

Whiting, Vermont Town Report



Fiscal Year 2019

**January 1, 2019 through
December 31, 2019**

**Annual Report of the
Officers of the Town of Whiting**

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Whiting Town Officials

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

	Term Expires
Auditors	
Elizabeth Curran	2021
Marcia King, VACANT	2020
Alison Remy	2022
Delinquent Tax Collector	
Rani Fallon	2020
First Constable	
Rusty Brigham	2020
Justices of the Peace	
Elizabeth Curran	2 years - 2021
Stacey Freeguard	2 years - 2021
Patricia Mattison	2 years - 2021
Carolyn Schmidt	2 years - 2021
Grace Simonds	2 years - 2021
Library Trustees	
Heather Mattison	3 years - 2022
Jaime Quenneville	2 years - 2021
Andrea Quesnel	3 years - 2020
Tara Trudo	2 years - 2021
Tammy Wilbur	3 years - 2020
Listers	
Elizabeth Curran	2022
Dennis Ethridge, VACANT	2021
Stacey Freeguard	2020
Moderator - Town	
Elizabeth Curran	2020
Road Commissioner	
Paul Quesnel	2022
Selectboard	
Steve Quenneville	2020
Marcia King	2022
Bob Wood, Chair	2021
Town Agent	
Heather Bouchard (Paul Quesnel)	2020
Town Clerk	
Gale Quenneville (Heather Bouchard)	2020
Town Treasurer	
Gale Quenneville (Heather Bouchard)	2020
Board of Civil Authority	
Town Clerk	
Selectboard	
Justices of the Peace	

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

	Term Expires
Forest Fire Warden	
Delwin Fielder	June 2020
Regional Planning Representative	
Ellen Kurrelmeyer	2020
Regional Planning Alternate	
Gary Freeguard	2020
Town Health Officer	
Jeanne Lamoureux	2020
Planning Commission	
Heather Bouchard	3 years - 2021
Beverly Freeguard	3 years - 2020
Steve Quenneville, Chair	3 years - 2022
Tracey Simonds	2 years - 2021
Bob Wood	3 years - 2020
Solid Waste Representative	
Eric Zuesse	2020
Solid Waste Alternate	
Carolyn Schmidt	2020
Town Juror	
Paul Quesnel	2020
Town Service Officer	
Grace Simonds	2020
Fence Viewers	
Delwin Fielder	2020
Juanita Hornbeck	2020
Gerald Quenneville	2020
Town Hall Custodian	
Tammy Wilbur	2020
Green Up Chairman	
Rebecca Bertrand	2020
Zoning Administrator	
Kate Briggs	2020
Zoning Board of Adjustment	
Heather Bouchard	3 years - 2021
Beverly Freeguard	3 years - 2021
Gary Freeguard	3 years - 2020
Mike Wilbur	3 years - 2022
Steve Quenneville, Chair	3 years - 2020

Cemetery Board: Beverly Freeguard, Grace Simonds
Emergency Management Coordinator: Larry Wilbur
State Representative: Terry Norris
State Senators: Claire Ayer, Christopher Bray

Who's Who in Local Government

Roles of Elected and Appointed Officers

Supplied by the Vermont Secretary of State's Office

Auditor (elected)

Review and audit all town accounts and prepare the annual town report. Should be very detail oriented. Good writing skills are a plus.

Cemetery Commissioner (elected)

Responsible for the care and management of the town's cemeteries. If no cemetery commissioners are elected, the selectboard fulfills this role.

Collector of Current Taxes

A town must vote to have the Town Manager or Town Treasurer to collect current taxes. If the town fails to vote, then the Town Constable becomes the collector of current taxes.

Collector of Delinquent Taxes

A town must vote to authorize the selectboard to appoint a collector of delinquent taxes, who may be the Town Manager or Town Treasurer. If a town fails to vote, then the Town Constable becomes the collector of delinquent taxes.

Constable (elected)

In some towns the constable is the town's local law enforcement officer, with all powers of search, seizure, and arrest within the town. In other towns, the constable only has the power to serve civil process, assist the health officer in the discharge of his or her duties, destroy unlicensed dogs, kill injured deer, remove disorderly people from town meeting, and, if the first constable, to collect taxes, if no tax collector is elected. Should be good at de-escalating and resolving conflicts.

Fence Viewers (appointed)

Three viewers are appointed by the selectboard each year. When called upon, they examine fences and other boundaries within the town.

Grand Juror (appointed)

Helps to prosecute criminal offenses that occur in the town by giving information to state and local law enforcement. (Generally not a very active position.)

Health Officer (appointed)

Appointed by the commissioner of health to a three-year term after recommendation by the town selectboard. Enforces the rules and regulations for the prevention and abatement of public health hazards.

Justices of the Peace (elected)

Although elected by a town, justices of the peace are actually county officers. For more information, see the Justice of the Peace Handbook. The duties of justices of the peace can fall into five categories of responsibilities: elections, tax abatement and appeals, marriages and civil unions, oaths and notary, and magistrate.

Listers (elected)

Appraise property within the town for the purpose of property tax assessment. Should be able to be polite, yet firm, and not be oversensitive to criticism.

Moderator (elected)

Runs the annual and special town/school meeting. Should have a good sense of humor, be good at group process, and have experience following Roberts Rules of Order.

Planning Commissioners (appointed or elected)

Appointed unless town votes to elect. Duties include preparing a municipal plan; making recommendations on matters of land development, conservation, and preservation; and participating in a

regional planning program. Makes site plan and subdivision permit decisions unless there is a development review board in town. Should have a good working knowledge of all aspects of the town and be able to listen to many sides of an issue.

Regional Planning Commission Representative (appointed)

Helps develop the regional plan and assess municipal land use plans.

Road Commissioners (elected or appointed)

Can be elected or appointed. Has no independent authority, but can assist the selectboard in overseeing town highways at the request of the board. Should have experience with town highways and be a good communicator.

Selectboard Members (elected)

General supervision and control over town; enacts ordinances, regulations, and policies for town; oversees town property and personnel; prepares, presents and manages budget; and oversees roads, including laying out, discontinuing, and reclassifying roads. Sits as local board of health, liquor control commission, and sewer commission. Should know the town well, be able to understand all sides of complex issues, and have very thick skin.

Town Agent (elected)

The town agent used to prosecute and defend suits. The selectboard now has that authority. Thus, the town agent's duty consists merely of assisting when litigation is in progress, at the request of the selectboard. (Generally not a very active position.)

Town Clerk (elected)

Records, preserves, and certifies the public records of the town. Issues dog, marriage, civil union, and hunting and fishing licenses; as well as motor vehicle renewals. Runs the local elections, serves as clerk of the board of civil authority, and hears tax abatement requests and tax appeals. Should have the patience of a saint and be a good ambassador for the town.

Town Forest Fire Warden (appointed)

Appointed by the fire commissioner with the approval of the selectboard. Prevents forest fires in the town by enforcing the laws designed to prevent forest fires.

Town Services Officer (appointed)

Appointed on or before April 15th of each year. Assists individuals within the town who require emergency food, fuel, or shelter assistance when the Vermont Department of Social Welfare is not available.

Town Treasurer (elected)

Keeps the town and school's accounts (unless a separate school treasurer is elected), invests money (with the approval of the legislative body), keeps a record of the taxes voted, and pays orders drawn on him or her. Should be very precise, detail oriented and good at math.

Town Tree Warden (appointed)

Plans and implements a shade tree preservation program for the purpose of shading and beautifying public places. Removes diseased, dying, or dead trees; which create a hazard to public safety or threaten the effectiveness of disease or insect control programs.

Zoning Administrator (appointed)

Appointed by the planning commission with the approval of the selectboard. Approves or denies applications for zoning permits. Administers the municipal bylaws literally. Enforces regulations pertaining to the zoning ordinance.

Zoning Board of Adjustment or Development Review Board Members (appointed)

Holds hearings and makes decisions on land use permit applications and appeals from decisions of the zoning administrator.

2019 Report of Town Assets

ASSETS:

Building Fund -----	\$2,175.00
Checking Acct -----	\$20,739.85
Chloride Truck -----	\$5,000.00
Computer Replacement Fund -----	\$701.46
Equipment Fund -----	\$37,066.89
Fire Department Bond Checking -----	\$1,970.77
Fire Station -----	\$539,407.00
Grader Purchased in 1997 -----	\$15,000.00
International Truck Purchased in 2015 -----	\$45,000.00
Land Record Books Upkeep Fund -----	\$2,012.64
Library and Contents -----	\$215,327.00
Lister Reappraisal Fund -----	\$11,573.54
Loader Purchased in 2002 -----	\$47,000.00
Old School -----	\$23,980.00
Recycling Shed -----	\$20,315.00
Sand/Salt Shed -----	\$84,563.00
Sexton Fund-CD#2011 -----	\$17,748.74
Tax Sale Escrow -----	\$3,577.18
Town Garage and Contents -----	\$107,143.00
Town Garage Bond Checking -----	\$1,060.36
Town Hall and Contents -----	\$876,872.00
Town Office and Contents -----	\$148,056.00
Truck Purchased in 1987 -----	\$10,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS -----	\$2,236,289.43

2019 Tax Rates

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Homestead Education	\$1.293	\$1.3108	\$1.3167
Municipal Rate	\$0.647	\$0.6607	\$0.7386
Veteran's Exemption	\$0.002	\$0.0012	\$0.0023
Total Homestead Rate	\$1.942	\$1.9727	\$2.0576
Non-Residential Rate	\$1.430	\$1.4996	\$1.5312
Municipal Rate	\$0.647	\$0.6607	\$0.7386
Veteran's Exemption	\$0.002	\$0.0012	\$0.0023
Total Non-Residential Rate	\$2.079	\$2.1615	\$2.2721

Dates to Remember

- **Town Meeting:** Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 at 7:15pm, at the Town Hall
- **Presidential Primary:** Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 polls are open 7:00am to 7:00pm, at the Town Hall
- **Rabies Clinic:** Tuesday March 24th, 5:30pm to 6:30pm, at the Fire House, \$15
- **Dog Registration:** Due by April 1st, 2020 (You may also register your dogs at the Rabies Clinic.)
- **Green Up Day:** Saturday, May 2nd, 2020
- **Primary Election Day:** Tuesday, August 11th, 2020 polls are open 7:00am to 7:00, at the Town Hall
- **General Election Day:** Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, 2020 polls are open 7:00am to 7:00pm, at the Town Hall
- **Taxes Due (in hand):** Tuesday, December 1st, 2020

2019 Town Clerk and Treasurer Report

In the middle of the year Gale resigned from the Town Clerk/Treasurer position. The selectmen appointed me to this position. I accepted the position and resigned from my long-time career as a banker.

Since I started as the Town Clerk/Treasurer, I have been working on learning all the day-to-day tasks, it has been going very well. There are a lot of task that you do not do on a day-to-day basis, these are a work in progress. I have not taken any classes because I want to make sure that I'm elected to the position before I spend the towns money on training. I'm looking forward to taking classes that will help me with the different tasks. Other projects that I have been working on are getting the permits we needed to build the addition on the fire station and the new town shed. I also rearranged the town office so that it is better suited me. If you have any questions or need help with something please give me a call at the town office or at home (623-8152).

Annual Reminders:

April 1st is the deadline for registering your dog(s). This is State law, not a Whiting request. The purpose of the law is to continue the reduction of cases of rabies. You can register your dog(s) anytime between January and April 1st, you will need a current rabies certificate and \$11.00 for a spayed or neutered dog or \$13.00 for a not spayed or neutered dog.

Property Taxes are due in hand by December 1st, 2020. You can bring your check to the town office or mail it to the town office. When mailing your payment if you would like a receipt please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope and I'll mail you your receipt. You can prepay your taxes at any time.

I would like to thank the town residence for the support they have given me since I started this position. I would also like to thank the following people for all the guidance and help they have given me: Gale Quenneville, Laurie Bertrand and Julie Delphia.

Sincerely,
Heather Bouchard
Town Clerk/Treasurer

2019 Dog Registration

Income		Expenses	
Female Spayed	\$451.00	State Fees	\$137.00
Male Neutered	\$363.00	Animal Control	\$197.00
Female	\$130.00	<u>Supplies</u>	<u>\$84.59</u>
Male	\$78.00	Total Expenses	\$418.59
<u>Late Fees</u>	<u>\$88.00</u>		
Total Income	\$1,110.00		

All dogs must be registered by **April 1st, 2020:**

Spayed/Neutered Dogs \$11

Unspayed/Unneutered Dogs \$13

New Dogs must be registered within 30 days of adoption.

2019 Treasurer's Report with the General Fund

Beginning balance

NBM Checking Account-----	\$15,159.85
Equipment Fund -----	\$25,065.15
Lister Reappraisal CD -----	\$11,496.46
General Fund Total -----	\$51,721.46

Bonds

<u>Town Garage Bond:</u> Amount Due \$9,500.00, Int. Rate 3.50%, Principal Balance \$49,150.00
<u>Fire Department Bond:</u> Amount Due \$9,750.00, Int. Rate 3.50%, Principal Balance \$144,350.00

Receipts

Current Land Use-----	\$46,696.00
Current Taxes 2019-----	\$649,766.07
De Tax Expenses Received-----	\$12.04
Del Tax Interest Received -----	\$625.68
Del Tax Penalty Received -----	\$993.04
Del Taxes 2017 -----	\$3,900.80
Del Taxes 2018 -----	\$12,255.38
Del Taxes 2019 -----	\$2,147.32
Dispatching Service Reim. -----	\$668.07
Dog Licenses/Fines -----	\$1,063.00
Equipment Fund Receipts -----	\$12,000.00
Grant in Aid Project -----	\$2,365.00
Interest Income-----	\$640.46
Land Rec Book Repair Receipts -----	\$472.00
Listers Reappraisal-----	\$2,109.00
Loan FNBO -----	\$100,000.00
Municipal Tax Adjustment -----	\$10,662.00
Office Receipts -----	\$3,937.50
Otter Valley Refund -----	\$12,101.55
OV Vote Reimbursement -----	\$900.00
Overweight Permits -----	\$510.00
Penalties and Fines -----	\$4,210.50
Pilot Program -----	\$176.40
State Aid for Highways -----	\$34,427.00
Town Hall Rent-----	\$340.00
Traffic Tickets-----	\$8,008.93
Whiting Books -----	\$5.00
<u>Zoning Permits -----</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total Receipts-----	\$911,192.74

Disbursements

Appropriations Budget-----	\$5,070.50
Building Budget -----	\$13,643.33
County Budget -----	\$1,966.92
Fire Department Bond-----	\$153,624.89
Insurance Budget-----	\$15,789.50
Line of Credit Orwell Bank Repay ----	\$100,000.00
Listers Budget-----	\$464.00
Misc Budget-----	\$45.61
Public Safety-----	\$44,624.44
Road Budget-----	\$195,685.56
Salary Budget -----	\$51,544.11
Social Services Budget-----	\$3,200.00
Taxes to School District-----	\$427,788.03
Town Garage Bond -----	\$54,615.00
<u>Town Office Budget -----</u>	<u>\$16,767.24</u>
Total Disbursed-----	\$1,084,829.00

General Fund Ending Balance

NBM Checking Account-----	\$20,739.85
Equipment Fund -----	\$37,066.89
Lister's Reappraisal Fund -----	\$11,573.54
Building Fund-----	\$2,175.60
Computer Replacement Fund -----	\$701.46
Land Records Book Repair -----	\$2,012.64
<u>Del Taxes Due -----</u>	<u>\$38,771.45</u>
Ending Balance -----	\$113,041.43

2019 Board of Selectmen's Report

Town Website: If you are looking for more information about what is happening in Whiting, be sure to check out our town website. The website address is www.WhitingVT.com. On our website, you will find meeting agendas and minutes, maps, pictures, a calendar, forms, some interesting pieces of Whiting history and more.

Town Clerk/Treasurer: Gale resigned during the year and we appointed Heather Bouchard.

Roads: We did not do any paving this year, instead we used the money to improve the roads in town by replacing culverts, gravel and doing ditching. We will be looking for a person to work on the Roads in 2020.

Enhanced Energy Plan: This is the plan where the town is required to designate preferred sites for alternative energy, we have been working with Addison County Regional Planning Commission to get a finalized plan to adopt into our Town Plan. After many hours of planning we have come up with a plan that we feel will work for the town. Katie from ACRPC is finishing up putting together the final Draft for us. We should be able to finish this in the near future.

Town Building Updates: We were not able to complete as many building repairs this year as we had hoped to. The thermostat in the Town Hall stopped working, when this happened it caused the water to freeze. We had to replace pipes and fix the other stuff that broke. We are planning to complete more building repairs in 2020.

Construction Update: The new addition on the fire station is almost complete. In the spring we are planning on getting the new town shed started. Our hope is that both the fire station and the town shed will be completed in 2020.

Our Whiting, The Old Addison Railroad and The Addison Road: These three books have a lot of interesting information about the History of Whiting. If you would like one, they are available at the town office for a small fee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Wood

Steve Quenneville

Marcia King

2020 Town of Whiting Budget

Income	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
Current Land Use	\$33,734.69	\$41,820.00	\$46,696.00	\$30,000.00
Current Taxes 2016	\$21.48			
Current Taxes 2017	\$533,629.02			
Current Taxes 2018		\$565,255.66		
Current Taxes 2019			\$650,473.29	
Del Taxes for 2014	-\$21.99			
Del Taxes for 2015	\$2,101.25			
Del Taxes for 2016	\$23,357.99	\$1,066.00		
Del Taxes for 2017	\$21,080.52	\$35,006.30	\$3,900.80	
Del Taxes for 2018		\$40,876.68	-\$1,767.56	
Del Taxes for 2019			\$25,499.81	
Del Tax Expenses Rec'd		\$11.00	\$59.55	
Del Tax Interest		\$397.39	\$2,849.43	
Del Tax Penalty		\$3,179.12	\$2,112.11	
Dispatching Service Reim	\$651.93	\$1,104.06	\$668.07	\$800.00
Dog Licenses/Fines	\$1,064.00	\$1,202.00	\$1,063.00	\$1,000.00
Education Reimbursement	\$6,759.23	\$3,815.38	\$12,101.55	
Equipment Fund Receipts	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	
Hats and Tees Sales	\$20.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	
Grant In Aid Project			\$2,365.00	
Insurance Audit Return	\$98.00	\$13.00	\$0.00	
Insurance Claim Reimbursement		\$7,212.00		
Interest Income	\$9.69	\$616.58	\$640.46	
Land Rec Book Repair Receipts			\$472.00	
Lister's Fund A	\$220.00	\$221.00	\$222.00	\$220.00
Lister's Reappraisal	\$1,870.00	\$1,878.50	\$1,887.00	
Loan FNBO	\$100,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	
Misc Income (closed account)	\$153.53	\$10.38	\$0.00	
Municipal Tax Adjustment	\$8,895.51	\$15,249.81	\$10,662.00	
Office Receipts	\$3,840.20	\$5,642.52	\$3,937.50	\$3,500.00
OV Vote Reimbursement	\$600.00	\$590.00	\$900.00	\$500.00
Overweight Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$510.00	
Penalties and Fines	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	\$4,210.50	
Pilot Program	\$280.47	\$228.44	\$176.40	\$225.00
State Aid for Highways	\$34,134.74	\$34,121.51	\$34,427.00	\$34,000.00
Town Hall Rent	\$115.00	\$410.00	\$340.00	\$500.00
Traffic Tickets	\$14,614.73	\$7,822.44	\$8,008.93	\$6,500.00
Whiting Books	\$18.50	\$3.50	\$5.00	
Zoning Permits	\$1,930.00	\$745.00	\$200.00	\$750.00
Total Income	\$801,178.49	\$842,648.27	\$824,619.84	\$77,995.00

2020 Town of Whiting Budget

Expenses	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
Appropriations				
Green Up	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Humane Society	\$400.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Library	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
MVAA	\$1,047.50	\$1,047.50	\$1,047.50	\$1,047.50
VLTC Dues	\$1,458.00	\$1,488.00	\$1,523.00	\$1,550.00
Whiting Cemetery Association	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total	\$4,955.50	\$5,035.50	\$5,070.50	\$5,097.50
Bond Expenses				
Fire Department	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$153,624.89	\$0.00
Town Garage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$54,615.00	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$208,239.89	\$0.00
Buildings Budget				
Buildings Fund	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,325.00	\$2,000.00
Buildings Repairs	\$467.48	\$8,915.31	\$3,276.62	\$2,500.00
Buildings Supplies	\$34.14	\$341.15	\$0.00	\$0.00
Electric Town Hall	\$700.67	\$762.49	\$644.22	\$1,000.00
Electric Town Office	\$741.95	\$649.62	\$722.44	\$750.00
Electric Town Shed	\$418.54	\$653.09	\$559.10	\$600.00
Grounds Care	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00
Heating Fuel Town Hall	\$1,058.61	\$2,553.84	\$1,950.90	\$2,000.00
Heating Fuel Town Office	\$538.85	\$722.37	\$511.64	\$500.00
Heating Fuel Town Shed	\$298.59	\$369.00	\$631.95	\$500.00
Municipal Water	\$1,500.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Street Lights	\$560.53	\$523.53	\$471.46	\$500.00
Total	\$8,269.36	\$20,540.40	\$13,643.33	\$13,900.00
County Budget				
Addison Cty Court House Tax	\$1,216.00	\$1,375.98	\$1,432.86	\$1,500.00
Addison Cty Regional Planning	\$521.52	\$529.20	\$534.06	\$530.00
Total	\$1,737.52	\$1,905.18	\$1,966.92	\$2,030.00
Insurance Expense	\$14,496.50	\$14,959.50	\$15,789.50	\$16,000.00
Lister Budget				
Lister Apex Software Update	\$215.00	\$215.00	\$215.00	\$465.00
Lister Dues	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Lister's Training	\$605.00	-\$345.00	\$149.00	\$300.00
Total	\$820.00	-\$70.00	\$464.00	\$865.00
Other				
Bank Service Charge	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$0.00
Line of Credit FNBO	\$100,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Misc Select Board Expense	\$44.60	\$366.18	-\$62.50	\$0.00
Other-Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$73.11	\$0.00
Total	\$100,044.60	\$55,366.18	\$45.61	\$0.00

2020 Town of Whiting Budget

Expenses	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
Payroll				
Animal Control	\$407.50	\$22.50	\$197.00	\$200.00
Assistant Town Clerk	\$900.00	\$1,503.75	\$1,121.25	\$2,000.00
Auditors	\$3,641.25	\$1,563.75	\$1,039.50	\$2,000.00
Del Tax Collecting Fees	\$2,851.30	\$3,051.79	\$2,281.34	\$0.00
Election Costs	\$529.68	\$1,395.00	\$386.25	\$700.00
Lister's Hours	\$11,212.50	\$7,136.25	\$8,527.50	\$8,000.00
Payroll Expenses: FICA	\$4,426.78	\$5,582.87	\$4,810.29	\$0.00
Payroll Expenses: Other	\$526.68	\$0.00	\$715.48	\$5,000.00
Select Board	\$2,600.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Town Clerk	\$12,270.00	\$15,328.00	\$15,540.50	\$13,500.00
Town Clerk Insurance Stipend	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$6,375.00	\$4,500.00
Town Hall Custodian	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Treasurer	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$5,250.00	\$4,500.00
Website Expenses	\$0.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,200.00
Total	\$49,565.69	\$50,083.91	\$51,544.11	\$45,800.00
Public Safety				
911 Call Contact	\$1,253.83	\$1,676.28	\$3,086.04	\$3,000.00
Dog Registration Fees	\$397.61	\$329.78	\$137.00	\$250.00
Fire Department	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Fire Inspection	\$103.50	\$197.00	\$2,035.00	\$200.00
First Response	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Recycling	\$3,741.86	\$4,121.00	\$5,194.88	\$5,500.00
Sheriff's Patrol	\$11,929.92	\$7,785.50	\$16,671.52	\$17,000.00
Veteran's Memorial Plaque	\$0.00	\$283.55	\$0.00	\$0.00
Whiting Hats and Tees	\$749.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$35,676.08	\$31,893.11	\$44,624.44	\$43,450.00
Road Budget				
Brush Removal - Labor	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$1,125.00	\$1,500.00
Capital Construction - Paving	\$59,009.74	\$48,654.74	\$2,815.36	\$60,000.00
Diesel	\$4,435.58	\$4,870.93	\$5,459.57	\$4,500.00
Ditching - Labor	\$0.00	\$2,322.50	\$10,357.16	\$7,500.00
Equipment Parts	\$3,577.90	\$7,697.51	\$3,178.70	\$5,000.00
Equipment Repairs	\$18,903.48	\$13,695.56	\$8,609.37	\$10,000.00
Equipment Replacement	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Equipment Signs	\$0.00	\$1,990.38	\$11.18	\$500.00
Equipment Supplies	\$1,403.00	\$320.99	\$346.73	\$1,500.00
Highway Drug Tests - Drivers	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Liquid Chloride	\$10,800.00	\$12,807.32	\$11,258.53	\$12,000.00
Road Commissioner Education	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Road Gravel	\$19,503.33	\$32,762.76	\$53,993.94	\$30,000.00
Road Labor	\$12,694.50	\$11,634.00	\$16,773.00	\$20,000.00
Road Salt	\$10,493.64	\$18,473.51	\$17,109.13	\$15,000.00
Road Winter Sand	\$8,859.61	\$5,086.57	\$6,387.89	\$10,000.00

2020 Town of Whiting Budget

Expenses	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
Road Budget (Continued)				
Road Winter Sand	\$8,859.61	\$5,086.57	\$6,387.89	\$10,000.00
Roadside Mowing	\$3,525.00	\$3,975.00	\$3,375.00	\$5,000.00
Trucking	\$14,975.00	\$18,135.00	\$41,985.00	\$18,000.00
Watershed Management	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$0.00
Whiting Road Meeting	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$180,720.78	\$197,426.77	\$195,685.56	\$212,650.00
Social Services Budget				
United Way	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00
Whiting Food Shelf	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Whiting Little League	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$3,800.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00
Taxes to School District	\$360,304.07	\$394,386.87	\$427,788.03	\$0.00
Town Office Budget				
Advertising Meetings/Tax Sales	\$537.27	\$682.00	\$38.75	\$200.00
Bank Service Charge	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Computer and Internet Expenses	\$105.99	\$374.73	\$357.06	\$500.00
Computer Repairs	\$50.99	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Computer Replacement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,049.27	\$700.00
Copier Maintenance	\$669.64	\$720.84	\$475.83	\$600.00
Election	\$178.30	\$1,142.00	\$403.36	\$600.00
Interest Expense	\$1,742.50	\$1,061.17	\$4,277.16	\$5,000.00
Land Record Book Repairs	\$299.76	\$544.64	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Land Record Book Repair Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Legal Fees	\$6,168.03	\$4,063.33	\$2,222.28	\$2,500.00
Misc.	\$0.00	\$51.72	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Repairs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Office Supplies	\$3,354.63	\$2,104.20	\$3,065.78	\$2,000.00
Tax Maps	\$0.00	\$2,450.00	\$1,025.00	\$500.00
Telephone Fax and DSL	\$1,841.40	\$1,755.23	\$1,799.55	\$1,800.00
Town Report	\$100.96	\$59.96	\$81.95	\$100.00
Training - Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$570.00	\$505.00	\$635.00	\$500.00
Training - Town Officers	\$650.00	\$960.00	\$136.25	\$200.00
Website Expenses	\$774.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Zoning Administrator	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$1,200.00	\$800.00
Total	\$17,554.45	\$18,279.82	\$16,767.24	\$16,250.00
Total Expenses	\$777,944.55	\$790,007.74	\$984,829.13	\$359,242.50
To Be Raised By Taxes	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
	\$227,940.68	\$233,689.10	\$277,522.65	\$260,507.65

Vital Statistics 2019

Births

Lillianah Maria Burnham to Amanda Blaisdell and Dakota Burnham

Brayton Avery Hall to Ashlie Delphia Hall and Eric Hall

Hayden James Hewes to Calley Hewes and Garret Hewes

Jameson Novak Ryan to Samantha (Cherrier) Ryan and Aiden Ryan

Katie May Sherwin to Micheala Sherwin

Deaths

John Edward Rich

Marriages

Megan Quesnel and Travis Norris

Lillian Curran and Joseph Audet

My Voter Page and Online Voter Registration

By using the My Voter Page you may check your:

- Voter registration status
- Absentee ballot status
- Mail-In application and ballot status
- Poll location
- Elected officials
- Registration information on file with the town office
- Sample ballot for the upcoming election
- Challenge letter response
- Take oath

Visit My Voter Page to learn more: <https://mvp.sec.state.vt.us/>

2019 Whiting Food Shelf Report

We wish to thank everyone for the food and monies we received in 2019. We served 35 families in 2019 equaling 119 different people from Brandon, Cornwall, Forest Dale, Leicester, Orwell, Salisbury, Shoreham, Sudbury and Whiting.

We are open on Mondays at 1pm for Coffee Hour and 1:30-3pm for the Food Shelf. We do special boxes for Easer, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We are a ministry of the Whiting Community Church at 7 N. Main St. If you have any questions or needs call Bev at 623-8033.

2019 Whiting Cemetery Report

The Whiting Cemetery again this year has no new burials.

I am still a member of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association and still have contact with the Department of Corrections in Rutland to mow and string trim the Whiting Cemetery.

We have some stones that need to be repaired and I need to get an estimate on how much it will cost to do the repairs. This I will work on in the spring. The Vermont Old Cemetery Association usually helps with this project.

We have two certificates at the Orwell bank. One is worth \$12,298.83 and the other is \$530.83. The amount that I listed for last year was wrong. I put in an extra 2 when I typed it. In the savings account, there is \$2,828.97. There is no checking account as we only write bank checks.

We have lots for sale. If you are interested, please contact either Grace Simonds (Secretary/Treasurer) or Beverly Freeguard (President). Gary Stanley of Miller & Ketcham Funeral Home in Brandon is our Sexton. For more cemetery information contact one of the above members.

Grace Simonds

2019 Delinquent Tax Report

It is important to remember that the Town needs to collect all the tax dollars owed to run smoothly. When tax dollars are not collected, the Town must borrow money to cover the shortfall. If you are currently delinquent, please take this into consideration and contact me to make acceptable payment arrangements at (802) 623-6221.

Respectfully submitted, Rani Fallon, Delinquent Tax Collector

Delinquent Taxes owed to the town:	2017.....\$2,551.87
	2018.....\$10,226.52
	<u>2019.....\$28,871.51</u>

Grand total owed to the Town as of 12/31/2019.....\$41,649.90

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S POLICY - Town of Whiting

1. All payments made on or before December 1. After December 1, they will be considered delinquent and subject to interest and fees.
2. It is requested that all back taxes be paid before current taxes are paid.
3. Partial payments will be taken at the tax collector's discretion, along with a signed contract and agreement that payment must be large enough to pay off the delinquent tax before the next current tax is due. Payments will be applied to interest and fee first and the remainder on the tax.
4. No post-dated checks will be accepted.
5. All bad checks will be redeposited and charged a \$25 fee.
6. Accounts 6 months delinquent can be sold at a tax sale at the discretion of the delinquent tax collector.
7. All payments must be paid to the delinquent tax collector or the town clerk.
8. All taxpayers must notify the town of a change of address, in state or out of state, in a timely manner.

2019 Zoning Administrators Report

In 2019, there were 6 entries to the Whiting Zoning Permits Index:

- 4 applications for building permits (1 new structure and 3 additions/renovations)
- 1 request for a sign
- 1 boundary line adjustment

Once again, be reminded that almost all land development in Vermont (and land development includes uses and changes of use), requires town and/or state permits. It is the responsibility of the landowner, not the contractor, to obtain necessary permits before beginning construction. Professional advisors who assist in the formation of new businesses may not be familiar with Whiting zoning regulations. Please contact me before beginning any new project. I can be reached at 802-247-5305; 802-349-6066; or at kate_briggs@msn.com. Please leave messages at both telephone numbers.

Also remember that if action by the ZBA or Planning Commission is required (setback waivers, subdivisions, conditional use review) the approval process, including the statutory appeal period, may take 90 days or more.

There are new state statutes which affect zoning in many areas including affordable housing and accessory uses of agricultural parcels. We are now drafting revisions of the zoning regulations to incorporate these and to develop more streamlined procedures for processing applications. Please contact me at any time with any suggestions or concerns.

Kate Briggs, Zoning Administrator

2019 Road Commissioners Report

Welcome to a New Year

Projects completed this past year are as follows:

- Ditching and replacement of 2 culverts on North Road
- Ditching and tile drainage on Murray Road
- Ditching and tile drainage on Stickney Road, close to the intersection of Barnes Road
- Postponed paving in exchange for purchasing more gravel for class 3 roads

In November of 2018 we were awarded a small grant to change some culverts and do some additional ditching on the North End of Galvin Road this year. This work was completed in 2019.

We are still in the process of exploring different options/plans and grants to offset expenses for the 2 culverts on Shoreham-Whiting Road. The hydraulic studies have been completed. Depending on the outcome, construction may not occur until 2021.

The Town of Whiting received a partial grant for ditching and culvert replacement on the south end of West Road from Addison County Regional Planning.

After much thought and consideration, I have decided to step down as Road Commissioner on or before November 1, 2020.

Thanks, Paul Quesnel, Road Commissioner

2019 Whiting Town Hall Report

The Whiting Town hall was used for a variety of events this year. It was used by townspeople for parties and meetings, but also by non-profit organizations like 4-H, the Fire Department, Otter Creek Academy and the Library. The Bone Builders group also used the town hall on average twice a week. The total use of the downstairs was about 129 times this year. The upstairs of the building was also used an additional 49 times by the Whiting Free Library which is currently housed there. The Town Hall can be rented by calling Tammy Wilbur at 623-7862. Tables and folding chairs may also be rented. Please call if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted by

Tammy Wilbur, Town Hall Custodian

2019 Whiting Library Trustee Report

2019 marked our first full year in our new location on the second floor of the Whiting Town Hall. We greatly increased our months of operation, our number of open hours and the programming we offered.

We hosted many community events this year and had outstanding attendance. Our most popular event this year was our annual Halloween party which featured 2 floors of games, stories, snacks, face painting, costumes and fun. Over 100 people attended this event! Our summer story time revolved around a new theme each week and we averaged 40 folks at these events. We also hosted evening game nights this summer. Our popular cabin fever events continued during school vacations and long weekends and feature a mix of stories, games and activities. Both preschool classes at the Whiting school also had field trips to the library this spring.

We continue to offer a toy library full of quality toys that families may check out and bring back. Our toy library is supported by the Brandon Area Toy Project. We recently added additional toys to our library. Toys are available to check out for one or two weeks at a time.

In July, we hosted our first annual book sale and plan to continue to build on this and make it an annual tradition. Our 2020 book sale will be in mid-May and we are now accepting book donations. We go through all book donations one by one, adding needed ones to our collection and setting others aside for our book sale. We already have a great collection of books that will be offered at the book sale this spring and will have something for everyone.

This year, we are looking to purchase additional shelves for our adult fiction and non-fiction sections. We are working hard to update our adult non-fiction collection during 2020. We are also looking into a digital scanner system for book check out which will make record keeping and borrowing and returning books easier for all.

We opened 51 times in 2019 and are looking to increase that number in 2020. We are open most Saturday mornings from 9-11am. We have a much-expanded schedule during the summer and try to offer a "Cabin fever" story and activity time during school vacations. We post our hours and special events on the sign out front and on our Facebook page.

For the most up to date information, schedule and things happening at the library, check us out on facebook.com/WhitingFreeLibrary

Budget:

Starting Balance 2019	\$5,069.66
Receipts	
Town Budgeted	\$1,000.00
Interest	\$550.00
Fundraisers	\$286.00
Interest	\$2.36
Total Receipts	\$1,838.36
Expenses	
Books	\$1,021.13
Supplies	\$457.27
Programming	\$256.55
Postage	\$66.00
Total Expenses	\$1,800.95
Ending Balance	\$5,107.07

2019 BOARD OF LISTERS REPORT

The 2019 Grand List with values of \$373,724.00 for municipal and \$366,335.00 for education was filed with the Town Clerk.

Listers grievances are generally held in June of each year, at which time any property owner may meet with us to discuss their assessment. If you would like to request a grievance hearing with us, please do so in writing at any time during the year, and we will hold your letter until the next grievance period.

Please Remember: The State of Vermont requires the filing of a Homestead Declaration HS-122 for all property which is owned and occupied by a Vermont resident as his or her principal home on April 1 of each year.

If you have a survey of your property which has not been recorded with the Town Clerk's office, please consider bringing it in to our office so that we can make our tax maps as accurate as possible.

Our office is open to the public from 3-6p on Mondays, or by appointment for other days and times. Please feel free to stop in or call if you have any questions about your valuation. (Office # 802-623-7813)

Our office is a resource for Property Record Cards, Tax Maps, Current Use, as well as other information relating to a parcel.

As always, we would like to thank you for the courtesy and cooperation extended to us during our visits to your property.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Freeguard,
Elizabeth Curran

2019 Property Count for Whiting	
Class	Count
R1: Residential < 6 Acres	62
R2: Residential > 6 Acres	68
MHU: Mobile Home Without Land	2
MHL: Mobile Home With Land	11
C: Commercial	7
UE: Electric Utility	1
UO: Other Utility	2
F: Farm	15
MISC: Land Only	46

Town of Whiting – Grand List* - Basic Info	
Total # of Parcels	214
Total # of Homestead Declarations	118
Total # of Acres	8,366.72
Grand List Total	\$373,724
# of Veterans Claiming Exemptions	2
Total Value of Veteran Exemptions	\$80,000
Total Value of Land	\$15,964,800
Total Value of Buildings	\$29,846,000
Total Value of Land & Buildings	\$45,810,800
Total Value as Non-Resident	\$19,792,000
Total Value as Resident	\$26,018,800
Total # of Non-Taxable Parcels (property of town, church, cemetery, or school)	10
Total Value of Non-Taxable Parcels	\$3,243,000
Total Value of Special Taxable (2 Solar Arrays)	\$798,900
Total # Current Use Parcels	46
Total # Current Use Acres	5,878.50
Total Value of Current Use Parcels	\$6,853,800

*View the complete Grand List in the Town Office.

Comparison Chart			
	2019	2018	2017
CLA	103.9%	104.1%	105.36%
COD	10.16%	3.31%	7.04%

What do these number mean?

The Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) in 2019 = 103.9%: Having the CLA greater than 100% results in a downward adjustment of tax rates, and a CLA less than 100% will result in upward adjustment. A CLA Below 80% necessitates a reappraisal.

The Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) in 2019 = 10.16%: A COD over 20% necessitates a reappraisal as that means many taxpayers are paying more than their fair share, and many are paying less. This number measures how fairly distributed the property tax is in our town.

0.00 – 9.90% = Excellent

10.00 – 19.90% = Reasonable

20.00% and above = Exceeds statutory benchmarks & triggers Reappraisal Order

2019 WHITING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

We began the year with a checkbook balance of \$17,578.56 and \$23,779.05 in our savings account. Our expenses for the year were \$32,842.50. We had an income of \$46,915.00. We ended the year with \$16,285.20 in the checkbook and \$23,796.34 in the savings account as of December 31, 2019. The breakdown is as

2019 Expenses Breakdown:

ACFA/VSFA	\$3,054.00
Building	\$598.73
Gas & Oil	\$2,142.55
Insurance	\$12,482.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,542.48
New Equip/Repairs	\$2,984.15
Raffle	\$1,800.00
Truck Repair	\$4,959.41
Utilities	\$2,279.18
Total	\$32,842.50

2020 Estimated Expenses

Dues and Fees	\$2,000.00
Gas & Oil	\$4,000.00
Insurance	\$13,000.00
Maintenance of Buildings	\$600.00
Maintenance of Trucks	\$10,000.00
Memory Tree	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,500.00
New Equipment	\$3,000.00
Raffle Payments	\$1,800.00
Utilities	\$2,500.00
Total	\$39,900.00

2019 Income Breakdown

50/50 Raffle	\$3,504.00
Auction	\$7,955.00
Coin Drop	\$1,512.38
Donations	\$5,809.62
Memory Tree	\$1,134.00
Town of Sudbury	\$12,000.00
Town of Whiting	\$15,000.00
Total	\$46,915.00

2020 Estimated Income

50/50 Raffle	\$3,600.00
Coin Drop	\$1,000.00
Donations	\$2,000.00
Memory Tree	\$900.00
Town of Sudbury	\$12,000.00
Town of Whiting	\$15,000.00
Total	\$34,500.00

Thank you to all the townspeople for their continued support. I would also like to thank all members for their dedication, time and support. We are in the process of replacing some of our aging vehicles and equipment this year that are not reflected in the expenses listed above.

Your present firefighters are:

Steve White, Chief
 Gary Freeguard, Assistant Chief
 Tom Bouchard, Assistant Chief
 Austin Quesnel, Captain
 Cody Quesnel, Captain
 Bob Wood, Captain
 Jonathan Ashley, Training Officer
 Randy Bertrand, Training Officer
 Greg Kokinis, Training Officer
 Stacey Freeguard, Secretary/Treasurer

Lillian Audet
 Elizabeth Curran
 Randy Denis
 Calvin Hogan
 Danielle Morse
 Lawrence Quesnel
 Larry Wilbur
 Mike Wilbur
 Tiffany Wilbur

Cadets:

Justin Anderson
 David Curran
 Thomas Curran
 Timothy Curran
 Avery Thurston
 Grant Thurston

If you have a problem or question other than a fire, please call me personally at 462-2336. Please do not use the fire number except in emergencies. Call 911 for emergencies in our area for fire, medical or police to respond. Thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted, Steve White, Chief

2019 Whiting First Response Report

This year has been a very successful year for our squad. Our members have completed all of the updated requirements for the Vermont State EMS standards. We are very dedicated to the towns of Whiting and Sudbury, as well as being available as mutual aid for many of the surrounding towns. Our transport agencies are Middlebury Regional EMS and Brandon Area Rescue Squad.

Once again, we would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you and your continued support in our efforts to provide a professional service for our communities. We are always looking for new members and encourage anyone that is interested to give us a call or stop by to see us. We meet the 3rd Monday at 7pm (business meeting) and the 4th Tuesday at 7pm (Training). Our meetings are held at the Whiting Fire Station.

Head of Services – Rick Iffland (EMT) 802-236-1469

Vice President – Keith Hartline (EMT)

Secretary – Tammy Wilbur (EMT)

Treasurer – Keith Hartline (EMT)

Training Officers – Larry Wilbur (EMT)/Tammy Wilbur (EMT)

Health Officer – Laura Dame (RN)

Safety Officer – Bob Wood

District Board Representative – Keith Hartline (EMT)

Members – Lillian Audet (EMT), Elizabeth Curran (EMT), Cody Quesnel, Avery Thurston, Grant Thurston and Tiffany Wilbur

2019 Accounting – Whiting First Response

Balance Forward 2018: \$9,803.66

\$9,803.66 in Savings and \$92.90 in Checking

INCOME 2019

Interest	\$12.55
Donations	\$525.00
Sudbury (2019)	\$2,000.00
Sudbury (2020)	\$2,500.00
Whiting (2019)	\$2,500.00

Total **\$7,537.55**

EXPENSES 2019

Medical Supplies	\$979.88
Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,945.35
Training Expenses	\$730.00
Communication Equip.	\$64.65
IRS Tax Exempt Filing	\$275.00

Total **\$3,994.88**

Beginning Balance 2020	\$9,803.66
Income	\$7,537.55
Total	\$17,341.21
Expenses	<\$3,994.88>
Balance Forward for 2020	\$13,346.33

As of 12/31/2019 - \$12,823.31 in Savings and \$523.02 in Checking.

2019 Town of Whiting Memory Tree

Amstein, Alex
Amstein, Doris
Amstein, Michael
Amstein, Susan
Audet, Marcel
Audet, Yvonne
Austin, Catherine
Austin, Cookie
Austin, Dubby
Austin, Herman
Baah, Charles
Baker, Cushman
Baker, Ellen
Baker, Jack
Baker, Julius
Baker, Margerate
Baker, Nellie
Baker, Russell
Bathalon, Sheryl
Bertrand Family
Bertrand, Louise
Bilodeau, Diane
Bilodeau, Gaston
Bilodeau, Germaine
Bilodeau, Justin
Bilodeau, Michael
Bilodeau, Pauline
Bilodeau, Pierre
Birchmore, Chief
Birchmore, Clarence
Birchmore, Elise
Birchmore, Floyd
Birchmore, Luke
Birchmore, Raymond
Bissonette, Diane
Bissonette, Kenneth Sr
Bissonette, Ronald
Blair, Eddy
Borneisen, James
Bourdeleau, Pierre
Bratz, Amy
Breen, Richard
Brookman, Hughette
Bull, Lola
Burke, Betty
Burt, Brad
Burt, Edson
Burt, Janice
Burt, Lisa
Butterfield, Marie
Cameron, Barbara
Cameron, Charles
Cameron, Peggy
Capek, Michelle

Capek, Patricia
Capek, Stanely
Charron, Dennis
Charron, Estelle
Charron, Lucien
Charron, Richard
Chartrand Family
Chicoine, Jacques
Clearey, Ed
Coe, Pete
Coleman, Matthew
Condon, Elizabeth
Conlin, Betty
Cook, Uncle Ken
Coricelli, Marion
Cory, George
Cota, Arthur
Cota, Vera
Crane, Olive
Crane, Olive Baldwin
Crawford, Robert
Crosby, Hilda
Crosby, Kurt
Cunningham, Alberta
Currier, Charles
Currier, Grace
Currier, Wayne
Curtis, Patty
Dame, Catherine
Davis, Rita
Davison, Ray
Denis, Ann-Marie
Denis, Laurence
Denis, Madeline
Denis, Paul
Denis, Raymond
Denis, Thomas
DeRepentigny, Deborah
DeRepentigny, Leo
Dolan, Sandra
Doran, Kevin
Douglas, Judy
Duclos, Norma
Dupoise, David
Dupoise, Marilyn
Dutil, Rick
Eagan, Pat
Eaton, Muriel
Emmons, Jake
Emmons, Muriel
Erwin, Madeline
Erwin-Morris, Eve
Ethier Family
Fedore, Julie

Fleury, Elizabeth
Flynn, Carrie
Flynn, Kevin
Flynn, Terry
Flynn, Unice
Fontaine, Frank
Fontaine, Leonard
Foster, Jim Jr
Foster, Robert
Freeguard, Angel
Freeguard, Anthony
Freeguard, Casey
Friedrich, Gloria
Friedrich, Lucille
Friedrich, Randy
Friedrich, Raymond
Gee, Albert
Gee, Edward
Gee, Phyllis
Gibbs, Mark
Gifford, Marie
Gosliga, Gerardus
Gosliga, Grace
Grandchamp, Vicky
Greene, Albert
Greene, Bryan
Greene, Ed
Greene, Grace
Griffin, Gary
Heath, Bea
Heath, Beatrice
Heath, Floyd
Heath, Floyd Sr
Herbert, Charlie
Herbert, Doug
Herbert, Gordon
Herbert, Mary
Hetzel, Gunther
Hetzel, Theresa
Higbe, Margaret
Hogan, Beth
Hornbeck, Chas
Hornbeck, Danny
Hornbeck, Ed
Hornbeck, Marie
Hutchins, Irma
Keeler, Olivia
Kerr, Sherry
Ketchum, Ted
Kimball, Robin
Kimball, Vera
Kimball, Wallace
King, Jill
Kinner, Russell

2019 Town of Whiting Memory Tree

Loizeau, Richard
LaDuc, Hilda
LaDuc, Phil
LaDuc, Reginald
LaMonda, Leonard
Lamoureux, Auguste
Lamoureux, Edgar Jr.
Lamoureux, Helene
Lamoureux, Marie
Lamoureux, Real
Langeway, Chip
Langeway, Kathy
Langeway, Linda
Leno, Darlene
Leno, Emery
Leno, Grandma
Lille, Beatrice
Lillie, Beatrice Baldwin
Lillie, Bernard
Litch, Josh
Little, Christa Q.
Little, Christa Quenneville
Marcelle, David
Martin, Fernand & Angie
Marshall, Cary Sr
Marshall, Judy
Martella, Glenn
Martella, Joseph
Mason, Travis
McIntyre, Bonnie
McIntyre, Danny
McIntyre, Earl
Miner, Louise
Mitzimberg, Alexander
Morin, Ryan
Mottoa, Olga
Mottoa, Vinicio
Floyd Munger
Munger, Lucy
Nokes, June
Palmer, Bill
Palmer, Ethel
Peters, Betty
Peters, Pete
Peterson, Allen
Pidgeon, George
Pidgeon, Herb
Pidgeon, Liz
Pidgeon, Paul
Pidgeon, Paul Jr
Pidgeon, Stella
Plouffe, Shirley
Quenneville, Ashley

Quenneville, Claudette
Quenneville, Guy
Quenneville, Janet
Quenneville, Jean Guy
Quenneville, Lorraine
Quenneville, Lucille
Quenneville, Rene
Quenneville, Roger
Quenneville, Romeo
Quenneville, Vince
Quenneville, Vincent
Quesnel, Alice
Quesnel, Clara
Quesnel, Dominique
Quesnel, DC
Quesnel, Randy Jr
Quinn, Linda
Quinn, Tristan
Raleigh, Mike "Big Red"
Rawson, Bob
Rawson, Carroll
Rawson, Curt
Rawson, Curtis
Rawson, Margaret
Rawson, Norma
Rawson, Robert
Reeve, Karen
Remy, Gesner
Remy, Marie-Lourdes
Rogers, Marianne
Roorda, Garry S.
Roorda, Gary
Rowe, Fred
Rubright, Deane
Russett, Harvey Sr
Russett, Joel
Sabatini, Karen
Salino, Barbara
Sampson, James
Sanderson, Pete
Sanderson, Sandy
Seguin, Alban
Seguin, Dorothy
Simonds, Frances
Simonds, Rich
Smith, Jason
Stevens, David
Stevens, Elise
Stevens, Evelyn
Stevens, Howard
Stevens, Richard
Strong, Danny
Sumner, Iannie

Sussman, Opal
Swinnington, John
Taylor, Bill
Tilgner, Dave
Tobin, Francis "Tobe"
Toth, Grace
Toth, Louis
Toth, Ruth
Trayah, Raymond
Trombley, Ada
Trombley, Gerald "Boots"
Trombley, Josie
Trombley, Josie B.
Trudo, Calvin
Trudo, Dorris
Turpin, Paul
Vacca, Betty
Vacca, Nickolas
Viets, Diana
Warren, Howard
Warren, Howard Sr
Webster, Elizabeth
Webster, Harold
Wetmore, Brian
Wetmore, Donald
White, Ron
Whitney, Rodney
Wilbur, Annette
Wilbur Family
Wilbur, Grandpa
Wilbur, Robert
Williams, Alexa
Williams, Ben
Williams, Lillian
Wimett, Arlene
Wood, Roy Weaver
Young, Bruce
Young, Rosalind

Worcester, MA Firefighters
who died December 3rd, 1999:

- Paul A. Brotherton
- Joseph P. McGuirk
- Timothy P. Jackson
- Jeremiah M. Lucy
- James F. Lyons
- LT. Thomas Spencer

In Memory of past Whiting
Fire Chiefs:

- Clayton Sawtelle
- Bill Palmer
- Clarence Birchmore



ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

The Addison County Solid Waste Management District is a union municipal district formed in 1988 to cooperatively and comprehensively address the solid waste management interests of its 21 member municipalities: Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge and Whiting. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors (Board) comprised of one representative and one alternate from each of the member municipalities. The Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7PM at the Addison County Regional Planning Commission Office, 14 Seminary Street, Middlebury, VT.

District Mission

To seek environmentally sound & cost effective solutions for: (1) Promoting **waste reduction**; (2) Promoting **pollution prevention**; (3) Maximizing **diversion** of waste through reuse, recycling and composting; and (4) Providing for **disposal** of remaining wastes.

District Office and Transfer Station

Telephone: (802) 388-2333

E-mail: acswmd@acswmd.org

Office Hours: M-F, 8 AM–4 PM

Fax: (802) 388-0271

Transfer Station Hours:

HazWaste Center Hours:

Website: www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org

M-F, 7 AM–3 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM

M-F, 8 AM–2 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM

The District Office, Transfer Station and HazWaste Center are co-located at 1223 Rt. 7 South in Middlebury. The Transfer Station accepts large loads of waste and single stream recyclables for transfer to out-of-District facilities. District residents and businesses may drop off a variety of other materials for reuse, recycling and composting. The **Reuse It or Lose It!** Centers are open for accepting reusable household goods and building materials. A complete list of acceptable items and prices is posted on the District's website.

2019 Highlights

Waste Diversion. In 2019, the Universal Recycling Law was amended to require haulers to offer curbside food scrap collection only to nonresidential customers and apartment buildings with 4 or more residential units. By 7/1/2020, **all** generators must divert food scraps (except for bones and meat scraps), and a VT landfill ban on food scraps takes effect. The District is committed to working with each of its member towns, haulers and businesses to plan for the new mandate. The VT Materials Management Plan required all solid waste planning entities to measure the diversion rate of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) that was recycled, reused, reduced and composted in 2018. The District's 2019 Solid Waste Implementation Report showed that the District reached a MSW Diversion Rate of 55.82% in 2018, a record for the District. The District has exceeded the State goal of 50% diversion since 2006, due to the amazing efforts of our residents and businesses to source separate their items, thereby reducing the waste sent to the landfill for disposal.

Recycling. The decline in market prices for most recyclables continued in 2019. Fortunately, the District has been able to weather the recycling losses, which are estimated to reach \$35,000+ by the end of the year. In spite of this, the District's commitment to recycling remains steadfast. Act No. 69 (S.113), adopted this last Legislative session, will take effect on 7/1/2020. It will enact multiple requirements for single-use products provided by a store or food establishment, which will also be prohibited from providing single-use plastic carryout bags. Expanded polystyrene food service products will not be allowed to be sold in VT. Plastic straws will be available upon request only, and plastic stirrers will be banned. A study committee has emerged from Act 69 to further examine ways to manage packaging and printed materials.

Product Stewardship. As a method of controlling costs and keeping unwanted and banned items out of the landfill, the District has continued to be a strong advocate for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) laws. EPR laws help distribute the cost of recycling and safe management of these products among industry, government and consumers. EPR can alleviate the financial burden on municipalities and residents, while mitigating environmental impacts by increasing collection and recycling rates of covered products. VT now has the second highest number of EPR laws in the U.S. The success of these laws and their economic benefits to the 21 District towns has prompted efforts by the VT Product Stewardship Council, of which the District is a member, to investigate the feasibility of similar laws for household hazardous waste, as well as packaging and printed materials.

Illegal Burning/Disposal. The District contracted with the Addison County Sheriff's Department in 2019 to enforce its Illegal Burning & Disposal Ordinance. The District served again as County Coordinator for Green-Up Day, assisting the many area volunteers who organized collection of roadside litter. The District provided free disposable gloves, prizes for kids, and free disposal of all roadside waste. The District subsidized the disposal of 17.80 tons of roadside trash, 7.49 tons of tires, 3 auto batteries, 11 E-Waste items, 9 appliances, and various other hazardous items, for a total economic benefit to its member towns of \$3,622.

2020 Annual Budget

The District adopted a 2020 Annual Budget of \$3,523,752, a 9.3% increase. The Transfer Station tip fees will increase to \$128/ton for MSW and C&D. The rate for Single Stream Recyclables will increase to \$120/ton. Rates on some other items will have nominal increases. New fees: The District Fee will increase to \$34/ton on all waste destined for disposal. A fee of \$110/ton will take effect for the new Asphalt Shingle and Drywall C&D Recycling program. **There will be no assessments to member municipalities in 2020.** For a copy of the full 2019 Annual Report and Adopted 2020 Rate Sheet, please give us a call, or visit the District website at www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org.

2019 RUTLAND NORTHEAST SUPERVISORY UNION

SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Residents of Brandon, Chittenden, Goshen, Leicester, Mendon, Pittsford, Sudbury, & Whiting:

I am pleased to write this report to capture RNESU, OVUU and BUU activities for 2019. As we are in the 4th year of our Act 46 merger, it is great to see the efficiencies we have been able to create as we work to achieve the vision and mission of educating every child in our eight towns. I will highlight a few of these activities in this report.

- **Safety:** RNESU districts received a total grant of \$176,575 to upgrade our entrance access systems across all schools in the SU. As of the fall of 2019, we now have a key card access system, which will allow tighter control of who accesses the buildings while still allowing for recreational and town partnerships. In addition, Otter Valley UHS has improved its lobby bathrooms for ADA access, Neshobe has repaired the front steps of the Forest Dale building, and Lothrop has reconfigured its entrance to the front office to limit access to the full building.
- **Climate Survey:** the RNESU 2019 Climate Survey is the second one completed by students, staff and families, updating information received in 2017. The survey data showed all three groups are satisfied with the school system, with 69% of parents reporting that they are either very satisfied or satisfied with the schools, 87% of staff strongly agreeing or agreeing that the District is a good place to work and 73% of students always or usually believe that what they are learning in school will help them to be successful in life. The areas of growth identified for continued focus include: bullying and discipline, academic rigor and perceptions, parent engagement, adult/student relationships, and school pride.
- **After School** programs in OVUU were reviewed with an eye on equity. As of fall 2019, the programs at Lothrop, Otter Creek Academy and Neshobe had common days, hours and licenses and we are working towards common fees.
- We hired a new **Transportation Coordinator**, Richard Vigue, this year to replace Becky Congdon, who had served RNESU for many years. Richard comes with experience in a school system in Maine and is quickly fitting in to the community needs.
- The **PreKindergarten / Private Child Care Partnership** at Whiting Elementary School has been successful and has a wait list, causing the Boards to wish to emulate the partnership in the south end of the SU. We are still seeking private childcare partners to make this happen.
- Otter Valley UU and RNESU boards joined the Barstow UU board in the use of **policy governance**, with a primary focus on connecting with the community and engaging residents on a deeper level.
- OVUU Board received recommendations from an 18-month community/ board Task Force and is working through those recommendations on the sustainability and future of the district this school year.
- The **Vision and Mission** of the SU was revisited by all three boards in the fall of 2019, resulting in an updated vision for each district, to be rolled out in early 2020.
- OVUHS hosted one student from China for 2018-19 and one in 2019-2020 under a partnership with Vermont International Academy, with the goal of increasing students hosted in the future.

Read the school reports to hear what our students are doing and how the schools are celebrating their learning.

I am honored to continue to serve as the RNESU superintendent in my 5th year in the district and look forward to more connections with our schools and communities.

Respectfully,
Jeanne Collins, Superintendent
RNESU

2019 OTTER VALLEY UNIFIED UNION BOARD OF DIRECTORS'

LETTER TO THE TOWNS OF PITTSFORD, BRANDON, LEICESTER, SUDBURY & WHITING

It is my pleasure to tell you what the Otter Valley Unified Union Board has been doing for the past twelve months. First, we moved to Policy Governance. This provides better information regarding the running of the schools and will allow us to focus on the future of those same schools instead of being reactive to situations that we might find ourselves in.

Second, we have spent countless hours with the recommendations of the Task Force that looked at the future of our schools. A primary recommendation of the Task Force focuses on the possibility of an Enhanced Middle School that would educate our fifth through eighth graders at an Otter Valley Middle School. We envision this Middle School to be separate from the High School so there will be little to no student interaction with the High School. The consideration of this recommendation will be a multiyear process. We have approved monies for architectural plans to be drawn up regarding our options at Otter Valley for this endeavor. We want community, parent and student input as we go through the process of determining whether this possibility makes sense for our district. Please be on the lookout for forums and surveys regarding this matter. In fact, feel free to come to our meetings on the third Wednesday of each month and work with us as we focus on our Task Force Initiatives. We are looking for Community Ambassadors who can come to our meetings, interact with us, and take that information back to the communities.

During the summer, we retrofitted the Otter Valley lobby bathrooms so that they are now handicap accessible, check them out! We were also able to secure all our school facilities entrances with the Safety Grant monies that we obtained from the State of Vermont.

Please review our OVUU Merger Report (the timeline) that shows decisions we have made and where we are now since our merger back in 2016. I want to take this opportunity to thank Matt Philo, Emily Nelson, and Jon Rasmussen for their tireless service to the Board, as they are not seeking re-election. As always, feel free to contact a Board Member with any questions you might have, or use the Let's Talk App on any school website. We look forward to hearing from you!

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Bertrand
OVUU Board Chair

2020 RUTLAND NORTHEAST SUPERVISORY UNION **ANNUAL BOARD REPORT**

Greetings and Happy New Year! The Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union (RNEU) Board has been hard at work with several items during the year. The biggest change for us this year was moving to Policy Governance. The Barstow Unified Union and the Otter Valley Unified Union Boards already use this form of governance so it makes sense that Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union would as well. It will allow us to be future focused and proactive on the future of our Districts instead of being reactive to legislative or economic pressures. The other important work of our board was creating the budget for Special Education, Technology, Central Office, and Transportation. This year due to forces outside of our control, we have prepared a budget that reflects a 7.8% increase in spending. This is largely due to the 12.9% increase in the cost of health insurance coverage. We have made no significant changes in staffing or programming. I would like to take this time to thank you for your continued support of our Supervisory Union and most of all our kids. If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact a board member or use the Let's Talk button on any school website.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Bertrand
RNEU Board Chair

2019 WHITING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019 7:15PM

Attended: Steve Quinn, Lillian Curran, Karen Marshall, Rose Curran, Carolyn Schmidt, Heather Mattison, Virginia Salino, Pat Mattison, Rani Fallon, Anne Coleman, Greg Coleman, Randy Denis, Randy Kritkauskys, Steve White, Bob Wood, Mary Pepe, Stacey Freeguard, Jaime Quenneville, Rebecca Bertrand, Rusty Brigham, Tammy Wilbur, Larry Wilbur, Suzanne Denis, Alison Remy, Elizabeth Curran, Richard Curran, Steve Quenneville, Paul Quesnel, Gale Quenneville, Gary Freeguard, Mike Bertrand

The legal voters of the Town of Whiting, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Whiting on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 7:15pm to transact the following business:

The meeting opened at 7:15. The Moderator invited our Legislative Representative Terry Norris to address the Town. Terry spoke of the bills the legislature has been working on including a pollinator protection bill, a bill that would require proper labeling on non-milk products (such as soy, almond or oat milks), a draft bill that would clarify wetlands as regards to agricultural land and farming practices and an on-farm slaughter law. In Forestry they are working with the tax department to clarify the sales and use tax on forestry equipment, they are working with the Hemp Program along with the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. He also let us know we can read updates on Facebook or email him with our concerns.

The Moderator then invited School Board Representative Rebecca Bertrand to address the town. Rebecca reported she feels the board is now a team. The first year there were no changes, the second year a lower budget was needed and the administrative staff decided which students went where, and the third year the board worked on the safety bond after the State came in to inspect our schools. At Otter Valley they require a Key Fob for entry, at Neshobe there is concern about kids going outside to get from one building to another so the board is looking to build corridors, which would then require 4 new classrooms to replace the space required for construction of the corridors. Carolyn Schmidt stated she was very disappointed that the superintendent and/or principal did not attend our meeting. Paul Quesnel agreed, they are making decisions but not facing the community. Jaime Quenneville expressed concern that in Sudbury broken windows are not being repaired until next Summer. Rebecca said she would let the board know our concerns.

ARTICLE I: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year. Elizabeth Curran was nominated for Moderator, 2nd by Virginia Salino. There were no other nominations, the clerk cast one vote for Elizabeth Curran for moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE II: To receive and act upon the report of the Town Officers. Moved by Becky Bertrand, seconded by Steve White. There was no discussion. A motion to receive and act upon the report of the Town Officers was passed with one vote opposed.

ARTICLE III: Will the Town vote to change the Term of Road Commissioner from One Year to Three Years? Michael Bertrand questioned why would we change the term, he felt it was not necessary. Tammy Wilbur said it was for planning purposes. We ask the road commissioner to lay out a budget in December, as well as to plan ahead for the next few years, and then he may or may not get elected in March. It would be easier to plan if he knew he would be there for a few years. The motion to change the term of Road Commissioner to three years was made by Tammy Wilbur, seconded by Carolyn Schmidt, and by voice vote all but one voted to change the term to three years.

ARTICLE IV: Will the Town elect the Officers as required by law in the following order:

A. Road Commissioner for 3 years -incumbent Paul Quesnel. Carolyn Schmidt nominated Paul Quesnel for Road Commissioner for three years, Rani Fallon seconded. There were no other nominations; the moderator instructed the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Paul Quesnel for Road Commissioner for three years.

B. Select Board Member for 3 years -incumbent Tara Trudo (vacant). The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur; Stacey Freeguard nominated Marcia King, seconded by Tammy Wilbur. There were no other nominations and by voice vote the moderator instructed the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Marcia King for Select Board Member for three years.

C. Lister for 3 years -incumbent Elizabeth Curran. The motion was made by Lillian Curran, Rose Curran nominated Elizabeth Curran, seconded by Steve Quenneville. There were no other nominations and by voice vote the moderator instructed the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Elizabeth Curran for Lister for 3 years.

D. Auditor for 3 years -incumbent Alison Remy. The motion was made by Steve Quenneville, Tammy Wilbur nominated Alison Remy, seconded by Paul Quesnel. There were no other nominations and by voice vote the moderator instructed the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Alison Remy for Auditor for 3 years.

E. Collect of Delinquent Taxes for 1 year - incumbent Rani Fallon. The motion was made by Paul Quesnel, Gale Quenneville nominated Rani Fallon, Stacey Freeguard seconded the nomination. By voice vote the moderator instructed the Town Clerk to cast one vote for Rani Fallon for Delinquent Tax Collector.

F. Library Trustee for 3 years -incumbent Heather Mattison. The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur, Tammy Wilbur nominated Heather Mattison, seconded by Stacey Freeguard. There were no other nominations and by voice vote Heather Mattison was elected as Library Trustee for 3 years.

G. Library Trustee for 2 years -incumbent Jaime Quenneville. The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur, Tammy Wilbur nominated Jaime Quenneville, seconded by Stacey Freeguard. There were no other nominations and by voice vote Jaime Quenneville was elected as Library Trustee for 2 years.

H. Library Trustee for 2 years -incumbent Tara Trudo. The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur, Tammy Wilbur nominated Tara Trudo, seconded by Stacey Freeguard. There were no other nominations and by voice vote Tara Trudo was elected as Library Trustee for 3 years.

I. First Constable for 1 year -incumbent Michael Dame (vacant). The moderator noted that for the size of our town, only one Constable was required. The motion was made, Carolyn Schmidt nominated Rusty Brigham, seconded by Stacey Freeguard and no other nominations were made. By voice vote Rusty Brigham was elected as Constable for one year.

J. Town Agent for 1 year -incumbent Heather Bouchard. The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur, Gary Freeguard nominated Heather Bouchard, seconded by Stacey Freeguard. There were no other nominations and by voice vote Heather Bouchard was elected as Town Agent for one year.

ARTICLE IV: Will the Town give the Delinquent Tax Collector the power to collect delinquent taxes? The motion was made by Gary Freeguard, seconded by Stacey Freeguard. By voice vote the Town gave the Delinquent Tax Collector the power to collect delinquent taxes.

ARTICLE V: Shall the Town authorize the Treasurer to collect real property taxes to the Treasurer on or before Monday, December 2, 2019? (postmarks not accepted). The motion was made by Steve Quenneville, seconded by Stacey Freeguard and by voice vote the Town authorized the Treasurer to collect real property taxes on or before December 2nd , 2019 (postmarks not accepted).

ARTICLE VI: Will the Town appropriate \$369,677.50 expenses and indebtedness of the town of which \$277,522.65 will come from taxes? The motion was made by Tammy Wilbur, seconded by Stacey Freeguard and by voice vote (one vote opposed) the Town will appropriate \$369,677.50 expenses and indebtedness of the town of which \$277,522.65 will come from taxes.

ARTICLE VII: To transact any other nonbinding business deemed necessary and proper when met. The question was asked if Marcia King could be both Auditor and Select Board Member, the answer is no, the Select Board will appoint someone to take Marcia's place as auditor. The First Response wanted it noted that they are looking for new members. Mike Bertrand stated he was very concerned with the potholes on West Road and Murray Road. He said the potholes should be filled with stone not gravel; he pays over \$8,000 in taxes and feels our roads should be a priority. Rani Fallon asked if the "Y" at the intersection of Murray Road and Rte 30 could be paved?

The meeting was closed at 8:14pm

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Whiting, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Whiting on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 7:15pm to transact the following business:

ARTICLE I: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE II: The receive and act upon the report of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE III: Will the Town elect the Officers as required by law in the following order:

- A. Auditor for 3 years, incumbent Marcia king, Vacant due to incompatibility of offices as she was elected to the Select Board in 2019
- B. Delinquent Tax Collector for 1-year, incumbent Rani Fallon
- C. First Constable for 1-year, incumbent Rusty Brigham
- D. Library Trustee for 3 years, incumbent Andrea Quesnel
- E. Library Trustee for 3 years, incumbent Tammy Wilbur
- F. Lister for 3 years, incumbent Stacey Freeguard
- G. Lister finishing a 3-year term ending in 2021, to fill a vacancy left by Dennis Ethridge, Vacant
- H. Select board member for 3 years, incumbent Steve Quenneville
- I. Town Agent for 1 year, incumbent is Heather Bouchard, but due to incompatibility of offices, as she was appointed as the Town Clerk and Treasurer, the position was appointed by the Select Board to Paul Quesnel
- J. Town Clerk for 3 years, incumbent is Gale Quenneville, but due a vacancy, the position was appointed by the Select Board to Heather Bouchard
- K. Town Treasurer for 3 years, incumbent is Gale Quenneville, but due a vacancy, the position was appointed by the Select Board to Heather Bouchard

ARTICLE IV: Will the Town give the Delinquent Tax Collector the power to collect delinquent taxes?

ARTICLE V: Shall the Town authorize the Treasurer to collect real property taxes to the Treasurer on or before Monday, December 1, 2020? (postmarks not accepted)

ARTICLE VI: Will the Town appropriate \$359,242.50 expenses and indebtedness of the town of which \$260,507.65 will come from taxes?

ARTICLE VII: To transact any other nonbinding business deemed necessary and proper when met.

Select Board Chair:

Bob Wood

Steve Quenneville

Marcia King

Bob Wood 1-13-20
Marcia King 1/13/2020
Steve Quenneville

**TOWN OF WHITING
29 S. MAIN STREET
WHITING, VT 05778**

Please bring this report with you to:

TOWN MEETING

**TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020 at 7:15PM
at The Whiting Town Hall**