as a point of order, the right forum for that is the school budget discussion. Mr. Degrose asked whether it is acceptable for the Selectboard to bring the request to the school. Mr. Nulty responded no, we are just citizens. Mr. Degrose suggested Town Meeting be moved to Mondays because it is the most common day of the week people have off and may increase attendance. He suggested the Town develop a plan to help those who lose water, noting his neighborhood did about a few years ago and it was costly.
- 348.
349. Ms. Lavigne stated she read over the Selectboard meeting minutes for last two or three years, saying there are at least one or two executive sessions every single meeting and she finds that unacceptable. She stated that is not transparent and is excessive. Mr. Nulty responded there has been a lot, noting the Selectboard is in its rights for specific matters, such as personnel and contracts, including real estate. He stated all of the executive sessions have been for one or the other, noting there have been a lot on the Rivers' property; we are rigorous about this for legitimate purposes under Vermont law. Mr. Carroll stated executive session should be used exclusively for sensitive subjects, not important subjects like the Rivers' property. Mr. Nulty stated we have followed that policy strictly with the Rivers' property.
- 350.
351. Susan Bresee discussed the use of Front Porch Forum for meeting notices, asking the Selectboard, other committees, and politicians to consider increased use and making it a standard practice. She discussed examples where the Town could have communicated more directly with residents. She stated Front Porch Forum is a

valuable community tool. Mr. Nulty responded her point is well taken.

352.

353. Sonya Schuyler reminded everyone to check out the Winooski Valley Park District display.

354.

355. Mathew Champlin, UJFD Chief, thanked citizens for their continued support. He said discussions with the Selectboard this year about UJFD budget have been headed in the right direction. He stated we are looking forward to meeting the needs as the Town continues to grow and population continues to age; we have a seat at the table with the Selectboard and the rescue agencies. Mr. Champlin discussed the matter further.

356.

357. Robin Bartlett stated the former Town attorney, Greg, is a good friend of his and he was good, noting he suggested use of executive session sparingly.

358.

359. Terry Buckman said the Pet Parade is popular for Jericho Center and the Town, saying we look forward to it.

360.

361. Bernie Paquette asked the Selectboard to consider asking the Vermont State Police (VSP) to attend a meeting to ask about their high rate of speed through Town and remind them of pedestrians. Mr. Nulty discussed the Town's relationships with VSP and Chittenden County Sheriffs Department, noting the roles each have. He said he would guess a crime was involved, but the point is well taken, and we can ask.

362.

363. Mr. Nulty stated the Selectboard would like to get a sense of the meeting attendees. He said the Selectboard is currently in the early stages of discussion with companies who have come to the Town about building a community solar project on the old Town dump that is remotely connected to Mobbs, but cannot be used for anything else. He discussed the options: 1) straightforward deal in which they build it, find users, and pay us a lease and property tax grossing around \$14,000 to \$15,000 a year; 2) we identify 150 to 200 households who agree to be community users of the project, the Town acts as agent, and users get a bill from the electric company and the Town gets net metering credits; doubles the revenue to the Town and the Town would have administrative responsibility; \$30,000 to \$35,000 could be refunded to the entire population as a credit against property taxes. He noted customers must be Vermont Electric Coop customers for reasons identified by the companies involved.

364.

365. After further discussion Mr. Barrington called for a simple vote, using a show of hands, presenting the options. The informal vote resulted in a three-way split between the following: 1) lease; 2) community project; and 3) abstaining.

366.

367. Motion made by Elizabeth King; seconded by Jesse Pelton to adjourn Town Meeting. David Barrington adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:58 p.m.

368.

369. Respectfully Submitted,

370. Amy Richardson



**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	BUDGET FY2018	ACTUAL FY2018	BUDGET FY2019	BUDGET FY2020	\$ CHANGE FY2020	% CHANGE FY2020
<b>REVENUES - DETAIL</b>						
<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>						
1	GENERAL TAX REVENUE	\$2,781,871	\$2,788,735	\$2,878,286	\$2,676,684	(\$201,602) -7.00%
	<b>TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES</b>	<b>\$2,781,871</b>	<b>\$2,788,735</b>	<b>\$2,878,286</b>	<b>\$2,676,684</b>	<b>(\$201,602) -7.00%</b>
<b>PENALTIES AND INTEREST</b>						
2	INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAXES	\$18,500	\$17,310	\$18,500	\$17,500	(\$1,000) -5%
3	PENALTIES ON DELINQUENT TAXES	\$9,500	\$11,565	\$9,500	\$11,000	\$1,500 16%
4	PRIOR YEAR DELINQUENT TAX	\$0	\$96,327	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL PENALTIES AND INTEREST</b>	<b>\$28,000</b>	<b>\$125,202</b>	<b>\$28,000</b>	<b>\$28,500</b>	<b>\$500 2%</b>
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>						
5	CURRENT USE	\$29,000	\$30,428	\$29,000	\$30,000	\$1,000 3%
6	FEMA REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
7	PILOT STATE ANR/JVM PAYMENT	\$1,700	\$1,407	\$1,700	\$1,200	(\$500) -29%
8	COLLECTION FEES ON DELINQUENT TAXES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
9	STATE AID FOR ROADS	\$145,000	\$147,134	\$145,000	\$147,000	\$2,000 1%
10	CLASS 2 STRUCTURE GRANT	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$16,000	(\$159,000) 0%
11	CLASS 2 ROAD GRANT	\$0	\$0	\$175,000	\$140,000	(\$35,000) 175000%
12	ACT 60 REVENUE	\$3,000	\$2,100	\$3,000	\$2,100	(\$900) -30%
13	ACT 68 REVENUE	\$16,500	\$17,734	\$16,500	\$17,000	\$500 3%
14	STATE GRAND LIST ASSISTANCE	\$17,800	\$17,850	\$17,800	\$17,800	\$0 0%
15	SPECIAL GRANTS	\$40,000	\$22,287	\$110,000	\$40,000	(\$70,000) -64%
16	SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT	\$33,750	\$189,789	\$112,500	\$286,000	\$173,500 154%
	<b>TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>	<b>\$461,750</b>	<b>\$428,728</b>	<b>\$785,500</b>	<b>\$697,100</b>	<b>(\$88,400) -11%</b>
<b>LICENSES AND FINES</b>						
17	PLANNING AND ZONING FEES	\$17,000	\$24,675	\$17,000	\$22,000	\$5,000 29%
18	SUMMER RECREATION FEES	\$90,500	\$96,283	\$118,000	\$115,000	(\$3,000) -3%
19	LAW ENFORCEMENT FINES	\$40,000	\$28,006	\$40,000	\$32,000	(\$8,000) -20%
20	DOG LICENSES	\$3,000	\$2,203	\$3,000	\$2,500	(\$500) -17%
21	EXCESS WEIGHT PERMITS	\$1,000	\$1,355	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0 0%
22	ALL OTHER LICENSES	\$200	\$720	\$200	\$380	\$180 90%
23	COPIER FEES	\$4,500	\$4,689	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0 0%
24	RECORDING FEES	\$30,000	\$20,634	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0 0%
25	MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS	\$500	\$231	\$500	\$250	(\$250) -50%
26	MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$800	\$1,440	\$800	\$1,200	\$400 50%
27	BURN PERMITS	\$150	\$10	\$150	\$0	(\$150) -100%
28	ALL OTHER FEES	\$3,000	\$2,415	\$3,000	\$2,500	(\$500) -17%
29	RESTORATION AND COMPUTERIZATION	\$20,000	\$14,363	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL LICENSES AND FINES</b>	<b>\$210,650</b>	<b>\$197,024</b>	<b>\$238,150</b>	<b>\$231,330</b>	<b>(\$6,820) -3%</b>
<b>INTEREST</b>						
30	INTEREST ON CHECKING	\$6,000	\$4,340	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$4,340</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$0 0%</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>						
31	GENERAL DYNAMICS PLOWING	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
32	COMCAST LEASE	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$0 0%
33	SOLAR LEASE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000 0%
34	RECREATION COMMITTEE	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
35	NOT CLASSIFIED	\$100	\$15,528	\$100	\$100	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$60,100</b>	<b>\$45,728</b>	<b>\$36,100</b>	<b>\$51,100</b>	<b>\$15,000 42%</b>
<b>USE OF RESERVE FUNDS</b>						
36	ROAD IMPACT FEES	\$75,000	\$0	\$115,000	\$18,576	(\$96,424) -84%
37	RECREATION IMPACT FEES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
38	HEAVY VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT FUND	\$38,198	\$38,198	\$51,198	\$0	(\$51,198) 34%
39	REAPPRAISAL FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%

**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	BUDGET FY2018	ACTUAL FY2018	BUDGET FY2019	BUDGET FY2020	\$ CHANGE FY2020	% CHANGE FY2020
40 OPEN SPACE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	(\$20,000)	0%
41 BRIDGE FUND	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	(\$150,000)	0%
42 RECORD PRESERVATION FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
43 SIDEWALK/PATHS FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
44 BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY FUND	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
45 ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$10,000	\$0	(\$10,000)	-100%
46 STORMWATER MITIGATION FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
47 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
48 FUND BALANCE USE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$120,000	0%
<b>TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$388,198</b>	<b>\$113,198</b>	<b>\$346,198</b>	<b>\$138,576</b>	<b>(\$207,622)</b>	<b>-60%</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$3,936,569</b>	<b>\$3,702,956</b>	<b>\$4,318,234</b>	<b>\$3,829,290</b>	<b>(\$488,944)</b>	<b>-11%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES - DETAIL</b>						
<b>TOWN TREASURER</b>						
49 SALARIES	\$42,802	\$39,931	\$43,776	\$44,869	\$1,093	2%
50 BENEFITS	\$31,355	\$30,423	\$33,988	\$35,275	\$1,307	4%
51 LEGAL EXPENSE	\$500	\$405	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
52 TRAVEL, MEETINGS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$500	\$140	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
53 ADVERTISEMENTS	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0	0%
54 OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$250	\$3	\$250	\$250	\$0	0%
<b>TOTAL TOWN TREASURER</b>	<b>\$75,507</b>	<b>\$70,901</b>	<b>\$79,094</b>	<b>\$81,495</b>	<b>\$2,401</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>						
55 SALARIES	\$136,040	\$136,581	\$139,442	\$146,294	\$6,852	5%
56 BENEFITS	\$50,326	\$50,106	\$53,706	\$60,944	\$7,238	13%
57 TOWN AUDITOR FEES	\$300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
58 OUTSIDE ANNUAL AUDIT	\$15,000	\$12,200	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0	0%
59 LEGAL EXPENSE	\$8,000	\$39,395	\$8,000	\$28,000	\$20,000	250%
60 COMPUTER SUPPORT/REPAIRS	\$13,500	\$17,338	\$13,500	\$19,000	\$5,500	41%
61 OFFICE EQUIPMENT/COMPUTERS	\$10,000	\$6,354	\$10,000	\$12,000	\$2,000	20%
62 POSTAGE	\$6,000	\$5,845	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	0%
63 TRAVEL, MEETINGS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$5,000	\$951	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	0%
64 ADVERTISING	\$3,000	\$2,684	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0%
65 TOWN REPORT	\$3,000	\$3,624	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	33%
66 TELEPHONE	\$4,500	\$4,232	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0	0%
67 SUPPLIES/EXPENSES -INTERDEPART	\$8,000	\$12,858	\$8,000	\$12,000	\$4,000	50%
68 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS	\$22,500	\$3,915	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$0	0%
69 OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$3,500	\$2,620	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	0%
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$288,666</b>	<b>\$298,702</b>	<b>\$292,148</b>	<b>\$338,738</b>	<b>\$46,590</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>						
70 SALARIES	\$82,740	\$75,098	\$75,458	\$82,345	\$6,887	9%
71 BENEFITS	\$47,104	\$25,687	\$24,460	\$24,066	(\$394)	-2%
72 BOARD FEES/ELECTIONS	\$5,000	\$3,199	\$9,100	\$5,000	(\$4,100)	-45%
73 LEGAL EXPENSE	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$0	0%
74 BOOK RESTORATION/DIGITIZATION	\$20,000	\$16,084	\$21,285	\$20,000	(\$1,285)	-6%
75 LAND RECORDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
76 TRAVEL, MEETINGS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$1,775	\$1,571	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0	0%
77 OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$100	\$25	\$100	\$100	\$0	0%
78 LICENSE PAYMENTS TO STATE	\$6,050	\$6,070	\$6,050	\$6,250	\$200	3%
<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>\$162,919</b>	<b>\$127,735</b>	<b>\$138,403</b>	<b>\$139,712</b>	<b>\$1,309</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>LISTING</b>						
79 SALARIES	\$32,770	\$22,790	\$27,710	\$28,319	\$609	2%
80 BENEFITS	\$2,974	\$1,717	\$2,120	\$2,166	\$46	2%
81 TRAVEL, MEETINGS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$800	\$942	\$800	\$800	\$0	0%
82 MAPPING	\$3,000	\$2,114	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0%
83 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT	\$1,800	\$1,077	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0	0%
84 REAPPRAISAL	\$2,000	\$2	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
<b>TOTAL LISTING</b>	<b>\$43,344</b>	<b>\$28,642</b>	<b>\$37,430</b>	<b>\$38,085</b>	<b>\$655</b>	<b>2%</b>

**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	<b>BUDGET FY2018</b>	<b>ACTUAL FY2018</b>	<b>BUDGET FY2019</b>	<b>BUDGET FY2020</b>	<b>\$ CHANGE FY2020</b>	<b>% CHANGE FY2020</b>
<b>HEALTH OFFICE</b>						
85	HEALTH OFFICER	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$500 33%
86	TRAVEL, MEETINGS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$0 0%
87	DOG WARDEN	\$4,000	\$3,059	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL HEALTH OFFICE</b>	<b>\$5,650</b>	<b>\$4,559</b>	<b>\$5,650</b>	<b>\$6,150</b>	<b>\$500 9%</b>
<b>PLANNING AND ZONING</b>						
88	SALARIES	\$90,237	\$92,454	\$92,577	\$98,489	\$5,912 6%
89	BENEFITS	\$55,626	\$60,704	\$69,312	\$72,448	\$3,136 5%
90	LEGAL EXPENSE	\$6,000	\$10,485	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0 0%
91	TRAVEL, MEETING & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$2,000	\$2,134	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0 0%
92	ADVERTISEMENTS	\$4,000	\$2,437	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0 0%
93	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS	\$10,000	\$7,686	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0 0%
94	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$100	\$139	\$100	\$100	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL PLANNING AND ZONING</b>	<b>\$167,963</b>	<b>\$176,040</b>	<b>\$183,989</b>	<b>\$193,037</b>	<b>\$9,048 5%</b>
<b>HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES</b>						
95	SALARIES	\$297,342	\$288,898	\$304,708	\$291,132	(\$13,576) -4%
96	BENEFITS	\$144,625	\$147,639	\$166,252	\$160,870	(\$5,382) -3%
97	OFFICE EQUIPMENT/MAINTENANCE	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0 0%
98	TRAVEL, MEETING & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$800	\$29	\$800	\$800	\$0 0%
99	TELEPHONE	\$3,700	\$4,306	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$0 0%
100	ELECTRICITY	\$3,800	\$3,772	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$0 0%
101	BUILDING HEAT	\$13,000	\$9,031	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0 0%
102	BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	\$59,000	\$9,715	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0 0%
103	HEAVY VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT	\$148,198	\$140,755	\$161,198	\$96,568	(\$64,630) -40%
104	SMALL EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES	\$10,000	\$8,880	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0 0%
105	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	\$61,000	\$79,180	\$61,000	\$61,000	\$0 0%
106	HIRED EQUIPMENT	\$25,000	\$18,269	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0 0%
107	SUMMER ROADS GRAVEL/STONE	\$60,000	\$51,833	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$0 0%
108	WINTER SAND	\$56,000	\$56,495	\$56,000	\$60,000	\$4,000 7%
109	SALT	\$70,000	\$98,627	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0 0%
110	SALT ALTERNATIVES	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0 0%
111	ROAD IMPROVEMENT	\$360,000	\$298,270	\$500,000	\$429,000	(\$71,000) -14%
112	BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT	\$400,000	\$20,081	\$400,000	\$75,000	(\$325,000) -81%
113	GAS, OIL AND DIESEL	\$60,000	\$54,498	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$0 0%
114	CULVERTS	\$15,000	\$9,016	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0 0%
115	GUARDRAILS	\$8,000	\$1,402	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0 0%
116	COLD & HOT PATCH	\$7,000	\$940	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$0 0%
117	CHLORIDE	\$26,000	\$27,579	\$26,000	\$26,000	\$0 0%
118	SIGNAGE & STRIPING	\$30,000	\$16,017	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0 0%
119	TREE/BRUSH MAINTENANCE	\$20,000	\$16,600	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0 0%
120	MUD SEASON GRAVEL	\$25,000	\$10,763	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0 0%
121	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$12,000	\$9,776	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES</b>	<b>\$1,920,465</b>	<b>\$1,382,371</b>	<b>\$2,058,458</b>	<b>\$1,582,870</b>	<b>(\$475,588) -23%</b>
<b>SUMMER RECREATION &amp; RECREATION COMMITTEE</b>						
122	SALARIES	\$57,929	\$71,649	\$92,000	\$72,000	(\$20,000) -22%
123	BENEFITS	\$4,432	\$5,481	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0 0%
124	SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	\$8,000	\$7,616	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0 0%
125	TRAVEL	\$7,000	\$9,344	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0 0%
126	PROGRAMS	\$3,650	\$5,365	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0 0%
127	ADVERTISEMENTS	\$60	\$0	\$60	\$60	\$0 0%
128	FACILITY RENTAL	\$2,000	\$1,250	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0 0%
129	FIELD TRIPS	\$12,000	\$26,365	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0 0%
130	CIT PROGRAM	\$1,600	\$1,920	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$0 0%
131	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES & REC COMM	\$2,400	\$0	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL SUMMER RECREATION</b>	<b>\$99,071</b>	<b>\$128,990</b>	<b>\$152,060</b>	<b>\$132,060</b>	<b>(\$20,000) -13%</b>

**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	<b>BUDGET FY2018</b>	<b>ACTUAL FY2018</b>	<b>BUDGET FY2019</b>	<b>BUDGET FY2020</b>	<b>\$ CHANGE FY2020</b>	<b>% CHANGE FY2020</b>
<b>INSURANCES</b>						
132	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$4,300	\$1,804	\$2,500	\$2,000	(\$500) -20%
133	WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$19,000	\$22,810	\$19,000	\$20,000	\$1,000 5%
134	PROPERTY, CASUALTY & LIABILITY	\$46,000	\$43,284	\$34,500	\$35,000	\$500 1%
	<b>TOTAL INSURANCES</b>	<b>\$69,300</b>	<b>\$67,898</b>	<b>\$56,000</b>	<b>\$57,000</b>	<b>\$1,000 2%</b>
<b>PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY</b>						
135	RESCUE SQUAD -ESSEX	\$14,130	\$14,130	\$15,600	\$15,600	\$0 0%
136	RESCUE SQUAD - RICHMOND	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$12,000	\$14,000	\$2,000 17%
137	UNDERHILL-JERICO FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$337,484	\$337,484	\$321,111	\$0	(\$321,111) -100%
138	POLICE SERVICES	\$120,000	\$108,843	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL POLICE AND SAFETY</b>	<b>\$481,614</b>	<b>\$470,457</b>	<b>\$468,711</b>	<b>\$149,600</b>	<b>(\$319,111) -68%</b>
<b>BUILDING AND PROPERTY</b>						
139	BUILDING-ELECTRICITY	\$8,500	\$6,886	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$0 0%
140	STREET LIGHTS	\$14,500	\$12,958	\$14,500	\$14,500	\$0 0%
141	BUILDING HEAT	\$2,800	\$2,398	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$0 0%
142	CASTLE AND LOWERY CEMETERIES	\$8,600	\$17,176	\$11,650	\$12,300	\$650 6%
143	JERICO CENTER CEMETERY	\$4,952	\$3,375	\$4,400	\$6,075	\$1,675 38%
144	JERICO GREENS	\$4,000	\$8,750	\$4,000	\$8,400	\$4,400 110%
145	MAINTENANCE/REPAIR - TOWN FACILITIES	\$39,000	\$21,638	\$62,500	\$61,500	(\$1,000) -2%
146	SIDEWALKS - MAINTENANCE	\$14,747	\$14,747	\$6,000	\$15,500	\$9,500 158%
147	SIDEWALKS - CONSTRUCTION	\$37,500	\$215,827	\$137,500	\$330,000	\$192,500 140%
148	TREE WARDEN	\$1,000	\$790	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0 0%
149	STORMWATER - PERMITS/MAINTENANCE	\$500	\$7,586	\$60,000	\$2,000	(\$58,000) -97%
	<b>TOTAL BUILDING AND PROPERTY</b>	<b>\$136,099</b>	<b>\$312,130</b>	<b>\$312,850</b>	<b>\$462,575</b>	<b>\$149,725 48%</b>
<b>JERICO CONSERVATION</b>						
150	SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0 0%
151	JERICO CONSV COMMISSION	\$1,700	\$1,549	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL JERICO CONSERVATION</b>	<b>\$2,700</b>	<b>\$1,549</b>	<b>\$2,700</b>	<b>\$2,700</b>	<b>\$0 0%</b>
<b>OPEN SPACE/PUBLIC USE</b>						
152	LAND IMPROVEMENTS	\$8,000	\$4,000	\$48,000	\$10,000	(\$38,000) -79%
153	MOBBS FARM	\$3,200	\$4,975	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$0 0%
154	OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 0%
	<b>TOTAL OPEN SPACE/PUBLIC USE</b>	<b>\$11,200</b>	<b>\$8,975</b>	<b>\$51,200</b>	<b>\$13,200</b>	<b>(\$38,000) -74%</b>
<b>LANDFILL</b>						
155	POST CLOSURE COSTS	\$2,000	\$1,950	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$3,000 150%
	<b>TOTAL LANDFILL</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$1,950</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0 0%</b>
<b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>						
<b>MANDATED</b>						
156	CHITTENDEN COUNTY TAX	\$28,486	\$29,526	\$29,582	\$28,889	(\$693) -2%
157	CHITTENDEN RPC	\$7,095	\$7,095	\$7,354	\$7,366	\$12 0%
158	JERICO-UNDERHILL LIBRARY	\$159,761	\$159,761	\$157,320	\$166,246	\$8,926 6%
159	JERICO-UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT	\$23,766	\$23,766	\$25,827	\$25,827	\$0 0%
160	VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS	\$6,690	\$6,690	\$6,835	\$7,031	\$196 3%
	<b>TOTAL MANDATED</b>	<b>\$225,798</b>	<b>\$226,838</b>	<b>\$226,918</b>	<b>\$235,359</b>	<b>\$8,441 4%</b>
<b>NON-MANDATED</b>						
161	AGE WELL	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0 0%
162	CHILD CARE RESOURCE	\$100	\$100	\$0	\$1,161	\$1,161 0%
163	GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT SERVICE	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$14,000	\$14,997	\$997 7%
164	FARMERS MARKET	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$3,840	\$3,840	\$0 0%
165	CHITTENDEN EMERGENCY FOOD SHELF	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$700	(\$800) -53%
166	CUSI	\$9,319	\$9,319	\$9,269	\$9,215	(\$54) -1%
167	COMMITTEE ON TEMPORARY SHELTER	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0 0%

**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	BUDGET FY2018	ACTUAL FY2018	BUDGET FY2019	BUDGET FY2020	\$ CHANGE FY2020	% CHANGE FY2020
168 THE HOWARD CENTER	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
169 JERICO CENTER PRESERVATION	\$6,750	\$6,750	\$6,750	\$6,750	\$0	0%
170 JERICO FOODSHELF	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
171 JERICO YOUTH LEAGUE	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	0%
172 JERI-HILL XYZ SENIORS	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$0	0%
173 MMCTV	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,960	\$1,960	0%
174 MMMUSD-TENNIS COURT FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
175 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE	\$300	\$232	\$300	\$300	\$0	0%
176 OUR COMMUNITY CARES	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
177 VERMONT CARES	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
178 VCIL	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0	0%
179 VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION	\$18,081	\$18,081	\$18,081	\$18,081	\$0	0%
180 WINOOSKI VALLEY PARK DISTRICT	\$13,109	\$13,109	\$13,428	\$13,764	\$336	3%
181 STEPS TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$0	0%
<b>TOTAL NON-MANDATED</b>	<b>\$82,459</b>	<b>\$82,391</b>	<b>\$85,018</b>	<b>\$89,618</b>	\$4,600	5%
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$308,257</b>	<b>\$309,230</b>	<b>\$311,936</b>	<b>\$324,977</b>	\$13,041	4%
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>						
182 TOWN HALL INTEREST	\$29,235	\$36,679	\$26,860	\$21,220	(\$5,640)	-21%
183 TOWN HALL PRINCIPLE	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$0	0%
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>\$89,235</b>	<b>\$96,679</b>	<b>\$86,860</b>	<b>\$81,220</b>	(\$5,640)	-6%
<b>TOWN LIBRARY</b>						
184 SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$38,678	\$33,409	\$39,845	\$50,279	\$10,434	26%
185 GENERAL EXPENSES	\$16,100	\$16,281	\$18,600	\$22,360	\$3,760	20%
<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$54,778</b>	<b>\$49,690</b>	<b>\$58,445</b>	<b>\$72,639</b>	\$14,194	24%
<b>TRANSFERS TO RESERVE FUNDS</b>						
186 HEAVY VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,432	\$13,432	0%
187 REAPPRAISAL FUND	\$17,800	\$17,850	\$17,800	\$17,800	\$0	0%
188 OPEN SPACE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	0%
189 BRIDGE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	0%
190 RECORD PRESERVATION FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
191 SIDEWALK/PATHS FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	0%
192 ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
193 STORMWATER	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
194 BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$27,500	\$27,500	0%
195 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$27,500	\$27,500	0%
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>\$17,800</b>	<b>\$17,850</b>	<b>\$20,300</b>	<b>\$151,232</b>	\$130,932	645%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$3,936,568</b>	<b>\$3,554,347</b>	<b>\$4,318,234</b>	<b>\$3,829,290</b>	(\$488,944)	-11%

The firm of Fothergill, Segale & Valley was engaged to audit the financial statements of the Town of Jericho for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Copies of the audit report, for which they gave an unqualified opinion are on file at the Town office and can be obtained on the Town website at [www.jerichovt.gov](http://www.jerichovt.gov). The budget and actual columns for FY18 above are contained, in summary, in the audit report, in a supplementary schedule. The schedule shows a net increase to unassigned Fund Balance of \$148,607, bringing the total unassigned fund balance to \$827,477.

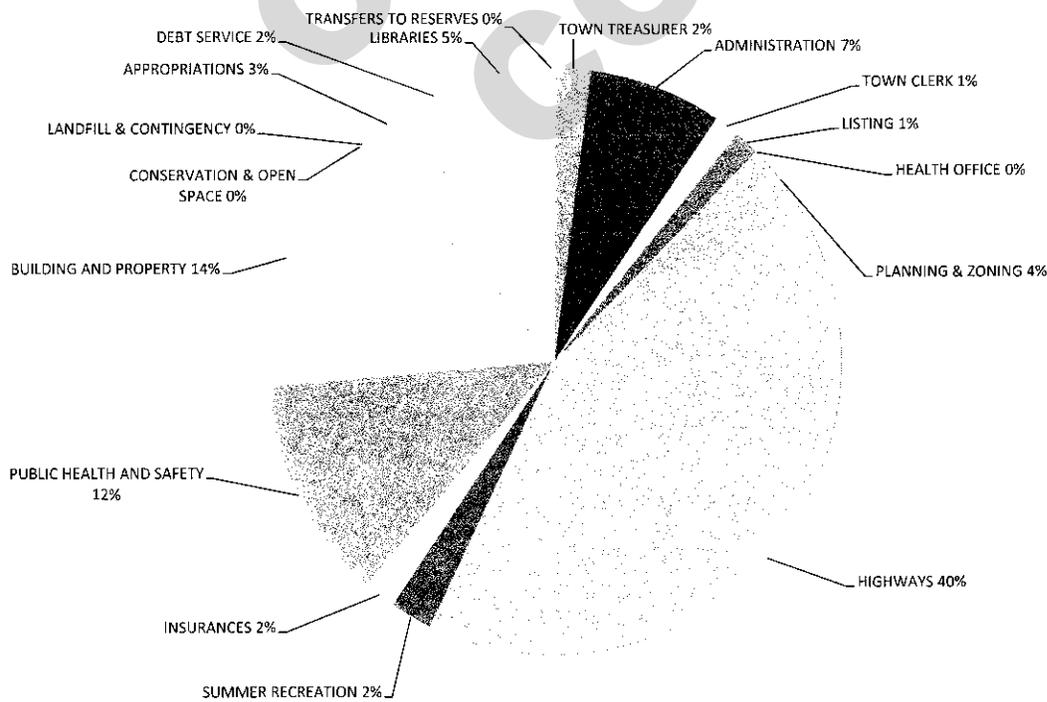
**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET DETAIL  
FY2020**

	BUDGET FY2018	ACTUAL FY2018	BUDGET FY2019	BUDGET FY2020	\$ CHANGE FY2020	% CHANGE FY2020
<b>REVENUE</b>						
PROPERTY TAXES	\$2,781,871	\$2,788,735	\$2,878,286	\$2,676,684	(\$201,602)	-7%
PENALTIES AND INTEREST	\$28,000	\$125,202	\$28,000	\$28,500	\$500	2%
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$461,750	\$428,728	\$785,500	\$697,100	(\$88,400)	-11%
LICENSES AND FINES	\$210,650	\$197,024	\$238,150	\$231,330	(\$6,820)	-3%
INTEREST	\$6,000	\$4,340	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	0%
MISCELLANEOUS	\$60,100	\$45,728	\$36,100	\$51,100	\$15,000	42%
USE OF RESERVE FUNDS	\$388,198	\$113,198	\$346,198	\$138,576	(\$207,622)	-60%

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,936,569</b>	<b>\$3,702,956</b>	<b>\$4,318,234</b>	<b>\$3,829,290</b>	<b>(\$488,944)</b>	<b>-11%</b>
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	BUDGET FY2018	ACTUAL FY2018	BUDGET FY2019	BUDGET FY2020	\$ CHANGE FY2020	% CHANGE FY2020
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
TOWN TREASURER	\$75,507	\$70,901	\$79,094	\$81,495	\$2,401	3%
ADMINISTRATION	\$288,666	\$298,702	\$292,148	\$338,738	\$46,590	16%
TOWN CLERK	\$162,919	\$127,735	\$138,403	\$139,712	\$1,309	1%
LISTING	\$43,344	\$28,642	\$37,430	\$38,085	\$655	2%
HEALTH OFFICE	\$5,650	\$4,559	\$5,650	\$6,150	\$500	9%
PLANNING & ZONING	\$167,963	\$176,040	\$183,989	\$193,037	\$9,048	5%
HIGHWAYS	\$1,920,465	\$1,382,371	\$2,058,458	\$1,582,870	(\$475,588)	-23%
SUMMER RECREATION	\$99,071	\$128,990	\$152,060	\$132,060	(\$20,000)	-13%
INSURANCES	\$69,300	\$67,898	\$56,000	\$57,000	\$1,000	2%
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY	\$481,614	\$470,457	\$468,711	\$149,600	(\$319,111)	-68%
BUILDING AND PROPERTY	\$136,099	\$312,130	\$312,850	\$462,575	\$149,725	48%
CONSERVATION & OPEN SPACE	\$13,900	\$10,524	\$53,900	\$15,900	(\$38,000)	-71%
LANDFILL	\$2,000	\$1,950	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
APPROPRIATIONS	\$148,496	\$149,469	\$154,616	\$158,731	\$4,115	3%
DEBT SERVICE	\$89,235	\$96,679	\$86,860	\$81,220	(\$5,640)	-6%
LIBRARIES	\$214,539	\$209,451	\$215,765	\$238,885	\$23,120	11%
TRANSFERS TO RESERVES	\$17,800	\$17,850	\$20,300	\$151,232	\$130,932	645%

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,936,568</b>	<b>\$3,554,347</b>	<b>\$4,318,234</b>	<b>\$3,829,290</b>	<b>(\$488,944)</b>	<b>-11%</b>
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# CAPITAL BUDGET FY20

Project	Line	Total Cost	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; PROPERTY</b>							
Town Hall Improvements	145	\$215,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$65,000	\$150,000
Jericho Library Improvements	145	\$157,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500
Highway Garage Improvements	145	\$95,000	\$10,000	\$60,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0
Park Improvements	152	\$50,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>							
Town Hall Bond	182-183	\$379,969	\$81,220	\$78,397	\$75,896	\$73,503	\$70,953
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>							
Asphalt Highway Improvement	111	\$1,735,000	\$369,000	\$348,000	\$339,000	\$339,000	\$340,000
Gravel Road Improvement	111	\$250,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Revised Public Works Specifications	68	\$10,000	\$10,000				
Gravel Road Paving Analysis	111	\$10,000	\$10,000				
<b>BRIDGES &amp; CULVERTS</b>							
Bridge 15 Engineering	112	\$125,000	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0
Sub and Superstructure Concrete Repairs	112	\$200,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Beam Cleaning and Painting	112	\$75,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
<b>HEAVY/EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES</b>							
Highway - Equipment/Vehicles	103	\$497,568	\$96,568	\$110,000	\$112,000	\$107,000	\$72,000
<b>TRAILS AND SIDEWALKS</b>							
Pratt to Lee River Multi-Use Path	147	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Owens Ct to Route 15 Sidewalk	147	\$270,000	\$20,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trails	147	\$50,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COSTS</b>		<b>\$4,420,037</b>	<b>\$1,073,288</b>	<b>\$1,007,897</b>	<b>\$808,396</b>	<b>\$741,003</b>	<b>\$789,453</b>
<b>FUNDING SOURCES</b>							
Road Impact Fees			\$18,576				
Grants State/Federal/Other			\$482,000				
Operating Funds			\$572,712				
<b>Total Project Costs</b>			<b>\$1,073,288</b>				

**Capital Budget FY20**

<b>PROJECT FUNDING</b>	<b>Exp Line</b>	<b>FY20</b>	<b>RESERVES</b>	<b>OPERATING</b>	<b>GRANTS</b>	<b>FEES</b>	<b>BORROW</b>
<b>Buildings and Property</b>							
Town Hall Improvements	145	\$0					
Jericho Library Improvements	145	\$31,500		\$31,500			
Highway Garage Improvements	145	\$10,000		\$10,000			
Park Improvements	152	\$10,000		\$10,000			
<b>Debt Service</b>							
Town Hall Bond	182-183	\$81,220		\$81,220			
<b>Highways</b>							
Asphalt Highway Improvement	111	\$369,000		\$210,424	\$140,000 (11)	\$18,576	
Gravel Road Improvement	111	\$50,000		\$10,000	\$40,000 (15)		
Revised Public Works Specifications	68	\$10,000		\$10,000			
Gravel Road Paving Analysis	111	\$10,000		\$10,000			
<b>Bridges &amp; Culverts</b>							
Bridge 15 Engineering	112	\$20,000		\$4,000	\$16,000 (10)		
Sub and Superstructure Concrete Repairs	112	\$40,000		\$40,000			
Beam Cleaning and Painting	112	\$15,000		\$15,000			
<b>Heavy Equipment/Vehicles</b>							
Highway - Equipment/Vehicles	103	\$96,568		\$96,568			
<b>Trails and Sidewalks</b>							
Pratt to Lee River Multi-Use Path	147	\$300,000		\$30,000	\$270,000 (16)		
Sunnyview to Route 15 Sidewalk	147	\$20,000		\$4,000	\$16,000 (16)		
Trails	147	\$10,000		\$10,000			
*Number in ( ) denotes revenue source in budget							
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COSTS</b>		\$1,073,288	\$0	\$572,712	\$482,000	\$18,576	

**CAPITAL PLAN AND RESERVE FUNDS**

Line #	RESERVE ACCOUNTS	FY 2018				FY2019 (Budgeted)				FY20 (Budgeted)			
		Transfer From General Fund	Budgeted Deduction FY 2018	Acual	Fund Bal 6/30/18	Transfer From General Fund	FY19 Withdrawls	Project	Fund Bal 6/30/19	Transfer From General Fund	FY20 Withdrawls	Project	Fund Bal 6/30/20
43	Sidewalks and Paths	42	-		26,337		-		26,337	30,000	-		56,337
42	Preservation	224			140,003		-		140,003		-		140,003
38	Equipment	166	38,198	38,198	64,970		51,198	Vehicles	13,772	13,432			27,204
39	Reappraisal	17,981	-	17,981	101,103	17,800			118,903	17,800			136,703
41	Bridge Replacement	338	150,000	-	209,527		150,000	raceway culv	59,527	30,000			89,527
40	Open Space	8,713	-	8,713	65,311	2,500	20,000	mobbs PL	47,811	5,000			52,811
46	Stormwater	33	-		20,376		-		20,376		-		20,376
45	Road Upgrade	-	75,000	75,000	115,470		10,000	Road study	105,470				105,470
44	Buildings and Property	53	25,000	-	32,636				32,636	27,500			60,136
47	Capital Projects	43	25,000		26,951				26,951	27,500			54,451
48	Fund Balance Use		-				-				120,000		
	<b>Total Reserve Accounts</b>	<b>27,593</b>	<b>313,198</b>	<b>113,198</b>	<b>802,685</b>	<b>20,300</b>	<b>231,198</b>		<b>591,787</b>	<b>151,232</b>	<b>120,000</b>		<b>743,019</b>
	<b>TOWN IMPACT FEES</b>												
36	Road Impact	29,468	75,000	-	205,149		115,000	paving & culv	90,149		18,576		71,573
37	Recreational	2,426	-		16,580		-		16,580		-		16,580
	<b>Total Town Impact Fees</b>	<b>31,894</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>221,729</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>115,000</b>		<b>106,729</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,576</b>		<b>88,153</b>
	<b>EXPENDABLE TRUSTS</b>												
	Bentley Cemetery Fund	7			2,714				2,714				2,714
	Maude Brown Fund	10			3,953				3,953				3,953
	Stevens Fund	49			16,428				16,428				16,428
	<b>Total Expendable Trusts</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>23,095</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>23,095</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>23,095</b>
	<b>AGENCY FUNDS</b>												
	Development Escrow				6,869				6,869				6,869
	ID School Impact				-				-				-
	School Impact				-				-				-
	<b>Total Agency Funds</b>				<b>6,869</b>				<b>6,869</b>				<b>6,869</b>
	<b>UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>148,607</b>			<b>825,219</b>				<b>806,775</b>				<b>686,775</b>

<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>176,200</b>	<b>388,198</b>	<b>113,198</b>	<b>1,879,597</b>	<b>20,300</b>	<b>346,198</b>		<b>1,535,255</b>	<b>151,232</b>	<b>138,576</b>		<b>1,547,911</b>
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**HEAVY EQUIPMENT & VEHICLES**

Vehicle Type	Vehicle #	Year	Ideal Replacement	Total Cost*	Town Cost**	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	Future Years
Grader	04-1	2005	20 yrs									FY25
Backhoe	08-2	2004	20 yrs	\$40,000	\$40,000							FY24
Freight 2017	08-1	2017	7 yrs	\$150,892	\$166,459	\$62,172						FY25
Low Pro 2017	09-1	2017	8 yrs	\$95,000	\$98,325	\$26,298						FY26
Tandem Int 7600	10-1	2010	7 yrs	\$141,187	\$158,563		\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000			FY28
Pick Up		2016	6 yrs	\$37,500	\$37,500				\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	FY22
Large Truck Frt 114SD	13-4	2013	7 yrs	\$140,000	\$160,000			\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000		FY21
Loader	03-1	2016	11 yrs	\$80,000	\$82,500	\$21,568	\$21,568			\$60,000	\$60,000	FY30
Mack CV712	06-6	2006	7 yrs									
Tandem Fre 2015	15-7	2015	7 yrs	\$180,231	\$190,800	\$38,160						FY23
Pick Up			7yrs			\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000				
<b>FY Total</b>						\$158,198	\$96,568	\$110,000	\$112,000	\$107,000	\$72,000	
<b>Capital Fund Carryover</b>						\$64,970	\$13,772	\$27,204	\$27,204	\$25,204	\$28,204	
<b>GF Capital Funds</b>						\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	
<b>Total Funds Available</b>						\$174,970	\$123,772	\$137,204	\$137,204	\$135,204	\$138,204	
<b>Use of Reserve Funds</b>						\$51,198	-\$13,432	\$0	\$2,000	-\$3,000	-\$66,204	
<b>Reserve Fund Net</b>						\$13,772	\$27,204	\$27,204	\$25,204	\$28,204	\$94,408	

TOWN OF JERICHO

Special Revenue Funds

Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Beginning Fund Balance 7/1/2017	Transfers From General Fund	Transfer in of Library Fund	Charges for Services	Interest Revenue	Interest Income	Expenditures	Withdrawals	Ending Fund Balance 6/30/2018
<b>Reserve Accounts:</b>									
Sidewalk & Paths	\$ 26,295	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,337
Preservation	139,779	-	-	-	-	224	-	-	140,003
Equipment	103,002	-	-	-	-	166	-	(38,198)	64,970
Reappraisal	83,122	17,850	-	-	-	131	-	-	101,103
Bridge Replacement	209,189	-	-	-	-	338	-	-	209,527
Open Space	56,598	-	-	8,609	-	104	-	-	65,311
Stormwater	20,343	-	-	-	-	33	-	-	20,376
Road Upgrade	190,163	-	-	-	-	307	-	(75,000)	115,470
Buildings and Property	32,583	-	-	-	-	53	-	-	32,636
Capital Projects	26,908	-	-	-	-	43	-	-	26,951
	<u>887,982</u>	<u>17,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,609</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(113,198)</u>	<u>802,684</u>
<b>Town Impact Fees:</b>									
Road Impact	175,681	-	-	29,151	-	317	-	-	205,149
Recreational	14,154	-	-	2,400	-	26	-	-	16,580
	<u>189,835</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,551</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>221,729</u>
<b>Expendable Trusts:</b>									
Bentley Cemetery Fund	2,707	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	2,714
Maude Brown Fund	3,943	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	3,953
Stevens Fund	16,379	-	-	-	-	49	-	-	16,428
	<u>23,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,095</u>
<b>Agency Funds:</b>									
Development Escrow	6,858	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	6,869
Jericho Town Library Fund	-	16,100	18,129	-	16,171	-	(18,921)	-	31,479
	<u>6,858</u>	<u>16,100</u>	<u>18,129</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,171</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>(18,921)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,348</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<u>\$ 1,107,704</u>	<u>\$ 33,950</u>	<u>\$ 18,129</u>	<u>\$ 40,160</u>	<u>\$ 16,171</u>	<u>\$ 1,861</u>	<u>\$ (18,921)</u>	<u>\$ (113,198)</u>	<u>\$ 1,085,856</u>

# SELECTBOARD REPORT

## **FINANCES**

According to the Town's FY18 audit, the cost of the Town's programs was \$3,316,799 as compared to the FY17 cost of \$3,210,699. The fiscal year also concluded with revenues exceeding expenditures by \$148,607. That excess increased the town's unassigned fund balance to \$827,477. The net position (total assets less total liabilities) increased by \$3234,165 or approximately 2.78% as a result of the past year's operations from \$8,428,334 to \$8,662,499. Of the Town's total net position, \$6,907,066 is invested in capital assets, net of debt, and \$517,409 is in restricted assets while \$1,238,024 is in unrestricted assets.

## **PROPOSED BUDGET**

The proposed FY20 budget of \$4,158,004 is a decrease in total spending of \$160,176 compared to FY19. On the revenue side, the amount raised by taxes is increasing by \$127,112 due a reduction in grant revenues as compared to last year.

Major projects included in the budget are: Paving (line 111) and construction of sidewalk between Pratt Road and Ethan Allen Road along Browns Trace (line 147).

## **PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION**

Lisa Buckton was hired as an Assistant Town Clerk and Jericho Center Library Director. Roger Miller, a long time highway employee was promoted to Road Foreman.

## **HIGHWAYS**

A study of the Route 117 and Skunk Hollow Road intersection was completed. Due to that study, ledge removal will likely be included in the State's Route 117 project in the summer of 2019 to improve sight distance to the north for vehicles turning on to Route 117 from Skunk Hollow. The Raceway Culvert replacement project was completed. The installation of a stormwater infiltration basin on the town owned Packard Road lot was also completed.

## **SIDEWALKS & PATHS**

The Riverside Route 15 crossing project was completed which included installing two marked crosswalks with rectangular rapid flashing beacons, narrowing Route 15 by Jolley, tightening the turn radius onto River Road from Route 15 and installing seven decorative street lights. Design of a sidewalk linking Sunnyview Drive to Route 15 along Lee River Road began.

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Jericho's Conservation Commission has promoted our community's interests in preserving ecologically significant habitat for thirty years! In order to better serve town governance with decision making regarding the stewardship of all the natural features of both public and private lands, the JCC developed four main objectives:

- To help citizens of all ages find value in Jericho's working landscape and connect with the natural world
- To focus community awareness of watershed health, habitat connectivity, and biodiversity in the context of a shifting climate and the economics of housing development and creating business opportunity
- To maintain reliable inventories of Jericho's resources for use in town planning that will ensure the conservation of the town's vibrant ecosystems for its citizens
- To provide the Selectboard, Planning Commission and town staff with reliable feedback in developing dynamic conservation policies

The commission has up to nine volunteer members appointed by the Selectboard with a rotating set of 3-year terms and a yearly budget that is supplemented via grant awards (both private and public). Continued cooperation with other town boards, schools, local landowners, professional consultants, and neighboring towns' conservation commissions is essential in carrying on our mission. With our diverse ecological and natural resource experience, we are dedicated to improving interactions among community members and the natural systems around us. Recent activities can be reviewed via the link at [www.jerichovt.gov](http://www.jerichovt.gov). Public involvement in drafting a revised natural resource overlay district and community education constituted the majority of our effort in the past twelve months:

- Actively participated in DRB hearings involving natural resource considerations
- Partnered with town volunteers to help make GreenUp Day a rewarding success
- Hosted the 2018 version of "Natural Places of Jericho" series; which included our dedication of the Phyllis Gray Memorial Bench at Mobbs Park, two spring workshops on invasive plant identification and control measures, and more tree rehabilitation work at the Jericho Center Green as the next stage of a "Make the Green Great Again" project
- Cooperated with Jericho's Planning Commission on improving subdivision regulations relative to natural resource protection based upon more reliable inventories in concert with local landowners' feedback
- Implemented a grant from the New England Wildflower Society (NEWS) to construct a showcase insect pollinator garden at the Jericho Center Green and sponsored an accompanying lecture by NEWS staff members on plants native to our region and the corresponding biodiversity of insects that are sustained
- Followed up on the 2016 Mini Canopy Grant that included replacement of a diseased spruce tree at the Jericho Center Green by maintaining a watering regime for the disease resistant Norway Spruce sapling

Planned activities in 2019:

1. Sponsor Natural Places of Jericho to help encourage deeper connections between the community and the natural systems within the town—possible options include a geology field trip, a nature hike to South Mountain/Bald Hill area of the Ethan Allen Range, a flyfishing workshop along Browns River, and a Discover Moths evening at one of our local parks
2. Assist Planning Commission and Zoning Office in implementing the use of a revised Natural Resource Overlay District
3. Enlist volunteers to assist in local invasive plant removal efforts, GreenUp activities and restoration projects in natural areas in Jericho
4. Host additional insect pollinator workshop(s) to support residents' interest in establishing and maintaining their own native plant gardens

Monthly meetings are always open to the public and new members are welcome. Be our guest at 7 PM every 4th Wednesday at Jericho Center Town Library. Current members are: Ann Kroll Lerner, Laura Vallett, Karina Dailley, Allaire Diamond, Peter Gray, Tucker Shaw, and Tom Baribault (chair). Feel free to contact any of us with your questions or comments. Transitions: we thank retired member Mary Neighbours for her many years of enthusiastic service and the amazing flow of energy from guest colleague Sabina Ernst who has been a frequent contributor to our recent projects. Sincere thanks to all donors to the Phyllis Gray Commemorative Bench project. Also a shout out to the Mobbs Committee, the Trails Committee, The Jericho Community Center, the Jericho Underhill Land Trust, and the Town Library for all of their help in bringing this year's projects to fruition.

## DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD REPORT

The purpose of the Development Review Board (DRB) is to review proposed land use changes to see that they conform to the subdivision and land use regulations. The regulations are developed by the Planning Commission and Town Planner, then adopted by the Selectboard or by referendum. The Zoning Administrator administers the regulations. For some applications, such as subdivisions or conditional use approval, the regulations refer the application for review by the DRB.

The DRB is a group of volunteers appointed by the Selectboard. For 2019, the DRB will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, if there are any applications to review. In addition we meet at least annually in joint session with the Planning Commission to work on improving our processes, and on improvements to the structure, organization or drafting of the regulations. In Calendar year 2018, the DRB held 17 hearings, reviewing more than 25 applications ranging from simple conditional use review to complex subdivision plans.

I am often asked how the public can stay informed of DRB hearings. When an application that requires a DRB hearing is processed, the application materials are on the Town website. In addition to the legally required notices to neighbors, the Zoning Administrator always publishes the formal notice in local papers, including the Mountain Gazette, and posts them on public bulletin boards such as at the Post Office, libraries, and general stores around town. Every public hearing includes an opportunity for public comment on the application. If you would like to see the agendas for upcoming meetings, or the minutes of past meetings, you can find them on the town web site. Go to [www.jerichovt.gov](http://www.jerichovt.gov), click on the "Boards & Commissions" heading, then click on "Development Review Board". The materials for each hearing are listed by hearing date. Also, on the home page at [www.jerichovt.gov](http://www.jerichovt.gov), you can subscribe to email updates for any of the town boards and committees so they are sent to you automatically. To get the DRB agendas and minutes, just check the "Development Review Board" checkbox when you sign up. Mount Mansfield Cable TV (public access channel 15) usually records our meetings, so if you have cable TV, you can watch the past hearings on public access TV. You can also see them online on MMCTV's channels. We post a link to the videos on the DRB page on the town website. The Zoning Administrator is the Town staff person who assists the Board and applicants in the hearing process. If you have questions on an upcoming hearing that are not answered by the materials posted on the website, the Zoning Administrator is the person to contact. The Zoning Administrator is also the person to contact for other questions about land use planning or development review. To contact the Zoning Administrator, on the Town website, click the "Departments" heading, then click on "Planning + Zoning Office", or call the Town office. As Chair, I'd like to say thank you to Joe Flynn, Phyl Newbeck, Jeff York, and Bruce Jacobs for their faithful service, contributing their talents to the work of the DRB.

Barry King

Chair, Jericho Development Review Board  
November, 2018

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## JERICHO FOOD SHELF REPORT

The EJU Ecumenical food shelf was started in 1983 by 7 local churches and expanded to 11 churches over the years. People who come to our distribution are from Essex, Jericho and Underhill (about 2/3) as well as from surrounding towns. We are open on the 3rd Saturday of the month and last year served an average of 54 families each month. We are a 100% voluntary organization and we receive 10% of our monetary donations from the towns of Essex, Jericho and Underhill and 90% from individuals, churches and civic organizations.

In addition to providing food to those in need, we also are a source of emergency aid to families who find themselves short on rent, utilities, and other basic needs. We work in conjunction with other charitable organizations to help people remain in their homes.

## JERICHO CEMETERY COMMISSION REPORT

The Cemetery Commissioners held publicly warned cemetery commission meetings in 2018.

The Commission worked with Bianchi Stone Crafters of Essex Junction to clean, repair and improve over one hundred monuments. Fifteen required extensive repairs and six were replaced to preserved the names and dates. This significant work was required due to natural damage by moss and growth on the stones. The historic names and dates of Jericho founding families are now presentable

We are grateful to Cedric Alexander and Bill Strang. as teenagers long ago, they created a Castle Cemetery monument inventory. This information facilitated creation of replacement stones that deteriorated from age or became broken.

Lowrey Cemetery has been reviewed. The cemetery has many over grown trees and shrubs. The cemetery has many broken and damaged monuments in need of repair. Also there may be missing monuments covered with soil. A site wide probe survey may address the condition. A contractor has been hired to make monument cleaning and repairs. He should provide initial work this winter that will continue into next year,

The Town Cemetery Commission lost one of its most active members, Brooks Buxton, this year. Therefore we need an interested resident to join efforts to preserve Town Cemeteries.

The Cemetery Commission looks to provide interest, support, and participation in maintaining these historic Town of Jericho cemeteries. The cemeteries contain the persons that were original Jericho settlers and founders. Any of your suggestions or comments would be most welcome.

Bert Lindholm

Stuart Alexander

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## JERICHO CENTER CEMETERY REPORT

### Roadway Improvement and Repairs:

Major excavation repair of the upper roadway and hillside was provided by Jim Bedell.

Three large tree stumps were removed, trees and bushes were cut and removed, the ground was cleared and grass seeded. The large dirt pile was spread adjacent to the center wall and grass was seeded.

This work makes the circle roadway area clear and presentable for all visitors.

**Lawn Mowing:** The contract coordinated between cemetery and Town was continued this year. This is the major annual cemetery expense. Due to dry summer weather the grass was always nicely mowed.

The contractor provided satisfactory spring cleanup and summer mowing. We look for him to continue next year.

Peter Davis completed tree trimming and clearing of over grown trees in coordination with the excavation work provided by Jim Bedell. Many thanks to Peter and Jim for their effort and support.

Two markers installed to replace monuments that were no longer legible due to weather damage.

At this time Dave Tillotson has resigned. We would appreciate a new member to join our Board.

As volunteer time, and donations permit, the Association continues to provide cemetery improvements.

Many, many THANKS go out to everyone for their continued interest, support and participation in the cemetery. Please let us know of your suggestions or comments.

Cordially yours,

Bert Lindholm

for the J.C.C.A Board of Trustees:

Jim Adams

Stuart Alexander

Mary Jane Dickerson

Wayne Ellis

Isabella Martin

Terry Hook

## JERICO CENTER PRESERVATION REPORT

The Community Center in Jericho provides Jericho and its neighboring towns with an historic setting in which residents gather, learn, play and are entertained. It enhances the sense of community among the people who live here – that feeling of belonging to, caring about and enjoying our wonderful community.

It has been an active and fun year at the Community Center! Many regular gatherings and meetings were held including but not limited to the following: dance, yoga, zumba and taekwondo classes, Land Trust meetings, birthday parties, wedding and baby showers, watercolor classes and cribbage afternoons. Other great events were also held in the Community Center, including the annual Green Up Day Breakfast, community potluck dinners, Jericho Center Preservation Association meetings and presentations, a Holiday Cookie Sale, the annual Jericho Artisan Market and the ever popular Plein Air Festival events. Two large scale events - with the Pet Parade drawing in more crowds this year and the garden tour selling more tickets than ever before!

The Community Center was freshly painted this year thanks to New Life Crew.

On a sad note, our dear and dedicated friend to the Community Center, Brooks Buxton, passed away this year. He will be sorely missed by the members of the Jericho Community. Our annual calendar for 2018 featured artwork from Brooks' incredible collections.

We invite any and all members of our community to join us in planning community building events throughout the year!

Contact Us: The Community Center has an active online presence with an increasingly popular facebook page as well as a website [www.CommunityCenterinJericho.com](http://www.CommunityCenterinJericho.com). To schedule use of the Community Center or to find out about upcoming meetings of the Community Center Board, please call Andrea Hook at 899-2366 or email Andrea at [AndreaHook@aol.com](mailto:AndreaHook@aol.com).

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## BROWNS RIVER LITTLE LEAGUE REPORT

formerly known as Jericho Youth League

Thank you to the Town of Jericho for continuing to support the Jericho Youth League baseball program. 2018 was yet another great year for the Jericho Youth League (JYL) baseball program. Over 180 players participated in the town league plus we had an additional 17 girls combine with the Richmond softball league. The league continued increasing our inter-town play for both baseball and softball leagues including the farm division. Three baseball divisions represented Jericho in the District 3 all-star tournament with our ages 9-10 year team winning the state tournament and representing VT at the regional tournament.

This year also brought further facility enhancements with the help of a few corporate sponsors and many, great local volunteers. Jericho Youth League continues to make further upgrades to the fields with more planned in 2019. The league finalized the build of a new press box, continued material additions to all three of the fields at Jericho Elementary School (JES) and completed further work on the snack shack. Coordinating with JES we also plan to add a portable fence in the next few years. Other notable items include JYL being one of 65% of the VT leagues to pass and exceed the safety standards set forth by Little League International, hosting umpire and coach's clinics during the year, and providing umpires for district and state championships. In 2018, we hosted a District 3 baseball tournament in Jericho; a big step for the program based on field conditions and our volunteer base. We hope to again host the regional tournament which will bring more exposure and people to the Jericho area. Lastly, we continue to enhance the league website which can be found at [www.brownsriverlittleleague.org](http://www.brownsriverlittleleague.org). We believe the commitment to moving the program forward and creating a positive environment for all players is what has led to the continued success of the league.

Per capita Jericho continues to have the largest player participation in the region, much in part due to the support of our town and amazing volunteers. In addition, 2018 had the highest number of recorded "scholarships" yielded by the league to players in need of financial and equipment assistance; this is truly one of the direct benefits from the aid given by the town which allows all children wanting to participate the opportunity.

The league would again like to thank the town for their continued support of the Jericho Youth League baseball program. If you have any questions or comments please contact Sean Luitjens at 899-3648 or [sean.luitjens@gmail.com](mailto:sean.luitjens@gmail.com)

# JERICHO ENERGY TASK FORCE REPORT

The current Task Force members are Stuart Alexander, Eric Bishop, Larry Lamb, Catherine McMains ( chair), Phyl Newbeck ( secretary), Roger Putzel, Reed Sims, Ceilidh Peden-Spear, and Kathie Voight Walsh. The JETF meets in the Jericho Town Hall on the third Monday of the month at 7pm. As a task force, we are project oriented; anyone can join to help with a specific topic or project. We encourage new people with energy ideas to come to our meetings.

To start the year, the Task Force had a presentation on using the Community Energy Dashboard. The Public Service Board inputs information on solar within the Town. The State has goals to reduce energy consumption from heating, electricity and transportation with targets for communities. The challenge is to encourage individuals to input their means of reducing energy consumption, such as driving an EV (electric vehicle), using geothermal heat to weatherizing the home.

We saw a presentation on solar installations which included a discussion of sites preferred by the Public Utilities Commission such as brownfields, parking lots and parking structures, capped landfills and gravel pits.

We had another successful winter movie and lecture series with discussions after each. The Task Force showed "An Inconvenient Sequel". This is now available in the Town Library. Roger Hill gave a talk on weather and climate change with many graphs and charts showing temperature changes over time. The other movie was "Merchants of Doubt". There was also a commuter biking workshop in cooperation with Local Motion.

Although a cold winter with tales of frozen pipes, there was only one photo submitted for the icicle contest at Town Meeting. It was worthy of a free energy audit.

The JETF in coordination with the Town completed the VLCT (Vermont League of Cities and Towns) survey of Municipal Energy Needs and Usage. The biggest challenge discussed as a Town is getting homes weatherized or even knowing who has weatherized. A suggestion was made to use a highly visible thermometer to show where we currently know we are and where we need to be.

Future ideas discussed include expanding the Harvest Market EV event to participate in the parade, participation in Button Up events including a financing workshop , working with the CCRPC ( Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission) to improve the energy section of the Town Plan to give the Town substantial deference at Act 248 hearings and continuing the winter movie/ lecture series.

**JERICHO  
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## JERICHO FARMERS MARKET REPORT

The Jericho Farmers Market has a multi-part mission; to serve as a family friendly community gathering space, to support local farmers and artisans, and to ensure that all residents of Jericho have access to fresh, local, food. We have a number of programs which help to make the Market a community gathering spot, including Music at the Market and the POP (Power of Produce) Club, which hosts free weekly activities for kids 6-12. In the 2018 Season, this program served over 200 local children. This program's simple but powerful concept is to combine nutrition education with allowing children to make their own buying decisions. Each week, participating students complete educational activities, and then are given coupons to purchase fresh fruits & vegetables of their choice from our vendors. Choice is a major motivator in children's behavior, and the ability to choose fresh and healthy food from the market helps to build the habits of healthy eating from an early age.

Another major goal of the Farmers' Market is to fill the community need for a direct sales outlet for local farmers and as an incubator for local businesses. Through our wonderful community of vendors, the Jericho Farmers' Market brought almost \$80,000 into our local economy, with over 25% of that going directly into the agricultural sector. As well as supporting the local economy, the opportunity to buy directly from farmers and artisans creates connections between producers and consumers which strengthen our community as a whole.

The Farmers' Market also has a goal of ensuring that all members of the local community are able to access fresh, local food at the market. As part of this goal, we work to support food insecure residents by offering the option to use SNAP benefits at the market. In addition, we are able to offer a doubling program for SNAP benefits, meaning that for every dollar of federal benefits used, our customers can buy two dollars worth of Market products. As well as expanding access to all Jericho families, this program brought over \$1,000 in federal food assistance money to our local economy.

Like so many local organizations, the Jericho Farmers Market relies upon volunteers to keep the market running. As well as all our amazing vendors, a special thanks goes out to community members John Koier, Susan Adams, and Amy Golodetz for their help this season! If you are interested in our mission and want to find out more about volunteering with us, please contact the Market Manager, Elizabeth King at [jerichofarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:jerichofarmersmarket@gmail.com).

Submitted by: Elizabeth King, Jericho Farmers' Market Manager



# JERICHOW TOWN LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT

## JERICHOW TOWN LIBRARY

2017-2018

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## 2017-2018 HIGHLIGHTS

### MISSION

To offer free access to books, programs, and other educational resources to promote cultural awareness and lifelong learning with an emphasis on early literacy for children. The library will provide a welcoming atmosphere that inspires all people in the area it serves to learn, grow, and become better citizens.

### COLLECTIONS & CIRCULATION

JTL has more than 7,800 items in its collection, as well as downloadable e-books and audio books via the Green Mountain Library Consortium. The library continues to expand its collection in unique ways, including its Library of Things, Seed Library, and museum & activity passes. In the last year JTL has focused on diversifying and balancing its collection. With thanks to a grant from the Children's Literary Foundation (CLIF) we have greatly expanded our picture book and children's collection. In the last fiscal year, JTL circulated more than 5,000 items.

### COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

JTL facilitated a variety of dynamic programming for patrons of all ages, including: book groups, film showings, environmentally & sustainability focused lectures, writing circles, hand-crafting circles, homeschool gatherings, LEGO club, story times, baby & toddler yoga, music and movement for little ones, drag queen story hour, and more!

JTL proudly worked in collaboration with the Jericho Elementary School, Children's Literacy Foundation, Transition Town Jericho, Jericho Center Country Store, Chittenden County Waste District, Jericho Conservation Commission, Green Up Vermont, Our Community Cares Camp, Therapy Dogs of Vermont, Sundog Poetry Center Inc., Eagle Scout Troop 627, and the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library.

### LOOKING FORWARD

2019 is bringing many great changes to the Jericho Town Library! Due to the generosity of a Kelly King Memoriam and collaboration with Eagle Scout Troop 627, we are expanding our children's area, updating the young adult area, and renovating our inter-generational programming space. The renovation will include a pollinator-themed mural installed by Jericho's very own Mary Lacy.

"The public library is where place and possibility meet."

—Stuart Dybek

# JERICHO UNDERHILL LIBRARY DISTRICT REPORT

## Library Statistics and information:

The Deborah Rawson Memorial library had 28,651 people visited the library this past year. 59,989 items were checked out. The library's programs continue to be well attended! Some of the more popular programs for adults include movie nights, Tai Chi and Mah Jongg. For the Youth story hour, afterschool movies and legos are a hit! Our teens are enjoying movie nights with pizza and Magic the gathering evenings. There were 162 programs for youth and 210 programs for adults. The library continues to provide books to the XYZ Senior Luncheon as well as the Jeri-Hill Apartments thanks to the volunteer efforts of Nancy Craig. Homebound delivery is available if you physically are unable to come to the library. Just call to request a visit.

Currently the library has 25,955 items that include books, magazine subscriptions, DVDs, Books on CD and Music CDs. Downloadable audiobooks and ebooks are also available using our website and a current library card.

Sign up to receive our newsletter to see what is happening at the library. You can sign up for it on our website [www.drml.org](http://www.drml.org)

If we don't have what you are looking for we are happy to borrow it from another library for you either from another library in Vermont or out of state. Call the library for more details or with questions. 899-4962.

No computer at home or your printer is not working? Stop by and use ours! We have six desktop computers available for anyone to use. Our staff is always available to assist you. WiFi is available 24/7 with no password needed. We also have a fax machine, a copier and a scanner available to use for a small fee.

If your power is out at home please come to the library! We almost always have power. It is a warm pleasant place to work or just relax.

Our Master Gardeners and volunteers again delivered to the Jericho Underhill food shelf and Jeri-Hill Apartments produce from the library gardens. This past year the theme of the garden was Emily Dickinson. Be sure to ask in the spring what the new theme is.

New this year the library in cooperation with Mills Riverside Park had a self-guided poetry walk in the park. It was a wonderful success and we look forward to putting up a new walk in the spring!

The library hours are Tues. and Thurs. 12-8, Wed. and Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-2 and Sun. 1-4 (Sept through May). The library is closed on Mondays.

Board of Trustees report by Joann Osborne, Chair

Part of a Trustees job is to advocate for the library. This past year our focus shifted on this task. How do we go about this? Our specific goal has been to spread the WORD/message in the local community. And our objective was to identify ways and then tap the means of getting accomplished.

First we had to identify how we personally connected with people in our town. Each trustee made a list of the groups they participated in due to interests and individual talents. Then we dug deeper and asked ourselves how else did we use or time to meet different neighbors? What groups did other family members participate in that through that connection we also engaged more contact local citizens?

Next was to identify the resources available in the community to help us make this connection function.

This broad topic needed to be explored, ways named and specifics personalized. Previously Front Porch Forum, Clark's digital community sign on Rt 15, fliers placed on local business bulletin boards, and the library web site/newsletter have been used. All of these resources will continue, but they aren't enough.

This year we tried to focus on spreading the word through individual people or groups of people. We have chosen to live in small communities. We decided to use the small town connections available to us. Each trustee renewed their knowledge about current programming as well as activities of the past.

For example did you know that for a number of summers the children's programming has been a joint project between the two local libraries: Jericho Town and the Deborah Rawson Memorial? The type of involvement varies from year to year but that long standing connection is there. So instead of competing with each other we take the higher road of support.

We hope to continue the home town approach by slipping information into our daily conversations.

There are nine trustees on the board serving from Underhill and Jericho. I hope that you have been a beneficiary of some of these tidbits through conversations with: Elizabeth Lehr, Bill McMains, Sue Vaughn & Sven Lindholm from Jericho and Connie Gallagher, Kristie Kapusta, Laura Wolf, & Carolyn Greene from Underhill. If not we sincerely hope to meet you soon.

Finally, what is that WORD/message?

The ongoing message we want to spread is the amazing resources that our library has available both when open to the general public and when it is not. Talk to you soon.

# JERICHO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT REPORT

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## Jericho Underhill Park District Annual Report 2018

Nineteen years ago the Jericho Underhill Land Trust shared a vision with landowner Grace Mills to purchase 216 scenic acres and to create a community park. This park was to be named Mills Riverside Park in tribute to the family and its historic location. Thanks to an outpouring of community support, this vision became a reality. Today, an average of 400 visitors cross the rustic covered bridge each day, many from neighboring towns. The Jericho Underhill Land Trust permanently conserved this extraordinary land and transferred ownership to the newly formed Jericho Underhill Park District in the year 2000.

As the popularity of Mills Riverside Park grows, so do the challenges of managing the many recreational opportunities available while protecting the sensitive wildlife habitats. The Park District has spent the last several years focusing on restoring and improving our six-mile trail system. The hillside's clay soils coupled with water seepages and heavy use have eroded and degraded the Fieldstone Loops in particular. Over \$25,000 was spent last fall to hire Timber and Stone LLC to regrade, add culverts and gravel to the West Fieldstone Loop. We expect to continue this work next year as our budget allows. The Park District has applied for state grant funding through the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation in hopes of offsetting this cost. We apply annually for this very competitive grant funding with some success. Another area of interest includes our playing fields. We have asked the coaches of the athletic teams that frequent the park to give us feedback on the condition of the fields with an eye to filling in low spots and aeration. Other management activities include removing silt from the settlement area that gathers stream water that feeds our acre-sized pond. Bi-weekly doggie bag removal is a year round affair with the park dispensing 20,000 bags a year. Keeping the trails open by cutting downed trees was especially difficult with the windstorm of 2018 when over 20 trees lay diagonally across the East Fieldstone Loop.

Volunteer help is always appreciated and we want to especially acknowledge the Lions Club for adding a sealant to our pavilion floor to end the slipping when wet. We also want to thank Boy Scout Troop 627, and the many work parties from our high school and the community that contributed many hours of help. Thank you!

Besides the active land management of Mills Riverside Park, the Park District is pleased to host the Jericho Farmers' Market every Thursday afternoon starting in June. The Summer Concert Series has also proven to be extremely popular with lively music and picnicking on the lawn. The warmer months bring reservations of the pavilion for family celebrations and other occasions. The Park District is always interested in feedback as to other community building events for the park.

The Jericho Underhill Park District meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday of every month. We meet at the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library's project room and all meetings are open to the public. Please join us! We are eager to listen to your ideas along with any comments. You can also contribute by e-mailing us at [jupdistrict@gmail.com](mailto:jupdistrict@gmail.com). More information about Mills Riverside Park can be found on our website at [www.millsriverside.park.org](http://www.millsriverside.park.org) and on our Facebook page. Take a look!

The Jericho Underhill Park District Board of Trustees is comprised of seven hardworking members with a sincere interest in the park. Sadly, long time board members Paul Noel and Andy French stepped down due to relocation and a growing family. However we are pleased to welcome our newest board members, Dave Williamson and Suzanne Graham.

Livy Strong	Chairperson	Judie Jones	(Field scheduling)
Marie Lynch	Vice-Chair	Dave Williamson	(Land stewardship)
James Massingham	Secretary	Suzanne Graham	(Publicity)
Carol Smith	Treasurer		

# JERICHO-UNDERHILL WATER DISTRICT REPORT

Annual Report  
Board of Trustees  
Jericho-Underhill Water District  
P.O. Box 174  
Underhill, Vermont 05489

October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018

The Board of Trustees would like to thank Jane Maheux, Treasurer and Clerk of the JUWD, for her dedicated service to the Board since 2002. She will not be seeking reelection for the 2019 fiscal year. We thank her for the time spent answering calls, re-cording minutes of meetings, maintaining files and accounts payable and receivable, along with preparing and collecting payments for quarterly water bills. She has been a true asset to our functioning JUWD. Thank you, Jane.

Long time moderator, Bill Frank served as Moderator for the 2017 Annual Meeting. The Board consisted of Joseph P. O'Brien, President, Jason P. Ritter, Trustee and Stephen Jennings, Trustee. Jane Maheux served as Clerk and Treasurer and the assistant Clerk was Jason Ritter. Meter Reader and Collector was Dwight DeCoster, and the Auditors were Vicki Milton, Harland Blodgett, and Bill VanDeVenter. Marc Maheux performed the duties of Chief Operator and was assisted by Assistant Operator Michael R. Willard. Helen Miller was our local water tester. The Board wishes to thank everyone for their work this past year.

The Jericho-Underhill Water District provided drinking water and fire hydrant access to 324 residential and business connections representing about 900 people within the District. During the past year drinking water supplied to the District averaged about 42,000 gallons per day. Water delivered to District customers this year was of high quality and adequate quantity and met all state and federal requirements.

Listed below are some highlights of the past year:

- Our staff continued identifying all roadside curb stops so that we could have all locations mark by GPS technology as part of the Drinking Water Asset Management Grant that we received. Mapping of all assets will be completed throughout the year and all data will be digitalized.
- Both storage tanks were inspected exteriorly and interiorly with very good results. Very little silt and a small amount of pitting inside was observed.
- Flushing of the entire system took place twice, once in November and again in May.
- The JUWD changed accountants as Richard Wheatly retired and we hired La-vallee and Co. to take over for Rick. We thank Rick for his work of the past number of years.
- A solar electric supply and remote monitoring system was install at the Maple Ridge cistern and paid for from our capital improvement fund.
- The Board approved the installation of Variable Frequency Drives (VFD) for the well pumps. These were install by Champlin Associates and paid for from the capital improvement fund.
- Weekly testing along with yearly testing for lead and copper were completed. Results for all testing were very good with all levels well below state and federal requirements.
- We were fortunate over the winter to have just one minor leak on a service line on Palmer Lane that was repaired thanks to the work of Wayne Russin Construction.
- The Board appreciates the work of Robert Hill for winter plowing and Andy Foresburg for mowing and trimming work at our properties.
- The Board began working with G.W. Tatro who purchased the mill site and has plans for development. The first business site will be a Union Bank and the Board is working with Hamlin Engineering on the water infrastructure for future development.
- Our Consumer Confidence Report was distributed to all customers either electronically or hand delivered and our Source Protect Plan was updated and approved.
- The District plans to repair some of our older hydrants that do not function at 100%. Work to be completed will be to make for easier operation.
- The Board adopted a budget for the 2019 FY with a 5% increase in rates. Our Fiscal Year runs from November 2018 through September 2019 with rates changing at the first billing quarter of the FY.

Joseph P. O'Brien, President  
Jason Ritter, Trustee  
Stephen Jennings, Trustee

## LISTERS' REPORT

2018 has been a busy year. Jericho has seen several new homes built, as well as many existing properties sold. Houses are selling in record time, decreasing the days on the market, many with multiple offers. According to market statistics locally, we are seeing approximately a 10% increase in sale prices and a 19% increase in size, indicating that buyers are purchasing larger homes. There still seems to be a shortage of properties, which has a significant impact on price and speed at which properties are selling.

The listers have received many new permits this year and will be out throughout the year verifying, updating information, etc. If you have an outstanding permit that requires an "interior" inspection, we would appreciate it if you would call 802-899-2640 ext 106 or email us at [listers@jerichovt.gov](mailto:listers@jerichovt.gov) to set up an appointment once the work is complete. Not all properties require an interior inspection; for those that do not, the listers will leave a notice at your door if they have been to your property.

The Lister's Office is open Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to 1 PM or by appointment. If you have a question, want to review your record, or just stop by and say "HI" please do. The Lister's Office continues to be a resource to the community and is a wealth of information.

Lori Dykema-Lister  
P. Andrew Levi-Lister

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## PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

In 2018 we were sad to announce the departure of Planning Commission stalwart Samantha Dunn. In 2018 we are pleased to announce the additions of Christian Brown and Sarah MacLeod to the Planning Commission.

In 2017 the PC made a concerted effort to be accessible and 'hear' the public, in 2018 we aimed to continue that effort and broaden the approach by engaging in and with other government entities in Jericho. Liaison, was the term, each member of the PC has been charged with following, meeting with and engaging with other commissions of groups of Jericho to facilitate better communication and understanding among the various chapters of our town. An early success might be meeting with the Trails Committee and learning of their needs for help from the DRB. Meeting with the DRB helped the PC to learn that some edits were required in the zoning regulations. In the end edits were made that help support the Town Plan.

Another success might be engaging with the Conservation Committee in developing the revised Natural Resources Overlay. What might typically be considered a controversial topic in the past, today can be considered a model of how to engage with the public and with contemporary commissions. Multiple iterations were required, but in the end, the process of engaging with all interested parties and trying to balance all concerns paid dividends, not just for the interested parties through the process, but for the Town as a whole when steps are being taken to preserve and protect what makes Jericho so unique and desirable to begin with.

In 2018 the PC was awarded a second Municipal Planning Grant to focus on the Master Plan and updated regulations for the Commercial District. The project began in July of 2018 with an expected end date of October 2019.

**During the fall of 2018, the Town signed on to a new website platform called "www.joinin.jerichovt.org." This is the Town's new website and is geared toward not just providing town department and board information but also engaging the public over multiple platforms. The PC is very excited about the opportunities join in Jericho offers for community engagement.**

Members of the Jericho Planning Commission attended educational events including a state sponsored planning workshop, and a workshop on regional economic development. We also learned about the Planning Commission's role as enabled by state statute and revised our operating procedures.

The Planning Commission meets on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 7 to 9 p.m. and we invite members of the public to come and provide input as we help shape Jericho's future. If you are unable to attend, you can watch the MMCTV videotapes of our meetings online or on television and on [joinin.jerichovt.org](http://joinin.jerichovt.org).

Susan Bresee (clerk), Christian Brown, Jason Cheney (chair), Erik Glitman, Conor Lahiff, Sarah Macleod and Wendy Verrei Berenback.

# MOBBS FARM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Mobbs Farm committee is a group of residents serving to manage the Town-owned 278-acre property. Committee members are appointed by the Selectboard on a rotating schedule. Anyone interested in serving may contact the committee (mobbscommittee@hotmail.com) or the Town Hall.

In 2018, the committee focused on trail improvements and clean-up of trees and debris from the devastating windstorms of October 29, 2017. New trails were constructed on the Hillside section of the property, in conjunction with the trail builders from Fellowship of the Wheel. More trail hardening and wet spot improvements will be pursued in 2018 and 2019, as well as updates to the trail maps.

The committee continues to research options to conserve the Mobbs Farm property to ensure that it remains open space, for future generations of Jericho residents.

Trail mowing was contracted to AKT Property; field brush hogging was contracted to All Seasons Property Maintenance. The fields are brush hogged (three sections) on a three-year rotating basis; the trails are mowed as needed. This year, the upper meadow section was mowed and invasive white pines and other species removed during the Fall Trail Maintenance Day that took place on Saturday, October 27th, 2018.

Fruit trees were fertilized and pruned in the Hillside Orchard section; these will provide (in a number of years) food for both residents and forest friends. Pear, Plum, and a variety of Apple trees are tended to by committee members and staff from Creative Landscaping, a Jericho business that was contracted to plant these fruit trees.

Numerous volunteers participated in our Spring and Fall workdays, at which a number of projects were undertaken. Many thanks to Jericho resident, Brian Stone, of the Garden of Eatin' for providing sandwiches and soup for the crew. A local Boy Scout troop as well as volunteers from the Green Mountain Valley School and Dealer.com assisted with trail maintenance this year, outside of established Spring and Fall workdays. Many thanks to our dedicated volunteers!

Parking problems at the Fitzsimonds Road parking area have been minimized with the installation of two new signs, directing overflow parking to the MOBBS FARM parking lot, located by the Town Garage, off of Browns Trace. A new sign directing traffic to that lot was installed at the end of Fitzsimonds Road in addition to the two signs posted in the parking area.

The committee maintains a Facebook page and a presence on the Town website, where meeting agendas and minutes are available. The Mobbs Farm Committee meets on the 4th Monday of every month, 7 pm, at the town hall.



Fall Trail Day Volunteers 2018



Committee Member, Terry Hook leads bridge repair crew

## SUMMER RECREATION REPORT

Jericho Summer camp opened another season on Monday, June 25th and completed the summer on Friday, August 3rd. Assistant Directors, Dakotah Patnode (older camp) and Madison Sanguinetti (younger camp) helped lead the camp under the direction of Lynn Wagner. Dakotah Patnode returned as the Assistant Director at the older camp. Her expertise with middle school aged children is beyond evident as she sets a positive environment filled with exciting activities throughout the day. Dakotah has built upon relationships from the previous summers and has made new relationships with new families that joined our camp family. Madison Sanguinetti returned as an experienced and beyond valued Assistant Director at the younger camp. Madison has an amazing smile and she makes superb connections with campers and families. Her personality is a perfect match for our camp. We are privileged to have Madison at our camp. Darcy Patnode and Victoria Rosales have joined our leadership team and help implement camp activities and makes connections with campers to make camp a positive place to be!

The camp served 264 campers this summer – 137 at Jericho Elementary Camp and 127 at Browns River. There were 15 CIT's (Counselor In Training) and 21 local counselors benefited from the summer program. Eleven campers received scholarships from local organizations, churches, community donors, and businesses which are coordinated by Janet Grant. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, please contact Janet Grant (899-5534) for further information.

Campers explored many different activities throughout the summer such as basketball, cooking class, scavenger hunts, floor hockey, volleyball, many creative arts & crafts projects, water activities, tag games, nature walk/activities, ball games, building, volleyball, lacrosse, kickball, the whimsical world of games, board games, computer, playdough, card games, dance and many more! The Jericho Elementary ventured on 6 different field trips: Get Air, Waterbury Reservoir with Kayaking from Umiak Kayaks, Majestic 10 (Hotel Transylvania), Smugglers Notch Fun Zone 2.0, Smugglers Notch Swimming Pools, Pizza Putt. Browns River Camp ventured on six field trips as well to: Lake Elmore with Paddleboarding, Jay Peak, Get Air, Smugglers Notch Swimming and Sparetime Bowling and Laser Tag.

The Jericho Elementary Camp offered an opportunity by Gym Kids Academy, Inc. this summer. The program taught the campers simple choreographed dance moves and cheers. Other programs such as Outdoor Laser tag (BRMS), Bouncy House (JES) and Supersounds (BRMS) were utilized this summer. These events are very popular.

For more information about the Recreation Program, please visit the Town of Jericho website at [www.jerichovt.gov](http://www.jerichovt.gov). This website will provide information such as counselor and counselor in training applications, an informational brochure, a registration form and newsletters that describe the daily activities and field trips that are offered. Please also feel free to email the camp director, Lynn Wagner at [lwagner@jerichovt.gov](mailto:lwagner@jerichovt.gov).

Lynn Wagner, Director of Jericho Summer Camp  
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# TOWN CLERK REPORT

## Jericho Town Clerk summary

**Elections:** On November 6, 2018 a total of 2,930 ballots were voted, representing 68% of the voter checklist.

**Vital Records:**

Births: 40

Deaths: 32, (12 within Jericho)

Civil Marriages: 27

**Dog Registration:**

There were 931 dogs registered in 2018, 10 unregistered (6 of these unregistered for more than 1 year). The 2019 tag is red, all dogs should be wearing their new 2019 tag by April 1. A copy of a valid rabies certificate needs to be on file in the Town Clerk Office in order for the new tag to be issued.

**Land Records:** There were 1173 documents recorded in 2018 which is slightly more than 2017. The 20 year average for the number of documents received for recording is 1,855, with the greatest number of documents received for recording in 2003 (3,231 documents).

The theme for the Town Tea was to recognize the cooks in the Jericho Schools. The Town Tea is held the second Sunday in January each year.

**Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday 8 to 4, Friday 8 to noon.

Contact: 67 Vermont Route 15  
PO Box 67  
Jericho, VT 05465  
jerichovermont@yahoo.com



Clerk Office Staff (L-R): Christina Thingvold-Dutcher, Jessica R. Alexander, Lisa M. Buckton & Sandra F. Tillotson

## TRAILS COMMITTEE

The JTC is an advisory committee that was formed to: maintain existing non-motorized public trails, educate neighbors regarding access and use and to work to create new public recreation trails for our neighbors in Jericho. Currently designated uses of non-motorized trails and pathways include: walking, running, skiing, biking, and horseback riding as terrain, infrastructure and landowner permission allow. The JTC has inventoried local trails & pathways and have catalogued designated uses. We have created a comprehensive, town wide, bicycle-pedestrian map in conjunction with Chittenden County Regional Planning (CCRPC) that is available on the Town of Jericho website.

In 2018, the JTC has continued to progress a number of projects and initiatives we believe will broaden recreational, non-motorized trail access for our neighbors.

- With pedestrian safety significantly improved with the addition of a raised crosswalk in Jericho Village in front of the Jericho General Store (now flatter) and flashing beacon crosswalks when entering village from E or W, we are happy to see the resulting impact on pedestrian safety in the past year.
- Construction of a parking area that will provide public access to the 1.3 mile river trail running parallel to the Winooski River is a top priority heading into 2019. We have submitted proposal for Outdoor Recreation grant from VT Forests, Parks and Recreation and are in discussion with the Winooski Valley Park District re: ways to collaborate on trail development and long term management.
- Our effort to create trail connectivity between the Kikus Farm Land Trust and the Barber Farm Land Trust, with a long-term goal of creating hiking & x-country ski trail connectivity across Barber Farm Rd to Mobbs Valley...continues. Completion of needed agreements, easements and trail mapping will be another top JTC priority for 2019.
- In 2019, we will work to secure grants and funding to confirm an alternative for extending bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure within Jericho Corners and for connecting the Western end of Lee River Rd. to existing Jericho Corners bike/ped infrastructure.
- Since the big blowdown and tree removal work completed in Jericho Town Forest early in 2018, the JTC will initiate effort to work with volunteers and adjacent landowners to reassess the trails that now exist, map and mark them. With project completion date slated for summer of 2019, the JTC will post signage and maps of the trails network at entry points to make designated trail use clear and navigation easier for walkers and bikers.
- In 2018 we began working to identify or help maintain bike/ped trails on properties being considered for development or subdivision, and consider for long term connectivity value. The Town of Jericho completed a comprehensive transportation plan in 2015 that serves as guidepost for JTC strategies for a bike/pedestrian future. This year two generous neighbors donated trails easements in this spirit.

The JTC meets on the 2nd Monday of each month. We encourage neighbors with interest in extending trail access on their property to others in the community to contact us. Any use or development of trails on private lands will progress only with the permission of the landowner and with signed landowner agreements presented to the Select Board. The current chair of the JTC or committee members may be contacted should usage or development issues arise. The current Chair is John Abbott, who may be reached at 802.899.5212.

## Tri-Town Alternative Transportation Committee

Cambridge reps : Kim Holden, Sara Lourie, Jen Smithers  
Jericho reps : Andrew Albright, Tim Nulty  
Underhill reps : Sue Cromwell, Kurt Johnson, Mike Oman

The committee was originally established in June 2017 in Underhill. Since that time we've expanded to include Cambridge and Jericho to enable broader and more effective representation for our mission. We've revised the original mission statement to reflect the new members, but in general it continues on a similar path to identify and explore local and regional transportation options with the goal of increasing the availability of cost effective, convenient and accessible public transportation services. One notable change is with the addition of new member towns we switched to becoming an ad hoc organization. As we progress we'll strive to operate openly in our communities and look for their input as well as provide routine status reporting.

It continues to be a challenge with meeting schedules for the larger and broader representation in our organization. For 2019 we are planning to post our monthly meeting schedule and minutes on each of the town websites as well as use other media such as FPF to communicate progress. Our committee and the towns we represent have formally joined the Chittenden Area Transportation Management Association (CATMA). Their support has helped us identify potential opportunities and we look forward to working with them on these and other projects. In addition we also work closely with GMT, specifically with respect to the Jeffersonville commuter. One of our primary goals is to enhance this service and the supporting infrastructure. We continue to reach out to other transportation centric organizations for help achieving our goals.

Over the coming months we expect define our highest priorities for the year and make concerted progress towards achieving them. If you're interested in helping out or joining the committee please reach out to anyone of our members.

Sincerely,  
Kurt Johnson

### **Tri-Town Alternative Transportation Mission Statement**

- **Objectives: Why we're doing this.**
  1. Reduce traffic congestion and environmental impact from Single Occupant Vehicles on Rt 15.
  2. Provide flexible affordable transportation options for Tri town residents and others in this area including students, elderly, disabled, and residents with limited access to a personal vehicle.
  3. Ensure sustainability of the Jeffersonville commuter bus and potentially reduce public subsidy for it through increased ridership.
  4. Provide lower cost transportation choices that reduce time behind the wheel and parking needs and enable possible exercise opportunities...
  5. Enhance our communities and quality of life by providing additional public services with opportunities to meet new people and volunteer in public transportation, eg. As a driver or project supporter.
- **Goals: Our plans include:**
  1. Enhance existing transportation options and supporting infrastructure.
  2. Develop plans for new and innovative local/regional transportation options.
  3. Improve public awareness of available alternative transportation.
- **Policies: How we do this.**
  - Work with our Towns, State, Regional Planning and Transportation agencies.
  - Be creative in exploring transportation solutions and funding sources.
  - Be as inclusive as possible with respect to income, (dis)abilities, age...
  - Ensure meetings are open to the public by using FPF to post them.

# OUTSIDE AGENCY INFORMATION

A full report of these agencies can be found in the Town Administrator's office. Outside Agencies are organizations and institutions that provide diverse services to the citizens of the Town of Jericho. **In order for any outside agency to be awarded monies from the Town of Jericho they need to submit the following: a discretionary funding application, a letter of support for the request and explanation of the benefits to Jericho Residents.**

## Mandated:

Chittenden County Tax 175 Main Street, Burlington, VT 05401	(802) 951-5106	
Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission 110 West Canal Street, Winooski, VT 05404	(802) 846-4490	www.ccrpcvt.org
Deborah Rawson Memorial Library (JULD) 8 River Road, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-4962	www.drml.org
Jericho Underhill Park District (JUPD) PO Box 164, Underhill, VT 05489	(802) 899-2693	www.millsriversidepark.org
Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) 89 Main Street, Montpelier, VT 05602	800-649-7915	www.vlct.org

## Non-Mandated:

Age Well previously known as Champlain Valley Agency on Aging (CVAA) 76 Pearl Street, Suite 201, Essex Jct., VT 05452	800-642-5119	www.agewellvt.org
Child Care Resource (CCR) 181 Commerce Street, Williston, VT 05495	800-339-3367	www.childcareresource.org
Green Mountain Transit-previously known as CCTA 15 Industrial Parkway, Burlington, VT 05401	(802) 864-2282	www.cctaride.org
Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf (CEFS) 228 N. Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401	(802) 658-7939	www.feedingchittenden.org
Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations (CUSI) 50 Cherry Street, Suite 102, Burlington, VT 05401	(802) 652-6800	www.cusi-vermont.org
Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS) PO Box 1616, Burlington, VT 05402	(802) 864-7402	www.cotsonline.org
Essex Rescue, Inc. (ERI) 1 Educational Drive, Essex Jct., VT 05452	(802) 878-4859	www.essexrescue.org
Jericho Farmers Market 26 Saxon Lane, Jericho, VT 05465		jerichofarmersmarket.com
Greater Burlington Industrial Corp. PO Box 786, 60 Main Street, Burlington VT 05401	(802) 862-5726	www.gbicvt.org
Howard Center 208 Flynn Avenue, Suite 3J, Burlington, VT 05401	(802) 488-6900	www.howardcenter.org
Jericho Center Cemetery Association PO Box 1106, Jericho Center, VT 05465	(802) 899-3879	
Jericho Center Preservation (Community Center) PO Box 1084, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-2366	www.CommunityCenterinJericho.com
Jericho Food Shelf -Essex/Jericho/Underhill Ecumenical Ministry(Good Shepherd Lutheran Church) PO Box 65, Jericho, VT 05465		
Jericho Town Library On the Green, 7 Jericho Center Circle, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-4686	www.jerichotownlibrary.org

outside agencies continued.....

Jericho Youth League PO Box 350, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-3648	please contact Sean Luitjens at sean.luitjens@gmail.com
Jeri-Hill XYZ Seniors	(802) 899-4446	
Memorial Day Observance (Cub Scouts put Flags on gravesites)		Cub Scouts
Our Community Cares Camp (OCCC) PO Box 503, Richmond, VT 05477	(802) 434-6006	www.ourcommunitycarescamp.org
Richmond Rescue 216 Railroad Street, Richmond, VT 05477	(802) 434-2394	www.richmondrescue.org
Underhill Jericho Fire Department PO Box 150, Underhill, VT 05489	(802) 899-4025	www.ujfd.org
Vermont Cares PO Box 5248, Burlington, VT 05402	(802) 863-2437	www.vtcares.org
Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) 11 East State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602	800-639-1522	www.vcil.org
University of Vermont Health Network-Home, Helath & Hospice -formerly known as Visiting Nurses Association 1110 Prim Road, Colchester, VT 05446	800-427-1908	www.vnacares.org
Winooski Valley Park District (WVPD) Ethan Allen Homestead, Burlington, VT 05408	(802) 863-5744	www.wvpd.org
Steps to End Domestic Violence previously knowns as Women Helping Battered Women PO Box 1535, Burlington, VT 05402	(802) 658-3131	www.stepsvt.org

Other agencies:

Chittenden Solid Wast District (CSWD) 1021 Redmond Road, Williston, VT 05495	(802) 872-8100	www.cswd.net
Jericho Cemetery Association Pleasant View Cemetery	(802) 899-1165	Sexton: Ron Douchie
Jericho Underhill Library District 8 River Road, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-4962	www.drml.org
Jericho Underhill Land Trust (JULT) PO Box 80, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-2693	www.jult.org
Jericho Underhill Park District PO Box 164, Underhill, VT 05489	(802) 899-2693	www.millsriversidepark.org
Jericho-Underhill Water District (JUWD) PO Box 174, Underhill, VT 05489	(802) 899-3810	http://jerichounderhillwater.org
Village of Jericho Water District 4B Red Mill Drive, Jericho, VT 05465	(802) 899-2938	email to : jerichovtvillage@comcast.net



**UNDERHILL – JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

420 VT Route 15, Underhill, VT 05489  
(802) 899-4025

January 12, 2019

Dear Communities of Underhill and Jericho,

Fiscal year 2017 – 2018 was a busy year for the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department. During the year we completed several projects while others are still in progress. Overall during the year the department responded to 352 calls for assistance. We responded to 19 fires, 119 EMS runs, 17 mutual aid calls and 156 other types of calls.

Of the fires that we responded to with our day time staffing, we were able to control and contain the fire early preventing major damage to the property and environment. Unfortunately we are not always able to achieve such an outcome depending upon when we are notified of the fire. Having the full time staff in the station has had a positive outcome in several fires.

The other major function of the daytime staff is to provide EMS first response coverage for the communities. With both Harry and John in the station we typically provide 12 hours of daytime EMS first response coverage Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. The EMS first response duties have been allowed to operate under an agreement with Essex and Richmond Rescue for many years. However due to changes in requirements at both the State and National level and within each organization the ability for Essex and Richmond Rescue to continue to provide EMS license coverage is coming to an end. As a result of that the communities of Underhill and Jericho will need to consider other options to provide EMS first response coverage for the communities. The UJFD is very willing to participate in those discussions and become a part of the solution of providing EMS first response service to the communities in the future.

During the year the department closed out the SCBA grant and obtained a grant for a new gear extractor and dryer. We also performed many station repairs at both stations during the year.

The department has prepared a more thorough report that can be obtained from our website at UJFD.Org. A copy of the report has been submitted to both Towns and can be obtained from either town as well.

Best Regards,

Mathew Champlin, Chief

Underhill – Jericho Fire Department, Inc.

**UNDERHILL-JERICHO  
FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.  
2017 - 2018 Budget Report  
2019 - 2020 Budget Request**

	<b>BUDGET 2017 - 2018</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2017 - 2018</b>	<b>BUDGET 2018 - 2019</b>	<b>BUDGET REQUEST 2019 - 2020</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>				
1 UNDERHILL	\$224,989	\$224,989	\$214,074	\$219,026
2 JERICHO	\$337,484	\$337,484	\$321,111	\$328,539
3 MISCELLANEOUS		\$18,916		
4 DONATIONS		\$3,619		
5 TRANSFER FROM RESERVES			\$42,794	\$45,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$562,473</b>	<b>\$585,008</b>	<b>\$577,979</b>	<b>\$592,565</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
6 PAID ON CALL STIPENDS	\$63,000	\$61,167	\$60,000	\$68,000
<b>FULL TIME STAFF</b>				
7 SALARY	\$103,300	\$70,111	\$104,000	\$105,000
8 MEDICAL BENEFITS	\$25,000	\$14,777	\$25,000	\$27,200
9 UNIFORMS	\$3,000	\$1,564	\$3,000	\$3,000
# PAYROLL TAXES	\$14,000	\$10,239	\$14,000	\$17,300
<b>PROFESSIONAL SERVICES</b>				
# LEGAL	\$300	\$6,061	\$500	\$1,000
# ACCOUNTING	\$9,000	\$9,352	\$9,000	\$9,500
# AUDIT	\$5,500	\$11,723	\$8,000	\$8,000
<b>INSURANCE</b>				
# WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$17,000	\$14,546	\$22,500	\$15,000
# AUTO	\$16,000	\$14,056	\$16,000	\$15,500
# FIRE DEPARTMENT PACKAGE	\$16,000	\$19,799	\$18,000	\$24,000
# ACCIDENT / DISABILITY	\$4,500	\$4,234	\$4,000	\$4,300
# UTILITIES	\$18,000	\$18,152	\$18,000	\$20,000
# VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$30,000	\$37,018	\$30,000	\$30,000
# FUEL	\$7,500	\$4,462	\$6,500	\$5,500
# EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$2,500	\$285	\$2,500	\$2,000
# NFPA REQUIRED TESTING	\$5,050	\$4,166	\$4,600	\$4,700
# STATION MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS	\$56,000	\$56,032	\$16,000	\$13,000
# FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQUIPMENT	\$13,000	\$15,196	\$13,000	\$10,000
# EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	\$4,000	\$639	\$4,000	\$3,000
# NEW EQUIPMENT AND HOSE	\$11,000	\$8,137	\$9,500	\$11,000
# EXTRICATION & HAZMAT EQUIPMENT	\$3,000	\$1,929	\$3,000	\$3,000
# FIREFIGHTER PERSONAL SAFETY (PHYSICALS)	\$6,000	\$7,916	\$10,000	\$10,000
# FIRE EDUCATION AND PREVENTION	\$3,000	\$3,427	\$3,000	\$3,000
# ANNUAL AWARDS AND APPRECIATION	\$3,500	\$2,426	\$3,500	\$3,500
# MISCELLANEOUS	\$450	\$480	\$500	\$500
# OFFICE EXPENSE	\$6,000	\$9,797	\$6,250	\$6,250
# CAPITAL LOAN PAYMENTS	\$90,406	\$45,185	\$70,429	\$69,539
# NEW CAPITAL PURCHASES			\$30,000	\$45,000
# TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$26,467	\$59,388	\$63,200	\$54,776
# TRANSFER TO RESERVES	\$0	\$46,681	\$0	\$0
# <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$562,473</b>	<b>\$558,945</b>	<b>\$577,979</b>	<b>\$592,565</b>

**UNDERHILL-JERICHO FIRE  
DEPARTMENT INC.  
CAPITAL EXPENSES REPORT**

<b>INCOME:</b>	<b>BUDGET 2017 - 2018</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2017 - 2018</b>	<b>BUDGET 2018 - 2019</b>	<b>BUDGET REQUEST 2019 - 2020</b>
OPERATIONAL BUDGET INCOME	\$90,406	\$45,185	\$100,249	\$114,539
GRANTS		\$83,137		\$110,000
LOAN		\$90,000		\$330,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$90,406</b>	<b>\$218,322</b>	<b>\$100,249</b>	<b>\$554,539</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
TRUCK LOAN PAYMENT	\$45,186	\$45,185	\$56,461	\$56,206
BUNKER GEAR LOAN PAYMENTS	\$14,000	\$0	\$14,000	\$13,333
NEW APPARATUS PURCHASES	\$15,000	\$47,183	\$0	\$375,000
BUNKER GEAR PURCHASES	\$0	\$52,535	\$0	
SCBA FILLING STATION	\$0	\$58,925	\$0	
GEAR WASHER AND DRYER	\$0	\$21,996	\$0	
UNDERHILL STATION CONSTRUCTION	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	
EXTRICATION TOOL REPLACEMENT				\$115,500
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$74,186</b>	<b>\$225,824</b>	<b>\$100,461</b>	<b>\$560,039</b>

Reserve Account Statement		<b>Ending Balance As of 6/30/2017</b>	<b>Transactions</b>	<b>Ending Balance As of 6/30/2018</b>
<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>				
	CAPITAL FUND	\$8,730	\$0	\$8,730
	TRUCK REPLACEMENT RESERVE	\$57,968	\$13,721	\$71,689
	AIR-PAK AND PORTABLE RADIO RESERVE	\$36,580	\$8,652	\$45,232
	CAPITAL FUND	\$125,651	\$59,388	\$185,039
<b>PAYROLL RESERVES</b>				
	PAID ON CALL PAYROLL RESERVE	\$40,053	\$1,833	\$41,886
	FULL TIME SALARY RESERVE	\$74,603	\$44,848	\$119,451
<b>MISCELLANEOUS RESERVES</b>				
	NEW EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$11,114	\$0	\$11,114
	ELINOR MERLE FUND	\$0		\$0
	PRIVATE DONATIONS	\$11,881	\$815	\$12,696
	MEMORIAL PARK	\$1,227	\$0	\$1,227
	FUTURE YEAR PROPERTY TAXES	\$0		\$0
	TRAINING CENTER	\$3,975	\$0	\$3,975
	FIREFIGHTER PERSONAL SAFETY (PHYSICALS)	\$2,794	\$0	\$2,794
	CAR SEAT SAFETY	\$4,930	\$0	\$4,930

<b>INCOME:</b>	<b>Actual 2015-2016</b>	<b>Actual 2016-2017</b>	<b>Actual 2017-2018</b>
STARTING CASH BALANCE	\$47,357	\$35,884	\$45,022
RIVERS HOUSE RENTAL	\$14,308	\$14,340	\$14,340
GRAVEL PIT	\$9,507		
MISCELLANEOUS	\$20	\$22	\$16,845
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$61,685</b>	<b>\$50,246</b>	<b>\$76,207</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
HOUSE REPAIRS	\$3,512	\$277	\$135
WELL	\$0		
PERMITS	\$0		
UTILITIES FUEL/ELECTRICITY			
PIT CLOSURE BOND	\$1,950	\$1,950	\$0
LEGAL		\$3,220	\$15,128
PROPERTY TAXES	\$9,445		\$2,628
MISCELLANEOUS	\$10,894	-\$223	\$128
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$25,801</b>	<b>\$5,224</b>	<b>\$18,019</b>
<b>CASH BALANCE</b>	<b>\$35,884</b>	<b>\$45,022</b>	<b>\$58,188</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
SECURITY DEPOSIT	\$2,390	\$2,390	\$2,390
TAXES DUE		\$27,435	\$0
LEGAL EXPENSES DUE		\$14,880	\$0
OTHER DUE	\$74	\$297	\$35,357

Underhill - Jericho Fire Dept. Inc  
 Capital Plan  
 January 2019

	HEAVY RESCUE/ LADDER	ENGINE	PUMPER/ TANKER	SQUAD	UTILITY	TIC	RADIO	SCBA	BUNKER GEAR	STATION/ BUILDING	EXTRICATION TOOLS
FISCAL YEAR											
2018-2019											
2019-2020			\$375,000								
2020-2021					\$70,000				\$42,300	\$300,000	
2021-2022											
2022-2023	\$800,000					\$37,000					
2023-2024									\$49,000		
2024-2025				\$92,000							
2025-2026		\$461,000					\$48,000				
2026-2027									\$56,800		
2027-2028											
2028-2029											
2029-2030									\$65,800		
2030-2031						\$40,000					
2031-2032				\$125,000							
2032-2033								\$525,000	\$76,200		
2033-2034		\$567,000									\$150,000
2034-2035											
2035-2036							\$65,000		\$88,200		
2036-2037											
2037-2038											
2038-2039				\$150,000							
2039-2040			\$650,000								

## Town Annual Report 2019 from your **State Representative George Till**

I want to begin by again thanking the voters of Jericho and Underhill for re-electing me to represent you in the Vermont Legislature. I will continue to do my best to work for transparent government, responsive to the needs of Vermont. I will continue to work in a non-partisan manor with my only goal being what is best for Vermont. I will continue to think independently and not have my votes dictated by party leadership.

In the 2017 to 2018 session, the House passed important legislation raising the smoking age for tobacco and electronic cigarettes to 21. Unfortunately, on a very close vote, the Senate did not concur. The huge rise in teen age e-cigarette use and subsequent nicotine addiction makes this work more pressing than ever and I will continue my efforts an increased sense of urgency.

I plan to continue work on the root cause of so many of our social and health problems, Adverse Childhood Experiences. We have made huge strides in raising awareness of the importance of ACEs and work on building resilience. Having a history of ACE is not fate, it is a risk. Individuals are able to build resilience and overcome the negative effects, avoiding the huge personal, financial, and societal costs associated with ACE. This issue is a major cause of school problems, addiction problems, later incarceration, poor job performance and poor health. The experiences are common in Vermont and the effect is so strong that with 6 or more categories of adverse experiences one has a life expectancy reduced by nearly 20 years. ACE contributes strongly to the most frequent causes of death and health care expenditures in Vermont. ACEs are responsible for 25% of heart disease and 25% of cancer. ACEs underlie health problems, depression, suicide, school failure, incarceration, drug abuse, alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy, domestic violence, and many other issues. ACEs are preventable and we have programs which demonstrated ability to do so. We need to find the funding to apply these programs statewide and my focus this session will be on programs for primary prevention.

Other important priorities this year will be addressing a sustainable, long term funding source for our clean water programs, decisions around taxing and regulating marijuana, continued attempts to reduce property taxes.

A FEW OF THE MANY GOOD THINGS ABOUT VERMONT:  
INFANT DEATH RATE: Third lowest nationally at 4.5/1000 births  
BEST STATE TO HAVE A BABY: source WalletHub 2017  
SAFEST STATE 2017: VERMONT # 1 WalletHub  
BEST PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS 2017: 5TH Best WalletHub  
BEST ELDER-ABUSE PROTECTIONS: 7TH Best WalletHub  
BEST STATE TO BE BORN IN: VERMONT # 1 Opportunity Index  
CNBC 2018 # 1 BEST STATE TO LIVE IN October 2018

I plan to be at Town Meeting at 8:00am in Jericho and later in the morning in Underhill. I look forward to hearing your thoughts in a sit down prior to the start of the Jericho Town Meeting.

I would be happy to hear from you by email at: [Rep.GeorgeTill@gmail.com](mailto:Rep.GeorgeTill@gmail.com) or by phone at 899-2984. My mailing address is: 74 Foothills Dr., Jericho 05465. If you would like to share your thoughts or need assistance navigating State Government please contact me. Along with Representative Trevor Squirrell, I will continue monthly constituent meetings for informal discussions at the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library, 8 River Rd, Jericho. The meetings are 6:30pm to 8pm. Meeting dates will be available on the Library website.

Thank you for the honor of serving as your Representative.  
Sincerely,  
George Till



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Jericho friends and members of the community,

The last two years I was honored to be one of your two State Representatives to the Vermont Legislature. I am now embarking on my second Biennium. My first two years were an exciting time adjusting to the day to day regime and having a chance to delve into the many issues facing Vermont and the challenges and opportunities they present to Vermonters and the residents of Jericho and Underhill. I was very pleased to have been appointed to the Natural Resources Committee which covers water resources, land resources, land use, geology, fish and wildlife, habitat, air quality, environmental permitting, climate change, scenery, solid waste, and toxic substance management. I know that these were and continue to be areas of great interest in our district so I encourage citizens to contact me with your thoughts and opinions on pending legislation.

Clean water funding, toxic chemical reforms, climate action, and healthy forests are likely to be on the Natural Resources committee agenda this year. The general assembly more broadly will be addressing the budget, educating our children and the changing demographics of Vermont, paid family leave, minimum wage, and the clean water initiative.

Please continue to stay in touch with me about issues of concern to you. I look forward to seeing you and talking with you at Town Meeting. Rep. George Till and I also invite you to meet us at the Deborah Rawson Library on January 29<sup>th</sup>, February 19<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm. Feel free to contact me any time via email at [tsquirre@sover.net](mailto:tsquirre@sover.net) or [tsquirrell@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:tsquirrell@leg.state.vt.us), call me at 899-2382 or write to me at PO Box 128, Underhill Center 05490.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

*Trevor J Squirrell*

**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**MOUNT MANSFIELD MODIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**February 28, 2019 & March 5, 2019**

The legal voters of the Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District comprising the voters of the town school districts of Huntington (Grades 5-12), and Bolton, Jericho, Richmond, and Underhill, (all Grades PK-12) are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Mount Mansfield Union High School on **Thursday, February 28, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.** to transact any of the following business not involving Australian Ballot, the meeting is to be adjourned and reconvened in the respective polling places hereinafter named for each of the above-referenced town school districts on **Tuesday, March 5, 2019** at 7:00 a.m. (Huntington at 6:30 am) at which time the polls will open, until 7:00 p.m. at which time the polls will close, to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot.

- Article 1: To elect the following officers:  
a Moderator for one year,  
a Clerk for one year,  
a Treasurer for one year.
- Article 2: To hear and act upon the written reports of the District Officers.
- Article 3: Shall the voters of the Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District authorize the school board under 16 V.S.A. 562 (9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?
- Article 4: This time serves as a public information hearing for public review of the 2019-20 proposed budget--for discussion purposes only.
- Article 5: To transact any other school business thought proper when met.

**March 5, 2019 -- Australian Ballot Question**

- Article 6: Shall the voters of the Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District approve the School Board to expend **\$39,196,230**, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the 2019-20 fiscal year?

It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of **\$15,780** per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **2.20%** higher than spending for the current year.

Upon closing of the polls, the ballot boxes will be sealed, re-opened at Camels Hump Middle School in the Town of Richmond, the ballots commingled and publicly counted by representatives of the Boards of Civil Authority of the Towns of Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, and Underhill under the supervision of the Clerk of the Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District.

The legal voters of Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District are further warned and notified that an informational meeting will be held at Browns River Middle School in the Town of Jericho on February 21, 2019 commencing at 6:00 pm and Mt. Mansfield Union High School in the Town of Jericho on February 28, 2019 commencing at 6:00 pm, for the purpose of explaining the 2019-20 proposed budget.

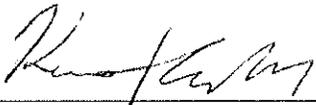
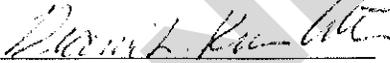
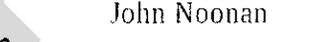
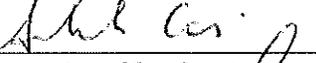
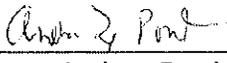
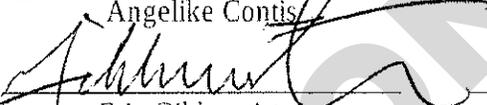
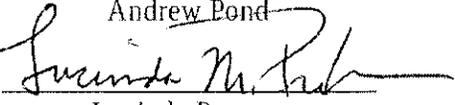
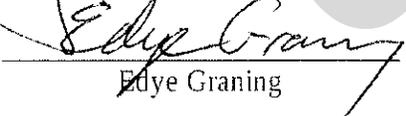
**Polling Places**

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

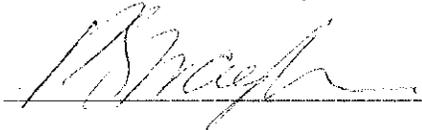
Bolton	*	Smilie Memorial School	*	7 am - 7 pm
Huntington	*	Brewster-Pierce Memorial School	*	6:30 am -7 pm
Jericho	*	Mt. Mansfield Union High School	*	7 am - 7 pm
Richmond	*	Camels Hump Middle School	*	7 am - 7 pm
Underhill	*	Browns River Middle School	*	7 am - 7 pm

Dated this 7th day of January, 2019.

**SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

 _____ Kevin Campbell	 _____ Diane Kirson-Giltman	 _____ Kurt Muller
 _____ Gail Conley	 _____ Susan Lillich	 _____ John Noonan
 _____ Angelike Contis	 _____ Michael Marks	 _____ Andrew Pond
 _____ Eric Gildemeister	 _____ Ethan Maurer	 _____ Lucinda Preston
 _____ Edye Graning	 _____ Derek Miodownik	 _____ Beth Racine

Received for record this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, A.D.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk, Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District

Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District						
Proposed Budget Summary & Comparison						
Description	Actual FY 18	Budget FY 18	Budget FY 19	Budget FY 20	\$ Change	% Change
<b>Expenditures</b>						
Instructional Programs	18,287,319	18,640,780	19,203,236	20,030,405	827,169	4.31%
Special Education Purchased Services	5,512	6,409,150	6,904,019	-	(6,904,019)	-100.00%
Special Education Assessment	3,656,510	3,656,510	3,660,819	3,725,863	65,044	1.78%
Vocational Education	1,015,173	1,103,720	931,120	957,848	26,728	2.87%
Co-Curricular Activities	651,029	578,221	634,847	678,393	43,546	6.86%
Health Services	1,752,188	1,685,824	1,700,572	1,705,551	4,979	0.29%
Professional Development	270,088	214,219	276,099	299,823	23,724	8.59%
Media Services	827,068	959,579	896,032	923,663	27,631	3.08%
Board of Education	26,545	18,594	22,000	38,000	16,000	72.73%
Chittenden East Supervisory Union	1,409,475	1,406,758	1,415,304	1,420,202	4,898	0.35%
School Administration	1,538,427	1,572,074	1,478,207	1,377,919	(100,288)	-6.78%
Secretarial Services	1,010,571	1,011,213	1,033,176	1,026,113	(7,064)	-0.68%
Fiscal Services	43,928	74,567	69,903	182,503	112,600	161.08%
Tech Communications Services	227,243	249,591	250,922	213,532	(37,390)	-14.90%
Operation/Maintenance of Plant	3,718,254	3,754,253	3,787,792	3,728,005	(59,787)	-1.58%
Transportation Services	891,006	1,816,894	1,517,813	1,282,705	(235,108)	-15.49%
Food Services	57,073	33,000	33,660	-	(33,660)	-100.00%
Other Fiscal Services	2,566	-	4,353	4,353	-	0.00%
Debt Services	872,687	855,703	848,091	831,352	(16,739)	-1.97%
Transfer to Food Service Fund	84,000	84,000	99,000	145,000	46,000	46.46%
Transfer to Capital Improvement Fund	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	-	0.00%
Capital Project	459,408	-	-	525,000	525,000	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 36,906,069</b>	<b>\$ 44,224,649</b>	<b>\$ 44,866,964</b>	<b>\$ 39,196,230</b>	<b>\$ (5,670,735)</b>	<b>-12.64%</b>
<b>Adjustments to Allow Valid Year-to-Year Comparison*</b>						
FY20 Special Education Expense				6,904,019		
FY20 Title I Expense				130,855		
FY20 Tax Anticipation Note Expense				(112,600)		
FY19 Transportation Revenue			570,299	570,299		
<b>Adjusted Comparable Expenditures*</b>	<b>\$ 36,906,069</b>	<b>\$ 44,224,649</b>	<b>\$ 45,437,263</b>	<b>\$ 46,688,803</b>	<b>\$ 1,251,539</b>	<b>2.75%</b>
<i>*The Vermont Agency of Education has changed reporting requirements in conjunction with the legislation requiring centralization of services at the Supervisory Union. In FY19 transportation revenue was shifted from the local districts into the SU. This reduced the SU assessments back to the schools. In FY20 we are budgeting the shift of special education revenue from the local districts to the SU. Consequently both revenue and expenses are decreasing by almost seven million.</i>						
<b>Estimated Revenue</b>						
<b>State and Federal</b>						
Education Spending Revenue	35,865,338	36,082,889	36,730,072	37,420,598	690,526	1.88%
Career & Tech Ed Transfer	497,350	514,424	477,245	479,515	2,269	0.48%
Tech Ed Spending Grant	23,467	-	-	-	-	-
Small School Grant	42,631	42,632	42,632	42,632	-	0.00%
Drivers Education	10,526	14,000	14,000	10,000	(4,000)	-28.57%
Transportation	-	570,299	-	-	-	-
High School Completion Program	36,271	15,000	15,000	30,000	15,000	100.00%
Special Education	-	6,409,149	6,942,759	-	(6,942,759)	-100.00%
Title 1	-	130,855	130,855	0	(130,855)	-100.00%
<b>Local</b>						
Tuition	276,531	125,000	125,000	234,022	109,022	87.22%
Interest	8,915	15,000	9,000	123,000	114,000	1266.67%
Impact Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other and Grants	105,672	5,400	5,400	5,400	-	0.00%
Lease Proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer From Reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prior Year Adjustments	22,019	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit)	17,349	300,000	375,000	851,062	476,062	126.95%
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An independent audit of the accounts and financial statements of the former school districts that comprise the Mt. Mansfield Modified Union School District, for the period ending June 30, 2018 was conducted by Fothergill, Segale and Valley, CPAs. The report of the elected auditors for the Mt. Mansfield Union School district and reports of the independent auditors for elementary school districts are available online at <a href="http://go.cesuvt.org/auditsfy18">http://go.cesuvt.org/auditsfy18</a> .						



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January 15, 2019

## **Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District Annual Report**

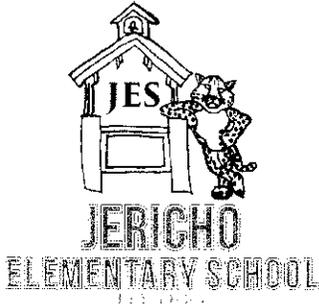
The Mount Mansfield Modified Union School District (MMMUSD) Annual Report will be available February 12, 2019. The report will include a proposed 2019-20 school district budget, tax rate information, Chittenden East Supervisory Union expenses and a review of operations, activities and assessment results for Mount Mansfield Modified Union's eight schools:

- Smilie Memorial School (PK-4)
- Jericho Elementary School (K-4)
- Richmond Elementary School (PK-4)
- Underhill ID Elementary School (PK-4)
- Underhill Central School (K-4)
- Browns River Middle School (Grades 5-8)
- Camels Hump Middle School (Grades 5-8)
- Mt. Mansfield union High School (Grades 9-12)

The Annual Report can be found at your local town office, public school, Chittenden East Central Office or online at [www.cesuvt.org](http://www.cesuvt.org). Upon request, a printed copy will be mailed to you by calling 434-2128.

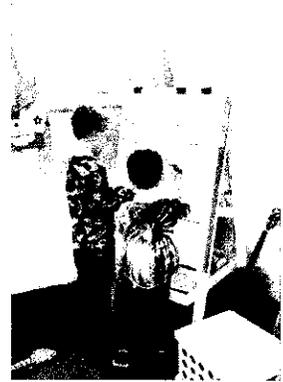
If you have questions, please contact the Central Office at 434-2128 or by email at [cesu.office@cesuvt.org](mailto:cesu.office@cesuvt.org).

FY18 Chittenden East Supervisory Union District Audits can be viewed by going to:  
<http://en.cesuvt.org/auditsfy18>



**Victoria Graf, Principal**

This has been another exciting year at Jericho Elementary School and we are proud of all the outstanding learning that is taking place at JES. We now have kindergarten and first grade Spanish Immersion classrooms. Students are gaining skills in reading, writing, and



speaking Spanish. Next year, we will be adding a second grade classroom and welcoming new kindergarten students to the program.

Our educators are taking students outdoors to learn on a regular basis and are using the outdoors as the classroom to teach the district science content and practices. In Kindergarten through second grade, students head outside to explore our property. Our third grade classrooms have permission to visit the Erb property which grants them access to the forest and the Brown's River. Our fourth graders have created an outdoor learning space on our school grounds where they gather to learn about the environment. Reading and writing are taught using a workshop model implemented throughout the school district in all K-4 classrooms.



Students are reading and writing more and are engaged and excited about their learning.

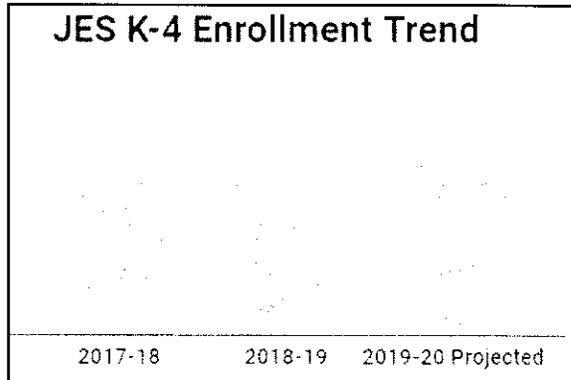
Our Enrichment Program continues to support the outdoor education initiative and the JES garden while further developing the STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) Program. Students have the opportunity to code and create with a variety of tools, including robots and LED light kits. The Enrichment Program supports and extends science units throughout the various grade levels. Many of the school's video productions used on social media are produced in the Enrichment room.

Nancy Boss is the new chef in our kitchen. Nancy brings years of experience to our food service. Stop by for one of her yummy hot breakfasts. She is a wonderful addition to our school community.



The past year, we have been working on teaching our students how to become social problem solvers. Students have gained important social skills that aid them with their learning. We do this work during guidance classes as well as during the school day and students are using these skills to become focused and engaged learners.

Grades: K-4  
 Total Faculty: 24  
 Classroom Teacher FTE: 15  
 # ESP Staff: 23  
 # Students K-4: 250  
 # PreK Partnerships: 52  
 K-4 Classroom Teacher Ratio: 16.7  
 Student Assessment Results Link:  
<http://go.cesvvt.org/JES17-18assessments>





# UNDERHILL I.D. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Jennifer Cote, Interim Principal*

It has been an honor to serve as the interim principal at Underhill ID Elementary School. I am impressed and thankful for the committed teachers and staff, curious learners and support of families. The entire community rallies behind the school and takes pride in all of our accomplishments.

We continue to work on enhancing our instructional practices in readers and writers workshop, mathematics, and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Teachers participate in professional development and data teams with district instructional coaches and grade level colleagues to deepen their understanding of content areas and provide rich and engaging experiences for students. This year, teachers have also implemented inquiry design models as part of the new College, Career and Civic Life (C3) Framework for Social Studies. The C3 model builds critical thinking, problem solving and participatory skills to become engaged citizens.



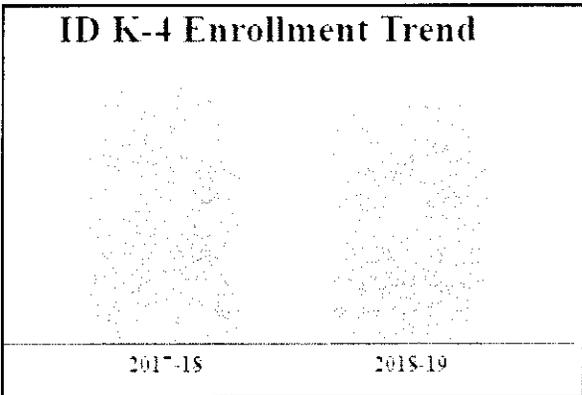
Teachers and staff continue to benefit from the monthly delayed starts built into the district calendar. We have partnered with Underhill Central School to implement MindUP Curriculum and Zones of Regulation. Both of these curriculums focus on building problem solving skills, self regulation, and develop students to build a positive mindset towards themselves and school. Students have begun to internalize these skills by participating in mindful moments and utilizing the calm space in their classrooms. In addition, many of our teachers have started to explore outdoor classrooms. When the weather cooperates, students and staff can often be found enjoying Mills Riverside Park and absorbing the benefits of outdoor learning.



UID has many well established celebrations and traditions. The Fall Hike, Halloween Hustle, Mask Parade, Thanksgiving Lunch, Food Drive, December Sing Along, Craft Fair and Artist in Residence have been part of the history of the building and have engaged and built community. The craft fair in December raised around \$1,300 allowing students to serve their community by contributing these funds to families in need.

We are hopeful and positive about the future and look forward to spreading the magic and joy from UID into other buildings and communities.

Grades: PreK-4  
Total Faculty: 13  
K-4 Classroom Teacher FTE: 5  
# ESP Staff: 10  
# Students PreK-4: 113  
K-4 Classroom Teacher Ratio: 18.2  
Student Assessment Results Link:  
<http://go.cesuvt.org/iD17-18assessments>





*Kevin Hamilton,  
Principal*



*Elaine Archambault,  
Assistant Principal*

**Initiatives at BRMS**

**Student Leadership:** Browns River Middle School students have established a Student Leadership Committee with the assistance of two BRMS staff members. The committee is made up of approximately 20 volunteer students between 5th and 8th grade. The students are beginning to identify different needs and concerns they have as community members of our school. We are excited about the opportunity for our students to find their voice as they look to improve upon the culture of our school.

**Seed the Way:** Browns River Middle School staff and Jericho Elementary School staff are working together with Seed the Way, an educational consulting project focused on professional development, resources for anti-bias curricula and pedagogy, and equity literacy. This work looks to empower educators to work for an equitable, just, and sustainable world through participatory training workshops and facilitated discussions.

**Social Studies:** This year all social studies teachers have begun to implement the College, Career, Civic Life (C3) Inquiry Design Model (IDM) into the curriculum. Teachers have worked collaboratively to create IDM lessons that will be implemented in the spring of 2019. The IDM encourages students to develop critical thinking skills as they look at different events throughout history and current events. It also encourages students to gain a more thorough understanding of the events that shape our world.



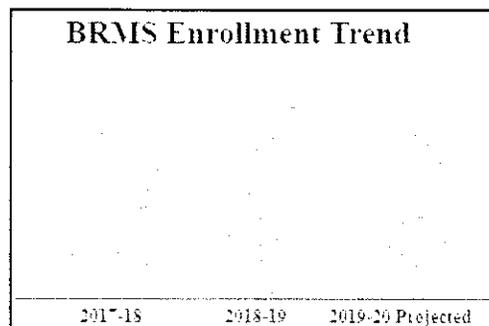
**Personalized Learning Plans (PLP):** Students will continue to use PLPs in the spring of 2019 for exploring life and career options while still in school. This year, 7th grade students will be exploring their learning styles, personal values and setting goals for their 8th grade year. Eighth Grade students will use the PLP process to explore different careers through job shadows and develop goals pertaining to their academics and co-curricular activities as they prepare for the transition to MMUHS.

**Facilities:** We are excited about the complete makeover of the BRMS stage. With the help of community fundraising, we were able to purchase new curtains for our performance area. We continued work throughout the summer replacing the front stage woodwork and replaced the original tile with new flooring. We look forward to many years of drama and musical performances on this refurbished facility.



**Delayed Starts:** BRMS staff have continued to benefit greatly from professional development time built into the district calendar. Teachers have continued to use the time to work toward the implementation of reading workshop, training in Next Generation Science Standards, and continued professional development with the Connected Math Program.

- Grades: 5-8
- Total Faculty: 36
- Classroom Teacher FTE: 20.0
- # ESP Staff: 33
- # Students: 416
- Student/Classroom Teacher Ratio: 20.8
- Student Assessment Results Link:  
<http://qo.cesuyt.org/BRMS17-18assessments>



# Mt. Mansfield Union High School

This past year at Mt. Mansfield Union High School has been one of implementation and reflection. The Class of 2019 will be the first class to graduate with a Personal Learning Plan (PLP) and the Class of 2020 will be the first to graduate with Proficiency Based Graduation Requirements (PBGR). We have been putting to use the structures, systems, lesson plans, and assessment strategies that we have developed to implement PLPs & PBGRs. We also have been reflecting on if the work we did led us to student outcomes that we had hoped for and how to improve upon these outcomes regardless if the outcomes were desired or not. This reflective work has allowed the faculty to step back and examine a "traditional" high school education with a critical eye. We believe the work we are doing now and in the future is going to lead to graduates of Mt. Mansfield Union High School experiencing success in their initial endeavors after graduation and help them become Effective Engaged Citizens who are prepared to move their communities forward now and in the future.



**Michael Weston,** *Principal*      **Krystina Fernandez,** *Assistant Principal*



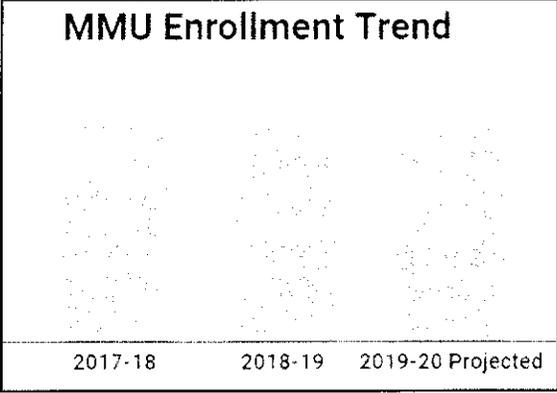
The 2017-2018 school year also contained much student success for MMUHS. On June 16th the Fifty-First Commencement Ceremony was held for Mt. Mansfield Union High School at The University of Vermont. The Class of 2018 had one hundred seventy-eight graduates, of these, sixty-five percent went on to pursue higher education. Seventy-eight members of this class graduates earned a Latin Honors Distinction of Cum Laude or higher, this is done through a 4-year grade point average of 3.45 or higher. Also, eighty percent of our students who took AP

Exams received a score of 3 or higher, this compares to a Vermont average of sixty-six percent, and a global average of fifty-nine percent. Our students shine outside of classroom as well. The MMU Dance, Boys & Girls Nordic Skiing and Girls Alpine Skiing teams all won championships and over fifteen students were members of the New England Music Festival Band and Chorus. MMUHS also plays an active role in supporting community events, it is not hard to find a MMU student giving their time to support great causes in and out of our local community.



If you have any question or feedback for our school, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Grades: 9-12  
 Total Faculty: 63  
 Classroom Teacher FTE: 44.2  
 # ESP Staff: 64  
 # Students: 803  
 Student/Teacher Ratio: 18.2  
 Student Assessment Results Link:  
<http://go.cesuvi.org/MMU17-19assessments>





# UNDERHILL-JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT



## REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKER ORDER FORM

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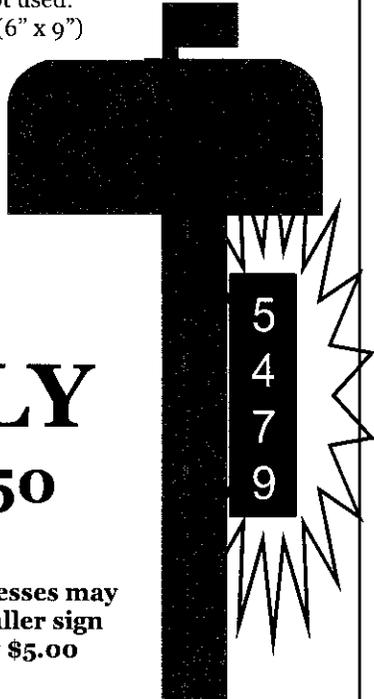
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## Tune into our local Front Porch Forum

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>

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## Mount Mansfield Community Television

Mount Mansfield Community Television, Inc.

MMCTV is the public access center for Jericho, Richmond, Underhill and a small part of Essex. We air select local, Vermont and US/international content on Comcast Channel 15 (Public/Educational) and our new Channel 17 (Government). Visit [MtMansfieldCtv.org](http://MtMansfieldCtv.org) to find links to our videos online.

With a mission to provide a platform for free speech and to build community through video, we film and archive local meetings and offer gear and training for you to make your own shows. Our small, dedicated staff works closely with vibrant community producers and enthusiastic volunteers. We offer media education opportunities for all ages, such as middle school TV camps

Dating back to 1997, our 501(c)3 nonprofit provides over 300 hours a year of original, hyperlocal programming. Your feedback, volunteer time and donations are always welcome!

Contact: Angelike Contis, Executive Director  
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P.O. Box 688 Richmond, VT 05477  
Tel. (802) 434-2550, e-mail [angelike@mmctv15.org](mailto:angelike@mmctv15.org)

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## Boy Scouts of America Troop 627

The Underhill/Jericho Boy Scout troop has been a proud member of this community since 1963. The Troop was started by long time Underhill resident, Gael Boardman, who is still an active member of the Troop Committee, which helps to oversee the administration of the Troop. Our communities are blessed with some outstanding members who volunteer their time, every week, to the advancement of our youth through the Boy Scout program. Without the adult leaders, our program would not survive. "Thank You" to everyone who has been a part of this program over the past 54 years. Our Troop recently celebrated its 75th Eagle Scout! A very proud accomplishment! We currently have 23 scouts enrolled in our program. We are fortunate to have one of the most active troops in Vermont. Through our volunteers, we are able to provide a wide range of activities for the scouts participate in. In 2017, we had two more Scouts achieve the rank of Eagle Scout! Their Eagle Scout projects have benefited the Winooski Valley Park District at Old Red Mill Park (Wildlife Habitat Boxes) and MMU High School (Junior Varsity Football Equipment Shed). In the coming months and in 2018, we have three more Scouts in the process of completing their Eagle projects. This year we continue to have enthusiastic and energetic families who want administer an excellent program for our youth to meet new challenges and to explore the outdoors.

# 2019 Town Meeting Buffet Breakfast

## Provided by Mt Mansfield Lodge #26 F&AM

Last year marked our 18<sup>th</sup> year for providing meals for Jericho's Town Meeting Day. It is our pleasure again this year to offer a 'Grab-and-Go' Breakfast for the good citizens of our Town.

**8:00am to 9:30am – Main Foyer**

**Assorted Breakfast Sandwiches \$4.00**

**Sandwich with Coffee \$5.00**

### Report from Mt. Mansfield Lodge #26 F&AM

The Masonic fraternity or Freemasonry has been a part of the Jericho community landscape for over 198 years. As the world's oldest fraternity it has been a magnet and rallying point for men of good character and goodwill who wish to make a positive difference in their communities, their lives, and even the world.

This is the reason why the Masons of Mt. Mansfield lodge team up with the Underhill-Jericho Ecumenical Council to cook, pack, and deliver substantial, hot, nutritious Holiday meals for those in need every year just before Christmas. This program has been in motion for twelve years now, and is one of the many ways we strive to serve our neighbors and community. This year's event was a tremendous success due to the dedication of our planning committee, as well as the help from Brothers in the fraternity, the logistical support of the Eastern Star, and the many citizens who volunteered their time to help with packing, and delivery. We especially wish to thank the Jericho Elementary School for allowing us to use their cafeteria facilities for the preparation and staging.

Although our fraternity puts considerable effort into serving the community it also provides a platform for each of our members to continue to grow and evolve. The members of Mt. Mansfield Lodge feel it is important to aspire and attain to the highest levels of personal conduct, morality, and mental and spiritual development. With that shared ethic, all Masons are able to share in the fellowship of trustworthy, supportive, and talented associates.

We have found to date that there is a resurgence of interest in Freemasonry. If you've ever thought about becoming a Mason, or would like to know more about it, you can contact Mount Mansfield Lodge in Jericho at the following address: [mtmansfieldlodge26@gmail.com](mailto:mtmansfieldlodge26@gmail.com)

Mt Mansfield Lodge #26 has a dinner prior to their meetings that interested individuals can attend. We hope you may join us. See you then.

Sincerely,

The members of Mt. Mansfield Lodge #26



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