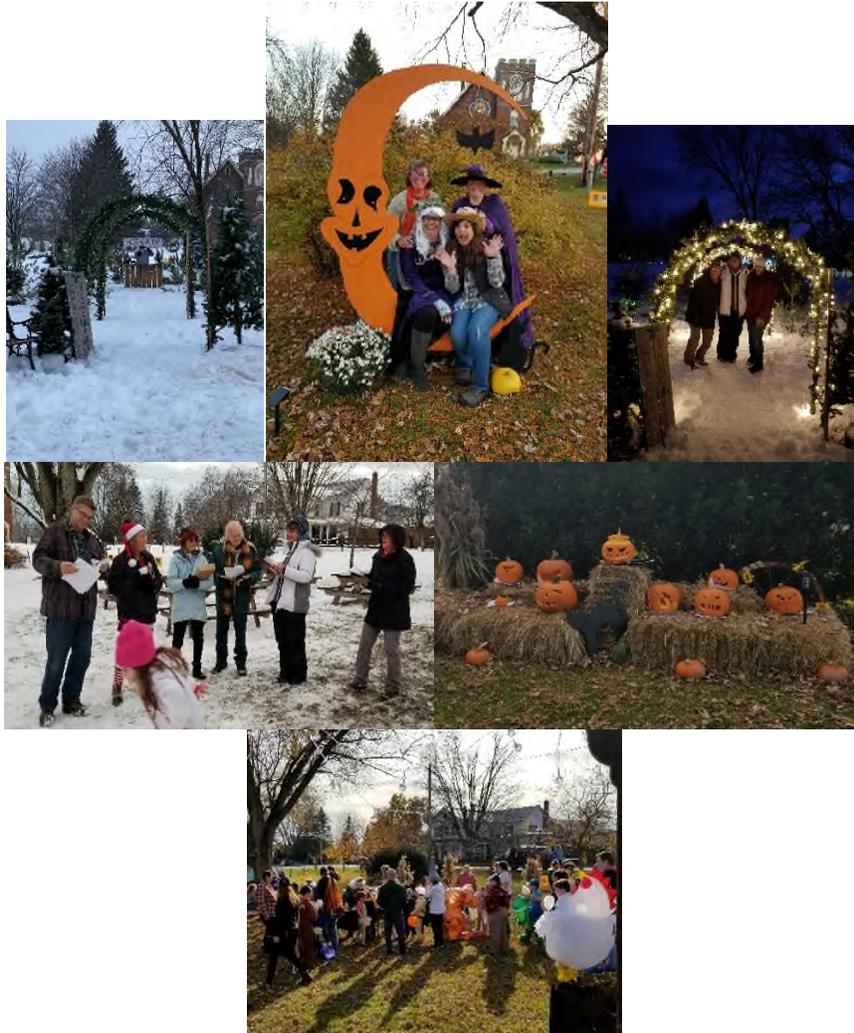


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NEW HAVEN, VERMONT**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2022
January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022**

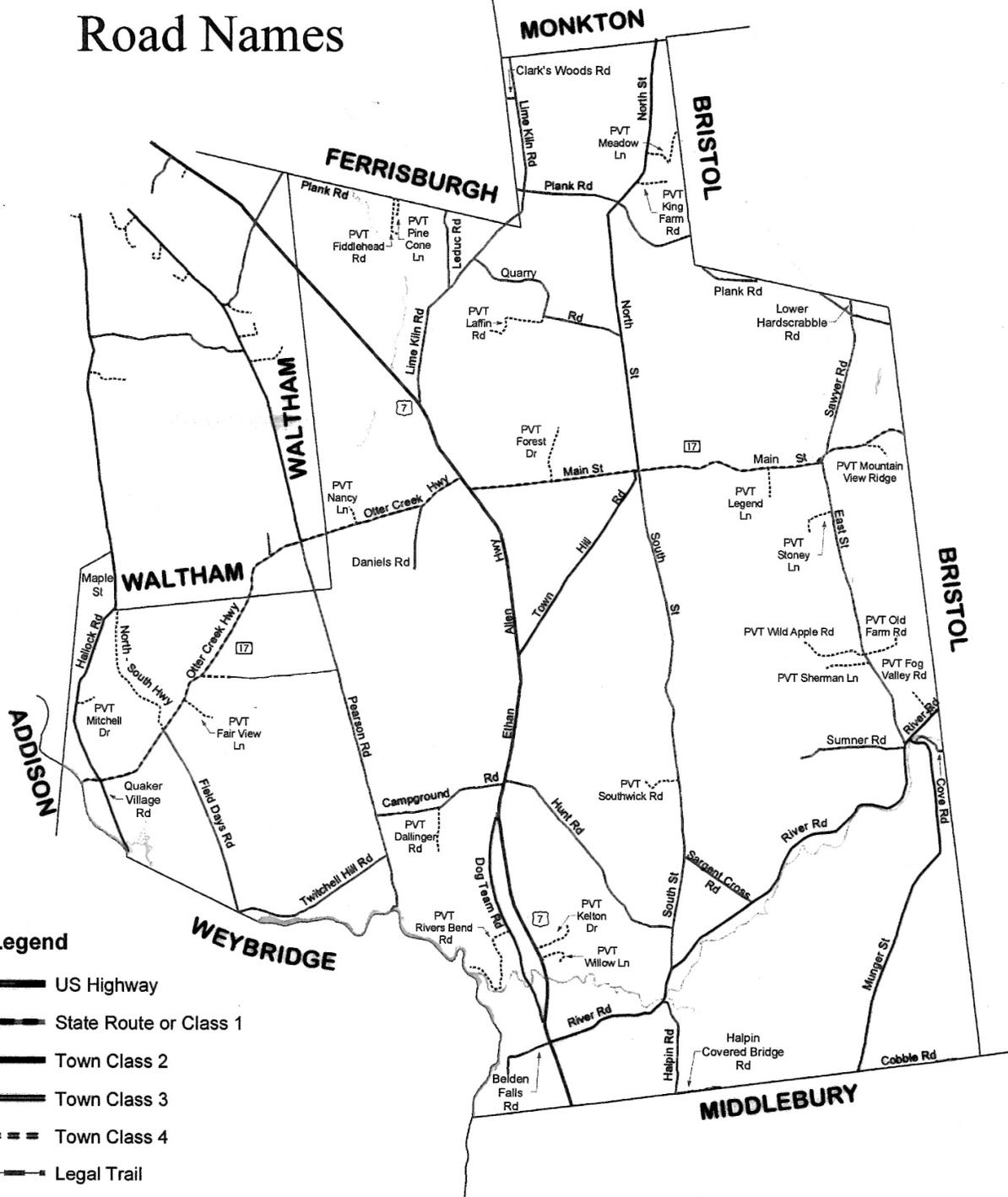


**NEW HAVEN'S 2023
INFORMATIONAL TOWN MEETING
will be held in person in the Town Hall located at
70 North St.**

Monday, March 6th, 2023 6:30-8:30pm (EST)

**Australian Ballot Voting will take place on Tuesday, March 7th, from
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Town of New Haven Road Names



Legend

- US Highway
- State Route or Class 1
- Town Class 2
- Town Class 3
- Town Class 4
- Legal Trail
- Forest Rd
- Private Rd

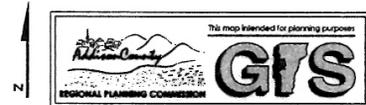
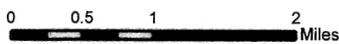


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DEDICATION – Steve Dupoise



Born and raised in New Haven, Steve is dedicated to giving back to his town and the surrounding community. Many know him as a businessman and entrepreneur but very few know the countless hours he has put in behind the scenes making things happen for the betterment of New Haven.

He was elected to the Selectboard in 2014 and jumped in with both feet. While serving on the Selectboard, he was point person on some big projects over the years, including the Anbaric/Vermont Greenline project, Vermont Gas, VELCO's new back-up substation, and the most recent undertaking to save the Historic Train Depot. We have learned over the years working with Steve that when he makes up his mind to do something – it gets done; Steve is a true go-getter.

Steve was appointed as the Town Health Officer in 1989 and served in that role for 27 years. He helped many people in awkward situations who needed his help, landlord disputes, dog bites, etc. Steve also served on the Beeman Elementary School Board during the 80's while his children were in school.

With Steve and Macia wintering in Florida, we were introduced to virtual meetings way before COVID hit us. Steve has brought compassion, and his love and knowledge of New Haven to the Selectboard and has always been fair and willing to listen to what others have to say. He is extremely supportive of the Town Office staff, ready to lend a hand when needed.

We thank you, Steve, for your many years of service to our town. You will be greatly missed on the Selectboard.

SPECIAL MENTION

Taborri Bruhl

When you think of Taborri, you think of a quiet, thoughtful soul. Taborri has been an amazing asset to the Selectboard for the past 6 years. He brought his wisdom as a teacher along with his ability to hear both sides of each story to make fair and balanced decisions.

Taborri took on the EV Charger project at the Town Offices, and he sought a grant writer to help secure the funding. He worked alongside Maggie Eaton asking folks in New Haven for ideas on how to spend the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds and compiled a large list with every idea. He was also one of the point people for new solar arrays that wanted to come into town.

We wish you all the best, Taborri. You will be greatly missed on the Selectboard.

Wayne Marcelle

Everybody knows Wayne! Whether he drove your bus, saw you out at Field Days, or he visited you to remind you to license your dog, or just to say, "hello." Wayne has been a huge presence in our town, he served as a Fireman, our town Constable, and our Animal Control Officer each for over 20 years. It takes a certain type of person to fill these positions, one with guts and integrity. Thank you, Wayne, for serving our town and for being on call for so many years handling bulls, skunks, and a few dogs in between. You will be greatly missed.



TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Emergency Services

911

Fire (New Haven) ● Police (State Police) ● Rescue

Vermont State Police	388-4919
Addison County Sheriff.....	388-2981
Town of New Haven Website	newhavenvt.com
Town Office	453-3516
Town Office Fax number	453-7552
Town Shed	453-3397
State Shed.....	453-3104
Beeman Elementary School.....	453-2331
MT. Abraham Unified School District.....	453-2333
Addison Northeast Supervisory Union.....	453-3657
New Haven Library	453-4015
New Haven Post Office	453-2752
New Haven Fire Station (non-emergency)	453-3654
Bristol Rescue	453-2513(office) 453-2401(emergency)
Fire Warden-Dean Gilmore	373-4198
Delinquent Tax Collector	453-3516
Health Officer- Kathy Cahill	262-298-0865
Constable/Animal Control Officer	453-3516
Historical Society-Bev Landon.....	453-4037
Front Porch Forum	FrontPorchForum.com

Churches

Addison County Church of Christ	453-5704
New Haven Congregational Church	453-3777
United Reformed Church of New Haven	388-1345
Union Church of New Haven Mills (services held only in the summer)	

State Officials

109 State Street, Pavilion, Montpelier, VT 05609-0101

Webpage – <http://vermont.gov>

Governor Phil Scott	802-828-3333
Lt. Governor David Zuckerman	802-828-2226
State Senator Christopher Bray.....	802-371-8183
Email.....	cbray@leg.state.vt.us
State Senator Ruth Hardy	802-989-5278
Email.....	rhardy@leg.state.vt.us
State Representative ADD-3 Matthew Birong	802-828-2228
Email.....	mbirong@leg.state.vt.us
State Representative ADD-3 Diane Lanpher.....	802-828-2228
Email.....	dlanpher@leg.state.vt.us
State Representative ADD-5 Jubilee McGill.....	802-802-2228
Email.....	jmcgill@leg.vt.us

TOWN OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Closed on Friday
Holiday schedule will be posted on front door.

MEETINGS SCHEDULE:

Selectboard Meetings

First and Third Tuesday of each month
7:00 pm - Town Office

Development Review Board

First and Third Monday as needed
7:00 pm -Town Office
No longer meeting when there are no applications.

Planning Commission

Second Monday of each month
7:00 pm - Town Office

All meetings are being held in person with a hybrid option.
Please check Town website www.newhavenvt.com
to confirm date, time, and log in information.

School Board Meetings

Refer to MAUSD.org for agendas

Fire Department Meetings

First Wednesday of each month
7:00 pm - Fire Station

Historical Society

To be determined.

Library Trustee Meetings

First Thursday of each month
6:30 pm - New Haven Community Library

New Haven Community Library Hours

Tuesday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Wednesday 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Thursday 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Post Office Hours

Lobby Hours

M-F 6:30 am – 4:45 pm Sat 6:30 am – 11:30 am

Window Hours

M-F 7:30 am – 11:30 pm 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm Sat 7:30 am – 11:00 am

Town Meeting Warning
261st Annual Town Meeting of New Haven, Vermont

The legal voters of the Town of New Haven are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall in New Haven, Vermont on **Monday, March 6, 2023, at 6:30 PM** to act on Articles 1 through 4; and on **Tuesday, March 7, 2023, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM** to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 5 through 32.

A DISCUSSION PERIOD FOR THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to pay real estate taxes to the Town Treasurer on October 2, 2023; delinquent taxes to be subject to interest charges of one percent per month, and an eight percent penalty charged against them from October 2, 2023?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven accept the Auditors' Report for the year 2022?

ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven authorize the Selectboard to put funding of those non-profit entities which have petitioned and have been approved for 5 consecutive years at the same amount into the General Fund budget, each listed at current funding level, rather than in separate articles effective with the 2024 budget?

ARTICLE 4. To transact, vote and act upon any further non-binding business, which may legally come before this meeting, including but not limited to discussion about how to spend ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan Act).

ARTICLE 5. To elect the following Town Officers by Australian Ballot:

Auditor	3 years
Auditor	3 years
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Lister	3 years
Moderator	1 year
Mt. Abe Unified School District Director	3 years
Selectboard	2 years
Selectboard	3 years
Trustee of Public Funds	1 year

ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed Road Fund Budget of \$1,285,297.27, less anticipated revenues of \$353,400.00 less 2022 surplus of \$82,596.07, leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$849,301.20 to be raised by taxes, for the purpose of maintaining town roads for the year 2023? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,374,474.38 (General Fund expenses, \$774,474.38 plus school payment due \$600,000.00) less anticipated revenues of \$428,891.81, less 2022 surplus of \$466101.38, leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$479,481.19, to be raised by taxes? This amount to be increased by any additional monies voted affirmatively by Australian Ballot on March 7, 2023. The tax rate to be determined by the Selectboard. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$140,000.00 from the Reserve Facilities Fund to do major repairs to the façade of the Town Hall? Said repairs to include the front porch and improve ADA accessibility. By Australian Ballot

ARTICLE 9. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven authorize the Selectboard to purchase approximately five acres (Lot # 3) of the lands of VELCO whose property lies on the southerly side of Route 17 (Main Street) for a sum not to exceed \$70,000.00, which includes closing costs. Monies to come from ARPA Funds. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 10. Shall the legal voters of the Town of New Haven, as part of the Mount Abraham Unified School District, approve the withdrawal agreement with the Lincoln School District, which includes the property transfer of the Lincoln Community School building and bond as well as a negotiated portion of the MAUSD Education Reserve Fund in the amount of \$74,754? By Australian Ballot.
The details of the terms can be found in the full withdrawal agreement posted on the MAUSD website, in MAUSD schools and at the town clerk's office.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,753.25 for the Addison County Home Health and Hospice, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison County Humane Society, Inc.? (Homeward Bound) By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 13. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,800.00 for the Addison County Parent Child Center? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 for Addison County Readers, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for Addison County Restorative Justice Services? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 16. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 17. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Age Well? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 18. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Bristol Family Center? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 19. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$2,500.00 to Bristol Recreation Department? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 20. Shall the voters of Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,750.00 for the Counseling Service of Addison County? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 21. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Elderly Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 22. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,700.00 for HOPE? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,075.00 for the John Graham Housing and Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 24. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,000 for the New Haven Mentoring Program? By Australian Ballot

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town appropriate \$1,200.00 to the Open-Door Clinic, Community Health Services of Addison County which provides access to high quality dental and healthcare, free of charge, to those who are uninsured or under-insured in accordance with 24 V.S.A.§2691? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 26. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate the sum of \$950.00 to the Otter Creek Child Center, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 27. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$390.00 for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 28. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$4,850.00 for Tri-Valley Transit to be taken from Town Funds for the purpose of maintaining and improving public transportation services for elders, persons with disabilities and the general public? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Turning Point Center of Addison County for the purpose of supporting its mission to assist persons, their families, and their friends in recovery from substance use disorder and addictive behaviors? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 30. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$525.00 for Vermont Adult Learning? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 31. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$215.00 for the Vermont Center for Independent Living? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 32. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to WomenSafe, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

Dated at New Haven, Vermont, this 1st day of February 2023.

Received for Record:

February 1, 2023, at 1:00 pm Attest: _____
New Haven Town Clerk

* _____
John Roleau (Chair)

* _____
Taborri Bruhl (Vice Chair)

* _____
Kathy Barrett

* _____
Steve Dupoise

* _____
Bruce Many

****Original signatures on file at the New Haven Town Clerk's Office****

OUTSIDE AGENCY INFORMATION

The following are condensed from reports and requests received from various outside agencies requesting funds by Australian ballot. They are listed below in the order in which the articles with their requests appear on the Town Meeting Warning. When an agency is not included in these sketches, it is because no specific information was received by the Auditors for inclusion in the Town Report.

The total of all requests by Australian ballot is **\$26,358.25**.

Addison County Home Health and Hospice, Inc. (Article 10, \$1,753.25) Provides high quality, comprehensive community health care to Addison County individuals and families regardless of their ability to pay. 75 New Haven individuals & 1938 visits in 2022. Address: P.O. Box 754 Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-7259

Homeward Bound (Addison County Humane Society) (Article 11, \$750.00) Promotes the ethical treatment of and the prevention of cruelty to all domestic animals and forms of wildlife. ACHS seeks to improve relationships between animals and people, foster the greatest possible understanding of the needs and proper care of all animals, provide a safe haven for the domestic animals in Addison County, strive towards 100% adoption rate for peaceable animals brought to the shelter, and serve as a source of information and as an educational resource for animal welfare throughout the county. Address: 236 Boardman St., Middlebury, VT 05753 Telephone: 388-1100

Addison County Parent/Child Center (Article 12, \$1,800.00) Services include training childcare providers, resources and referrals for childcare, support for pregnant teenagers and families, help for clients to continue education and developmental playgroups. Approx. Address: P.O. Box 646, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-3171.

Addison County Readers, Inc. (Article 13, \$750.00) A not-for-profit Vermont corporation to support literacy in Addison County. All children under the age of 5 in Addison County are eligible to register and will receive a free book each month. Address: United Way, 2 Court Street, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-7189

Addison County Restorative Justice Services (Article 14, \$500.00) Helping provide restorative justice projects for offenders who have potential to learn from their mistakes and avoid incarceration and a criminal record.

Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative (Article 15, \$500.00) Supports water quality work in New Haven. Matthew Witten, ACRWC Coordinator. Address: 1355 Shaker Hill Rd., Starksboro, VT 05487. Telephone: 434-3236.

Age Well (Article 16, \$700.00) Offers the following services to older residents of New Haven: Case Management, Meals on Wheels, Senior Community Meals, Transportation, and the Senior Helpline. Address: 76 Pearl St., Essex Jct., VT 05452 Telephone: (800) 642-5119 or (802) 865-0360

Bristol Family Center (Article 17, \$500.00) A non-profit day care center and pre-school for the five-town area. Address: 16 Orchard Terrace, Bristol, VT 05443. Telephone: 453-5659.

Bristol Recreation Department (Article 18, \$2,500.00) Serves the Five Town areas of Bristol, New Haven, Starksboro, Lincoln and Monkton. Residents outside Bristol who live in any of the four towns listed above do not have to pay additional non-resident fees to participate in any of the programs offered through Bristol Rec. Address: 1 South Street, P.O. Box 249, Bristol, VT 05443. Telephone: 453-5885.

Counseling Service of Addison County (Article 19, \$1,750.00) Provides 24-hour emergency services, in addition to a full range of professional mental health services to all members of our community. Address: 89 Main Street, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-6751 (office), Emergency Service: 388-7641 (available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

Elderly Services Inc.-Project Independence (Article 20, \$700.00) Adult Day program for elders providing safe, medically` oriented daytime care as well as giving educational and emotional support to family members whose elderly relatives attend the center. Fourteen New Haven residents received ongoing services in 2022, including 2,470 hours of adult daycare and related transportation. Address: 112 Exchange Street, P.O. Box 581, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-3983

HOPE (Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects) (Article 21, \$1,700.00) The mission of ACCAG is "to end poverty in Addison County and enable all persons to fully participate in a just society." HOPE strives to provide Addison County Residents with emergency services, and also works to provide people with the tools and resources they can use to become economically empowered. Address: 282 Boardman Street - P.O. Box 165, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-3608

John Graham Housing and Services, Inc. (Article 22, \$1,075.00) Provides temporary shelter to people who find themselves without housing, offering a warm safe place to sleep, reducing the need for homeless persons to find their own shelter in barns, abandoned buildings, cars and other places unfit for habitation. Address: 69 Main Street, Vergennes, VT 05491. Telephone: 877-2677

New Haven Mentoring Program (Article 23, \$1,000.00) Provides students at Beeman Elementary School with one on one from an area resident. Contact Holly Tempini at Beeman Elementary School 453 – 2331.

Open Door Clinic - Community Health Service of Addison County (Article 24, \$1,200.00) Provides health care for people who are uninsured or underinsured. Address: 100 Porter Drive, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-0137.

Otter Creek Child Center (Article 25, \$950.00) Provides quality, affordable, early care and education to the Addison County Community. Address: 150 Weybridge St., Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-9688.

Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) (Article 26, \$390.00) An “invitation to serve” program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service to non-profit organizations. Address: 48 Court Street, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-7044.

Tri-Valley Transit (Article 27, \$4,850.00) Provides public transportation for elders, persons with disabilities, and the general public. In 2022, 1,410 Dial-a-Ride were given to New Haven residents. Address: 282 Boardman St., Middlebury, VT 05753 Telephone: 388-1946

Turning Point Center of Addison County (Article 28, \$1,000.00) Providing peer-based recovery support to all; we seek to enhance the spiritual, mental, physical, and social growth of our community affected by substance use disorders and addictive behaviors. 54 A Creek Road, Middlebury, Vermont 05753 Telephone (802) 388-4249

Vermont Adult Learning (Article 29, \$525.00) Part of the Vermont Institute for Self-Reliance. VISR offers free and confidential services to persons who lack a high school diploma or basic skills. Address: 282 Boardman Street, Suite 2, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-4392.

Vermont Center for Independent Living (Article 30, \$215.00) Dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities. Provides Home and Community Access Programs to residents. Address: 111 E. State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05602. Telephone (802) 229-0501 or 1-800-639-1522 (voice/TDD).

WomenSafe, Inc. (Article 31, \$1,250.00) Provides services to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence and their children. In 2022 at least 14 Residents and parents of 18 children who were exposed to violence were served. For their safety some people do not share their town of residence. Address: P.O. Box 67, Middlebury, VT 05753. Telephone: 388-4205



Elected Officials 2022:

Auditors: 3 yr. term

Ted Foster (2025)

Delinquent Tax Collector: 1 yr. term

Sylviasue Ford (2023)

Library Trustees: 3 yr. term

Michaela Granstrom (2023)

Kathy Cahill (2023)

Kristen Swartzentruber (2025)

Darcy Cummings (2025)

Shelby LaPoint (appt'd 6/2022) (2024)

Listers:

Jay Best, Jr. (2023) 3 yr term

Ted Foster (2025) 3 yr term

Michelle Litch (2024) 3 yr term

Moderator: 1 yr. term

Pam Marsh (2023) resigned 12/2022

Lanny Smith (2024) appt'd 01/03/2023

MAUSD Directors: 3 yr. term

Sarah LaPerle (2024)

Selectboard:

Kathy Barrett (2025) 3 yr term

Steve Dupoise (2023) 2 yr term

Taborri Bruhl (2023) 3 yr term

John Roleau (2024) 2 yr term

Bruce Many (2024) 3 yr. term

Town Clerk: 3 yr. term

Pam Kingman (2025)

Town Treasurer: 3 yr. term

Danielle Hubbell (2025)

Trustee of Public Funds: 1 yr. term

Town Treasurer (2023)

JP's 2 yr term (elected 11/8/22-term begins 2/2/23)

Kathi Apgar (2025)

Kathy Barrett (2025)

Gail Freidin (2025)

Al Karnatz (2025)

Pam Marsh (2025)

Susan Smiley (2025)

Harvey Smith (2025)

Appointed Officials 2022:

Addison Co. Reg. Planning Delegates

Harvey Smith (2023)
Tim Bouton (2023)
Jim Walsh, ALT (2023)

Addison Co. Solid Waste

Rep. Pat Palmer (2023)

Agent to Defend & Prosecute Suits

Cindy Hill (2024)

Ass't Clerks: Danielle Hubbell/ Julie Bessette

Ass't Treasurer: Julie Bessette

Civil Defense & Emergency Manag.

Becky Hutchins (2023)
Bruce Many (2023)

Conservation Committee

Cheryl Mitchell (2023) 4 yr
Mark Krawczyk (2023) 2 yr.
David Lewis (2022) 3 yr
Susan Smiley (2023) 4 yr.
Polly Darnell (2023) 3 yr.
Eleanor De Villiers (2024) 2 yr.
Rhiannon Johnson (2023) 1 yr.
Al Karnatz, acting consultant

Constable: Wayne Marcelle (2023)

Development Review Board

Charlie Roy (2022)
Kathy Barrett (2024)
Don Johnston (2024)
Carol Charbonneau (2022)
Paul Audy (2022)
Victor LaBerge (2023)
Alt. Tom Fyles (2023)
Roger Hamilton (Appt'd 7/2022) (2024)
Susan Smiley (resigned 6/2022)

Animal Control Officer: Wayne Marcelle (2023)

Fence Viewers

Tim Bouton (2023)
Don Johnston (2023)
George Crane (2023)

Fire Warden: Dean Gilmore (2025)

**Inspector of Lumber, Shingles & Wood
& Weigher of Coal:** Karen Gallott (2023)

Health Officer: Kathy Cahill (2025)

Deputy Health Officer: Mark Cahill (2025)

Park Committee

Vicki Boise (2024)
Sara Smith (2024)

Planning Commission

Benj Putnam (2025)
Rob Litch (2023)
Bev Landon (2024)
Maggie Eaton (2024)
Kathy Cahill (2023)
Megan Ooms (2025)
Betsy Taylor (resigned 10/2022)

Road Commissioner:

John Roleau (2023)

Selectboard Ass't: Pam Kingman (2023)

Zoning Administrator:

Peggy Connor

Ass't Zoning Administrator:

Danielle Hubbell (2023)

E-911 Coordinator:

Danielle Hubbell (2023)
Gary Sundstom / Maggie Eaton (2023)

Transportation Advisory Committee

Mike Audy (2023)

Tree Warden: Adam Becker (2023)

Ass't Tree Warden: Harold Tricou (2023)

Tri-Valley Transit f/k/a ACTR Bd Directors -

Larry Buck (2023)

Auditors Statement

The undersigned auditor of the Town of New Haven, VT has examined the 2022 financial records through a series of random testing of income and expenses on a monthly basis. The auditors' tasks include verifying the accuracy of billing and payments as well as expenses being assigned to proper accounts. All checks are accounted for as well as verifying that they are written to the proper recipient for the correct amount. All income, including building permits, dog registrations and use of the vault are verified and cross checked. Payroll is also examined and cross checked. There have not been any issues uncovered.

Elected town auditors are not professionals and cannot verify that the records meet professional accounting standards. The outside auditors are scheduled to arrive in April for their annual review.

As your town auditor, I have reviewed the statements from the various town reports and verified the calculations. If there is a question or discrepancy that could not be cleared before the printing deadline, I have requested that the party responsible for the report, clarify or correct the information and have it available by Town Meeting.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know at our auditor email: newhavenauditors@gmavt.net

There are currently two unfilled positions for town auditor; three pairs of eyes enhance the oversight.

If interested, please contact Pam Kingman at the Town Offices to learn more about running for this important position.

Respectfully,

Ted Foster



REMUNERATION FOR TOWN POSITIONS

SELECTBOARD salaries are set by the auditors. New Haven Selectboard members receive annual salaries and are paid in February for their service during the previous year. The 2023 budget will reflect the following salaries: Chair of the Board - \$1,600; each of the other four members - \$1,350.

In accordance with state statutes, the Selectboard sets the salaries of all town officers except themselves (which is set by the auditors), the Clerk Assistant and Treasurer Assistant (which are set by the Clerk and Treasurer).

Starting wages may be lower than those shown below:

AUDITORS - Hourly rate of \$17.85

ELECTION WORKERS – Hourly rate of \$10

CLERK - Salary of \$35,459.58

CONSTABLE / ANIMAL CONTROL – Salary of \$1,200

CUSTODIAL – Hourly rate of \$21.00

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR receives a statutory 8% penalty as calculated on delinquent taxes. (Town is liable only for employer's share of social security tax.)

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MINUTE TAKER – Hourly rate of \$20.57

HEALTH OFFICER - \$300.00 Stipend

HEALTH OFFICER ASST. - \$100.00 Stipend

LISTERS - Hourly rate of \$17.85

OFFICE ASSISTANTS - Hourly rate of \$18.00 to \$21.38

ROAD COMMISSIONER – Salary of \$150 per week

ROAD CREW – Hourly rate of \$22.05 to \$26.78

SELECTBOARD ASSISTANT - Salary of \$19,425.00

TREASURER – Salary of \$30,450.00

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – Hourly rate of \$24.47

The Town provides the following benefits to eligible employees:

- Dental insurance for a single person
- Platinum Health insurance options from single to family plan with employees contributing 7% of the cost.
- Simple IRA: The Town matches employee contribution up to 3%

2022 Calculations to determine tax rates to pay for budgets approved by voters

School Tax Rates from State	2022	2021	2020	2019
Residential - Education	1.7075	1.7801	1.7775	1.6978
Non-Residential - Education	1.6802	1.7633	1.741	1.6691
Municipal	0.3847	0.3693	0.5067	0.4193
 Total Municipal and Residential	 2.0922	 2.1494	 2.2842	 2.1171
Total Municipal and Non-Residential	2.0649	2.1326	2.2477	2.0884

Municipal Tax Rate Calculations
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Voted expenditures divided by Grand List equals the amount to be raised by taxes.

	Municipal	Rate	Dollars Raised
Municipal Grand List	3,278,808.00	0.3847	\$ 1,261,357.44

Voted Funds	Dollars	Tax Rate	Actual
Roads	\$ 830,027.53	0.2531	\$ 830,027.53
General Fund	\$ 403,130.28	0.1230	\$ 403,130.28
Outside Agencies	\$ 25,608.25	0.0078	\$ 25,608.25
Veterans Local Agreement	\$ 2,561.25	0.0008	\$ 2,561.25
Total to be raised	\$ 1,261,327.31	0.3847	\$ 1,261,327.31

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

Bonavita, Melissa	2022	Conant, Rusty	2021
Brisson, Karen	2021	Conant, Rusty	2022
Butler, Douglas*	2014	Cousino, Jennifer	2021
Butler, Douglas*	2015	Cousino, Jennifer	2022
Butler, Douglas*	2016	Day, Chris	2022
Butler, Douglas*	2017	Delleratte, Steven	2021
Butler, Douglas*	2018	Delleratte, Steven	2022
Butler, Douglas*	2019	Garrow, Joye	2022
Butler, Lawrence*	2014	Foote, Julie	2021
Butler, Lawrence*	2015	Foote, Julie	2022
Butler, Lawrence*	2016	Heath, Douglas	2022
Butler, Lawrence*	2017	Laferriere, Frank	2021
Butler, Lawrence*	2018	Laferriere, Frank	2022
Butler, Lawrence*	2019	Madden, John	2022
		Meshna, John	2022

*Bankruptcy

Total Delinquencies	January 1, 2022	\$63,582.94
Delinquencies added	October 2022	\$102,879.69
Delinquencies added	December 2022	\$3,221.99
Total Delinquencies Collected	2022	\$102,810.44
Total Delinquent Taxes Due	December 31, 2022	\$66,874.18

DELINQUENT TAX SUMMARY

2014	\$4,783.61
2015	\$4,794.99
2016	\$4,862.60
2017	\$4,913.84
2018	\$4,899.63
2019	\$4,945.35
2020	\$0.00
2021	\$12,495.85
2022	\$25,178.31
Total Delinquencies	\$66,874.18

BALANCE SHEET
For Period Ending 12/31/2022

Assets:

	Account Type		
Petty Cash	Cash	\$	75.00
National Bank of Middlebury	Checking	\$	838,871.70
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	509,096.16
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	19,015.90
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	294,959.41
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	188,461.44
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	50,788.92
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	75,528.81
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	143,042.52
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	8,687.34
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	41,037.43
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	130,446.80
M&T Bank	Money Market	\$	31,173.57
Total Assets		\$	2,331,185.00

Liabilities:

\$200,000.00

Assets plus Liabilities

\$ 2,531,185.00

Fund Balances

	(includes petty cash)		
General Fund Balance		\$	708,859.68
Road Fund Balance		\$	130,087.02
ARPA Fund		\$	509,096.16
West Cemetery Fund		\$	19,015.90
Road Equipment Fund		\$	294,959.41
Fire Truck Fund		\$	188,461.44
Records Restoration Fund		\$	50,788.92
Reappraisal Fund		\$	75,528.81
Reserve Facilities Fund		\$	143,042.52
Riverside Cemetery Fund		\$	8,687.34
Community Projects		\$	41,037.43
Bridge Fund		\$	130,446.80
Conservation Reserve Fund		\$	31,173.57
Liability Fund		\$	200,000.00
Total Fund Balances		\$	2,531,185.00

Town of New Haven operates on modified accrual basis of accounting.

GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF 2022 REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

GENERAL FUND	Revenues		Expenditures
Voted Surplus 1/01/22	\$ 588,614.92	Town Offices	\$ 568,002.08
less prepaid Taxes		Elected Officials Office	\$ 159,730.03
		Planning and Zoning	\$ 31,402.37
Tax Revenues	\$ 5,841,579.48	Elections	\$ 4,425.20
Fund Transfers	\$ 16,622.19	Constable, Dog and Health Officer	\$ 2,528.59
Office Revenues	\$ 51,017.09	Sheriff's Dept. Patrol Roads	\$ 30,913.90
Interest Income	\$ 4,768.26	Regular Items	\$ 23,373.41
Sheriff's Dept.	\$ 11,543.40	Parks, Rec. and Events	\$ 9,055.84
Train Depot Grants	\$ 420,000.00	Cemeteries	\$ 8,732.00
		Town Office and Library	\$ 105,358.54
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 6,345,530.42</u>	Town Hall Related	\$ 15,184.17
		Taxes	\$ 17,351.46
Total Funds Available	<u>\$ 6,934,145.34</u>	Fire and Rescue	\$ 95,699.52
Less Expenditures	\$ 6,223,285.47	Paid to Schools	\$ 4,402,237.77
Balance 12/31/22	<u><u>\$ 710,859.87</u></u>	Paid to Roads and Reserve Funds	\$ 705,249.09
		Transferred to Funds	\$ 15,857.00
		Energy Siting	\$ 1,976.25
		Outside Agencies	\$ 26,208.25
		Total Selectboard's Expenditures	<u><u>\$ 6,223,285.47</u></u>

Town of New Haven operates on a modified cash basis of accounting

ROAD FUND

SUMMARY OF 2022 REVENUES AND EXPENSES

ROAD FUND

Balance 1/01/2022

\$ 130,087.02

Taxes Voted
Other Income
State Highway Aid
Grant Income

\$ 705,249.09
\$ 6,396.42
\$ 132,015.60
\$ 49,639.87

Total Revenues

\$ 893,300.98

Total Funds Available

\$ 1,023,388.00

Less Expenses

\$ (972,764.78)

Balance 12/31/22

\$ 50,623.22

Expenditures

Payroll Expenses \$ 224,977.09
Garage Expenses \$ 15,501.81
Equipment Expenses \$ 87,928.78
Road Maintenance \$ 174,663.09
Bridge Maintenance \$ 720.00
Projects \$ 343,974.01
Equipment Fund \$ 75,000.00
Bridge Fund \$ 50,000.00

Total Expenses

\$ 972,764.78

Town of New Haven operates on a modified accrual basis of accounting.

GENERAL FUND REVENUES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
VOTED SURPLUS	\$ 708,784.68	\$ 710,859.87	\$ 466,101.38
TAXES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Land Use Reimbursement from State	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 114,834.50	\$ 100,000.00
Property Taxes		\$ 934,676.83	
Prepaid for 2021		\$ 6,961.21	
Del. Property Tax	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 21,887.07	\$ 10,000.00
Del. Property Tax paid in current year		\$ 80,923.37	
Railroad Tax/Pilot Tax	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 13,042.79	\$ 12,000.00
Reappraisal money from State	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,711.50	\$ 8,500.00
Total Taxes	\$ 128,000.00	\$ 1,181,037.27	\$ 130,500.00
Total Tax and Surplus	\$ 836,784.68	\$ 1,891,897.14	\$ 596,601.38
Transfers of Funds	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Transfer from Restoration Fund		\$ 4,500.00	
Transfer from West Cemetery	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Facilities		\$ 8,826.20	
Actual costs will be used to determine the amount taken from a fund. The proposed numbers are estimates.			
Total Fund Transfers	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 14,826.20	\$ 1,500.00
Subtotal	\$ 838,284.68	\$ 1,906,723.34	\$ 598,101.38
OFFICE REVENUES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Misc. Revenues/ State and Local Fines	\$ 500.00	\$ 3,867.60	\$ 1,000.00
DMV Registration Renewals		\$ 42.00	
Vault Time and Copies	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,046.10	\$ 2,000.00
Recording Fees	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,296.00	\$ 15,000.00
Restoration Fee		\$ 7,350.00	
Green Mt. Passports		\$ 36.00	
History Book and Map Sales		\$ 65.00	
Town Hall Rent	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Zoning Fees / Building Permits/ E911 Signs/junk yard	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,762.78	\$ 6,000.00
Liquor Licenses	\$ 450.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 450.00
Animal Licenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,473.00	\$ 2,000.00
Vitals		\$ 165.00	
Grant Income	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 231.00	\$ 32,000.00
Interest Income		\$ 352.14	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,288.74	\$ 2,000.00
Sheriff's Dept.	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 16,783.83	\$ 12,000.00
Train Depot	\$ 6,149.40	\$ 250,050.00	\$ 224,241.81
Total Office Revenues	\$ 81,699.40	\$ 315,634.19	\$ 296,891.81
Revenues without surplus	\$ 211,199.40	\$ 1,511,497.66	\$ 428,891.81
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 919,984.08	\$ 2,222,357.53	\$ 894,993.19

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES			
TOWN OFFICES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Phone	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,773.59	\$ 3,200.00
Copier	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,603.05	\$ 5,000.00
Supplies	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,113.89	\$ 3,500.00
Equipment	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 391.80	\$ 3,000.00
Computer Related	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,500.00
Postage	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 4,663.65	\$ 5,100.00
Town Report	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,481.34	\$ 3,000.00
VLCT Dues/Memberships	\$ 3,207.00	\$ 3,257.00	\$ 3,317.00
Legal Fees	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 14,812.19	\$ 20,000.00
Bank and loan fees:			
Bank Fees	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,340.80	\$ 2,000.00
Interest on Bond	\$ 10,749.52	\$ 9,579.19	\$ 9,444.26
Contract Services	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,860.00	\$ 7,000.00
Misc. Expenses		\$ 200.00	
Restoration Fees Used		\$ 11,850.00	
Insurance Property & Liability	\$ 34,879.00	\$ 28,972.00	\$ 37,951.00
Emergency Management	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
Health Insurance Costs	\$ 44,373.00	\$ 37,640.64	\$ 43,319.04
SIMPLE Retirement Plan	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 3,116.25	\$ 3,200.00
Train Depot		\$ 474,291.81	
Volunteer Recognition	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
Total Town Offices	\$ 155,108.52	\$ 614,247.20	\$ 154,831.30
TOWN CLERK	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Clerk Starting Salary in 2009 \$23,500.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 34,420.32	\$ 23,500.00
Longevity and Experience Differential 10 yrs	\$ 10,271.03		\$ 11,959.58
Clerk Social Security	\$ 2,601.00	\$ 2,633.57	\$ 2,694.92
Clerk and Assistant Training	\$ 250.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 250.00
Clerk and Assistant Travel	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Assistant Wages	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 14,400.39	\$ 17,000.00
Assistant Social Security	\$ 1,232.00	\$ 1,101.65	\$ 1,232.00
Total Town Clerk	\$ 55,004.03	\$ 52,590.93	\$ 56,786.50
TREASURER and TAX COLLECTOR	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Treasurer Starting Salary	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 29,557.57	\$ 20,000.00
Longevity and Experience Differential	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 10,450.00
Treasurer Social Security	\$ 2,233.00	\$ 2,261.51	\$ 2,314.20
Treasurer and Assistant Education	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Treasurer and Assistant Travel	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Treasurer Assistant	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,691.42	\$ 6,000.00
Treasurer Assistant Social Security	\$ 462.00	\$ 358.88	\$ 462.00
Total Treasurer	\$ 38,095.00	\$ 36,869.38	\$ 39,626.20

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES			
LISTERS	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Lister Wages	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 5,260.82	\$ 12,000.00
Listers Social Security	\$ 918.00	\$ 402.48	\$ 918.00
Listers Equipment and Supplies	\$ 750.00	\$ 240.98	\$ 750.00
Lister Tax Maps	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 2,800.00
Lister Consultant/ Contract Services	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 19,500.00
Lister Training	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Lister Travel Reimbursement	\$ 150.00	\$ 105.36	\$ 300.00
Lister Disaster Recovery and Website	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,364.51	\$ 1,500.00
Total Listers	\$ 38,018.00	\$ 29,694.15	\$ 38,268.00
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Delinquent Tax Collector Social Security	\$ 700.00	\$ 629.22	\$ 700.00
Delinquent Tax Collector Training/mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Total Delinquent Tax Collector	\$ 800.00	\$ 629.22	\$ 800.00
ZONING ADMINISTRATION	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Zoning Administrator Wages	\$ 24,232.00	\$ 26,575.30	\$ 26,800.00
Zoning Adm. Social Security	\$ 1,866.00	\$ 2,033.96	\$ 2,036.80
Zoning Education	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Zoning Assistant and E911 Coordinator	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Zoning Assistant Social Security	\$ 108.00	\$ -	\$ 76.00
E911 signs/supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 164.79	\$ 300.00
Zoning Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 600.00	\$ 60.48	\$ 500.00
Total Zoning Administration	\$ 29,206.00	\$ 28,834.53	\$ 31,012.80
PLANNING	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Conservation Commission	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Regional Planning	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,272.05	\$ 2,300.00
Planning Commission Secretary	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,100.20	\$ 1,100.00
Planning Social Security	\$ 70.00	\$ 84.17	\$ 83.60
Planning Legal Notices	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Planning Grant or Consultant	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,426.07	\$ 28,063.68
Planning Publications	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Planning Education	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
Planning Mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Planning Commission Stipend	\$ 840.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 840.00
Total Planning	\$ 14,860.00	\$ 15,202.49	\$ 34,637.28
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
DRB Secretary	\$ 800.00	\$ 701.17	\$ 800.00
DRB Social Security	\$ 62.00	\$ 53.62	\$ 62.00
DRB Legal Notices	\$ 500.00	\$ 684.52	\$ 650.00
DRB Education	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
DRB Mileage	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
DRB Stipend	\$ 1,680.00	\$ 870.00	\$ 1,680.00
Total DRB	\$ 3,792.00	\$ 2,309.31	\$ 3,942.00

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES			
ELECTIONS	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Annual Meeting	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,404.06	\$ 3,000.00
Special Town Meeting	\$ 600.00	\$ 413.69	\$ 600.00
Primary Election	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 582.94	\$ -
General Election	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 624.59	\$ -
Board of Civil Authority	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Total Elections	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 4,025.28	\$ 3,700.00
AUDITOR	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Wages	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,196.91	\$ 3,000.00
Social Security	\$ 230.00	\$ 91.54	\$ 230.00
Professional Audit	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,500.00
Education	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Total Auditors	\$ 10,930.00	\$ 8,788.45	\$ 11,930.00
SELECTBOARD	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Selectboard Stipend	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Selectboard Social Security	\$ 498.00	\$ 535.52	\$ 550.00
Selectboard Legal Notices	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,057.89	\$ 2,000.00
Selectboard Education	\$ 400.00	\$ -	
Selectboard Assistant	\$ 18,500.00	\$ 18,855.81	\$ 19,425.00
Selectboard Assistant Social Security	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,442.13	\$ 1,476.30
Selectboard Travel	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Energy Siting (old Solar Monitoring)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Total Selectboard	\$ 40,223.00	\$ 28,891.35	\$ 32,751.30
HEALTH OFFICER	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Health Officer Stipend	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Assistant Health Officer	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Total Health Officer	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
CONSTABLE	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Constable Stipend	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Social Security	\$ 23.00	\$ 22.95	\$ 23.00
Constable Travel Reimbursement	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Total Constable	\$ 423.00	\$ 322.95	\$ 423.00
Dog Expenses	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Dog Stipend	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Social Security	\$ 92.00	\$ 91.80	\$ 92.00
Travel/Education	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Dog Survey or Contract Services	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$ 1,300.00
Humane Society (contract for strays)	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Total Dog Expense	\$ 3,492.00	\$ 1,891.80	\$ 3,492.00
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Sheriff's Department Contract Services	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,754.08	\$ 30,000.00
Total Sheriff's Department	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,754.08	\$ 30,000.00
REGULAR ITEMS	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Street Lights	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,868.00	\$ 6,000.00
Recycling Removal	\$ 21,900.00	\$ 17,692.70	\$ 22,000.00
Total Regular Items	\$ 27,900.00	\$ 23,560.70	\$ 28,000.00

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES			
PARKS, RECREATION & EVENTS	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Events	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,472.06	\$ 1,500.00
Green Up	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Parks Mowing	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,640.00	\$ 5,000.00
Park Related	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,895.79	\$ 5,000.00
Summer Grants Program	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Sports	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Total Parks, Rec. & Events	\$ 17,100.00	\$ 12,107.85	\$ 17,100.00
CEMETERY	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Evergreen Cemetery	\$ 2,034.00	\$ 2,034.00	\$ 2,034.00
Riverside Cemetery	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 4,000.00
West Cemetery	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Everts Cemetery	\$ 400.00	\$ 161.00	\$ 400.00
Munger St. Cemetery	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Total Cemetery	\$ 8,734.00	\$ 10,295.00	\$ 8,734.00
TOWN OFFICE/LIBRARY	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Building Maintenance	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 11,368.75	\$ 21,500.00
Generator Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,634.17	\$ 1,500.00
Debt Service	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
New Haven Community Library	\$ 52,154.00	\$ 52,154.00	\$ 55,090.00
Total Town Office / Library	\$ 96,654.00	\$ 95,156.92	\$ 108,090.00
TOWN HALL	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Town Hall Project Dehumidification	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 689.66	\$ -
Town Hall Front Porch		\$ 3,644.00	
Town Hall Project Doors		\$ 4,333.20	
Town Hall Repairs/Maintenance/Supplies	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 9,679.72	\$ 14,500.00
Town Hall ADA Assessability		\$ 848.00	
Total Town Hall	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 19,194.58	\$ 14,500.00
TAXES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Addison County Tax	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 18,079.00	\$ 19,000.00
Bristol Gravel Pit	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,487.16	\$ 1,600.00
Total Taxes	\$ 17,600.00	\$ 19,566.16	\$ 20,600.00
FIRE AND RESCUE	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
FD Operating Expense	\$ 44,200.00	\$ 44,200.00	\$ 44,200.00
FD Insurance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,268.00	\$ 10,000.00
FD Repairs	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 349.58	\$ 5,000.00
FD Electric	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,310.36	\$ 2,600.00
FD Heat	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,704.98	\$ 3,000.00
FD Ponds/ Dry Hydrants	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Fire Truck Fund	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 27,500.00
FD Brooms/ Supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ 421.62	\$ 600.00
New Haven First Response	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Bristol Rescue Squad	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Middlebury Volunteer Ambulance Assoc.	\$ 4,850.00	\$ 4,850.00	\$ 4,850.00
Vergennes Rescue Squad	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Total Fire and Rescue	\$ 111,150.00	\$ 101,704.54	\$ 111,350.00

SUBTOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 727,689.55	\$ 1,132,036.87	\$ 750,974.38
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES			
Contribution to Funds	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Reserve Facilities Fund			\$ 15,000.00
Re-Appraisal Fund	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,711.50	\$ 8,500.00
Total Funds	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,711.50	\$ 23,500.00
OUTSIDE AGENCIES	To be voted on 2022	Actual 2022	To be voted on 2023
These items are voted by separate articles and are not included in the proposed budget			
Addison County Home Health & Hospice		\$ 1,753.25	
Addison County Parent Child Center		\$ 1,800.00	
Addison County Readers		\$ 750.00	
Addison County Restorative Justice		\$ 500.00	
Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative		\$ 500.00	
Addison County Transit Resources		\$ 4,850.00	
Age Well		\$ 700.00	
Bristol Family Center		\$ 500.00	
Bristol Recreation Department		\$ 2,500.00	
Charter House		\$ 950.00	
Counseling Service of Addison County		\$ 1,750.00	
Elderly Services		\$ 700.00	
HOPE (formerly ACCAG)		\$ 1,700.00	
Homeward Bound (Addison Cty Humane Society)		\$ 750.00	
JW Graham Emergency Shelter		\$ 1,075.00	
Open Door Clinic		\$ 500.00	
Otter Creek Child Center		\$ 950.00	
Retired Senior Volunteer Program		\$ 390.00	
Turning Point Center		\$ 1,000.00	
Vermont Adult Learning		\$ 525.00	
Vermont Center for Independent Living		\$ 215.00	
Womensafe		\$ 1,250.00	
Total Outside Agencies		\$ 25,608.25	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 735,689.55	\$ 1,166,356.62	\$ 774,474.38
Paid to Schools and State	\$ 590,000.00	\$ 589,899.53	\$ 600,000.00
Actual amount expended through the General Fund		\$ 1,756,256.15	
Revenues less Expenses	\$ (405,705.47)	\$ 466,101.38	\$ (479,481.19)
Amount to be Appropriated	\$ 405,705.47		\$ 479,481.19
Proposed Articles to be voted separately			
Proposed Outside Agencies	\$ 26,458.25		
Total proposed articles to be voted separately	\$ 26,458.25	\$ -	\$ -
Total to be appropriated if articles pass	\$ 432,163.72	\$ -	\$ 479,481.19
Total Expenditures if above articles pass			

ROAD REVENUE	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
VOTED SURPLUS	\$ 130,087.02	\$ 130,087.02	\$ 82,596.07
Taxes Voted		\$ 830,027.53	
Misc. Revenues and Refunds		\$ 1,880.04	
Insurance Claim		\$ -	
Over Wt. Permits Vehicles	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,470.00	\$ 1,300.00
Road Access Permits	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
TOTAL MISC. INCOME	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 833,477.57	\$ 1,400.00
STATE FUNDING			
Town Highway Grants: Annual Allocation	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 133,709.77	\$ 120,000.00
Better Backroads Program		\$ 20,000.00	
FEMA		\$ 3,532.08	
Grant Money for Bridge # 19 Plank Rd Design			\$ 32,000.00
North Street Paving Grant			\$ 200,000.00
Grant Money		\$ 6,718.10	
Road Paving Grant Town Hill Rd	\$ 146,479.20	\$ 146,479.20	
TOTAL HIGHWAY AID	\$ 266,479.20	\$ 310,439.15	\$ 352,000.00
Revenue without surplus	\$ 267,579.20	\$ 1,143,916.72	\$ 353,400.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 397,666.22	\$ 1,274,003.74	\$ 435,996.07
ROAD EXPENDITURES			
WAGES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Road Commissioner	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,950.00	\$ 7,800.00
Road Crew	\$ 46,176.00	\$ 46,583.82	\$ 48,484.80
Road Crew	\$ 57,969.60	\$ 12,018.10	
Road Crew	\$ 48,672.00	\$ 50,260.38	\$ 55,702.40
Road Crew		\$ 30,376.50	\$ 45,864.00
Road Crew/Part Time Help	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 12,193.91	\$ 23,000.00
Office Work	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,316.32	\$ 4,500.00
Anticipated Crew Overtime	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,934.59	\$ 10,000.00
TOTAL WAGES	\$ 197,117.60	\$ 174,633.62	\$ 195,351.20
PAYROLL RELATED	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Health Insurance	\$ 40,327.40	\$ 41,607.02	\$ 52,091.16
Unemployment Trust	\$ 1,402.00	\$ 1,404.00	\$ 1,082.00
Workers Comp Ins.	\$ 11,636.00	\$ 11,636.00	\$ 11,952.00
SIMPLE Retirement Plan	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 2,963.36	\$ 5,326.54
Employment Costs CDL Testing	\$ 400.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 400.00
TOTAL PAYROLL RELATED	\$ 58,365.40	\$ 57,746.38	\$ 70,851.70
PAYROLL TAXES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Social Security	\$ 15,079.50	\$ 13,481.82	\$ 14,944.37
TOTAL PAYROLL TAXES	\$ 15,079.50	\$ 13,481.82	\$ 14,944.37
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$ 270,562.50	\$ 245,861.82	\$ 281,147.27
GARAGE EXPENSES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Garage Phone	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,078.22	\$ 1,350.00
Garage Supplies	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,449.65	\$ 5,500.00
Garage Uniforms	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,663.80	\$ 1,700.00
Garage Water	\$ 500.00	\$ 390.74	\$ 500.00
Garage Electric	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 574.19	\$ 1,200.00
Garage Repairs	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,768.44	\$ 5,000.00
Garage Trash Removal	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Garage Improvements	\$ 250.00	\$ 504.00	\$ 250.00
Education	\$ 500.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 500.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Water Shed Permitting	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,600.00
TOTAL GARAGE EXPENSES	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 12,809.04	\$ 17,800.00

EQUIPMENT	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Equipment Insurance Deductible	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Equipment Fuel/ Heat	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 47,216.75	\$ 40,000.00
Equipment Supplies	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,672.35	\$ 6,000.00
Plow Blades	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,226.60	\$ 8,000.00
Equipment Repairs	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,583.86	\$ 5,000.00
Chipper	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,627.12	\$ 1,000.00
2017 Western Star	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,637.76	\$ 7,000.00
Road Side Mower	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,970.39	\$ 5,000.00
2012 Ford 550	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 565.32	\$ 1,000.00
2002 Volvo Grader	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 11,208.02	\$ 8,000.00
2019 International Truck	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,579.74	\$ 5,000.00
2014 International Truck	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 30,099.27	\$ 7,000.00
2009 Case Backhoe/loader	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 774.97	\$ 7,500.00
1986 J Deere Loader	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,894.05	\$ 2,000.00
2005 Volvo Loader L90E	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,230.49	\$ 5,000.00
Equipment Rental	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
New Equipment Small	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,402.09	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT COSTS	\$ 111,500.00	\$ 126,688.78	\$ 115,500.00
MAINTENANCE	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Gravel Processing and Purchased	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00
Winter Sand	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,551.00	\$ 20,000.00
Winter Salt	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 79,647.87	\$ 80,000.00
Roadside Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Summer Chloride	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 17,811.79	\$ 18,000.00
Traffic Signs	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,625.01	\$ 12,000.00
Road Surfacing Repair	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,759.09	\$ 3,000.00
Painting Road Lines	\$ 16,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,600.00
TOTAL MAINTENANCE COSTS	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 121,394.76	\$ 179,600.00
BRIDGES	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
General Bridge Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,051.52	\$ 10,000.00
Plank Road Bridge # 19	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 11,250.00	\$ 28,750.00
TOTAL BRIDGES	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 13,301.52	\$ 38,750.00
PROJECTS	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Project Related and Culvert replacement	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 14,518.43	\$ 50,000.00
Pave/Reclaim part of Plank Rd	\$ 248,415.25	\$ 290,710.04	
Pave next to Memorial Park			\$ 12,500.00
Grant Pavement Town Hill	\$ 189,216.00	\$ 241,123.28	
Grant Pavement North st			\$ 290,000.00
Paving Sections			\$ 150,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT	\$ 487,631.25	\$ 546,351.75	\$ 502,500.00
FUND APPROPRIATION	Proposed 2022	Actual 2022	Proposed 2023
Equip. Fund Appropriation	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Bridge Fund Appropriation	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Total Fund Appropriations	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
TOTAL ROAD EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,227,693.75	\$ 1,191,407.67	\$ 1,285,297.27
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 397,666.22	\$ 1,274,003.74	\$ 435,996.07
Revenue less Expenses	\$ 830,027.53	\$ 82,596.07	\$ 849,301.20
AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED	\$ (830,027.53)		\$ (849,301.20)

LIABILITY FUND

Balance owed, January 1, 2022	\$230,000.00
 Revenues from borrowing in 2022	
Tax Anticipation Note	<u>\$350,000.00</u>
Total amount borrowed in 2022	<u>\$350,000.00</u> \$350,000.00
 Expenses - Pay Back of Notes	
Tax Anticipation Note (line of credit)	\$350,000.00
Principal paid to Bond Bank in 2022	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
Total amount paid on borrowed monies	<u>\$380,000.00</u> \$380,000.00
 Total Balance owed, December 31, 2022	
	<u>\$200,000.00</u>

2022 Interest Paid for Tax Anticipation Note	\$1,210.40
2022 Interest Paid for Bond	<u>\$9,579.19</u>
Total Interest Paid in 2022 on above notes	<u>\$10,789.59</u>

Anticipated payments in 2023	Interest	Principal	
May Bond Payment	\$4,722.13		
November Bond Payment	\$4,722.13	\$30,000.00	
Total	<u>\$9,444.26</u>	<u>\$30,000.00</u>	<u>\$39,444.26</u>

20 yr Bond sold to build new office in 2009
 All income and expense flows through the General Fund

REAPPRAISAL FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022		<u>\$66,770.95</u>
Income		
State Grant Money	\$8,711.50	
Interest Income	<u>\$46.36</u>	
Total Income	\$8,757.86	\$8,757.86
Expenses		
Spent on Reappraisal	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance on hand, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$75,528.81</u></u>

Money Market, M&T Bank
 Established March 2000 Town Meeting

Last reappraisal was in 2013

RECORDS RESTORATION FUND

Balance on hand January 1, 2022		<u>\$55,251.92</u>
Income		
Fees collected in 2022 (from recording per State Statute)	\$7,350.00	
Interest Income	<u>\$37.00</u>	
Total Income	\$7,387.00	\$7,387.00
Expenses		
Records Force Digitization	\$11,850.00	
Total Expenses	<u>\$11,850.00</u>	\$11,850.00
Balance on hand December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$50,788.92</u></u>

Money Market, M&T Bank

Established 1996 by Legislative Change adding \$1.00 per page from
 Recording Fees/Legislative change July 2019 to \$4.00 per page

ROAD EQUIPMENT FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022 \$219,798.27

Income

Voted in Road Fund Budget	\$75,000.00	
Interest Income	<u>\$161.14</u>	
Total Income	\$75,161.14	\$75,161.14

Expenses

Total Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
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Balance on hand, December 31, 2022 \$294,959.41

Money Market Account, M&T Bank
Established by Selectboard in 1987

RESERVE FACILITIES FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022 \$151,767.40

Income

Interest	<u>\$101.32</u>	
Total Income	\$101.32	\$101.32

Expenses

Town Hall Doors	\$4,333.20	
Town Hall Front Porch	\$3,645.00	
Town Hall ADA Accessibility	<u>\$848.00</u>	
Total Expenses	\$8,826.20	\$8,826.20

Balance on hand, December 31, 2022 \$143,042.52

Money Market, M&T Bank

Established- Town Meeting March 2002, for the purpose of construction and/or restoration of town buildings

Discussion of the voted article during Town meeting led the voters to believe that money expended would be voted on.

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022 \$160,848.46

Income

Voted in General Fund under Fire and Rescue	\$27,500.00	
Interest Income	<u>\$112.98</u>	
Total Income	\$27,612.98	\$27,612.98

Expenses

Total Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
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Balance on hand, December 31, 2022 \$188,461.44

Money Market, M&T Bank
Fund Established March 1990

BRIDGE FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022 \$80,383.80

Income

Budgeted	\$50,000.00	
Interest Income	<u>\$63.00</u>	
Total Income	\$50,063.00	\$50,063.00

Expenses

Total Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
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Balance on hand, December 31, 2022 \$130,446.80

Money Market, M&T Bank
Established March 2010 Town Meeting

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022		<u>\$37,005.62</u>
Income		
Interest	\$27.31	
Total Income	\$27.31	\$27.31
Expenses		
Total Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
Balance on hand, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$37,032.93</u></u>

Conservation Committee Money

Balance on hand January 1, 2022		<u>\$3,639.50</u>
Income		
Donations		
Town contribution	<u>\$750.00</u>	
Total Income	\$750.00	\$750.00
Expenses		
Lewis Creek	\$135.00	
Pollinator Pathway	\$200.00	
Keyline Vermont	<u>\$50.00</u>	
Total Expenses	\$385.00	\$385.00
Balance on hand, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$4,004.50</u></u>
Total in this bank account is		\$41,037.43

Money Market, M&T Bank

Community Members began raising money in October 2004 to create a fund for developing community projects, initially geared toward restoration of the "King House".

Conservation Commission began holding money in this account in 2014

* This is an unrestricted contribution from the Estate. The Selectboard would like to use this to create something in remembrance of Andrew Johnson.

* Andrew Johnson Estate 2018		<u>\$34,336.28</u>
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AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 2022	\$253,925.05	
Income		
2022 Allocation	\$254,834.44	
2022 Additional Allocation	\$120.16	
Interest Income	\$216.51	
Total Income	\$509,096.16	\$509,096.16
Expenses		
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance on hand, December 31, 2022		\$509,096.16

Money Market Account, M&T Bank
Established by Selectboard in 2021

CONSERVATION RESERVE FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022		\$31,152.64
Interest Income	\$20.93	
Total Income	\$20.93	\$20.93
Expenses		
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance on Hand, December 31, 2022		\$31,173.57

Money Market, Peoples United
Established 2018 - Town Meeting to identify and help preserve natural resources
with in the town.



New Haven Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

phone/fax 802-453-3654

Emergencies 911

Officers

Chief – Alan Mayer

1st Asst. Chief – Mark Livingston

2nd Asst. Chief – Dean Gilmore

Line Captain – AnnaJo Smith

Line Captain – Phillip Livingston

Truck Captain – Cody Cyr

Truck Captain – Aaron Napoleon

At the beginning of 2022, we were hopeful that we could put Covid in our rear view mirror, but cases began to increase again. We continued to take all the precautions that we could to protect ourselves, our families and our community. Once again we cancelled our pancake breakfast fundraisers to protect ourselves and the community. Hopefully in 2023 we will resume this popular event.

We received Engine 1 back from the repair shop after they replaced the frame rails and rebuilt the underside of the box which were both rusted. After getting the truck back we had many kinks that needed to be worked out to be sure the truck was ready for service. Engine 1 is currently 22 years old and was scheduled to be replaced in 2025 but with the recent repairs we are looking to extend the replacement until 2030 and replace our utility truck in 2025. Our new brush truck was put into service, with most of work being done by the members of our department. Many nights and weekends were spent installing reels that carry forestry hose, tool racks, scene lights, emergency lights, wiring and many other pieces to make this truck a valuable piece of equipment for the town. We sold the old (1980) truck and put that money back into our truck replacement fund.

We welcomed three new members into our department this year. Tyler Hebert and Moriah Sullivan are both new to the fire service and will receive firefighter 1 training as soon as it is available in Addison county. Alex Bishop comes to us with firefighter 1 certification and is able to take on any tasks that are assigned. In addition Mason Livingston joined our Cadet program, which is open to anyone that is 15-18 years old. We continue to look for new volunteers to join both the department and our cadet program. If you would like more information about volunteering to assist your community in the time of need, contact any firefighter. We have our regular monthly meetings the first Wednesday of each month and anyone is welcome to attend.

The fire department has been in discussion for several years with the town selectboard about the current firehouse and the town garage, both needing additional space. After discussing a few options, the town road crew decided they could repurpose the current fire house to store equipment that is presently outside

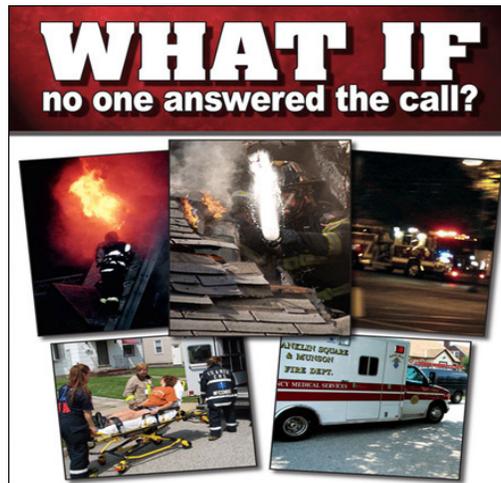
all year. The town has been in negotiation with Velco to purchase a 5 acre lot that is very close to the village center. Everyone felt it was important to keep the firehouse as close as possible to the center of town. We hope the town will support this opportunity for both the fire department and the town garage renovation/addition. The fire department has been looking into federal grants that may be available to help offset the cost of a new firehouse/emergency shelter.

I would like to thank the volunteer members and their families for all the support they provide during the year. When the tones go off at 2am on a cold winter night or you are just sitting down for a family dinner you stop what you are doing and respond to help someone that you may not even know. You should all be very proud of the service you provide to the community.

Respectfully Submitted,



Alan Mayer
Chief, New Haven Volunteer Fire Department



FIRE DEPARTMENT FINANCIALS

Income	Balance 1/1/22	2022 Income	Interest Income	2022 Expenses	Ending Balance
Checking Account Balance	\$ 91,232.61				
Fundraising		\$ 36,759.93			
Donations		\$ 3,475.00			
Billable calls/Misc Revenue/Dues		\$ 15,022.74			
Town Appropriation		\$ -			
Transfer to Saving		\$ (20,000.00)			
Reconcillation/Interest			\$ 238.06		
Government Grants					
Total Income		<u>\$ 35,257.67</u>	<u>\$ 238.06</u>		\$ 126,728.34

Expenses

Business Expenses/Contract Services				3555.00	
Dry Hydrant Expenses					
Equipment Purchases				35330.29	
Facilities maintenance				1517.00	
Fund Raising Expenses				2888.95	
Equipment Maintenance				56720.50	
Operations Expenses (dues, Meeting, Office)				4814.62	
Training Expenses				1371.25	
Other Expenses				808.33	
Total Expenses				<u>107005.94</u>	\$ 19,722.40

Income Less Expenses

Transfer into Funds				\$ (238.06)	<u>\$ 19,484.34</u>
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Checking Balance 12/31/22

	Balance 1/1/22	Income to Funds	Interest Income	Fund Expenses	Balance 12/31/22
Fund Allocations					
Repeater Fund	\$ 25,903.75	\$ 2,750.00	\$ -		\$ 28,653.75
Fire truck Fund	\$ 77,135.63	\$ -	\$ 193.08	\$ -	\$ 77,328.71
HazMat Fund	\$ 3,089.21	\$ -	\$ 0.93		\$ 3,090.14
					\$ -
Savings Account	\$ 140,064.56	\$ 64,200.00	\$ 44.05		\$ 204,308.61
					\$ -
Total Funds	<u>\$ 246,193.15</u>	<u>\$ 66,950.00</u>	<u>\$ 238.06</u>		<u>\$ 313,381.21</u>
Total Assets (checking, savings, funds)					<u>\$ 332,865.55</u>

Vital Records Page

Due to a Legislative change to Vital Records beginning July 1, 2019; we felt it best to ensure people's privacy, we would only list the number of births, marriages, deaths and burials.

We acknowledge this is not what everyone is accustomed to seeing in the Town Report, but because of identity theft and privacy issues, we feel it best to not include the names and dates.

2022 Births: 5 Girls / 3 Boys

2022 Marriages: 10

2022 Deaths: 16

2022 Burials: 17

To those who have welcomed a new baby – congratulations! We wish you all the best, and hopefully not too many sleepless nights.

To those who are recently married – congratulations! We wish you the best of luck in your future together.

To those who have lost a loved one, we send you our deepest sympathy.

EVERGREEN CEMETERY, INC.

Checking balance on hand January 1, 2022: \$2508.20

Checking balance on hand January 1, 2023: \$4253.59

Income from 2022

Transfer from Money Market \$8000.00

Town of New Haven \$2000.00

Town – pauper Graves \$34.00

Lots sold \$1600.00

Expenses from 2022

Cemetery Grounds \$8400.00

Brush hogging \$150.00

Trimming flagged trees/bushes \$500.00

Union Mutual Insurance \$771.00

Addison Independent \$ 17.00

Service Charge \$10.00

Misc. \$40.61

Assets Vanguard

Value on hand December 31, 2022 \$207,216.42

Income dividend .1574 \$1204.83

Income dividend .2448 \$2655.29

ST cap gains .00137 \$ 10.53

LT cap gains 1.51023 \$11630.23

Value on hand December 31, 2021 \$253,943.95

Respectfully submitted

Carol Charbonneau - Treasurer

MUNGER STREET CEMETERY CORPORATION, INC.

Income Statement

April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022

		2020-2021 (\$)	2021-2022 (\$)
Income	Dividends	515.06	1,682.40
	Interest (Trust Fund & CD)	2.61	
	Lot Sales and Corner Stones	1,700.00	
	Alliance Capital Gains		
	Town of New Haven	800.00	800.00
	Misc. Gifts	200.00	200.00
	Total Income	\$3,217.67	\$2,682.40
Expenses	Reinvestment of Capital Gains		
	Lawn Mowing	750.00	900.00
	Headstone repairs / VOCA		
	Corner Stones	375.00	
	Tree Trimming		
	Insurance	350.00	350.00
	Split Rail Fence		
	Addison Independent (legal notice)	15.15	11.99
	Total Expenses	\$1,490.15	\$1,261.99
	Income and Expenses	\$1,727.52	\$1,420.41
Balance Sheet – March 31, 2022			
Assets	Alliance Shares	17,675.59	17,311.82
	CD (balance)	n/a	n/a
	Checking Account	4,717.40	6,138.17
	Trust Fund (Savings Account)	10,235.64	10,327.69
	Total Assets		
Liabilities	None	0.00	0.00
Net Worth	Assets and Liabilities	\$32,628.63	\$33,777.68

Respectfully Submitted,
Malcolm W. Chase, Treasurer

** March 31, 2021 - 932.749 shares @ \$18.95
March 31, 2022 - 932.749 shares @ \$18.56

The trustees of the Munger Street Cemetery Corporation, Inc. thank the Town of New Haven for their support and request continuance of this funding.

WEST CEMETERY

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022		<u>\$20,502.26</u>
Income		
Interest Income	<u>\$13.64</u>	
Total Income	\$13.64	\$13.64
Expenses		
Mowing	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	
Total Expenses	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
		<u> </u>
Balance on Hand, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$19,015.90</u></u>

Money Market, M&T Bank

Research done in 2014: showed that there are no restrictions on this fund; principle and interest may be used. The New Haven West Cemetery Association received \$20,132.39 from the Estate of Winford A. Warner in April 1981. The Cemetery was incorporated by the State Legislature in 1910. West Cemetery Association was dissolved in 1963.

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2022		<u>\$8,681.49</u>
Income		
Interest Income	<u>\$5.85</u>	
Total Income	\$5.85	\$5.85
Expenses		
Total Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
		<u> </u>
Balance on Hand, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$8,687.34</u></u>

Money Market, Peoples United
 Checking Acct received from Riverside Cemetery Assoc. in Sept. 4, 2004

Originally transferred funds were used up in 2015 and new deposits were being allocated for Fence Repair

Town Meeting Minutes

260th Annual Town Meeting of New Haven, Vermont

The legal voters of the Town of New Haven are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall in New Haven, Vermont or remotely (see log in instructions below) on **Monday, February 28, 2022, at 6:30 PM** to act on Articles 1 through 4; and on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM** to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 5 through 33.

A DISCUSSION PERIOD FOR THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TOWN MEETING.

Moderator, Pam Marsh called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and welcomed approximately 25 people in person and approximately 15 remotely attending this year's Town Meeting. Selectboard members Steve Dupoise (remote), Kathy Barrett (remote), Taborri Bruhl, John Roleau and Bruce Many were all introduced, along with Treasurer, Danielle Hubbell and Town Clerk, Pam Kingman. The Moderator indicated the use of Roberts Rules of Order and asked everyone to direct their questions to her, be respectful of one another. Pam Marsh read the Warning and said we're here to discuss Articles 1 – 4. Danielle Hubbell will help with fielding questions from folks who are using remote access.

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to pay real estate taxes to the Town Treasurer on October 3, 2022; delinquent taxes will be subject to interest charges of one percent per month, and an eight percent penalty charged against them from October 3, 2022?

Larry Maier made the motion to approve, seconded by Becky Hutchins. No discussion. All in favor.

Passed.

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven accept the Auditors' Report for the year 2021?

Maggie Eaton made the motion to approve, seconded by Rick Shappy.

Jon Christiano asked when the last full audit was done.

Treasurer Danielle Hubbell said it was just completed in January, and an outside audit is done annually.

No further discussion.

All in favor.

Passed.

ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven authorize the Selectboard to put funding of non-profit agencies into the General Fund budget rather than in separate articles? This would only apply to those non-profits who have petitioned and have been approved for 5 consecutive years at the same amount.

Patty Lewis made the motion to approve, seconded by Susan Bruhl.

Pam Kingman explained she had approached the Selectboard about this, and it was decided to have the discussion at Town Meeting for broader input. She cited the cost savings from the memory cards would be \$30.00 per article (21 articles this year), and approximately 60% savings on printing the ballots. Every year people say it takes too

long to vote because our ballots are 3 pages long. She said people like to pick and choose the nonprofits they are willing to support, and she gets that. You would still see them listed in the general fund budget. Pam said several towns in Addison County put the non-profits in the general fund budget, and they are voted on that way. New Haven is one of the few towns who requires petitioning for 5 consecutive years at the same amount.

Susan Smiley asked if they are in the general fund budget and then decide to raise the requested amount, do they have to start petitioning all over again.
The answer is yes.

Taborri Bruhl said the nonprofits pass every year.

There was discussion if this was a binding vote tonight, Moderator, Pam Marsh said it is just for discussion, the Selectboard does not have to do this.

** At this point in the meeting we lost the internet connection but regained a few minutes.

Taborri Bruhl said this year because of COVID, the Selectboard felt many people would not feel comfortable meeting in person, so they offered a hybrid meeting – offering in person as well as remote.

Pam Marsh said a person via remote access asked to adjourn the meeting until better internet access was available. Pam said we cannot do that because we are voting tomorrow by Australian ballot.

John Roleau said the Selectboard did not want to make this decision, they thought it best to discuss tonight.

Kathy Cahill said let's save costs and lump them all together.

Dean Gilmore made a motion to table article 4, seconded by Steve Dupoise.

The motion to table is passed by one vote.

No further discussion.

ARTICLE 4. To transact, vote and act upon any further non-binding business, including discussion about how to spend ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan Act) which may legally come before this meeting.

Pam Marsh asked how many people want better internet in the town hall and in the town – nearly everyone put up their hands.

Taborri Bruhl said ARPA is COVID money from the Feds that has been divided up by state, and then by towns. The restrictions on how the money can be spent have eased over time. There are lots of opinions on how to spend New Haven's ARPA money. We have 3 years to decide how to spend it. Taborri read a list of those who have requested New Havens' ARPA funds: Head Start / Maple Broadband / Bristol Rescue Squad / Turning Point Center / New Haven Fire Department – purchase land for them to put up a new building / automated speed signs for the village of New Haven / digitize land records / community solar array. Taborri said he is the Selectboard's point person for the ARPA funds, and Maggie Eaton is the Planning Commission's point person. Taborri added they are cognizant of not spending this if we can get monies elsewhere. The Federal Infrastructure bill just passed, so it is possible we could use that money for the Fire Dept. Taborri said meetings about this will be posted to discuss the best possible way to spend the money wisely.

Patty Lewis asked if we already have the money and is it earning interest.

Taborri Bruhl said we have received part of the money, and yes, it is earning interest.

Danielle Hubbell said if we don't spend the money, the town can keep the interest, but the rest goes back to the feds

Tim Bouton asked if it could be used for the Train Depot.

Danielle Hubbell said no, we can only use it as a last resort because there is already grant money for the Train Depot and more can be raised for that. This money is federally funded and must be used according to the guidelines.

Pam Marsh reminded there will be follow up meetings on the ARPA funds.

No further discussion.

ARTICLE 5. To elect the following Town Officers by Australian Ballot:

Auditor	3 years
Auditor	3 years
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year
Library Trustee	2 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Lister	3 years
Moderator	1 year
Mt. Abe Unified School District Director	3 years
Selectboard	2 years
Selectboard	3 years
Town Clerk	3 years
Town Treasurer	3 years
Trustee of Public Funds	1 year

ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed Road Fund Budget of \$1,227,693.75, less anticipated revenues of \$267,579.20 less 2021 surplus of \$130,087.02 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$830,027.53 to be raised by taxes, for the purpose of maintaining town roads for the year 2022?

By Australian Ballot.

Chris Granstrom asked why there is a \$130k surplus from last year.

Taborri Bruhl said we received a grant to pave Town Hill Road, it got too late in the season last fall to pave. The paving is schedule for this spring.

No further discussion.

ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,325,689.55 (General Fund expenses, \$735,689.55 plus school payment due \$590,000.00) less anticipated revenues of \$211,699.40, less 2021 surplus of \$710,859.87, leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$403,130.28, to be raised by taxes? This amount to be increased by any additional monies voted affirmatively by Australian Ballot on March 1, 2022. The tax rate to be determined by the Selectboard. By Australian Ballot.

No discussion.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$100,000.00 from the Road Equipment Fund for a new town truck? By Australian Ballot.

Road Commissioner John Roleau said this would replace our Ford F550, it is a smaller truck that is used daily. It will be fitted with a plow and dump body and have a diesel

engine. The town trucks are on a 4–5-year rotation for replacement, every year the Selectboard puts money into the truck fund, and now we are asking the voters for permission to spend it.

Maggie Eaton asked if the truck only comes in diesel or is there a hybrid model.

John Roleau said there is a gas version, but there is not much in savings. Several years ago, we removed the gas tanks at the shed and replaced them with diesel tanks, we purchase diesel in bulk to get a better rate, all our trucks are diesel. We do have some smaller equipment that uses gas. The new diesel engines are more compliant to meet EPA standards, they are not like the old diesel engines.

Taborri Bruhl said maybe in the future we can look at other options.

ARTICLE 9. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven ratify the Town of Lincoln's vote of August 24, 2021, to withdraw the Town of Lincoln from the Mount Abraham Unified School District (MAUSD)? By Australian Ballot.

Paul Florenza, a Lincoln resident said he would like to speak to this article.

Larry Maier made a motion to allow Paul Florenza to speak, seconded by Rick Shappy. Most were in favor, the motion passed.

Paul Florenza is a Lincoln resident, Selectboard member and a member of the Save our Community Schools which is the group behind removing Lincoln from MAUSD. Back in August of 2021, Lincoln voted to move away from the district by a 3 -1 margin. Lincoln is focused on local control of its school. There are 4 towns voting on Lincoln leaving MAUSD.

Tim Bouton and Barb Torian asked what the article means to Lincoln.

Paul Florenza said for Lincoln to withdraw from MAUSD, the other 4 towns in the district must all agree to it. If all 4 towns vote to allow Lincoln to leave the district they will be on their own.

Tim Bouton and Barb Torian asked what happens to Lincoln's debt that MAUSD took on and what happens to the building.

Susan Bruhl said the Town of Lincoln will have to purchase the building from MAUSD. She added look what has happened to Ripton. She suggested if you have questions to reach out to MAUSD's business manager, and to consult the school board minutes.

Julie Bessette reiterated Barb and Tim's question about what happens to Lincoln's debt.

Paul Florenza said Lincoln would have to buy the building from the district and they would take on the \$700k debt. The \$700k was used for renovations to the building.

Theresa Sawyer asked what grades go to the Lincoln school and where would kids go to middle school and high school.

Paul Florenza said Lincoln school is K – 6, he believes at least 85% of the Lincoln kids will go to Mt. Abe. They may introduce school choice.

Theresa Sawyer asked if the kids go to the middle and high school who will pay for it.

Pam Marsh thinks it would be the Lincoln District that would pay for it.

Tim Bouton and Barb Torian wondered what happens if other towns withdraw, and the district structure goes away.

Paul Florenza said it is not an easy decision to withdraw from your district, however it is open to any town.

Pam Marsh added it is unknown at this time what happens to the district structure.

No further discussion.

ARTICLE 10. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$40,000.00 from the Reserve Facilities Fund to do major repairs to the façade of the Town Hall? Said repairs to include the front porch and improve ADA accessibility. By Australian Ballot

Taborri Bruhl said this was voted on and passed last year, but due to COVID the repair didn't happen. The Selectboard thought it best to put it back on the ballot for voter approval. No money has been spent yet.
No further discussion.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven permit the operation of cannabis retailers and integrated licensees within the Town of New Haven, pursuant to 7 V.S.A. §863(a)(1)? By Australian Ballot.

Patty Lewis asked if there had been any applications.

John Roleau said no, there haven't been. This is the first time we are able to vote on this.

Larry Maier asked what integrated licensee is.

Taborri Bruhl explained that you get the licenses in tiers. There are potentially 3 kinds of licenses, growing, manufacturing and retailing, that is part of the process.

John Roleau said this gives the town the right to issue permits. This is similar to people growing hemp.

Pam Kingman said the State has given the ok to this, this is the voters a chance to say they are either ok with it or not.

Maggie Eaton said if it passes, she believes the Planning Commission could put zoning restrictions on it.

Planning Commission, Co-Chair Benj Putnam agreed, saying they could limit their hours of operation and the location of such enterprises.

Kelly Krayowski asked if there were any tax implications.

Pam Kingman said less than 1%.

No further discussion.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,753.25 for the Addison County Home Health and Hospice, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 13. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,800.00 for the Addison County Parent Child Center? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 for Addison County Readers, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for Addison County Restorative Justice Services? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 16. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 17. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$4,850.00 for Addison County Transit Resources to be taken from Town Funds for the purpose of maintaining and improving public transportation services for elders, persons with disabilities and the general public? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 18. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Age Well f/k/a CVAA? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 19. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Bristol Family Center? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 20. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$2,500.00 to Bristol Recreation Department? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$950.00 to Charter House Coalition, Middlebury, Vermont, for the purpose of supporting their emergency housing and daily food programs that each year provide shelter to over 90 adults and children (7700 bed nights) and 33,000 free meals to those who are food insecure? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 22. Shall the voters of Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,750.00 for the Counseling Service of Addison County? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Elderly Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 24. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,700.00 for HOPE? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 25. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison County Humane Society, Inc.? (Homeward Bound) By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 26. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,075.00 for the John Graham Housing and Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town appropriate \$500.00 to the Open Door Clinic?
By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 28. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate the sum of \$950.00 to the Otter Creek Child Center, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 29. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$390.00 for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 30. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Turning Point Center of Addison County for the purpose of supporting its mission to assist persons, their families, and their friends in recovery from substance use disorder and addictive behaviors? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 31. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$525.00 for Vermont Adult Learning? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 32. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$215.00 for the Vermont Center for Independent Living? By Australian Ballot.
No discussion.

ARTICLE 33. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to WomenSafe, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

Susan Bruhl spoke on behalf of WomenSafe, she has volunteered there for many years. Susan reviewed the services WomenSafe has offered throughout Addison County. In New Haven they assisted 10 residents including 13 children. They have also offered prevention programs at Mt. Abe Middle and High School.
No further discussion.

John Roleau made a motion to adjourn at 8:01 pm, seconded by Larry Maier.
All in favor.

Attest: _____
Town Clerk

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Well, 2022 was a much quieter year than most I have encountered in my time on the Board. Solar, the Anbaric transmission project and several staffing changes have caused quite the stir in the past. It's nice to just be business as usual. Our meetings have all gone from several hours (years ago) to an hour, maybe two. I appreciate the group we have working together as a team. Though none of us are perfect, we all have something to offer and do it well together.

I'd like to take this time to thank some members on the selectboard who will not be returning next year. Taborri Bruhl came on the board with an open mind and good ideas. He worked hard on solar and the Town Plan revisions. He was also very helpful putting together the study for our ARPA funds distribution. He has always kept a level head and asked a lot of questions over an issue that arose and he didn't quite understand. He never just rolled with the status quo. We all wish you well in the future, Taborri and hope you get to spend more time with your family, especially on your summer road trips! It has been a pleasure working with you.

Steve Dupoise has always been someone I have looked up to, on and off the board. Now even though I don't always agree with him, I have always respected his opinion. He has had a huge impact on many of the negotiations we have had behind the scenes which have had a positive impact on the town, including Anbaric, moving the train depot, road crew, budget demands and endless zoom meetings. He has also shown great leadership on the board and in our community. We are sad to see you go, but retirement seems to be calling a little louder, and I honestly don't blame you a bit. You have done a great job and served your town well. I wish you and Marcia all the best.

As we move forward with the voting of new members, please keep in mind it's a tough job to devote this much time to the town, with little reward. It is important that we have volunteers for all the positions who will take the job seriously. The vitality of the town depends on vested volunteers. If you aren't interested in a selectboard position, please consider another board or position. The Town Clerk will be happy to share the open positions that are available. I thank everyone involved in our little town who helps make it what it is. I hope everyone has a healthy and happy 2023.

John R. Roleau

Selectboard Chair

The New Haven Depot Project - All Aboard!

Bold vision, leadership, hard work, Yankee ingenuity, and generous financial support have brought the New Haven Depot Project to the beginning of the final phase. The masons are busy, as this goes to press. We anticipate spring and summer to bring a flurry of work: finishing the masonry, hooking up the services, installing a heating system, constructing the floor, finishing the interior, renewing the windows and exterior trim, and more.

The Depot arrived at its North Street location on January 20, 2022. Moving a 25 foot by 44-foot brick building with 5-foot bracketed gables 1.7 miles to its new location was not easy or inexpensive. Fortunately, grants from the Northern Border Regional Commission, the VT Agency of Transportation, and Vermont Department of Historic Preservation combined to deliver \$1 million to cover the moving costs, site preparation work, and related expenses. We could not have done it without their commitment and support.

We are off to a good start with fundraising to cover the costs of the Final Phase of work. The Preservation Trust of Vermont has given us a \$20,000 grant to pay for the “preservation and rehabilitation of...historic interior features and finishes.” And we received a \$50 contribution from a private donor. Much more funding is needed. A consultant was hired to help us prepare a detailed plan and budget for the Final Phase, along with a fundraising plan to help us pay for that work. Watch for future updates in the months ahead.

The New Haven Junction Depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and the architectural qualities that placed it there must be protected as we complete the work. The Vermont State Historic Preservation Officer assured the Keeper of the National Register that the “Integrity of workmanship, materials, design and feeling will be retained. The architectural significance of the building shall be restored and rehabilitated...ensuring continued reflection of its original use and design as a junction depot. Deferred maintenance, such as brick repointing, replacement of the slate roof shingles, and window restoration will be undertaken.”

Restoration of the New Haven Depot is an important undertaking that will provide lasting value to the town, the state, and the nation. We have done the heavy lifting, literally, to get to where we are, but there is much work that remains. The New Haven Selectboard hopes to have your continued enthusiasm and support in the months ahead. Please contact us if you have any questions or suggestions, or if you have any ideas for continuing fund-raising efforts.

Steve Dupoise on behalf of the Selectboard

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Town Meeting - was, well – interesting. We had approximately 25 people in person and approximately 15 remote using GoToMeeting. We encountered trouble with the internet in the Town Hall, which was very frustrating to both staff and the folks attending remotely. A huge thank you to Susan Bruhl who provided us with the MAUSD password, which made things run much smoother for the remainder of the meeting.

Voting – 2022 was a busy year for voting. Town Meeting in March, State Primary in August, and the November General Election. I would like to thank the election workers, who consistently help at the polls - I depend heavily on you to make things run smoothly.

Town Meeting Australian ballot voting will take place on Tuesday, March 7, 2023. Polls are open in the Town Hall gym from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm.

You may request an Absentee Ballot by calling the Town Office @ 453 – 3516 or going onto the Secretary of State's website; look for My Voter Page: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>
Remember - Your vote is your voice.

Dog License – We had 418 dogs licensed in 2022, which is up slightly from 2021. State law requires all dogs to be licensed by April 1st of every year. This is to protect everyone from the threat of rabies. Additional fees for not licensing your dog(s) can be avoided by licensing them prior to April 1st. The fees, (prior to April 1) are \$9.00 for neutered and \$13.00 for unneutered dogs.

We will be hosting a Rabies Clinic on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at the Town Office from 9:00 – 11:00 am. Dr. Randy Ross and his staff will once again host the clinic. Cost per shot is \$ 20.00. This is open to cats and dogs only. Please leave all pets in the car, and Dr. Ross will come to you.

Please remember to let us know if you no longer have a dog.

Town Hall rental – Applications for renting the Town Hall can be found on our website: www.newhavenvt.com – look under “permits and forms.” Applications must be submitted to the Selectboard for approval at least 1-2 weeks in advance. You may look on our website at the Town Hall Calendar to see what dates are available. Thank you.

Website – newhavenvt.com is where you can find monthly newsletters, agendas, and minutes for the Selectboard, Planning Commission, Development Review Board and Conservation Commission.

You will also find forms you need pertaining to zoning permits, road access permits or vital records, etc.

Newsletter – Items for submission as well as calendar items should be emailed to me at newhavenclerk@gmavt.net or Danielle Hubbell at newhaventreasurer@gmavt.net by the 15th of each month. We try to get the newsletter out as close to the first of the month as possible. We are also working toward an e-newsletter that to be delivered to your email once you have signed up. This is still a work in progress. Once we have the information, we will share how to sign up with an article in the newsletter. You can still request a paper copy be mailed to you.

Special Thanks to:

- Danielle Hubbell, Peggy Connor, Julie Bessette, Sue Ford and the Listers who make the office run smoothly every day.
- The Road Crew for their hard work and dedication.
- All the dedicated members of the Development Review Board, Planning Commission, Conservation Commission, and the Selectboard. Thank you all for your hard work and commitment to our Town.
- To Steve Dupoise and Taborri Bruhl - thank you both for your years on the Selectboard, you will be greatly missed. Steve, thank you for your hard work and dedication in getting the Train Depot to its final home on North Street.
- Pam Marsh for Moderating Town Meeting for many years.
- The Events Ladies who have done a wonderful job decorating the Town Green for several holidays. You have made it safe and fun for kids 1 - 101.
- All our volunteers - you are truly amazing!

Respectfully, Pam Kingman

TREASURER

This is my 3rd year as your Town Treasurer. Thank you everyone for your support and patience while I learn this role for the Town.

This year the Town was able to get a lot of projects done for both the roads and the general fund. You will see a large surplus in the general fund, but a large portion of that is school taxes that are collected in 2022 but not paid until 2023. You are going to see this surplus every year in the general fund, as we run on a calendar year and the school runs on a fiscal year. One of the big expenses you will see in the general fund was prepping and pouring the foundation for the Train Depot. The expenses this year were covered by a grant received by Northern Borders. Hopefully, by the spring the depot will be ready for interior work for which we will be applying for additional grants. A “thank you” must go out to Steve Dupoise for his commitment to the project from the very beginning.

Thank you to Julie Bessette for being an amazing assistant. She has recently finished her schooling in accounting and has been a huge asset to the town. She will also be covering for my maternity leave this winter and will be able to answer any questions.

A part of being the Town Treasurer is also being the Tax Collector. Taxes will be due Monday October 2nd this year, so please mark your calendars! Taxes are usually mailed out in August. By law, taxes are mailed to the owner as of April 1st, so if you are buying or selling a house, please make sure you know how the taxes are being paid.

A lot of mortgage companies are now offering Escrow accounts and they will pay your taxes for you. Just remember, you oversee your Escrow account, and it is up to you to make sure your mortgage company is paying the correct amount, and that it is paid on time.

There are numerous landowners enrolled in current use, which is a program that helps conserve open land. There are a lot of changes to this program this coming year and most of the filings are now being done online. The Town sends out revised tax bills as soon as we receive them, and I thank you for your patience as this may take time additional time. If you have any questions about Land Use, the Town Listers can help and are usually in the office on Tuesdays.

Do not forget that if you not only own your home, but also live in it, you must file your Homestead Declaration. This HS 144 form has two parts to it, the Homestead Declaration and your property Tax Adjustment. This form must be completed every year by April 15th and it will declare if you have to pay residential or non-residential taxes. A reminder, just because you file an extension on your income taxes, you must still file your Homestead in a timely manner.

Again, taxes will be due in the office **by 5 pm on Monday, October 2nd, 2023.** **Taxes received after the deadline will be delinquent, even if postmarked before that date. Please allow enough time for mail to reach the office by the due date.** It can take several days for mail to get to the town even if you are mailing within town.

Respectfully submitted,
Danielle Hubbell

ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORT

Another busy year for the road crew is in the books. I'd like to thank foreman Eric Boise for his first full year as Road Foreman. He has done a great job filling the spot last year vacated by Tim Rich. A big thank you to Jerry Currier as well for his hours and dedication and being available any time, night, or day for emergencies. Thanks as well to our newest member Clay (Tony) Goodrich; he has fit right into the team, and everyone works well together. Bruce Many has not only given his years of construction experience to the road crew in the winter, but now he is an added asset to our Selectboard. We are very fortunate to have him in our town. Big thank you to Danielle and Pam in the office for keeping things in line and taking care of the endless paperwork that seems to be more and more each year.

Some projects to mention: Town Hill Road was repaved after ditching and culvert replacement. A large portion of Plank Road was reclaimed and paved as well. And we had several culvert replacements and ditch work throughout the town. Last year voters approved replacing the smaller Ford F550 truck, and the new truck finally arrived this January. We will be outfitting it with the dump body and plows this spring and it should be in service by late spring. The old truck will be sold, and funds will be put back into the Road Fund budget. Keep your eyes out for that sale if you or anyone is looking for a good used work truck.

What a crazy December windstorm we had!!! Big thanks to the road crew, fire department and our Emergency Management Coordinator Becky Hutchins. I was very impressed by how calm everyone was during the storm and pulled together to help our town. We are lucky to have such a devoted group of volunteers. We are hoping to make some improvements to all our response teams in the planning stages for a new fire station/emergency command center. Please keep all of this in mind when the time comes to discuss the subject. Your opinion and vote count and we look forward to them. It's basically a three for one: First it will serve as a new home for our fire department and their equipment, supplies and gear; and secondly, it will also be the new home for our emergency shelter with ample drinking water supply, septic and kitchen space for the pancake breakfasts and chicken dinners which are HUGE draws every time. Third, our road crew will be able to update the current fire department space to allow us to park the rest of our town equipment indoors. We have a lot of taxpayers' money invested in the equipment, much of which is currently sitting outside in the elements and susceptible to thieves.

Most of all I want to thank the residents for being decent people. Your calls, emails and texts have been very helpful. It is important to communicate with all town officials in a respectful manner and you have all been great. Over the years I have had a few unsavory calls (which I'm more than capable of handling) but would rather help you with your problem and not get into a back-and-forth on an issue. We have a lot of ground to cover, and many times during heavy storms and emergencies we can't be everywhere immediately, and you have been very understanding. We all appreciate you.

I look forward to another safe and productive year and look forward to seeing you all around town.

John R. Roleau
Road Commissioner

PLANNING COMMISSION

The New Haven Planning Commission (PC) is responsible for developing the Town Plan and creating Zoning Regulations for the Town. The 7-member board is appointed by the Selectboard for 3-year terms. The long-awaited revision combining the Town's zoning and subdivision regulations into a single, easy to understand document titled Unified Bylaws, is nearly finished. Thanks to input from community and DRB members, we are optimistic to have the Unified Bylaws completed this spring.

The new town zoning map has been updated with many revisions thanks to the depth of experience contained within the Planning Commission's members and help from the Addison County Regional Planning Commission's new GIS mapmaker, Hannah Andrew.

The Town Energy Plan is finalized and available to read on the town website: www.newhavenvt.com

The PC holds regular monthly meetings the second Monday of each month. The public is welcome to attend and participate either in person or remotely.

The current membership of the Planning Commission includes Co-Chairs Rob Litch and Kathy Cahill and members Maggie Eaton, Benj Putnam, Beverly Landon and Megan Ooms.

We thank Benj Putnam for his years of service serving as chairperson, and Betsy Taylor for her few months of service in 2022. We currently have one opening for a regular commissioner member. If you are interested in serving on the Planning Commission, or if you have any questions, please contact Pam Kingman or any Planning Commission or Selectboard member for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Cahill,

Co-chair New Haven Planning Commission



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The New Haven Development Review Board (DRB) hears requests for subdivisions, conditional uses, site plan reviews, variances, and appeals of decisions of the Zoning Administrator. Many routine permits are processed directly by the Zoning Administrator. Those that cannot be processed by the Zoning Administrator are passed on to the DRB. Prior to a full hearing, the Zoning Administrator may require a sketch plan review for the DRB to get an informal overview of a project. Once we receive a full application, our job is to follow the zoning regulations. The Zoning Administrator will help if you don't understand the regulations or are unsure if you need a permit. It's better to ask prior to building than to get a notice to correct a violation.

The DRB and Zoning Administrator work with the Planning Commission to clarify areas in the zoning regulations that need to be updated. The Planning Commission is charged with the task of proposing amendments to the regulations and the Town Plan. Amendments are guided by the Town Plan which establishes a vision and directs, in part, New Haven's regulations and policies. The Town adopted the most current zoning regulations in August 2012, and the Planning Commission is currently working on updates. Please contact the Zoning Administrator to learn more.

The DRB meets on the first and third Monday of each month as needed. The Zoning Administrator must warn a hearing 15 days prior to a meeting. Once the DRB hears the application, a decision will be written within 45 days of the hearing. Interested parties have 30 days to appeal the written decision. Therefore, please allow enough time if you are considering a subdivision or site plan review. The timeline cannot be shortened.

During 2022, we met 15 times and heard 16 new applications:

Conditional use	5
Site Plan Review	4
Sketch Plan Review	2
Boundary Line Adjustment	1
Subdivisions	4
Planned Unit Development (PUD),	
Non-Conforming Structure and Appeals of ZA Decisions	0

We currently have 7 members and one alternate:

Charlie Roy – Chair, Kathy Barrett – Vice Chair, Don Johnston – Clerk
Paul Audy, Carol Charbonneau, Roger Hamilton, Victor Laberge, Tom Fyles - Alternate

During 2022 Susan Smiley resigned her position and Roger Hamilton was appointed to complete her term. Thank you, Susan for your thoughtful contributions to the DRB.

We have one opening for an alternate. An alternate member acts as a voting member if a member is absent or has to recuse him/herself due to a conflict of interest. In a town the size of New Haven, there are often conflicts of interest. If you are interested, please contact any member or Town Staff or come to a meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Roy, DRB Chair

ZONING

Below is a summary of zoning activity for the years 2020, 2021, and 2022. Details for each application and permit can be reviewed by visiting the Town Offices Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on the Town’s website: www.newhavenvt.com.

Building Applications – consisting of:	2020	2021	2022
Residential	6	9	8
Accessory Bldgs. (shed/porch/deck/barn/garage)	18	27	15
Additions	9	3	3
Other (visitors center, Field Days bldgs., lean-to)	12	10	7
Totals	45	49	33
DRB Decisions	17	16	16
Certificates of Compliance	30	42	25
Certificates of Occupancy	11	6	8
Agricultural Structures	5	3	3

2022 Addison County Housing Market

While Addison County felt a substantial downturn in sales throughout the first half of 2022, it’s important to note that 2021 represented historically high sales. Single-family home sales declined 30% to 135 properties sold, and short supply of condominium units available limited transactions to 9 -- 40% less than in 2021. New inventory was soft, reflecting a 21.4% decline in single-family homes listed. Despite limited sales, prices appreciated by over 13.6%. Addison County was the beneficiary of interest from out-of-state buyers during the past two years as buyers sought more tranquil areas.

<https://www.hickokandboardman.com/vermont-market-report/market/addison-county/>

What is the housing market like in Addison County today?

In November 2022, Addison County home prices were up 11.9% compared to 2021, selling for a median price of \$395k. On average, homes in Addison County sell after 59 days on the market compared to 54 days the previous year.

<https://www.redfin.com/county/2923/VT/Addison-County/housing-market#climate>

TOWN OF NEW HAVEN:

Median Sale Price vs. 2021	Units Sold vs. 2021	Newly Listed vs. 2021	Avg. Days on Mkt.
\$455,000 -4.2%	5 -37.5%	6 -57.1%	5

The Zoning Administrator’s Office is open 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Mon.-Thurs., as well as by appointment outside those hours. “Permits and Forms” can be found on the left-side menu on the Town website: <https://www.newhavenvt.com/>.

Respectfully submitted,
 Peggy Connor, Zoning Administrator
newhaventzoning@gmavt.net
 (802) 453-3516

New Haven Community Library

If there are two words to best describe what 2022 looked like for New Haven Community Library, it would be “growth” and “connection.” After a demanding year navigating the challenges and changing landscape of the pandemic in 2021, I was delighted to begin offering in-person programming again by late spring, and the library hosted 50 programs this year with over 600 attendees. Storytime remained our most popular with 395 attendees over 30 weekly programs, and by September, all recurring programs, including Book Discussion and Game Night, were back in place.

Our Summer Reading Program continues to grow, offering more opportunities for kids and teens to stay engaged with reading and learning throughout the summer. We had 25 kids and teens sign up for our program this year and logged almost 12,000 minutes of reading. In addition to our summer reading challenge, the library hosted our weekly story-time on the Village Green, a virtual tour with the New England Aquarium of Boston, Slime making, tie-dying, and outdoor movie nights.

This year also marked opportunities for us to connect with local organizations, and we were grateful to be a part of the Conservation Commission’s Community Reading of Douglas Tallamy’s *“The Nature of Oaks”*, the Town Events Committee’s Halloween on the Green and Winterfest events, and to collaborate with the Congregational Church and local community members to co-host the Vermont Humanities Program for the 2022 Humanities Read, *The Most Costly Journey*.

As for new additions at NHCL, the Library reconfigured some of our space this year, adding new tables and portable laptops to our services. The new layout and technology service allows patrons more workspace, tables that are easy to reconfigure for small gatherings, the ability to bring devices in to connect free to WiFi or work on projects using a library laptop anywhere throughout the library space. The library also added board games and puzzles to our lending collection, which have been met with great enthusiasm. We look forward to continuing to grow this portion of the collection.

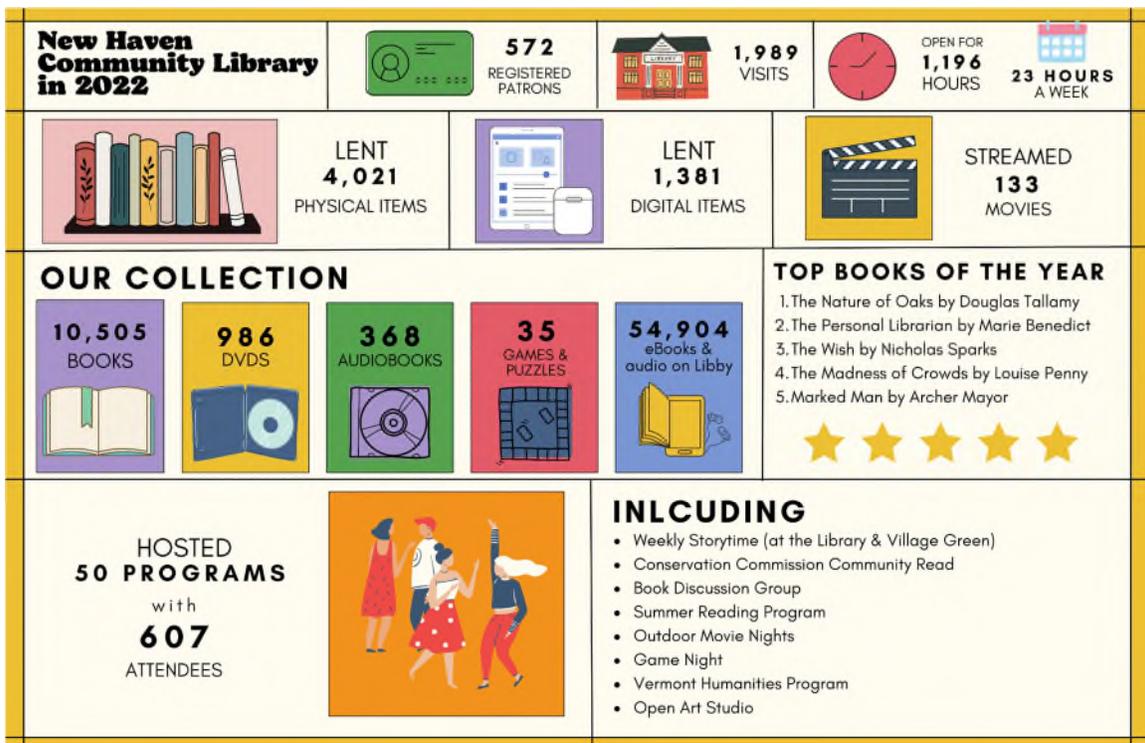
We had another great year of lending with over 5,535 items circulating from our collections. Our collection offerings remain strong with the library, adding 580 titles this year. As I look toward this upcoming year, I’m already hard at work on staying up to date with topics of interest, favorite genres, and caring for parts of the collection that need extra attention. I’m also hopeful that this year will allow the library to expand its offerings in non-traditional collections for circulation.

I remain grateful to our Board of Trustees, our Friends of the Library who hosted a fantastic Book and Bake Sale this summer (be on the lookout for another this year!), the many local organizations that collaborated with us this past year, community member volunteers including Kim Callahan and Margaret Benn who were instrumental in helping with the Vermont Humanities Program, our library volunteers, and our generous donors including Jack DeVoe, who make the work of enhancing our collection and putting on special programs possible.

Most of all, thank you to the people of New Haven for continuing to support the library and its services. We would not be here without this wonderful community!

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Male-Riordan
Library Director



Conservation Commission

The primary mission of the Conservation Commission is to encourage people through education, to explore and understand the New Haven environs more fully in hopes of providing a catalyst for individual and community stewardship. The Commission provides education forums through Armchair Naturalist programs (in person and virtual), Field Trips, posting Front Porch Forum links on relevant materials, Community Reads, and partnerships with other organizations.

2022 will likely be remembered as the year of “he Bears and the Bees”. As part of the effort to understand the importance of protecting forest blocks and wildlife crossings, residents were encouraged to report bear sightings: these were mapped by Commission members, shared with ANR; information about co-existing with our huge, fascinating friends was posted; we held a virtual armchair talk; Jens Hilke gave us a tour of important road crossings; and we continued to learn about tracking and forest conservation overlays. In 2023, we will expand the focus to include several other large mammals of interest.

The focus on our smaller residents – the pollinators – was another year-long effort, much of it in partnership with other groups. A Community Read and Discussion on Doug Tallamy’s *The Nature of Oaks* was very well received and led to much activity. Partnerships included live Saturday morning teaching sessions for all ages, demonstrations on the life cycle of Monarchs, art projects related to pollinators, a field visit to a hügelkultur site, and co-sponsorship of on-line lectures and workshops. Many were excited to begin collecting acorns and growing oak seedlings, but an exceptionally low mast year (trees not producing many nuts or pinecones), has slowed that project a bit. In 2023, we plan to continue with more partnership activities and another Community Read co-sponsored with the New Haven Community Library.

A highlight of the year was the publication of *Agroforestry* by Conservation member Mark Krawczyk. Mark led a hedgerow field trip on the land he and Amy have been reclaiming. Tourterelle hosted a book release reading and celebration, and the Commission made a gift of this important text to the library. Two in-person field trips are already planned for 2023: Visiting the swamps and bogs on the Old Nash Farm guided by Naturalist Craig Zondag and exploring sections of the old New Have-to-Bristol rail line (in partnership with the Historical Society).

The Commission joyfully welcomed the addition of 3 new multi-talented members this year: Adam Rice, Ellie de Villiers, and Rhiannon Johnson. Our meetings are always open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to participate in projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mitchell

EVENTS

The Events Committee was energized by the level of community participation that helped us create two successful events this year.

We started the year off quietly welcoming spring with bunnies and flowers adding color to the park to get people excited about coming to enjoy the change in seasons.

Halloween is always our biggest undertaking which we work on throughout the year. This year was no exception with visions of creating a Witches Hut with our self-stirring cauldron tucked under the bush on the south end of the park. Halloween lovers delighted in the spooky blue cemetery on South Street with ghosts wandering the park, and wanted their picture taken with Zelda the Fortune Teller on the gazebo. Kids loved visiting the haunted playhouse, and ringing the doorbell, and so much more.



This year the weather cooperated, and we had a successful Halloween event collaborating with even more partners. Many came out and enjoyed cotton candy, hot cider, and s'mores provided by the VGM, Trunk or Treat at the Church along with the New Haven fire truck, Halloween crafts provided by the Ladies Union, a funny story walk, pumpkin carving contest sponsored by the library, and games and music for the kids provided by our Events Committee. The parade of families in costume facilitated by BeeFriends was icing on the cake for our events group.



For Winterfest we planned another event and were so happy to have groups collaborate with us again so soon after Halloween. We had a fresh covering of snow and families did not disappoint by coming out to enjoy the afternoon celebrating the season. We had our neighborhood Santa greeting guests in the gazebo, s'mores, hot cider, and cocoa by the fire provided by the VGM, the library added a story walk and facilitated the making of natural decorations for some of the trees on the green. The Ladies Union set up cookie decorating at the church, and the church provided caroling on the green with community members

joining in the fun. There were beautiful decorations inside the Church to wander through or sit and enjoy with holiday music all around. The solar lights were all starting to pop on as we wrapped up the afternoon, adding a little magic to the scene. We focused on trees and lights this year in the park and were delighted with the outcome. We were sad that it had to be taken down early due to the wind storm that ripped through town. We hope most of you had the chance to at least drive by and enjoy the lights before we cleaned it up.



Thank you to all those who have supported us throughout the year helping to make the Town Green come to life for all to enjoy. We appreciate your contributions, time, and energy.

We are already in the planning stages of 2023 and hope to continue working with the same partners to bring some fun things to our community once again.

If you would like to join us in planning, creating, or implementing events to be enjoyed by our community, please reach out to us at newhaveneventsvt@gmail.com or contact one of us directly. We are always looking for fresh ideas and energy.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara, Vicki, Taunia, and Amy
Your Town Events Committee

Addison County River Watch Collaborative 2022 Report to New Haven

The mission of the Addison County River Watch Collaborative (ACRWC) is to monitor and assess the condition and uses of our rivers over the long term, raise public awareness of the values and functions of our watersheds, and support stewardship that improves water quality. The rivers we collect samples from are: Middlebury River, Otter Creek, New Haven River, Little Otter Creek, Lemon Fair, and Dead Creek. About 30 volunteers take water samples at about 30 stations around the county during spring and summer months. Our water quality measurements include: bacteria (E.coli), phosphorus, nitrogen, and chloride (salt).

At 2022 Town Meeting, as in previous years, the voters of the Town of New Haven voted to contribute \$500 to the funding of Addison County River Watch. Eight other towns in the county contribute similar amounts. ACRWC's annual cash budget is between \$25-\$45K, depending on grant funding. Non-cash donated services, including approximately 600 hours/year of volunteers' time, hosting by Addison County Regional Planning Commission, and the processing and analyzing of water samples by the Vermont State laboratory, are valued at about \$45K.

During the 2022 sampling season we monitored three sites on the New Haven River within the Town of New Haven: two at the confluence of Muddy Branch (on Halpin Rd.) and one at Demers Park. We also monitored several sampling sites on Little Otter Creek – one of which is in New Haven – to see if we can make progress in homing in on sources of phosphorus in that watershed. Our water quality reports can be found at <http://acrpc.org/acrwc>.

Contact: River Watch Director Matt Witten: mwitten@gmavt.net. Thank you!



REPORT TO NEW HAVEN ON TRI-VALLEY TRANSIT (TVT) SERVICES October 2022

Thank you for the Town of New Haven's generous support last year. During the past four years, your support helped us provide an annual average of **1,410 free Dial-a-Ride** for New Haven residents either by volunteer drivers or on wheelchair accessible vehicles, including TVT owned vehicles operated by Elderly Services, Inc. Additionally, **1,400 Shuttle Bus rides** originated in New Haven in the last year. TVT's Dial-a-Ride and Shuttle Bus Systems provided a total of 158,302 rides for the year. All TVT's transportation programs enable community members to maintain their independence, gain and keep employment and access critical healthcare and quality-of-life services.

Dial-a-Ride Programs – Focus on specialized populations including elders, persons with disabilities and low-income families/individuals who are unable to access the bus system. **In New Haven, Dial-a-Ride offers direct access from home to: medical treatments, meal site/senior programs, adult day care services, pharmacies, food shopping, social services, vocational rehabilitation, radiation & dialysis and substance abuse treatment.**

Bus System – Promotes economic development, energy conservation, mobility independence, and quality of life. **New Haven residents have direct access to Tri-Town Shuttles that can bring them around the county or connect to buses going north to Burlington or south to Rutland.**

The state and local grants through which we provide these services require us to raise up to 20% "local match" dollars. TVT's requests from towns account for approximately 5% of the 20% requirement.



Addison County Regional Planning Commission

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Annual Report –Year End June 30, 2022

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) provided the following technical assistance and planning to the Region during its 2022 fiscal year:

Regional and Municipal Planning and Mapping

- Worked with Cornwall, Salisbury, Orwell and Vergennes on Municipal Planning Grants
- Worked with Bristol, Lincoln and Shoreham on Bylaw Modernization projects focused on housing.
- Represented the Region in Act 250 and Section 248 hearings.
- Assisted municipalities in applying for Village Center Designation: Salisbury, 2021
- Updated and readopted the Population and Housing section of the Regional Plan.

Educational Meetings and Grants

- Hosted educational workshops on planning topics, including housing, planning essentials and community septic.
- Wrote or provided information and support to communities and organizations to secure grant funding.

Emergency Planning

- Worked with Addison County’s Regional Emergency Management Committee (REMC) and Vermont Emergency Management staff to assist with municipal emergency planning and training.
- Assisted communities in completing Local Emergency Management Plans to maintain ERAF status.
- Updated Mutual Aid agreements for Public Works Departments.
- Led an emergency exercise at the Hannaford Career Center
- Received two Flood Resilient Communities Fund (FRCF) grants
- Received one Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant

Energy Planning:

- Assisted Waltham, Whiting, Shoreham, and Starksboro in developing their enhanced energy plans.
- Worked with Ferrisburgh and Vergennes to relaunch local energy committees.
- Worked with Efficiency Vermont and municipalities to implement enhanced energy plans.
- Provided energy scorecards for municipalities to track progress on state and local energy efficiency goals.
- Developed an online map of renewable energy resources and siting.

Transportation Planning

- Supported the Addison County Transportation Advisory Committee’s regional priorities and studies.
- Supported Tri-Valley Transit/ACTR by providing leadership and technical support.
- Worked with municipalities to reduce road erosion from local roads.
- Assisted Towns with bike and pedestrian, Better Roads and stormwater grants.
- Served as a Municipal Project Manager for a sidewalk construction projects in Middlebury and Vergennes and a culvert replacement project in Bridport.
- Sponsored town transportation planning studies.
- Conducted traffic and pedestrian studies for towns.
- Hosted the regional Walk/bike council meetings and a statewide Bike/Ped Summit in Middlebury.
- Sponsored a Planning and Environmental Linkages Study for the City of Vergennes and surrounding communities

Natural Resources Planning

- Actively supported the efforts of the Addison County River Watch Collaborative.
- Worked with municipalities to support conservation commissions.
- Prepared to serve as the Clean Water Service Provider for the Otter Creek Basin
- Provided educational outreach supporting the Otter Creek Tactical Basin Plan update.
- Assisted in stormwater planning projects and Ecosystem Restoration Program grants.

Addison	Bridport	Bristol	Cornwall	Ferrisburgh	Goshen	Leicester
Lincoln	Middlebury	Monkton	New Haven	Orwell	Panton	Ripton
Salisbury	Shoreham	Starksboro	Vergennes	Waltham	Weybridge	Whiting





2022 Annual Report
October 17, 2022

Maple Broadband is a Communications Union District (CUD) based in Addison County. Maple Broadband’s mission is to enhance the economic, educational, and medical well-being of the communities it serves by providing a reliable and affordable high-speed fiber internet network, supported by premium-grade customer service, to the households and businesses in its member towns.

Throughout 2022, Maple Broadband’s focus has been on preparing to build and launch service on our fiber-optic network, as well as on obtaining the necessary grant funding to pay for the initial portions of the network. Grant funding available through the State of Vermont, while substantial, will not cover all the costs of building fiber throughout Addison County. Every grant dollar raised reduces the amount of loans (and corresponding interest) that Maple Broadband must incur, which results in lower prices for subscribers.

Maple Broadband has also continued building its organizational capacity to deliver on our ambitious goals.

Fundraising

- Applied for and were awarded a construction grant of \$8.7 million from the Vermont Community Broadband Board (VCBB). This grant award will allow Maple Broadband to build approximately 180 miles of fiber network beginning in 2022 and continuing into 2023;
- Applied for and were awarded an additional \$635,000 of pre-construction grant funds from the VCBB;
- Applied for and were awarded \$781,284 from the VCBB for the purchase of materials;
- Applied for and were awarded a \$30,000 USDA grant that will support capacity building efforts; and
- Solicited and received \$165,000 town ARPA contributions in 2022. At its October 3, 2022 meeting, the Vermont Community Broadband Board approved a policy that will match all past and future town ARPA contributions on a dollar-for-dollar basis. This will result in \$380,000 of new grant funding based on contributions to date. Every additional dollar raised from town ARPA contributions will increase grant funding to Maple Broadband by an equal amount.

Network Pre-Construction, Construction, and Preparation for Service Launch

- Worked with our engineering firm, Vantage Point Solutions (VPS) to complete a detailed engineering design and construction bid specifications for the initial build area (Phase 1);

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- Ordered \$1.2 million of network construction materials in order to begin construction in 2022 and established materials warehousing and management services with network operator Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT);
- Submitted pole applications to Green Mountain Power for the Phase 1 build area. Make-ready work must be performed prior to network installation on telephone poles;
- Performed a competitive bid process and awarded initial construction work to Syracuse Utilities;
- Performed a competitive bid process and awarded construction oversight services to Vantage Point Solutions;
- Initiated development of marketing materials and strategies for service launch in early 2023;
- Procured and configured an online subscriber management system, CrowdFiber, which enables prospective subscribers to register interest; and
- Collaborated with network operator WCVT to refine the customer onboarding process and customization of back-end systems.

Operational Capacity Building

- Held bi-weekly meetings of the Executive Committee, which is composed of members of Maple Broadband’s Governing Board who possess expertise in a wide variety of technology and business professions;
- Following a thorough search, hired an Executive Director to support the overall direction of Maple Broadband and to execute Executive Committee initiatives;
- Performed a competitive bid process and awarded marketing services contract to Pivot Group, to help inform the community about Maple Broadband and promote subscriber sign-up; and
- Engaged an auditing firm, Batchelder Associates, PC, and completed Maple Broadband’s first audit.

Plans for 2023:

- Complete approximately 200 miles of fiber network construction;
- Prepare a detailed design package for Phase 2 construction;
- Procure materials for Phase 2;
- Add and support subscribers in newly constructed areas.

Construction Sequence

While Maple Broadband would love to deliver high speed broadband service everywhere as soon as possible, the reality is that it will take years to complete Maple Broadband’s mission.

As a new organization, Maple Broadband is reliant on grants and donations to fund the network construction. Most of grant funding comes via the VCBB, and this grant funding stipulates that priority must be given to areas that are underserved. Under the constraints of this grant funding, some areas are ineligible for construction. For residents of these areas, this is understandably frustrating, but once Maple Broadband is able to borrow funds to continue construction, it will no longer be bound by grant constraints, and will return to offer broadband service to those previously excluded areas.

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Business and Organizational Challenges

In the coming months, Maple Broadband will continue to face significant challenges related to availability and increasing cost of construction labor and materials both related to its own network construction, and upstream with the make-ready work that must happen before we can install our network on telephone poles. This could have a profound effect on construction activities. Maple Broadband aims to anticipate and mitigate these challenges, to the degree possible, wherever encountered as it gains construction management experience.

The energy and time required to manage Maple Broadband necessitates engagement of paid professionals who can complement the hours of work performed by our small group of volunteers. Success in fulfilling our mission depends on support from member towns, through the contributions of delegates' time, energies and expertise, and through town ARPA fund contributions.

Submitted by the Maple Broadband Governing Board:

Executive Committee: Steve Huffaker (Chair), Carl Siebecker (Vice Chair), Nancy Cornell, Shannon Haggett, Dan Sonneborn

Executive Director: Ellie de Villiers (ex officio)

Chief Financial Officer: Magna Dodge (ex officio)

Treasurer: Cy Tall (ex officio)

Clerk: Adam Lougee (ex officio)

Governing Board Delegates: Addison (Paul Nikolich), Bristol (Dan Sonneborn), Bridport (Rick Scott), Cornwall (Magna Dodge), Ferrisburgh (Steve Huffaker), Leicester (vacant), Lincoln (Kate McGowan), Middlebury (Ross Conrad), Monkton (Mark Boltz-Robinson), New Haven (Ellie de Villiers), Orwell (James Robinson), Panton (Howard Hall), Ripton (Billy Sneed), Salisbury (Paul Vaczy), Shoreham (Carl Siebecker), Starksboro (Nancy Cornell), Vergennes (Shannon Haggett), Waltham (Andrew Martin), Weybridge (Spencer Putnam), Whiting (vacant)

About Maple Broadband:

Maple Broadband is composed of 20 member towns in Addison County, forming one of nine tax-exempt Communications Union Districts (CUDs) serving the state of Vermont. CUDs are non-profit, municipal entities formed with the single goal of delivering high-speed fiber broadband service to every unserved and underserved address in their member towns. CUDs cannot tax their member towns or the residents of those towns. A CUD must fund its operations by grants, debt, and donations.

Maple Broadband's Governing Board is comprised of one Delegate from each member town. Representatives are appointed by the town Selectboard and serve for one-year terms. The Executive Committee consists of five voting members and four non-voting ex officio members. Meeting times, agendas and minutes are posted on the [website](#).

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TIME TO SPAY AND NEUTER YOUR CATS AND DOGS!

The VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program (**VSNIIP**), under the VT Department of Children & Families, is administered by VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society. **Funded by a \$4.00 fee added to the licensing of dogs, this monetary resource is limited by the number of dogs licensed, which is required by law by six months of age.** Puppies and kittens can have the first rabies vaccination after 12 weeks of age. If unable to schedule an appointment with a veterinary office for this vaccination, Tractor Supply Stores hold monthly clinics as well as humane societies during the month of March. Call for their schedules. After the vaccination, contact your town clerk and provide proof of the rabies vaccination to license your dog.

Rabies IS in Vermont and it IS deadly.

Licensing a dog:

- 1) Helps identify your dog if lost.
- 2) Provides proof your dog is protected from rabies in the event your dog is bitten by a rabid animal {but still needs immediate medical attention}.
- 3) Protects your animal if they bite another animal {or person – which could result in the quarantine of your dog or possibly euthanized in order to test for rabies if not currently vaccinated}.
- 4) Pays for this necessary program addressing the population situation in VT.

For an Application for VSNIIP and a List of Participating Offices, send a S.A.S.E. (a 9" Self-Addressed, Stamped Envelope) to: VSNIIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034. Or, to download and print, go to: VSNIIP.VERMONT.GOV Indicate if it's for a cat, dog or both. Once *fully* completed, you will mail it back. If approved, you will receive your Voucher and instructions.

The cost for the surgery to you is only \$27.00, providing there are no complications. Fellow Vermonters pay the balance of your account from funds collected at the time of dog registration. Please be SURE your cat or dog is completely flea and tick free **before** the visit. Animals left UN-neutered are more prone to forms of cancer.

Thank veterinarians for their participation in this important program. If your veterinarian is not a participant, please encourage them to join. Several veterinarians have retired, leaving a reduced number of participating offices. VSNIIP offices are accepting less reimbursement than what they would usually charge for their services. We NEED them :) Let them know you appreciate the difference they've made in our state over the years when euthanasia was the means of animal over-population control. Those days are behind us ~ let's keep it that way!

Sue Skaskiw, Administrator 1-800-HI VSNIIP (1-844-448-7647)

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