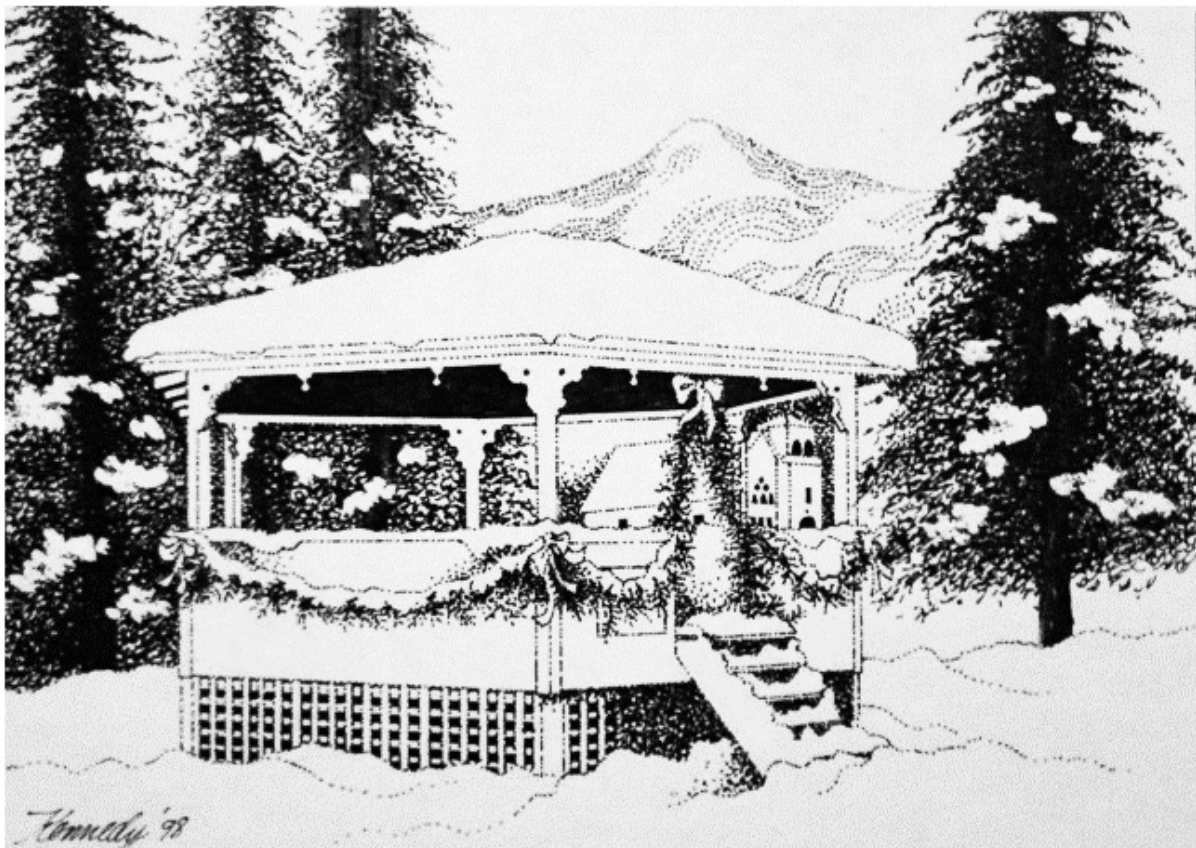


PITTSFIELD, VERMONT

Annual Town & School District Report

For the Year Ending - FY23



STATEMENT OF THE AUDITORS

In accordance with Sections 1681 and 1682 of Title 24 V.S.A. (Vermont State Article), we have inspected and reviewed bank statements, work orders, disbursements, and check details on a monthly basis for the Town of Pittsfield for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. Based on the material reviewed, we conclude that the figures accurately present the financial condition of the Town and the funds in the year ended.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Kadimik 2024

Ann Powers 2026

Beth Stanton 2025

ABOUT THE COVER

The artist, John Kennedy retired to Pittsfield in 1985, where he lived until 2004, when he and his wife, Helen, moved to Windsor to be near his daughter. He died in 2013.

Mr. Kennedy was working in Advertising Design in New York City until the start of World War II, when he enlisted in the US Army. He was selected to be in the 603rd Engineer Camouflage Battalion, (23rd). He was part of a unique unit of soldiers who helped create illusions/camouflage to deceive the German Army like D Day and the Battle of the Bulge. After the war, he graduated from the Philadelphia Museum School of Art in 1948 with a degree in Advertising Design. He then had a long career as an Art Director.

When he moved to Vermont, he also continued his cartooning art. Some were featured in The Saturday Evening Post and in a weekly series in the Herald of Randolph called "Local Color." John enjoyed life in Pittsfield, he created this drawing on the cover and others to commemorate the community he loved.

Little is known about the Pittsfield Bandstand, which is also called the Gazebo. Pittsfield actually had a band that consisted of about 17 members that was active between 1850 and 1860. The band disbanded because of the Civil war (source/book: A Glimpse of the Past, Pittsfield, VT by Catherine S. Davis and Dawn D. Hance).

New England town greens established in the 18th century, or village greens as they're more commonly known today, were thought to have been used for militia training, the grazing of livestock, and, at times, public punishment (source: Yankee Magazine). Our beautiful village green adds a special esthetic value to our town and is a place for the community to gather.

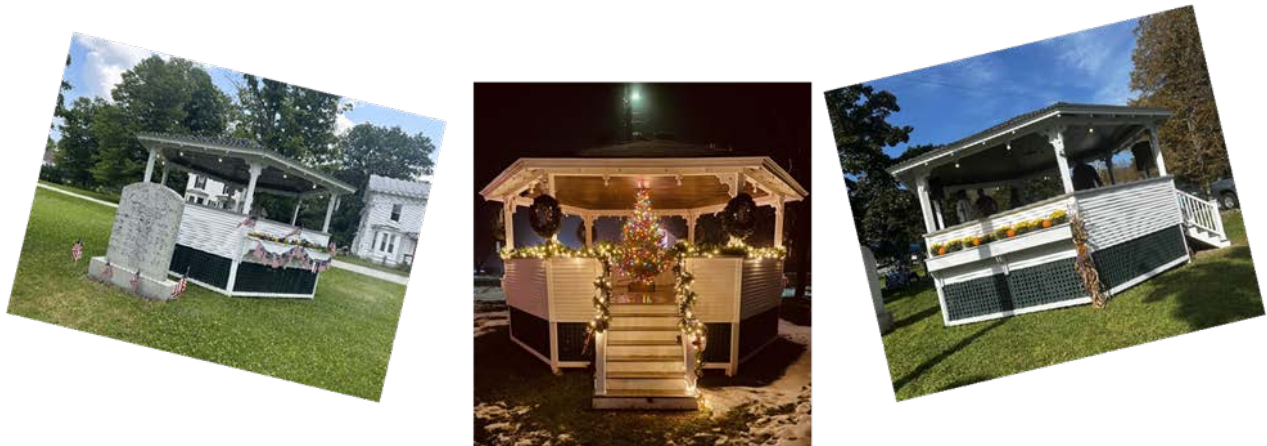


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WARNING
TOWN OF PITTSFIELD ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 9, 2024

We hereby notify the legal voters of the Town of Pittsfield to meet in the Town Hall on **Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 9:00am** to transact the following business from the floor in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order:

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

Article 2. To elect the following officers, as required by law, for the terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant:

	Terms (Years)	Vote by Ballot 17 V.S.A. §2646
a. Select Person	3	Yes
b. Lister	3	Yes
c. Auditor	3	Yes
d. Fire Chief	2	No
e. Collector of Delinquent Taxes	1	No
f. Trustee of Public Funds	3	No
g. Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	3	No
h. Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	3	No
i. Trustee Roger Clark Memorial Library	1	No
j. Cemetery Commissioner	3	No
k. Cemetery Commissioner	3	No
l. Second Constable	2	No

Article 3. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted?

Article 4. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, on or before the third Thursday of August and the third Thursday of November, by physical delivery to the tax collector before 5pm?

Article 5. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve closing the Sand Shed Reserve Fund and transfer the remaining balance to the Recreation Reserve Fund?

Article 6. Will the town authorize cannabis retailers in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A § 863? Cannabis retailer means a person licensed by the state Cannabis Control Board to sell cannabis and cannabis products to adults 21 years of age and older for off-site consumption.

Article 7. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed 12-month budget beginning July 1, 2024, to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town?

Article 8. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate?

Article 9. To discuss any non-binding business which may properly come before the meeting?

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 18th day of January 2024

Pittsfield Select Board,	
Ann Kuendig (s)	2024
A.J. Ruben (s)	2025
Joyce Stevens (s)	2026

Received for record this 23rd day of January 2024 at 9:05am.

Attest: Tricia Abbondelo (s), Town Clerk

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

PITTSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

The citizens of Pittsfield who are legal voters in the Pittsfield Town School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Pittsfield Town Hall on Saturday, March 9, 2024, to transact business:

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

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

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

Article 4. To hear reports of the School Directors.

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$1,014,593 for the 2024-25 school year? It is estimated that this proposed budget will result in education spending of \$11,912 per equalized pupil.

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

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

Dated at Pittsfield, Vermont this 10th day of January 2024.

Pittsfield School Board,

Kris Sperber (s) 2024

Peter DuBois (s) 2025

Ray Rice (s) 2026

Received for record this 17th day of January 2024 at Pittsfield,

Attest: Tricia Abbondelo (s)

Town Clerk

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PITTSFIELD SELECT BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The Pittsfield Select Board is pleased to report that all of the metrics we use for measuring the Town's fiscal health remained strong throughout the 2023 Fiscal Year and should carry us through the current budget year. In FY 2023, we were able to balance all of our financial obligations with the revenue we anticipated receiving; our debt level remained low; we completed a number of infrastructure investments; and updated and certified the Town Plan and Village Center designation which make the town and certain property owners eligible for economic development tax credits and grants and maximum state funding in emergencies.

One metric we couldn't foresee was last summer's disastrous floods. But lady luck and previous investments in flood mitigation measures helped Pittsfield escape unharmed. Unfortunately, the floods caused serious property damage and budget constraints for our neighbors to the north and south.

Infrastructure Improvements:

- **Sand Shed:** Although construction of the Sand Shed was completed in October 2022, it took a year to negotiate a settlement of an expensive construction change order and close out the project to receive our last grant reimbursement. The Sand Shed's final cost to the town was \$90,861 leaving \$14,602 in the Sand Shed Reserve. An Article on the Warrant asks voters to close the account and reallocate the funds to the Recreation Fund Reserve.
- **Bandstand:** The bandstand was prepped and painted inside and out and new permanent steps that met safety codes were installed. Worn-out holiday decorations and lights were replaced. Thank you to volunteers Kim Barber and Candace Kadamik who kept the flower boxes on the bandstand filled with seasonal beauty and Jeff Bissell, Phil and Odette Lipari, Lucy and Richard Gaston and Herb Kuendig for putting up the decorations.
- **Town Garage:** The Town Garage got new windows (and framing that had rotted), new metal siding and new LED lighting to help reduce energy use.
- **Village Green:** New picnic tables were added. Patty Haskins and Sarah Gallagher, with the help of Parks Commissioner Connie Martin, dug out tree roots and refurbished the flower beds. Thank you for volunteering every summer to maintain flowers on the Green.
- **Fire Station:** Asphalt landing was installed in front of the garage doors to reduce mud and make it easier for firefighters to put away hoses.
- **Town Office:** All fire alarm emergency light fixtures were replaced with longer lasting LED units.
- **Town Hall:** Shelter and major tasks of the Building Committee were completed. (see the PTHBC report for details.) We owe a debt of gratitude to members Herb Kuendig, Ray Colton, Jeremy Raynor, Glenn Reinauer, Mike Moran and Richard Gaston (many of them have been involved in the renovation project for the last four years.)

Budget Deliberations & Capital Investments:

- **Current FY 24 Budget:** All of us in town government and services are still getting used to the new deadlines and considerations that come with switching to a fiscal year from a calendar year. Total budget expenditures appear to be on target with what we budgeted for in FY24. At the half year mark, monthly reports from Treasurer Trish Abbondelo tell us that we are unlikely to end the year with a deficit.
- **Investments & Revenue Sources:** Upon recommendation from Trish, we approved a more aggressive investment strategy to take advantage of rising CD rates. This fiscal year, we have invested \$445,000 from some of our reserve accounts twice in short term CD's netting \$9,530 in interest so far. We are also pursuing as many state grants as we can, successfully applying for \$4,000 towards the hiring of an energy consultant and are scheduled to receive a free

comprehensive energy audit of Town Office. Last December, we leveraged a grant from the Municipal Technical Assistance Program to fill out the application for another state grant that we hope to use to solicit ideas and professional designs for a reimagined recreation area behind the Town Buildings. This fiscal year, the Board also allocated an additional \$15,707 from the Pittsfield Rescue Plan recommendations, mostly for expenditures to complete the Town Hall shelter.

FY 25 Budget

- **Spending:** Having actual spending data for the previous 18 month budget cycle, made it easier to forecast funds needed to run the town in FY 25. You'll find the largest spending increases are in those line items which are susceptible to market forces beyond our control like fuels, road materials, maintenance and service contracts. The Town Clerk/Treasurer, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Listers and Librarian received a 3.5% salary increase. Auditors hourly rate was increased to \$15.00.
- **Surplus Funds for One Time Expenditures:** In the last three municipal budgets, the Board has been conservative in spending down surpluses created by moving from a calendar to a fiscal year. This is a strategy so we don't see wild fluctuations in the tax rate (up or down) from year to year. In FY 25 we adhered to the same principal, using undesignated funds to pay for one-time expenditures like deposits into the reserve accounts, capital improvement projects and our rainy-day Contingency Fund. You will find a listing of these expenditures in the budget under Budget Disbursements.

Our financial outlook would have been even rosier, but for two events this past year. One week before Freshcoat Paving out of Barre was scheduled to renovate the basketball court and put down an asphalt berm around the perimeter, the company backed out of the commitment we agreed to the previous fall. We still have over \$12,000 available in a 50/50 matching state grant that we won in 2022, but the project must be completed by Fall 2024 or we will lose the grant. We also lost out on a \$440,000 grant from the federal Aid to Firefighters grant program for the new fire truck, but we intend to update the application and resubmit when the next funding round opens this year.

If a community's success is also judged by the commitment of volunteers who devote their time and energy towards the mutual goal of making Pittsfield a vibrant place to live, work and play, then we hit the jackpot since our last Town Report. More volunteers, both retired and those just starting their careers, have joined the effort to help provide services, preserve community traditions and bring new vision to our future goals and endeavors. Our heartfelt thanks to all who serve our Town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pittsfield Select Board

s/Ann D. Kuendig

s/Joyce Stevens

s/A.J. Ruben



TOWN CLERK & TREASURER REPORT

FY 23

I would like to start by thanking everyone who supported my reelection to the positions of Clerk and Treasurer. I am thrilled to continue in these roles as I truly love what I do each day!

Just about 1 year ago we welcomed a new face to the Town Office, Randy Strong. Randy resides in Pittsfield with his wife and daughter. He joined the team as my assistant and is currently working Tuesdays and Thursdays. He has been a wonderful addition to the office, and I am thrilled to have such a dedicated individual working alongside me! Randy has learned so much in the last year and has developed many strengths, one being document recording. This is a very important, detailed orientated and tedious process within the Town Office which takes much time and attention! I am thrilled that Randy has come to truly enjoy and master this process.

I am happy to report that we have successfully completed and closed out our first fiscal year for the town. The transition from calendar to fiscal year had very few bumps in the road. Certain things are still budgeted in a calendar year such as all insurances, county tax, NEMRC contracting, employee taxes and retirement. Minor budget adjustments are calculated in these categories.

You will find that this year's Explanation of the Grand List report mirrors the report that was submitted to last Town Report. The taxes that were paid in fall of 2023 will be reported on the FY24 report which will be March of 2025. The new reporting periods may be a bit to get used to, please feel free to stop in with any questions that you may have.

Randy and I are currently seeking information and pricing to continue the journey to record digitalization. It is a long and costly process. With Pittsfield being such a small town, we are weighing the pros and cons of moving forward with this process. We plan to present our findings to the Select Board this year. As always, any questions or feedback is welcomed.

Thank you all for your continued support, I wish you a safe and happy year ahead!

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia L. Abbondelo
Town Clerk & Treasurer



And Enzo!

**MINUTE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF PITTSFIELD
TUESDAY MARCH 7, 2023**

Moderator George Deblon called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 6:00 on Tuesday March 7, 2023. There were approximately 52 people in attendance at the Town Hall. George led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Article 1. To elect a town moderator for the ensuing year. Motion made to accept the article by Erica Hurd, seconded by Jennifer Howard. George Deblon nominated by Erica Hurd, seconded by Herb Kuendig. Voice vote, all in favor, George elected Moderator for 1 year. Tricia Abbondelo administered George Deblon his Oath of office.

Legislative update was made by State Representative Jim Harrison

The Town Meeting was adjourned, and School Meeting was opened at 6:28pm.
The School Meeting was adjourned, and The Town Meeting was reopened at 6:49pm.

Article 2. To elect the following officers, as required by law, for the terms indicated and to fill any other office vacant: Motion made to accept the article by Herb Kuendig, seconded by Sue Wuerthele.

- A. **Select Person for three years.** A nomination was made by AJ Ruben, seconded by Caleb Hawley for Joyce Stevens. Patty Haskins moved nominations be closed, and the clerk cast 1 ballot for Joyce Stevens, seconded by Kris Sperber. Voice vote, all in favor. Joyce Stevens elected Select Person for three years.
- B. **Lister for three years.** A nomination was made by Herb Kuendig and seconded by Jeremy Rayner for Betty Warner. Patty Haskins moved nominations be closed and the clerk cast 1 ballot for Betty Warner, seconded by Joyce Stevens. Voice vote, all in favor, Betty Warner Lister for three years.
- C. **Auditor for three years.** A nomination was made by Patty Haskins and seconded by Erica Hurd for Anne (Muller) Powers. Caleb Hawley moved nominations be closed, and the clerk cast 1 ballot for Anne (Muller) Powers, seconded by Sue Wuerthele. Voice vote, all in favor, Anne (Muller) Powers Auditor for three years.
- D. **Clerk for three years.** A nomination was made by Joyce Stevens and seconded by Herb Kuendig for Trish Abbondelo. Voice vote, all in favor, Trish Abbondelo elected Town Clerk for three years.
- E. **Treasurer for three years.** A nomination was made by Patty Haskins, seconded by Jennifer Howard for Trish Abbondelo. Voice vote, all in favor, Trish Abbondelo elected Town Treasurer for three years.
- F. **Collector of Delinquent Tax for one year.** A nomination was made by Herb Kuendig, seconded by Jeremy Rayner for Janice Stumpf. Voice vote, all in favor, Janice Stumpf Collector of Delinquent Tax for one year. Janice took a moment to thank the Select Board for allowing the Delinquent Tax Sale to be held which allowed her to get those delinquent monies off the books.
- G. **Trustee of Public Funds for three years.** A nomination was made by Ray Rice and seconded by Joyce Stevens for Henry Hotchkiss. Voice vote, all in favor, Henry Hotchkiss Trustee of Public Funds for three years.
- H. **Trustee of the Roger Clark Memorial Library for three years.** A nomination was made by Erica Hurd and seconded by Joyce Stevens for Kim Barber. Voice vote, all in favor, Kim Barber Trustee of the Roger Clark Memorial Library for three years.

George asked that we all recognize Erica Hurd for her service to the RCML Board.

- I. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** A nomination was made by Herb Kuendig and seconded by Ray Colton for George Deblon. Voice vote, all in favor, George Deblon Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
- J. **Cemetery Commissioner for three years.** A nomination was made by Jennifer Howard, seconded by Ann Kuendig for Martha Beyersdorf. Voice vote, all in favor, Martha Beyersdorf elected Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
- K. **First Constable for 2 years.** A nomination was made by Jennifer Howard and seconded by Sue Wuerthele for Tim Hunt. Voice vote, all in favor, Tim Hunt First Constable for two years.

Article 3. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize all current taxes be paid to the Treasurer unless otherwise noted? A motion was made to approve this article by Mike Moran and seconded by Sue Wuerthele. No Discussion. Ann Kuendig moved we approve article, seconded by Sandy Begin. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 4. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Treasurer to collect taxes on real property in two installments, on or before the third Thursday of August and the third Thursday of November, by physical delivery to the tax collector by 5pm? A motion was made by Jennifer Howard, seconded by Sue Wuerthele, to accept this article. A point was made by Marsha Hopkins regarding the number of installment payments asking for change. Joyce replied that we are waiting to get through the full year of our first fiscal year budget schedule and that after that time discussion can be had. Sue Wuerthele asked if at that time can we consider stretching out the payments, so they are not as close together. Ann Kuendig replied that we can look at that based on when payments are due by the town. Erica Hurd made a motion to approve the article seconded by Sue Wuerthele. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 5. Will the voters of Pittsfield deposit \$70,000 in the PVFR Truck Fund? Herb Kuendig made a motion to accept this article, seconded by Mike Moran. Discussion, Jennifer Howard asked to hear what their thoughts are on that, George asked Fire Department to speak. Dave Colton explained that the Select Board helped them set up a capitol fund so when they get their next truck there is not a big loan. Sandy Begin would like to know when they are getting another truck. It was explained that they are on a five-year capital plan and are planning on getting a mini pumper rescue by Ann Kuendig. She went onto explain how much money was in the fund thus far. Mike Moran asked about the money going into a CD. It was explained that we were waiting on the rates to go up and that yes, we can do that. A motion to approve the article was made by Sue Wuerthele and seconded by Jennifer Howard. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 6. Will the voters of Pittsfield deposit \$25,000 for Highway Department Building Maintenance? Martha Beyersdorf made a motion to accept this article, seconded by Sue Wuerthele. George explained this money would be used for siding and windows on the original building with a bid received for just under \$25,000. Erica Hurd made a motion to approve the article, seconded by Sue Wuerthele. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 7. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve closing the Bridge Reserve Fund and transfer the remaining balance to the Parks and Grounds Reserve Fund? Erica Hurd motioned to accept the article and seconded by Sue Wuerthele. Discussion about what the bridge fund was set up for, Ray Colton explained it was opened as a fund similar to what we do for Highway that we just approved but used for bridges. There is just over \$1,100.00 in the fund and Ann Kuendig explained we'd like to purchase picnic tables and benches. Erica Hurd motioned to approve, seconded by Jennifer Howard. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 8. Will the voters of Pittsfield approve the proposed 12 -month budget beginning July 1, 2023, to meet the expenses and liabilities of the town? Sue Wuerthele motioned to accept this article,

seconded by Randy Strong. Discussion, Ray Colton asked how taxes would compare to last year? Ann Kuendig answered \$.02 less with operating budget, with warned items \$0.4774. Patty Haskins commented on the Grand List being estimated, the Listers choose to do an estimated number as explained by Betty Warner. Jeremy Rayner motioned to approve, seconded by Herb Kuendig. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 9. Will the voters of Pittsfield authorize the Select Board to buy and sell real estate? Jennifer Howard motioned to accept this article, seconded by Erica Hurd. No discussion. Sue Wuerthele motioned to approve this article, seconded by Marth Beyersdorf. Voice vote, all in favor, article approved.

Article 10. To discuss any non-binding business which may come before the meeting? Sandy Begin motioned to accept this article, seconded by Sue Wuerthele. Betty Warner wanted it clarified if the community cares about the Fall event, if it does continue it will need new leadership. She posed a question, Is the event important to you? Many answered yes. Coral Hawley asked can it go back to what it was, happen organically? Betty replied that is a question for the new leadership. Ann Kuendig asked if there was money made? Betty replied that the PVFR and RCML did well, PCC had donations to cover face painters and musicians.

Sue Wuerthele asked about where the money came from for the Sand Shed and it was explained it came from a Federal Grant.

George commented on how Trish Abbondelo has been running the office alone for over a year and has now hired an assistant, introducing Randy Strong.

Micheline Bissel inquired about speed signs, we are waiting on State of VT to install the poles, explained Joyce Stevens, they will be located by the 35mph sign by the bridge.

Ann Kuendig updated on the Town Hall project, Ray Colton commented on everything that has been done so far is paid for, no debt and thanked Sandy Begin for the Mark Begin Town Hall Fund which is made up of donations from after Mark had passed.

With no further business to discuss George moved to adjourn the 2023 Town meeting at 7:26pm.

Recorded by (s) Tricia L Abbondelo, Town Clerk

Approved by (s) Ann Kuendig, Select Board Chair

Approved by (s) George Deblon, Moderator

Minutes of the Annual School Meeting Town of Pittsfield Tuesday March 7, 2023

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing. A motion was made by Sandy Begin to accept this article and seconded by Jen Howard. A motion was made by Dave Colton and seconded Mike Moran for George Deblon. Voice vote, all in favor. George Deblon School Moderator for one year. Tricia Abbondelo administered George Deblon his Oath of office.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the auditor's report. A motion was made by Sandy Begin, to accept this article, seconded by Jeremy Rayner. No discussion. A motion was made by Jennifer Howard and seconded by Sandy Begin to approve this article. Voice vote, article approved.

Article 3. To see if the Pittsfield School District will vote to pay taxes in the same manner as the Town. A motion was made by Sue Wuerthele to accept this article, seconded by Jen Howard. No Discussion. A motion was made to approve this article by Sandy Begin, seconded by Joyce Stevens. Voice vote, article approved.

Article 4. To hear reports of the school Directors. A motion was made by Erica Hurd to accept this article, seconded by Ann Kuendig. Kris Sperber asked to amend/make a correction to the report, second to last paragraph incorrect \$1.0147 Homestead tax rate adjusted by our common level of appraisal (CLA) to \$.9787, confirming this as our tax rate and stating this is correct everywhere else in the Town Report. A motion was made to vote on the amendment, seconded by Jeremy Rayner. Erica Hurd asked why we do not see a listing of where the children go to school, Kris replied that they just did not put it in, went onto explain we have kids in Killington, Woodstock, Stockbridge, Randolph Rutland City, Barlow, Christ the King, Mt Saint Joseph and a handful of other independent schools. There are 44 kids K-12 and 4 or so in pre-k. Ann Kuendig asked if we had any kids going out of state that we have to pay the tuition for, Kris replied yes we pay state average tuition to any independent school that has been approved by the State of Vermont no geographical limitations, also noted state average is lower than our in state schools. Kris went onto give some of next year's tuition rates. Reminding that it is a very small amount of out of state and being thoughtful to privacy. Jennifer Howard motioned to approve this article, seconded by Randy Strong. Voice vote, article approved.

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Pittsfield School District approve a total budget in the amount of \$994,945.00 for the 2023-24 school year. It is estimated that this proposed budget will result in education spending of \$14,656.00 per equalized pupil. This projected spending is 5% higher than spending for the current year.

A motion was made to accept this article by Sandy Begin, seconded by Ann Kuendig. Kris reminded us that we can see the budget on page 41 along with previous years, explaining we are relatively level a bit up. They have overbudgeted a bit the past few years, with less special ed expenses and children moving in and out, there is a surplus of \$100,000 we are spending down. Marsha Hopkins is asking about the equalized pupil rate not transferring to next page. Kris explained about the scrambling at the end before going to press due to reappraisal and CLA and admitted that Marsha just found a mistake on the warning. **Equalized pupil should be \$15,706.24**, Kris Sperber moved to make the amendment on the warning. Sue Wuerthele asked if the 5% budget changed and Kris Sperber said it does not. Caleb Hawley seconded the amendment, voice vote, amendment approved. Jeremy Rayner motioned to accept article as amended, seconded by Ann Kuendig, voice vote article passed.

Article 6. To elect a School Director for a three-year term. A motion was made to approve this article by Sandy Begin seconded by Sue Wuerthele. A motion was made by Kris Sperber for Ray Rice, seconded by Caleb Hawley. Voice vote, all in favor, Ray Rice School Director for three years.

Article 7. To do any other proper or necessary business. A motion was made to accept this article by Sue Wuerthele and seconded by Jennifer Howard. Kris let all know that the non-homestead rate would be \$1.41.

Ray Rice wanted all to know that Chloe Massillo won the State Championship SL race for high school!
Don Marshall spoke about a club he would like to start, The Pittsfield Telemark Skiing Club!

With no other business, the 2023 School meeting was motioned to be adjourned by Sandy Begin, seconded by Joyce Stevens at 6:48pm.

Recorded by (s)Tricia L Abbondelo Town Clerk

Approved by (s)Kris Sperber, School Board

Approved by (s)George Deblon, Moderator

2023 ELECTED OFFICIALS

AUDITORS

(3-year term)
Candace Kadimik 2024
Ann Powers 2026
Beth Stanton 2025

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

(3-year term)
George Deblon 2026
Chuck Colton 2024
Connie Martin 2025
Steve Martin 2024
Martha Beyersdorf 2026

CONSTABLE, FIRST

(2-year term)
Tim Hunt 2026

CONSTABLE, SECOND

(2-year term)
Doug Mianulli 2024

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

(1-year term)
Janice Stumpf 2024

FIRE CHEIF

(2-year term)
David Colton 2024

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

(2year term commencing 2/1/23)
Candace Kadimik 2025
George Deblon 2025
Kim Barber 2025
Beth Stanton 2025
Roger Stevens 2025

LISTERS

(3-year term)
Herbert Kuendig 2024
Jeremy Rayner 2025
Elizabeth Warner 2026

MODERATOR

(1-year term)
George Deblon 2024

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

(3-year term)
Peter Dubois 2025
Raymond Rice 2026
Kristin Sperber 2024

SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER

(3-year term)
Tricia Abbondelo 2026

SELECT BOARD

(3-year term)
Ann Kuendig 2024
AJ Ruben 2025
Joyce Stevens 2026

TOWN CLERK

(3-year term)
Tricia Abbondelo 2026

TOWN TREASURER

(3-year term)
Tricia Abbondelo 2026

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

(3-year term)
Sandy Begin 2024
Henry Hotchkiss 2026
Mark Stugart 2025

TRUSTEES OF THE

ROGER CLARK

MEMORIAL LIBRARY

(3-year term)
Amanda Barrett 2024
Cynthia Bryant 2024
Coral Hawley(Resigned) June 23 2025
Micheline Bissell (Appointed 8/23) 2024
Kim Barber 2026
Elizabeth Warner 2025

2023 APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS -APPOINTED BY THE SELECT BOARD

BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD

Richard Gaston	2024
Herb Kuendig	2024
Mike Moran	2024
Jeremy Rayner	2024
Glenn Reinauer	2024

CIVIL DEFENSE

David Colton	2024
Greg Martin	2024

DELEGATES TO EC FIBERNET

Elizabeth Warner	2024
Herb Kuendig (Alternate)	2024

E911 COORDINATOR

Michelle Hunt	2024
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATORS

Robert Giolito	2024
Ryan Thompson	2024
Ryan Thompson	2024

ENERGY COORDINATOR

Vacant	2024
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GREEN UP COORDINATORS

Rebecca Steward	Nov.23
Olivia Grasso	Nov.23

PARK COMMISSIONER

Connie Martin	2024
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PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Marsha Hopkins	2024
Mark Stugart	2025
Jennifer Howard	2024
Vaugh Micchiche	2025
Ryan Thompson	2024

ROAD COMMISSIONER

George Deblon	2024
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RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE (RCSWD) REPRESENTATIVE

Ann Kuendig (Alternate)	2024
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TAC REPRESENTATIVE

George Deblon	2024
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TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Ray Colton	Jun-27
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TREE WARDEN

Kris Sperber	2024
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TWO RIVERS PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE

Sarah Gallagher	2024
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UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

Tricia Abbondelo	2024
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WHITE RIVER VALLEY AMBULANCE (WRVA) REPRESENTATIVE

Martha Beyersdorf	2024
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ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

AJ Ruben	2024
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Herbert Kuendig	2024
David Larkin	2024
Ken Jarecki	2025

WHITE RIVER VALLEY CONSORTIUM REPRESENTATIVE

Jordan Stevens	2024
Dana Decker (alternate)	2024

Appointed by the Town Clerk and Treasurer

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Randy Strong

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER

Randy Strong

ASSISTANT SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>TREASURER</u>
Randy Strong

DEPUTY REGISTRARS

Gary Clifford	2024
Lawrence Davignon	2024
Randy Garner	2024

Appointed by the State Health Officer

HEALTH OFFICER

Ann Kuendig (Interim)	12/17/2024
Beth Stanton	10/2023

PITTSFIELD BOARD OF LISTERS

The Board of Listers' role is to see that Pittsfield's Grand List is maintained, updated, and reported on in a timely way and in accordance with Vermont law. We do this while also working and exchanging data with both the VT State Tax Department and our own Pittsfield Town Clerk's office.

Property values in Pittsfield increased from \$126,934,300 to \$127,927,000 as of 4/1/2023. There were no property value grievances or current use valuation grievances filed this year.

It is important that grand list values reflect all changes to buildings on a property. New construction, additions, and removal of outbuildings should be reviewed and inspected each year to calculate any changes in value. Determining what inspections need to happen relies on three factors. First, properties that are flagged as incomplete in the database will be revisited. Second, we rely on the goodwill of property owners to advise us of any additions. Third, we rely on observations made while driving around town in the spring.

Some facts about the Pittsfield grand list:

TYPE OF PROPERTY	NUMBER OF PROPERTIES	LISTED VALUE
Residential	332	106,795,000
Mobile Home	8	798,900
Seasonal	31	3,113,600
Commercial	14	6,294,400
Commerical Apts	2	551,900
Industrial	2	1,056,000
Utilities	1	1,920,700
Various land only	114	7,396,500
TOTAL	504	127,927,000

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Warner, Herbert Kuendig, Jeremy Rayner

PLANNING COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

In January of 2023 the final draft version of the updated Town Plan was sent to the Select Board for their edits and approval. The Select Board edited and completed the open items in the Plan Document and held their warned public hearing prior to approval. Once the document was approved it was forwarded to Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Planning Commission for their review and approval. On May 24, 2023 the newly updated Town Plan was regionally approved, meeting all required criteria. Many thanks need to go out to all those that participated in this long process; which included long hours of collaboration and ensuring all regulatory statutes and requirements were met.

In the coming year, the Planning Commission is hoping to hold educational seminars on climate resilience and what we as a community can do to decrease our carbon footprint. The Planning Commission will also be working on our action items noted in the Town Plan as part of our requirements to ensure the document continues to represent Pittsfield's vision for the next 7 years.

The Planning Commission meets on the second Tuesday of the month, January, April, July and October unless additional meetings are required. The Commission will once again be looking for volunteers to fill outgoing seats. Public input is important and all are welcome at meetings and as volunteers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marsha Hopkins, Jennifer Howard, Ryan Thompson, Vaughn Micciche and Mark Stugart

PITTSFIELD TOWN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT



The Pittsfield Town Hall Building Committee is pleased to report that by the time you read this, our work will be completed on bringing Town Hall back to life.

What began in 2019 as an exploratory committee to determine the buildings future, has ended four years later with a total basement renovation; major structural, utility, electrical and fire alarm upgrades and a safe and welcoming front entrance and exterior.

Over the years, taxpayers allocated approximately \$120,000 in funding towards the project. The committee raised another \$10,000 in donations and was awarded \$77,178 in American Rescue Plan funding by the Select Board. Although the final project accounting is still being completed, here's what the committee delivered for the money:

- Steel beams to support first floor
- Exterior trench drain around front and side
- New front block foundation
- Waterproofed foundation
- Propane fueled generator (powers both Town Hall and Town Offices)
- New on-demand hot water heater
- New wastewater pump & kitchen plumbing
- New kitchen gas line hookups
- New oil tank
- New heater duct work
- New basement windows
- Media-blasted and stained exposed ceiling
- Preserved historical light fixtures
- New cabinets & countertops
- Insulated all basement walls
- New basement drywall (primed & painted by volunteers)
- New trim and two basement doors
- Built enclosed storage area with sliding barn doors
- New electrical & fire alarm system
- New light fixtures
- Two first floor heat pumps for heating and cooling
- New siding and either PVC trim or painted trim and soffits front and side
- New front steps that meet accessibility codes with double handrails
- New front door and frame
- New side entrance basement door
- New outdoor motion sensor light fixtures
- Moved main power connection to side



The Committee was able to hold down costs by acting as general contractors, breaking down the scope of work plan into manageable projects, getting estimates and bids, hiring contractors and often times doing work ourselves, be it demolition, carpentry, painting, cabinet installation and clean-up.

Our gratitude goes to Jeff Bissell and Phil Lipari who volunteered to help paint, Roy Hapgood and Cheryl White who donated the stainless-steel refrigerator, gas stove, dishwasher and microwave, former

committee members Carl Oetel, Tim Carter and Henry Haefner and George Deblon, Gordon Gray, Charlie Howard and Dave Colton who donated their services for free or reduced costs.

Finally, committee members wish to thank all of the Townspeople who supported us and believed in our efforts to restore Town Hall as the showpiece of our community. We hope Pittsfield residents and property owners enjoy their new meeting space and know the building is there for you as a shelter and cooling center in times of an emergency.

Respectfully,

Mike Moran, Glenn Reinauer, Ray Colton, Jeremy Rayner, Herb & Ann Kuendig and Richard Gaston

PITTSFIELD ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

DECEMBER 2023

Greetings Pittsfield! As many of you know, Pittsfield adopted Flood Hazard Regulations requiring review and permitting of development in certain areas of town near water. Please see our Town Webpage for more information, maps and forms. <http://www.pittsfieldvt.com/building--zoning-permits-forms--applications.html>

In 2023 Pittsfield's Zoning Administrator received three requests for information from prospective developers/property owners regarding application of zoning laws and hazard mitigation rules to their proposed developments. Each inquiry was responded to promptly and relevant information was provided to the developer/property owner by the Zoning Administrator.

In 2023, the Zoning Administrator approved two permit application requests after reviewing the required information provided by applicants.

Please contact the Zoning Administrator through the Town Office with any questions or concerns you may have regarding development and hazard mitigation in Pittsfield.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve as your Zoning Administrator.

A.J. Ruben, Zoning Administrator December 2023



Source: Google search vintage postcard (year unknown)

**TOWN OF PITTSFIELD
DELINQUENT TAX LIST
As of June 30, 2023**

		2022
03-0903-000	Madr, Jason	262.99
06-1247-000	Zubkus, Mirga	4,119.10
07-0088-000	Pittsfield Fed. Church	16.94
42-0199-000	ROI Enterprises LLC	4,084.58
77-0030-000	Stevens, Reginald	254.78
83-0120-000	Bowen, Jack	639.75
99-2358-108	Heather, Reed	5.76
99-4500-000	Brigham, Walter S	6.56
TOTAL:		9,390.46

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Stumpf
Delinquent Tax Collector

**DELINQUENT TAX RECONCILIATION
June 30, 2023**

Data From Town Treasurer Records - QuickBooks

Total delinquent June 30, 2022	\$ 25,530.19
Total tax collected July 1-31, 2022	\$ -
Total tax collected August 1-31, 2022	\$ (3,028.19)
Abated August 17, 2022 bparcel #25-0310-000	\$ (6,546.94)
Abated August 17, 2022 parcel #75-0300-000	\$ (6,101.81)
Total tax collected September 1-30, 2022	\$ (594.32)
Total tax collected October 1-31, 2022	\$ (826.12)
Total tax collected November 1-30, 2022	\$ (1,192.62)
Delinquent tax November 17, 2022	\$ 74,138.53
Returned check Nov. 21, 2022	\$ 1,273.86
Total tax collected December 1-15, 2022	\$ (51,252.32)
Total tax collected December 21, 2022	\$ (1,913.08)
Misc. adjustment	\$ (14.67)
Total tax collected January 1-31, 2023	\$ (2,684.12)
Abate small amounts due January 24, 2023	\$ (0.04)
Total tax collected February 1-28, 2023	\$ (1,813.32)
Total tax collected March 1-31, 2023	\$ (8,491.49)
Total tax collected April 1-30, 2023	\$ (283.38)
Total tax collected May 1-31, 2023	\$ -
Total tax collected June 1-14, 2023	\$ (2,487.88)
Total tax collected June 15-30, 2023	\$ (1,295.89)
Abate small amount due June 28, 2023	\$ (0.21)
Total tax colled June 30, 2023	\$ (3,025.74)
Misc. adjustment	\$ 0.02

Data From Delinquent Tax Collector Records - NEMRC	\$ 9,390.46
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Total delinquent June, 30 2023	\$ 9,390.46
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EXPLANATION OF FY23 GRAND LIST

			<u>Listed Value</u>		<u>Grand List 1% of Total</u>
Real Estate			\$124,657,525.00	\$1,246,575.25	\$1,246,575.25
Statement of Current Taxes	Tax Rate	X	Grand List =		Taxes Raised
Year Ended June 30, 2023					
Municipal	0.4285		1,246,575.25		534,154.98
Homestead School	0.8432		446,345.00	704,579.00	376,358.07
Non-Resident School	1.2152		800,230.25		972,439.82
Late Homestead Penalty					<u>156.63</u>
Total Taxes Billed 7/15/22					1,883,109.50
FY23 Taxes Accounted For					
Current Taxes Collected					1,679,282.28
Delinquent November 17, 2022					74,138.53
Homestead State Payments					135,730.00
Town Penalty Payments from State					90.00
FY23 Late Filed Penalties Collected					(731.01)
FY23 Late Filed Tax Difference					7,872.30
Municipal Portion State Tax Adjustment					(8,982.79)
State Tax Adjustment Refunded to Owner(s)					(4,291.85)
Abate small amounts due					(0.78)
Eliminate Small Credits					<u>0.96</u>
Misc Adjustment					<u>1.86</u>
Total 2023 Taxes Accounted For					\$1,883,109.50



Bird's-eye view of Pittsfield c. 1910 (Wikipedia)

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

GENERAL FUND

Fund Balance June 30, 2023	352,293.28
Checking	\$47,032.89
Holding Account	\$304,979.97
Petty Cash	<u>\$280.42</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$352,293.28

Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$340,222.82
Revenue for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	\$2,287,522.76
Expenses for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	<u>-\$2,275,452.30</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$352,293.28

Change in Fund Balance	\$12,070.46
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HIGHWAY FUND

Fund Balance June 30, 2023	
ICS Savings	\$69,146.61
Checking	<u>-\$837.16</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$68,309.45

Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$178,864.55
Revenue for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	\$190,953.47
Expenses for July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023	<u>-\$301,508.57</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$68,309.45

Change in Fund Balance	-\$110,555.10
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CEMETERY FUND

Fund Balance June 30, 2023	
ICS Savings	\$4,267.35
Checking	<u>\$1,336.46</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$5,603.81

Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$10,204.00
Revenue for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	\$5,125.96
Expenses for July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023	<u>-\$9,726.15</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$5,603.81

Change in Fund Balance	-\$4,600.19
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CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE AND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

Roger Clark Memorial Library	
Fund Balance June 30, 2023	476.91
Checking	<u>\$476.91</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$476.91
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$58.36
Revenue for July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023	\$9,815.32
Expenses for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	<u>\$9,396.77</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$476.91
Change in Fund Balance	-\$418.55
Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue	
Fund Balance June 30, 2023	\$6,639.00
Checking	\$6,639.00
Total Fund Balance	\$6,639.00
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$5,869.89
Revenue for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	\$21,935.00
Expenses for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023	<u>\$21,165.89</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$6,639.00
Change in Fund Balance	\$769.11

FY 23 Revenues and Receipts & FY25 Proposed Budget				
	FY 23 Proposed	FY 23 Actuals	FY 24 Proposed	FY 25 Budget
GENERAL FUND				
Municipal Portion Land use Change Tax		5,851.50		
Current Taxes		1,679,282.25		
Current Tax Interest		3,582.82		
Delinquent Taxes		76,552.13		
Delinquent Tax Interest		3,105.25		
Dog Licenses	350.00	280.00	300.00	300.00
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surchg		570.00		
Liquor Licenses	415.00	525.00	900.00	525.00
Town Clerk Fees	7,000.00	10,734.01	11,000.00	7,000.00
Interest - General Fund	2,000.00	7,051.65	1,000.00	900.00
Interest- Land Trust				4,092.00
Interest - Restricted Funds	700.00	246.39	250.00	800.00
Photo Copies		63.75		
Marriage Licenses		550.00		
Municipal Planning Grant	1,311.00			
Record Preservation		2,480.30		
Current Use Payment	12,500.00	11,786.00	11,500.00	9,000.00
Overpayments		969.91		
Delinquent Tax Penalty		5,657.89		
Interfund Transfers		27,834.00		
ACH Payment error by VT		276,387.05		
Road Fines		179.00		
Reimbursement/Refund		8,131.92		
Undesignated Fund Balance	75,000.00		35,000.00	172,150.00
Grants ARPA		165,401.94		
Library Grant (Paid out to RCML)		300.00		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	99,276.00	2,287,522.76	59,950.00	194,767.00
	FY 23 Proposed	FY 23 Actuals	FY 24 Proposed	FY25 Budget
HIGHWAY FUND				
State Aid	24,000.00	24,001.75	24,000.00	24,000.00
Green Mountain National Forest	22,000.00	24,034.00	22,000.00	24,000.00
Interest	1,000.00	1,491.88	600.00	12,000.00
General Fund Tax Disbursement		130,670.00		
Grants in Aid Pilot Project	6,700.00	5,096.70		10,000.00
Inter Fund Transfers		3,800.00		
Reimbursements		1,859.14		
Undesignated Fund Balance	103,000.00		15,000.00	10,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	156,700.00	190,953.47	61,600.00	80,000.00
CEMETERY FUND				
General Fund Tax Disbursement				
Interest	800.00	65.76	400.00	100.00
Dividends	300.00	611.30	200.00	600.00
Interfund transfers		4,098.90		
Sale of Lots		350.00		
Undesignated Fund Balance	6,000.00			5,000.00
TOTAL CEMETERY FUND	7,100.00	5,125.96	600.00	5,700.00
PITTSFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESUCUE				
General Fund Tax Disbursement	21,875.00	21,875.00	22,825.00	16,725.00
Refunds		60.00		
Undesignated Fund Balance				6,000.00
TOTAL PVFR FUND	21,875.00	21,935.00	22,825.00	22,725.00
ROGER CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY				
General Fund Tax Disbursement	9,780.00	9,780.00	11,445.00	13,025.00
Refund/Reimbursements		35.32		
Undesignated Fund Balance				400.00
TOTAL RCML FUND	9,780.00	9,815.32	11,445.00	13,425.00
	FY 23 Proposed	FY 23 Actuals	FY 24 Proposed	FY25 Budget
GENERAL FUND				
FICA Social Security	5,713.00	5,439.99	5,987.00	6,414.00
FICA Medicare	1,336.00	1,272.28	1,400.00	1,500.00
CCC VT Tax				455.00
Federal Income Tax		1,623.44		
Federal Excise Tax	5.20	5.58	5.20	6.00
Rutland County Tax	8,727.00	7,693.03	10,360.00	8,500.00
Subtotal	15,781.20	16,034.32	17,752.20	16,875.00
Insurance and Bonds				
VLCT Unemployment Trust	524.00	506.00	490.00	500.00
VLCT Insurance Package	22,608.00	21,597.50	23,000.00	24,331.00
Subtotal	23,132.00	22,103.50	23,490.00	24,831.00
Dues and Contributions				
VLCT	1,710.00	1,710.00	1,760.00	1,815.00
Two Rivers Regional Planning	796.00	796.00	822.00	847.00
Vt Clerk's & Treasurer's Assoc.	55.00	55.00	70.00	70.00
Quin Town Seniors	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance VT/NH	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Park House	500.00	500.00	600.00	600.00
New Story Center	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Central VT Council on Aging	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
VT Center For Independent Living	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Rutland Mental Health Services	588.00	588.00	600.00	600.00
NeighborWorks	200.00	200.00	200.00	100.00
Tri Valley Transit (Stagecoach)	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00
Child First Advocacy Center	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
VT Rural Fire ProtectionTask Force	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Vermont Family Network	500.00	500.00	250.00	250.00
Rutland County Restorative Justice Center	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
The Preservation Trust of Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
The Housing Trust of Rutland County			100.00	100.00
Pittsfield Community Connection			200.00	200.00
Pittsfield Historical Society			200.00	-
American Red Cross	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
White River Natural Resources Conservation District				200.00
Bethel Area Food Shelf				500.00
Subtotal	11,304.00	11,304.00	11,757.00	12,237.00
Refuse				
Refuse Removal	400.00	332.15	360.00	420.00

	Subtotal	400.00	332.15	360.00	420.00
		FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
		Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
General Fund continued					
Other Services					
Legal		5,000.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Ambulance		32,760.00	34,524.00	36,288.00	41,616.00
Printing		1,900.00	1,691.50	1,900.00	1,900.00
Advertising		500.00	561.01	500.00	500.00
Subtotal		40,160.00	36,776.51	43,688.00	49,016.00
Maintenance and Repairs					
Town Office Building		4,500.00	7,800.87	4,800.00	6,000.00
Town Hall		2,500.00	2,411.23	2,500.00	3,000.00
Band Stand				1,800.00	750.00
Garage		600.00	350.00	600.00	600.00
Fire Alarm Yearly Inspection		650.00	365.82	600.00	725.00
Subtotal		8,250.00	10,927.92	10,300.00	11,075.00
Utilities - Town Hall					
Electricity		1,150.00	1,270.11	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fuel		1,500.00	2,529.52	1,150.00	500.00
Subtotal		2,650.00	3,799.63	2,650.00	2,000.00
Utilities - Town Office Building					
Electricity		2,200.00	2,354.95	2,390.00	2,500.00
Fuel		3,000.00	3,177.76	3,000.00	3,200.00
Phone/Internet		1,600.00	1,634.64	1,600.00	1,963.00
Subtotal		6,800.00	7,167.35	6,990.00	7,663.00
Utilities - Highway Garage					
Electricity		1,100.00	995.87	1,200.00	1,100.00
Phone/Internet		980.00	985.66	980.00	1,000.00
LP Gas		1,200.00	1,200.60	1,200.00	1,200.00
Subtotal		3,280.00	3,182.13	3,380.00	3,300.00
Utilities - Street Lights					
Electricity		2,100.00	2,036.67	2,100.00	2,100.00
Subtotal		2,100.00	2,036.67	2,100.00	2,100.00
Parks and Grounds					
Labor		2,000.00	2,532.64	3,520.00	3,500.00
Fuel		200.00	139.78	200.00	200.00
Portable Toilet		700.00	1,040.00	825.00	688.00
Equipment Maintenance		300.00	119.48	300.00	300.00
Trees and Bedding Plants		150.00	477.00	150.00	200.00
Supplies		100.00		100.00	200.00
Hired Equipment		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
New Equipment		250.00	-	-	-
Subtotal		3,800.00	4,408.90	5,195.00	5,188.00
		FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
		Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
General Fund continued					
Office Expense					
Copier Lease		1,152.00	1,761.05	1,543.00	2,300.00
NEMRC Support		1,149.00	1,246.73	1,247.00	1,350.00
Tech Support & Software (combined 2021)		5,200.00	5,563.22	7,329.00	6,000.00
Website Maintenance		190.00	185.34		-
Office Supplies		2,000.00	2,037.05	2,000.00	2,000.00
Postage		1,700.00	1,851.13	1,700.00	2,000.00
Subtotal		11,391.00	12,644.52	13,819.00	13,650.00
Planning Commission					
Printing, Copies, Typing, Adv., Postage		150.00	65.75	150.00	150.00
Misc./Assistance from Two Rivers		1,234.00	-	-	-
Subtotal		1,384.00	65.75	150.00	150.00
Board of Listers					
Postage		200.00		200.00	200.00
Supplies		500.00	41.78	500.00	500.00
Computer IT Support		2,000.00	1,862.66	2,100.00	2,100.00
Miscellaneous		100.00		100.00	100.00
NEMRC Support		1,149.00	1,246.73	1,247.00	1,350.00
License Fees & Dues		300.00	235.00	300.00	350.00
Mapping Annual Support		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Assesor/Adminin Independent Contractor		6,000.00	2,992.50	13,150.00	13,150.00
User fees for Cloud Apps		600.00	260.40	600.00	300.00
Subtotal		11,849.00	6,639.07	19,197.00	19,050.00
Salaries					
Auditors		2,500.00	957.98	2,500.00	2,500.00
Election Officials		700.00	730.61	500.00	800.00
Custodial-Shovel		1,000.00	660.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Custodial		1,000.00	1,020.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fire Chief		915.00	915.00	915.00	915.00
Listers		3,360.00	4,012.58	3,360.00	4,900.00
Listers-Training		700.00		-	
Select Board		4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Health Officer		300.00		300.00	300.00
Selectboard Secretary		4,000.00	4,250.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Town Clerk		19,955.52	20,705.52	21,352.50	22,035.00
Town Treasurer		19,955.52	20,705.52	21,352.50	22,035.00
Asst. Town Clerk & Treasurer		15,771.60	5,797.02	15,772.00	16,277.00
Librarian		16,484.00	15,530.75	17,143.26	17,692.00
Grant Writer			2,938.85	2,000.00	2,000.00
Subtotal		91,141.64	82,723.83	95,695.26	99,954.00
Employee Benefits					
Town Officer Education		750.00	562.25	500.00	500.00
Town Officer Mileage		500.00	284.16	300.00	300.00
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund		2,594.00	2,691.70	2,883.00	3,195.00
Medical Insurance		9,726.48	9,927.30	11,000.00	11,670.00
Administrative charge for HRA		30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Health Reimbursement Account		1,750.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	-
Subtotal		15,350.48	15,495.41	16,713.00	15,695.00
Other					
Service Charge			70.24		
Miscellaneous		300.00	100.88	150.00	150.00
Subtotal		300.00	171.12	150.00	150.00
Surplus Funds					
Town Hall cabinets			5,348.00		
Town Hall Heat Pumps			11,073.64		
Town Hall Fire Alarm			2,289.98		
Town Hall Spray Foam			5,000.00		
Town Hall Duct work			1,975.78		

Town Hall Basement Drywall		5,623.92		
Town Hall Circuit Panel		2,171.15		
Mower		18,595.00		
Traffic Signs		6,542.00		
Town Hall Basement Windows		2,063.53		
Town Hall Basement Framing		2,025.00		
Town Hall water Heater		4,482.75		
Town Hall Ceiling		3,993.24		
Generator		27,430.00		
Town Hall Dustless Blasting		9,751.52		
PVFR snowmobile		13,497.00		
Subtotal	300.00	121,862.51		
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
General Fund continued				
Budget Disbursements				
***Fire Department	21,875.00	21,875.00	22,825.00	16,725.00
Fire Truck Note	44,425.13	31,516.95	Paid in full	-
Fire Department Equipment Fund	4,500.00	4,500.00	2,500.00	6,000.00
Fire Department Truck Fund	Article	65,000.00	70,000.00	96,000.00
Fire House Paving Project	Article	§ to Paving Reserve		-
Late April 2019 Flood Note	3,557.44	Paid In Full	Paid In Full	-
Financial Audit				10,000.00
***Library		9,780.00	11,445.00	13,025.00
***Highway Fund		130,670.00		186,965.00
***School Fund		764,008.00		800,000.00
***Cemetery Fund				1,456.00
Highway Equipment Fund				
Parks & Grounds Equipment Fund				
Bond Debt Service Payment	44,550.00	44,191.33	43,500.00	42,500.00
Recreation Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00
Town Hall Reserve Fund	Article	38,000.00	10,000.00	15,000.00
Contingency Fund				10,000.00
Village Green Paving Reserve				15,000.00
Town Office Maintenance Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00
Computer Equipment Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Library Capitol Improvement Fund	3,800.00	3,800.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Reappraisal Fund	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	3,000.00
Village Green Tree Maintenance				5,000.00
Highway Building Maintenance			25,000.00	
Subtotal	131,407.57	1,122,041.28	171,370.00	1,237,071.00
*Funds Disbursed				
Marriage Licenses		250.00		
State Rabies Fee/Neuter Surcharge		895.00		
Refund of Overpayments		5,169.38		
Interfund Transfers		329,278.85		
Delinquent Tax Penalty		5,424.09		
Tax sale Expenses Refund and Counsel fees		5,322.49		
Subtotal		346,339.81		
Capital Expense				
Subtotal				
*State Education Fund				
Statewide Prop. Tax Liability		447,405.58		
Subtotal		447,405.58		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$380,480.89	\$2,273,461.96	\$374,756.46	\$1,520,275.00
**TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$380,480.89	\$585,038.57	\$374,756.46	\$531,854.00
This is the Total General Fund less the Highway, School, Cemetery, Funds" Budget Disbursements", the Funds Disbursed category and the State Education Fund Statewide Property Tax Liability. This line allows for a more accurate comparison				
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
HIGHWAY FUND				
Wages				
Road Commissioner	55,968.00	50,909.52	54,392.00	56,160.00
Road Commissioner Overtime		7,734.26	6,050.00	6,237.00
Temporary Help	2,200.00	3,390.00	3,000.00	5,250.00
Subtotal	58,168.00	62,033.78	63,442.00	67,647.00
Taxes				
FICA Social Security	3,470.00	3,846.10	3,933.00	4,195.00
FICA Medicare	812.00	899.51	920.00	981.00
Federal Income Tax		1,550.37		-
CCC VT Tax				298.00
Subtotal	4,282.00	6,295.98	4,853.00	5,474.00
Fuel				
Gasoline	100.00	222.56	250.00	500.00
Diesel	10,000.00	14,862.28	20,000.00	25,000.00
Lubricants	300.00	228.48	500.00	1,000.00
Subtotal	10,400.00	15,313.32	20,750.00	26,500.00
Hired Equipment				
Rochester Road Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Backhoe	7,000.00	5,471.95	7,000.00	8,000.00
Roadside Mowing	3,000.00	3,585.00	4,000.00	5,000.00
Trucks	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00
All Other	2,000.00	1,120.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
Subtotal	16,700.00	12,376.95	18,000.00	19,500.00
Materials				
Gravel	20,000.00	33,310.74	40,000.00	40,000.00
Sand	35,000.00	24,991.70	35,000.00	35,000.00
Salt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Chloride	7,000.00	7,228.98	7,500.00	9,500.00
Culverts	8,000.00	6,688.40	8,000.00	8,000.00
Guardrail/Signs	1,000.00	3,500.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Subtotal	72,000.00	75,719.82	91,500.00	95,000.00
Employee Benefits				
Medical Insurance	9,726.48	9,116.76	11,000.00	11,665.00
Health Reimbursement Account	1,750.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
VT Mun. Emp. Retirement Fund	3,639.00	3,811.85	4,080.00	4,524.00
Administrative fee for HRA	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Uniform Allowance	500.00		500.00	500.00
Subtotal	15,645.48	14,958.61	17,610.00	16,719.00
Other				
Garage Supplies	2,000.00	543.84	2,000.00	2,000.00
Employee Ed-MSHA annual refresher	75.00		75.00	75.00
MRGP-Annual Fee	1,350.00	1,765.00	1,350.00	1,350.00

Miscellaneous	2,500.00	5,519.99	1,500.00	1,500.00
Purchase of Grader (\$ moved to reserve fund)	83,000.00	83,000.00		
Paving Reserve Fund for Village Green Paving			10,000.00	
Tree trimming				5,500.00
Subtotal	88,925.00	90,828.83	14,925.00	10,425.00
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
Highway Fund continued				
Repairs				
Mack	8,000.00	3,467.07	8,000.00	10,000.00
International 4900		7,541.25		
Ford F-550	2,500.00	1,717.54	2,000.00	2,500.00
Loader	2,500.00	2,232.71	2,000.00	3,500.00
Grader	4,500.00	5,212.79	3,000.00	4,500.00
Rake	100.00	9.92	100.00	600.00
Chainsaw	100.00		100.00	100.00
Chloride Spreader	400.00		400.00	1,000.00
Sander - Wing Mack	750.00		750.00	750.00
Sander - Ford	750.00		750.00	750.00
Plow -Mack	450.00		450.00	500.00
Plow - Ford	450.00		450.00	500.00
Trimmer	100.00		100.00	100.00
Pressure Washer	200.00		200.00	200.00
Debris Blower				200.00
Plow Wing - Ford	450.00		450.00	500.00
Subtotal	21,250.00	20,181.28	18,750.00	25,700.00
Inter Fund Transfer		3,800.00		
Subtotal		3,800.00		
TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	287,370.48	301,508.57	249,830.00	266,965.00
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
CEMETERY FUND				
FICA Social Security	236.00	244.87	409.00	248.00
FICA Medicare	55.00	57.26	96.00	58.00
Federal Income Tax		183.77		
Fuel	200.00	338.21	300.00	350.00
Equipment Maintenance	400.00	2,105.02	400.00	700.00
Flags	600.00	847.53	750.00	850.00
Hired Equipment	100.00		-	
Wages	3,800.00	3,949.49	6,600.00	4,000.00
Stone Cleaning	350.00			350.00
Top Soil	300.00			
Materials				
Equipment Purchase		2,000.00		
Interfund transfer to correct error				
Tree Removal	400.00			600.00
CEMETERY FUND TOTAL	6,441.00	9,726.15	8,555.00	7,156.00
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue				
Communications -Equipment	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 264.33	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment	7,200.00	8,364.61	7,200.00	7,200.00
Refuse Removal		50.81	100.00	100.00
Maintenance	2,000.00	1,257.56	1,900.00	1,900.00
Fuel (truck)	800.00	692.28	800.00	800.00
Vehicle Maintenance				
Engine 4 - 1990 International	1,000.00		900.00	900.00
Tanker 2 - 2019 Kenworth Tanker	1,000.00	2,019.81	900.00	900.00
Engine 1 - 1994 International	1,000.00	351.19	900.00	900.00
Rescue 1 - Ford F-350	1,000.00	129.08	900.00	900.00
Rescue 3 Ski Doo Snowmobile			100.00	200.00
Rescue 2 - Can Am UTV			400.00	200.00
Utilities				
Electricity	1,100.00	913.11	1,100.00	1,100.00
Heating	2,200.00	2,197.62	2,975.00	2,975.00
Annual Furnace Cleaning	100.00		100.00	100.00
Telephone & Internet	1,750.00	1,745.52	1,750.00	1,750.00
Postage, mailing service	25.00	87.65	100.00	100.00
RCMA Dues	200.00	400.00	200.00	200.00
Supplies		5.09		
Dispatching Fees	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Late Fees/Returned Item fee		180.23		
Training/certificates	500.00	507.00	500.00	500.00
PVFR Fund Total	21,875.00	21,165.89	22,825.00	22,725.00
	FY 23	FY 23	FY 24	FY25
	Proposed	Actuals	Proposed	Budget
Roger Clark Memorial Library				
Library materials/patron services	3,300.00	3,808.62	3,800.00	3,000.00
Hoopla on-line servies				1,500.00
Dues/Subscriptions		50.88		
GMLC	275.00	279.84	350.00	400.00
Museum passes	500.00	350.00	350.00	475.00
Periodicals	75.00	52.95	75.00	50.00
Supplies (Office/cleaning)	500.00	1,030.50	1,000.00	1,000.00
Telephone/Internet	1,300.00	1,352.28	1,300.00	1,500.00
Programs/Events	1,800.00	1,768.07	3,000.00	3,000.00
Domain name	20.00	15.17	20.00	20.00
KOHA DB Support	500.00	500.00	550.00	600.00
Social Media/Advertising	120.00		100.00	100.00
Interlibrary loan carrier	1,040.00		500.00	1,180.00
Technical Services	250.00	144.00	250.00	500.00
Mileage	100.00		100.00	100.00
Bank fees		44.46	50.00	
RCML FUND TOTAL	9,780.00	9,396.77	11,445.00	13,425.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	2021	FY23	FY24	FY25 Proposed
Anticipated Expenses				
General Fund	751,080.10	380,480.89	469,756.46	531,854.00
Highway Fund	309,514.00	287,370.48	249,830.00	266,965.00
Cemetery Fund	5,780.00	6,441.00	8,555.00	7,156.00
School Fund	1,014,329.00	943,108.00	994,945.00	1,014,593.00
(Anticipated Expenses) Total	2,080,703.10	1,617,400.37	1,723,086.46	1,820,568.00
Anticipated Revenue				
General Fund	387,951.00	99,276.00	59,950.00	194,767.00
Highway Fund	144,672.00	156,700.00	61,600.00	80,000.00
Cemetery Fund	10,200.00	7,100.00	600.00	5,700.00
School Fund	1,014,329.00	943,108.00	994,945.00	1,014,593.00
(Anticipated Revenue) Total	1,557,152.00	1,206,184.00	1,117,095.00	1,295,060.00
Municipal Total To Be Raised By Taxes to	523,551.10	411,216.37	605,991.46	525,508.00

	2021	FY 23	FY24	FY25
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Proposed

ANTICIPATED TAX RATE

Grand List	\$ 1,038,383.00	\$ 1,246,575.25	\$ 1,258,555.00	\$ 1,279,270.00
Municipal	0.5042	0.4285	0.4815	0.4108
Total Warned Items				
Homestead Education	1.2005	0.8432	0.9863	1.2094
Non Residential Education	1.4769	1.2152	1.3416	Unknown
Resultant Tax Rate				
Homestead	1.7047	1.2717	1.4678	
Non Residential	1.9811	1.6437	1.8231	

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

STATEMENT OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS as of June 30, 2023

Long Term Debt

A total payment of \$43,627.66 consisting of interest and principal was made in 2023. Bonds outstanding total \$219,510.00. The debt is scheduled to be fully retired in 2030.

Short Term Debt

None

ADDITIONAL ASSETS

	ARPA-LFR Fund	Arthur Mark Begin Town Hall Fund	Bridge MMA	Civic Sign and Bench ICS Savings
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$82,672.45	\$9,850.25	\$1,100.01	\$4,151.24
Deposits	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$37.47	\$130.96	\$0.08	\$51.00
Withdrawals	<u>-\$82,709.92</u>	<u>-\$1,532.16</u>	<u>-\$1,100.09</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$0.00	\$9,199.05	\$0.00	\$4,202.24
	Computer Fund ICS Savings	Contingency Fund ICS Savings	Federal Tax Deposit Fund	Health Reimbursement Fund
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$1,804.17	\$74,402.00	\$2,500.03	\$6,847.77
Deposits	\$1,000.00	\$123,216.00	\$39,136.96	\$4,000.00
Interest	\$32.76	\$909.55	\$0.00	\$0.00
Withdrawals	<u>-\$206.68</u>	<u>-\$123,216.00</u>	<u>-\$39,136.96</u>	<u>-\$2,524.47</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$2,630.25	\$75,311.55	\$2,500.03	\$8,323.30
	Highway Equipment ICS Savings	Highway Equipment 6MO CD Mascoma	Land Trust CD 662	Lister Education ICS Savings
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$135,546.64	\$0.00	\$109,194.60	\$936.96
Deposits	\$83,000.00	\$219,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$1,895.22	\$1,124.81	\$1,433.87	\$10.39
Withdrawals	<u>-\$219,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>-\$246.39</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$1,441.86	\$220,124.81	\$110,382.08	\$947.35
	Office Building Maintenance	Parks & Grnds Equip ICS Savings	Paving Reserve ICS Savings	Paving Reserve 6Mo CD Mascoma
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$1,336.67	\$4,404.67	\$25,688.29	\$0.00
Deposits	\$4,000.00	\$1,100.09	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$33.06	\$261.09	\$128.40
Withdrawals	<u>-\$34.72</u>	<u>-\$3,910.54</u>	<u>-\$25,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$5,301.95	\$1,627.28	\$20,949.38	\$25,128.40
	PVFR Fire Truck Reserve Fund	PVFR Truck Fund 6MO CD Mascoma	PVFR Equipment Fund	Reappraisal ICS Savings
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$98,062.51	\$0.00	\$7,040.81	\$21,141.41
Deposits	\$65,000.00	\$163,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$7,630.50
Interest	\$1,572.71	\$837.18	\$93.12	\$254.04
Withdrawals	<u>-\$163,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>-\$6,916.29</u>	<u>-\$28,164.14</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$1,635.22	\$163,837.18	\$4,717.64	\$861.81
	Reappraisal Fund 6MO CD Mascoma	Record Preservation ICS Savings	Record Pres. 6MO CD Mascoma	Recreation ICS Savings
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$0.00	\$14,115.40	\$0.00	\$11,932.62
Deposits	\$28,000.00	\$2,480.30	\$10,000.00	\$1,000.00
Interest	\$143.81	\$151.89	\$51.36	\$161.44
Withdrawals	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>-\$10,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$28,143.81	\$6,747.59	\$10,051.36	\$13,094.06

	Robert S. Dumas	Sand Shed ICS Savings	Town Hall Reserve ICS Savings
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	\$670.08	\$75,637.03	\$22,039.53
Deposits	\$0.00	\$125,142.53	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.11	\$397.71	\$0.00
Withdrawals	<u>-\$670.19</u>	<u>-\$194,330.49</u>	<u>-\$21,630.62</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2023	\$0.00	\$6,846.78	\$408.91

PETTY CASH REPORT

Fiscal year end June 30, 2023

Cash on Hand July 1, 2022	\$163.34
Deposits	287.05
Disbursements	<u>(169.97)</u>
Cash on Hand June 30, 2023	\$280.42



LICENSE REPORT

July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023

Dog Licenses				
Females (Spayed)	52	\$9.00	\$	468.00
Males (Neutered)	49	\$9.00	\$	441.00
Females	5	\$13.00	\$	65.00
Males	8	\$13.00	\$	104.00
Total Collected				\$ 1,078.00
Credited to Clerk Fee Account - 114 @ \$2.00				(228.00)
Credited to State Spay/Neuter/Rabies Program - 114 @ 5.00				(570.00)
Total Credited				\$ (798.00)
Balance				\$ 280.00

A Note About Dog Licenses

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

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

Liquor Licenses		
<u>First Class</u>		
Original General Store	\$115.00	
Vermont Farms Catering	\$115.00	
Clear River Properties	\$115.00	
<u>Second Class</u>		
Clear River Properties	\$70.00	
Swiss Farm Market, Inc.	\$70.00	
Original General Store	\$70.00	
<u>Third Class</u>		
Clear River Properties	\$0.00	
Vermont Farms Catering	\$0.00	
<u>Outside Consumption</u>		
Clear River Properties	\$0.00	
<u>Tabacoo</u>		
Swiss Farm Market, Inc.	\$0.00	
Original General Store	\$0.00	
	Total	\$555.00
Credited to Clerk Fee Account		<u>-\$30.00</u>
	Balance	\$525.00

Marriage Licenses	
11 issued @ \$60.00 (State Treasurer's Fee, Victim's Compensation Fund, Clerk	\$660.00
Credited to Clerk Fee Account - # @ \$10.00	\$110.00
Balance	\$550.00

VITAL STATISTICS

FY23

Births

Willoughby Margaret Sullivan
Maggie Lillian McAlpine
Autumn Marie Zink

Please note that we no longer receive notice of out of state births.
If you'd like your child's birth listed in the town report, please provide us with the name.

Marriages

Ryan James Nye to Rebecca Lauren Casazza
Brendan Thomas Rankowitz to Zoe Mariana Loveman
Charles Crowley McAllister to Anne Murphy Fox
Oliver Burton Hunt to Stephanie Paine Dawson
Alex Matthew Rieger to Briana Carroll Simpson Flynn
Samuel James Daniels to Rebecca Jean Collins
Tristan Timothy Klein to Kaitlyn Atossa Hummel
Christopher Jordan Powell to Erin Lee Gammon
Michael Angelo Orlando to Sara Beth Coley
Corey Martin Westfall to Emily Marie Vallee

The New Vital Records Law (Act 46) and What It Means for You

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

These changes went into effect on July 1, 2019





East Central Vermont Telecommunications District

www.ecfiber.net

ECFiber AND THE TOWN OF PITTSFIELD

Pittsfield is a member of the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District, the state's first communications union district (CUD), whose mission is to provide world-class fiber-optic based internet service to all on-grid homes and businesses in its member towns. The District consists of 31 member towns, and owns the business which operates under the trade name ECFiber. The business added over 800 new customers despite critical labor shortages, and now serves over 8,500 customer locations via 1,700 miles of network, which, when fully built out, will bring fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) to about 32,000 premises over more than 2,000 miles network.

In June, ECFiber celebrated the completion of its original 23 town network when it activated its operation center in White River Junction. In August, the District was awarded a \$13 million construction grant that will support the first three or four stages of its \$30 million, nine stage, network completion plan. In November, its Series 2023A municipal revenue bond received a "BB" rating from Standard & Poor's Global Credit arm, a historic moment in US financial history: the first time a municipal revenue bond not backed by taxes, and not for a regulated utility or exclusive service territory, received a rating. This was extended to the six earlier bonds as well.

The ECFiber network is complete in our town. We invite you to visit our website to learn more about ECFiber, and encourage you to subscribe. You won't be charged anything until we start service.

The District contracts with Great Works Internet (GWI) of Vermont to operate the business. The biggest challenges we face now are not funding, but rather finding enough folks to construct the networks – people who know how to operate bucket trucks, splice fiber while 40 feet above the ground, and be willing to work outside in difficult weather. ECFiber is actively participating in state and regional workforce development efforts. If you are or know of someone who may be interested in these well-paid jobs, please let us know!

We invite you to visit our website to learn more about ECFiber, and encourage you to subscribe. You won't be charged anything until we start service.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Warner, Pittsfield Delegate to the ECFiber Governing Board
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ENHANCED 9-1-1

Did you know that the Vermont Enhanced 9-1-1 Board is one of the first to implement a next generation statewide 9-1-1 system that delivers 9-1-1 calls from the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) to a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) using Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) over its Emergency Services Network (ESINet)? Too much information? Probably, but if needed, your call will be initially routed to one of six Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) throughout the state based on the originating caller's location using this system.

Things Everyone Needs to Know to Be 911 Ready

In an emergency, seconds matter; being prepared can make a difference! Talking through scenarios with other family members can help you Be 911 Ready!

Know when to use 911 - Call or text 911 in an emergency: to save a life, stop a crime, or to report a fire. If you or someone else is hurt or very sick, call 911. If you're not sure if your situation is an emergency, err on the side of safety and call 911. The call-taker can assess the event and guide you.

Know your location - Emergency responders can't help you if they don't know where you are. Train yourself to pay attention to your surroundings. Make a mental note of streets you're travelling on and addresses you visit. Make sure everyone in your home knows your street address.

Know your phone - Not all phones and devices provide the 911 call-taker with your location information. Landline phones will provide your location to the call-taker, but cell and VoIP phones may not. Contact your service provider for more information about the capabilities of your phone.

Remain calm - It may be hard to remain calm during an emergency, but when you do so, you make it easier for the call-taker to gather your information and get the right help on the way.

Don't hang up - If you have placed an emergency call to 911, stay on the line until the call-taker tells you it's ok to hang up. They can dispatch help even when you are still on the line and they may require more information or be able to provide you with assistance.

If you've called 911 by accident, it's important to let the call-taker know. If you hang up suddenly, the call-taker may call you back or may even send someone to your home to check on your safety.

Have you posted your house number in a visible location? If not, please take the time to obtain numbers and make sure that the house number is placed in a spot that can be easily seen by emergency personnel. Here are some helpful guidelines:

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

You can find out more information about Vermont 911 by visiting their website: e911.vermont.gov

If you need assistance with your street address, please email the E911 Coordinator for the town of Pittsfield Michelle Hunt: michelle.c.hunt@vermont.gov



PITTSFIELD VT COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

www.pccvt.org

Pittsfield VT Community Connections, better known as PCC, is an umbrella organization that can encompass people working in small groups on a variety of events or projects for the benefit of our community.

2023 was PCC's fourth year. In late 2021, Pittsfield VT Community Connections (PCCVT) was formed as a Vermont non-profit corporation. In early 2022, the IRS determined PCCVT to be a 501c3 non-profit organization which allows donations to PCCVT to be tax deductible. The stated purpose of PCCVT is to improve access to resources, improve social cohesion, and improve the quality of life for residents of Pittsfield, Vermont through community organization, encouragement of volunteerism, and the production and promotion of community events.

PCC YEAR IN REVIEW	
JAN 2023	Holiday Season Decorating. Continued holiday season winter decoration.
JAN 2023	Pittsfield Community Ice Rink. A group of volunteers continued to keep this going through the winter season. Weather is always challenging. This group kept the ice available for many to enjoy through the winter.
VARIOUS	Art In Our Hearts: Pittsfield. A few events were organized by Suzanne Ellis and occurred early in the year.
SPRING 2023	Pretty Up Pittsfield. A small project group continues. They organized to add more plantings on the town green and added flower boxes to the Bandstand. An early goal was to expand the effort along Route 100. More volunteers are needed to grow the effort.
JUL 2023	Patriotic Seasonal Decorations. Red, White, and Blue Bandstand decorating.
OCT 2023	Quinn Town Halloween Celebration. Created a Halloween display in the Bandstand as we, once again, participated in the Quinn Town Halloween Celebration.
NOV 2023	Project Happy Holidays. Cindy Bryant organized participation in the Bethel Area Project Happy Holidays giving community members an opportunity to donate toys, food, and money to local families in need.
DEC 2023	Winter Holiday Season Decorating. Decorated the Bandstand for the winter holiday season.
DEC 2023	Holiday Tree Lighting. Organized an event including a visit from Santa on a firetruck. This year, instead of staying warm by the fire pit while drinking hot chocolate folks stayed dry in town hall before going out to light the tree. Carrie Kohl led a sing-along prior to the tree being lit.
DEC 2023	Pittsfield Community Ice Rink. A group of volunteers organized by Coral Hawley went to work to get the ice rink in place for the upcoming season installing a new liner.
Ongoing	Maintain Pittsfield Business Directory

There are many who have helped with all of these efforts that have not been named here. If you are one of them, know that every single effort, big and small, is necessary and appreciated.

The PCCVT Board meets quarterly. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Warner for Pittsfield VT Community Connections





The 2023 call volume seemed to be average with motor vehicle accidents leading our calls. We had to implement our “Jaws of Life” rescue tools to extricate a driver involved in a motor vehicle accident. It’s comforting to know that we have these invaluable tools at our disposal when/if the need arises.

The Department managed the Pittsfield Bazaar in the fall of 2023. The event had twenty-nine (29) vendors, and Susie Martin said that she thought it was a record for vendor attendance! The day went smoothly and seemed to be enjoyed by the numerous attendees! We were able to raise \$6,347 at this event, and we collected another \$4,281 at our annual coin-drop over Columbus Day weekend! We appreciate all the support and donations, as these funds help our department purchase items that might otherwise increase the Town budget.

Paving was completed in front of the Fire Station. So far, it is working as planned to keep the water draining properly; and the Station is much cleaner!

Last spring, the Department with the Town’s approval, ordered a truck to replace the Rescue Truck and Engine 4. The new truck will serve as a Rescue/Mini-Pumper vehicle for the Department. It will take two (2) plus years to complete the build of this vehicle, and the Department will be working to secure funding for it during that time. The Select Board felt it prudent to order the truck last spring and work on the funding during its build time. Once this new vehicle is in place for the Department, we will sell the current Rescue Truck and Engine 4 and use the proceeds to purchase a small SUV for the First Responders.

This past summer brought more devastating flooding to Vermont. Fortunately, Pittsfield was spared from the ravages of the summer storms. The Department and Town employees were vigilant during those weeks of rain and surrounding area damage to make sure that our Town, roads, and residents remained safe and damage/injury-free.

In closing, please remember to check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and replace the batteries! If you burn wood, please inspect your stove pipes and chimneys or have them inspected to be sure that you are burning safely!

Respectfully yours,

Chief David H. Colton



ROGER CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY



Roger Clark Memorial Library continues to grow in its mission to be “a multigenerational community center aiming to foster traditional, cultural, creative, current and technical literacy”. Our library and community are made stronger by all of us, and we extend a sincere ‘thank you’ to all of you for your support.

Our normal hours of operation are Tuesdays from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Thursdays from 2:00 to 7:00 PM, and Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. This year, we have created a winter schedule to adjust for our wintry weather, and these hours are Tuesdays from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Thursdays from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM, and Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM. Both schedules total 16.5 hours per week.

Our book drop provides a convenient service for our patrons who wish to return books outside our hours. Visit our website (pittsfieldlibrary.com) to view our catalog, check out upcoming events, register for a Universal class, or sign up to receive our newsletter. We are in the process of rolling out Hoopla, a streaming service, that will be free to residents of Pittsfield. Through membership in the Green Mountain Library Consortium (GMLC), library card holders have access to digital and audiobooks using Libby, a multi-device application. Additional digital and audiobooks are available using Palace, another application. Contact the library via phone or email to get more information or to be set up to use these services.

Currently, our collection includes 3733 books, 450 DVDs, 17 Board Games, and 13 pairs of snowshoes. A library card to our library will provide access to our inventory and one can procure this card by stopping by the library and requesting one.



Our programming activities for this year included:

- Three Vermont Humanities speakers Rick Winston, Tim Weed, and Bill Mares.
- Tom Perera spoke on the Enigma Machine, and Cynthia Bryant spoke on financial life.
- Vermont Reads book discussion on this year's book, “Last Night at the Telegraph Club”, facilitated by Rachael Cohen. Over 50 copies were distributed.
- Daughters of the American Revolution display in our library hallway.
- Summer Reading Program speakers included Jerry Schneider's Bat program, Rick Stromski's cartooning program, Rutland County Humane Society presentation, and a visit from the Vermont Museum of Natural History.
- Continuation of our seed library, Saturday morning Story Time, after-school lemonade & snack program, & weekly crafts for children.
- Stockbridge Pre-K class monthly visits for story time, a craft, and a snack.
- Annual events such as the Halloween book giveaway, Gingerbread House decorating, Bethel Project Happy Holidays, and the Silent Auction at the Pittsfield Bazaar.
- Monthly Book Club gatherings.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Deutsch, Librarian

ROGER CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Board of Trustees Report

The Board of Trustees is appreciative of the support provided by our community and wants to acknowledge the work of our librarian, Diane Deutsch. She is the face of RCML to our patrons, young and old.

In fiscal year 22-23, RCML received \$70 in donations and \$1,230 from the 2022 silent auction.

We invite you to stop by Pittsfield's little library to enjoy its renewed appearance and to borrow a book or DVD. Patron donations over the years along with our town capital budget investment have made it possible to update shelving and some furnishings. We hope you enjoy these new surroundings.

RCML has focused on maintaining services to our patrons by:

- Continuing to enhance our collection of current lending materials
- Providing and maintaining 24 hr. wi-fi access services to the community both inside the library and outside on the green
- Providing a computer for patron use
- Providing museum passes

RCML is focusing on improving services to our patrons by expanding access to library content:

- Secured a grant to pay for half of the cost of the Inter-Library Loan courier service, thus enhancing our ability to respond more quickly to patron requests for books we do not own.
- Educating our patrons about how to access what is available to them through the Libby and Palace apps that give access to digital and audio books.
- Implementing Hoopla, a digital streaming service.

The library's monthly board meetings are typically held on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:30 in the library and the community is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

RCML Board of Trustees

Cynthia Bryant ('24)
Amanda Barrett ('24)
Elizabeth Warner ('25)
Micheline Bissell ('25)
Kim Barber ('26)



TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS
June 30, 2023 Financial Statement

Mascoma Bank - Checking (Cemetery)	
Beginning Balance – July 1, 2022	\$ 382.46
Receipts:	
Dividends from George Putnam Balanced Fund-A (Mutual Fund)	\$ 370.88
Perpetual Care – Deposits	\$ 500.00
Expenses:	
Town of Pittsfield Cemetery Fund	\$ 297.61
Purchased – George Putnam Balanced Fund Shares	\$ 750.00
Ending Balance - June 30, 2023	\$ 205.73
 George Putnam Balanced Fund-A Mutual Fund (Cemetery)	
Fund Share Value as of July 1, 2022	\$33,873.89
Share Price = \$19.69(Est.)	
Share Balance = 1,720.360	
May 22, 2023 – Perpetual Care Money (\$750.00, \$21.50 Share Price = 34.884 Shares)	
November 28, 2022 – Long Term Capital Gain (\$688.14, \$19.76 Share Price = 34.825 Shares)	
Fund Share Value as of June 30, 2023	\$38,540.19
Share Price = \$21.53(Est.)	
Share Balance = 1,790.069	
 Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Admiral CL Fund (Cemetery)	
Fund Share Value as of July 1, 2022	\$18,521.66
Share Price = \$91.77	
Share Balance = 201.827	
Fund Share Value as of June 30, 2023	\$21,660.07
Share Price = \$107.32	
Share Balance = 201.827	
 Vanguard Money Market Account (Cemetery)	
Beginning Balance – July 1, 2022	\$ 142.28
Receipts:	
Dividends from Vanguard	\$ 326.04
Interest from Vanguard Money Market	\$ 5.69
Expenses:	
Town of Pittsfield Cemetery Fund	\$ 313.69
Ending Balance – June 30, 2023	\$ 160.32
 Mascoma Bank – Checking (Jean Colver Sofield Scholarship)	
Beginning Balance – July 1, 2022	\$ 516.97
Receipts:	
Dividends – Putnam Large Cap Value Fund-A	\$ 1,314.35
Expenses:	
Purchased – Putnam Large Cap Value Fund Shares	\$ 126.65
Ending Balance – June 30, 2023	\$ 1,704.67
 Putnam Cap Value Fund-A Mutual Fund (Jean Colver Sofield Scholarship)	
Fund Share Value as of July 1, 2022	\$66,284.09
Share Price = \$27.85(Est.)	
Share Balance = 2,380.039	
May 15, 2023 – Extra Plaque Money (\$126.65, \$29.68 Share Price = 4.267 Shares)	
December 8, 2022 – ST Cap Gain (\$104.72, \$28.57 Share Price = 3.665 Shares)	
December 8, 2022 – LT Cap Gain (\$3,365.38, \$28.57 Share Price = 117.794 Shares)	
Fund Share Value as of June 30, 2023	\$75,248.12
Share Price = \$30.03(Est.)	
Share Balance = 2,505.765	

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Hotchkiss
(Est.) = Estimate of Share Price (No price per share given by fund.)

2023 Pittsfield School Board Directors Annual Report

Since last March, the Pittsfield School Board (PSB) met regularly, with some appropriately noticed exceptions, on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in or around the basement of the Town Office building. Agendas and minutes of meetings were also produced and posted as required by law. The PSB wishes to thank Trish Abbondelo for the invaluable and excellent work she does to make the School Board function and help assure a great education for our children.

Board members continued their core functions of producing a budget for your vote, paying the bills of the School District in a timely fashion after reasonable scrutiny to assure that Pittsfield pays only our fair share, attending and participating on our Supervisory Union Board and with Mountain Views Supervisory Union board meetings (Thank you Ray Rice!), and awarding the Jean Colver Sofield Award. The award is granted to a Pittsfield student who is college bound and has demonstrated a commitment to community service. Last year the district had no qualifying applicants.

As always, given our status as a district/town that does not operate a school but retains choice to pay tuition at the schools our children attend, Pittsfield's school budget is based on the number of children attending school, which school they attend, and costs of additional support our children may require. This upcoming school year we expect to have 49 pre-K-12 students. This year the PSB continued the process by which parents of students provided documentation of their legal address to the schools their children attended and the school board paid tuition based on that documentation. Thank you to those parents who completed the documentation.

For FY2025 the board proposes a total budget of \$1,014,593. Our average per-pupil expenditure is \$11,912. This results in a homestead tax rate of \$1.0737. Unfortunately, our Common Level of Appraisal (CLA — the difference between the town assessed property value and fair market property value) has dropped from 1.0368 to 0.8878. This makes the resultant homestead tax rate \$1.2094. As this report goes to press we cannot predict the non-homestead tax rate.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Sperber

Ray Rice

Peter DuBois

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Receipts	
Town of Pittsfield General Fund (taxes)	764,008.00
Interest Income	6,049.08
Tuition Credit	188.70
SEER Reimbursement	9,389.00
GMNF Revenue	5,009.86
Receipts Total	\$784,644.64
Expenses	
SPED Excess Cost	8,708.00
SU Assesment	30,000.00
Tax Expense - FICA SS & Medicare	95.64
School Board Salaries	1,050.00
Treasurer Salary	200.00
Audit - Windsor Central Supervisory Union	3,500.00
Insurance Assesment	2,385.00
Insurance Deductable -Due Process	16,865.73
Prior Year Expense	28,508.44
Expenses Subtotal	\$91,312.81
Tuition Pre-K	
Killington Pre-K	9,250.00
WCUUSD	32,409.51
Tuition Pre-K Subtotal	\$41,659.51
Elementary Tuition	
Killington	109,296.64
Orange Southwest unified Union	7,835.00
White River Valley	17,800.00
WCUUSD	106,762.50
Barstow Unified School District	8,550.00
Elementary Tuition Subtotal	\$250,244.14
Secondary Tuition	
Christ the King School	5,590.00
Sharon Academy	18,500.00
Rutland Public School	19,100.00
Killington Mountain School	34,556.00
Landmark School	17,278.00
WUHMS	132,895.00
The Hartford School District	3,348.00
WCUUSD	132,895.00
Mount St. Joseph Academy	15,952.00
Secondary Tuition Subtotal	\$380,114.00
Vocational Tuition	
Vocational Tuition Subtotal	\$0.00
Expenses Total	\$763,330.46

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Assets	
Checking - Mascoma	10,011.78
Holding Account - Mascoma	266,928.80
Total Asssets June 30, 2023	\$276,940.58
Fund Balance, June 30, 2022	
Actual Fund Balance June 30, 2022	255,626.40
Revenue for FY 2022-2023	\$784,644.64
Expenses for FY 2022-2023	(\$763,330.46)
Ending Balance, June 30, 2023	\$276,940.58
Increase in Fund Balance	\$21,314.18

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL INDEBTEDNESS
As of June 30, 2023
None

Pittsfield School District Proposed Budget FY 2025

		Audited Actual 2021-2022	Approved Budget 2022-2023	Unaudited Actual 2022-2023	Approved Budget 2023-2024	Proposed Budget 2024-2025
REVENUES						
	Prior Year Surplus	\$275,016.19	\$120,000.00	\$230,687.90	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
	State Support	\$868,069.00	\$868,129.00	\$764,008.00	\$832,745.00	\$889,468.00
	Interest Income	\$864.00	\$2,500.00	\$6,687.63	\$2,500.00	\$5,500.00
	Miscellaneous	\$274.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Tech Center Grant	\$5,058.00	\$3,500.00	\$5,480.00	\$3,500.00	\$5,480.00
	Special Ed Expenditure Reimbursement	\$44,814.63	\$56,200.00	\$9,389.00	\$56,200.00	\$9,000.00
	Special Ed EEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Green Mountain Forest	\$8,371.06	\$0.00	\$10,155.39	\$0.00	\$5,145.00
	Other Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$1,202,466.8	\$1,050,329.0	\$1,026,407.9	\$994,945.00	\$1,014,593.0
EXPENDITURES						
	BOARD OF EDUCATION					
	Stipends - Board of Education	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00
	FICA - Board of Education	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$95.64	\$100.00	\$100.00
	Liability Insurance	\$2,029.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,385.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
	Legal Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,865.47	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Dues/Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$3,174.00	\$4,150.00	\$20,396.11	\$4,150.00	\$4,150.00
	FISCAL SERVICES					
	Stipend - Treasurer	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Audit	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00	\$7,000.00	\$3,100.00	\$3,100.00
		\$3,100.00	\$3,100.00	\$7,200.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
	SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE					
	WCSU - Central Office Assessment	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$33,000.00
	WCSU - Special Education Assessment	\$8,999.98	\$12,000.00	\$3,573.00	\$12,000.00	\$6,000.00
	EEE Assessment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$38,999.98	\$42,000.00	\$33,573.00	\$42,000.00	\$39,000.00
	DEBT SERVICE					
	Interest/Bank Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SCHOOL INSTRUCTION					
	Tuition Pre-K	\$32,537.00	\$16,000.00	\$46,553.06	\$42,500.00	\$82,000.00
	Tuition Elementary	\$337,876.00	\$301,094.00	\$251,971.94	\$357,000.00	\$333,260.00
	Tuition Secondary	\$463,135.00	\$505,765.00	\$389,525.70	\$491,225.00	\$506,825.00
	Prior Year Tuition Expense	\$71,820.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Tuition - Vocational	\$5,415.00	\$6,000.00	\$3,348.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
	Tuition - Vocational On Behalf DOE	\$5,260.00	\$0.00	\$5,480.00	\$5,058.00	\$5,058.00
	Special Education - Excess Costs	\$10,462.00	\$65,000.00	\$19,201.00	\$43,712.00	\$35,000.00
	Contract service - 504/EST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$926,505.00	\$893,859.00	\$716,079.70	\$945,495.00	\$968,143.00
	PREVIOUS YEAR(S) DEFICIT(S)					
	Prior Year Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL	\$971,778.98	\$943,109.00	\$777,248.81	\$994,945.00	\$1,014,593.00
	Suplus/(Deficit)	\$230,687.90		\$249,159.11		

District: Pittsfield SU: Windsor Central		FY25 is the first year of Act 127 Long Term Weighted Average Daily Membership for pupil counts. Equalized pupils are shown for FY22 - FY24. LTWADM is required			T153 Rutland County	Property dollar equivalent yield 9,171 <--See bottom note 10,227	Homestead tax rate per \$3,171 of spending per LTWADM 1.00 Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income
Expenditures			FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, and full technical center expenditures)		\$1,011,387	\$948,188	\$995,978	\$1,014,593	1.
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	+	-	-	-		2.
3.	Locally adopted or warned budget		\$1,011,387	\$948,188	\$995,978	\$1,014,593	3.
4.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+	-	-	-		4.
5.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+	-	-	-		5.
6.	Total Expenditures		\$1,011,387	\$948,188	\$995,978	\$1,014,593	6.
7.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data		-	-	-		7.
8.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data		-	-	-		8.
Revenues							
9.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc.)		\$138,200	\$178,700	\$158,700	\$125,125	9.
10.	Offsetting revenues		\$138,200	\$178,700	\$158,700	\$125,125	10.
11.	Education Spending		\$873,187	\$769,488	\$837,278	\$889,468	11.
12.	Pupils (eqpup FY22 - FY24, LTWADM FY25)		58.88	56.82	53.02	74.67	12.
13.	Education Spending per Pupil		\$14,829.94	\$13,542.56	\$15,791.74	\$11,911.99	13.
14.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per Pupil pupil	-	-	-	-	-	14.
15.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$66,446 for an individual (per pupil)	-	based on \$60,000	based on \$60,000	based on \$66,206	based on \$66,446	15.
16.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per eqpup)	-	-	-	-	-	16.
17.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer pupils	-	-	-	-	-	17.
18.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	-	18.
19.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	-	19.
20.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	minus Costs incurred when sampling drinking water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or retesting.	-	-	-	-	-	22.
23.	plus Excess spending threshold	+	threshold = \$18,789 \$18,789.00	threshold = \$19,997 \$19,997.00	threshold = \$22,204 \$22,204.00	threshold = \$23,193 \$23,193.00	23.
24.	plus Excess Spending per Pupil over threshold (if any)	+	Suspended thru FY25 \$14,830	Suspended thru FY25 \$13,543	Suspended thru FY25 \$15,792	Suspended thru FY25 \$11,911.99	24.
25.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate						25.
26.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)		131.041% based on yield \$11,317	101.717% based on yield \$13,314	102.258% based on \$15,443	129.888% based on \$9,452	26.
Prorating the local tax rate							
27.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [\$11,911.99 ÷ (\$9,171 / \$1.00)]		\$1.3104 based on \$1.00	\$1.0172 based on \$1.00	\$1.0226 based on \$1.00	\$1.2989 based on \$1.00	27.
28.	Act 127 tax cap (FY25 - FY29 eligible)					\$1.0737	28.
29.	Percent of Pittsfield pupils not in a union school district		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	29.
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.30)		\$1.3104	\$1.0172	\$1.0226	\$1.0737	30.
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)		109.15%	120.64%	103.68%	88.78%	31.
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.0737 / 88.78%)		\$1.2005 based on \$1.00	\$0.8432 based on \$1.00	\$0.9863 based on \$1.00	\$1.2094 based on \$1.00	32.
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.							
33.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$11,911.99 ÷ \$10,227) x 2.00%]		2.15% based on 2.00%	2.00% based on 2.00%	2.00% based on 2.00%	2.33% based on 2.00%	33.
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.33%)		2.15% based on 2.00%	2.00% based on 2.00%	2.00% based on 2.00%	2.33% based on 2.00%	34.
35.			-	-	-	-	35.
36.			-	-	-	-	36.

- Using the revised January 9th, 2024 Education Fund Outlook FY25 forecast, the FY25 education fund need results in a property yield of \$9,171 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value, an income yield of \$10,227 for a base income percent of 2.0%, and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.452. These figures use the estimated \$13,000,000 surplus from the Education Fund. **New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.**

- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

LINKS TO COMMUNITY SERVICES

Bethel Food Shelf ~ www.bethelvtfoodshelf.org

Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) ~ www.cvcoa.org

Child First Advocacy Center (CFAC) ~ www.childfirstvermont.org

Community Care Network Rutland Mental Health Services ~ www.rmhsccn.org

Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) Town Meeting Report ~ <https://usfs-public.app.box.com/s/rzjfiky6ppr1pq7d9bffkj734yp8m12o>

Green Up Vermont ~ www.greenupvermnt.org

NeighborWorks of Western Vermont ~ www.nwwwvt.org

NewStory Center ~ www.nscvt.org

Parent Child Center of Rutland County ~ www.rcpcc.org

Park House ~ www.parkhousevt.org

Quin-Town Center for Senior Citizens ~ quintownsc@gmail.com (no website)

Rutland County Humane Society ~ www.rchsvt.org

Rutland County Restorative Justice ~ www.rutlandrestorativejustice.org

Rutland County Solid Waste District ~ www.rcswd.com

Tri-Valley Transit ~ www.trivalleytransit.org

Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) ~ www.trorc.org

Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association (CWMA) ~ <http://vtinvasives.org>

Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) ~ www.vcil.org

Vermont Department of Health ~ www.healthvermont.gov

Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT) ~ www.vlct.org

Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program (RFP) ~ www.vacd.org

Vermont Spay & Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP) ~ www.vvsahs.org

Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire ~ www.vnhcare.org

White River Valley Ambulance (WRVA) ~ www.wrva.org



Rutland County Solid Waste District
Regional Transfer Station and Drop-off Center
14 Gleason Rd., Rutland, VT
802-775-7209
Monday – Saturday 7:00am to 3:00pm

Pay by the Bag: Trash Drop-off/Recycling	Pay by Weight: MSW/C&D All other items must be recycled	Household Hazardous Waste Depot Appointments can be made at www.rcswd.com
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Annual Permit Fee: (January to December)

Obtain your annual permit at <https://www.rcswd.com>

	District Program	Non-District Program	No Permit Program
Residents	\$15.00	\$60.00	
Businesses	\$30.00	\$90.00	
MSW - Kitchen Bag	\$2.00<20/lb	\$3.00<20/lb	\$5.00<20/lb
MSW - Green Bag	\$3.00 ~ 30/lb	\$4.00 ~ 30/lb	\$6.00 ~ 30/lb
MSW - Contractor Bag	\$5.00 >35/lb	\$6.00 >35/lb	\$8.00 >35/lb
MSW / C & D	\$145.00/ton	\$160.00/ton	\$180.00/ton
Bulk Scale Minimum	\$13.00	\$15.00	\$17.00
Computer's & Peripherals	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Call for information</i>
Non-covered e-waste items	\$1.00/lb.	\$1.00/lb.	\$2.00/lb.
Recyclables	<i>Free</i>	<i>Free</i>	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Food Waste/ Organics	\$1.00/gal	\$1.00/gal	\$2.00/gal
Kitchen Scrap Collector	\$20.00	\$25.00	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Green Cone Digester	\$160.00	\$180.00	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Soil Saver Composter (black)	\$85.00	\$100.00	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Recycle Bins	\$7.00	\$8.00	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Compost bags/case of 25 bags	\$5.00	\$6.00	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Tires: * Motorcycle	\$2.00 ea.	\$3.00 ea.	\$4.00 ea.
Car, Small Truck, SUV	\$4.00 ea.	\$5.00 ea.	\$6.00 ea.
Truck Tires	\$6.00 ea.	\$7.00 ea.	\$8.00 ea.
Oversized Tires	\$18.00 and up	\$19.00 and up	\$20.00 and up
Tractor Tires	\$500/ton	\$600/ton	\$700/ton
White Goods	\$5.00 ea.	\$6.00 ea.	\$10.00 ea.
Refrigerators/AC units/ Dehumidifiers	\$16.00 ea.	\$20.00 ea.	\$25.00 ea.
HHW (residential)	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Used Motor Oil (HHW)	\$0.50/gal	<i>See HHW schedule</i>	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Propane tank (1lb)/(20lb good)	\$1.50/\$3.00 ea.	\$1.50/\$3.00 ea.	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Propane tanks 20lb (bad condition)	\$6.00 ea.	\$6.00 ea.	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Fire Ext./All Other's	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Call for information</i>	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Scrap Metal	<i>Free</i>	<i>Free</i>	<i>Free</i>
Clean Wood/ Log Lengths	\$60.00/ton	\$75.00/ton	\$90.00/ton
Leaves/Grass Clippings (non-contaminated)	\$40.00/ton \$1.00 paper bag	\$50.00/ton \$1.00 paper bag	\$70.00/ton
Brush (non-contaminated)	\$50.00/ton. \$2.00 paper bag	\$60.00/ton \$2.00 paper bag	\$80.00/ton.
Asphalt Shingles♥	\$145/ton	\$160.00/ton	\$180.00/ton
Asbestos♥	\$200.00/ton	\$250.00/ton	<i>Not Accepted</i>
Concrete with Rebar♥	\$60.00/ton	\$70.00/ton	<i>\$90.00/ton</i>
Clean Concrete♥	\$50.00/ton	\$60.00/ton	\$80.00/ton

For more details, check us out at <https://www.rcswd.com/regional-transfer-station>

* To qualify, Commercial and District Town accounts shall unload tires into the trailer. Accepted as Scalehouse

♥ These items shall be segregated separately from MSW/C&D Shall be accepted and coordinated via the Recycling Center.

NOTE: These prices are subject to change without notice.

RCSWD Member Towns: Brandon, Castleton, Clarendon, Danby, Hubbardton, Ira, Mendon, Mt Tabor, Mount Holly, Pittsford, Pittsfield, Poultney, Proctor, Rutland City, Killington, Wallingford, Wells, West Rutland.



Rutland County Solid Waste District Regional Transfer Station and Drop-off Center

14 Gleason Rd., Rutland, VT

802-775-7209

Monday – Saturday 7:00am to 3:00pm

We Recycle

- Tin/Aluminum:** All food and beverage tin and aluminum cans and clean pie pans, rinsed clean.
- Glass:** Clear, green, and brown, rinsed clean.
- Plastic:** #1, (containers) #2 colored, (containers) #2 natural, and #5 containers.
- Corrugated Cardboard:**
After it is broken down, we accept brown double-walled with wavy center typically used in shipping boxes. We do recycle pizza boxes without food residue.
- Boxboard:**
After it is broken down, we accept cereal, pasta and shoe boxes or other uses of the same material such as paper egg cartons. We do not recycle white boxes or boxboard boxes containing metal parts.
- Newspaper:** Newspapers and inserts. Please remove newspapers from paper and plastic bags.
- Office Paper and Junk Mail:**
Envelopes, colored paper, phone books, glossy paper and junk mail.
- Magazines, Catalogs, and Hard Covered Books**
- Textiles:** Clean and dry delivered in clear plastic bags.
- Computers/Electronics:**
TV's, P.C. type systems, and peripherals included monitor, printer, keyboard at no cost. Other electronics and similar small items with a cord will have a nominal charge.
- Food Waste:** Food scraps, fruits, vegetables, dairy, bread, grains, meats and bones, oils, sauces, eggs, coffee grounds, and filters.
- Household Hazardous Waste:**
Oil and latex paints, cleaners, disinfectants, pesticides, fertilizers, fungicides, herbicides, poisons, chemicals. Fluorescent bulbs, auto fluids and finishers, used oil.

TOWN COMPENDIUM

Useful Information

Town of Pittsfield

www.pittsfieldvt.com
Phone/Fax: 802-746-8170
40 Village Green - P.O. Box 556
Pittsfield, VT 05762-0556
townclerk@pittsfieldvt.com
Current and archived Select Board minutes are available on the website, as well as other information. Please email the Town Clerk with information or events appropriate for the town website.
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Roger Clark Memorial Library

www.pittsfieldlibrary.com
Phone: 802-746-4067
40 Village Green, Pittsfield, VT 05762
pittsfieldvtlibrary@gmail.com
Summer Hours: Tuesday 10–6 pm, Thursday 2-7 pm, Saturday 9-12:30pm
Winter Hours: Tuesday 10–5:30 pm, Thursday 1-5:30 pm, Saturday 10-2:30pm

Voter Checklist

The Town's current checklist has 448 registered voters. To register to vote, contact the Town Clerk or visit the Vermont Secretary of State's website: <https://mvp.vermont.gov/>

Dog Licenses

Dogs must be licensed by April 1 each year. A late fee is charged after April 1. Rabies shots must be kept up to date and the certificate filed with the Town Clerk.
Please stop by anytime after January 1st of each year to obtain license.

Property Taxes

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

Refuse and Recycling

Property owners and residents are responsible for refuse removal/recycling and may contract with a hauler of their choice or take their refuse and recycling to the Rutland County Solid Waste District.

Rutland County Solid Waste District

rcswd.com
Phone: 802-775-7208
2 Greene Hills Lane, Rutland, VT 05701
Monday-Saturday 7am-3pm, Closed Sunday

Quintown Senior Center

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

Flood Plain Management

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

Regular Meetings

Select Board

6:00 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month in the Town Office, unless otherwise posted.

Planning Commission

6:30 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of January, April, July, and October at the Town Office, unless otherwise posted.

School Board

7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Town Office Building.

Library Trustees

5:30 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Roger Clark Memorial Library.

Historical Society

No Meetings currently being held.
Contact Susie Martin, 746-8098.

Pittsfield Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Business meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Fire House, 7:30 p.m.
Work meeting on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Fire House, 6 p.m.

Annual Events

Town Meeting (March)
Memorial Day Parade (May)
Trick or Treating in the Village (October)

VT Alert

VT-ALERT is used by state and local responders to notify the public of emergency situations, including evacuation information; chemical spills; shelter-in-place alerts; severe weather advisories; boil water advisories, and roadway interruptions. Residents can tailor the alerts to specific locations, types of alerts and on which devices they will be notified. Register here: <https://vem.vermont.gov/vtalert>

EMERGENCY CONTACTS
FIRE, POLICE, AMBULANCE: 9-1-1

VERMONT POISON CENTER: 1-877-658-3456

HOSPITALS

Gifford Medical Center, Randolph	802-728-4441
Rutland Regional Medical Center	802-775-7111
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH	603-646-5000

TOWN OFFICE

Clerk & Treasurer: Tricia Abbondelo	802-746-8170
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.	
Copier, fax and Notary services available.	

TOWN GARAGE

Road Commissioner: George Deblon	802-746-8406
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CONSTABLES

First Constable: Tim Hunt	802-746-8586
Second Constable/Dog Officer: Doug Mianulli	802-746-8514

HEALTH OFFICER:

Beth Stanton	Healthofficer@pittsfieldvt.com
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GAME WARDEN

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department: Keith Gallant	
Contact through the Rutland State Police Dispatcher	802-773-9101

FIRE WARDEN

Burn Permits: Ray Colton	
Contact at Colton Enterprises	802-746-8033

VERMONT STATE POLICE

Questions and non-emergencies, call the Rutland Barracks	802-773-9101
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**Town of Pittsfield
40 Village Green
PO Box 556
Pittsfield, Vermont 05762**

**Town Meeting
Saturday, March 9, 2024
9:00 am Town Hall**