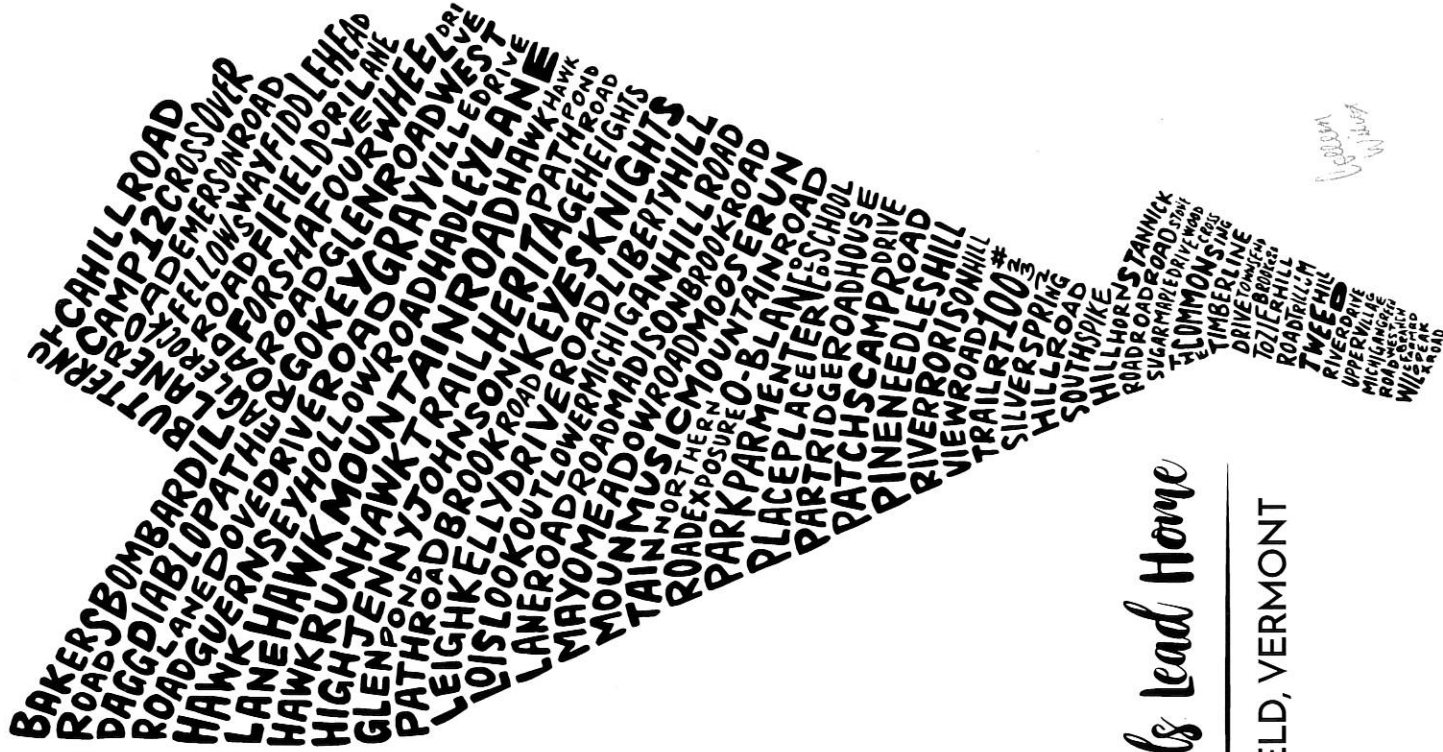


# PITTSFIELD, VERMONT

## Annual Town & School District Report

### For the Year Ended - December 31, 2018



*All Roads Lead Home*

PITTSFIELD, VERMONT

## STATEMENT OF THE AUDITORS

In accordance with Sections 1681 and 1682 of Title 24 V.S.A (Vermont State Article), we have inspected and reviewed bank statements, work orders, disbursements, and check details on a monthly basis for the Town of Pittsfield for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. Based on the material reviewed, we conclude that the figures accurately present the financial condition of the Town and the funds in the year ended.

In 2018 we welcomed Amanda Barrett as a new member of our auditing team.

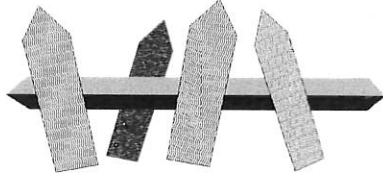
The Auditors would like to thank the former Town Clerk/Treasurer, the current Town Clerk/Treasurer, the Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer, the Select Board, the School Directors, and Town Officials for their professional work ethic and commitment to serving the Town of Pittsfield as well as their contributions to the Town Report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Wuerthele 2019  
Martha Beyersdorf 2020  
Amanda Barrett 2021

## ABOUT OUR COVER

Colleen Wilcox is the artist and founder of Wander On Words™, a small business located in Pittsfield with a focus on hand lettering and a mission to inspire others, spread positivity and rekindle a love for nature. She uses hand lettering to create beautiful designs out of words, and transforms them into cards, prints and apparel.

You can check out Wander On Words™ at [www.wanderonwords.com](http://www.wanderonwords.com) and follow Colleen's adventures on Instagram and Facebook @wanderonwords.



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## TOWN OF PITTSFIELD WARNING Town and School District Meeting

We hereby notify the legal voters of the Town of Pittsfield to meet at the **Pittsfield Federated Church** on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 10 am to transact the following business from the floor in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order:

**Article 1.** To elect a town moderator for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** Pittsfield School District Warning will be acted upon at this time.

**Article 3.** To receive the reports of the town officers for the year 2018.

**Article 4.** To elect the following officers, as required by law, for the terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant:

	Terms (Years)	Vote by Ballot Mandatory
a) Select Person	3	Yes
b) Lister	3	Yes
c) Auditor	3	Yes
d) Trustee of Public Funds	3	No
e) Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	3	No
f) Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	3	No
g) First Constable	2	No
h) Grand Juror	1	No
i) Town Agent	1	No
j) Cemetery Commissioner	3	No
k) Collector of Delinquent Taxes	1	No
l) Town Clerk	3	No
m) Town Treasurer	3	No

**Article 5.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted?

**Article 6.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, on or before the third Thursday of August and the third Thursday of November, by physical delivery to the tax collector before 5 pm?

**Article 7.** Will the Voters of Pittsfield authorize that all of the towns' constituent departments follow established uniform best practices for municipal accounting and budgeting as directed by the 2018 audit conducted by the firm of Jeffrey R Bradley?

**Article 8.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the formation of an exploratory committee to research any and all future options for the Pittsfield Town Hall and have those options presented prior to the next Town meeting?

**Article 9.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$45,000.00 to be placed in the reserve fund for Highway Equipment?

**Article 10.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,000.00 to be placed in the reserve fund for the future repaving of the north end of the Village Green?

**Article 11.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$8,000.00 to be placed in a reserve fund for SCBA Equipment?

**Article 12.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,600.00 to be used for the salary of a town librarian?

**Article 13.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$15,000.00 to be placed in a reserve fund for Extrication Equipment?

**Article 14.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$5,000.00 to be placed in a reserve fund for a Fire Truck?

**Article 15.** Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town?

**Article 16.** Shall the voters of Pittsfield prohibit the town constables from exercising any law enforcement authority, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1936(a) (1)?

**Article 17.** Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate?

**Article 18.** To discuss any other non-binding business which may properly come before the meeting?

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019.

Pittsfield Select Board,

s/Charles Piso, Chair

s/Matt Corron

s/Ann Kuendig

Received for record this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019 at 9:00 am.

Attest: s/Tricia L Fryer, Town Clerk

### Notice to Voters

*Any individuals needing special accommodations can contact the Town Clerk's Office at least two weeks prior to the Town Meeting. If you are not already a registered voter in the Town of Pittsfield, please register to vote if you are eighteen or over, are a U.S. citizen, and a resident of this town. Eligible residents can register to vote at the Town Office on any day prior to the election during regular business hours. Registration will also be available at the Pittsfield Federated Church on Town Meeting Day.*

## SELECT BOARD REPORT

This was an eventful year for the Town of Pittsfield, and especially for town government, with two major highlights being the retirement of our Clerk and Treasurer of 27 years, Patty Haskins, and the purchase of a new fire truck. Each of these milestones presented its own unique challenges and true to form, the Pittsfield community rose to both!

As directed by the voters at the Special Town Meeting in May, the purchase of the fire truck was executed, with delivery expected this April. The Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue (PVFR) truck committee and the Select Board have worked hard to ensure this purchase fills the needs of the PVFR while being fiscally advantageous to the Town.

Patty's long tenure left a void that no one person could fill at the outset. Her institutional knowledge and stellar reputation throughout Vermont's municipalities is far-reaching.

We are very pleased with the seamless transition planned by Patty and the Hiring Committee, and its execution in the months since the Select Board appointed Trish Fryer to the position of Town Clerk and Treasurer. Trish and Patty, along with Assistant Clerk Sarah Gallagher, have made the transition process smooth and efficient in the day to day operations of the Town, while maintaining the highest standards of fiscal accountability and integrity. We are delighted to have Trish in this position and she has shown great care and dedication to the work at hand.

With Patty's retirement also came the need for a complete audit of the Town's books, and this audit was performed by Jeffrey Bradley, CPA. To continue to move forward in a responsible and transparent manner, the audit recommends that all constituent Departments of the Town follow simple and transparent best practices for fiscal and accounting management with all funds being managed by the Town Treasurer in the same way as the Highway and Cemetery Departments. It is with this goal in mind that the Select Board has proposed Article 7 on the Town Warning.

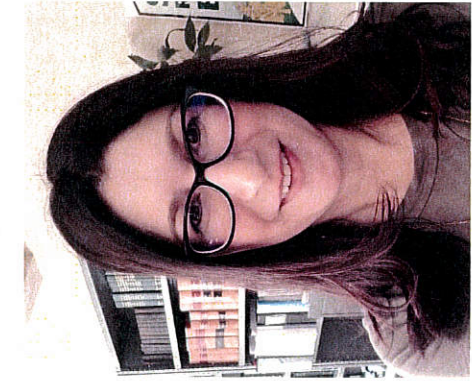
2019 looks to be no less challenging, and there are several initiatives that need to be addressed. The implementation of a forward looking capital expenditures plan is foremost in the minds of the Select Board and will guarantee both the fiscal and institutional health of our Town.

On our fiscal horizon as a municipality are the construction of a new sand shed, the replacement of Scott Paks (self-contained breathing apparatus SCBA's) for the Pittsfield Volunteer Fire and Rescue, and the eventual replacement of the Town's dump truck, just to name a few. A comprehensive capital plan for all departments will ensure our ability to proceed with the least impact on our taxpayer base. Once again we were able to bring funds forward to keep the municipal tax rate down.

An important discussion regarding the structural deficiencies of the Town Hall will require the formation of an exploratory Town Hall Committee. This discussion must happen and must include the input of all our residents and taxpayers. We encourage you to let us know if you have an interest in serving on this Committee.

It has been our pleasure to serve the people of Pittsfield, and we look forward to the coming year.

The Pittsfield Select Board	Charles Piso, Chair	Matt Corron	Ann Kuendig
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## TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER REPORT

### Thank you and Overview

I would like to start by thanking the Select Board for the appointment to the position of Town Clerk and Treasurer last September. The past six months have been such a rewarding time in my life. The transition could not have gone smoother with the help of Patricia Haskins and Sarah Gallagher. Their knowledge and understanding of this Town and its operations are extraordinary. The transition process that was set up by Patty allowed me to shadow both Clerk and Treasurer positions as well as the Assistant's role over a three and a half month time period. During that time I was able to go through month end reporting, tax collections, and a Primary Election, as well as the daily operations of the office. They have both prepared me and yet also made me understand that each day offers a new learning experience. That, paired with the ability at times to say "I may not know the answer, please give me the opportunity to research it for you," makes me confident in the everyday aspects of this very important role. I look forward to our Town Meeting and the election process. My hope is to remain in this role to serve this special town and all of the individuals who call it home.

### In The Office

During my short time in this position I have successfully run a General Election. My research has allowed me to conclude that changing health care providers will save the town over \$1650 during 2019. I continue to keep a close eye on the towns financial investments and upon its renewal, reinvested our Land Trust CD with a 2.25% interest rate. I am happy to report that the interest collected on our accounts greatly exceeded the budgeted amounts, thanks to the use of the ICS Savings accounts which were set up in early 2018 by Patty.

### Long Term

I would like to continue long term projects for the office including recording the Select Board Minutes from 1969-1985 on Archival paper and in permanent bound books. I would also like to continue the research that was begun on a mapping storage system. This will enable easier access and use of our maps for anyone doing research.

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve the Town of Pittsfield. I look forward to meeting more of you in the years ahead.

Tricia L Fryer

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### Town of Pittsfield

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 (summarized)  
(Complete Minutes on record at the Town Office)

Moderator George Deblon called the Pittsfield Annual Town Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Approximately 70 people were in attendance at the Pittsfield Town Hall. George led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Article 1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.** George Deblon elected.

**Article 2. Pittsfield School District warning will be acted upon at this time.** The Town meeting recessed at 10:07 a.m. and the School District warning was acted upon (see separate minutes). The Town Meeting reconvened at 10:22 a.m. and the articles warned by the Select Board were acted upon at this time.

**Article 3. To receive the report of the Town Officers for the year 2017.** Motion carried.

**Article 4. To elect the following officers for terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant:**

- a. **Select Person for three years.** Ann Kuendig.
- b. **Lister for three years.** Herb Kuendig.
- c. **Auditor for three years.** Amanda Barrett.
- d. **Trustee of Public funds for three years.** Sandy Begin.
- e. **Trustee, Roger Clark Memorial Library for three years.** Cynthia Bryant.
- ee. **Trustee, Roger Clark Memorial Library for one year.** Betty Warner
- f. **Second Constable for two years.** Doug Mianulli
- g. **Grand Juror for one year.** Sandy Begin.
- h. **Town Agent for one year.** Sarah Gray
- i. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** Chuck Colton.
- j. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** Steve Martin.
- k. **Collector of Delinquent Taxes for one year.** Janice Stumpf.
- l. **Fire Chief for two years.** Dave Colton.

**Article 5. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted?** Motion carried.

**Article 6. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, on or before the third Thursday of August and the third Thursday of November, by physical delivery to the tax collector before 5 p.m.?** Motion carried.

**Article 7. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$30,000 to be placed in a reserve fund for Highway Equipment?** Motion carried.

**Article 8. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$44,000 to be placed in a reserve fund for replacement, repair or renovation of the town sand shed?** Motion carried.

**Article 9. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$5,000 to be placed in a reserve fund for the future repaving of the north end of Village Green?** Motion carried.

**Article 10. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$5,000 to be placed in the Recreation Reserve Fund for recreation area maintenance?** Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed at 11:05 a.m. for Representative Sandy Haas to address the voters. Town Meeting reconvened at 11:13 a.m.

**Article 11. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$35,000 to be placed in a town reserve fund for the future purchaser of a fire truck?** Tabled.

**Article 12. Shall the voters of Pittsfield authorize the purchase of a Pumper/Tanker Fire Apparatus in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed 5 years?** Motion carried.

## **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, continued**

**Article 11. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$35,000 to be placed in a town reserve fund for the future purchase of a fire truck?** Tabled.

**Article 13. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Town Hall Reserve Fund to be reallocated for weatherization and maintenance of the Town Hall?** Motion carried.

**Article 14. Shall the voters of Pittsfield prohibit the town constables from exercising any law enforcement authority, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §1936(a)(1)?** Motion carried.

**Article 15. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town?** Motion carried.

**Article 16. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate?** Motion carried.

**Article 17. To discuss any other business which may properly come before the meeting.** Patty Haskins received a standing ovation for her many years of service to the town. Erica Hurd invited people to visit the library. The library now has high speed internet access as well as snowshoes to borrow. Library volunteers are needed. Dennis O'Brien encouraged attendance at School Board, Select Board, and Fire Department meetings. Charlie Piso thanked every who serves the town or volunteers their time to the town. With no further business, the 2018 Annual Pittsfield Town Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Recorded by: s/Patricia S. Haskins, Town Clerk

Approved by: s/ Matt Corron, Pittsfield Select Board; s/George Deblon, Moderator

## **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

### **Town of Pittsfield**

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 (Summarized)

(Complete Minutes are on record at the Town Office)

Moderator George Deblon called the Pittsfield Special Town meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with approximately 107 people in attendance at the Pittsfield Town Hall. George led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Article 1. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$35,000 to be placed in a town reserve fund for the future purchase of a fire truck?** Tabled.

**Article 2. Shall the Voters of Pittsfield authorize the purchase of a Pumper/Tanker Fire Apparatus in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed 5 years?** Motion passed.

**Article 1. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize \$35,000 to be placed in a town reserve fund for the future purchase of a fire truck?** Motion defeated.

**Article 3. To discuss any other non-binding business which may properly come before the meeting.** Tim Hunt questioned the need for a bid and Charles responded that all is in order. Nancy Blessing noted the turnout for the meeting and asked that the town reconsider the time for March Town Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Recorded by: s/Patricia S. Haskins, Clerk and Treasurer

Approved by: s/Matt Corron, Select Board; s/Sarah Gallagher, Justice of the Peace

## 2018 ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

<b>Auditors (3 year term)</b>		
Sue Wuerthele	2019	
Martha Beyersdorf	2020	
Amanda Barrett	2021	
<b>Cemetery Commissioners (3 year term)</b>		
Connie Martin	2019	
George Deblon	2020	
Mary Lee Stevens	2020	
Chuck Colton	2021	
Steve Martin	2021	
<b>Constable, First (2 year term)</b>		
Tim Hunt	2019	
<b>Constable, Second (2 year term)</b>		
Doug Mianulli	2020	
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector (1 year term)</b>		
Janice Stumpf	2019	
<b>Fire Chief (2 year term)</b>		
David Colton	2020	
<b>Grand Juror (1 year term)</b>		
Sandy Begin	2019	
<b>Justices of the Peace (2-year term commencing 2/1/2019)</b>		
George Deblon	2021	
Arline Drugonis	2021	
Sarah S. Gallagher	2021	
A. J. Ruben	2021	
Beth Stanton	2021	
<b>Listers (3 year term)</b>		
Martha Beyersdorf	2019	
Elizabeth Warner	2020	
Herbert Kuendig	2021	
<b>Moderator (1 year term)</b>		
George Deblon	2019	
<b>School Directors (3 year term)</b>		
A. J. Ruben	2019	
Raymond Rice	2020	
Kristin Sperber	2021	
<b>School District Treasurer (3 year term)</b>		
Patricia Haskins (resigned)	2020	
Tricia Fryer (appointed)	2019	
<b>Select Board (3 year term)</b>		
Matt Corron	2019	
Charles Piso	2020	
Ann Kuendig	2021	
<b>Town Agent (1 year term)</b>		
Sarah Gray	2019	
<b>Town Clerk (3 year term)</b>		
Patricia Haskins (resigned)	2020	
Tricia Fryer (appointed)	2019	
<b>Town Treasurer (3 year term)</b>		
Patricia Haskins (resigned)	2020	
Tricia Fryer (appointed)	2019	
<b>Trustees of Public Funds (3 year term)</b>		
Kelly Ziegler	2019	
Henry Hotchkiss	2020	
Sandy Begin	2021	
<b>Trustees of the Roger Clark Memorial Library (3-year term)</b>		
Elizabeth Warner	2019	
Karen Butterhoff-Waterworth (resigned)	2019	
Erica Hurd	2020	
Martha Beyersdorf (resigned)	2021	
Amanda Barrett (appointed)	2021	
Cynthia Bryant	2021	
Coral Hawley	2022	

## 2018 APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

### Appointed by the Select Board

<b>Civil Defense</b> David Colton Greg Martin	2019 2019	<b>Local Emergency Planning Commission</b> Cathy Cappetta	2019	<b>Tree Warden</b> Jeremy Rayner	2019
<b>Contracting Officer</b> Sarah Gray	2019	<b>Park Commissioner</b> Connie Martin	2019	<b>Two Rivers Regional Planning Commission Representative</b> Herb Kuendig	2019
<b>E911 Coordinator</b> Martha Beyersdorf	2019	<b>Planning &amp; Zoning Commission</b> Suana Rubin	2019	<b>Unemployment Compensation Coordinator</b> Patricia Haskins (Ret.)	2019
<b>EC Fibernet Delegates</b> Marion Abrams Elizabeth Warner, Alt.	2019 2019	Sarah Gallagher Colleen Wilcox Marsha Hopkins Jennifer Howard	2019 2020 2021 2021	Tricia Fryer	2019
<b>Emergency Management Co-Coordinators</b> Herb Kuendig Charles Piso	2019 2019	<b>Road Commissioner</b> George Deblon	2019	<b>White River Valley Ambulance Representative</b> Mona Colton	2019
<b>Energy Coordinator</b> Eric Lantiegne	2019	<b>TAC Representative</b> George Deblon	2019	<b>Zoning Administrator</b> Sarah Gray	2019
<b>Green Up Coordinators</b> Kiara Buker Maggie Rice	Nov.2018 Nov.2018	<b>Town Forest Fire Warden</b> Ray Colton	June 30,2022	<b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b> Robert Charlebois David Larkin Don Bass Herb Kuendig <i>Vacant</i>	2019 2019 2020 2021 2021

### Appointed by Town Clerk/Treasurer

<b>Assistant School District Treasurer</b> Sarah Gallagher	2019	<b>Deputy Registrars</b> Gary Clifford Randy Garner Lawrence Davignon Connie Martin	2019 2019 2019 2019
<b>Assistant Town Clerk</b> Sarah Gallagher	2019		
<b>Assistant Town Treasurer</b> Sarah Gallagher	2019		

### Appointed by State Health Officer

<b>Health Officer</b> Rebecca Steward	September 30, 2021
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## BOARD OF LISTERS

It has been an exciting and productive year for the Listers. The job of Lister has become more and more technical and therefore requires that we know not only how to use more of our software and its features as we collect data, but also to know and understand the law and any changes. We have been reorganizing how we go about our many duties as a Lister. These are some of the things we have been doing and will be continuing to do:

- **Continuing Education:** It is the job of the Lister to maintain the Grand List, our Town's most significant asset. Herb, Betty, and Martha have attended numerous educational programs presented by the Vermont Tax Department, Property Valuation & Review (PV&R), Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT), New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC), and the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO). More advanced classes are also available. Being a Lister is a wonderful opportunity for someone seriously interested in furthering their education and perhaps becoming an Assessor.
- **Office Hours:** We have set up office hours so that there will be at least one of us in the office and available to answer any questions. Stop by or give us a call. Our hours are Tuesdays 1-3pm. Our phone number is 802-746-8170.
- **Property Maps:** Pittsfield was selected to participate in the Statewide Mapping Project which is being funded by the Vermont Department of Transportation (VTrans). Phase One has been completed and we are now interviewing and will ultimately select a vendor who will then make the maps that will hang in the office as well as being available on our computer. These will be updated on an ongoing basis as needed.
- **Reappraisal:** We have been asked over the years when we are going to be undertaking a town-wide reappraisal. Various companies have been interviewed and we will be selecting one hopefully in early 2019. Most companies, we have been told, are looking at a two-year time frame for completion.
- **Property Inspections:** We typically do most of these in the spring in preparation for the annual Grand List. We continue with ongoing data collection on properties that have made changes or have new construction. We also will be collecting and reviewing data on the Town's commercial properties.

Here are a few reminders for Pittsfield property owners:

- Homestead Exemption form (HS-122) information is available on the Tax Department website: [tax.vermont.gov](http://tax.vermont.gov).
- If you feel that the assessment of your property is incorrect, please notify us in writing being sure to include your reason(s), as well as contact information, so that we can contact you to discuss your concern and what steps can be taken to resolve the issue.

We always welcome your questions and concerns and we can be reached through the Town Clerk's Office at PO Box 556, Pittsfield, VT 05762 or 802-746-8170.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Martha Beyersdorf  
Elizabeth "Betty" Warner  
Herb Kuendig

## **HEALTH OFFICER**

On October 1, 2018 a new Town Health Officer was sworn in for the Town of Pittsfield. Thank you, Sue Wuerthele, for your service as the former Town Health Officer.

One complaint for a septic smell was investigated and closed in October.

Remember to check the smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in your homes and rental properties.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca Steward

## **PITTSFIELD PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

The Planning Commission welcomed a new member this year, Colleen Wilcox. We now have a full complement of five members. Since there are no municipal or flood hazard plans due from the Planning Commission, we continue to meet quarterly at the Town Office Building at 6:30 PM. The dates of our meetings are posted on the Town website.

At present we are working on temporary speed limit signage at the north end of town to make travelers aware of the speed limit drop to 35 mph. We need to assess if this signage helps to slow down traffic through town and makes it safer for pedestrians to cross Route 100. If we find that this experiment works, we will work on having a permanent sign installed warning drivers of the change in speed limit and slowing down traffic through the village.

Public participation is, as always, encouraged at our meetings.

Suana Rubin, Marsha Hopkins, Jennifer Howard, Sarah Gallagher, Colleen Wilcox

## **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

The Town of Pittsfield has adopted Flood Hazard Area Regulations in order to protect you and your neighbors' property from flood damage. Copies of the regulations are available for your review at the Town Office.

If you live near any brook, stream, river or other body of water your property may be located within a Designated Flood Hazard Area (DFHA) which means it is susceptible to flooding which can cause severe damage to you and your property.

Please check the FEMA maps before you build, add fill, remove fill, grade or store anything on your property. The maps are located in the Pittsfield Town Office and are available for your review.

Sarah Gray

# **DELINQUENT TAX LIST** **As of December 31, 2018**

	2018	2017	2016	Previous Years	TOTAL
AWS Management LLC	483.73				483.73
Berg, Christopher R	1,246.18	307.95	304.73	230.59	2,089.45
Bowen, Jack	1,100.34				1,100.34
Brigham, Walter S	5.88				5.88
Cote, Todd	214.00				214.00
Desena, Joseph	15.14				15.14
Evans, Jason	3,407.12	3,154.36			6,561.48
Katz, Gary & Mariah	20.71				20.71
Kelly, Timothy & Colleen	11.78				11.78
Lantiegne, Eric & Tara	3,325.68				3,325.68
Madr, Jason	568.16	2.43			570.59
OBrien, LoriBeth	1,094.68				1,094.68
Peters, Andrew & Mei Ling	25.01				25.01
Salem, Dana	6,115.40				6,115.40
Salem, Dana	2,996.58				2,996.58
Stauffer, Wayne R	170.67				170.67
Stedina, Elizabeth ET AL	4,693.08				4,693.08
Swanson Building Company	1,459.74				1,459.74
Swanson Building Company	532.18	492.70	13.88		1,038.76
Van Meter, Kelly & Lauren	8,683.54				8,683.54
White, Donald E	634.46				634.46
Wiesen, Sloan C	1,007.54	8.62			1,016.16
Wisner, Nancy C & Simon Frederick A	3,289.22				3,289.22
Zeemont, David & Lynn	189.63				189.63
Zhao, Lin & Tan, JianYou	334.91				334.91
Zubkus, Mirga	4,223.40				4,223.40
BHH Associates	39.76	36.82	37.42	780.80	894.80
Tiffany, Patricia A	1,140.12	1,055.54	1,072.58	7,865.98	11,134.22
Watkins, Harry J. ET AL	789.76	731.16	742.96	9,544.05	11,807.93
Not Delinquent Per Listers	<u>101.42</u>				<u>101.42</u>
	\$ 47,919.82	\$ 5,789.58	\$ 2,171.57	\$ 18,421.42	\$ 74,302.39

## STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES

Delinquent December 31, 2017	\$48,758.90
Adjustments-Corron & Williams	(41.37)
Abate Small Amounts Due	(1.31)
Delinquent November 16, 2018	<u>103,783.32</u>
<b>Total Delinquent November 17, 2018</b>	<b>\$152,499.54</b>
Total Collected 2018	<u>(78,197.15)</u>
<b>Total Delinquent December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$74,302.39</b>

## EXPLANATION OF THE 2018 GRAND LIST

	Listed Value	Grand List
Real Estate	\$101,407,400.00	1% of Total \$1,014,074.00

Statement of Current Taxes	Tax Rate X	Grand List =	Taxes Raised
Yr Ended December 31, 2018			
Municipal	0.4910	1,014,074.00	497,907.49
Homestead School	1.2655	356,000.00	450,518.06
Non-Resident School	1.4029	658,074.00	<u>923,212.01</u>
<b>Total Taxes Billed 7/11/18</b>			<b>1,871,912.43</b>

<b>2018 Taxes Accounted For</b>	
Current Taxes Collected	1,640,435.92
Delinquent November 16, 2018	103,783.32
Homestead State Payments	132,885.64
2018 Late Filed Penalties Collected	(780.64)
Municipal Portion State Tax Adjustment	(7,447.40)
State Tax Adjustment Refunded to Owner(s)	4,546.53
2018 Late Filed Tax Difference	(1,697.75)
Town Penalty Payments from State	75.00
Reversal of penalty for late filed 2017	148.36
Miscellaneous Adjustment	<u>(36.55)</u>
<b>Total 2018 Taxes Accounted For</b>	<b>\$1,871,912.43</b>

# **CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE AND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	
Fund Balance December 31, 2018	
Checking	78,798.89
Holding Account	524,766.93
Petty Cash	61.06
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$603,626.88</b>
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	<b>\$553,544.52</b>
Revenue for 2018	1,817,756.69
Expenses for 2018	(1,767,711.16)
Unexpended Checks 2017	36.83
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$603,626.88</b>
Reserved-2nd install. FY2019 State	136,672.75
Education Property Tax Liability	466,954.13
Unreserved	
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$603,626.88</b>
<b>Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$50,082.36</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>	
Fund Balance December 31, 2018	
ICS Savings	263,199.15
Checking	7,512.54
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$270,711.69</b>
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	<b>\$297,761.12</b>
Revenue for 2018	181,779.52
Expenses for 2018	(208,828.95)
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$270,711.69</b>
<b>Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>(\$27,049.43)</b>
<b>CEMETERY FUND</b>	
Fund Balance December 31, 2018	<b>\$15,802.91</b>
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	<b>\$15,540.97</b>
Revenue for 2018	4,454.51
Expenses for 2018	(4,192.57)
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$15,802.91</b>
<b>Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$261.94</b>

# REVENUES AND RECEIPTS

	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>					
Current Taxes	1,665,064.62	1,471,567.98		1,640,435.92	
Current Tax Interest	798.73	544.54		867.77	
Delinquent Taxes	69,610.76	62,600.97		78,197.15	
Delinquent Tax Interest	2,878.39	4,570.48		2,982.90	
Dog Licenses	371.00	413.00	400.00	406.00	400.00
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surchg	615.00	620.00		600.00	
Pet Dealer Permits	25.00	25.00		25.00	
Breeding/Special License	30.00	30.00		30.00	
Liquor Licenses	460.00	570.00	460.00	460.00	460.00
Town Clerk Fees	6,722.30	10,056.00	6,000.00	7,187.80	6,000.00
Interest - General Fund	1,123.37	3,129.87	3,400.00	6,462.87	5,500.00
Interest - Restricted Funds	454.70	596.55	1,500.00	2,320.40	2,455.00
Photo Copies	47.50	70.80	30.00	68.35	30.00
Marriage Licenses	300.00	600.00		500.00	
Municipal Planning Grant					
Miscellaneous	11,734.98	28,596.07		1,562.51	
Lister Ed, Adj Worker's Comp. Dehumidifier rebate \$1,021.26					
Prior year FY2017 school refund of overpayment Act 68 \$27,574.81					
Record Preservation	549.60	815.00		773.00	
State Reimbursement Prop Tax Billing				120.00	
Current Use Payment	10,133.00	9,767.00	9,700.00	9,615.00	9,500.00
Fax	12.00	19.00	10.00	2.00	
Overpayments	4,117.61	3,838.02		5,571.64	
Delinquent Tax Penalty	5,564.98	5,008.05		6,255.80	
Interfund Transfers					
ACH Payment error by VT	116,927.63	42,037.78		53,000.56	
School District Loan Repayment					
Postage Reimbursement	19.41	30.03		13.40	
Road Fines	417.50	109.00		250.50	
Donations-Fire Truck				48.12	
FEMA Buy-out Program	186,453.90	3,750.00			
CDBG Buy-out Program	695.00	10,625.00			
CDBG Proposed Park Grant	6,308.00	31,499.50			
Efficiency VT Incentive - Dehumidifier	2,467.20	40.00			
Tax Sale-Adv.filing,legal,service, etc	1,917.26				
Redeemed Tax Sale Property	20,437.24				
Tax Sale Escrow					
Undesignated Fund Balance			65,000.00		65,000.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$2,116,256.68</b>	<b>\$1,691,529.64</b>	<b>\$86,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,817,756.69</b>	<b>\$89,345.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>					
State Aid	22,472.63	22,475.95	22,000.00	22,440.19	22,399.00
Green Mountain National Forest	19,810.00	20,251.00	19,500.00	20,674.00	20,000.00
Interest	244.34	725.66	2,000.00	2,830.86	2,000.00
General Fund Tax Disbursement	137,386.00	129,928.00		125,588.00	
Miscellaneous-insurance pmm't for theft		1,100.36			
Better Back Roads Grant				4,946.47	16,020.00
Grants in Aid Pilot Project				5,300.00	6,100.00
Bridge Grant	69,705.00	1,519.57			
PACIF Grant-Surveillance System					
HW Equip Fund - Chloride Spread	2,253.88				
Undesignated Fund Balance			40,000.00		20,000.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>\$251,871.85</b>	<b>\$176,000.54</b>	<b>\$83,500.00</b>	<b>\$181,779.52</b>	<b>\$86,519.00</b>

	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Proposed
<b>CEMETERY FUND</b>					
General Fund Tax Disbursement	8,084.00	7,339.00		3,839.00	
Perpetual Care				454.64	
Interest	6.26	20.64	5.00	160.87	150.00
Dividends	338.48	84.62	300.00		600.00
Sale of Lots	275.00	100.00			0.00
Undesignated Fund Balance			4,000.00		5,000.00
<b>TOTAL CEMETERY FUND</b>	<b>\$8,703.74</b>	<b>\$7,544.26</b>	<b>\$4,305.00</b>	<b>\$4,454.51</b>	<b>\$5,750.00</b>

## 2019 BUDGET

	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Proposed
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>					
<b>Taxes</b>					
FICA Social Security	4,445.12	4,520.96	4,437.00	4,955.46	4,823.00
FICA Medicare	1,039.45	1,055.77	1,038.00	1,158.87	1,128.00
Federal Excise Tax		4.52	5.00	4.78	5.00
Rutland County Tax	6,808.30	6,892.69	7,283.00	7,345.68	7,513.00
Subtotal	12,292.87	12,473.94	12,763.00	13,464.79	13,469.00
<b>Insurance and Bonds</b>					
VLCT Unemployment Trust	474.00	466.00	612.00	614.00	371.00
VLCT Insurance Package	28,786.00	30,772.00	28,484.00	28,484.00	27,013.00
Subtotal	29,260.00	31,238.00	29,096.00	29,098.00	27,384.00
<b>Dues and Contributions</b>					
VLCT	1,551.00	1,602.00	1,636.00	1,636.00	1,675.00
Two Rivers Regional Planning	748.00	770.00	792.00	792.00	814.00
Vt Clerk's & Treasurer's Assoc.	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
Quin Town Seniors	3,195.00	3,920.00	3,420.00	3,420.00	4,116.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance VT/NH	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Park House/Community Care	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Capstone Community Action	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
New Story Center	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Central VT Council on Aging	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
VT Center For Independent Living	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Rutland County Mental Health	588.00	588.00	588.00	588.00	588.00
NeighborWorks		200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
American Red Cross	250.00				
Stagecoach	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00
Front Porch Forum	50.00				
Child First Advocacy Center	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
VT Rural Fire Protectn Tsk Force	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Subtotal	9,692.00	10,390.00	9,946.00	9,946.00	10,403.00
<b>Refuse</b>					
Solid Waste Charges					
SW Management/Program Fee	6,049.68	6,049.59	6,050.00	6,049.59	6,050.00
Refuse Removal		26.00	400.00	288.00	400.00
Recycling Removal					
Subtotal	6,049.68	6,075.59	6,450.00	6,337.59	6,450.00

General Fund continued					
	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>Other Services</b>					
Legal	2,161.50	3,041.87	5,000.00	375.00	5,000.00
Ambulance	32,749.99	30,030.00	34,398.00	34,398.00	34,398.00
Printing	1,333.09	1,628.66	1,900.00	1,768.84	1,900.00
Advertising		463.75	1,500.00	677.27	1,500.00
Miscellaneous Services		50.00			
Financial Audit			6,000.00	6,500.00	
Rutland County Sheriff					
Subtotal	36,244.58	35,214.28	48,798.00	43,719.11	42,798.00
<b>Maintenance and Repairs</b>					
Town Office Building	2,934.52	3,394.75	6,000.00	2,618.65	5,000.00
Town Hall	645.51	1,044.54	25,000.00	3,114.36	5,000.00
Town Hall Project					
Band Stand			100.00		100.00
Sandshed			300.00		300.00
Garage	435.06	234.60	1,400.00	1,621.75	600.00
Snow Removal		877.00	1,500.00		
Fire Alarm Yearly Inspection	407.90	350.00	400.00	216.25	400.00
Subtotal	4,422.99	5,900.89	34,700.00	7,571.01	11,400.00
<b>Utilities - Town Hall</b>					
Electricity	1,032.66	725.86	1,000.00	1,084.96	1,150.00
Fuel	48.40	226.27	800.00	1,406.10	1,500.00
Subtotal	1,081.06	952.13	1,800.00	2,491.06	2,650.00
<b>Utilities - Town Office Building</b>					
Electricity	1,937.86	1,976.51	2,100.00	2,165.93	2,200.00
Fuel	2,069.24	1,859.89	2,400.00	2,756.41	2,800.00
Phone/Internet	1,499.88	1,862.99	1,600.00	1,431.35	1,600.00
Subtotal	5,506.98	5,699.39	6,100.00	6,353.69	6,600.00
<b>Utilities - Highway Garage</b>					
Electricity	711.68	899.06	935.00	1,014.03	1,100.00
Phone/Internet	670.36	864.92	720.00	672.25	720.00
LP Gas	607.05	861.88	900.00	1,149.50	1,200.00
Subtotal	1,989.09	2,625.86	2,555.00	2,835.78	3,020.00
<b>Utilities - Street Lights</b>					
Electricity	1,954.47	1,925.21	2,100.00	1,804.51	2,100.00
Subtotal	1,954.47	1,925.21	2,100.00	1,804.51	2,100.00
<b>Parks and Grounds</b>					
Labor	2,482.35	2,160.94	3,000.00	1,842.05	2,500.00
Fuel	145.89	160.05	175.00	214.66	225.00
Portable Toilet	660.00	660.00	660.00	660.00	660.00
Equipment Maintenance	238.73	253.48	200.00	117.15	200.00
Trees and Bedding Plants		420.00	200.00	143.60	200.00
Supplies		29.99	100.00	87.94	100.00
Signs			1,000.00	538.64	1,000.00
Line Painting			1,000.00	43.00	
Hired Equipment			150.00		150.00
New Equipment			250.00		250.00
Subtotal	3,526.97	3,684.46	6,735.00	3,647.04	5,285.00

**General Fund continued**

	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>Office Expense</b>					
Software				49.97	
Office Equipment	pstd separately below				
Copier Lease	1,507.02	1,306.80	1,600.00	1,151.40	1,600.00
NEMRC Support	298.51	307.47	308.00		317.00
Tech Support	1,105.24	1,125.00	1,772.00	1,290.92	1,512.00
Website Maintenance	33.34	35.34	40.00	155.34	160.00
Office Supplies	1,197.76	2,703.48	2,500.00	1,363.59	2,500.00
Postage	<u>1,164.29</u>	<u>1,318.77</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>1,251.98</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>
Subtotal	5,306.16	6,796.86	7,520.00	5,263.20	7,389.00
<b>Planning Commission</b>					
Printing, Copies, Typing, Adv.			100.00		100.00
Misc./Assistance from Two Rivers			<u>150.00</u>		<u>150.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	250.00		250.00
<b>Board of Listers</b>					
Postage	17.17	47.01	200.00	52.20	200.00
Supplies	157.99	138.47	500.00	74.49	500.00
Computer			600.00	213.98	1,415.00
Miscellaneous	65.00	75.00	100.00	180.00	100.00
NEMRC Support	486.01	307.46	308.00	0.00	317.00
License Fees	<u>235.00</u>	<u>235.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>	<u>736.50</u>	<u>775.00</u>
Subtotal	961.17	802.94	1,958.00	1,257.17	3,307.00
<b>Salaries</b>					
Auditors	2,561.80	2,067.50	2,500.00	2,167.51	2,400.00
Election Officials	454.20	90.00	200.00	477.75	200.00
Custodial-Shovel				150.00	1,500.00
Custodial	732.50	270.00	1,500.00	845.00	1,000.00
Fire Chief	915.00	915.00	915.00	915.00	915.00
Listers	4,164.87	5,431.32	5,500.00	6,608.17	5,500.00
Listers-Training					1,660.00
Select Board	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Health Officer		463.41	300.00	159.50	300.00
Selectboard Secretary	2,133.32	2,284.14	2,500.00	2,253.05	2,500.00
Transition and Training			5,000.00	4,770.60	2,390.00
Town Clerk	17,365.92	17,887.00	18,155.00	18,032.78	18,644.00
Town Treasurer	17,365.92	17,887.00	18,155.00	18,032.78	18,644.00
Asst. Town Clerk & Treasurer	<u>13,267.51</u>	<u>13,926.91</u>	<u>14,340.00</u>	<u>13,769.11</u>	<u>15,136.00</u>
Subtotal	63,461.04	65,722.28	73,565.00	72,681.25	75,289.00
<b>Employee Benefits</b>					
Town Officer Education	992.00	1,085.00	1,200.00	1,160.00	1,200.00
Town Officer Mileage	910.61	825.30	1,000.00	1,100.23	1,100.00
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund	1,910.25	1,967.57	1,997.00	2,179.39	2,125.00
Medical Insurance	8,566.32	8,306.28	9,023.00	8,271.12	8,599.00
Health Reimbursement Account	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>
Subtotal	13,629.18	13,434.15	14,970.00	16,210.74	14,774.00
<b>Other</b>					
Miscellaneous	<u>154.00</u>	<u>154.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>163.20</u>	<u>300.00</u>
Subtotal	154.00	154.00	300.00	163.20	300.00

<b>General Fund continued</b>					
	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>Budget Disbursements</b>					
Fire Department	18,850.00	18,850.00	18,850.00	18,850.00	18,850.00
Fire Truck Note					35,389.00
Fire Department SCBA					Article
Fire Department Extrication Equip					Article
Fire Department Truck Fund					Article
Library	940.00	940.00	2,840.00	2,840.00	4,705.00
Librarian Salary					Article
*Highway Fund	137,386.00	129,928.00		125,588.00	
*School Fund	1,263,405.32	951,147.00		978,551.00	
*Cemetery Fund	8,084.00	7,339.00		3,839.00	
Highway Equipment Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	Article
Parks & Grounds Equipment Fund	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Sandshed Fund	30,000.00	30,000.00	44,000.00	44,000.00	
Bond Debt Service Payment	45,465.70	44,647.48	43,793.00	43,770.71	47,199.00
Contingency Fund	10,000.00				
Recreation Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Recreation Area Upgrades			5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Town Hall exterior Reserve		10,000.00			
Village Green Paving Reserve		10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	Article
Computer Equipment Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Subtotal	1,536,431.02	1,225,151.48	151,783.00	1,259,738.71	113,443.00
<b>*Funds Disbursed</b>					
Marriage Licenses	300.00	650.00		500.00	
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surchrg	565.00	620.00		600.00	
Record Preservation	546.60	935.00		773.00	
Refund of Overpayments	4,116.84	3,955.76		4,916.30	
Property Tax Adjustment Refund	9,071.92	10,291.16		568.56	
Current Use Change Refund					
Interfund Transfers				53,000.66	
Correct VT deposit errors	116,927.63	42,037.78			
School District Loan					
FEMA Buyout	186,453.90				
CDBG Buyout	64,510.62	42,500.00			
Municipal Planning Grant					
CDBG Public Facility Park Grant	5,204.00	29,429.50		48.12	
Donation Disbursement-Fire Truck					
Tax Sale Redemption	38,850.00				
Tax Sale Escrow	387.29				
Delinquent Tax Penalty	5,732.83	5,008.05		5,404.40	
Subtotal	432,666.63	135,427.25	0.00	65,811.04	0.00
<b>Capital Expense</b>					
Fire & Rescue Equip/Vehicles			43,547.00	38,569.00	
Subtotal			43,547.00	38,569.00	
<b>*State Education Fund</b>					
Statewide Prop. Tax Liability		59,139.00		180,748.27	
Subtotal	0.00	59,139.00	0.00	180,748.27	0.00
<b>Miscellaneous Expense</b>					
Journal Entry Buyout-tax write off	27.62				
Subtotal	27.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$2,164,657.51</b>	<b>\$1,622,807.71</b>	<b>\$454,936.00</b>	<b>\$1,767,711.16</b>	<b>\$346,311.00</b>
<b>**TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$323,115.56</b>	<b>\$339,827.46</b>	<b>\$454,936.00</b>	<b>\$413,173.85</b>	<b>\$346,311.00</b>

\*\* This is the "Total General Fund" less the \*Highway, \*School and \*Cemetery Fund "Budget Disbursements", the \*Funds Disbursed category, and the \*State Education Fund-Statewide Property Tax Liability. This line allows for a more accurate comparison of the 2017 Budget, 2017 Actual and the 2018 Proposed.

<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>					
	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>Wages</b>					
Road Commissioner	47,417.03	51,786.82	54,433.00	53,866.42	54,176.00
Temporary Help	<u>818.71</u>	<u>903.04</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>	<u>1,357.27</u>	<u>2,200.00</u>
Subtotal	48,235.74	52,689.86	56,033.00	55,223.69	56,376.00
<b>Taxes</b>					
Federal Excise Tax	2,990.56	3,266.84	3,474.00	3,423.57	3,496.00
FICA Social Security	<u>699.41</u>	<u>763.89</u>	<u>812.00</u>	<u>800.65</u>	<u>818.00</u>
FICA Medicare	3,689.97	4,030.73	4,286.00	4,224.22	4,314.00
Subtotal					
<b>Fuel</b>					
Gasoline	63.97	39.58	100.00	55.19	100.00
Diesel	5,350.06	6,339.20	10,000.00	7,981.12	10,000.00
Lubricants	<u>362.64</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>216.14</u>	<u>300.00</u>
Subtotal	5,776.67	6,378.78	10,400.00	8,252.45	10,400.00
<b>Hired Equipment</b>					
Rochester Road Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Backhoe	3,684.50	3,635.00	3,500.00	3,570.00	7,000.00
Roadside Mowing	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Trucks	3,310.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
All Other	<u>667.50</u>	<u>520.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
Subtotal	12,062.00	11,055.00	12,700.00	10,270.00	16,700.00
<b>Materials</b>					
Gravel	29,171.90	20,309.90	20,000.00	18,537.71	20,000.00
Sand	12,870.00	27,097.44	30,000.00	28,537.18	35,000.00
Salt			1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Chloride	5,310.00	5,760.00	6,000.00	3,535.00	7,000.00
Culverts	8,526.90	7,828.85	8,000.00	20,754.80	8,000.00
Guardrail/Signs	<u>351.73</u>	<u>33.98</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>299.87</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal	56,230.53	61,030.17	66,000.00	71,664.56	72,000.00
<b>Employee Benefits</b>					
Medical Insurance	7,909.69	8,306.28	9,023.00	8,271.12	8,599.00
Health Reimbursement Account	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund	2,607.94	2,848.28	2,994.00	2,994.52	2,782.00
Uniform Allowance	<u>412.94</u>	<u>504.94</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>401.46</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Subtotal	12,180.57	12,909.50	14,267.00	13,417.10	13,631.00
<b>Other</b>					
Maintenance Upper Michigan Rd					30,000.00
Garage Supplies	1,998.85	657.34	500.00	756.14	500.00
Employee Ed-MSHA annual refresher	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
MRGP-Annual Fee					1,750.00
Bridge #11 - deck resurface	77,450.00				
Miscellaneous	<u>1,875.00</u>	<u>92.60</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,180.49</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal	81,398.85	824.94	1,575.00	2,011.63	33,325.00

<b>Highway Fund continued</b>					
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<b>Repairs</b>					
International 4900	1,143.18	5,744.55	8,000.00	9,765.87	8,000.00
Ford F-550	3,039.00	3,584.56	4,500.00	3,639.38	4,500.00
Loader	173.41	2,002.08	2,500.00	2,481.91	2,500.00
Grader	3,312.69	1,171.20	4,500.00		4,500.00
Rake	112.50	834.75	100.00		100.00
Chainsaw			100.00	27.00	100.00
Chloride Spreader	33.52	17.50	400.00		400.00
Sander - International			750.00		750.00
Sander - Ford	30.33		750.00		750.00
Plow - International	1,506.06	30.60	450.00		450.00
Plow - Ford		506.02	450.00	105.09	450.00
Trimmer			100.00	11.99	100.00
Pressure Washer	328.05	284.01	200.00	299.82	200.00
Plow Wing - Ford	185.81	687.06	450.00	958.93	450.00
Subtotal	9,864.55	14,862.33	23,250.00	17,289.99	23,250.00
<b>John Deere</b>			19,577.00	19,576.67	19,577.00
Surveillance System		4,184.03			
Misc Equip - 2 chainsaws		1,151.90			
Sand Screen		4,500.00			
Fireproof cabinet for flamables			1,000.00	715.55	
VT Better Roads Grant				6,183.09	20,025.00
Aid Pilot Grant		5,300.00			7,625.00
Liquid Chloride Spreader					
Blower					
Subtotal		15,135.93	20,577.00	26,475.31	47,227.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>\$229,438.88</b>	<b>\$178,917.24</b>	<b>\$209,088.00</b>	<b>\$208,828.95</b>	<b>\$277,223.00</b>

<b>CEMETERY FUND</b>					
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
FICA Social Security	252.18	246.77	319.00	190.62	279.00
FICA Medicare	58.98	57.70	75.00	44.57	66.00
Fuel	156.35	195.80	300.00	155.63	200.00
Equipment Maintenance	819.38	533.27	600.00	117.14	400.00
Flags		652.99		610.22	0.00
Hired Equipment			200.00		200.00
Wages	4,067.59	3,979.99	5,150.00	3,074.39	4,500.00
Stone Cleaning	950.00		700.00		350.00
Top Soil			300.00		300.00
Tree Removal	1,775.00		500.00		500.00
Gravel					
<b>CEMETERY FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,079.48</b>	<b>\$5,666.52</b>	<b>\$8,144.00</b>	<b>\$4,192.57</b>	<b>\$6,795.00</b>

## BUDGET SUMMARY

	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Anticipated Expenses</b>				
General Fund	345,129.00	359,969.00	454,936.00	346,311.00
Highway Fund	179,190.00	181,843.00	209,088.00	277,223.00
Cemetery Fund	8,344.00	8,644.00	8,144.00	6,795.00
School Fund	1,456,309.00	1,242,508.00	1,290,559.00	1,136,492.00
<b>(Anticipated Expenses) Total</b>	<b>1,988,972.00</b>	<b>1,792,964.00</b>	<b>1,962,727.00</b>	<b>1,766,821.00</b>
<b>Anticipated Revenue</b>				
General Fund	8,730.00	37,850.00	86,500.00	89,345.00
Highway Fund	41,804.00	51,915.00	83,500.00	86,519.00
Cemetery Fund	260.00	1,305.00	4,305.00	5,750.00
School Fund	1,456,309.00	1,242,508.00	1,290,559.00	1,136,492.00
<b>(Anticipated Revenue) Total</b>	<b>1,507,103.00</b>	<b>1,333,578.00</b>	<b>1,464,864.00</b>	<b>1,318,106.00</b>
<b>Municipal Total To Be Raised By Taxes to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$ 481,869.00</b>	<b>\$ 459,386.00</b>	<b>\$ 497,863.00</b>	<b>\$ 448,715.00</b>

### ANTICIPATED TAX RATE

	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Estimated
<b>Grand List</b>	<b>\$1,009,210.17</b>	<b>\$1,014,448.00</b>	<b>\$1,014,074.00</b>	<b>\$1,020,134.00</b>
<b>Municipal</b>	<b>0.4785</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>0.4910</b>	<b>0.4399</b>
With Warned Item HW Equip #9	45,000.00			0.4840
With Warned Item Paving #10	15,000.00			0.4987
With Warned Item FD SCBA #11	8,000.00			0.5065
With Warned Item Librarian Sal #12	15,600.00			0.5218
With Warned Item FD Ext Equip #13	15,000.00			0.5365
With Warned Item FD Truck #14	5,000.00			0.5414
Total warned items	103,600.00			
<b>School</b>				
Homestead Education	1.6060	1.0938	1.2655	1.1689
Non Residential Education	1.3032	1.3034	1.4029	1.4288
<b>Resultant Tax Rate</b>				
Homestead	2.0845	1.5438	1.7565	*
Non Residential	1.7817	1.7534	1.8939	*

\*The Resultant tax rate is unknown until the budget and articles have been approved.

## STATEMENT OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

As of December 31, 2018

### Long Term Debt

The Town of Pittsfield received a \$670,000.00 twenty year General Obligation Bond dated July 1, 2010 through the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank with an interest rate of 2.973561%. Payments are due twice a year. An interest payment of \$6,528.74 and a federal sequestration payment of \$367.76 was made for the March 27, 2018. payment. An interest payment of \$6,528.74, a federal sequestration payment of \$345.47 and a principal payment of \$35,000 was made for the October 9, 2018 payment. A total of \$48,770.71 was paid in 2018. Bonds outstanding total \$390,000. The debt is scheduled to be fully retired in 2030.

### Short Term Debt

The Town of Pittsfield took a Governmental Certificate Promissory Note for \$200,000 dated October 2, 2018 through Mascoma Bank with an interest rate of 3.600% to purchase a new Fire Truck. Payments are due once per year beginning October 2, 2019, with the last payment being due October 2, 2023.

## ADDITIONAL ASSETS

	Bridge MMA	Civic Sign and Bench ICS Savings	Computer Fund ICS Savings	Contingency Fund ICS Savings
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$1,099.47	\$2,214.00	\$4,371.67	\$59,498.60
Deposits			1,000.00	
Interest	0.12	24.92	53.37	703.16
Withdrawals			(197.92)	
Ending Balance December 31, 2018	\$1,099.59	\$2,238.92	\$5,227.12	\$60,201.76

	Federal Tax Deposit Fund	Health Reimbursement Fund	Highway Equipment ICS Savings	Land Trust CD 662
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$2,499.99	\$2,567.97	\$13,495.78	\$109,575.76
Deposits	33,464.51	5,250.00	30,000.00	
Interest			291.52	1,403.81
Withdrawals	(30,193.26)	(4,227.13)		(1,638.32)
Ending Balance December 31, 2018	\$5,771.24	\$3,590.84	\$43,787.30	\$109,341.25

	Lister Education ICS Savings	Office Building ICS Savings	Parks & Grnds Equip ICS Savings	Paving Reserve ICS Savings
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$1,490.15	\$12,905.29	\$3,081.28	\$10,026.37
Deposits			300.00	5,000.00
Interest	12.26	107.11	36.48	138.90
Withdrawals	(585.00)	(5,000.00)		
Ending Balance December 31, 2018	\$917.41	\$8,012.40	\$3,417.76	\$15,165.27

	Reappraisal ICS Savings	Record Preservation ICS Savings	Recreation ICS Savings	Robert S. Dumas
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$46,122.57	\$8,629.59	\$6,046.14	\$669.54
Deposits	4,940.00	773.00	7,989.00	
Interest	584.03	96.72	103.83	0.12
Withdrawals		(707.31)	(153.48)	
Ending Balance December 31, 2018	\$51,646.60	\$8,792.00	\$13,985.49	\$669.66

	Sand Shed ICS Savings	Town Hall Reserve ICS Savings	Wray Park Beautification MMA
Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$60,314.11	\$10,026.37	\$1,005.05
Deposits	44,000.00		
Interest	902.08	117.39	0.11
Withdrawals			(895.00)
Ending Balance December 31, 2018	\$105,216.19	\$10,143.76	\$110.16

# **PETTY CASH REPORT** **Year Ended December 31, 2018**

Cash on Hand - January 1, 2018	\$45.50
Deposits	100.00
Disbursements	(84.44)
Cash on Hand - December 31, 2018	\$61.06

# **LICENSE REPORT** **Year Ended December 31, 2018**

<b>Dog Licenses</b>	
Females (Spayed)	35 @ \$9.00 \$315.00
Males (Neutered)	39 @ \$9.00 \$351.00
Females	2 @ \$13.00 \$26.00
Males	8 @ \$13.00 \$104.00
Late Females (Spayed)	14 @ \$11.00 \$154.00
Late Males (Neutered)	12 @ \$11.00 \$132.00
Late Females	5 @ \$17.00 \$85.00
Late Males	4 @ \$17.00 \$68.00
Pet Dealer Permit/Special License	1 @ \$55.00 \$55.00
Misc. overpayments	<u>\$11.00</u>
Total Collected	\$1,301.00
Credited to Clerk Fee Account - 120 @ \$2.00	-\$240.00
Credited to State Spay/Neuter/Rabies Program - 120 @ \$5.00	-\$600.00
Credited to Special License Account - 1 @ \$30.00	-\$30.00
Credited to Pet Dealer Permit - 1 @	<u>-\$25.00</u>
Total Credited	-\$895.00
Balance	\$406.00

## **A Note About Dog Licenses**

Any dog that is more than six months old must be registered and licensed annually, on or before April 1st, by the Clerk of the Municipality in which the dog is kept. (20 VSA § 3581(a))

To obtain a license the dog's owner must pay a fee, present the Clerk with a current vaccination certificate, and in the case of a spayed female or neutered male dog, provide a certificate of sterilization from a licensed veterinarian. (20 VSA § 3581(b), (d))

LICENSE REPORT, continued

Liquor Licenses		
<u>First Class</u>	3 @ \$115.00	\$345.00
Casa Bella Inn		
Clear River Tavern		
Vermont Farms Catering		
<u>Second Class</u>	2 @ \$70.00	<u>\$140.00</u>
Original General Store		
Swiss Farm Market		
	Total	\$485.00
	Credited to Clerk Fee Account	<u>-\$25.00</u>
	Balance	\$460.00

Marriage Licenses		
10 issued @ \$60.00 (State Treasurer's Fee, Victim's Compensation Fund, Clerk Fee)		\$600.00
Credited to Clerk Fee Account - 10 @ \$10.00		<u>-\$100.00</u>
	Balance	\$500.00



## VITAL STATISTICS 2018

### Births

Aria Margaret Hunt      Valeria Dmitrievna Sitnikova

### Marriages

Alyssa Ann Scherer      Daniel Eric Stoller  
Allison Earon      Zachary Christo Demma  
Katherine Rachel Stuart-Shor      Travis G. Williams  
Laura Webb McConaghy      Kyle David Winborn  
Kaitlyn Dorothy Beaulé      Tucker Warren Zink  
Alison Louise Tercek      Matthew Clifford Gallira  
Anna Lee Coffey      William Mark Mann  
Katherine Ann Hahn      Cameron Jon Stiles  
Eliza Cosgrove Templet      Christopher Abouraad  
Talia Haikara Roy      Tucker James Parker-Warwick

### Deaths

Rose Mianulli  
Jeanne F. Moulton  
Geraldine Hegewald  
Victor Monte, Jr.  
Frederick A. Simon  
James B. Beyersdorf  
Louise M. Thompson  
Alice Szpulecki  
Lorraine C. Sulham  
Raymond Joseph Albert LaBrecque

### Burial Permits

Rose Mianulli  
Elsie K. Novotny  
Jeanne F. Moulton  
Theresa B. Cerro  
Lorraine C. Sulham

## VITAL RECORDS LAW (ACT 46)

The Vermont Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records – namely, birth and death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth and death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage and tracking of birth and death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a Vermont birth or death certificate. **The changes went into effect on July 1, 2018.**

For text of Act 46, go to

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

## EC FIBER

EC Fiber is working hard to bring powerful broadband to all of our Vermont communities. ECFiber now has 700 miles of active network and 3,200 customers. We have network in 22 of our 24 towns. Six of our towns have network available to essentially every premises – Pittsfield, Thetford, Strafford, Pomfret, Barnard, and West Windsor. Six more will be completed in the first quarter of 2019 – Granville, Hancock, Rochester, Stockbridge, Braintree and Brookfield. We hope to begin construction in 2019 in Sharon, Royalton, Tunbridge, and Vershire. Another 80 miles is also in the works for rural parts of Norwich, Hartford, Reading, Bethel, and Randolph. It is exciting to see the progress this community-owned network has made in bringing essential broadband services to some of the most rural areas of Vermont, especially Pittsfield. Thank you all for your support, encouragement, and participation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marion Abrams and Elizabeth Warner - EC Fiber Delegates

## ENHANCED 9-1-1

Have you ever had to call 911 to report an emergency? If not, you will be asked for your location. If you are calling from a landline, you will also be asked to verify the address. This will verify what they have displayed on their computer. And what if you aren't home when you call? Will you know where you are or be able to describe your location? Try and get into the habit on seeing what's around you so that you can help them determine your location if it's unfamiliar.

Could an ambulance identify your house in the dark or in the middle of a snowstorm? If you need a new sign, please put one up. If it's hard to read, please replace it. Sometimes only a few minutes delay can make a huge difference in a life-threatening situation.

Have you posted your house number in a visible location? Please take the time to obtain one and make sure that it's placed in a location that can be easily seen by emergency personnel. Some helpful guidelines are:

- Mark your mailbox with your house number.
- If your house is not visible and there is no mailbox, a sign or number post should be erected to display the number where it can be seen by responders.
- Numbers should be at least 3" high x 2.5" wide and be reflective.
- Shared driveways should be marked at the beginning of the driveway where it meets the main road and another where the driveway splits.
- In Vermont, it is also very important that the address number be placed high enough that it will not be obscured by snow during the winter.

If you have any questions, I can be reached through the Town Office at 802-746-8170.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Martha L. Beyersdorf  
E 9-1-1 Coordinator

## PITTSFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Memorial Day Parade was again well attended by youngsters marching or riding their bikes. Thanks to Martin/Fales Post #43 Color Guard and the Whitechester Band. Also thanks to Pat Fuster for the donuts still warm from the frying pan.

The "Welcome to Pittsfield" sign has been repaired and repainted by Carl "Otel" Oertel and Margaret Conboy. It was installed near Dave and Mona Colton's by Otel with help from Wilbur and Mac Abrams. Margaret has planted mums under both welcome signs.

We received several articles of clothing and WWII ration booklets from Nioka Andrews as well as a postcard and a cardboard license plate ad for Cliff Cerro.

In October we had a talk and slide show about West Hill/Robinson and Bingo areas of Rochester. Anyone interested in joining us please feel free to come.

### White River Credit Union Checking

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2018

\$ 255.48

#### Receipts:

Poppy's & Food	\$ 44.75
History Books	\$ 160.00
Transfer from Savings	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	<b>\$ 504.75</b>

#### Expenses:

Rochester /Bethel Band (Memorial Day)	\$ 100.00
Flag Emblem (Poppy's)	\$ 52.95
Bethel Mills	\$ 44.02
Postage	\$ 13.60
New England Mfg. Co. (25 grave markers)	\$ 300.00
Carl Oertel (cement)	\$ 57.41
Susie Martin (Paint for signs)	\$ 62.46
Margaret Conboy (Plants)	\$ 70.26
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 720.70</b>

Ending Balance - December 31, 2018

\$ 39.53

### White River Credit Union Savings

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2018

\$9,799.20

#### Receipts:

Interest Dividend	\$ 13.08
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#### Expenses:

Transfer from Savings to checking	\$ 300.00
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Ending Balance - December 31, 2018

\$9,512.28

## PITTSFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

I would like to begin by thanking the residents of the town of Pittsfield for supporting the Department in 2018. The truck that was approved for purchase was long overdue and much needed. As of the writing of this report, the truck has been delivered to Vermont Fire Technologies in Williamstown, VT, where it will be outfitted with the pump, tank, body, and various other components. Much of the hose for the new truck was given to us by Killington Fire and Rescue from a ladder truck that they recently sold. It does not appear, at this time, that the truck will be completed by Town Meeting.

We had an excellent fundraising year. The food sale at the Bazaar and the coin-drop were both very successful. We have received over \$6,000 to date in donations from the fundraising letter that we mailed out. This money is being kept in a separate account, and is only to be used for the outfitting of the new truck. If there is money left over, it will be used to pay down the principal balance of the truck loan.

At the request of the Select Board, we will be working on a capital plan for the future of the Department. We agree that if we put aside money every year for major purchases, that it will lessen the overall tax burden when a purchase must be made.

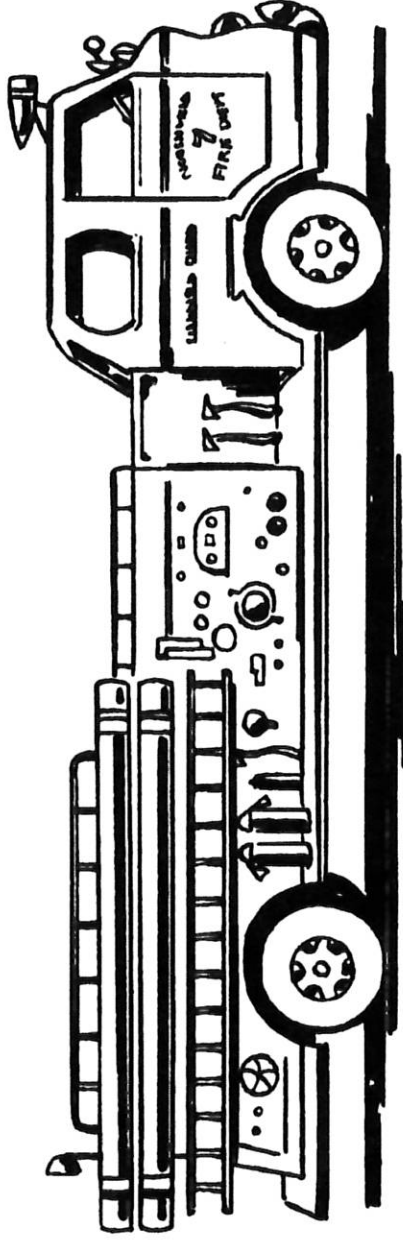
In 2018, we responded to thirty-eight (38) calls; ten (10) were fire-related, twenty (20) EMS, and eight (8) combined fire and rescue.

In closing, I would like to thank the members of the Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue. Without your hard work and dedication, we would not exist. My thanks also go out to the spouses, partners, and family members of our volunteers – Let's face it; when the pager goes off at 2:00 a.m., everyone is awake!

Please check your smoke/carbon monoxide detectors and replace batteries. If you burn wood, please remember to have your chimney inspected and cleaned annually.

Respectfully,

David H. Colton  
Fire Chief



**PITTSFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE**  
**2018 Financial Statement**

**NORTHFIELD SAVINGS BANK - Checking**  
**Beginning Balance - January 1, 2018** **\$ 20,000.00**

**Income**  
 Donations \$ 548.12  
 General Fund 18,850.00  
 Deposits 5,547.97  
**Total Income** **\$ 24,946.09**

	Budgeted for 2018	Actual
<b>Fire House Expenses</b>		
Heating	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 3,322.90
Electricity	900.00	950.64
Telephone	1,400.00	1,555.30
Maintenance	2,000.00	249.09
Supplies	<u>250.00</u>	<u>380.56</u>
Total:	\$ 6,750.00	\$ 6,458.49
<b>Fire Department Expenses</b>		
RCMA Dues	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,200.00
Communications	1,000.00	2,426.97
Equipment	7,200.00	3,131.52
Training/Certifications	<u>500.00</u>	<u>507.69</u>
Total:	\$ 10,100.00	\$ 7,266.18
<b>Vehicle Expense</b>	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,900.84</u>
<b>Total Expenses for 2018</b>	<b>\$ 18,850.00</b>	<b>\$ 16,625.51</b>
<b>Ending Balance - December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 28,320.58</b>

**NORTHFIELD SAVINGS BANK - Business Savings Donations Truck Fund**  
**Beginning Balance - October 9, 2018** **\$ 305.00**

**Receipts**  
 Interest \$ 2.80  
 Donations/Regular Deposits 6,904.53  
**Total Receipts** **\$ 6,907.33**

**Expenses**  
 Service Charge/Fee \$ 4.80  
**Total Expenses** **\$ 4.80**  
**Ending Balance - December 31, 2018** **\$ 7,207.53**

# **PITTSFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE** **2018 Financial Statement, continued**

<b>NORTHFIELD SAVINGS BANK - Business Savings Fundraising Account</b>			
Beginning Balance - June 12, 2018			\$ 1,000.00
Receipts			
Interest	\$ 6.25		
Deposits	<u>6,702.11</u>		
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 6,708.36</b>		
Expenses			
Withdrawals	<u>\$ 810.12</u>		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 810.12</b>		
<b>Ending Balance - December 30, 2018</b>			<b>\$ 6,898.24</b>
<b>NORTHFIELD SAVINGS BANK - CD Capital Truck Reserve</b>			
Beginning Balance - January 1, 2018			\$ 60,000.00
Receipts			
Interest	<u>\$ 651.41</u>		
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 651.41</b>		
Expenses			
Withdrawal	\$ 60,000.00		
Transfer to Truck Fund	<u>651.41</u>		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 60,651.41</b>		
<b>Ending Balance - December 20, 2018</b>			<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**NSB CD Capital Truck Reserve** was closed December 20, 2018. Check given to Town Office and made Payable to: VTEC for Fire Truck.  
 Remaining balance of CD (\$651.41) was deposited into **NSB Savings Donations Truck Fund**.

## **PITTSFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE** **2019 Proposed Budget**

	Amount
<b>Fire House Expenses</b>	
Heating	\$ 2,200.00
Electricity	1,000.00
Telephone	1,800.00
Maintenance	2,000.00
Supplies	<u>250.00</u>
Total:	\$ 7,250.00
<b>Department Expenses</b>	
RCMA Dues	\$ 1,400.00
Communications	1,000.00
Equipment	7,200.00
Training/Certifications	<u>500.00</u>
Total	\$ 10,100.00
<b>Vehicle Expense</b>	\$ 2,000.00
<b>Proposed Budget for 2019</b>	<b>\$ 19,350.00</b>
<b>New Truck Payment going to General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>

## PITTSFIELD WOMEN'S ALLIANCE

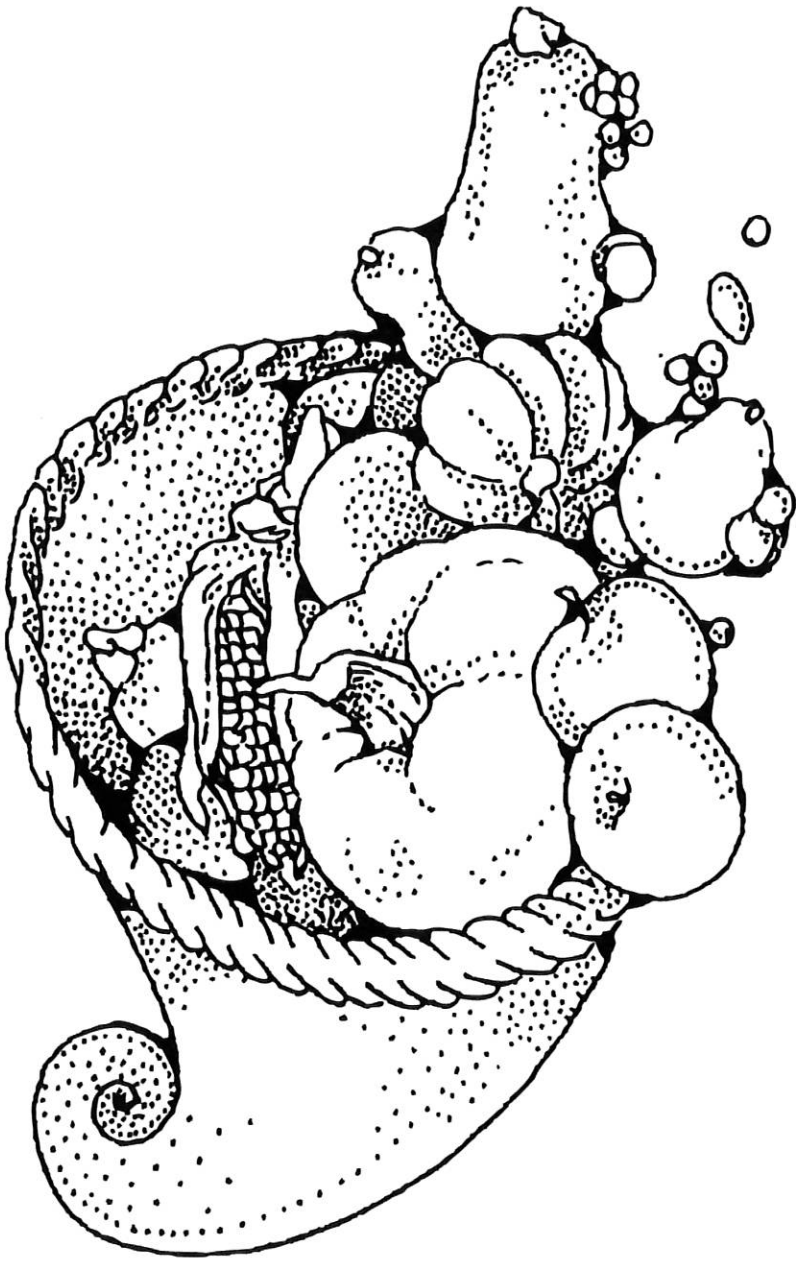
The Pittsfield Women's Alliance held another very successful bazaar this year. Thank you to the Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue for their great food and to Gail Osha and The Bear Mountain Jammers for the wonderful entertainment.

We donated money to Quin-Town and also The Christmas Project. We also donated to the Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue to help fund the new fire truck. We are lucky to have such great volunteers watching out for our homes.

We also decorated the town gazebo with lights and a tree in December. Cooking baskets were filled with goodies and delivered to seniors around town. Thank you to all who helped.

Again, anyone wishing to join the Alliance or to just help out, please give us a call. You can contact Stephanie Colton at 746-8348 or Deb Picarello at 746-8331.

Respectfully,  
Deborah Picarello





This year's event was held on Sunday, August 26 from 12:30-4:00 pm. An additional \$1989 was raised towards improvements to the basketball court restoration project.

We saw the first rain ever in seven years, which may have been a sign as we bid farewell to our town clerk, Patty Haskins. We surprised her with a banner on the gazebo, a cake and then the Select Board unveiled a granite bench outside the town office door, which will be engraved, honoring her 27 years of service to our community.



Since 2012, Pittsfield's Picnic evolved from a full day event, commemorating the strength of our community, on the 1st anniversary of Tropical Storm Irene, into an end of summer community potluck fundraiser featuring a variety of themes and entertainment, a silent auction, a horseshoe tournament, and lots of fun field games for families.

During this time, the town recreation fund received approximately \$20,000. Three thousand dollars was appropriated from the general fund, and \$77 in interest was earned. The expenses included \$1000 to the fire department in 2012, \$7096 for supplies to build horseshoe pits, and buy, maintain and replace horseshoes, the purchase of two basketball goal systems with installation and four basketballs, and \$4062 for event supplies, equipment and advertising. Currently there is approximately \$8,000 left to go towards paving, which was originally quoted at about \$10,000. It is the hope that with volunteer assistance this amount may be reduced.

Paving the court in 2019 is the final **very** important step necessary to complete this "labor of love" community project started in 2013. It will ensure that the basketball goal systems, installed two years ago, remain level and secure. The current asphalt is from the mid 70's and is neither level nor stable, featuring many "birdbath" depressions, most visible after it rains, many cracks and deep fissures. Since the new installation, there has been a noticeable increase in activity on the court and new pavement will surely enhance all player's experience.

It has been an honor and pleasure to work alongside the many neighbors, families, friends, individuals, and businesses who supported this event. They volunteered many hours each year to prepare the area, setup and breakdown tents, staff the silent auction setup and checkout process, entertain, run the horseshoe tournament, set up field games, tie-dye shirts, face paint, assemble equipment, donate food, prepare food, bring potluck items, and contribute many auction items. All this support helped to create a beautiful day surrounded by people who appreciate this community gathering which allowed everyone who attended the opportunity to share a meal, relax and enjoy their time together.

Sincerely,  
Erica Hurd  
Pittsfield Picnic Coordinator





## Volunteer Run Since 1901

**Our mission: To be a multigenerational community center fostering traditional, cultural, creative, and technical literacy.** To this end, with dedicated volunteers and town support, the RCML provides a fine collection of reading, listening and viewing material, media access and educational offerings not only in the inviting environment of the library, but in the comfort of your own home as well. RCML is in a period of renewal and growth. We try to create a vital and active space, allowing patrons to not only benefit from our offerings and programs, but those in the community as well. Planning for this growth helps to ensure that we can be a successful and integral part of Pittsfield for future generations to enjoy.

Our catalogued collection includes over 4,694 books and audiobooks and 411 DVDs. These numbers are subject to change as we are always adding newly purchased or donated books and videos and remove those that are worn or outdated for our book sale at the Bazaar. Visit our casual lending library in our foyer of freely circulated paperbacks, magazines and circulars of public interest or **stop in to get a library card!**

Visit our website [www.pittsfieldlibrary.com](http://www.pittsfieldlibrary.com) to view our computerized catalogue, check out upcoming events, download audio books through *Listen Up Vermont!*, register for a *Universal Class*, or sign up to receive our newsletter for most current goings on and **don't forget to like and follow us on Facebook.**

### Events and programs we hosted this past year include, but is not limited to:

- Green-Up/Arbor Day - children's educational event with crafts
- Children's yoga and adult chair yoga
- Children's movie nights
- Mother's Day movie & program
- Mom's movie night
- All About Pittsfield - Entrepreneurship program for students over the summer
- Six week summer reading program for children
- Annual book sale at the Pittsfield Bazaar + book bag fundraiser
- 12-month Artist's Way program
- Bi-monthly adult book club
- Halloween children's book giveaway
- A patron request to host a screening of a new movie about how to save our planet
- Gingerbread house decorating
- Partnered with the Pittsfield Women's Alliance to add a book to their holiday baskets
- Implemented snowshoe rentals for patrons

### Capital Improvements made to our space include:

- A frame to house the Roger Clark medals to be on display to all patrons
- Three new bookcases used for storage (two donated)
- A new play mat
- Two gently used upholstered chairs (given to us)
- An open/closed lighted sign visible from Route 100

We are currently seeking **taxpayer support for our budget, which includes the addition of a 20-hour per week paid library professional.** Additionally, we always welcome new and current volunteers do simple tasks like organizing bookshelves or to take library shifts on Tuesdays 3-5PM and Thursdays 3-6PM (or hours that may work better for the volunteer) to ensure we offer the community all that we can. We welcome your time, talent, ideas and membership. Please contact us at [pittsfieldtlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtlibrary@gmail.com).

Respectfully,  
Board of Trustees

Elizabeth Warner ('19)	Erica Hurd ('20)
Amanda Barrett ('21)	Cynthia Bryant ('21)
Coral Hawley ('22)	

**ROGER CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
**2018 Financial Statement**

**BAR HARBOR BANK & TRUST - CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2018

**\$7,304.39**

**Receipts**

Donations	\$ 530.00 (\$500 one-time donation intended for internet installation costs)
Fundraising	\$ 316.25
General Fund	\$ 2,840.00
Interest	\$ 9.58

**Total Receipts      \$ 3,695.83**

**Expenses**

Supplies (Office/Cleaning)	\$ 90.84
Programs/Events	\$ 789.84
Software Updates	\$ 15.17
Telephone	\$ 289.73
Internet	\$ 900.88
Subscriptions	\$ 245.00
Books/DVDs/CDs/etc	\$ 405.54
Capital Expenses	\$ 335.19

**Total Expenses      \$ 3,072.19**

**Ending Balance December 31, 2018**

**\$5,078.62**

**Capital One Savings**

**\$2,849.41**

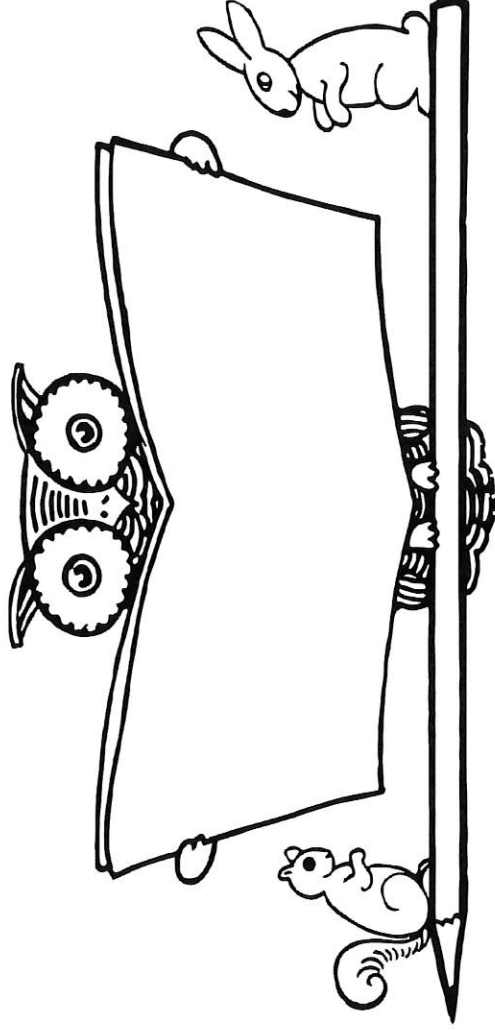
**Total**

**\$7,928.03**

**PETTY CASH**

Beginning Balance January 1, 2018      \$40.00

Ending Balance December 31, 2018      \$40.00



## ROGER CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY, continued

The Roger Clark Memorial Library has been volunteer run since 1901. The Board of Trustees seeks voter support for our proposed budget, which includes the addition of a part-time paid library professional.

The board has worked incredibly hard to establish expanded hours and programming for all ages over this past year (noted in our annual report). Currently, two of our five board members are predominately the ones who volunteer to work each week on Tues. 3-5pm and Thurs. 3-6pm (5 hours), at a minimum.

We have reached the limits of our volunteer board's capacity to fully run our library to its greatest extent for all patrons we serve. As you can see, our intent is to offer our community a broad range of programs and events, wanting patrons to participate and stay in our community. Thus, we ask the community to support us in our request to hire a library director for 20 hours each week.

### ~What it would mean to have a librarian~

- Library hours would increase from 5 hours to 20 hours/week, offering varied hours to serve all patrons
- Opportunity to offer more programs, activities and education – with services offered to children and homebound residents
- Greater collaboration with schools our children attend
- More opportunities for service to our youth
- Patrons could gather around shared areas of interest
- Families having access to a variety of low-cost programs, which can fully utilize our valuable community space
- Maintaining reporting data; track materials; update collections
- Sending regular email blasts and social media posts
- Actively maintaining the online database system

We believe that Pittsfield citizens deserve access to all the services and information available to them and that offering more activities that bring people in the community together is vital to our community's sustainability. We also believe that attracting patrons to the library more often allows more opportunity for them to support other local businesses in town.

2019 Budget	Proposed Amount
Supplies (Office/Cleaning)	\$ 150.00
Programs/Events	\$ 1,200.00
Social Media (Advertising)	\$ 30.00
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 275.00
Software Updates	\$ 50.00
Telephone	\$ 250.00
Internet	\$ 1,250.00
Books/DVDs/CDs/etc	\$ 600.00
Technical Services	\$ 100.00
Periodicals	\$ 50.00
Programs Supplies	\$ 300.00
Software Services	\$ 50.00
KOHA DB Support	\$ 500.00
GMLC	\$ 200.00
Payroll (20h x \$15/hr)	\$15,600.00
Capital Expenditures	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,605.00</b>

**TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS**  
**2018 Financial Statement**

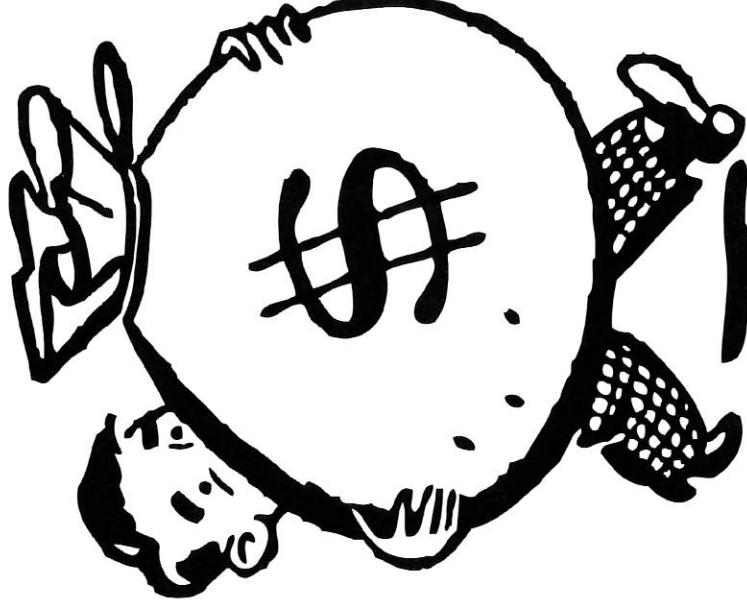
<b>PEOPLE'S UNITED BANK ACCOUNT – Checking (Cemetery)</b>		
<b>Beginning Balance – January 1, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 335.29</b>
Receipts:		
Interest from People's United Bank	\$ 0.21	
Dividends from George Putnam Balanced Fund-A (Mutual Fund)	\$ 347.37	
Dividends and Interest from Vanguard Fund	\$ 120.72	
Expenses:		
Town of Pittsfield Cemetery Fund	\$ 454.64	
<b>Ending Balance – December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 348.95</b>
<b>GEORGE PUTNAM BALANCED FUND-A MUTUAL FUND (Cemetery)</b>		
<b>Fund Share Value as of January 1, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 27,259.38</b>
Share Price = \$20.01 (A)		
Share Balance = 1,362.288		
November 28, 2018 – Long Term Capital Gain (\$1,422.23, \$18.62 share, 76.382 shares)		
November 28, 2018 – Short Term Capital Gain (\$427.76, \$18.62 share, 22.973 shares)		
<b>Fund Share Value as of December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 26,075.71</b>
Share Price = \$17.84		
Share Balance = 1,461.643		
<b>VANGUARD TOTAL STOCK MARKET INDEX ADMIRAL CL FUND (Cemetery)</b>		
<b>Fund Share Value as of January 1, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 13,465.89</b>
Share Price = \$66.72		
Share Balance = 201.827		
<b>Fund Share Value as of December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 12,531.43</b>
Share Price = \$62.09		
Share Balance = 201.827		
<b>VANGUARD MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT (Cemetery)</b>		
<b>Beginning Balance – January 1, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 120.60</b>
Receipts:		
Dividends from Vanguard	\$ 254.91	
Interest from Vanguard Money Market	\$ 2.01	
Expenses:		
Dividends & Interest to People's United Bank Account	\$ 120.72	
<b>Ending Balance – December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 256.80</b>
<b>BAR HARBOR BANK &amp; TRUST ACCOUNT - CHECKING (Jean Colver Sofield Scholarship)</b>		
<b>Beginning Balance - January 1, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 674.27</b>
Receipts:		
Dividends – Putnam Equity Income Fund-A	\$ 530.03	
Expenses:		
2017 Scholarship Award	\$ 470.71	
<b>Ending Balance – December 31, 2018</b>		<b>\$ 733.59</b>

**TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS**  
**2018 Financial Statement, continued**

<b>PUTNAM EQUITY INCOME FUND-A MUTUAL FUND (Jean Colver Sofield Scholarship)</b>	
<b>Fund Share Value as of January 1, 2018</b>	<b>\$ 49,213.29</b>
Share Price = \$24.51	
Share Balance = 2,007.886	
December 26, 2018 – Long Term Capital Gain (\$1,646.47, \$20.84 shares, 79.005 shares)	
December 26, 2018 – Short Term Capital Gain (\$194.76, \$20.84 share, 9.345 shares)	
<b>Fund Share Value as of December 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$ 44,356.35</b>
Share Price = \$21.16	
Share Balance = 2,096.236	

Respectfully submitted,  
Henry Hotchkiss

A) Estimate of Share Price (No price per share given by fund.)



## BETHEL/ROYALTON SOLID WASTE PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

The towns of Bethel and Royalton jointly own a 22 acre parcel of land on Waterman Rd in Royalton which has been improved to provide facilities for aggregation and shipment of municipal solid waste, recyclables, and a variety of hazardous waste materials. The site also contains the now-closed landfill which served area towns from 1970 to 1993. By contractual agreement, other member towns also use the waste management program, these towns being Barnard, Stockbridge, Pittsfield, Rochester, Hancock and Granville.

Administration of the program has historically been managed by staff of the town of Bethel, under the direction and oversight of the Bethel and Royalton Select Boards. In August 2013, a new Inter-local Contract was approved and endorsed by the Bethel and Royalton Select Boards. This new agreement for administration of the solid waste program shifts some of the burden of workload and accountability from the town of Bethel.

In May 2016, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation approved the programs new "Solid Waste Implementation Plan" (SWIP) for purposes of managing solid waste and recyclables in accordance with the objectives of current local/state/national priorities. The SWIP has been formally adopted by the Select Boards of all eight member towns.

Our facility operates under a license (or "Certification") which is renewed every 5 years. An application to renew was submitted to the Vermont Solid Waste Management Division in February 2014, and approval was issued May 7, 2014. The certification is valid until March 31, 2024. The former Bethel/Royalton landfill is also "operated" under a certification, which was renewed for an additional 5 year term to end November 9, 2021. This certification provides for adequate monitoring of any residual effects stemming from the landfill use.

From July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 a total of 4,796.74 tons of solid waste was collected at the transfer station "tipping floor". This material was loaded into trailers for shipment to an in state lined landfill. Materials received for recycling totaled 797.36 tons. These materials were directed to various facilities for processing. Various special wastes are regularly collected in addition to the usual recyclables. These include paint, fluorescent bulbs, used motor oil, antifreeze, lead acid batteries and electronic waste. All fees vary depending on the material involved and the current expenses to the program for handling the materials.

Collection events for **Household Hazardous Wastes** were held in June and October 2018 at the Bethel Royalton Transfer Station and in September at the Rochester Town Hall Parking lot. These events provided a means for citizens of the member towns to safely dispose of materials, particularly those not normally taken at the facility such as pesticides, various cleaning compounds, acids, bases, contaminated fluids etc. The events are open to all member towns at no cost for up to 10 pounds or 10 gallons of material. Small quantities of materials generated by businesses are also acceptable at collection events, but a fee corresponding to program costs is assessed on business participants and an appointment must be made in advance. There will be four events in 2019, two at the Bethel Royalton Transfer Station and two in Rochester. Both locations will have one in the spring and one in the fall. This will allow access for those towns not located near the transfer station. The public is encouraged to inquire at the facility for dates and schedule.

We consider the solid waste program to be comprehensive in the services provided to the public, and the program staff is well trained to provide advice or assistance.

**The facility is open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm and Saturdays from 7:00 am to 1:00pm. Information may be obtained during those hours by calling 802-763-2232.**



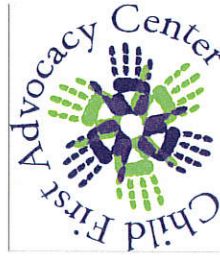
Central Vermont Council on Aging is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting older Vermonters to live with dignity and choice. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent for as long as possible. We connect the elders in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income or resources.

Some of the options we make available include:

- **Senior Help Line** - (800) 642-5119 - has the answers to hundreds of common questions from elders, families, and caregivers.
- **Information & Assistance** staff counsel elders and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, and more.
- **Case Managers** work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement, and coordinate individualized long-term care plans.
- **Nutrition Services** oversees the menu development for home-delivered and community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals.
- **State Health Insurance Program** (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, group training and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans.
- **Family Caregiver Support** promotes the well-being of the family members who help to make it possible for seniors to remain in their home.

During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 6 Pittsfield residents. Case Manager Kathryn Schenkman is designated to work directly with the seniors in Pittsfield. Central Vermont Council on Aging devoted a total of 197 hours of service to Pittsfield seniors.

All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of Pittsfield for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of those who have contributed to making the Central Vermont communities what they are today.



The Child First Advocacy Center (CFAC) serves as a central agency through which reports of suspected child abuse can be channeled for investigation and victim recovery. CFAC was established in 1995 and became a fully Accredited Member of the *National Children's Alliance (NCA)* in 2004. We share with NCA the passion to minimize the traumatic effect of child abuse upon the children and families of our community. CFAC is a non-profit organization serving Rutland County to assist families in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence. We provide a safe comfortable environment for the forensic quality and child appropriate interviews and training for professionals and collateral referral services for victims and their non-offending family members. Our agency serves families of all socio-economic levels and is committed to providing quality services regardless of the ability to pay.

In calendar year 2018, The Child First Advocacy Center served 195 clients and 174 family members in Rutland County. We were able to provide wrap around services and support to at least **two Pittsfield families** as they began their recovery from the effects of trauma. In addition, we continue to provide community awareness and education at no cost in an effort to provide adults with the ability to recognize, react and respond appropriately to child sexual abuse. We also work to increase each school district's ability to complete the legislatively mandated ACT 1 initiative also known as Child Sexual Abuse Awareness training for educators, community members and students grades K-12.

Sincerely,

Wendy Loomis, Executive Director

802-747-0200 or [wendy@childfirstadvocacycenter.org](mailto:wendy@childfirstadvocacycenter.org)

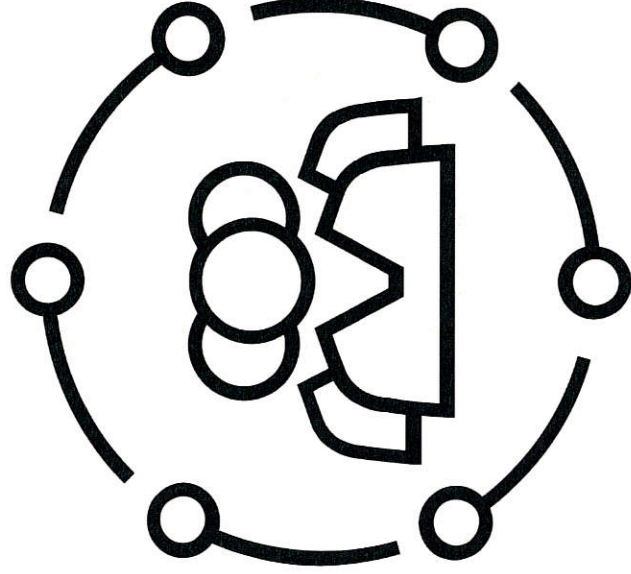


## Community Care Network Rutland Mental Health Services

In the year 2018, 28 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as the Town of Pittsfield assures that quality services are available for their families, friends and neighbors. Services provided to town residents include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services
- Developmental Disability Services

During fiscal year 2018, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 110 hours of services to 2 Pittsfield residents. We value our partnership with the Town of Pittsfield in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.





The employees of the Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) depend heavily on support from many municipalities, volunteers, partners and contractors. The Forest would like to take this time to thank you and your community for the support and interest that you have shown in helping with the management of the approximately 400,000 acre GMNF. Receiving several million outdoor recreation enthusiast visits annually, these visitors seek enjoyment in a natural setting while providing critical benefit to the local economies. The GMNF is truly one of Vermont's treasures and the largest contiguous public land area in the state. Forest staff work hard to achieve quality public land management under a sustainable multiple-use management concept to meet the diverse needs of the people in your town as well as all of the visitors who come to Vermont every year.

Here is a brief summary of what happened in your National Forest throughout the past year:

#### **Botany Program**

Staff and volunteers monitored 115 populations of rare plants Forest-wide, including some populations just off National Forest lands. As part of the Robinson Integrated Resource Project, staff inventoried approximately 75 acres in the towns of Rochester, Hancock, Chittenden, Stockbridge, and Pittsfield.

As a result of grant funds received by the Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association, of which the GMNF is a founding member, the following activities pertaining to non-native invasive plants occurred in the towns of Granville, Hancock, Rochester, Stockbridge, and Pittsfield:

- A coordinator was hired and gave an educational talk on non-native invasive plants and offered assistance to local landowners who wanted help developing treatment plans and recruiting volunteers to control invasive species on their properties.
- The coordinator monitored 21 small infestations of non-native invasive plants and hand-pulled 17 of those along town and state roads as part of an "Early Detection Rapid Response" effort in these same towns; species pulled were primarily wild chervil and garlic mustard, totaling 1.9 acres.

As a result of a grant received by the newly formed Batten Kill Cooperative Invasive Species Management Association (CISMA), of which the GMNF is a founding member, a coordinator was hired through the AmeriCorps to plan and implement a variety of inventory, control and outreach / education events in 2018.

#### **Forest Vegetation Management**

Staff developed proposed vegetation management activities for the Robinson Integrated Resource Project. This project will include restoration activities and timber harvest on nearly 10,000 acres in Rochester, Hancock, Goshen, Pittsfield and Chittenden. Staff also began collecting forest inventory data and conducting landscape assessment in support of vegetation management for the Telephone Gap project in Chittenden and Pittsfield.

#### **Environmental Planning**

In calendar year 2018, Forest staff completed 29 site-specific National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decisions and analysis documents for multiple resource projects designed to implement the Green Mountain National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan). A major highlight to note includes the final decision for the Robinson Integrated Resource Project located primarily in the towns of Rochester, Hancock, Chittenden, Stockbridge and Pittsfield. This project began in early 2016, and the decision reflects collaborative efforts with towns, agencies, organizations and individuals to manage the National Forest with multiple resource project activities across a large landscape area.

#### **Watershed Improvement**

Biologists and Technicians monitored fish populations throughout the GMNF in 2018. This monitoring is part of a long term data collection effort to understand forest fish populations. Additional sites were sampled to support the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. Streams in the following towns were sampled during the 2018 field season: Rochester, Lincoln, Chittenden, Pittsfield, Goshen, Landgrove, Weston, Peru, Pawlett, West Pawlett, Woodford, and Dorset. Stream restoration also occurred throughout the forest with "chop and drop" activities restoring aquatic habitat along 11 kilometers of forested streams by reintroducing large woody material. These activities took place on the Little Mad Tom in Dorset, Michigan brook in Pittsfield and Chittenden, as well as Bingo brook in Hancock and Rochester.

## GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST, continued

### Wildlife Habitat Improvement

Wildlife habitat was improved and maintained through the creation and maintenance of early successional habitat important to many species. Approximately 600 acres of permanent upland openings were maintained by prescribed fire, mowing, or mastication in the towns of East Dorset, Goshen, Granville, Hancock, Hartford, Lincoln, Manchester, Mount Holly, Mount Tabor, Pittsfield, Pomfret, Ripton, Rochester, Warren, Salisbury, and Winhall. In addition, apple trees, which are a high-value wildlife food, were "released" by cutting competing vegetation from around old orchards in Rochester, Dorset, Pittsfield, Hancock, Granville, Mount Holly, Mount Tabor, Peru, Readsboro, Somerset, Stratton, Weston, and Winhall. In a partnership with Forest Service State & Private Forestry, pollinator habitat was assessed in permanent upland openings located in Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, and Rochester. Our objective this year was to understand the distribution of milkweed in forest openings and milkweed's response to management activities and treatments within and near the forest.

Again, thank you for your support of your National Forest. Together, we will continue to maintain and improve this valuable treasure for generations to come. Our offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM. You can also visit us and learn more about the GMNF at our website on-line: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/gmfi>.

John A. Sinclair, Forest Supervisor  
802-747-6700



*Mt. Abraham in Lincoln, Vermont – Green Mountain National Forest*



Green Up Day marked its 48th Anniversary on May 5, 2018 with 22,700 volunteers participating and collecting 225 tons of litter throughout the state. Always the first Saturday in May, Green Up Vermont is a nonprofit private organization that relies on your town's help to continue the annual tradition of cleaning up our roadways and waterways while promoting civic pride. The tradition of Green Up Day began in 1970 by Governor Deane C. Davis and will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in May 2020.

Green Up Vermont also offers a statewide educational component for grades K-2 by providing free activity booklets to schools and hosts its annual student poster design and writing contests for grades K-12. To learn more please visit [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org).

Support from cities and towns is an essential part of our budget, enabling us to cover fourteen percent of our annual operating budget. All town residents benefit from clean roadsides! Funds help pay for administrative and program support, which includes over 55,000 Green Up trash bags, an educational component, and promotional outreach. Seventy-five percent of Green Up Vermont's budget comes from corporate sponsors and individual donors. Individuals can donate to Green Up Vermont on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org).

Keep in touch with Green Up Vermont news by joining our newsletter, liking us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and following our blog on our website.

**Save the dates:** Green Up Day, May 4, 2019 and celebrating our 50th Anniversary, May 2, 2020. A Vermont tradition since 1970!

### GREEN UP VERMONT

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2018 has been quite a productive year for NeighborWorks of Western Vermont.

In Pittsfield one resident had a HEAT Squad Energy Audit and one resident attended Homebuyer Education.

In our service area of Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties:

- **295 Low-cost, Comprehensive HEAT Squad Energy Audits** were completed on buildings; **102 Home Energy Improvement Projects** were completed and homeowners received a rebate check from Efficiency Vermont; **60 Energy Loans** were issued, a total of \$969,503.10 to help homeowners make energy improvements
- **50 Down Payment Assistance Loans** totaling \$1,278,218 were made to help homebuyers make it over the 20% down payment barrier
- **22 Rehab Loans** for a total of \$576,182.90 were made to homeowners to make health and safety upgrades to their homes
- **263** homebuyers attended our Homebuyer Education Course
- Assisted **18** households in finding their dream home with our RealtyWorks services

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For 39 years NewStory Center has been the single agency in Rutland County supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence by working to end the cycle of violence through support, education, prevention, and collaboration.

During FY18, NewStory Center served 784 women, men, and children through direct services such as emergency shelter, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, case management, clinical services, and the 24/7 crisis hotline. Additionally, we provide training and technical assistance to our community partners, including local law enforcement, to ensure a more effective community response to domestic and sexual violence.

The Board and staff of NewStory Center thank the voters of Pittsfield for their support of our agency. Thanks to you, we are able to continue to provide comprehensive services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault from your town.

**NewStory Center, Inc.**  
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In 1991, a group of interested citizens and the Select Boards from Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Rochester, and Stockbridge joined together to investigate the possibility of providing an affordable living facility within the beautiful old Inn located in Rochester on the park.

Today, that facility is home to many independent seniors and qualifying adults! Recent renovations have added to the quality of life at Park House. Located in the busy village of Rochester, the residents can enjoy the convenience of stores, restaurants, medical care, library, churches, and beauty salon. The Park is busy with summer weekly Farmer's Market, Harvest Fair, and concerts. Pierce Hall has

many events all year long.

Along with the freedom to come and go as one likes without the responsibility of maintaining a house or apartment, residents enjoy three meals a day, light housekeeping and the security of knowing that you are never far away from a helping hand should you need one.

Although most of our residents are from the valley, we also find that local families from the area that wish to have an aging parent closer to them have found Park House the perfect answer.

Park House is very fortunate to have many rooms with project based vouchers for eligible seniors for rental assistance through the State of Vermont.

The contribution that each of the five towns vote to extend to Park House each year helps to ensure that we can continue to provide our residents with an affordable, secure, welcoming home!

All involved with Park House thank everyone who makes these contributions possible!

Sincerely,  
Madeline Benson  
President, Board of Trustees



## QUIN-TOWN CENTER FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens is based in Hancock and since 1972 has given the senior citizens in our valley a place to go for onsite meals on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at noon. We also provide nutritionally balanced meals delivered to homebound members through our Meals on Wheels program. But the much-appreciated reimbursement we receive from the Central Vermont Council on Aging just isn't enough to meet our needs.

We have supplied nearly 5,000 meals this past year to seniors at the center and through our Meals on Wheels program. Our doors are open to meet our seniors' needs. We create a warm and inviting atmosphere for our seniors to socialize, we serve local foods as much as possible, and we provide nutrition information and education. Our Meals on Wheels program not only provides healthy meals to seniors but also provides us with an opportunity to perform a wellness check for our senior neighbors. If our Meals on Wheels clients are not home or don't answer the door when we attempt to deliver their meals, we follow up with them later in the day and/or call their emergency contact so they can check in as well.

Each contributing town and its citizens become participants in the successful operation of our program, which provides quality meals and social enrichment for our aging neighbors and relatives within our five communities.

We continue to supplement our funds with a very successful annual appeal each fall and have increased our search for grants and other fundraising events.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors:

Natalie Clook, President

Kent Butterfield, Vice President & Treasurer

Members: Annette West, Bev Allen, Marjorie Foley

Staff: Jody Troumbley, Executive Director; Brigitte Smith, Assistant Cook; Marjorie Foley, Dishwasher

PO Box 113 - 1097 Route 100 - Hancock, VT 05748 - (802) 767-3763 - [quintownsnrctr@myfairpoint.net](mailto:quintownsnrctr@myfairpoint.net)



The Rutland County Humane Society is dedicated to advocating for and working towards a responsible and humane community. We provide shelter and adoption opportunities for pets who are homeless and promote animal welfare through community programs that benefit both animals and people.

RCHS Rutland County works with law enforcement to provide relief for victims of animal neglect and abuse. We provide information and referral services to people dealing with animal issues. The RCHS shelter is the largest program of the agency, taking in more than 1,320 animals in 2018.

Our agency is funded through fees for service, town funding, donations and special events. We thank those who support our operations. We only save lives with your help.

In 2018, the Rutland County Humane Society took in 7 animals from Pittsfield.

Please call us at 483-9171 or visit our website at [RCHSVT.org](http://RCHSVT.org) if you would like more information about the Rutland County Humane Society.



## STAGECOACH

Thank you for your past support of community transportation services. **In the past year, Stagecoach's Dial-A-Ride and Bus Systems provided 112,899 rides** either by volunteer drivers or on wheelchair accessible vehicles. All of Stagecoach's transportation programs enable community members to maintain their independence, gain and keep employment and access critical healthcare services.

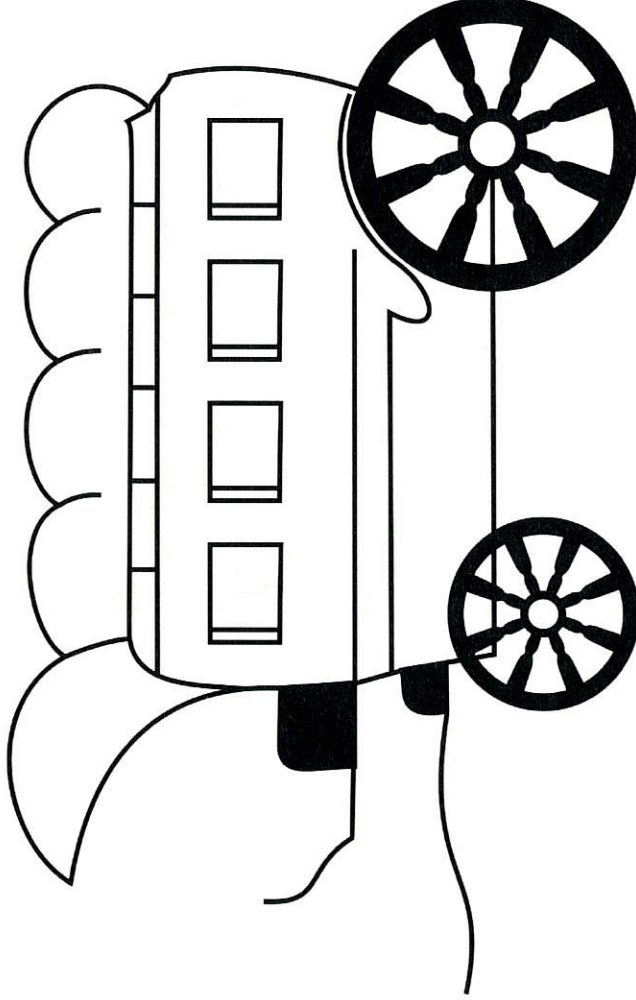
**Dial-A-Ride System** – Focuses on specialized populations including elders, persons with disabilities and low-income families/individuals who are unable to access the bus system. **In Pittsfield, Dial-A-Ride offers direct access from home to medical treatments, social services, pharmacies, and food shopping.**

**Bus System** – Promotes economic development, energy conservation, mobility independence and quality of life. **Pittsfield residents can access bus services** to employment and shopping centers in Montpelier, Randolph, White River Junction, and the Hanover-Lebanon NH.

**Volunteer Driver Program** – Stagecoach uses an extensive network of Volunteer Drivers to provide coordinated and caring rides throughout our rural service area. Volunteer Drivers are essential in providing cost effective and community driven services, and are the foundation of our Dial-A-Ride Program. ***Volunteer Drivers connect friends, support independence and promote healthy living.***

**If you are interested in becoming a Stagecoach Volunteer Driver, please contact our office.**

**Information--** Please feel free to contact us with questions or to request additional information on Stagecoach services at 802-728-3773.



The Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission is an association of thirty municipalities in east-central Vermont that is governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our member towns. As advocates for our member towns, we seek to articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while enhancing the Region's quality of life.

The following are highlights from 2018:

#### **Technical Assistance**

TRORC staff provided technical services to local, state and federal levels of government and to the region's citizens, nonprofits, and businesses. Staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, bylaws and studies, and assisted towns with Municipal Planning Grant (MPG) applications.

#### **Creative Economy and Public Health**

This year, TRORC received a USDA Rural Development Grant to support the region's creative economy. Staff hosted several Cornerstone Creative Community of Vermont (3CVT) steering committee meetings, as well as informational and networking events. TRORC also worked on several public health projects, including health planning and food access.

#### **Emergency Management and Preparedness**

TRORC conducted a Hazardous Materials Statewide Commodity Flow Study to inform and update emergency response plans, hazard analysis, and response procedures. Our Local Emergency Planning Committee efforts with local emergency responders and town officials continue across the Region. TRORC has been preparing the final municipal Hazard Mitigation Plans in the TRO Region. Staff participated in developing municipal Local Emergency Management Plans.

#### **Municipal Energy Plans**

During this second year of energy plan funding, TRORC assisted five more towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to further the state energy goals to meet 90% of Vermont's energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. Towns meeting Energy Planning Standards receive a Determination of Energy Compliance and receive Substantial Deference on their input under the Section 248 review process for electricity generation facilities.

#### **Transportation**

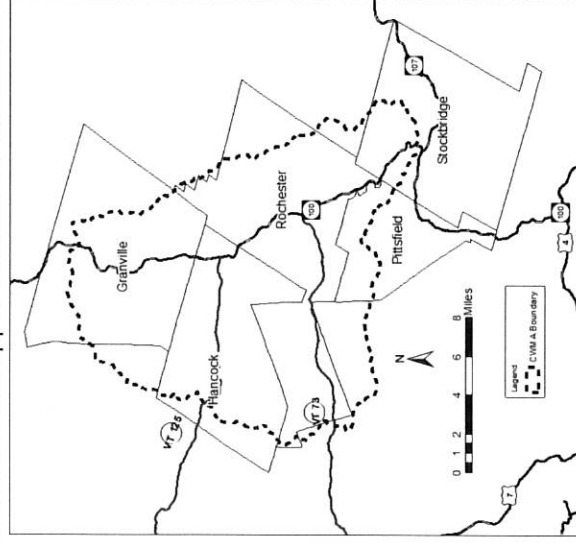
TRORC is managing the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)'s Municipal Roads Grants-In-Aid program in our region. This provides funding for towns to implement Best Management Practices (BMP) on municipal roads ahead of the state's forthcoming Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP) provisions. We have 29 out of 32 municipalities participating with \$460,000 grant funding in the Region to construct projects including grass and stone-lined ditches, improvement and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets. TRORC continues to seek and obtain VTrans grants under many state grant programs.

Specifically in Pittsfield this year, we completed a road erosion inventory per the DEC's MRGP standards and prepared a VTrans Municipal Stormwater Grant application for a salt shed replacement, which was awarded. We also prepared a VTrans Better Roads Grant application for Liberty Hill Road ditching and selected Hawk Mountain and Tweed Drive ditching for year two of the DEC's Municipal Roads Grants in Aid program.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director  
Jerry Fredrickson, Chairperson, Barnard

## Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association

2018 was the seventh year that the Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association conducted non-native invasive plant surveys, outreach and control projects along town roads and trails located in the Upper White River watershed. See map showing the project area boundary, below.



CWMA partners include the **Green Mountain National Forest**, **US Fish & Wildlife Service**, **Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation**, **Town of Rochester**, and **White River Partnership**.

The members are working together to raise awareness about and manage non-native invasive plants.

Non-native invasive plants are plants that are not originally from this area that have exhibited invasive tendencies, spreading rapidly and taking away habitat that native plants need to thrive. They have the potential to negatively impact land and water resources, recreational opportunities, biodiversity, wildlife, and property values. However, the community at large can play a hand in controlling invasives on their own properties and community roads through early detection and rapid response activities.

### 2018 Summary:

**CWMA Coordination:** A coordinator was hired with funding through a grant from the National Forest Foundation.

**Monitoring and Control:** The coordinator monitored 21 small infestations of non-native invasive plants, 14 of which were previously controlled as part of an Early Detection/Rapid Response effort in Granville, Hancock, Rochester, Stockbridge, and Pittsfield. Of the 14 previously controlled, one was almost eradicated, six were noticeably smaller, two appeared the same in size, and five had gotten worse. Manual removal occurred at 17 of the 21 infestations monitored. Other infestations were controlled by staff and volunteers. While these infestations represent only a fraction of known infestations, and many more are unmapped, they were chosen because they are in strategic locations or because they are relatively more feasible to control than others. In Pittsfield, a previously controlled infestation of wild chervil was controlled again this year at the southern end of Corporation Brook Road.

**Education & Outreach:** On June 16th, the CWMA Coordinator delivered a presentation at the Rochester Public Library about non-native invasive species in the Upper White River Valley, after which private landowners were encouraged to organize volunteer control project on their own properties, with CWMA support.

Interested landowners are encouraged to take action to control non-native invasive plants on their own properties, or to get involved with the Cooperative Weed Management Association. To get involved locally, contact MaryBeth Deller at the Green Mountain National Forest at [mdeller@fs.fed.us](mailto:mdeller@fs.fed.us) or 802-767-4261 x 5524. To learn more about invasives in Vermont, visit the Vermont Invasives website: <http://vtinvasives.org>



## Vermont Center for Independent Living

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) 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.

Preliminary numbers for our FY'18 (10/2017-9/2018) show VCIL responded to over **3,700** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability.

VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **315** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **11** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **149** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **83** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **87** individuals with information on assistive technology; **45** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **532** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **41** people and provided **33** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont. Our Windham County office also houses the Vermont Interpreter Referral Service (VIRS) (previously under the VT Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) and provides statewide interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings.

During FY '18, **one** resident of Pittsfield received services from programs offered through VCIL.

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at:  
**1-800-639-1522**, or, visit our web site at [www.vcil.org](http://www.vcil.org).



At the Vermont Department of Health, our twelve local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters.

The local office in Rutland is available to help individuals and families at worksites, schools, town meetings, or by appointment. We work hard to provide you with knowledgeable and accessible care, resources, and services. We also partner with local organizations and health care providers to ensure we're equipped to respond to the community's needs. In 2018, we worked in partnership with communities to:

- Donate almost 300 pairs of adult and children's snowshoes to loan out at 21 free public libraries throughout Rutland County through a 3-4-50 grant.
- Increase capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking and reduce prescription drug misuse and marijuana use through Regional Prevention Partnerships (RPP) and our local Partners for Prevention community network.
- Prevent and control the spread of infectious disease. In 2018 we spent \$13,729,406 on vaccines provided at no cost to healthcare providers around the state to make sure children and adults are protected against vaccine-preventable diseases. We also responded to 244 cases of infectious disease.
- Promote wellness by focusing on walking and biking safety, reducing tobacco exposure, and increasing access to healthy foods through the implementation of local projects and municipal strategies.
- Support healthy families by helping kids stay connected with providers and dentists following transfer into foster care.
- Serve families and children with the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Education and Food Supplementation Program. In 2018, we served over 1300 families in Rutland County.
- Provide trainings on Help Me Grow to Healthcare and Early Childhood Education Providers to support improved access to resources and services for parents and families with young children.
- Share new data and reports including the *Vermont Lead in School Drinking Water Testing Pilot Report* which is helping Vermonters understand and address the risk of lead in school drinking water, and the *Injury and Violence in Vermont* report, which is shedding light on the risk of suicide among youths.
- Work with businesses in planning and starting worksite wellness strategies to improve on-the-job opportunities for health for local residents, including creating breastfeeding friendly locations to support growing families.
- Work with local partners, including schools, hospitals, and emergency personnel, to ensure we are prepared to distribute medicine, supplies, and information during a public health emergency.
- Improve understanding of how to stay healthy at work, home, and in the community through initiatives and resources related to 3-4-50, Help Me Grow, WIC, Building Bright Futures, Be Tick Smart, 802Quits, and the Breastfeeding Friendly Employer project.

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Rutland District Office  
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Rutland, VT 05701  
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[toll free] 888-253-8802



The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors that is elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state.

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. It is the only statewide organization devoted solely to delivering a wide range of services to local officials who serve municipalities of varying populations and geographic regions but face similar requirements with disparate resources. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 139 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts.

Local governments in Vermont provide essential services to residents and visitors alike. From managing budgets, conducting elections, assessing property and maintaining roads to providing public safety services, recreational programs, water and sewer infrastructure, street lighting, and libraries, the work carried out by appointed and elected officials and community volunteers is both critical and challenging. The demands on local government are complex and require resources that are not always available in every city, town or village in the state.

VLCT provides legal, consulting, and education services to its members, offering important advice and responses to direct inquiries, as well as training programs on specific topics of concern to officials as they carry out the duties required by statute or directed by town meeting voters. We represent cities and towns before the state legislature and state agencies, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and their needs are met. VLCT also advocates at the federal level, primarily through its partner, the National League of Cities, and directly with Vermont's Congressional delegation.

VLCT offers opportunities to purchase risk management products and services that directly meet the specific and specialized needs of local government through the VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust and the VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF).

During the 2018 calendar year, *VLCT News* converted to a magazine style publication from its newsletter format, with the intent to provide more content and diverse information in each edition.

VLCT also finalized the details of moving its digital data to the "cloud," thereby increasing operational efficiency and enhancing cybersecurity and redundant protection of information. This move also reduced the need to acquire, maintain, and replace costly capital equipment. Improvements to the website are ongoing, and in concert with this effort is the research into a new customer relations management system, designed to help VLCT provide important information to members, but also to simplify ways that members provide information to VLCT that is shared among all municipalities.

VLCT conducted a series of Listening Sessions in 12 communities around the state to hear directly from local officials about services received from VLCT and whether any changes are needed, including whether new services should be initiated or outdated ones eliminated. Further discussions will be held with the Board of Directors. Members will be kept apprised of progress in setting future goals and priorities.

At the heart of all these activities is VLCT's commitment to serving as a good steward of member assets, and we are proud of the continued progress being made in that effort. Members are welcome to visit the VLCT office anytime to review the operations of the organization, to ask questions, and to access resources that can help each individual official and employee carry out the important work of local government.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, visit the VLCT website at [www.vlct.org](http://www.vlct.org).



The Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) 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 departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to support the costs of construction. During the **20+ years** of the program, nearly **1100 grants** totaling **\$2.5 million** have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems as well as for replacements and repairs.

Over the past several years, the Rural Fire Protection Program has made a successful transition from the Northern Vermont and George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Councils to the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservations Districts, whose mission is to work with landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the state.

We have made a number of adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program in recent years. New Rural Fire Protection systems along with repair, replacement, relocation, and upgrades of existing RFP systems are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year. In 2019, we will accept application for "drafting site" facilities.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2018 was \$211,600, of which \$111,864 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covers site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Vermont Department of Public Safety through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Since last year's appropriation request, we have received nearly **\$10,000** in town appropriations from almost **100** towns, with contributions still coming in. We are deeply grateful for this ongoing support.

**214** Vermont communities have benefitted from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

Sincerely,

Tom Maclay, Chair

Rural Fire Protection Task Force

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Jill Arace, Executive Director

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Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program

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The White River Junction VA Medical Center is attempting to contact all Veterans in our catchment areas of Vermont and New Hampshire who are not enrolled or are enrolled and no longer utilizing our services. We offer a wide variety of services from assistance to Veterans who are homeless or unemployed to providing primary and specialty care. We have a robust mental health department offering one-on-one counseling, peer support, group sessions, and more. There is a designated treatment area for our women Veterans at the Women's Comprehensive Care Clinic, which is a safe place.

The White River Junction VA Medical Center has seven community based outpatient clinics. They are located in Bennington, Rutland, Brattleboro, Newport, and Burlington, Vermont; in New Hampshire we offer services in Keene and Littleton. We are here to serve all Veterans so please do not hesitate to contact us if for no other reason than to register/enroll with us in case of future need (in reply refer to 405/00).

Our eligibility office in White River Junction can be reached at 802-295-9363, extension 5118. A single form (VA form 10-10EZ) and a copy of the DD214 is all that is needed.

The American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars have full time service officers who are knowledgeable about our programs. These independent organizations serve all Veterans, including non members, in processing disability and pension claims. They can be reached in White River Junction at:

American Legion	802-296-5166
Disabled American Veterans	802-296-5167
Veterans of Foreign Wars	802-296-5168

Thank you for your service to our nation. On behalf of the White River Junction VA Medical Center team, we look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,  
Laura Miraldi  
Acting Medical Center Director  
White River Junction VA Medical Center  
215 North Main Street  
White River Junction, VT 05009  
866-687-8387 (Toll Free)





Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

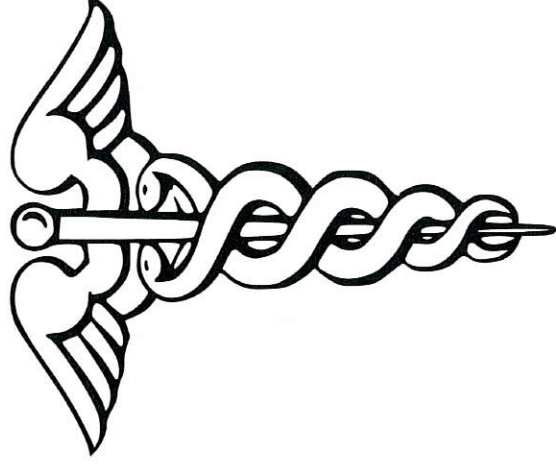
Between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 VNH made 796 homecare visits to 16 Pittsfield residents. This included approximately \$12,528 in unreimbursed care to Pittsfield residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 395 home visits to 13 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Long-Term Care:** 29 home visits to 1 resident with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.
- **Hospice Services:** 372 home visits to 2 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Pittsfield's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Hilary Davis  
Director Community Relations and Development  
(1-888-300-8853)





# WHITE RIVER VALLEY AMBULANCE, INC

Thank you, neighbors, for your continued support of White River Valley Ambulance. We are a non-profit, emergency medical service and ambulance transport agency serving the towns of Barnard, Bethel, Braintree, Brookfield, Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Randolph, Rochester and Stockbridge. We depend on billing income and the municipal contributions from your communities to provide quality emergency ambulance response in our region.

White River Valley Ambulance is designated as a Vermont Critical Care Paramedic service, the highest licensure level the state issues. This allows us to operate with an advanced skill set, which improves the outcome of our patients in our rural communities. White River Valley Ambulance maintains two Paramedic level staffed ambulances 24/7, 365 days a year. From January 1, 2018 through November 1, 2018 White River Valley Ambulance responded to 969 emergency calls and transfers, including 34 in Pittsfield.

Over the past year we have held two EMT classes to help increase the number of qualified responders in our communities with First Response squads. We hosted school field trips throughout the year to show and explain how Emergency Medical Services operate. We have held numerous CPR and First Aid courses throughout the past year as well.

## WHAT WE DO MAY INTEREST YOU

- We are a professional ambulance service, with 10 full-time employees and multiple part-time staff.
- We staff two Paramedic level ambulance crews 24/7, 365 days a year.
- We provide primary 911 ambulance service to 10 communities, covering an area over 500 square miles in size.
- We respond to more than 1,200 calls for help every year.
- We transport more than 200 patients from Gifford Medical Center to other healthcare facilities each year, often providing Critical Care level transport services.
- We are a regional American Heart Association Training Center, providing CPR and First Aid courses to community members across central Vermont.

In 2019, we will continue to push the boundaries of what is possible in rural, pre-hospital medicine by incorporating continuous quality improvement and excellence in education. We are also accepting more transfers from other medical facilities throughout the state. This will increase our volume and help control the per capita rate, which will remain at \$63.00.

Let us enter 2019 by expressing how thankful we are for the numerous first responders who volunteer their time to help a neighbor in need. Your dedication and commitment to serve makes a difference in the lives of those who call for help. For that, we can never thank you enough.

**3190 Pleasant St., Bethel, VT 05032 802-234-6800 [www.wvra.org](http://www.wvra.org)**

## PITTSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

The citizens of Pittsfield who are legal voters in the Pittsfield Town School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at the **Pittsfield Federated Church** on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, to transact business:

**Article 1.** To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.

**Article 2.** To hear and act upon the Auditor's report.

**Article 3.** To see if the Pittsfield School District will vote to pay taxes in the same manner as the Town.

**Article 4.** To hear reports of the School Directors.

**Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$1,136,492 for the 2019–20 school year? It is estimated that this proposed budget will result in education spending of \$13,786 per equalized pupil. This projected spending is 12% lower than spending for the current year.

**Article 6.** To elect a School Director for a three year term.

**Article 7.** To do any other proper and necessary business.

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 18th day of January 2019

Pittsfield School Board,

s/AJ Ruben 2019

s/Ray Rice 2020

s/Kris Sperber 2021

Received for record this 25th day of January, 2019 at 3:45pm.

Attest: s/Tricia L. Fryer, Town Clerk

### Notice to voters

*Any individuals needing special accommodations can contact the Town Clerk's Office at least two weeks prior to the Town Meeting. If you are not already a registered voter in the Town of Pittsfield, please register to vote if you are eighteen or over, are a US citizen, and a resident of this town. Eligible residents can register to vote at the Town Office on any day prior to the election during regular business hours. Registration will also be available at the Pittsfield Federated Church on Town Meeting Day.*



## PITTSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORT

Since last March, the Pittsfield School Board (PSB) has met regularly, with some appropriately noticed exceptions, on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in or around the basement of the Town Office building. Agendas and Minutes of meetings were also produced and posted as required by law. Our meetings are open to the public, but rarely are the affected citizens of Pittsfield present, to all our detriment. Everyone is really encouraged to attend. This year again the PSB rarely had any parents or taxpayers at our meetings and we hope that will change in the coming months. The PSB wishes to thank Trish Fryer and Sarah Gallagher for the invaluable and excellent work they do to make the School Board function and help assure a great education for our children. Thank you Trish and Sarah!

Board members continued their core functions of producing a budget for your vote, paying the bills of the School District in a timely fashion after reasonable scrutiny to assure that Pittsfield pays only our fair share, attending and participating on our Supervisory Union Board and with Windsor Modified Unified Union District (WMUUD) Board meetings (Thank you, Ray Rice!), and awarding the Jean Colver Sofield Award. In 2018 the award, granted to a Pittsfield student who is college bound and has demonstrated a commitment to community service, was won by Kiara Buker. Congratulations Kiara!

As always, given our status as a district/town that does not operate a school but retains choice to pay tuition at the schools our children attend, Pittsfield's school budget is based on the number of children attending school, which school they attend, and costs of additional supports our children may require. This upcoming school year we expect to have 57 pre-K-12 students. This year the PSB continued the process by which parents of students provided documentation of their legal address to the schools their children attended and the school board paid tuition based on that documentation. Thank you to those parents who completed the documentation.

For FY 2019, the budget is based on the decreasing number of students, a surplus left over from last year's budget and calls for raising \$1,136,492.

In addition to these core functions, the PSB has continued to wrestle with the mandate of Act 46 and Act 49. This year, soon after Town Meeting, on March 20, 2018, Kris and A.J. met with the Secretary of Education and two of her staff to discuss our desire to remain a choice town affiliated with the WCSU. That conversation took a lot of preparation and was difficult, leaving us with a concern that the AOE would recommend that Pittsfield join with a choice district far away or move Supervisory Unions, both actions the AOE could recommend the State Board implement. In the end, the AOE recommended no change in the AOE's governance structure or Supervisory Union affiliation. Kris and A.J. testified before the SBE on August 15, briefly endorsing the AOE's recommendation to keep Pittsfield as a choice town, affiliated with the WMUUD and part of the WCSU. Just at the end of November 2018 the SBE confirmed the final plan, leaving Pittsfield intact as a stand-alone district.

The Pittsfield School District has been so very fortunate to have A.J. Ruben serve as a director for the past 10 years. Retirement, threatened for several years, will become a reality in 2019. The School Board is looking for a replacement. If you feel you can fit these large and extremely intelligent, thoughtful shoes, please let any member of the School Board know.

The PSB wishes to thank the Town for the opportunity to serve and we look forward to another challenging year assuring our students get a great education with efficient, responsible fiscal oversight.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Sperber      Ray Rice      A.J. Ruben  
Pittsfield School Board

## **2018 PITTSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018** (Summarized)  
(Complete Minutes on record at the Town Office)  
Pittsfield Town Hall

**Article 1.** To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing. George Deblon.

**Article 2.** To hear and act upon the Auditor's report. Approved.

**Article 3.** To see if the Pittsfield School District will vote to pay taxes in the same manner as the Town. Approved.

**Article 4.** To hear reports of the School Directors. Following discussion, the Reports were accepted and approved unanimously.

**Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$1,290,559 for the 2018-2019 school year? It is estimated that this proposed budget will result in education spending of \$14,566 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 11.29% higher than spending for the current year and the overall budget is 4% higher than last year. Following discussion, the budget was approved unanimously.

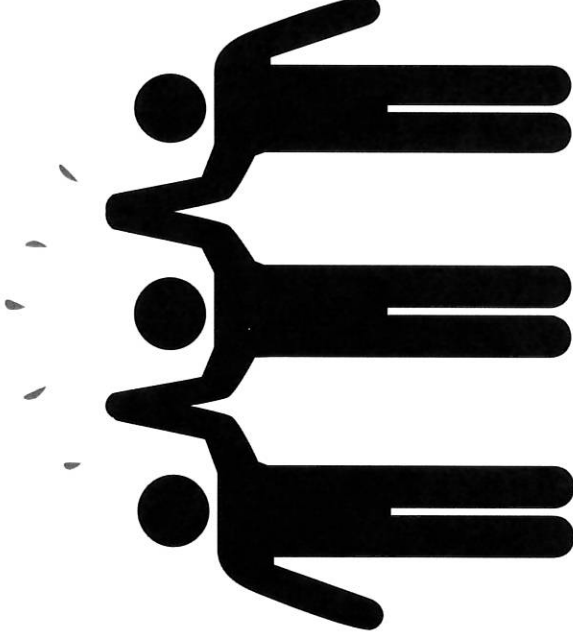
**Article 6.** To elect a School Director for a three-year term. Kris Sperber.

**Article 7.** To do any other proper and necessary business. A.J. Ruben will retire from the Board in 2019 and anyone interested in serving is encouraged to run.

Meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Recorded by: A. J. Ruben

Approved by: s/A. J. Ruben; s/Kristin Sperber



**SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

<b>Receipts</b>	
Green Mountain National Forest	0.00
Town of Pittsfield General Fund (taxes)	951,147.00
Interest Income	8,612.07
Tech Center Revenue (3114)	8,342.00
Prior Year Income	36,856.85
<b>Receipts Total</b>	<b>\$1,004,957.92</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Special Education Assessment	106,949.76
SU Assessment	12,000.00
504 Plan Expense	32,264.97
Tax Expense - FICA SS & Medicare	95.61
School Board Salaries	1,050.00
Treasurer Salary	200.00
Evaluation	4,700.00
Service Charge	8.20
Tech Center EXP F 1000 Obj 568	8,342.00
Prior Year Expense	51,433.25
<b>Expenses Subtotal</b>	<b>\$217,043.79</b>
<b>Tuition Pre-K</b>	
Stockbridge Pre-K	6,356.00
Killington Pre-K	6,356.00
<b>Tuition Pre-K Subtotal</b>	<b>\$12,712.00</b>
<b>Elementary Tuition</b>	
Killington	\$382,365.00
Stockbridge	79,875.00
<b>Elementary Tuition Subtotal</b>	<b>\$462,240.00</b>
<b>Secondary Tuition</b>	
Woodstock	329,600.00
Sharon Academy	45,390.00
Ironwood	15,130.00
Rutland Public School	17,880.80
Killington Mountain School	50,433.34
Addison Central School District	16,673.00
Holderness	15,130.00
Vermont Tech	1,790.00
<b>Secondary Tuition Subtotal</b>	<b>\$492,027.14</b>
<b>Vocational Tuition</b>	
Rutland City Public School	\$1,037.85
Hartford School District	\$4,152.72
<b>Vocational Tuition Subtotal</b>	<b>\$5,190.57</b>
<b>Expenses Total</b>	<b>\$1,189,213.50</b>

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

<b>Assets</b>	
Checking - Mascoma	10,404.54
Holding Account - Mascoma	361,521.37
<b>Total Assets June 30, 2018</b>	<b>\$371,925.91</b>
<b>Fund Balance, June 30, 2018</b>	
Actual Fund Balance June 30, 2017	\$556,181.49
Revenue for FY 2017-2018	1,004,957.92
Expenses for FY 2017-2018	(1,189,213.50)
<b>Ending Balance, June 30, 2018</b>	<b>\$371,925.91</b>
<b>Increase in Fund Balance</b>	<b>(\$184,255.58)</b>

**STATEMENT OF SCHOOL INDEBTEDNESS**

As of June 30, 2018

None

**Pittsfield School District  
FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget**

	Approved Budget 2016-2017	Audited 2016-2017	Approved Budget 2017-2018	Unaudited Actual 2017-2018	Budget 2018-2019	Proposed 2019-2020
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Prior Year Surplus			199,695	199,695	202,097	188,412
State Support	1,380,325	1,383,608	959,489	951,147	986,234	871,440
Investment Income	100	1,411	250	8,612	1,200	1,200
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tech Grant	13,825	10,542	13,825	8,342	10,500	10,500
Mainstream Block Grant	31,319	31,319				
Special Ed Expenditure Reimbursement	21,259	55,550	64,249	78,178	85,527	59,940
EEE Grant	3,781	5,203				
Green Mountain Forest	5,700	3,130	5,000	6,457	5,000	5,000
Other Receipts				663		
	1,456,309	1,490,763	1,242,508	1,253,094	1,290,559	1,136,492
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>						
Stipends - Board of Education	945	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050
FICA - Board of Education	88	96	95	96	95	95
Liability Insurance	3,000	2,500	3,000	2,460	3,000	3,000
Legal Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advertising	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dues/Fees	260	0	275	0	275	275
	4,293	3,646	4,420	3,606	4,420	4,420
<b>FISCAL SERVICES</b>						
Stipend - Treasurer	200	200	200	200	200	200
Audit	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400
<b>SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE</b>						
WCSU - Central Office Assessment	55,350	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	35,000
WCSU - Special Education Assessment	89,300	24,000	24,000	21,000	21,000	18,000
Special Education - Excess Costs		121,739	94,980	144,775	137,384	93,000
EEE Assessment	10,000		10,000	4,700	0	5,000
	154,650	175,739	158,980	200,475	188,384	151,000
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>						
Interest/Bank Fees	300	0	300	8	0	0
<b>SCHOOL INSTRUCTION</b>						
Tuition Pre-K	15,000	17,049	12,712	11,123	16,335	0
Tuition Elementary	485,089	339,163	457,619	477,370	510,000	358,820
Tuition Secondary	568,254	586,444	540,952	420,897	547,220	573,052
Prior Year Tuition Expense	15,000	-23	15,000	2,216	0	0
Tuition - Vocational	12,300	962	12,300	6,981	12,300	12,300
Tuition - Vocational On Behalf DOE	13,825	10,542	13,825	8,342	10,500	10,500
Contract service - 504/EST	60,000	27,545	25,000	32,265	0	25,000
	1,169,468	981,682	1,077,408	959,193	1,096,355	979,672
<b>PREVIOUS YEAR(S) DEFICIT(S)</b>						
Accumulated Deficit	126,198	126,199	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,456,309</b>	<b>1,288,666</b>	<b>1,242,508</b>	<b>1,164,682</b>	<b>1,290,559</b>	<b>1,136,492</b>
<b>Suplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>202,097</b>		<b>88,412</b>		

## PITTSFIELD TUITION

Tuition Rates	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
<b>Elementary</b>					
Bethel Elementary School	13,500	13,905	15,000	15,000	16,425
Stockbridge Central School	14,500	14,921	15,975	15,500	16,425
Killington Elementary School	12,790	12,800	13,185	15,000	15,500
<b>Secondary</b>					
Rutland High School	14,000	14,500	14,600	14,850	15,300
Woodstock Union High School	16,000	16,000	16,480	17,500	18,000
Randolph Union High School					17,121
Vermont state average tuition	14,297	14,726	15,130	15,618	(est) 16,086

Tuition for 2018-19 (est)	# students	Tuition
Bethel Elementary School	2	32,850
Killington Elementary School	20	310,000
Stockbridge Central School	2	32,850
Randolph Union High School	1	17,121
Woodstock Union High School	24	432,000
Otter Valley Union High School	1	15,300
Independent schools	7	112,602

District: **Pittsfield**  
County: **Rutland**

LEA: **T153**  
S.U.: **Windsor Central**

1. Local budgeted expenditures including any separate articles
2. *Act 144 expenditures (Manchester & West Windsor only)*
3. Obligation to a regional technical center school district if any
4. Obligation to repay a deficit per 24 V.S.A. § 1523(b)
5. Obligation to repay difference between allowable and announced tuition
6. Total Expenditures net of Act 144 dollars

1.	1,136,492	
2.	-	
3.	-	
4.	-	
5.	-	
6.	1,136,492	

(lines 1 + 3 + 4 + 5) - line 2

7. Offsetting revenues (do NOT include revcode 3114, the on-behalf payment)
8. *Act 144 dedicated revenues*
9. *Act 144 expenditures to raise locally*
10. Offsetting revenues less Act 144 revenues

7.	265,052	
8.	-	
9.	-	
10.	265,052	

11. Initial Education Spending
12. Capital debt hold-harmless aid
13. Education Spending

11.	871,440	
12.	-	
13.	871,440	

14. Equalized pupils
15. Education spending per equalized pupil

14.	63.21	
15.	13,786.43	

**Excess Spending Calculation**

15. Aggregated exclusions
16. Aggregated exclusions per equalized pupil
17. Per pupil figure to use for Excess Spending

15.	-	
16.	-	
17.	13,786.43	

18. Per equalized pupil spending threshold for FY2018
19. Per pupil spending above the threshold

18.	18,311.00	NA
19.		

20. Per pupil figure used for calculating District equalized tax rate
21. **Property Tax Yield per \$1.00 of tax rate**
22. Equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated
23. Percent of Pittsfield equalized pupils not in a union school district
24. Portion of equalized homestead tax rate to be assessed by town
25. Common level of appraisal
26. **Estimated actual homestead tax rate of district to be assessed**

20.	13,786.43	
21.	10,866.00	
22.	1,2926	
23.	100.00%	
24.	1,2926	
25.	110.58%	
26.	1,1689	

27.  $\rightarrow$
28.  $\rightarrow$
29.  $\rightarrow$
30.  $\rightarrow$
31.  $\rightarrow$
32.  $\rightarrow$
33.  $\rightarrow$
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2. Total equalized homestead rate for Pittsfield
3. Total estimated actual homestead rate for Pittsfield
4. Equalized non-residential tax rate
5. **Estimated actual non-residential tax rate**

2.	1,2926	
3.	1,1689	
4.	1,580	
5.	1,4288	

6. Education spending
7. Tech FTEs
8. Base education amount for tech FTEs, paid on behalf of district  
(This is not a local revenue. It reduces the education spending a district is owed.)
9. Adjusted education spending due the district from Ed Fund

6.	871,440	
7.	1.00	
8.	8,342	
9.	863,098	

10. *Amount to raise locally for Act 144 (Manchester & West Windsor only)*

10.	-	
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11. Per pupil figure used for calculating District Household Income Percentage
12. **Income Yield per 2.0% of household income**
13. Pittsfield household income percentage to be prorated
14. Prorated income cap percentage for Pittsfield education property tax if eligible

11.	13,786.43	
12.	13,104	
13.	2.10%	
14.	2.10%	

15. "FY18EduUnion", line 18 (%)
16. (lines 28 & 15)
17. "FY18EduUnion", line 18 (%)
18.  $\rightarrow$
19. **Estimated income cap percentage for Pittsfield education property tax**

15.		
16.		
17.		
18.		
19.	2.10%	

District: **Pittsfield**  
County: **Rutland**

**T153**  
**Windsor Central**

Homestead tax rate  
per \$10,666 of  
spending per  
equalized pupil  
**1.00**

Property dollar  
equivalent yield  
**10,666**

Income dollar equivalent yield per  
2.0% of household income  
**13,104**

**Expenditures**

1. Budget (total budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)

2. *plus* Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting

3. *minus* Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (*Manchester & West Windsor only*)

4. Locally adopted or warned budget

5. *plus* Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any

6. *plus* Prior year deficit repayment of deficit

7. **Total Budget**

8. S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - Informational data

9. Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - Informational data

**Revenues**

10. Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)

11. *plus* Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60

12. *minus* All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (*Manchester & West Windsor only*)

13. **Offsetting revenues**

**Education Spending**

14. Equalized Pupils

**Education Spending per Equalized Pupil**

16. *minus* Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil

17. *minus* Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per equpup)

18. *minus* Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public

19. schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per equpup)

20. *minus* Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per equpup)

21. *minus* Estimated costs of new students after census period (per equpup)

22. *minus* Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per equpup)

23. *minus* Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per equpup)

24. *minus* Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equpup)

25. Excess spending threshold

26. *plus* Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)

27. Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate

28. District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)

**Prorating the local tax rate**

29. Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30)  
[\$13,786.43 ÷ (\$10,666 ÷ \$1.00)]

30. Percent of Pittsfield equalized pupils not in a union school district

31. Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town  
(100.00% x \$1.29)

32. **Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)**

33. Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town  
(\$1.2926 ÷ 110.58%)

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

34. Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30)  
[(\$13,786.43 ÷ \$13,104) x 2.00%]

35. Portion of district income cap percent applied by State  
(100.00% x 2.10%)

36. #N/A

37. #N/A

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$10,666 for every \$100 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$13,104 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.58. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.  
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.  
- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.



## BETHEL/ROYALTON SOLID WASTE

### UNIVERSAL RECYCLING TIMELINE

#### July 1, 2014:

- Transfer Stations/Drop-off Facilities must accept residential recyclables at no extra charge
- Food scrap generators of 104 tons/year (2 tons/week) must divert material to any certified facility within 20 miles

#### July 1, 2015:

- Statewide unit based pricing takes effect, requiring residential trash charges to be based on volume or weight
- Recyclables are banned from the landfill
- Transfer Stations/Drop off Facilities must accept leaf and yard debris
- Haulers must offer residential recycling collection at no extra charge
- Public building must provide recycling containers alongside all trash containers in public spaces (exception for restrooms)
- Food scrap generators of 52 tons/year (1 ton/week) must divert material to any certified facility within 20 miles

#### July 1, 2016:

- Leaf, yard, and clean wood debris are banned from the landfill
- Haulers must offer leaf and yard debris collection
- Food scrap generators of 26 tons/year (½ ton/week) must divert material to any certified facility within 20 miles

#### July 1, 2017:

- Transfer Stations/Drop-off Facilities must accept food scraps
- Haulers must offer food scrap collection
- Food scrap generators of 18 tons/year (1/3 ton/week) must divert material to any certified facility within 20 miles

#### July 1, 2020:

- Food scraps are banned from the landfill



### FOOD SCRAP COMPOSTING

#### ACCEPTED MATERIAL:

Meat and Bones  
Fruit and Vegetables  
Milk, Cheese, Dairy  
Condiments and Dressings  
Coffee Grounds  
Shells and Fish  
Spices  
Oils and Fats

#### NOT ACCEPTED MATERIAL:

Bags (even if labeled "Compostable")  
Paper Products  
Milk Cartons  
Dishware/Silverware  
Ketchup Packets  
Packaging/Recyclables  
Florist Flowers  
Fruit Stickers (yes, please remove these stickers)

Material		Glass		Metal		Plastic		Paper (NOTE: Must be clean & dry.)						
YES 	Food and beverage containers only.	Aerosol cans Cans must be completely empty. Non-hazardous product cans only.	Aluminum Cans, foil, and pie plates.	Metal cans Food and beverage cans only.	Rigid plastic packaging & containers labeled through ♻️. NOTE: Not everything with a number on it is recyclable! Not everything without a number isn't recyclable!	Boxboard Shoe & clothing boxes, 6- & 12-pack soda & beer carriers, paper egg cartons, dry-food boxes (pasta, rice, cereal, grains, etc.), tissue boxes, paper towel and toilet paper cores, etc.	Corrugated cardboard Boxes with a wavy center layer.	Envelopes & opened mail White, manilla, colored, gummed, and window envelopes.	Magazines, catalogs, & soft-cover books Glue- or staple-bound publications, paperback books, phone books, etc.	Newspaper All sections and inserts.	Paper bags All colors.	Shredded paper Confidential documents.	White & colored paper	Printed, letterhead, copier paper, glossy flyers & brochures, file folders, kraft paper, manilla folders, index cards, construction paper, non-metallic wrapping paper, tissue paper & cards.
													No light bulbs, dishes, Pyrex, drinking glasses, window panes, or ceramics.	Empty containers only. No cans from paint, cleansers, automotive sprays, or other hazardous fluids.
NO 	Preparation Updated 02/14	Rinse clean. Remove all lids. Labels OK. Recycle plastic lids over 2" in diameter in blue bin; discard smaller plastic lids. Neck rings OK. Recycle metal lids as scrap metal at Drop-Off Centers.	Empty. Do not puncture. Separate caps from container. Recycle plastic caps over 2" in blue bin. Discard smaller caps.	Rinse clean. Labels OK.	Rinse clean. Labels OK. Lids OK placed inside cans for safety.	Rinse clean. Labels OK. IMPORTANT: Remove paper inserts for recycling. Caps & lids under 2" recycled only if attached to container. Remove handles from pails and recycle as scrap metal at Drop-Off Centers.	Empty and flatten. Remove and discard plastic liners. Recycle metal pour spouts as scrap metal at Drop-Off Centers.	Empty and flatten. Up to one cubic yard of up to 4-ft. sections accepted at Drop-Off Centers (2-ft. sections for curbside pickup). Staples, tape, and labels OK.	Remove nonpaper enclosures (e.g., CDs, plastic cards, etc.) and strings. Labels OK.	Must be clean and dry. Remove from plastic bags. Do not tie with string.	Must be clean and dry. Remove twine and plastic handles.	Place in clear plastic bag and tie bag shut.	Must be clean and dry. Remove plastic tabs, paper clips & metal hanging-file strips. Staples OK.	

# Recycle these materials



rigid plastic bottles, tubs,  
trays & jugs



aluminum/steel/  
tin cans & foil



glass  
food & drink  
containers



cardboard



paper packaging, mail, catalogs,  
soft-cover books, magazines,  
newspapers & bags (no handles)

## Some items are NOT recyclable in your blue bin!

- NO propane or gas cylinders • NO dishes
- NO wet or soiled paper • NO pill bottles
- NO biodegradable plastics (PLA)
- NO wood-pellet or feed bags
- NO items less than 2" on any 2 dimensions



paper plates,  
cups or napkins



NO  
Styrofoam



NO  
household  
items or toys



NO  
filmy plastic  
(bags, wrap, tarp)



NO  
hazardous product  
containers



NO  
beverage  
cartons & boxes

## TOWN COMPENDIUM Useful Information

### Town of Pittsfield

[www.pittsfieldvt.com](http://www.pittsfieldvt.com)  
Phone/Fax: 802-746-8170  
40 Village Green - P.O. Box 556  
Pittsfield, VT 05762-0556  
[townofpittsfieldvt@gmail.com](mailto:townofpittsfieldvt@gmail.com)

Current and archived Select Board minutes are available on the website, as well as other information. Please email the Town Clerk with any information or events that would be appropriate on the town website. Office hours: Tues, Wed., & Thurs. 9am-5pm

### Roger Clark Memorial Library

[www.pittsfieldlibrary.com](http://www.pittsfieldlibrary.com)  
Phone: 802-746-4067  
40 Village Green, Pittsfield, VT 05762  
[pittsfieldvtlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldvtlibrary@gmail.com)  
Hours: Tuesday 3-5pm, Thursday 3-6pm

### Pittsfield Women's Alliance

A long-standing civic organization contributing to the community quietly in many important ways, including the gathering and distribution of holiday baskets for the less mobile members of our community. Contact: Deb Picarello, 746-8331

### Voter Checklist

The Town's current checklist has 376 registered voters. To be added to the checklist, contact the Town Clerk or visit the Vermont Secretary of State's website: [sec.state.vt.us/elections/voters/registration](http://sec.state.vt.us/elections/voters/registration)

### Dog Licenses

Dogs must be licensed by April 1 each year. A late fee is charged after April 1. Rabies shots must be kept up to date and the certificate filed with the Town Clerk.

### Property Taxes

Tax bills are mailed on July 15 with installments due on the third Thursdays of August and November each year. *Payments must be in the Town Office before 5:00 p.m. or the closing of the office on the date that they are due. Postmarks are not accepted as timely payment.*

### Refuse and Recycling

Property owners and residents are responsible for refuse removal/recycling and may contract with a hauler of their choice or take their refuse and recycling to the Bethel/Royalton Transfer Station.

### Bethel-Royalton Transfer Station

<http://royaltonvt.com/about-royalton/transfer-station/>  
Phone: 802-763-2232  
122 Waterman Road, South Royalton  
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:00am - 3:00pm  
Saturday 7:00am - 1:00pm

### Quintown Senior Center

<http://hancockvt.us/quintown/>  
Phone: 802-767-3763  
1097 Vermont Route 100, Hancock, VT 05478  
[quintownctrnsr@myfairpoint.net](mailto:quintownctrnsr@myfairpoint.net)  
Pittsfield residents are eligible for the various services the Quintown Center provides, such as meals at the center, home-delivered meals, transportation, and advocate services.

### Flood Plain Management

To promote proper flood plain management and also to be accepted into the National Flood Insurance Program, the Town of Pittsfield adopted Flood Hazard Area Regulations on February 4, 2014. Please contact the Zoning Administrator before building or working within a flood plain area.

### Regular Meetings

#### Select Board

6:00pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month in the Town Office, unless otherwise posted.

#### Planning Commission

6:30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of January, April, July, and October at the Town Office, unless otherwise posted.

### School Board

7:00pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Town Office Building.

### Library Trustees

3:00pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Roger Clark Memorial Library.

### Historical Society

6:00pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month (Apr – Oct) in the Town Hall. Contact Susie Martin, 746-8098.

### Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue

7:30pm Business meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Fire House.  
6:00pm Work meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Fire House.

### Annual Events

Town Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (March)  
Memorial Day Parade (May)  
Annual Bazaar on the Green (September)  
Trick or Treating in the Village (October)

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS**  
**FIRE, POLICE, AMBULANCE: 9-1-1**

**VERMONT POISON CENTER: 1-877-658-3456**

**HOSPITALS**

Gifford Medical Center	1-802-728-4441
Rutland Regional Medical Center	775-7111
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	1-603-646-5000

**TOWN OFFICE**

Clerk & Treasurer: Tricia Fryer	746-8170
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm	
Copier, fax and Notary services available	

**TOWN GARAGE**

Road Commissioner: George Deblon	746-8406
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**CONSTABLES**

First Constable: Tim Hunt	746-8586
Second Constable/Dog Officer: Doug Mianulli	746-8514

**HEALTH OFFICER**

Rebecca Steward	746-9403
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**GAME WARDEN**

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department: Keith Gallant	
Contact through the Rutland State Police Dispatcher	773-9101

**FIRE WARDEN**

Burn Permits: Ray Colton	
Contact at Colton Enterprises	746-8033

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40 Village Green  
PO Box 556  
Pittsfield, Vermont 05762**

**Please bring this report to Town Meeting  
Tuesday, March 5, 2019  
10:00 AM  
Pittsfield Federated Church**