

TOWN OF ELMORE VERMONT



2022 TOWN REPORT • Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022



DEDICATION



(List as pictured, left – right) Front Row - George Twombly, Martha Twombly, Cheryl Schwartz, Sharon Fortune, Cheryl Barkley, Mike Botaish, Jim Magoon Back Row - Melissa Dimotta, Glenn Schwartz, Bruce Olsson, Patrick Lowkes, Todd Anderson. Not Pictured - Mark Brewer

The 2022 Elmore Town Report is dedicated to The Lake Elmore Association

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has”

- Margaret Mead

This year’s Town Report is dedicated to The Lake Elmore Association (LEA), a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens working to preserve, protect and improve Lake Elmore. The LEA is a nonprofit, nonpolitical 501(c)(3) with 13 Directors, membership of 120+ families, and the support of many others from communities near and far. Their mission is to “serve as a public benefit organization to promote the betterment of Lake Elmore and the surrounding community.”

The LEA began in 1981 when concerned residents of Elmore became aware of Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM). The LEA was formed to combat this Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). Today the LEA remains active in its fight against EWM to ensure that dense infestations do not occupy an increasing area of the lake. To prevent the potential spread of other AIS not yet present in Lake Elmore, the LEA Board works proactively with the Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds (FOVLAP). The goal is to ensure that recreational use of the lake can continue, and the ecological integrity of the lake remains intact, for generations to come. Throughout 2022 the LEA spent in excess of 3000 volunteer hours on various activities in support of this mission.

In order to maintain state compliance, the LEA partners with multiple state agencies to secure appropriate approval and permitting for the betterment of the lake, such as lake bottom barrier placement and diver assisted suction harvesting. The LEA coordinates and funds the professional diving services, that harvest the EWM. It recruits and manages the Greeters who are stationed at the state boat launch ramp every Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and holiday throughout the boating season. They conduct watercraft inspections to prevent transportation of AIS from lake to lake, along with distributing educational materials and providing motor boat operators with state boating regulations.

To accomplish all this, the LEA raises funds, seeks grants, and educates the community by means of gatherings throughout the summer, including pancake breakfasts, bingo, pie social, 4th of July boat parade, floating band concerts, etc.

The LEA Board of Directors and members have successfully contained EWM, and reduced its spread in our lake. The Town of Elmore appreciates the Lake Elmore Association for persevering the Lake and protecting our namesake as the Beauty Spot of Vermont.

Town Meeting

Pot Luck Lunch

Elmore Methodist Church

Please Bring a Dish to Share

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**ELMORE TOWN DISTRICT WARNING
ANNUAL MEETING 2023**

The legal voters of the Town of Elmore are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday March 7, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. to transact the following business:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator of the Town District Meeting.

Article 2: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a Town Clerk as provided in 17 V.S.A § 2651e?

Article 3: Shall the Voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a Town Treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A § 2651f?

Article 4: To elect all Town Officers as required by law. Officers as follows:

Town Moderator.....	1 year
Town Clerk.....	1 year
Town Treasurer.....	1 year
Selectperson.....	3 years
Lister.....	3 years
Lister.....	2 years
Lister.....	1 year
Constable.....	1 year
Auditor.....	3 years
Trustee of Public Funds.....	1 year
Cemetery Commission.....	3 years
Cemetery Commission.....	5 year
LRSWMD Representative.....	3 years
And any other offices that become vacant.	

Article 5: To act on the report of the Town District Officers.

Article 6: Shall the Town compensate the Town Clerk with a salary instead of any statutory fees allowed under 32 V.S.A. § 1401?

Article 7: Shall the town compensate the Town Treasurer with a salary instead of any statutory fees allowed under 32 V.S.A §1672?

Article 8: Shall the Town vote to appropriate a total of \$3,650.00 to support the following social service agencies and non-profit entities:

American Red Cross	\$150.00
Central VT Adult Education	\$150.00
Central VT Council on Aging /RSVP	\$250.00
Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$250.00
Elmore Community Trust	\$250.00
Lamoille Community Food Share.	\$250.00
Lamoille County Mental Health.	\$250.00
Lamoille County Special Inv. Unit.	\$250.00
Lamoille Economic Devel. Corp.	\$150.00
Lamoille Family Center.	\$250.00
Lamoille Family Network	\$150.00
Lamoille Home Health Hospice.	\$250.00
Lamoille Housing Partnership	\$150.00
Meals on Wheels.	\$250.00
North Country Animal League.	\$150.00
Rural Community Trans. (RCT).	\$250.00
VT Center Independent Living.	\$150.00
VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force.	\$100.00
Total:	<u>\$3,650.00</u>

Article 9: Will the Town vote to budget of \$979,805.22 to meet expenses and liabilities of the Town for fiscal Year 2023-2024, and authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same?

Article 10: Will the Town vote to raise money equal to those expenditures approved in Article #9 on its Grand List for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to pay debts and current expenditures of the Town, and if so, provide the time (Sept. 15th 2023 and March 15th , 2024) and manner in which the same will be payable?

Article 11: Will the Town vote to apply any surplus from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year 2023-2024

Article 12: Will the Town vote to call the Annual Meeting of the Town of Elmore on the first Tuesday of March, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.?

Article 13: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Caroline DeVore (chair)
Glenn Schwartz
Warren West
Elmore Selectboard

Received, filed and recorded this 25th day of January 2023
Attest: Sharon Draper/Town Clerk

W A R N I N G
for the
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
of the
LAMOILLE SOUTH UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Elmore School, Morristown Elementary, Peoples Academy Middle Level, Peoples Academy
MARCH 6, 2023 and MARCH 7, 2023

The legal voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District, consisting of the towns of Elmore and Morristown, are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium at Peoples Academy, with voting from the floor on Articles 3-8. The Board of School Directors will hold a public informational hearing on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium at Peoples Academy to discuss Article 2.

The legal voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District, consisting of the towns of Elmore and Morristown, are hereby notified and warned to meet in the respective polling places hereinafter named for each of the above referenced towns on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 1-2.

Polling Places and Times

Elmore: Elmore Town Office, 1175 VT Route 12 – 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Morristown: Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street – 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1: To elect School Directors of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District:
a. One for a term of three (3) years - Morristown

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$16,231,675, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,847 per equalized pupil.

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

ARTICLE 3: To elect a Moderator for the Annual Meeting.


ARTICLE 4: To elect the following officers:
a. Clerk for one year
b. Treasurer for one year

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District vote to act upon the report of the School Directors as presented?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money to pay current expenses and debts of said District in anticipation of the collection of taxes for such purposes, and returns from the State, and if so, provide that the same be done by notes of the District?

- ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District authorize the School Directors to apply five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) of the school district's fund balance as revenue for the 2023-2024 school year budget?
- ARTICLE 8: To do any other business that may legally come before the Lamoille South Unified Union School District meeting.

Dated at Morristown this 18th day of January, 2023.

David Bickford 

Tiffany Donza 

Ann Marie Dryden 

Erica Loomis 

David McAllister 

Alan Ouellette 

Richard Shanley 

Lamoille South Unified Union School District Directors

Attest: Sara Haskins
Town Clerk
Morristown, Vermont

Attest: Sharon Draper
Town Clerk
Elmore, Vermont

Received, filed and recorded this 23rd day of January, 2023.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Moderator: (Town & School)

Jon Gailmor

Town Clerk

Sharon Draper

Town Treasurer:

Sharon Draper

Select Board

Term expires 2023

Caroline DeVore

Term expires 2024

Glenn Schwartz

Term expires 2025

Warren West

Listers:

Term expires 2023

June McKinley

Term expires 2023 (1 year)

Vacant

Term expires 2023 (2 year)

David Boudreau (appointed)

Auditors:

Term expires 2023

Jane Nutting

Term expires 2024

Diane Cote

Term expires 2025

Carla Blood

Constable:

Sandra Lacasse

Trustee of Public Funds:

Sharon Draper

Cemetery Commission:

Term expires 2023

Donald Valentine

Term expires 2024

John Fish

Term expires 2025

David Peters

Term expires 2026

Carla Blood

Term expires 2027

Michel Lacasse

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Fire Warden

Andy Jones

Tree Warden:

Select Board

Budget Committee:	Select Board, Town Clerk, Treasurer
Delinquent Tax Collectors:	Town Clerk, Treasurer & Assist Town Clerk
Assistant Town Clerk:	Sandra Lacasse
Planning Commission:	Kate Sprague (chair), Glenn Schwartz, Hans de Boer, Michelle Greeson, Don Valentine, Bruce Olsson
Energy Coordinator:	Select Board
Civil Defense Coordinator:	Fire Chief (Brent Hosking)
Town Grand Juror:	Vacant
Service Officer:	Rand Pelton
Zoning Administrator:	Don Valentine
Health Officer	Michelle Greeson
Development Review Board	Jill Lindenmeyr (chair), Paul Rouselle, Caroline DeVore, Chris Jolly, Michael Furst, Jason Cohen
Animal Control Officer	Ken Haggett
Road Commissioner	Michel Lacasse
Road Crew	Eddie Adams
Web Master	Kent Shaw

<p style="text-align: center;">STATE ELECTION ELECTED OFFICIALS</p>
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Justice of the Peace:	Diane Cote, Sharon Fortune Jill Lindenmeyr, Bruce Olsson, Stuart Weppeler
Lamoille County Senator: District Representatives:	Richard Westman Avram Patt, Saudia Lamont

**GENERAL OPERATING ACCOUNT
EXPENSES & PROPOSED BUDGETS 2020-2024**

ADMINISTRATION	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROP BUDGET
PAYROLL & BENEFITS	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Town Clerk Salary	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 25,000.00
Town Treasurer Salary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00
Town Treasure Fee 1%	\$ 20,600.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ -
Assistant Clerk	\$ 202.50	\$ 4,443.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
Selectboard Salary	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Outside Services	\$ 3,436.25	\$ 1,632.50	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Lister Salary	\$ 9,410.25	\$ 8,497.50	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Record Indexing	\$ -	\$ 6,443.00	\$ -	\$ -
Clerk Fees	\$ 7,331.00	\$ 10,068.00	\$ -	\$ -
Del. Tax Col. Fees	\$ 6,348.93	\$ 2,249.18	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
PC/DRB/AUD-Stipend	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 4,600.00
Zoning Adm/Health Off	\$ 15,787.50	\$ 10,115.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Animal Control Officer	\$ 437.50	\$ 387.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Lake Access Greeter	\$ 187.50	\$ 562.50	\$ -	\$ -
Employee Health Ins.	\$ 8,475.13	\$ 6,416.70	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Employee Fed/Fica/Retire	\$ 6,815.51	\$ 7,834.49	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,500.00
Education	\$ 28.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 89,560.07	\$ 90,349.37	\$ 90,600.00	\$ 90,100.00

OFFICE OPERATIONS				
Computer/Support/Internet	\$ 9,019.07	\$ 19,291.28	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 11,000.00
Record Restoration/Support	\$ -	\$ 1,920.00	\$ -	\$ 1,920.00
Copier	\$ 3,991.00	\$ 503.43	\$ 650.00	\$ 800.00
Phone	\$ 724.85	\$ 617.39	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Postage	\$ 1,345.16	\$ 2,638.09	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Office Supplies	\$ 2,282.44	\$ 1,982.09	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Tax Maps	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00
Heat, Light, Power	\$ 2,365.95	\$ 3,848.47	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Village Lights	\$ 1,839.31	\$ 1,830.20	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 26,267.78	\$ 35,030.95	\$ 26,150.00	\$ 28,720.00

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS				
Building/prop. Maint.	\$ 17,082.81	\$ 14,712.13	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Town Hall Maint/Repair	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Insurance Bldgs/Liab.	\$ 6,763.50	\$ 2,138.43	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 36,846.31	\$ 16,850.56	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 22,000.00

GENERAL OPERATING ACCOUNT

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROP BUDGET
PUBLIC SAFETY	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Lamoille Sheriff Dispatch	\$ 28,098.00	\$ 25,096.00	\$ 27,052.00	\$ 27,729.00
Lamoille Sheriff Traffic	\$ 15,979.00	\$ 16,458.00	\$ 16,952.00	\$ 17,460.00
Morristown Rescue Squad	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 30,500.00
Municipal Water Reserve Fund	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 79,077.00	\$ 76,554.00	\$ 79,004.00	\$ 84,689.00

FIRE DEPT APPROP & EXPENSES				
Elmore Fire Dept./Fast Squad	\$ 41,200.00	\$ 41,200.00	\$ 41,200.00	\$ 41,200.00
Fire Dept Equip/Liab Ins	\$ 6,493.00	\$ 3,861.86	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Fire Dept Vehicle Reserve Fund	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Fire Truck Loan	\$ 25,931.73	\$ 26,293.76	\$ 27,172.15	\$ 27,172.15
Fire Truck Loan Interest	\$ 5,174.15	\$ 4,812.12	\$ 3,933.07	\$ 3,933.07
SUBTOTAL	\$ 87,798.88	\$ 85,167.74	\$ 87,805.22	\$ 87,805.22

GENERAL EXPENSES				
Election Expense	\$ 1,382.83	\$ 1,482.75	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Legal Expenses	\$ -	\$ 5,097.50	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
County Tax	\$ 15,351.00	\$ 16,507.00	\$ 18,897.00	\$ 18,930.00
Notices/advertise	\$ 2,209.48	\$ 3,532.34	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Reappraisal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
Animal Control/kennel Exp.	\$ 10.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Green Up Day Expense	\$ 3,217.91	\$ 742.60	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Town Report	\$ 1,931.00	\$ 2,180.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00
Morristown Public Library Cont.	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Milfoil Control	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Dues VLCT	\$ 2,129.00	\$ 2,129.00	\$ 2,129.00	\$ 2,129.00
Dues LCPC	\$ 682.00	\$ 682.00	\$ 682.00	\$ 682.00
Zoning Exp/miles	\$ -	\$ 42.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Elmore Fire Works	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 41,913.22	\$ 51,125.19	\$ 70,208.00	\$ 57,241.00

Total Expenses & Budgets	\$ 361,463.26	\$ 355,077.81	\$ 383,767.22	\$ 370,555.22
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<p align="center">HIGHWAY ACCOUNT EXPENSES & PROPOSED BUDGETS 2020-2024</p>
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	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROP BUDGET
HIGHWAY BUDGET	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
PAYROLL & BENEFITS				
Crew #1	\$ 53,110.03	\$ 64,627.53	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 68,000.00
Crew #2	\$ 49,328.72	\$ 15,336.99	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 54,000.00
Crew #3	\$ -	\$ 11,918.75	\$ -	\$ -
Crew #4	\$ -	\$ 17,413.50	\$ -	\$ -
Other Labor	\$ 13,881.00	\$ 19,643.17	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Education & Training	\$ -	-	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Road Comm.	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00
Health Ins/Dental	\$ 48,067.06	\$ 29,893.65	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Fed/Fica/VT W/H Tax	\$ 8,085.28	\$ 7,229.59	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Unemployment Tax	\$ -	-	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Retirement	\$ 4,756.08	\$ 4,535.47	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,200.00
W/c Ins.	\$ 7,313.00	\$ 5,989.25	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Uniforms	\$ 3,482.60	\$ 2,788.50	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 191,273.77	\$ 182,376.40	\$ 216,100.00	\$ 218,100.00

TOWN GARAGE				
Shop Maint/repair	\$ 10,579.95	\$ 3,916.26	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00
Phone/communication	\$ 849.07	\$ 849.78	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Oxygen	\$ -	\$ 420.84	\$ -	\$ -
Garage Heat/light/power	\$ 6,014.63	\$ 9,046.41	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Garage Reserve Account	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Garage Construction	\$ -	\$ 69,350.33	\$ -	\$ -
SUBTOTAL	\$ 27,443.65	\$ 93,583.62	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 23,500.00

ROAD MAINT/MATERIALS				
Roadside Mowing	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Equip Rent & Leasing	\$ 13,660.00	\$ 6,723.09	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Wrecker	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Sand	\$ 25,179.00	\$ 22,015.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
Gravel/Plant Mix/Stay Mat	\$ 49,624.64	\$ 40,249.29	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 52,000.00
Chloride	\$ 16,564.65	\$ 12,030.13	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Riprap/stone/fabric	\$ 12,760.77	\$ 13,303.45	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Culverts	\$ 3,797.80	\$ 5,090.20	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Road Signs/Ground rails	\$ 188.43	\$ 144.03	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Capital Improv/Elmore Mt. Rd	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,528.28	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Improv/Ice House	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Misc. Materials	\$ 412.52	\$ 2,391.52	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 128,187.81	\$ 112,474.99	\$ 139,500.00	\$ 141,500.00

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

EQUIPMENT MAINT & PURCHASE				
Shop Supplies/parts	\$ 6,258.99	\$ 7,848.64	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Trk #1 2019 Freightliner	\$ 8,907.91	\$ 3,399.92	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Trk #2 2013 Freightliner	\$ 14,751.81	\$ 6,755.60	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Trk #3 Dodge 550	\$ 583.97	\$ 16,030.56	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Grader	\$ 1,456.34	\$ 2,496.69	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Backhoe	\$ 104.25	\$ 1,829.73	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Loader	\$ 866.89	\$ 855.07	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Equip. Reserve	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Misc. Equip. Maint & Purchase	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 57,930.16	\$ 64,216.21	\$ 73,500.00	\$ 78,500.00

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROP BUDGET
GENERAL EXPENSES	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Equip Ins.	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 3,367.58	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Fuel, Gasoline	\$ 20,160.89	\$ 31,695.34	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Water Quality Permits	\$ 1,590.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 26,975.89	\$ 36,412.92	\$ 43,000.00	\$ 44,000.00

DEBT SERVICE				
Garage Construction Loan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Equip Loan Grader	\$ 25,238.10	\$ 25,497.81	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Grader Loan	\$ 1,007.40	\$ 788.52	\$ -	\$ -
SUBTOTAL	\$ 26,245.50	\$ 26,286.33	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES & BUDGET	\$ 458,056.78	\$ 515,350.47	\$ 500,600.00	\$ 605,600.00



**APPROPRIATIONS
2020-2024**

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROP BUDGET
	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
American Red Cross	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 150.00
Central Vt Adult Education	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.00
Central Vt Council On Aging/RSVP	\$ 750.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 250.00
Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 250.00
Elmore Cemetary Comm.	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Elmore Community Trust	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 250.00
Green Mt. Habitat for Humanity	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -
Lamoille Comm. Food Share	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00
Lamoille County Cons. Dist. LCCD	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Lamoille County Mental Health	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00
Lamoille County Special Inv. Unit	\$ 528.98	\$ 528.98	\$ 528.98	\$ 250.00
Lamoille Economic Devel.	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 150.00
Lamoille Family Center	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 250.00
Lamoille Home Health Hospice	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 250.00
Lamoille Housing Partners	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.00
Lamoille Restorative Center	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Meals On Wheels	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00
North Country Animal League	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.00
Rural Community Transportation	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 250.00
Vermont Family Network	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 150.00
Vt Center Independent Living	\$ 175.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 150.00
Vt Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
TOTAL APPROP.	\$ 12,318.98	\$ 8,543.98	\$ 10,168.98	\$ 3,650.00

**TOWN OF ELMORE
BALANCE SHEET 2020-2022**

ASSETS	JUNE 30TH 2020	JUNE 30TH 2021	JUNE 30TH 2022
CASH			
UNION BANK CHECKING	\$ 3,779.37	\$ 7,656.84	\$ 23,044.23
CERT OF DEPOSIT	\$ 691,049.61	\$ 870,635.87	\$ 1,034,358.61
TAXES RECEIVABLE			
CURRENT			
DELINQUENT	\$ 29,510.11	\$ 4,229.77	\$ 28,847.63
DUE FROM RESERVE ACCOUNTS	\$ (541,605.74)	\$ (709,373.16)	\$ (775,465.61)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 182,733.35	\$ 173,149.32	\$ 310,784.86

LIABILITIES			
Federal Deposit W/H	\$ 3,207.73	\$ 5,089.06	\$ -
State Deposit W/H	\$ 708.95	\$ 1,055.34	\$ -
Vmrs W/H retire.	\$ 1,637.95	\$ 1,907.09	\$ -
Deferred Comp.	\$ 300.00		\$ -
DUE TO TAX PAYERS	\$ 2,861.04	\$ 1,740.04	\$ 790.92
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 8,715.67	\$ 9,791.53	\$ 790.92
FUND BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	\$ 127,889.92	\$ 132,838.30	\$ 131,705.66
FUND BALANCE CURRENT YEAR	\$ 46,127.76	\$ 30,519.49	\$ 178,288.48
TOTAL LIABILITIES/FUND BALANCE	\$ 182,733.35	\$ 173,149.32	\$ 310,785.06

RESERVE ACCOUNTS			
HIGHWAY	\$ 287,445.22	\$ 396,496.28	\$ 412,794.67
REAPPRAISAL	\$ 46,426.41	\$ 51,917.41	\$ 57,442.41
RECORDS RESTORATION	\$ 14,678.38	\$ 20,416.94	\$ 17,619.94
EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$ 63,777.36	\$ 88,777.36	\$ 113,777.36
GARAGE CONSTRUCTION	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
FIRE DEPT. EQUIP. RESERVE	\$ -	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
UTILITY/WATER SYSTEM	\$ 49,278.37	\$ 52,765.17	\$ 55,831.23
TOTAL RESERVE FUND BALANCE	\$ 541,605.74	\$ 709,373.16	\$ 775,465.61

LONG TERM DEBT			
ELMORE WATER SYSTEM LOAN	\$ 238,920.51	\$ 229,363.69	\$ 219,806.87
GRADER LOAN	\$ 51,429.76	\$ 26,245.50	\$ -
FIRE TRUCK LOAN	\$ 207,425.38	\$ 181,636.00	\$ 155,169.85
TOTAL LIABILITY	\$ 497,775.65	\$ 437,245.19	\$ 374,976.72

**REVENUES GENERAL OPERATIONS
ACTUAL & ESTIMATED 2020-2024**

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED	ESTIMATED
ACCOUNT	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Prop. Tax Gen. Oper.	\$ 238,188.77	\$ 239,398.56	\$ 245,000.00	\$ 245,000.00
Interest late taxes	\$ 5,119.78	\$ 3,005.35	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Delinquent Tax Col. Fees	\$ 6,348.93	\$ 7,444.75	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Recording Fees	\$ 7,430.00	\$ 10,082.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
State Hold Harmless CU	\$ 62,511.00	\$ 60,189.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
State PILOT	\$ 2,528.00	\$ 2,658.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00
State Land - PILOT	\$ 16,446.00	\$ 16,446.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 16,500.00
Equilization Payment	\$ 646.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Local Recovery Fund-Coron	\$ -	\$ 128,986.58	\$ -	\$ -
Building Permits	\$ 10,109.60	\$ 6,297.08	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Dog Licenses/Kennel	\$ 351.00	\$ 466.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Beverage licenses	\$ 70.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 250.00
Traffic Fines	\$ 1,610.09	\$ 1,992.43	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Excess Weight Permits	\$ 325.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Copier Fees	\$ 2,150.45	\$ 1,229.90	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Investment Interest	\$ 7,430.00	\$ 8,824.39	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Elmore 5K Run	\$ -	\$ 3,361.25	\$ -	\$ -
Local Option Tax	\$ -	\$ 1,920.98	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Restoration Fees	\$ 6,712.00	\$ 5,566.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Misc. Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grants/Digitization	\$ 20,375.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 388,352.38	\$ 499,113.27	\$ 366,770.00	\$ 377,450.00

**REVENUES HIGHWAY OPERATIONS
ACTUAL & ESTIMATED**

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED	ESTIMATED
ACCOUNT	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Property Tax Highway	\$ 450,295.50	\$ 450,295.50	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 550,000.00
State Aid/Funding	\$ 53,068.06	\$ 58,939.38	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 53,000.00
Grants	\$ 23,094.70	\$ 30,414.00	\$ -	\$ -
FEMA - Halloween Storm	\$ 40,649.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 567,107.84	\$ 539,648.88	\$ 503,000.00	\$ 603,000.00

**TOWN & SCHOOL BUDGET SUMMARY
ACTUAL & PROPOSED 2020-2024**

ACCOUNT	BUDGET 2020-2021	BUDGET 2021-2022	BUDGET 2022-2023	PROP. BUDGET 2023-2024
APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 29,000.98	\$ 24,825.98	\$ 25,850.98	\$ 3,650.00
GENERAL OPERATIONS	\$ 329,461.88	\$ 331,845.88	\$ 366,085.22	\$ 370,555.22
HIGHWAY ROAD ACCT	\$ 501,295.50	\$ 503,295.48	\$ 500,600.00	\$ 605,600.00
TOTAL TOWN BUDGET	\$ 859,758.36	\$ 859,967.34	\$ 892,536.20	\$ 979,805.22
	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
TAX RATE				ESTIMATE
HOMESTEAD EDUC	\$ 1.542	\$ 1.5147	\$ 1.6086	\$ 1.544
NON-RESIDENTIAL EDUC	\$ 1.628	\$ 1.6224	\$ 1.7308	\$ 1.757
TOWN MUNIC.	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.48
GRAND LIST VALUE	\$ 1,618,173.00	\$ 1,626,809.00	\$ 1,660,149.00	\$ 1,675,000.00

**ANALYSIS OF DELINQUENT TAXES RECEIVABLE
2021-2022**

TAX YEAR	7/1/2021 BALANCE	TO COLLECTOR 03/22/2022	COLLECTIONS 3/22/22-12/31/22	BALANCE DUE 12/31/2022
2021-22	\$00.00	\$121,822.46	\$111,538.92	\$10,283.54

**TOWN AUDITORS STATEMENT
2021-2022**

The Auditors of the Town of Elmore have examined the accompanying statements and accounts of the Town for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022 and we find them to be in order and declare them to be a fair representation of the Town financial status of the year then ended.

Diane Cote
Jane Nutting
Carla Blood

An Independent Audit was performed by Mudgett Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C. Certified Public Accountants for the fiscal year 2021-2022. A copy of the Audit is available to view at the Town Office and also on the Town Website www.elmorevt.org

GRAND LIST 2019-2024

Actual FY2019-2020	\$1,613,202.00
Actual FY2020-2021	\$1,617,944.00
Actual FY2021-2022	\$1,626,808.00
Actual FY2022-2023	\$1,660,149.00
Est. FY2023-2024	\$1,693,000.00

GRAND LIST 2021-2022

Homestead	868,946.00
Non-Resident	757,862.00
Total Grand List	1,626,808.00

STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED JULY 1, 2021- JUNE 30, 2022
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TAXES BILLED	Tax Rate	X Grand List =	Total Raised
School Education Tax			
Non-Residential Ed.	\$1.6224	757,862.00	1,229,555.28
Homestead Ed.	\$1.5147	868,946.00	1,316,192.46
Total School Ed. Tax			<u>2,545,747.74</u>

Town			
Town/Municipal Tax	\$0.42	1,626,808.00	683,256.09
HS-122 Penalty			1,353.00
Elmore Water Service			9,510.20
Total Town Tax			<u>694,119.29</u>

Total Town & School Ed. Taxes Raised	<u>\$3,239,867.03</u>
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Revenue of State Taxes Received	
VT Forest & Parks @1%	16,446.00
Current Use Hold Harmless	60,189.00
PILOT Program	2,658.00
Equalization Payment	650.00
Highway State Aid	58,939.38
1% Local Option Tax	1,920.98
Total State Taxes	<u>140,803.36</u>

TOTAL Town/School & State Tax	<u>\$3,380,670.39</u>
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TAXES COLLECTED	
General Collections	\$3,118,044.57
State Taxes	140,803.36
Del. Taxes to Collector	121,822.46
TOTAL TAXES COLLECTED	<u>\$3,380,670.39</u>

ELMORE FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

Structure/Chimney/Car Fires	5
Vehicle Accidents	4
False/House Alarms (CO,Fire etc)	10
Community Emergency Response	1
Brush Fires/Other	0
Mutual Aid (Wolcott-11, Greensboro-1,Morrisville-5 Stowe-3)	20
Total Calls	40

The department has been busy with fire calls, training, work sessions and fundraising. The Chicken BBQ was held this year. The annual Harvest Dinner, always the first Saturday of October, was held in person for the first time in two years. These events were very successful thanks to community support, the Elmore Store and the Auxiliary.

Fire Department members met with Elmore School students for their annual fire safety awareness program at the station.

We now belong to Fire Safe 802, which supplies smoke and CO alarms for those in need; additionally we will help with installation if needed.

We received a 50/50 grant from Vermont League of Cities and Towns to purchase a rescue wheel litter to move injured people off the mountain. The remaining half of this grant was made with a generous donation from Concept 2.

Fire department members conducted our annual CPR recertification training through Morristown Rescue.

We purchased one new AED and have ordered a second to replace older ones out of date.

We directed traffic for the town sponsored 5K run over Labor Day and the Community Trust Gravel Grinder bicycle race.

As many FD members are aging, we could use additional members to adequately respond to community emergencies. Please consider joining the Fire Department or Fast Squad. If you are interested in either organization, please stop by the fire station where we meet nearly every Thursday evening @ 7 pm. I wish to thank the community for its continued support as well as the firemen for their countless hours of service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent Hosking, Fire Chief

Elmore Fire Department

				FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
				Actual	Budgeted	Proposed
Total Carry forward to FY 2022				\$ 21,900.62		
Appropriation Operating Budget				\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 27,700.00
Operating Expenses						
	Air Packs			\$ (1,241.49)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,600.00
	Dues			\$ (684.84)	\$ 600.00	\$ 700.00
	Engine 1 Maintenance			\$ (1,177.04)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Engine 2 Maintenance			\$ (1,022.62)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Equipment Repair			\$ (61.39)	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	Extinguishing Agents			\$ (701.20)	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
	Apparatus Fuel			\$ (3,816.59)	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
	Haz Mat Supplies			\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	Utilities			\$ (3,648.23)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
	Medical			\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
	Office Supplies			\$ (1,027.19)	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
	Public Awareness			\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	Radio Repair			\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
	Rescue 1 Maintenance			\$ (4,819.40)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Rescue 2 Maintenance			\$ (49.99)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Responder Compensation			\$ (4,490.00)	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,000.00
	Station Maintenance			\$ (641.84)	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
	Trailer			\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
	Training			\$ (490.00)	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
	911 Sign Maintenance			\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Operating Total				\$ (23,871.82)		
Appropriation Capital Budget				\$ 16,200.00	\$ 16,200.00	\$ 16,200.00
	Hose and Adapters			\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Station			\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
	Air Packs			\$ (1,200.00)	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
	Turnout Gear			\$ (1,132.28)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
	Equipment			\$ (2,326.49)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
	Radio			\$ (1,940.00)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Capital Total				\$ (6,598.77)		
Total Spending 2022				\$ (30,470.59)		
Concept 2 Donation				\$ 1,000.00		
Air Pack Reserve Fund				\$ 7,200.00		
Carry Forward to 2023				\$ 33,130.03		
Carry Forward to Flat Fund 2024						\$ (3,200.00)
Elmore Fast Squad Budget				\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total Appropriation Budget				\$ 41,200.00	\$ 41,200.00	\$ 41,200.00

ELMORE FAST SQUAD REPORT

		FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Budgeted	FY 2024 Proposed
Total Carry forward to FY 2022		\$2,273.08		
Town Appropriation 2022		\$500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Spending 2022	AED Supplies	\$(619.96)		
Total Funds Available FY 2023		\$2,153.12		

Active Members of Elmore Fast Squad FY 2023:

Kate Latz	AEMT	First Responder
Jason Tallman	EMT	First Responder
Hunter Tallman	AEMT	First Responder

ELMORE FAST SQUAD

In 2022, The Elmore fast squad responded to 40 Emergency medical calls. This is a 33 percent increase from last year, 2021. While we are still taking precautions from COVID by wearing the right PPE and mask. We are still running strong and serving the citizens of Elmore. This year we had one member resign. The Fast Squad would like to thank Ryan Hannon for all the hard work he has put into the organization. We are always looking for new people to join are team. If you are interested in joining, please reach out to Captain Jason Tallman of the Elmore Fire Department by calling the Elmore fire station. (802)-888-0311 or sending an email to elmorefirerescuevt@gmail.com

Jason Tallman Captain Elmore Fire Department
Elmore Fast Squad

Fire Dept. Member List

Brent Hosking	Chief	Matt Hill	Firefighter
Andy Jones	1 st Assist. Chief	Hunter Tallman	Firefighter/Fast Squad
Adam Audet	2 nd Assist. Chief	Trevor Braun	Firefighter/Secretary
Jason Tallman	1 st Captain/Fast	Noah Tallman	Firefighter
Ryan Hannon	2 nd Captain	Seth Costa	Firefighter
Don Zukswert	Firefighter/Auditor	Mike Fritz	Firefighter
Jason Cohen	Firefighter/Treas.	William Lemery	Firefighter

LAKE ELMORE FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY ANNUAL REPORT 2022

The Lake Elmore Fire Department Auxiliary is in its twenty first year of existence. Our mission is to support the Elmore Fire Department in both emergencies and community activities and to be of service to our community.

While we did not hold our annual Christmas Wreath sale fundraiser, we were, however, able to conduct two fundraising projects this year. The first being a tag sale held during the Fire Department Annual July Chicken BBQ and the second being our gift basket raffle held during the October Harvest Dinner. We did well with these two fundraising efforts and hope to once again offer a scholarship to an Elmore graduating senior this spring.

We again provided 300+ desserts for the October Harvest Dinner, which was an in person event this year. We appreciate the work of Auxiliary members as well as contributions from many other community members who provided desserts for the dinner. We are grateful for the donations for our Tag Sale and for the Basket Raffle. Additionally, auxiliary members decorated Elmore public spaces with wreaths at Christmas time and with lights in front of the Town Hall.

We hope to be able to continue to support our community. We are eager to welcome new members and anyone interested in joining our group should contact a member. We will meet again in the spring.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Fortune, President
Holly Wilkins, Vice President
Martha Twombly, Treasurer
Peggy Sprague, Secretary

Linda Worth
Marsha Garry
Liz Dickson
Gerri Wills



Cemetary Annual Report

Carla Blood - Cemetery Commissioner Member

January 1, 2022

Checking	143.96	
Savings	19771.16	
Total current asse s		19915.12

CD #39442	10013.55
CD #34784	20373.93

Total Long Term assets	30387.48
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Total Assets

50302.60

Operations 1-1-2022 to 12-31-2022

Plot Sales	2000.00
Interest	65.04
Total Income	

2065.04

Expenses

Riverbend (gas)	500.00
Percy Rentals	109.24
Keith Cochran	2500.00
Town & Country	5763.75
M Lacasse (shed)	277.93

Total Expenses

9150.92

December 31, 2022

Checking	157.62	
Savings	12671.62	
Total Current Assets		12829.24

CD #39442	10013.55
CD #34784	20373.93

Total Long Term Assets	30387.48
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Total Assets

43216.72

We would like to acknowledge Keith Cochran for taking care of our cemetaries for the last 40+ years.

He truly cares about the cemetaries and the people laid to rest there. He takes care of the equipment

as well as helping with daily operations such as marking plots for stones and placement.

Please give him a big thank you next time you see him. We hope he continues to mow for many more years.

VEHICLE & PROPERTY LIST SCHEDULE OF INDEPTEDNESS

DEPT	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	FINANCING	YEARLY PAYMENT	MATURITY DATE
HWY	2012	CASE	865B AWD GRADER			
	2014	DODGE	5500 RAM			
	2013	FREIGHTLINER	DUMP 114SD			
	2004	JOHN DEERE	310SG BACKHOE			
	2019	FREIGHTLINER	DUMP114SD			
	2007	VOLVO	L60F LOADER			
FIRE DEPT	2020	E-ONE NAVISTAR	PUMPER	\$ 233,807.00	\$ 31,105.88	October 1, 2027
	2011	INTERNATIONAL	TANKER/PUMPER 7600			
	1989	GMC	7000 RESCUE TRUCK			
	2004	BOMBARDIER	ATV TRAXTER MAX 500			
	2006	CASE	24' TRAILER			
	2003	CHEVY PICKUP				
WATER SYSTEM				\$ 248,477.33	\$ 9,556.00	December 1,2044

PROPERTY LISTING

PROPERTY	LOCATION
SCHOOL	1199 VT ROUTE 12
TOWN HALL	1192 VT ROUTE 12
TOWN CLERK	1175 VT ROUTE 12
TOWN GARAGE	343 BEACH RD
FIRE STATION	343 BEACH RD
CEMETERY	ELMORE MT RD
CEMETERY	VT RTE 12
WATER SYSTEM	3436 ELMORE POND RD

TOWN OF ELMORE, VT

Elmore Select Board – Annual Report - 2022

Calendar Year 2022 Highlights

- Town operations, spending and budget achieved 97.4% predictability (Actual vs. Budget).
- Municipal spending stable: all reserve funds are steady and well-funded for equipment purchases and general spending.
- Approval received from voters to proceed with construction of a new Highway Maintenance Facility (HMF). Approval preceded by 3 public Information Meetings attended by all board members. Detailed financial analysis provided.
- Town Highway Maintenance Facility rebuild action plan—see full update under separate section of Town Report.
- Grant applications: Sen. Sanders Congressionally Directed Spending Request and Welch Community Project Requests. (Unfortunately, these applications were not selected.)
- Town Tech: Office technology upgrade completed. Board meetings and office operations successfully moved to fully functioning hybrid status. Video and internet access upgrade (to high speed fiber). All meetings accessible via Zoom.
- Resources: Seated new SB member, hired new full time Road Crew member, hired new Zoning Administrator and contract support for Highway. Appointment of assistant Town Clerk. CUD broadband rep (again) resigned, replacement in place.
- Employee Compensation/Benefits: Reviewed; Elmore remains competitive with VT towns of similar size.
- Town-wide Reappraisal: Required by State of VT; Reappraisal company retained \$67,200.00 contract signed with NEMRC. Contract under town budgeted amount. No impact on tax rate.
- Land record digitization complete: Completed 40 years of indexing. Allows for online records research.
- Broadband: Elmore member of Lamoille FiberNet and CVFiber CUDs optimizing access to broadband.
- Grants and Federal payments: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Elmore to received \$257,973.16
- 5-year Road Erosion Plan: Updated meeting State mandated drainage management standards and erosion controls. State mandated erosion control represents a significant Town-shouldered investment over the next 20 years.
- Updated FEMA Emergency Shelter and Response Requirements; expanded LEOP (Local Emergency Operations Plan).
- Lake Elmore: Town continued to fund Lake Association milfoil control program and greeter program.
- Water System: continues successful operation within budget; exceeds quality stds. Funding rates and reserves stable.
- Community-building: Elmore Planning Committee launched the Town's 3rd annual 5k race and supported fireworks.
- SB responded: dogs, noise complaints, flat tires, Japanese knot weed, ATV use on town roads (ATVs not allowed).
- SB received and acted on petitions for Stowe and Elmore to withdraw from LSUU. Info mtg and special election held.
- SB issued letters of support for land conservation project: Northeast Wilderness Trust.
- Legal: Leveraged services of Town Attorneys for (1) Zoning/DRB Forest Reserve, (2) Town Road ROW dispute.
- Actions: Resolved 50/52 specific items brought before Select Board: 96% resolution rate for in-year projects.
- Selectboard meetings increased 45% over 2021 and 100% over 2020 to manage growing volume of Town business.

2022 – 2023 Continuing Programs/Issues

- Ground-breaking and construction of the new Highway Maintenance Facility (completion in 2023)
- Deconstruction and reclamation of current Town Garage site.
- VT Route 12 Corridor Project Elmore Bridges 90 & 94. Traffic disruption expected during construction. Project is 100% state and federal funded projects.
- **MRGP** – Costs associated with erosion/AOT requires NEW permits and inspections for highway construction and repairs. **Erosion control alone will have significant impact on Town finances.**
- Pursue grants, new revenue opportunities, and current cost structures.
- Appointment of new Town Clerk

2023 - 2024 Future Plans

- Evaluate/anticipate excavator purchase and loader replacement CY2024 +/-.
- Evaluate demands on existing road crew and town clerk roles. Evaluate staffing augmentation to meet work demands.

Elmore Select Board: C. DeVore G. Schwartz W. West

2022 Town Of Elmore, Lister's Report

The Lister's office is staffed by June McKinley, David Boudreau and Susan Rousselle.

Statistics for 2021-22

\$10,579,500 - 20 total valid sales

\$ 528,975 - Average sale price

\$ 283,955 - Average assessed value

Average Sale price exceeded listed value by **54%**

*CLA (Common level of appraisal – **79%**

COD (Coefficient of Dispersion) – **26%

***The Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)** for every Vermont town is the primary result of the Equalization Study performed by the Tax Department every year. The equalization study compares the ratio of the grand list listed value to the sale price for all the arms-length sales in the town over the prior three-year period. The study considers sales price as the best measurement of fair market value.

****The Coefficient of Dispersion (COD)** is a statistical measurement of the accuracy or confidence level of all assessments. With mass appraisal there is a statistical certainty that some assessments will not reflect the actual market value of property. The COD allows the Lister's to determine how accurate overall assessments are based upon sales data. A COD of less than 10 is considered very accurate while a COD of less than 15 is acceptable. A COD above 15 may show inconsistent assessment.

In 2018-19 the CLA was 100.21, in 2019-20 it was 99.36, illustrating that valid sales were at or near assessed value. Last year (2020-21) The CLA was 84.7%, dropping just below the state requirement of 85%. In 2020-21 the CLA dipped to 78.87% because the sales have continued to exceed the grand list value! Our COD has risen to 25.66% and according to the state anything over 15% is unacceptable. These factors combined have caused the state to require a town wide assessment to be done beginning this summer.

Additional resources for understanding education tax rates and the CLA are available at www.tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/understanding-property-taxes/education-tax-rates and from the Vermont school boards association at www.vtvsba.org

Elmore Highway Maintenance Facility Update

After three years of town planning the Elmore Highway Maintenance Facility is now shovel ready and construction will start as soon as the weather allows!!!

This has been a long journey for the town, but one that required careful planning and a thoughtful, proper approach considering it is the largest investment of town resources ever in Elmore. The voters of Elmore approved a bond referendum “in the amount not to exceed \$2.5 million” on Town Meeting day March 1, 2022. Since that time, many things have been accomplished to get us ready for construction this spring:

- Cross Consulting Engineers were hired to design the facility.
- The building task force made up of 14 Elmore volunteers provided input into the design and function of the building during three meetings.
- Cross Engineering completed the design and construction documents, including bid documents in the late fall.
- The town purchased 18 acres of land on Route 12 right outside of downtown Elmore. 18 acres were required because of the impervious coverage regulations in our town zoning laws. This land will be used for the garage as well as a new town park.
- Elmore received a municipal planning grant from LCPC to help plan for the town park on the newly purchased property. That work will start with a town wide survey to get input from all citizens as to what we would like to see featured in the new town park.
- The construction bid package was sent out to 14 construction companies. On January 2, 2023 the construction project was awarded to MSI of Morristown.
- Elmore has received approval for a 30 year bond, valued at \$2.242 million with an interest rate of 4.45% from the Vermont Bond Bank. This required the town to have a financial audit for our fiscal year ending June 2022.

This new facility will be approximately 90' x 60', 5400 ft.². It will include a four bay garage with internal offices, radiant heat and will be 100% solar powered. The town hopes this facility will be operational by the end of 2023, early 2024.

The Select Board and Road Commissioner would like to thank the voters of Elmore for approving funding for this project. Please stay tuned for how you can help plan for the Elmore Town Park.

Road Commissioner Report

2022 goes down as a good normal year, with no Mother Nature curve balls to deal with. This allowed us to look at prioritizing road projects and scheduling. highlights of 2022.

Edward Adams was hired to fill our vacant position. He brings a vast array of knowledge and capabilities to the position. Welcome aboard.

Ice House Road box culvert done. MSI was awarded the bid to do the work.

Debermed all of Tallman Road and Hardwood Flats Road from the school house to bus turn around.

Resurfaced the above mention roads.

Ditch and culvert project done on Ward Hill section of Symond's Mill. This work was paid for by a grant.

The Highway Department wishes to thank its employees, Shorty Towne who filled in during the winter season, service providers and residents that have shaped 2022.

Reminder: access permits are required for driveways. Plowing snow into or across roadways is illegal. Road right of way is 25 feet from center. Objects within the right of way are placed solely at the owner's full risk.

Michel Lacasse

Road Commissioner



Elmore Planning Commission Report

Here are the highlights from 2022

Hazard Mitigation Plan- EPC worked with Lamoille County Planning Commission (LCPC) to update the plan and include new language regarding the increased likelihood of weather and health emergencies.

High Speed Internet- EPC continues to stay up to date on the slow progress of this issue but remains unable to alter reality, which is that the dream of broadband internet in all Elmore homes is still a couple years away.

Elmore 5K- Another perfect Labor Day weekend was kicked off by the popular event. 144 runners participated this year and a good time was had by all. Thanks again to all our wonderful sponsors and volunteers.

"Welcome to Elmore" information packet- With the intention of informing new residents about Elmore's zoning regulations and with the hope that this information will inspire folks to willingly adhere to these regulations, the EPC drafted a document that will be distributed to all new property owners. The document also includes helpful community information and a short history of Elmore.

Zoning in the Forest Reserve District- Joint meetings were held with the DRB to discuss concerns around several zoning bylaws within the Forest Reserve District. After much discussion the EPC decided that, with the exception of one minor language change, any of the proposed action would be in direct contradiction to the Elmore Town Plan as well as preemptive, as all concerns were at this point theoretical. The issues will be reviewed again in mid-2023 to see if any changes have occurred.

Municipal Wastewater System- At the recommendation of the Elmore representative to LCPC, the EPC did some digging into the various options for municipal wastewater systems. After a very informative presentation by a representative of VT Agency of Natural Resources it was decided that, although the cost of conducting a feasibility study could be grant funded any potential system would come with a high price tag and now was not the time for such action. The issue was not completely flushed however, and the EPC will continue to research the issue and contact the State for additional information.

Town Garage Property- There is an exciting opportunity to develop the property around the new town garage for community use. The town has applied for a municipal planning grant to help fund the planning and study process. We will be putting out a survey in early 2023 to gather ideas for how to best use the land.

As always, Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and community participation is encouraged.

Sincerely,

Kate Sprague
Elmore Planning Commission Chair

Elmore Zoning Administrator Annual Report for 2022

Thirty-one Permits were issued in 2022. The breakdown is as follows:

New Homes	8	Sub-divisions	3
Additions	3	Boundary Adjust.	1
Garages	2	Conditional Use	1
Sheds	7	Decks	2
Porches	1	Patio Roofs	1
Barns	1	Walkways	1

Donald Valentine,
Zoning Administrator

Stuart Wepler,
Assistant Zoning Administrator



Animal Control Officer Report

Summary of 2022 Animal Control issues here in Lake Elmore. The biggest concern continues to be the failure to license and dogs in violation of the town ordinance mandating that no domestic dog or wolf hybrid shall run at large in the Town.

"At large" means that the pet is not:

1. On a leash.
2. In a vehicle.
3. On the owner's property.
4. On the property of another person with that person's permission.
5. Clearly under the verbal or nonverbal (leashed) control of the owner.
6. Hunting with the owner.

In other words keep your dogs on your own property or under your supervision so they do not harass or threaten your neighbors or your neighbor's animals. We often assume that because we love our dogs that everyone else does as well. In reality some people are afraid of dogs and especially dogs that they do not know and your dog being on your neighbor's property may very well be a nuisance for them. Basically; be considerate of your neighbors.

Violations (including failure to license) result in a \$100.00 fine from the state or a court visit to contest this fine.

Please help us make our town a better place for our pets and our neighbors by being a responsible pet owner. License your dog and have a visible name tag on your dog with your contact information so that if they do wander off of your property I will know who to return them to. The small license fee can help you to avoid an expensive visit to the shelter to retrieve your pet.

List of calls for 2022

- 3) Barking dog noise complaints.
- 1) Vicious dog complaints
- 2) Dog "at large" calls.
- 2) Animal abuse complaint.
- 1) Call concerning cows without fresh water

Respectfully submitted by: Ken Haggett, Lake Elmore Animal Control 802-888-7733

LAKE ELMORE ASSOCIATION REPORT (2022)

This year we were able to resume our fundraising and community activities as the risk of Covid lessened. It was great to see everyone after two years. Our fund raising efforts included three Pancake Breakfasts and weekly Bingo throughout the summer. The Lake association also provided free community activities including a tractor parade on Father's Day, a boat parade on the fourth of July, a floating concert and a pie social at the end of the summer. These activities were very popular and enjoyed by the entire community.

In 1981, the residents of Elmore became aware of the fact that Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) had been observed in the lake and the Lake Elmore Association was formed to combat this invasive species. Control of EWM has been undertaken since that time in Lake Elmore. Continued control will be necessary to ensure that dense infestations do not occupy an increasing area of the Lake. By controlling the EWM, the project helps to ensure that boaters and fishermen will be able to continue to have access to the lake. Without action, in the very near future access to the lake via the state boat ramp will be impossible. EWM control in the lake will also ensure safe swimming at the state park site. Failure to act will soon lead to unsafe swimming conditions in the lake.

This year we continued to utilize AE Commercial Diving Services to perform diver assisted suction harvesting. Beginning on July 13, 2022, AE Commercial Diving services performed a two day visual inspection of the entire lake to identify areas of EWM infestation. This was beneficial in locating and identifying the worst areas. Once these areas were identified, a plan of action was created and submitted to the State for approval. Due to the distribution of the milfoil this year, the use of bottom barriers was not required. Therefore, we utilized hand pulling and suction harvesting. Suction harvesting was performed where the plants were so fragile that it was better to remove them from the top-down, in order to capture any fragments. AE Commercial Diving Services began hand pulling and suction harvesting utilizing two crews on July 15, 2022 and continued until July 18, 2022. They then returned on September 21, 2022 and completed the season on September 29, 2022. The divers spent a total of 15 days this year on the lake which was two days more than last year.

The divers removed 350 gal of milfoil in July and 140 gallons in September. The total area treated was 61 acres or 30% of the area of the Lake. The total milfoil that was removed was more than last year but approximately the same as what was removed in 2020. Overall, we see this as a good sign and hope that our efforts are helping to maintain the amount of milfoil in the lake. The EWM that was removed was composted and used by local gardeners. With the implemented measures employed again this year, we hope to slow the spread of the EWM and decrease the size of the dense infestations. Such controls can ensure that recreational use of the lake can continue and the ecological integrity of the lake ecosystem remains intact.

The fifth year of our greeter program continued to be a great success. We continued to monitor the lake (3) three days per week, 12 hours per day (8:00am – 8:00pm). The program was open on weekends (Friday through Sunday) and holidays throughout the summer season. The greeter program began on June 3, 2022 and ended on September 11, 2022. During this period a total of 1843 inspections were performed. Fortunately, Milfoil was not found on any boats. Last year 1579 boats were inspected so our inspection numbers increased by 17% this year. This year we hired and trained 3 local high school students that did an amazing job.

In order to maintain these successful programs, the Lake Elmore Association requires funding from various sources. Unfortunately State funding will be reduced in 2023. For the last 10 years the State has been level-funded at \$450,000. However, for 2023 that fund will be reduced to between \$305,000 and \$310,000. This funding is for all 800+ lakes and ponds in the state. Now more than ever we need funding for AIS prevention and control to increase, not decrease!

This year we received a grant from the State of Vermont in the amount of \$17,367.00 which was slightly less than last year. The Town of Elmore contributed \$15,000.00. Without this money, we could not have done the work that needs to be done. Although the Town of Elmore and State have contributed generously, the cost of getting the milfoil under control is increasing dramatically. In order to continue to address this ongoing problem, additional funding will be necessary. LEA members have volunteered many hours at fundraising events to support the program and support for the program remained strong as the LEA continued to receive donations from the public to help support this program. Since we have a 501(c) (3) status from the IRS, contributions are tax deductible.

The Lake Elmore Association would like to thank all of the voters of the Town for their support of our effort to ensure that Elmore remains the "Beauty Spot of Vermont"

Respectfully Submitted
Glenn Schwartz
President
Lake Elmore Association

Elmore Community Trust

2022 provided the Elmore Community Trust (ECT) with many firsts. Perhaps the most significant first for this relatively young nonprofit was experiencing the first full year owning the Elmore Store. As many in our community can attest, owning a historic building is not without its challenges; challenges made all the more complex when they arise during a period of economic uncertainty, combined with ongoing disruption related to the COVID pandemic and all layered on top of the needs of a running a small business. ECT would like to extend its most sincere thanks to the Town of Elmore as well as many individuals and families who have supported our work through sustained offers of help and encouragement and generous financial contributions. ECT wishes to thank Mike Stanley and Kate Gluckman for their enthusiasm, creativity and community mindedness during the year as new operators of the Elmore Store. ECT is in the process of identifying the next Store operator as Mike and Kate move on to other opportunities.

Building Activities

The Elmore Community Trust engaged in several projects including but not limited to: replacement of furnace chimney and associated rot repair, replacement of crumbling cement steps, digging of test pits for designed septic and replacement and upgrade of hot water heater. ECT is in the process of assessing the needs of the building and property which will inform future fundraising needs.

Community Activities

The second annual Elmore Community Trust Labor Day Celebration was held on September 3rd. This all-day event includes a collection of activities sponsored by ECT, the Town of Elmore and supported by the Elmore Store. From the Planning Commission's Elmore 5k to the tremendous fireworks display over the lake, the Labor Day Celebration saw people from all over coming to town and enjoying all Elmore has to offer. The Second Annual ECT Gravel Grinder attracted eighty bikers. The challenging 42-mile loop included over 4000' of climbing as it wound it's way from the Elmore Church north to Craftsbury and back.

The action moved on to the entertainment and the newest addition of the celebration; a community talent show. The talent show included singers, musicians and even a dramatic father-daughter water skiing finale. Following the talent show, three excellent local bands took the stage. Leslie Grant and her enormous band, The High Breaks and the Eames Brothers Band kept attendees toes tapping until dark and the much anticipated fireworks display.

Fundraising Activities

Following the remarkable contributions to raise the funds needed to purchase the store property in 2021, the Elmore Community Trust launched its 2022 fundraising campaign with the goal of raising money to make significant, and critical renovations in the future. After a challenging but spirited first year of ownership the Trust finds itself at a strategic transition point. It is with that understanding that witnessing community support continue is so heartening.

While ECT has successfully lined up grant funding for some of our more significant renovation projects, that funding does not fully cover all of our planned work for 2023. Projects like:

-Design and installation of new septic system, Upgrade of electrical service, installation of 30kw standby generator and building upgrades for fire code compliance to name just a few.

Elmore Community Trust Board of Trustees: Blair Marvin-President, Mark Isselhardt-Vice President, Selene DeCiucies-Treasurer, Trevor Braun-Secretary, Jon Osborn, Kate Sprague, Julie Bomengen, Jill Lindenmeyr, Caleb Suddaby, Jason McLean and Jamie DiSabatino

PERMITS/LICENSES REQUIRED

HIGHWAY ACCESS: A permit is required from the Road Commissioner for any access from property to all Town Roads (V.S.A. 19-1-43 Art. 460)

BUILDING AND SEPTIC PERMITS: A permit is required from the Zoning Administrator before any building or structure is erected, enlarged, relocated or changed in use in any district, and also for any land development and subdivision (except agriculture or forestry). A permit is required from the State Environmental Dept. before any sewage disposal system is built, altered or repaired. Applications and fee schedule may be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office or at our Web Site www.elmorevt.org

DOG LICENSES: Pursuant to 20 V.S.A Art. 3581, a person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog more than four months shall annually, on or before April 1, cause it to be registered.

	Before April 1st	After April 1
Neutered Male/Spayed Female	\$10.00	\$14.00
Male/Female not neutered/spay	\$14.00	\$18.00
Kennel Permit	\$10.00	
Special License up to 10 dogs	\$30.00	add. dog \$ 3.00/per

Note: Valid Rabies Certificate must show that the dog was vaccinated after April 1, 2019

MOBILE HOMES:

As required in 32 V.S.A. Sec. 5079, an owner of a mobile home shall register the home with the clerk in the municipality in which it is located by providing a bill of sale or true copy thereof. The clerk shall maintain a public record of mobile home registrations and shall charge a fee of \$15.00 for each registration.

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS:

The final installment of FY 2022-23 Property Tax is due and payable on March 15, 2023. If payment is not in the Town Clerk's Office by said due date they will be turned over to the Delinquent Tax Collector for collection and an 8 percent collection fee and interest of 1 percent per month will be levied on all delinquent accounts. If you would like to receive an email alert to remind you of your upcoming property tax payment and any other Town announcements, go to our website at www.elmorevt.org and on the homepage click on "Sign up for Town Alerts"

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m and by appointment.
Phone 888-2637, email www.sdraper@elmorevt.org

BOARD MEETING TIMES:

Selectboard meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 P.M.
School Board meetings are held every First and Third Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm
Planning Commission meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 P.M.

Lamoille County Planning Commission FY22 Municipal Report



ELMORE

The Lamoille County Planning Commission is a political subdivision of the state, governed by a board that includes representatives from each Lamoille County municipality. In the absence of County government, the LCPC provides an essential link between local, state, and federal government agencies and local Lamoille County communities. The LCPC is uniquely positioned to provide broad and cost-effective professional planning services to local municipalities.

In Elmore these services included:

- ❖ Providing information and technical support regarding the Municipal Roads General Permit;
- ❖ Facilitating of Grant In Aid funds, used to assist towns in complying with the state's Municipal Roads General Permit;
- ❖ Providing information about VTrans grant programs and other available funds for road projects;
- ❖ Providing information and technical support regarding compliance with the Municipal Roads General Permit;
- ❖ Providing information, technical support, and coordination about various highway topics between State officials and Elmore Highway Department;
- ❖ Assisting with updating of Local Emergency Management Plan;
- ❖ Assisting with Village Center Tax Credit application for repairs at the Elmore Store;
- ❖ Providing technical assistance related to options and funding sources for replacement of the Town Highway Garage;
- ❖ Providing outreach on the update of the Lamoille River Tactical Basin Plan and Winooski River Tactical Basin Plan;
- ❖ Providing outreach and informational resources on new Vermont stormwater management standards including the "3 Acre Rule" and Draft Stormwater General Permit;
- ❖ Conducting traffic counts;
- ❖ Providing technical assistance on updating data in the Elmore Local Hazard Mitigation Plan;
- ❖ Providing technical assistance and guidance regarding American Rescue Plan Act funding and reporting;
- ❖ At the request of the Town Planning Commission, envisioning recreation programming potential at 18 acre site for future new Town Garage complex. Information provides a framework to pursue grants to plan recreation at this site;
- ❖ Providing technical assistance to the Lamoille Fibernet Communications Union District;

LCPC Board Member

Jill Lindenmeyr
(Resigned 9/14/21)

Trevor Braun
(appointed 9/14/21)

Transportation Advisory Committee

Michel Lacasse (alt)

**Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
2022 Annual Report**

The Lamoille County Communication's Center received 21,546 E911 calls the past year, which is down from the 23,679 in 2021. We dispatched 36,751 fire, EMS and police calls, which are itemized as follows:

Fire Agency	Total Calls	Ambulance Agency	Total Calls	Police Agency	Total Calls
Barre Town	215	Barre Town	4337	Barre Town	7007
Cambridge	186	Cambridge	486	Hardwick PD	2526
Elmore	40	Hardwick	821	LCSD	6173
Greensboro	48	Morristown	958	Morristown PD*	5214
Hardwick	91	NEMS	1744	Stowe PD	4971
Hyde Park	99	Stowe	900		
Johnson	134				
Morrisville	241				
North Hyde Park/Eden	72				
Stowe	449				
Wolcott	39				
Total	1614	Total	9246	Total	25891

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

LCSD saw an overall **increase** of 4.5% in calls for service, up 266, from the previous year. Routine traffic stops, to include fine amounts increased overall 25%. Wolcott saw traffic fine amounts double compared to the previous year. The patrol division returned to full staff giving us the opportunity to spend more time on the road in our communities. As a result, directed patrols were up nearly 100%, and our DUI/DLS arrest rate was up almost 125%. Drug overdose and drug investigation cases continue to rise, and we continue to be very productive with narcotic seizures to include nearly a pound of crack/cocaine, heroin and fentanyl. Some of these cases have resulted in Federal prosecution. This department investigated 28 cases related to sex crimes involving juveniles resulting in over a dozen arrests. Below are just some of our incident totals:

Nature of Call	Johnson	Hyde Park	Wolcott
Traffic Accident	64	87	30
Burglary	7	2	0
Citizen Dispute/ Family Fight/ Domestic	96	63	12
DUI/ DLS	25	11	7
Motor Vehicle Complaint	516	519	290
Noise Disturbance	23	14	5
Sex Crimes	12	12	4
Drug Investigations	12	17	0
Theft	55	8	3
Traffic Tickets	103	122	71
	Fine Amount \$21,824	Fine Amount \$22,476	Fine Amount \$14,557

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

APPROPRIATIONS 2023-2024

AMERICAN RED CROSS - \$150.00

Our mission at the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. Last year we installed more than carbon monoxide detectors in over 576 homes, trained almost 34,765 people in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills, collected 132,000 units of blood and gave supportive services to over 3900 service members in our region. We are grateful to received municipal support from our friends in Elmore. These funds will stay right here in our region.

CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION - \$150.00

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Elmore resident for fifty- seven years. Elmore adults and youth who are out of school seeking help with learning basic reading, writing, math and English as another language may receive that help through a free program of instruction provided by Central Vermont Adult Basic Education. Students enrolled in the program also have the opportunity to study for their high school equivalency exam (GED) or to pursue other options for gaining a diploma.

Students and teachers meet in classes, one-to-one, and/or small group sessions to complete a learning program which suits the requirements of each adult student. Individualized instruction ties together basic literacy and math skills with practical interest areas. Helping children with homework, budgeting, filling out forms and applications, learning beginning computer skills, studying for a driver's permit or a Commercial Driving License, reading work related texts, writing reports, and preparing for employment or college are just a few of the many areas which adults choose to study.

Last year 3 residents of Elmore enrolled in CVABE's free programs.

CENTRAL VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING & RSVP - \$250.00

Central Vermont Council on Aging is a nonprofit organization. There is no charge to elders and their families for services provided. The Council uses federal, state, and local funds to provide a variety of programs and services, either directly or under contract with local groups and organizations.

Among the services provided directly by or under contract with CVCOA are information and assistance; community and home delivered meals; health insurance counseling; transportation to essential destinations; family caregiver support and respite grants; mental health services; legal services; companionship; food stamp and fuel assistance outreach; and help with household tasks. In the past year, we have touched the lives of thousands of elders throughout Central Vermont. During the past year, 14 Elmore residents received one or more of the services that CVCOA provides.

CLARINA HOWARD NICHOLS CENTER - \$250.00

Founded in 1981, Clarina Howard Nichols Center works to end domestic and sexual violence in Lamoille County. Clarina provides advocacy, shelter, and support to survivors and their families as well as outreach education programs. Clarina works to affect social change within our communities through increased public awareness. Violence free tomorrow, is our vision today! Survivor centered advocacy and outreach has always been at the heart of Clarin's work – and of the movement to end domestic and sexual violence as a whole. Clarina's programs address the critical needs of survivors and their non-offending family members. Durint the past year Clarina served 390 individuals including provided shelter to 79 individuals (46 adults and 33 children) for a total of 2,746 bed nights, provided criminal court advocacy to 209 individuals and responded to 1,094 hotline calls.

LAMOILLE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH - \$250.00

Lamoille County Mental Health Services has always strived to provide the highest quality services and support to our community to enhance independence and quality of life. This past year we have provided services including child and family mental health, crisis services for individuals, and a variety of other community-based services to improve outcomes for individuals and families in the Lamoille valley. We have been collaborating with our community partners to improve the delivery of services and new programs such as; Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, Youth in Transition, children's Integrated Services and Creative Workforce Solution. These two areas will continue to be high on our list of priorities for the coming year.

For the fiscal year 2022 we served six Elmore individuals providing over 36 services.

We have maintained a 24 hour 365 day a year Emergency/Crisis response team that works with local police, EMT, Copley Hospital ER and other providers. This is the only full time emergency/crisis response service in the region. Your continued contribution and support is always valued but is more important than ever as state revenues have gone down and funding of services has been reduced. In these times, the people at the local level must do what we can to support our families and friends who find themselves in need. Our commitment to you is that when there is need we will be there.

LAMOILLE COUNTY SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT - \$250.00 CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
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The Lamoille County special Investigation Unit is a non-profit organization dedicated to investigating, prosecuting, and providing victim advocacy services for sexual violence, child abuse, domestic violence and crimes against vulnerable adults. The LCSIU represents a continued collaborative partnership between the Lamoille County State's Attorney Office, VT State Police, Lamoille County Sheriff's Dept., Morristown and Stowe Police Dept., The Clarina Howard Nichols Center, Copley Hospital and the Dept. for Children and Families, as well as various medical and therapeutic service providers. The LCSIU/CAC is the lead organization for executing county wide sex offender registry checks, conducted once a year to ensure that known registered sex offenders are complying with the requirements of the Vermont Sex Offender Registry.

In fiscal year 2022, the LCSIU/CAC was involved in 153 incidents throughout Lamoille County, including 129 investigations related to allegations of physical and sexual violence against children and 24 investigations related to allegations of abuse against adult victims. Town funds supplement our state funds and help us to support our detectives in effectively investigating incidents, our victim advocate in helping victims through this very difficult process, and the State's "Attorney's office in attaining justice.

LAMOILLE COMMUNITY FOOD SHARE - \$250.00

Lamoille Community Food Share is a locally funded, volunteer powered non-profit corporation. Our mission is to help support and improve the physical well-being of individuals in our service area who might otherwise go hungry for reasons beyond their control. To this end, we will provide them with food free of charge, primarily on an emergency basis. We will encourage and guide them in the selection and preparation of healthful food. Our service area consists of the Lamoille County Vermont towns of Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Morristown, Stowe and Wolcott.

2022 has been a very challenging year, but with hardworking employees and volunteers as well as the support of our generous community, we have managed to keep up with the ever-increasing need for food assistance. We are currently seeing a 17% rise in the number of families we are serving. The support we receive from our community allows us to keep our doors open 6 mornings a week for those in need. More than ever, we appreciate the help we have received in the past and look forward to continued support from our friends and neighbors in Elmore. Your support of LCFS ensures that the citizens of Elmore have access to healthy nutritious food. Thank you!

Lamoille Economic Development Corporation - \$150.00

Lamoille Economic Development Corp. serves as a point of contact for municipalities seeking addition information on economic development activities, local business projects, funding opportunities, legislative action and more. Our services are available to all business in all commercial sectors whether they are existing businesses looking to expand, start-ups or businesses seeking to relocate to Lamoille County. Strengthening the county's economy by helping facilitate the creation retention and expansion of jobs and businesses and investing in the prosperity of Lamoille County communities are cornerstones to all LECD efforts. It is only through your continued support that we can strive to accomplish these important goals.

LAMOILLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP - \$150.00

Lamoille Housing Partnership develops, rehabilitates and maintains safe, decent, energy efficient affordable housing through rental, home ownership, or other means to low and moderate income persons and families living within Lamoille County and the Town of Hardwick. LHP provides such assistance without discrimination or prejudice using a combination of private and public funding partnerships.

LHP uses all local fundraising and appropriations to support our internal operations as well as supporting housing projects. Local fundraising also leverages matching funds from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board operations as well as supporting housing projects. Local fundraising also leverages matching funds from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board.

LAMOILLE FAMILY CENTER - \$250.00

The Lamoille Family Center is in its 46 year of service to children, youth and families by the Lamoille Family Center! During this time, thousands of individuals throughout the Lamoille Valley have received our services, including home visiting, parent education, playgroups, child-care resource and referral, youth services, and emergency assistance. Countless children are stronger, safer and more confident as a result of their involvement with the Family Center.

In fiscal year 2022, our caring and dedicated staff reached more than 4,000 children, youth, parents and caregivers throughout the Lamoille valley and has impacted many more. Hundreds more families and child care providers received child care support services including assistance with applying for Child Care Financial Assistance, referral to regulated programs, professional development or child care staff, and participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Support through volunteer time, donation of goods and services and financial contribution remain vital to the sustainability of the Lamoille Family Center. We could not do this work without you. We invite you to stop by for a visit, meet some of our staff, and see a glimpse of what happens each day at the Family Center.

LAMOILLE HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE - \$250.00

We are a non-profit visiting nurse organization providing home health and hospice care to people of all ages in our communities. Our office is located in Morrisville, but we make visits to all ten Lamoille county towns. Visits are made at all times of the day and night depending on the needs of the patient. Our mission is to support health, independence and dignity through quality care in the home.

2022 marks the 51th year of this Agency's service to Lamoille County residents...and also marks its 48th year of support from the ten towns spread across the Lamoille Valley. As we look back, it is town support that has remained the dependable constant. Area residents give us the energy to forge ahead, whatever the circumstances in the health care industry, in federal legislation or in state government. 365 days of the year LHH&H provides home care to anyone in Lamoille County who qualifies and who needs us – regardless of their ability to pay. Our population is aging. Lamoille County is poised to expand its population of people over the age of 65 by as many as 5000 additional seniors by the year 2030.

Last fiscal year, LHH&H staff made 176 home visits to residents of Elmore. These visits included 65 nursing, 74 physical therapy, 20 occupational therapy, and 6 medical social worker, 1 licensed nursing assistant and 10 volunteer visit.

MEALS ON WHEELS OF LAMOILLE COUNTY - \$250.00
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Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County, provides home delivered meals to seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout Lamoille County. Our meals provide recipients with 1/3 of their daily nutritional requirements. In addition to a meal, our program provides a daily check-in by volunteers and staff who deliver the meals. Often times the meal delivery person is the only individual that our recipients will see in a day. We are also able to make referrals to other needed services. Our services help our recipients to remain in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. Meals on Wheels have 2 meal sites throughout the county that provide a welcoming social environment for seniors to enjoy a nutritious meal together. In fiscal year 2022 ending on September 30, 2022 we served residents of Elmore a total of 64 meals to 4 recipients through home delivery.

NORTH COUNTRY ANIMAL LEAGUE - \$150.00

At this time North Country Animal League (NCAL) respectfully submits a request for \$300 in town allocation appropriation funds for the year. Elmore's support of NCAL every year is much needed. The average length of stay for both dogs and cats in our shelter has increased due to challenges with access to vet care and our new adoption process to ensure safety protocols are being followed. While intakes by town vary greatly year over year, in 2022 we took in 1 stray animal into our shelter to date from Elmore. With the average length of stay of 27 days before adoption, your town would have spent a minimum of \$675 to house these strays, not including medical treatment, adoption services, overhead of staff and building, etc. Our average expense per animal is \$769.

RURAL COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION - \$250.00
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Rural community Transportation, Inc. is a private nonprofit 501 C3 corporation which has provided public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, and Essex Counties since 1991, and now serves Lamoille County. RCT operates fare-free shuttle and commuter bus routes, allowing connection between in our region and the ability to travel throughout Vermont and beyond. RCT also provides demand-response transportation services under several program, such as Medicaid, the Elderly and Disabled program, and rides 2 Wellness.

VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING - \$150.00

For the last 42 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living has been teaching people with disabilities and the deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life

VERMONT FAMILY NETWORK - \$150.00
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The mission of Vermont Family Network is to empower and support all Vermont children, youth, and families, especially those with disabilities or special health needs. Formed in 2008 when two organizations, the Vermont Parent Information Center and Parent to Parent of Vermont, merged, VFN have collectively served the families across Vermont for more than 30 years. Vermont children, youth, and families are provided with a "one-stop-shop to help them reach their full potential. VFN gives a strong start, lifts family voices, and advances inclusive communities.

VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE - \$100.00

Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire department identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to support the cost of construction. During the 25+ years of the program, 1200 grants totaling \$2.6 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems as well as for dry hydrant replacement and repair.



**TOWN OF ELMORE, VERMONT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING RESULTS
MARCH 1st, 2022**

ARTICLE 1:
TO ELECT THE FOLLOWING:

MODERATOR

1 YEAR

JON GAILMOR	328	UNDERVOTES 13	WRITE-IN 2
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TOWN CLERK

1 YEAR

SHARON DRAPER	328	UNDERVOTES 15
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TOWN TREASURER

1 YEAR

SHARON DRAPER	328	UNDERVOTES 15
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SELECTPERSON

3 YEARS

DON VALENTINE	110	OVERVOTES 4	UNDERVOTES 42	WRITE-IN 2
WARREN WEST	185			

LISTER

3 YEARS

SUSAN SOUTHALL	277	UNDERVOTES 54	WRITE-IN 12
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AUDITOR

3 YEARS

CARLA BLOOD	315	UNDERVOTES 28
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CONSTABLE

1 YEAR

SANDRA LACASSE	313	UNDERVOTES 28	WRITE-IN 2
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TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

1 YEAR

SHARON DRAPER	325	UNDERVOTES 18
1 POSITION		

CEMETERY COMMISSION

MICHEL LACASSE	321	UNDERVOTES 20	WRITE-IN 2
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5 YEARS

DAVID PETERS	313	UNDERVOTES 30
3 YEARS		

QUESTIONS:

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a collector of delinquent taxes pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2651a?

YES 296 NO 35 UNDERVOTES 12

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters of the Town of Elmore approve the withdrawal of the Town of Elmore from the Lamoille South Unified Union School District to become its own separate school district?

YES 109 NO 228 UNDERVOTES 6

ARTICLE 4: Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Elmore in an amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000), subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grants-in-aid, be issued for the purpose of financing the cost of purchasing land for and constructing a new Town highway maintenance facility, the estimated cost of such improvements being Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000)?

YES 199 NO 134 UNDERVOTES 10

ARTICLE 5 : Shall the vote to appropriate a total of \$25,850.98 to support the following social service agencies?

American Red Cross	\$250.00
Central VT Adult Education	\$300.00
Central VT Council on Aging/RSVP	\$850.00
Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$400.00
Elmore Community Trust	\$1,000.00
Lamoille Economic Development	250.00
Elmore Lake Assoc.	\$15,000.00
Lamoille Community Food Share	\$500.00
Lamoille Restorative Center	\$200.00
Lamoille County Mental Health	\$500.00
Lamoille County Planning Comm.	\$682.00
Lamoille County Special Inv. Unit	\$528.98
Lamoille Family Center	\$600.00
Lamoille Home Health Hospice	\$2,565.00
Lamoille Housing Partnership	\$300.00
Meals on Wheels	\$500.00
North Country Animal League	\$300.00
Rural Community Transportation	\$600.00
VT Center for Independent Living	\$175.00
VT Family Network	\$250.00
VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$100.00
Total	<u>\$25,850.98</u>

YES 298 NO 39 UNDERVOTES 6

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town vote to approve a budget of \$866,685.22, to meet expenses and liabilities of the Town for the fiscal year 2022-2023 and authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same?

YES 311 NO 20 UNDERVOTES 12

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town vote to raise money equal to those expenditures approved in Articles 5 & 6 on its Grand List for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to pay debts and current expenditures of the Town, Payable in Two equal installments on September 15th 2022 and March 15th 2023?

YES 306 NO 18 UNDERVOTES 18

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to apply any surplus from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year 2022-2023?

YES 321 NO 8 UNDERVOTES 14

ARTICLE 9:

Shall the Town vote to call the annual meeting of the Town of Elmore on the first Tuesday of March 2023 at 9:00 A.M.?

YES 332 NO 2 UNDERVOTES 9

TOTAL VOTES CAST 343

Dated March 5, 2022

Attest: Sharon Draper/Town Clerk

VITAL RECORDS 2022

BIRTHS

MARRIAGES

NAME

DATE

Samuel Mandigo & Lindsey Chauvin

June 25, 2022

Michael Badger & Alyssa Slayton

July 2, 2022

Jesse Pelton & Nicole Gouge

July 23, 2022

Eddie Adams & Brittany Lanphear

July 30, 2022

John Willemsen & Dawnmarie Black

August 6, 2022

Tony Kirumba & Margaret Hayes

October 1, 2022

Palmer Boudreau & Juliana Zorn

October 15, 2022

DEATHS

AGE

Catherine Alice Murphy

70

January 12, 2022

Michael J Fitzgerald

74

January 28, 2022

Mikenna Jane Lacasse

2 Month

February 13, 2022

William Edward Mitchell

95

February 18, 2022

Walter H Worth

84

March, 18 2022

Cecile Lucie Languerand

68

May 9, 2022

Michel Wepler

77

July 14, 2022

Normand Lacasse

91

August 9, 2022

James John Deciucies

89

October 27, 2022

Richard J Courchaine

84

November 5, 2022

Susan Southall

81

January 18, 2023

