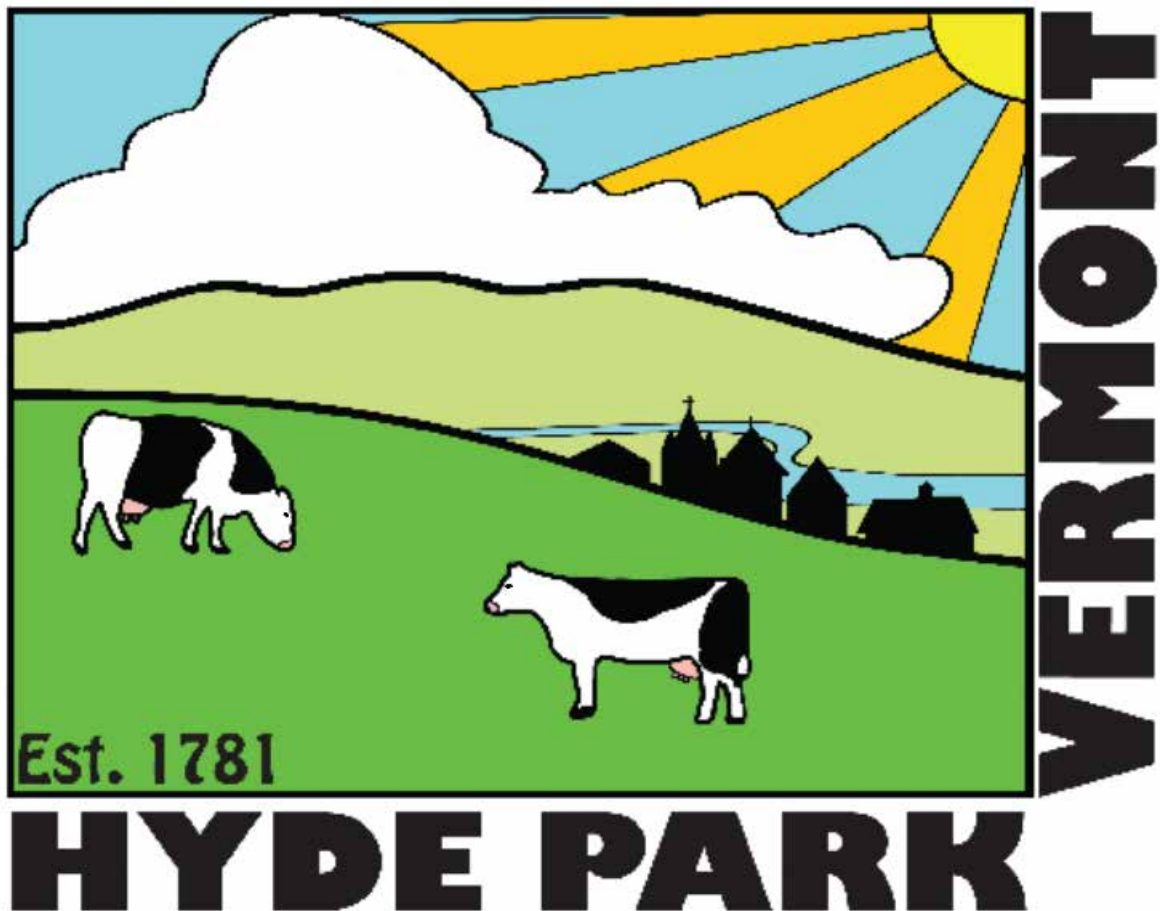


TOWN OF HYDE PARK, VERMONT

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Report of the Officers for the Period
Ending June 30, 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

MUNICIPAL OFFICE: The Municipal Office is located at 344 VT 15 West. The Town Clerk's office is in the upper level and is open from Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM. The telephone number is (802)888-2300 and the fax number is (802)888-6878. There is a drop box at the walkway of the upper level entrance. The Community Meeting Room is located in the lower level of the Municipal Office. Both levels of the building are handicap accessible. The Town's website is: www.hydeparkvt.com.

NOTICES AND WARNINGS: The Town publishes notices and warnings in the *News & Citizen*. The notices and warnings are also posted on the Town's website, the Hyde Park Post Office and the North Hyde Park Post Office.

Town Facilities available for use: Community Meeting Room, Lanpher Memorial Library, Hyde Park Fire Station, Gihon Valley Hall (formerly Grange Hall) in North Hyde Park (seasonal) and Recreation Fields located off the Garfield Road. See: 2016 Facility Use Policy, Fee Schedule and Application on the town website.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

(During the COVID-19 pandemic and after, board and committees held their meetings with virtual and hybrid attendance options. Virtual/Hybrid meeting instructions are provided on the meeting agendas.)

SELECTBOARD: The Selectboard holds its regular monthly meeting on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Community Meeting Room at the Municipal Offices.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD: The Development Review Board meets as needed. Meetings are located in the Community Meeting Room at the Municipal Offices.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The Planning Commission holds its regular monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Community Meeting Room at the Municipal Offices.

RECREATION FIELDS COMMITTEE: This committee holds its regular monthly meetings bi-monthly via Zoom or at a field location as notified on the meeting agenda. Additional meetings re needed prior to each youth sports season start up or as the Committee needs. Dates and times of meetings are also on each agenda.

LANPHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES: The Library Trustees hold their regular monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM at the Library located at 141 Main Street.

HYDE PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT: This department holds its regular meetings on the first four Thursdays of each month (not the 5th Thursday if there is one) at 6:30 PM at the Hyde Park Fire Station located at 212 Centerville Road. In June, July and August, the department meets the 1st Thursday of each month.

ENERGY COMMITTEE: The Committee holds its regular monthly meetings on the fourth Monday of each month at 3:00 PM in the Community Meeting Room at the Municipal Offices.

JOINT TOWN & VILLAGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD: This Board meets as needed in the Community Meeting Room at the Municipal Offices.

GIHON VALLEY HALL COMMITTEE: This Committee meets on the second Monday of the month at 6:00 PM, and as needed. The Committee meets at the Gihon Valley Hall in North Hyde Park. May also meet the fourth Monday of the month at 6:00pm during warmer weather. (Currently meeting via Zoom through Spring 2022.)

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IN APPRECIATION

Retired Fire Chief Ed Webster - On behalf of the residents of the Town of Hyde Park, the Selectboard recognizes you and your 48 years of dedicated public service to the Hyde Park Town Fire Department.

Becoming a fulltime firefighter with the Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department in 1973 and moving through the ranks to Chief Engineer is a great accomplishment. Your dedicated service to the Town of Hyde Park has made a long-lasting and positive difference in countless lives, while you personally accepted the loss of personal and family time in favor of 24/7 public service.

Your leadership has allowed a new generation of firefighters to be able to serve Hyde Park residents and we thank you for that time and effort. Chief Webster, you are the



longest serving firefighter (current or former members) and your commitment to Hyde Park has resulted in a town fire department ready to face the growing challenges of reduced volunteerism and increasing state and federal mandates. Your department served the town in many

ways beyond firefighting, including working with the town highway department during weather emergencies, assisting in the installation of numerous Dry Hydrants (23 at last count), fire trucks participating in parades and birthday wishes during the pandemic, and assisting the Sheriff with vehicle crash responses and NEMS with medical assists. From our meetings at the station, we know you took great pride in well-kept fire station and equipment and instilled the same on your crew.

The Selectboard, on behalf of all residents, congratulates you, and Nancy, on your retirement. Your long-term and high-level of public service will be hard to match and we express the Town's most sincere appreciation for your service. We wish you all the best in retirement. Thank you!



Julie and John Rohleder – Extraordinary community members, volunteers, businesspeople, and friends to so many in Hyde Park. John and Julie contributed to Hyde Park's community in too



many ways to list here. When they made the decision to sell their beloved Fitch Hill Inn and move to Pennsylvania, long-time residents and newcomers alike wished them safe travels, knowing their void would be nearly impossible to fill. From service on the Lanpher Memorial Library Board of Trustees, volunteer firefighting, collecting trash along VT 15, or being one of the best town Listers a town could have, the awesome duo kept the town moving. Julie and John always acted with sincere care and support of others. We all miss you

and hope that you consider returning should the opportunity arise!

OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator (1 yr. term expires 2022)	Paul Nesky, (802)888-4535
Selectboard (2 yr. term expires 2023)	Susan Bartlett, (802)888-5591
Selectboard (3 yr. term expires 2022)	David Gagnier, (802)888-7808
Selectboard (2 yr. term expires 2022)	Roland Boivin, (802)888-6369
Selectboard (3 yr. term expires 2023)	Brian Shackett, (802)793-8940
Selectboard (3 yr. term expires 2024)	Chasity Fagnant, (802)595-1071
Town Clerk (3 yr. term expires 2022)	Kimberly J. Moulton, Kim@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Town Treasurer (3 yr. term expires 2022)	Kimberly J. Moulton, Kim@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Town Lister (3 yr. term expires 2022)	VACANT
Town Lister (3 yr. term expires 2023)	Matt Reed, Lister@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300 x303
Town Lister (3 yr. term expires 2024)	VACANT
Town Grand Juror (1 yr. term expires 2021)	Edward French Jr.
Lamoille Solid Waste Supervisor (2 yr. term exp 2021)	Marilyn Zophar (appointed)

ELECTED SCHOOL OFFICERS

Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School Director (3 yr. term expires 2022)	Lisa Jones Barry
Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School Director (3 yr. term expires 2022)	Tina Lowe
Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School Director (3 yr. term expires 2023)	Patricia Hayford
Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School Director (3 yr. term expires 2024)	Chasity Fagnant

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

Collector of Delinquent Taxes	Kimberly J. Moulton, Kim@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Assistant Town Treasurer	Krista Jones, Krista@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Assistant Town Clerk	Krista Jones, Krista@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Finance Director	Debra Kobus, Debra@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Animal Control Officer	VACANT
E-911 Coordinator	Ron Rodjenski, Ron@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Fire Chief	Brad Carrier, (802)730-6770
Fire Warden (5 yr term exp 6/30/22)	Ryan Nolan, (802)279-6955
Road Commissioner	Selectboard
Road Foreman	Mark French, Highway@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-4625
Highway Equipment Lead Operator	Ryan Nolan, (802)888-4625
Highway Equipment Operator / Grader	Jasson Wells, (802)888-4625
Highway Equipment Operator	Michael Griggs, (802)888-4625
Library Director	Amy Olsen, Hydeparklibrary@yahoo.com ; (802)888-4628
Town Administrator	Ron Rodjenski, Ron@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Zoning Administrative Officer	Ron Rodjenski, Ron@hydeparkvt.com ; (802)888-2300
Lamoille County Planning Commission Director	Greg Paus, (802)888-5073
Emergency Management Director	Roland Boivin, (802)888-6369
Emergency Management Deputy Director	VACANT
Emergency Management Coordinator	Dawn Archbold
Tree Warden	VACANT
Town Health Officer (3 yr. term expires 9/30/22)	J. Keith Ulrich, (802)730-9340
Town Constable	Dave Gagnier
Green Mountain Access TV Representative	VACANT
Green Up Day Coordinator	Ron Rodjenski, (802)888-2300

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Cemetery Commissioners (Elected for a 5 year term):

Sarah Patch	Term Expires 2022
Christine Cooney	Term Expires 2023
Judith Lanphear	Term Expires 2024
Nioka Houston	Term Expires 2025
Robert Foss	Term Expires 2026

Lanpher Memorial Library Trustees (Elected for a 5 year term):

Robert “Sigh” Searles	Term Expires 2022
Kim Austin-Puleio	Term Expires 2022
Ken Geiersbach	Term Expires 2023
Jim Noyes	Term Expires 2024
Fran Aronovici	Term Expires 2024
Ann Spearing (appointed 2021)	Term Expires 2025
Melanie Dickinson	Term Expires 2026

Town Development Review Board (Appointed by the Selectboard for a 4 year term):

Tom Wawrzeniak	Term Expires 2022
Planning Commission Chair (Alternate)	Term Expires 2022
Malcolm Teale	Term Expires 2023
Mary Walz	Term Expires 2024
Elisa Clancy	Term Expires 2025
Craig Fowler	Term Expires 2025

Town Planning Commission (Appointed by the Selectboard for a 4 year term):

Brian Jones	Term Expires 2022
Vicki Emerson	Term Expires 2022
Eric Williams	Term Expires 2023
Chris Peel	Term Expires 2023
Bob Malbon	Term Expires 2024
VACANT	Term Expires 2024
Richard Pearson	Term Expires 2025

Community Circle Committee (Appointed by the Selectboard; on-going work committee, no terms):

Jack Anderson	Savannah Droney
Beth Carrier	Elisabeth Fenn
John Clark	Deb Henderson
Judy Clark	Amy Olsen
Everett Dickinson	Nancy Webster

Town Energy Committee (Appointed by the Selectboard for a 3 year term):

Christine Hallquist	Term Expires 2022
Elisa Clancy	Term Expires 2022
Denise Greene	Term Expires 2023
Meg Taylor	Term Expires 2024
VACANT	Term Expires 2025

Recreation Committee (Appointed by the Selectboard; on-going work committee, no terms):

Eric Bornemann	Gary Nolan
Erica Bornemann	Shelly Nolan
Ken Harvey	Debbie Slayton
Matt Morin	

Gihon Valley Hall Committee (Appointed by the Selectboard; on-going work committee, no terms):

Liz Courtney	Andy Race
Monica Heath	Laura Race
H. Dale Porter	Allen Spitzer

Justices of the Peace (Elected November 3, 2020 for a 2 year term to start February 1, 2021 expiring January 31, 2023)

Charles "Brickett" Bailey	Frederika "Riki" French
Richard Bailey	Brian Jones
Lisa Barry	Mary "Pixie" Loomis
Vicki Emerson	Mitzi McInnis
Edward French, Jr.	Tina Teale



**WARNING FOR THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF HYDE PARK, VERMONT**

The legal voters of the Town of Hyde Park are hereby warned and notified that to protect the health, safety, and welfare of voters due to the COVID-19 pandemic there will be no public meeting or floor vote on Town Meeting Day at Lamoille Union High School in said Town, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, however, all business will be conducted by Australian ballot.

The voters are further warned to meet at the Hyde Park Municipal Offices at 344 Vermont Route 15 West, in said Town, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, from eight thirty o'clock in the forenoon (8:30 a.m.) at which time the polls will be open until seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 p.m.) at which time the polls will close, to vote the following by Australian ballot:

- Article 1. To elect Town and School District Officers as required by Australian ballot:
- Moderator for a term of one year
 - Selectboard Member for a term of two years
 - Selectboard Member for a term of three years
 - Town Clerk for a term of three years
 - Town Treasurer for a term of three years
 - Lister for a term of three years
 - Lister for a term of three years (two years remaining)
 - Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District Director for a term of three years (two years remaining)
 - Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District Director for a term of three years
 - Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District Director for a term of three years
 - Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District Director for a term of two years (one year remaining)
 - Cemetery Commissioner for a term of five years
 - Lanpher Memorial Library Trustee for a term of five years
 - Lanpher Memorial Library Trustee for a term of five years
 - Lanpher Memorial Library Trustee for a term of five years (four years remaining)
- Article 2. Shall the voters authorize borrowing an amount not to exceed One Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$175,000) with a repayment term of not more than five (5) years to fund the Town's portion (50%) of the purchase of a fire truck for the North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department?
- Article 3. Shall the voters vote to eliminate the office of lister, thereby requiring the Selectboard to contract with or employ a professional qualified assessor, who need not be a resident of the Town and who shall have the same powers, discharge the same duties, proceed in the discharge thereof in the same manner, and be subject to the same liabilities as are prescribed for Listers or the Board of Listers under the provisions of Title 32 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, per 17 V.S.A. 2651c?

- Article 4. Shall the voters appropriate \$75,000 of the General Fund Balance to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund for highway garage repairs, highway equipment purchases and roadway projects?
- Article 5. Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Hyde Park in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$275,000.00), subject to reduction from available state and federal grants-in-aid and other financial resources, be issued for the purposes of purchasing a +/-25-acre parcel of land from H.A. Manosh, Inc. (Tax Parcel # 13050175, SPAN 306-097-10812), and evaluating and permitting the site for municipal development?
- Article 6. Shall the voters approve, in addition to any other appropriations approved in prior articles, a total general fund expenditures amount for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 of \$2,900,600 of which \$2,475,300 shall be raised by property taxes and \$425,300 by non-property tax revenue?
- Article 7. Shall the voters approve the payment of property taxes to the Town Treasurer in four equal installments (32 V.S.A. 4792), as listed below; with delinquent taxes and assessments have charged against them an eight percent (8%) commission after the fourth installment (32 V.S.A. 1674) and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one-half percent (1½%) per month of fraction thereof from the due date of such tax? Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month (32 V.S.A § 5136). Payments are due in the hands of the Treasurer by 4:00 P.M. on the below due dates. Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be accepted if postmarked on or before the due date (32 V.S.A. 4773).

First installment to be paid on or before Wednesday, August 31, 2022

Second installment to be paid on or before Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Third installment to be paid on or before Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Fourth installment to be paid on or before Monday, May 15, 2023

The legal voters and residents of the Town of Hyde Park are further warned and notified that the Selectboard will hold an informational session remotely to discuss Articles 2 through 7, including the proposed budget, on Monday, February 21, 2022, commencing at six o'clock in the afternoon (6:00 p.m.) and a public informational hearing remotely on Monday, February 28, 2022, commencing at six o'clock in the afternoon (6:00 p.m.) for the purpose of explaining Articles 2 through 7, including the proposed budget. The public may attend the informational session and the public informational hearing through the Zoom platform or by telephone at the following link and phone numbers:

Join Zoom Meeting Video Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96666910290?pwd=V25TdVVTZ2xoWGN1UXk2Mkl0cjZiQT09>

Join Zoom Meeting Phone:

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Alternate Phone #'s at zoom.com

Meeting ID: 966 6691 0290

Passcode: 532029

The legal voters of the Town of Hyde Park are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Annual Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Selectboard, Town of Hyde Park, Vermont: Signed this 27th day of January 2022.

Susan Bartlett
Susan Bartlett

Brian Shackett
Brian Shackett

David Gagnier
David Gagnier

Roland Boivin
Roland Boivin

Chasity Fagnant
Chasity Fagnant

Received and recorded at Hyde Park, VT on this 27th day of January 2022.

Kimberly Moulton
Attest: Kimberly J. Moulton, Town Clerk
Town of Hyde Park

SELECTBOARD

The Selectboard is elected to oversee all day-to-day operations of the municipal government not designated by state law to other officials. This past year has continued to be a challenge to normal operations due to the pandemic. The Board continued to use State guidelines and began to step down precautions in June 2021. The staff continues to make appointments to access the town land records, masking and distancing are required when indoors and hybrid public meetings are being used. The Board expects to keep the option of hybrid public meetings into the future. Allowing folks to join by phone or Zoom has made it much easier for the public to participate. The Board truly appreciates the extra time and effort from staff, volunteers, and other public service agencies in 2021 to maintain public services to our taxpayers. The Town will continue to work with the appropriate level of precautions into 2022 while ensuring residents continue to receive public services as safely and effectively as possible.

The most controversial issue last year was the issue of the Village water and sewer system upgrade and new charges assessed on town & county taxpayers. The County has filed a lawsuit to have the Court (the case being heard by Washington County) consider options to Hyde Park Village's current rate structure after a Rate Study was completed in November 2021 that determined the Village rates were not fair or equitable. The Town will be monitoring the case.

The Town's Grand List improved slightly, by increasing almost 1.3% in 2021. The projected growth for the 2022 Grand List continues to be positive, and will be finalized in June 2022, with an estimated increase of 2.0% due to two consecutive years of double-digit permit home unit construction and some commercial growth. For future years, even a 2% growth rate may not be able to keep up with inflation and costs of town services, which is the highest at about 7% by the end of 2021. The Board continues to work on expense budget goal that results in tax rate increase of 3.0% or less, however that was not possible this year with a projected tax rate increase for FY2023 of 4.97% proposed. The town budget is proposed to increase 5.69%, including three special funding articles. The 4.97% increased tax rate results in about an additional \$41.00 per year for every \$100,000 of assessed property value.

An interesting opportunity was presented to the Board late in the year and it is the reason for Article 5 on the Warning for Town Meeting. Howard Manosh has offered to sell the Town the 25-acre parcel of land that is across the road from the Town's current gravel pt. Under the current Act 250 permit, nothing can be done with the land until 2035 so there is plenty of time to develop a plan for this property. The current town ball fields are located on the Town's existing gravel pit and as time goes by and the town needs the gravel, the ball fields would slowly but surely get smaller and smaller. The Selectboard sees an opportunity to purchase this property and then take the time to work with the community to develop a comprehensive plan. It's nice to have an opportunity to plan for the future generations of Hyde Park residents.

In 2021, the Board accomplished the following:

- Reduced the number of Development Review Board members from seven to five
- Hired highway equipment operator Jasson Wells
- Approved bridge and culvert inventory project to be completed by regional planning staff
- Approved the contracting of a Town Assessor due to the Board of Listers lacking a quorum after Town Meeting 2021, with no new elected Listers, hiring NEMRC in May 2021 and appointing Matt Reed as Assistant to the Contracted Town Assessor
- Increased zoning fees effective July 1, 2021 (last revision to fees was 2012)
- Approved service agreement with Tech Group (internet security and software monitoring)
- Approved purchase order for Gihon Valley Hall electrical work not to exceed \$18,000
- Appointed Ron Rodjenski as Town Zoning Administrator for a 3-year term

- Accepted Brad Carriere’s appointment as Hyde Park Town Fire Chief Engineer as voted by the fire department membership at their annual meeting
- Approved the 457 Retirement Plan option for town employees as offered by State of Vermont/Prudential which is 100% employee funded
- Accepted the \$50,000 grant from Preservation Trust of Vermont for window replacements at the Gihon Valley Hall with an historic easement on the property required as a grant condition
- Accepted the \$175,000 paving grant from the State of Vermont for Center Road
- Supported the Youth Sports Subcommittee’s grant application for a ballfield’s drum aerator
- Approved contract for highway construction management inspection services
- Approved purchase of 2021 F-350 pickup and plow for a not to exceed cost of \$40,000 after deducting a \$14,500 trade for the 2013 Silverado pickup
- Approved new road names: “Dairy Haven Road” off Jones Road, “Lorraine Lane” off VT100, “Tilly Drive” off Battle Row Road, “Over Across Meadows” off VT 100 and “Acorn Avenue” off Cricket Hill Road
- Approved a new roadside mower attachment for not to exceed cost of \$16,000
- Approved the 2021 Hyde Park Local Emergency Management Plan
- Approved lawn alternatives programs to be initiated by the Hyde Park Energy Committee: Raise the Blade, Lawns to Meadows and Mow Electric
- Awarded Center Road paving contract to Pike Industries, Inc. for estimated project cost of \$803,635.25, requiring a one-year loan at 1.33% for \$900,000. Road reclamation work by NA Manosh was estimated at \$66,000
- Awarded the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail art installation design work to artist Dan Gottsegen for \$5,000. Fundraising for installation & construction, estimated at \$60,000, would be done after the design acceptance using crowd-sourcing and grants
- Approved the Town Fire Department Bylaws after review of the town attorney and approval by the department membership
- Approved right-of-way appraisal services agreement with Obrien & Kaffenberger for the Sink Hole stormwater and roadway project at West Main St and Johnson St Extension
- Approved Stitzel, Page & Fletcher attorneys to work with the Town Delinquent Tax Collector
- Accepted \$60,000 in funding from State of Vermont for a North Hyde Park wastewater facility feasibility study to be managed with Lamoille County Planning Commission
- Supported a community effort to eradicate & manage Japanese knotweed –“Knot in Hyde Park”
- Approved unspent budget funds in FY2021 to be used in FY2022 for fire equipment repair and tools and centerline painting
- Accepted loan payoff proceeds from Ken Harvey’s sale of Sterling View mobile home park to the residents and deposited \$40,000 into the highway reserve fund and \$8,415.35 into the economic development reserve fund
- Worked on developing a list of community projects that would be eligible for funding under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) with funds receive totaling \$741,934 required to be spent by December 2026
- Ordered a replacement tandem plow truck in June 2021 for delivery and purchase in FY2023. National supply chain delays resulted in build times being 12 months or more with few in-stock trucks available; cost \$167,000 after trade of the 2015 tandem
- Approved 3-yr highway IBEW Collective Bargaining Agreement ending 06/30/2024
- Approved \$20,000 for emergency guardrail installation on Brook Road
- Approved 3-yr contract for bulk diesel fuel purchases with SB Collins at 6-cents over wholesale
- Authorized the town clerk to review and approve requests to use the municipal park & ride lot for fundraisers, no longer needing to be presented to the Selectboard for review

- Approved the use of \$4,600 in recreation reserve funds for scholarships and equipment
- Approved the continued winter plowing of the private portion of Beam Road as the town pursues acceptance of that portion as a Class 3 town highway
- Approved the annual winter salt supply contract with Compass at \$70.53 per ton
- Approved use of \$32,000 of the town's ARPA allocation to support Hyde Park Fire District #1's public water supply system's engineering work for a needed upgrade (not construction)
- Extended the outside auditor's contract by one-year to complete the FY2021 town audit
- Hired Alyson Cusson as finance and payroll assistant for 3-months
- Approved a payroll services contract with NEMRC for one-year at \$5,000
- Released defendants in the National Opioid Case and accepted the proposed settlement which may result in Hyde Park receiving some portion of the final cash award, receipt date uncertain
- Appointed Dawn Archbold as Hyde Park representative to the newly formed Regional Emergency Management Committee
- Purchased new 2022 Volvo tracked excavator; cost \$177,500
- Approved installation of new phone system and fiber line to the town office
- Hired Debra Kobus as new Town Finance Director
- Approved a contract with Kofile for \$16,593.50 to complete the scanning and uploading of town land records back to 40 years and make available for online searching via the town website
- Approved the purchase of a new trailer for the town excavator; not to exceed \$30,000

In 2022, the Board intends to work on the following:

- Monitor County lawsuit regarding the fairness and equity of Village water and sewer rates
- Seek highway grants to support construction of the Net Zero stormwater project and streetscape enhancement for Church St and Main Street
- Engage the community in developing an ARPA-eligible projects list (funds to be spent by 2026)
- Continue to plan capital projects for bridge and culvert replacements at Whitcomb Island Road (iron truss bridge), Garfield Road (at Green River), Brook Road culvert (damaged 11/1/2019), Centerville Road culvert south of Noyes Farm Rd (damaged 11/1/2019) and North Hyde Park Road culvert at Thompson Hill Road (damaged 11/1/2019).
- Finalize streetscape enhancement plans for Church and Main, working with Village Trustees
- Support fundraising for Dan Gottsegen's art installation at Hyde Park's LVRT Trailhead on Depot St Extension (see below image)
- Complete laying out of extension of town highway Beam Road, discontinue or reclassify to public trail several Class 4 town highways & unclassified town highways while continuing to work on roadway projects to bring Hyde Park into compliance with the State Municipal General Roads Permit (MRGP)
- Continue to work with Sterling View Cooperative Community to comply with the new State "3-acre Stormwater" Permit requirements

The Board respects all community members input and encourages residents to contact any member with questions, suggestions, or concerns.

Susan Bartlett, Chair;
Brian Shackett, Vice-Chair;
Chasity Fagnant, Roland
Boivin, and David Gagnier

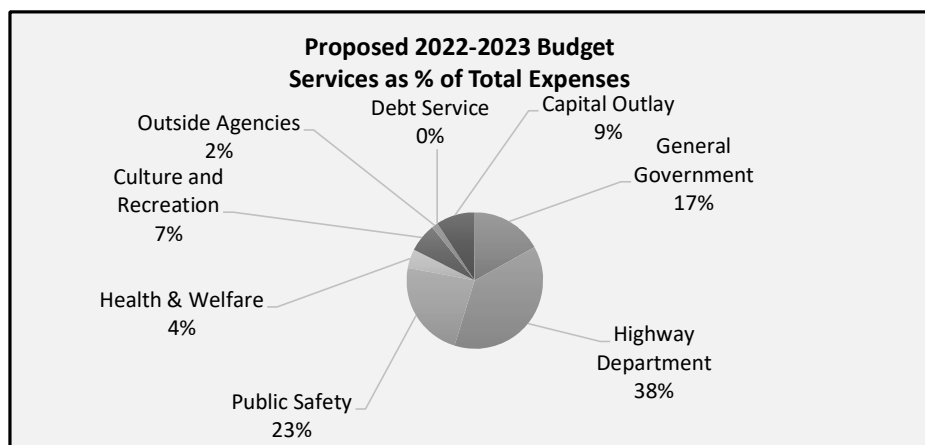


Municipal Revenues	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
Tax Revenues					
Property Taxes & Mun. Tax Adj.	\$ 2,188,200	\$ 2,261,788	\$ 2,311,450	\$ 2,475,300	\$ 163,850
Current Property Taxes - Interest	4,000	9,358	6,000	6,000	0
Delinquent Taxes - Interest	18,000	1,443	7,000	7,000	0
Delinquent Taxes - Penalty	18,000	8,023	15,000	12,000	(3,000)
Current Use - Hold Harmless	104,000	96,158	100,000	100,000	0
State Payments Withheld	21,000	22,819	22,000	7,000	(15,000)
PILOT Revenue - ANR & State Buildings	59,000	66,572	65,000	66,000	1,000
Subtotal	2,412,200	2,466,161	2,526,450	2,673,300	146,850
Licenses and Permits					
Liquor Licenses	100	230	100	100	0
Dog Licenses	3,500	2,437	3,500	3,500	0
Building Permits	5,000	7,193	7,500	9,000	1,500
Vehicle Overweight Permits	300	540	300	300	0
Driveway & Highway Access Permits	400	750	400	700	300
Subtotal	9,300	11,150	11,800	13,600	1,800
Fines and Interest					
Local Traffic Fines	4,000	5,170	5,000	5,500	500
Dog Fines	200	120	200	200	0
Interest on Investments	1,000	7,210	1,000	5,000	4,000
Subtotal	5,200	12,500	6,200	10,700	4,500
Grant Revenue					
MPG19 FEMA CRS Consortium	0	0	0	0	0
Other Grants	0	32,501	0	0	0
Subtotal	0	32,501	0	0	0
Recreation					
Ballfield Rentals	2,000	1,250	1,500	1,500	0
Use of Recreation Reserve	0	0	2,000	2,000	0
Ballfield Concessions & Donations	4,000	50	3,500	3,500	0
Subtotal	6,000	1,300	7,000	7,000	0
Other Revenue					
Photocopier Use Fee	2,800	3,574	2,800	2,800	0
Community Room Rental Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Town Clerk and Recording Fees	28,000	40,144	28,000	34,000	6,000
Use of General Fund Balance	30,000	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Rev. & History Books	5,000	53,838	5,000	5,000	0
Subtotal	65,800	97,556	35,800	41,800	6,000
Highway Department					
State Aid to Highways & Supplement	131,000	174,771	135,000	138,000	3,000
Loan Proceeds for Center Road	0	900,000	0	0	0
Grants - Better Roads, Better Connect	0	49,247	0	0	0
Gas/Diesel/Materials Reimbursement	4,000	1,243	4,000	4,000	0
Misc Revenue & Interest on Investments	0	553	0	0	0
Subtotal	135,000	1,125,814	139,000	142,000	3,000
Fire Department					
Donations and Grants	1,000	100	1,000	200	(800)
Sale of Equipment & Other Income	0	11	0	0	0
Subtotal	1,000	111	1,000	200	(800)
Lanpher Memorial Library					
Investment Interest	12,000	6,942	12,000	12,000	0
Grants & Other Revenue	0	13,720	0	0	0
Donations, Adopt-an-Author, Misc. Rev.	0	18,195	0	0	0
Subtotal	12,000	38,857	12,000	12,000	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 2,646,500	\$ 3,785,950	\$ 2,739,250	\$ 2,900,600	\$ 161,350
% Change = 5.89%					

Municipal Expenses	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
<u>General Government</u>					
Town Office Wages & Benefits					
Selectboard	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	0
Employee Recognition	2,000	1,220	2,000	2,000	0
Town Clerk Salary	44,000	44,822	45,000	46,800	1,800
Town Treasurer Salary	18,900	19,251	19,300	20,100	800
Delinquent Tax Collector & Asst. DTC	3,250	3,313	3,250	3,250	0
Wages and Salaries	179,100	169,526	175,600	185,300	9,700
Subtotal	\$251,000	\$241,882	\$248,900	\$261,200	\$12,300
Benefits and Payroll Expense					
Health Benefit, Dental & Opt Out	41,400	36,083	32,100	29,000	(3,100)
Payroll Taxes, UI & Workers' Comp.	32,100	23,820	31,300	23,000	(8,300)
Pension	14,000	17,276	14,000	16,800	2,800
Life Insurance & Short-term Disability	2,200	1,611	2,200	2,500	300
Subtotal	\$89,700	\$78,790	\$79,600	\$71,300	(\$8,300)
Town Office Expenses					
Supplies	7,500	6,108	7,000	7,000	0
Meetings, Education & Training	2,500	1,119	2,000	2,000	0
Travel	2,000	1,127	2,000	2,000	0
Postage	4,500	2,436	5,000	5,000	0
Advertising	2,500	3,048	2,500	2,500	0
Telephone/Fiber	5,200	5,905	5,500	6,500	1,000
Professional Services - NEMRC & IT	12,200	11,715	17,000	20,600	3,600
Equipment Purchases & Repairs	6,000	4,672	6,000	6,000	0
Equipment Lease - Copier	3,000	3,141	3,300	3,300	0
KoFile Equipment Lease - Land Records	2,100	1,750	2,100	2,100	0
Grant Expenses	0	30,531	0	0	0
Misc Charges, COVID Exp. & Fees	1,500	3,759	1,500	1,500	0
	\$49,000	\$75,311	\$53,900	\$58,500	\$4,600
Town Auditing and Reporting					
Printing of Town Reports	2,000	2,191	2,000	2,000	0
Professional Services - Town Audit	12,500	5,595	12,500	15,000	2,500
Subtotal	\$14,500	\$7,786	\$14,500	\$17,000	\$2,500
Town Listers, Tax Mapping & BCA					
Listers' Salaries	6,000	4,604	6,000	0	(6,000)
BCA Salaries & Election Expenses	3,000	1,398	1,500	3,000	1,500
Abatements	0	1,348	0	0	0
Assessment Services - NEMRC	5,000	3,331	5,000	11,000	6,000
Mapping Services	5,000	4,200	5,000	5,000	0
Subtotal	\$19,000	\$14,881	\$17,500	\$19,000	\$1,500
Buildings and Grounds					
Supplies	1,500	888	1,500	1,500	0
Lawns and Landscaping	1,000	50	1,000	1,500	500
Cleaning - Town Office	1,500	969	1,500	1,500	0
Repairs - Town Office	2,000	1,892	2,000	2,000	0
Repairs - Gihon Valley Hall	3,500	3,967	3,500	3,000	(500)
Programs - Gihon Valley Hall Committee	0	0	0	500	500
Utilities & Wi-Fi "hot spot" GVH	0	0	0	2,000	2,000
Tax Sale Property - M Bartlett	0	3,927	0	0	0
Subtotal	\$9,500	\$11,693	\$9,500	\$12,000	\$2,500
Insurances, Legal Expenses & Dues					
Lamoille County Courthouse Tax	26,900	26,854	30,300	31,900	1,600
VLCT Membership Dues	4,500	4,753	4,900	4,900	0
Chamber of Commerce Dues	200	0	200	200	0
Legal Services	6,000	11,106	6,000	7,500	1,500
Legal Services - Village Rate Study	0	7,390	0	0	0
VLCT Property & Casualty Insurance	15,600	6,342	18,000	5,000	(13,000)
Subtotal	\$53,200	\$56,445	\$59,400	\$49,500	-\$9,900
General Government Total	\$485,900	\$486,788	\$483,300	\$488,500	\$5,200
% Change = 1.08%					

Municipal Expenses	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
<u>Highway Department</u>					
Hyde Park Highway Department					
Wages	260,200	241,174	266,000	292,500	26,500
Health Benefit, Dental & Opt Out	46,600	45,982	46,200	51,100	4,900
Payroll Taxes and Workers' Comp.	29,900	31,977	30,300	43,100	12,800
Pension	13,300	13,724	13,700	17,100	3,400
VLCT Property & Casualty Insurance	12,500	11,550	14,500	9,700	(4,800)
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	11,000	21	0	0	0
Culverts	38,000	9,104	0	35,000	35,000
Chloride	25,000	42,542	28,000	30,000	2,000
Cold Patch	3,000	1,952	0	0	0
Paving Program	225,000	73,062	245,000	180,000	(65,000)
Salt	92,000	55,790	85,000	75,000	(10,000)
Road Signs	5,000	1,090	2,500	2,500	0
Purchased Service - Gravel Crushing	0	0	38,000	0	(38,000)
Gravel Pit Maintenance	0	1,293	2,000	2,000	0
Purchased Service - Line Striping	6,000	0	6,000	6,000	0
Erosion Control/MRGP & Contracted Svcs.	10,000	1,422	10,000	10,000	0
Roadside Cutting, Hazard Trees & Brush	12,000	8,280	5,000	5,000	0
Fuel & Oils - Vehicles/Equipment	55,000	29,195	50,000	55,000	5,000
Road Maintenance Projects	15,000	56,137	30,000	30,000	0
Subtotal	\$859,500	\$624,295	\$872,200	\$844,000	-\$28,200
Garage Expenses					
Supplies, Office Equipment & COVID Exp.	4,500	5,403	4,500	4,500	0
Meetings and Dues	400	0	700	700	0
Telephone	1,100	1,945	1,100	1,100	0
Electricity	5,000	4,627	5,500	6,000	500
Heating Fuel	1,000	143	1,000	1,000	0
Miscellaneous Garage Expenses	500	0	0	0	0
Uniform Service	5,200	6,255	6,000	8,000	2,000
Rubbish Removal	2,000	2,170	2,000	3,000	1,000
Tools	2,000	3,982	1,500	1,500	0
Permits/Compliance, Training & Safety	2,500	4,993	5,000	5,000	0
Building Repairs, Maintenance & Misc.	3,000	4,024	3,500	3,500	0
Tires	0	0	5,000	6,000	1,000
Heavy Equipment Maintenance	50,000	72,046	47,000	50,000	3,000
Small Equipment Purchases/Repairs	9,000	4,447	10,000	8,000	(2,000)
Subtotal	\$86,200	\$110,035	\$92,800	\$98,300	\$5,500
2021 Center Road Paving Loan P&I	0	0	0	143,800	143,800
GR1242 - Better Connections	0	0	0	0	0
FEMA DR4474 Mitigation Projects/Match	0	0	0	15,000	15,000
EH05&MM18- Johnson St Ext "Sink Hole"	0	5,733	0	0	0
Grant Expenses Total	\$0	\$5,733	\$0	\$158,800	\$158,800
Highway Department Total	\$945,700	\$740,063	\$965,000	\$1,101,100	\$136,100
% Change = 14.10%					

Municipal Expenses	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
Public Safety					
Hyde Park Fire Department					
Salaries	20,000	14,635	21,000	22,000	1,000
Payroll Taxes and Workers' Compensation	6,100	4,084	6,000	2,900	(3,100)
VLCT Property & Casualty Insurance	5,100	5,360	5,900	4,500	(1,400)
Office Supplies	700	853	800	800	0
Medical / Physicals	2,000	0	1,000	1,000	0
Telephone	1,500	1,321	2,900	2,900	0
Accidental Injury Insurance	1,200	1,041	1,200	1,200	0
Chemicals	400	1,069	600	400	(200)
Fire Prevention	500	273	300	300	0
Training	1,000	96	1,000	1,000	0
Equipment	10,000	3,863	10,000	12,000	2,000
Equipment Maintenance & Permits	6,000	8,448	7,000	7,000	0
Truck Maintenance	9,000	2,477	10,000	10,000	0
Radio Maintenance	2,200	1,767	2,200	2,200	0
Gas & Oil	3,500	1,524	3,000	3,000	0
Electricity	4,500	7,791	4,000	4,000	0
Water Fixed Charges and Usage Fees	0	8,661	18,500	20,000	1,500
Heating Fuel	4,000	3,243	3,500	4,000	500
Building Maintenance	3,000	2,084	4,000	4,000	0
Dry Hydrants - Maint. & Grant Expenses	1,000	433	1,000	1,000	0
Misc. Expenses, COVID Exp. & Dues	2,000	2,399	2,000	3,500	1,500
Subtotal	\$83,700	\$71,422	\$105,900	\$107,700	\$1,800
% Change = 1.70%					
FAST Squad & Emergency Management					
Training, Supplies & Radios	2,500	344	2,500	2,500	0
FAST Stipend	1,500	803	1,500	1,500	0
AED Portable Defibrillator Units - 2 units/yr	4,200	3,646	4,200	4,200	0
AED Maintenance and Batteries	500	275	500	500	0
Emergency Planning & Equipment	500	68	500	500	0
E911 Number Signs	3,000	2,734	3,000	3,000	0
Subtotal	\$12,200	\$7,870	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$0
N Hyde Park/Eden Fire Department					
General Expenses & Insurance	36,800	36,800	37,300	38,625	1,325
Subtotal	\$36,800	\$36,800	\$37,300	\$38,625	\$1,325
Police Services - Sheriff's Dept.					
LCSD - Patrol	420,700	420,623	433,300	446,300	13,000
LCSD - Communications	71,100	71,098	65,900	67,900	2,000
Subtotal	\$491,800	\$491,721	\$499,200	\$514,200	\$15,000
Public Safety Total	\$624,500	\$607,813	\$654,600	\$672,725	\$18,125
% Change = 2.77%					



Municipal Expenses	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
<u>Health and Welfare</u>					
Ambulance Services					
Northern Emergency Medical Srv (NEMS)	117,500	117,417	121,100	125,600	4,500
Subtotal	\$117,500	\$117,417	\$121,100	\$125,600	\$4,500
% Change = 3.72%					
Animal Control					
Salaries	1,500	468	1,000	1,000	0
Supplies	400	259	400	200	(200)
Travel	500	0	500	250	(250)
Purchased Srvc - Kennel and IT	1,000	542	500	1,500	1,000
Equipment and Training	500	0	500	250	(250)
Subtotal	\$3,900	\$1,269	\$2,900	\$3,200	\$300
Health & Welfare Total	\$121,400	\$118,686	\$124,000	\$128,800	\$4,800
% Change = 3.87%					
<u>Culture & Recreation</u>					
Cemeteries					
Hyde Park Cemetery Commission	22,500	22,500	22,500	22,500	0
Subtotal	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$0
Lanpher Memorial Library					
Salaries	54,400	56,465	56,500	81,000	24,500
Health Benefit, Dental & Opt Out	18,700	17,879	18,500	18,600	100
Payroll Taxes and Workers' Comp.	6,900	4,475	7,200	6,900	(300)
Pension	2,300	0	2,400	3,200	800
VLCT Property & Casualty Insurance	3,700	7,850	4,300	6,100	1,800
Supplies	1,700	1,965	1,700	1,400	(300)
Meetings, Professional Development	1,000	108	1,000	1,000	0
Postage	1,000	1,566	1,000	1,500	500
Telephone	1,300	1,176	1,300	1,300	0
Electricity	2,500	1,372	2,500	2,500	0
Water Fixed Charges and Usage Fees	0	1,300	1,600	1,600	0
Sewer Fixed Charges and Usage Fees	0	300	1,600	1,600	0
Heating Fuel	3,500	2,349	3,500	3,500	0
Materials/Programs	17,100	29,249	17,100	17,100	0
Professional Services - VOL, GMLC	2,000	2,055	2,000	2,500	500
Technology	1,500	789	1,500	1,500	0
Custodial Services & COVID Exp.	4,000	4,164	4,000	4,500	500
Building Maintenance & Repairs	2,500	12,209	2,500	3,500	1,000
Grant Expense	0	2,066	0	0	0
Subtotal	\$124,100	\$147,337	\$130,200	\$159,300	\$29,100
% Change = 22.35%					
Recreation Committee					
Supplies and Equipment	3,000	389	3,000	3,000	0
Hyde Park Softball/Baseball	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	0
Hyde Park Soccer	0	0	1,500	1,500	0
Hyde Park Basketball	0	0	500	500	0
Propane - Concession Stand	500	450	500	500	0
Purchased Service - Repairs	500	912	500	500	0
Grounds Maintenance - Mowing	4,000	3,956	4,000	4,000	0
Subtotal	\$9,000	\$5,707	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0
Community Events & Facilities					
Community Events & Green Up Day	2,000	2,813	2,000	2,000	0
Green Mountain Byway and LVRT	2,000	525	2,000	2,000	0
Hyde Park Community Circle	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Subtotal	\$5,000	\$4,338	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Culture & Recreation Total	\$160,600	\$179,882	\$168,700	\$197,800	\$29,100
% Change = 17.25%					

Municipal Expenses	BUDGET FY2021	ACTUAL FY2021	CURRENT FY2022	PROPOSED FY2023	CHANGE FY22 to FY23
<u>Outside Agencies Support</u>					
American Red Cross - Northern VT	250	250	250	250	0
Central Vermont Adult Basic Education	710	710	710	710	0
Central Vermont Council on Aging/RSVP	1,725	1,725	1,725	1,725	0
Clarina Howard Nichols Center	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	0
Home Share Vermont	500	500	500	500	0
HPES After School Program	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Hyde Park Youth Mentoring Program	2,500	0	2,500	2,500	0
Lamoille Community Food Share	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Lamoille County Conservation District	500	500	500	500	0
Lamoille County Mental Health Services	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Lamoille County Planning Commission	1,829	1,829	1,829	1,829	0
Lamoille County Spec. Investigations Unit	1,907	1,907	1,907	1,907	0
Lamoille Economic Development Corp.	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Lamoille Family Center	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	0
Lamoille Home Health & Hospice	8,862	8,862	8,862	8,862	0
Lamoille Housing Partnership	300	300	300	300	0
Lamoille Neighbors	800	800	800	800	0
Lamoille Restorative Center	900	900	900	900	0
Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	0
North Central Vermont Recovery Center	0	0	2,000	2,000	0
North Country Animal League	500	500	500	500	0
River Arts	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Rural Community Transport	3,350	3,350	3,350	3,350	0
Salvation Farms	0	0	750	750	0
VT Association of Conservation Districts	100	200	100	100	0
VT Family Network	0	0	500	500	0
Outside Agencies Total	\$39,383	\$36,983	\$42,633	\$42,633	\$0
% Change = 0.00%					
<u>Capital Outlay & Reserves</u>					
Municipal Record Restoration	0	0	0	0	0
Economic Development Reserve	0	0	0	0	0
Recreation Reserve	0	0	0	0	0
Reappraisal Reserve Fund	14,000	14,000	0	0	0
Sidewalk Reserve	25,000	25,000	25,000	20,000	(5,000)
Highway Capital Reserve	140,000	140,000	160,000	130,000	(30,000)
Stormwater Capital Reserve	2,000	2,000	5,000	5,000	0
Fire Vehicles Reserve	65,000	65,000	85,000	85,000	0
Fire Equipment & Repair Reserve	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0
Library Reserve	6,000	6,000	9,000	12,000	3,000
Flood Nov 1, 2019 - FEMA	0	0	0	0	0
Infrastructure Engineering	5,017	5,808	5,017	5,042	25
Capital Outlay & Reserves Total	\$269,017	\$269,808	\$301,017	\$269,042	-\$31,975
% Change = -10.62%					
TOTAL MUNICIPAL EXPENSES	\$2,646,500	\$2,440,023	\$2,739,250	\$2,900,600	\$161,350
% Change = 5.89%					



Tax Rate Projection

Town Budget	2,900,600.00
Non-Property Tax Revenue	(425,300.00)
To Be Raised from Property Tax Revenue	2,475,300.00
2022 Grand List - EST. 2.0% Increase from 2021GL	2,860,162.62
Tax Rate (Rounded)	0.8655
ADD - Local Agreement Rate (Veterans Exemptions)	0.0025
Tax Rate With Local Agreement	0.8680
Town Meeting funding articles, if approved, would impact reserves or future years, not the FY2023 tax rate	
No adjustment necessary \$	-
If articles approved, adds to tax rate:	
TOTAL Tax Rate With All Approvals \$	0.8680

Summary of Proposed Budget Changes & History

Revenues

Decrease because EEGL grant is for reappraisal reserve, doesn't affect rate	\$ (15,000)
Increased as state gradually increases highway aid	\$ 3,000

Expenses

Increase wages using office employees - plus staffing changes	\$ 12,300
Increase for data protection/retention, cloud backup and staff training	\$ 3,600
Decrease Listers salaries and move same to contracted assessor services	\$ (6,000)
Increase County Tax for increase legal fees anticipated in FY2023	\$ 1,600
Increased wages per 3-year IBEW Union contract effective 07/1/2021	\$ 26,500
Increase culvert purchases alternating with gravel crushing	\$ 35,000
Decreased paving to provide funds for Center Rd loan (goal \$300,000/y)	\$ (65,000)
Increase for new 5-yr paving loan - Center Rd	\$ 143,800
LCSD Patrol Budget increased cost for wages & retirement expenses	\$ 13,000
Increase NEMS ambulance service to cover salaries and capital costs	\$ 4,500
Increase library staff hours for security and library services	\$ 24,500
Decrease highway reserve allocation to provide Center Rd loan funds	\$ (30,000)

Annual Expense Budget History

FY21	\$2,646,500	\$ Change
FY22 Current	\$2,739,250	\$ 92,750
FY23 Proposed	\$2,900,600	\$ 161,350

Tax Rate History

FY21	\$0.7930	% Change
FY22 Current	\$0.8269	4.27%
FY23 Proposed	\$0.8680	4.97%

Impact of Municipal Rate Increase = For every \$100,000 of property value, the taxpayer owes an additional
\$41.12 per year in municipal property taxes (excludes school); rate increase= **\$0.04112**

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

The Town Administrator is appointed by and supervised by the Selectboard to assist the board in conducting the day-to-day activities of the local government. I was appointed to this position in September 2011 and also serve as the Town Zoning Administrative Officer and E911 Coordinator, staff to the Town Planning Commission, & Town Development Review Board and town committees, while supporting the volunteer efforts of the Gihon Valley Hall Committee, Energy Committee, Recreation Committee and from time to time assisting the Town Health Officer & Animal Control Officers.

The Town Administrator works with all town departments to plan for the immediate and long-term needs of the community and to ensure that the operation of local government is as transparent as possible. The administrator seeks and processes grants to supplement property tax revenues and proposes proactive measures to address potentially difficult or costly situations, such as developing new town policies and procedures or coordinating efforts with regional and state agencies. The Town has implemented financial policies and procedures recommended by the outside auditor, Town Treasurer and Town Finance Director. A new Town Finance Committee mission statement was approved in 2020 and the committee is planned to be organized in 2022 with residents joining town staff on the town audit process and making recommendations on town investments and financial policies.

Local government operations benefit immensely from the input of citizens. Town staff and committee members welcome and will consider new ideas or improvements to existing community services. Public comments are encouraged on any topic at any time. Meeting agendas and notices are posted on area bulletin boards (municipal office and town library) and the town website (www.hydeparkvt.com), with public hearings warned in The News and Citizen. We appreciate all that assisted in this past year's COVID-19 community emergency response, from making and delivering masks, holding weekly emergency management phone conferences, and doing your best to keep each other safe.

Moving forward in 2022, renovation work at the town highway garage continues with structural repairs to the exterior walls and ventilation. Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) will accelerate completion of some pending projects and community discussions will help the Selectboard choose other ARPA projects. Planning for capital investments continues in North Hyde Park and the Village of Hyde Park via the recommendations in the Better Connections Report, the "Net Zero" stormwater improvement study for Main Street and forthcoming Community Wastewater Study for North Hyde Park. If you have any questions or concerns or would like to offer support in any of these areas, please contact me, any Selectboard member or attend a Selectboard meeting (the first few minutes of each meeting are open for public comment).

It's a pleasure to serve the residents of Hyde Park,

Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

The Town Clerk's Office assists residents to: license their dogs, apply for a civil marriage certificate, register to vote, renew DMV registrations, obtain hunting and fishing licenses, pay property taxes, apply for a Green Mountain Passport, obtain Notary Public services and posting of private land. We also work with the Vermont Department of Liquor Control to issue liquor licenses. Our vaults contain all of the Town's birth, death and marriage records, surveys and meeting minutes dating back to the late 1700's. Vermont's land records are stored at the town level, and so recording, storage and restoration of the land records is the responsibility of the Town Clerk's Office. Hyde Park's land records have seen a progression from hand written documents to now digital recording.

During the 2021 calendar year, our office managed one election. The COVID-19 pandemic required social distancing, cleaning/sanitizing of all election equipment, wearing of facial coverings and allowing only 6 voters into the polls at a time. We are grateful that our Hyde Park voters were extremely patient and understanding of the COVID-19 requirements. All elections require registering new voters, managing absentee ballot requests, staffing the polls with election staff and having enough people in place to count ballots after the polls close. Each election requires approximately 4-6 weeks of pre-election work and approximately 3-5 days of post-election work. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we worked closely with the VT Secretary of State and the Election Division to offer a safe voting environment. Although we take great pride in our efforts to efficiently manage all elections, we would not be able to do it without the people who volunteer to assist us during elections. To those election workers, we offer a heart-felt thank you for your assistance during the challenging and ongoing COVID-19 pandemic this past year.

In March, more digital records were added to our digital recording system. Two weeks after our records were added, the Vermont State Governor declared the pandemic and the stay home order. We quickly reached out to our recording system vendor and was able to get our records available on our website. Our land records now go back to July 1983 (book 50, page 1) in our digital system. This tool was invaluable during the pandemic when so many real estate transactions were still happening and attorneys needed access to our land records. We have recently signed a contract to get our online records to go back 40 years. We will be using ARPA funds to accomplish this. Having our records online has been a huge help for attorneys, title searchers and surveyors' who needed access to our records during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Registering to vote is easy in Vermont! Your voter registration can be processed as part of a transaction at the Department of Motor Vehicles or you can register to vote online on the My Voter Page from the comfort of your home. If you are already registered to vote in Hyde Park, you can make changes by using the My Voter Page:

- Check registration status;
- View information on upcoming elections;
- Access voter specific elections information, including directions to a polling place and polling hours;
- View a sample ballot;
- Request and track an absentee ballot and much more.

We encourage voters to log into their My Voter Page to learn more.

Registered Voters can log in at: <https://mvp.vermont.gov/>

Online registration can be found at: <https://olvr.vermont.gov/>

At their January 17, 2022 Selectboard meeting, the board voted to forgo the floor meeting and have everything voted by Australian Ballot to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the voters due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.

In the back of the town report are sample ballots that you will be voting on town meeting day. The school budgets and information are provided in the school annual report which is available around town, including at the Town Clerk's office.

Assistant Clerk Krista Jones was hired and started at the end of April 2021. We are very fortunate to have her in the office.

The Town Clerk's Office hours are Monday through Friday 8am to 4pm. We have summer hours of Monday through Thursday 7:30am to 4:00pm and Friday 8am to 1pm that start the first Monday in June. These hours have worked well and we will continue to use these summer hours going forward. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we were in the office every day processing the daily work as normal. The office was open by appointment only to limit the number of people in the office at any one time. Although the office lobby reopened to the public June 2021, we are still scheduling appointments for access to the vault. We have 2 research computers so we are scheduling 2 people at a time.

Please notify us of any changes, including address changes or name changes, so that you may receive timely correspondence. Please visit our website www.hydeparkvt.com to find out about all of the municipal services that are offered. The Town Clerk's Office utilizes the town website, the Front Porch Forum and the News & Citizen to notify residents of tax due dates, dog licensing dates, office closing dates and any other important news and updates. As always, please do not hesitate to call us with questions at (802)888-2300.

Glenna Pound, CPA, is the current town auditor. She will have our FY21 audit finalized soon. Once complete, the FY21 audit will be uploaded to our website under the Treasurer's link as soon as it is available.

I'd also like to thank Jim Noyes and Teresa Farquharson for time spent proofreading the Town Report before it went to the publishers. We may not have caught 100% of the typos but we made a dedicated attempt at it this year. If you are interested in helping us with this task in future years, please let me know.

Our Town Report continues to be published by Repro out of Winooski. They continue to give us the best pricing for our Town Report publication year after year. Their customer service is top notch and we greatly appreciate their responsiveness in assisting us during the process of getting our report ready for publishing.

Thank you!

Kimberly J. Moulton, CMC, CVC, CVT
Town Clerk and Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE STATISTICS FOR 2021

Land Records:

Total documents and pages of documents processed as Land Records: 1,057 docs / 4,061 pages

Total number of Property Transfer Tax forms filed: 146

Total number of survey maps recorded: 17

Green Mountain Passports Issued: 21

Dogs Licenses Issued: 368

DMV Registration Renewals: 56

Fish & Game Licenses Issued: 3

Overweight Permits Issued: 58

Liquor Licenses Issued: 2

Total Tax Bills Issued: 1,501

VITAL STATISTICS

Total Births: 16

Total Deaths: 38

Total Civil Marriages: 26

Certified Copies Issued: 108

ELECTIONS

BALLOTS CAST

February 15, 2021 Lamoille North Modified Unified Union
School District Annual Meeting

Virtual Meeting

March 2, 2021 Annual Town Meeting
Registered Voters:
Absentee Ballots Requested:

No floor meeting
2,167
147

338 (polls)

New Registered Voters in 2021: 133

Challenged Voters in 2021: 28

Purged Voters in 2021: 74

**TOWN OF HYDE PARK
STATEMENT OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS
07/01/2020 – 06/30/2021**

Balance outstanding, 06/30/2020			\$88,000.00
Paid:			
	\$22,000.00		
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	Total Paid		(\$22,000.00)
New Loans:			
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Matures</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
	\$900,000.00	May 1, 2022	1.33%
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	Total New Loans		\$900,000
Balance outstanding, 06/30/2021			\$966,000.00

**TAX ACCOUNTING
As of June 30, 2021**

Tax Billing: \$6,719,943.17

Total Tax Receipts:	\$ 6,663,999.50	Current/Delinquent Taxes Collected 07/01/20 - 06/30/21
	\$ 5,781.25	Interest 07/01/20 - 06/30/21
	<u>\$ 4,551.28</u>	Penalty 07/01/20 - 06/30/21
	\$ 6,680,046.50	Total

Taxes sent to schools: \$3,626,962.32 Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District

Sent to Delinquent Tax Collector

On May 18, 2021:	\$115,364.34	Unpaid Taxes due for 07/01/20 - 06/30/2021
	<u>\$ 2,466.45</u>	Unpaid Interest due for 07/01/18 - 06/30/2019
	\$117,830.79	Total Unpaid

Town of Hyde Park Tax Information:

- 1) Taxes assessed as of April 1st of each year.
- 2) Taxes are considered delinquent if not paid on or before the final installment date and will be subject to an 8% Tax Collector's fee and interest charges.
- 3) Any delinquent amount, plus fees and interest, must be paid in full to clear a taxpayer's account on the Town records. Any accounts with a delinquent tax balance outstanding as of December 31st of each year will be published in the Town Report.

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT

As of December 31, 2021

2018 – 2019

Osmond, Tyler H.	*	\$5,451.95
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2019 – 2020

Merriam, Candace and Santamore, Shawn		\$50.70
Osmond, Tyler H.	*	\$7,137.76

2020 - 2021

Chalue, Joe III		\$15.22
Merriam, Candace & Santamore, Shawn		\$75.62
Osmond, Tyler H.	*	\$1,301.98
Pidgeon, Dale & Joey		\$17.38
TOTAL DELINQUENT		\$14,050.61

*Payment Agreement on file

The *Delinquent Tax Collection Policy* was jointly approved by the Selectboard and the Delinquent Tax Collector in April 2016. This policy includes offering a written payment agreement between the Delinquent Tax Collector and the delinquent tax payer to avoid tax sales. Written payment agreements must be on file by the end of the day August 15th annually, or the first business day after. Parcels with a delinquent balance owing as of August 16th, or the first business day after, will be sent to the Tax Sale Attorney for preparation for the tax sale. Once a property is sent to the Tax Sale Attorney, the payment agreement option is no longer available.

Tax sales are held the first Thursday of November annually. Additional tax sales may be scheduled if payment agreements are defaulted on during the payment agreement term.

There was a tax sale scheduled for November 4, 2021. Since all the delinquent taxes were paid for the tax sale parcels, the tax sale was cancelled.

You can view a copy of the *Delinquent Tax Collection Policy* and the *Delinquent Property Tax Agreement* form on the town website <https://hydeparkvt.com/town-treasurer> and scroll to the bottom.

Please feel free to contact me at (802)888-2300 option 1 or by email kim@hydeparkvt.com with any tax questions.

Kimberly J. Moulton
Delinquent Tax Collector

2021 TOWN ASSESSOR REPORT

Board of Listers

Common Level of Appraisal

The Town's CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) has decreased to 86.57%. The CLA is calculated using the last three years of sales data. This year's study utilized sales from 4/2/2018 to 4/1/2021. The three year analysis causes the CLA to move more slowly than the general market, either upward or downward. The Coefficient of Dispersion increased from 10.9% last year to 17.4%, showing that uniformity of appraisal for different property types in the grand list is worsening. The higher the COD is, the greater the disparity and exceeding 20% may result in a State Order to reappraise.

Grand List

The 2021 Grand List increased by 1.27% over the 2020 Grand List. This is a little more than the prior year, but still an improvement over the prior years which were closer to 0% growth. With zoning having a second consecutive year of more than 10 new housing permits, we are expecting the Grand List to be about 2% higher for the coming tax year.

Homestead Declarations

Homestead Declarations must be filed on an annual basis. Copies of the forms (HS-122) will be printed in the Vermont Tax Booklet and you can also file online from the Vermont Tax Department website at www.tax.vermont.gov. The Property Tax Adjustment Claims will also need to be filed each year, just as in the past. **The Homestead Declarations and Property Tax Adjustment Claims are due by April 15th each year** (income tax deadline), but if you miss that date, you will be able to file your claim until October 15th with a penalty charged for filing late.

Short Term Rentals (AirBNB, VRBO, etc) are considered a Rental Use of your property and must be declared on your Homestead Declaration.

- If the short term rental is in an outbuilding, this building is not part of the homestead regardless of the time and square footage of the building. Check the "Business or Rental Use of Improvements or Other Dwellings" on the Homestead Declaration form. 32 VSA §5401 (7)(F)
- Camps are not homesteads unless they are on the principal dwelling parcel. If they are on the principal dwelling parcel, they are considered a second dwelling on the parcel, not an outbuilding. If they are used as a short term rental, unlike the outbuilding, time advertised goes into the business/rental percentage of the homestead. This would be calculated as the value of the camp dwelling multiplied by [days advertised available divided by 365 days in a year]. Check the "Business or Rental Use of Improvements or Other Dwellings" on the Homestead Declaration form. 32 VSA §5401 (7) (H)
- For portions of the primary dwelling, a percentage business use is required. Add the square footage of the bedrooms and bathrooms used plus the square footage of the common areas such as the kitchen to create the breakfast, living room and dining room if it is used by guests. Divide this by the square footage of the primary dwelling and multiply this quotient by the quotient of days the short term rental is advertised available

(if it is seasonal) divided by 365 days. Put this percentage on the “Rental Use of Dwelling” line.

- Notice it does not matter whether or not the rooms are filled. It goes by advertised availability time. If it is available year round the calculation is 365/365 per year. If it is advertised available for June, July and August the calculation is 92/365 per year.

Online Resources

State of Vermont Department of Taxes Website: tax.vermont.gov

Property Valuation & Review Annual Reports

Website: tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/pvr-annual-reports

These reports provide statewide statistics broken down by county and town covering assessments, tax rates, property transfers, & adjustment claims. They also contain information on how statistics are computed.

Tax Maps

CAI Technologies continues to provide our tax maps and they are now available online. They can be accessed from the Town website at www.hydeparkvt.com. Click on the Parcel / Tax Map link on the home page. Search is on the left and tools are on the right. Hover your mouse over the tool to learn what it does. Paper maps are still available in the Town Offices.

Office Hours & Grievances

The Selectboard has hired NEMRC to provide a contracted professional appraiser to fulfill the duties of the Board of Listers due to vacancies in elected listers. Matt Reed is the only elected Lister and his position will end if voters eliminate the Board of Listers at Town Meeting 2022. Matt agreed to be appointed as Assistant to the Town Assessor and will be working with the contracted Town Assessor. Appointments with the Town Assessor or Assistant Town Assessor are available for questions or help understanding how your property is assessed, by calling the town office 888-2300 or email to lister@hydeparkvt.com. Grievance hearings are held in late May or early June for the completion of the initial Grandlist in April.

All those requesting a grievance must complete an Application for Grievance form (created by the state), allowing the Town Assessor to ‘hear’ the grievances. Depending on the state of the Coronavirus, remote meetings may be required.

You may request a grievance hearing at any time using the Application for Grievance form on the Town website, Listers/Town Assessor page, at hydeparkvt.com/listers-and-assessors/. Please complete the form and mail it to, or drop it by, the Town Clerk’s Office. It must be received by 4 PM on the Deadline for Appeal date on the Change of Appraisal Notices and Notice of Grievance Hearings posted around town and advertised in the News & Citizen.

NEMRC Assessor Services, Cassandra Dattilio, Town Assessor
Matt Reed, Assistant to Town Assessor

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

During the 2021 road work season, the highway crew completed the following:

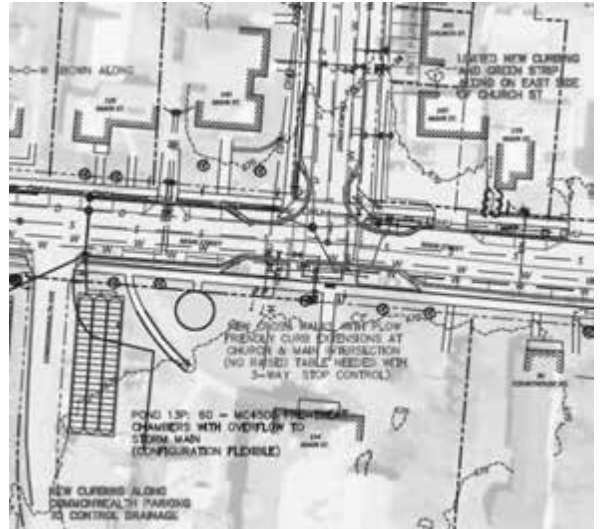
- Fixed Spring mud holes / shaped roads for chloride dust control; Mowed roadsides.
- Cleaned up winter sand left along roadways in the Village and North Hyde Park and built back the winter sand pile. Completed annual road grading and installed new used oil furnace.
- Deferred stormwater catch basins due to major work demands on Center Road and Fitch Hill Road.
- Continued to work towards compliance with the new Municipal Roads General Permit, by adding crowns to paved and gravel roads, removing roadside berms to create negative grade road shoulders and improve ditching and swales by clearing roadside vegetation, including some Class 4 drainage improvements.
- Major Projects:

The “Sink Hole” Project – continues to work through Right-of-way process.

Center Road – Completed paving of 3.2 miles, Fitch Hill Road, Hillside Ave.

Prospect Street – Completed stormwater basin Phase 1, Phase 2 road paving in Summer 2022.

Brush removal on Green River Dam Road, Sterling View Road, North Hyde Park Road and Meadowood Road culvert replacements.



“Net Zero” Stormwater Plan at Church & Main St. - Preliminary Cost est. \$957,200

Projects Planned Summer 2022:

Johnson Street Extension/West Main Intersection – Possible construction is ROW completed, and then assist contractors in completing the “Sink Hole” stormwater improvements & realignment of the West Main St intersection with Main St (a new T-intersection).

Better Connections & Net Zero Projects – Review priority recommendations for capital investment in Village of Hyde Park with pedestrian and stormwater improvement projects planned for Main St and Church St.

Potential Paving Locations – Centerville Road to North Hyde Park Road, North Hyde Park Road to Benson Road, Sterling View Road Rd (possible, if no 3-acre stormwater needs), Prospect St and Eden Street.



Thank You! ... *To the residents for your nice words and compliments as we try our best to keep the roads cleared of snow & ice, and summer traveling smooth.*

New 2022 Volvo Excavator - \$177,500

The Highway Crew: Mark French, Foreman; Lead Operator Ryan Nolan, & Operators Michael Griggs and Jasson Wells; Seasonal crew members: Michel Renaud, Blaine Delisle and Dale Nolan

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Town Planning Commission's work over the past 2021 calendar year included:

- Welcomed new members Chris Peel and Richard Pearson.
- Reviewed town zoning regulations for updates to Green River Reservoir Viewshed Overlay District, statutory changes required to be in local zoning bylaws and use standards.
- Recommended that Ron Rodjenski be re-appointed for a 3-year term as Town Zoning Administrator.
- Worked with Lamoille County Planning Commission to study traffic impacts on local roads from Green River Reservoir State Park funded by VT Municipal Planning Grant 2021.
- Met with resident Mary Walz on the "Knot in Hyde Park" program to identify and eradicate or manage the invasive Japanese Knotweed from the town's roadside and public areas.
- Reviewed possible community projects to be funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).
- Applied for planning grant to review current zoning bylaw and draft amendments to remove constraints on affordable housing, and consider smart growth standards. Grant was approved with work in 2022 planned.
- Applied for VT Municipal Planning Grant 2022 for North Hyde Park branding and signage designs. Grant was not approved.

In 2022, the Town Planning Commission will be working on zoning amendments and reviewing the Municipal Plan to consider working on one or more of the identified projects, focusing on North Hyde Park Village wastewater study and testing crosswalk locations on VT 100 at the post office. We encourage members of the public to attend our meetings.

The Commission appreciates the support from the taxpayers as we work to develop new goals and objectives for our community. The public is always encouraged to attend our monthly meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month, and questions may be directed to any commissioner for more information.

The remote meeting option will remain available for residents to call in or log in & participate (remote access information is on each agenda).

Bob Malbon, Chairman

Members: Vicki Emerson, Eric Williams, Brian Jones, Chris Peel, Richard Pearson

KNOT IN HYDE PARK (KiHP)

Removal and Management of Invasive Japanese Knotweed

KiHP is a volunteer effort aimed at bringing the issue of Japanese Knotweed (JKW) out into the open. We want it to be something that we manage as a community; something that we deal with -- like cleaning up litter, mowing the roadsides, plowing the roads -- rather than a thing we fear or ignore. We aren't experts, but we're learning. The Q&A below is our best attempt to share what we're learning. We'll revise this document as we get more questions and learn more from experts and from our own experiments in the field. If you have any questions about the best approach for your situation, just get in touch with KiHP through admin@hydeparkvt.com.

FAQ on Knotweed:

<https://hydeparkvt.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/FAQ-July-7-2021-for-web-posting.pdf>

TOWN DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

The Development Review Board (DRB) meets when requested to consider applications for Conditional Use Review, Subdivision, and Site Plan Review and any appeals of administrative decisions. The DRB has adopted Rules of Procedure as required by State law to guide the board in the conduct of hearings and other procedures. The Village of Hyde Park has separate bylaws and those are administered by the Village Administrative Officer at 888-2310. In 2021, the Town DRB approved the following requests:

Mead – Sugar Hill Lane – 3-lot residential subdivision
Powers/LePage – Powers Road – 2-lot commercial/residential subdivision
Tucker – Fleury Road – Subdivision amendment
Harvey – Mudgett Drive – 2-lot residential subdivision
Grogan – Gihon Bend Drive – 2-lot residential subdivision
Friedrich – Puckerbrush East Road – Home Business
Marcoux – Battle Row Road – 2-lot residential subdivision

The DRB meets as needed. All meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the Zoning Office at admin@hydeparkvt.com. Announcements of upcoming hearings online: www.hydeparkvt.com, *News & Citizen*, the post office and the town clerk's office.

The Zoning Administrator's office is accessible for records research by calling the town clerk's office at 888-2300. There is one general permit application for all proposed land development activities which is posted at the town website, available at the town clerk's office or by email: admin@hydeparkvt.com. A local zoning permit, permit exemption approval, or state permits are required prior to most land development activities so landowners are encouraged to contact the zoning office early in your planning process. The State of Vermont also requires that the Town refer landowners to the state permit specialist because one or more state permits are required for most land development, especially commercial developments, and wetlands delineation. Land development includes subdivisions, decks, garages, new homes or businesses and changes in use.

2021 Zoning (Building) Permits consisted of:

- 12 – Single-Family Units (2020=11 homes, '19/7, '18/9, '17/4; '16/4; '15/10; '14/4; '13/6)
- 12 – Additions; Attached Garages, Decks, Permit Amendments or MH Replacements
- 8 – Outbuildings and signs (unattached to primary residential structure)
- 10 – Subdivisions, Easements and Subdivision Amendments (11 new residential lots)
- 4 – Boundary Line Adjustments (no new lots created) & Setback Waivers
- 25 – Site Alterations; Fill, Driveways (including accepting clean fill material); and Ponds
- 4 – Commercial structures or change of use
- 4 – Applications Withdrawn (or incomplete as of 12/31/2020)

Respectfully submitted,
Malcolm Teale, DRB Chair
Ron Rodjenski, Hyde Park Town Administrative Officer

LANPHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Another unusual year has kept us busy at the Lanpher Memorial Library, but has also provided opportunities to serve the community in new ways.

The Library is open for the public to come inside for browsing, checking out materials, computer use and printing. We still offer our pick-up service for those who prefer to have their “order” filled and ready to go! Please wear a mask inside the Library.

The Lower Level Community Room is open! The formerly unfinished basement is now a room with a Wi-Fi extender, projector screen, tables and chairs. The space has been used for meetings, tutoring, and trainings.

Last winter we started what will become an annual winter break program for 4-8th grade age children. The “Mystery Ingredient Challenge”. Visit our website to see what the creative young chefs have cooked up. <https://www.lanpherlibrary.org/childrens-corner.html>

May 1, 2021 was a highlight. For Green Up Day costumed characters got Hyde Parkers excited to green up the town. We held our 3rd Annual Wishtree Event. We honored two beloved volunteers, Kathy Geiersbach and Robin Aither, with the Spirit of Community Awards. Two Little Free Libraries were dedicated. One is a little replica of the Library, installed at the Court House, built by Rick Loya and dedicated in memory of Chris Maxim. The other was organized by the Friends of the Lanpher Memorial Library, built by Representative Dan Noyes and is located on the porch of the Gihon Valley Hall.

The Vermont Department of Libraries was tasked with dispersing American Rescue Plan Act funding to public libraries in the state. The Lanpher Library was eligible to apply for projects totaling \$4473.89. We will soon have an awning on the Church St. side of the building, for folks to use the free WiFi outside and be able to work in light rain, or shaded from the sun at the picnic table.

The Lanpher Library provides options to use the library from home. Borrow free eBooks and audio through gmlc.overdrive.com; take free online classes through Universal Class with hundreds of topics to choose from; use the Vermont Online Library to research academic articles and encyclopedia entries, all with complete bibliography.

We are grateful to the Friends of the Lanpher Memorial Library for their creative fundraising and programming.

Ruth Hay, Assistant Director, Christi Dussault, Circulation Librarian, and I are honored to be part of the Hyde Park community and welcome you to contact us for more information about the Lanpher Library. 802-888-4628 lanpherlibrary.org hydeparklibrary@yahoo.com

Respectfully Submitted, Amy Olsen, Library Director

Trustees: Fran Aronovici, Jim Noyes, Melanie Dickinson, Sigh Searles, Ken Geiersbach, Kim Austin-Puleio, and Ann Spearing

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

The Hyde Park Cemetery Commissioners supervise the costs and maintenance of six (6) cemeteries in the Town of Hyde Park – Center Cemetery, Holbrook Cemetery, Hooper Cemetery, Jedediah Hyde Cemetery, North Hyde Park Cemetery and Village Cemetery. The Plains Cemetery and St. Teresa Cemetery have their own association, and each receive \$1,375.00 from town support received by the Hyde Park Cemetery commissioners.

We had two (2) big projects this year – one was cleaning and repairing of stones in the Hooper Cemetery which made a nice improvement and the other project was cleaning of stones and unexpected repairs which happened in the Holbrook Cemetery when an accident happened and a car ended up breaking the fence and sign. Repairs were completed in both cemeteries.

Removal of trees and brush was completed in the Center Cemetery. This project has been ongoing for a few years due to the extensive overgrowth of trees and brush growing out into the cemetery as well as close to the fences. Clearing these areas have made a big difference in appearance and will make it much easier to keep mowed and groomed.

We have discussed creating signs with “Cemetery Rules” to be posted in each cemetery.

The problem of overgrown trees, shrubs and flowers continues. These have been planted and ignored for years and have now made mowing difficult as well as being unable to read engravings on the stone. Trees and shrubs are prohibited as stated in the Rules and Regulations of the cemeteries we maintain. If such has been planted on a lot, we ask they be removed.

Our thanks to Spaulding Property Management for working with us in keeping our cemeteries cared for and to Hillside Trash for cemetery trash removal.

We continue to do our best during COVID. If anyone has questions regarding Hyde Park cemeteries, please feel free to contact a cemetery commissioner.

HYDE PARK CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Judith T. Lanphear, Secretary

Robert Foss, Treasurer

Christine Cooney

Nioka H. Houston

Sarrah Patch

2021 FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

Sale of Lots	\$ 6,250.00
Town Appropriation	\$22,500.00
Insurance	\$ 1,200.00
Interest	\$ 28.29
TOTAL INCOME	\$29,978.29

EXPENSES

- Caretaker: Spaulding Property Mgmt	\$ 8,000.00
- Rubbish Removal: Hillside Trash	\$ 126.00
- JBW Excavation: NHP Cemetery Trees	\$ 719.00
- JBW Excavation: Village Cemetery Trees	\$ 812.00
- JBW Excavation: Center Cemetery Trees	\$ 5,939.00
- Repair sink holes Village Cemetery Spaulding Property Mgmt	\$ 250.00
- Repairs/Cleaning: Holbrook Cemetery VT Monuments	\$ 3,500.00
- Repairs: Hooper Cemetery VT Monuments	\$ 450.00
- Repairs: Center Cemetery VT Monuments	\$ 125.00
- Corner Posts: VT Monuments	\$ 700.00
- Fence Repair: Holbrook Cemetery John Jonuskis	\$ 2,684.85
- Appropriations -Garfield Plains	\$ 1,375.00
-St. Teresa's	\$ 1,375.00

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$26,055.85
NET INCOME	\$ 3,922.44

BENJAMIN CAMPBELL FUND

Balance as of 12/31/2021	\$ 2,361.08
Balance as of 12/31/2020	\$ 2,361.08

**RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR
Jedediah Hyde Cemetery / Center Cemetery / Village Cemetery
Holbrook Cemetery / Hooper Cemetery / North Hyde Park Cemetery**

SALE OF LOTS – Lots will be sold on a first come basis. No lots will be held. FULL payment must be made at the time of the sale and before a deed is issued.

CORNER POSTS AND MONUMENTS – All lots must have corner posts to mark boundaries of lots. Corner posts are included in purchase of lot and installed by contracted service. Corner post locations must be marked by the Commissioners before installation.

- Posts must be in line with existing lots and map locations.
- Foundations must be placed under all upright monuments, tablets and slant markers.
- Foundations must be four feet deep and of solid cement (no stone or filler allowed).

CREMATED REMAINS – Four cremated remains will be allowed in one 4'x 12' lot with a single head stone. Individual flush markers will be allowed.

- A permanent container is required for cremated remains.
- Cremation certificates must be filed with the Cemetery Commissioners or with the Town of Hyde Park.

FLOWERS AND SHRUBS – Flower containers may NOT be glass for the safety of the public. NO trees are to be planted in the cemetery. Small shrubs or flowers may be planted on lots. Any overgrown shrubs, trees or flowers will be removed.

All flower containers must be removed by family by October 30th of each year. Remaining containers will be removed and disposed of at the discretion of the Commissioners. Wreaths may be placed before Christmas and must be removed as soon as possible in the spring or at the discretion of the Commissioners.

CREMATIONS OF ANIMALS – No cremains of animals will be allowed for burial in the cemeteries under the jurisdiction of the Hyde Park Cemetery Commissioners – Center Cemetery, Holbrook Cemetery, Jedediah Hyde Cemetery, Village Cemetery, Hooper Cemetery and North Hyde Park Cemetery.

GENERAL – All contractors must provide a Certificate of Insurance to the Town of Hyde Park Cemetery Commissioners if requested.

Any work done that does not meet these Rules and Regulations must be redone at the expense of the lot owner.

The cemeteries will be open for burials at the discretion of the Hyde Park Cemetery Commissioners.

Adopted on August 21, 2019

/s/Judith T Lanphear

/s/ Robert Foss

/s/ Mary H Foss

/s/ Nioka Houston

/s/ Christine Cooney

TOWN HEALTH OFFICER

J. Keith Ulrich was appointed on October 1, 2019 for a three-year term. By law, each Vermont town has a Health Officer. Town Health Officers have the authority to prevent and abate public health hazards in their communities. In 2021, Keith responded to animal bites, reports of failed septic systems, and illegal trash disposal. Keith may be reached at 802-730-9340.

TREE WARDEN REPORT

The Town Tree Warden is a statutory position appointed by the Selectboard and serving Hyde Park in support of the care and protection of public shade trees. This volunteer position is currently vacant but that does not mean the responsibilities to public shade trees in 24 VSA Chapter 67 and community attention to general tree health are removed.

In 2020, the state law guiding tree wardens and preservation of shade trees was updated to provide for clearer responsibilities to public shade trees by the towns. Towns may choose to adopt a Shade Tree Preservation Plan to define the town's role in shade tree maintenance & removal, including maps or zones within the municipality where trees in public ways are designated shade trees. A public hearing is required prior to the adoption of the proposed plan. Hyde Park's tree inventory (2017) may be viewed here [TREE INVENTORY](#) and volunteers are always welcome to continue this work (free training provided).

Towns continue to have the option of adopting a Tree Ordinance for the administration of the shade tree presentation plan and the regulation of shade trees. If any resident would like to



learn more about the tree warden position and assisting the town in the development of a Shade Tree Plan, please contact the Town Administrator or Selectboard.

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) and its devastating impact on native ash trees is a major concern and has received a lot of media attention. While it continues to be found in communities in Vermont, it has not been identified in Lamoille County at this time. On January 14, 2021, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal Plant Health Inspection Service ended the EAB Federal quarantine on ash wood movement between communities and has shifted the national approach to management of the pest, such as rearing and releasing biological control agents. In Vermont, EAB infestations continue to be found but state policy is to continue to follow the "Slow the Spread" recommendations, such as not moving wood out of infested areas, following guidance on ash wood processing and tree care and clearing. Hyde Park anticipates increased local road tree clearing due to invasive pests and recently increased the annual hazard tree removal budget to \$5,000.



Hyde Park Selectboard

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

VACANT *Emergency calls direct to 911*

The Animal Control Officer provides domestic animal control services to the community and provides fair and impartial enforcement of animal-related laws. The goal is to promote a safer community through responsible animal ownership and humane care. The Animal Control Officer responds to citizen requests for the following: loose animals, barking or dangerous dogs, injured animals, and other requests for service. The Animal Control Officer is also available to provide advice on dog behavior and other education regarding dogs.

Animal Control Ordinance

In 2018, the Town of Hyde Park adopted an Animal Control Ordinance that prohibits **Running at Large** which means to move about without restraint, control or limitation as to property lines or areas. It also prohibits **Public Nuisance** caused by animals or dog owners, which means any conduct which endangers life, health or property or not immediately removing fecal material when off property and not disposing of it in a sanitary manner.

Reminder – Hyde Park has a leash law. All dogs must be on a leash or under voice control when off the property of the owner. Any barking whining, calling or howling for a continuous period of 20 minutes or more is also prohibited.

Animal Cruelty: Information and reporting can be made to Chittenden County Humane Society <https://www.chittendenumane.org/Report-Animal-Cruelty>

Dog Licensing: During the 2021 license year, the Town of Hyde Park issued 368 dog licenses. In 2020, there were 321 licensed dogs.

Licenses are available annually starting the first business day of January. All dogs or wolf-hybrids six months of age and older must be licensed annually on or before the first day of April. Before obtaining a dog license, a copy of a current rabies vaccination certificate and a spay/neuter certificate, if applicable, must be presented to the Town.

Please mail or drop off your check for the appropriate fee and provide current rabies information, if not already on file, and we will mail the dog license and tag to you.

Effective July 1, 2015 dog license fees and surcharges are as follows:

Dogs or Wolf Hybrids	
<u>(Not Neutered or Spayed)</u>	
\$	8.00 License Fee
	2.00 Town Surcharge
	<u>5.00 State Surcharge</u>
\$	15.00 Total
<i>(After April 1, 2022, \$19.00)</i>	

Dogs or Wolf Hybrids	
<u>(Neutered or Spayed)</u>	
\$	4.00 License Fee
	2.00 Town Surcharge
	<u>5.00 State Surcharge</u>
\$	11.00 Total
<i>(After April 1, 2022, \$13.00)</i>	

Vermont Spay Neuter Incentive Program

The Vermont Spay Neuter Incentive Program aka “VSNIP”, under the oversight of the VT Economic Services Department, is administered by VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society (VVSA). VSNIP helps financially challenged Vermont residents spay/neuter cats and dogs for \$27.00. The balance is paid by fellow Vermonters when dogs are licensed by an added \$4.00 fee, the major funding for this important program. Funds are determined by the number of dogs licensed, which is required by law when a dog is six months of age. A current rabies vaccination is required to register, and a rabies vaccination can be administered after 12 weeks of age for both cats and dogs.

Prostrate and mammary cancers are more likely to occur in unsterilized cats and dogs. It's not pretty and they're likely to die. Animals live longer and happier when they're spayed and neutered, are less likely to fight for territory, and mark what they claim to be “theirs”!

Licensing a dog: 1) helps identify your dog if lost, 2) provides proof your dog is protected from rabies in the event your dog is bitten by a rabid animal, but would still need immediate medical attention, 3) if your dog bites an animal or person – it would result in quarantine or possible euthanasia to test for infection, and 4) helps pay for VSNIP, addressing the population situation in Vermont.

Farms with cats should especially be aware that one rabid cat or dog can affect an entire population of animals on the premise. The answer is neutering through VSNIP which includes a rabies vaccination and the first of the two part distemper series.

Look for Rabies Clinics in March across the state. You can call your veterinarian and ask the cost of a rabies vaccination only, or call your nearest Tractor Supply Store for their Monthly Rabies Clinic schedule. Rabies IS in Vermont and it IS deadly.

To receive a VSNIP Application, send a 9” self-addressed stamped envelope to: VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034. Indicate if it's for a cat, dog or both. For more information, call (802)672-5302.

Please visit our website: www.VVSAHS.org

VVSA will be hosting Rabies Clinics in March. Call for dates and locations.

The animals thank you in advance! *Together We Truly Do Make A Difference!!*

Sue Skaskiw, VVSA Humane Society Executive Director/VSNIP Administrator

HYDE PARK TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

212 Centerville Road
Hyde Park, VT 05655

For the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 the Hyde Park Town Fire Department responded to 87 calls for service as compared to 121 calls for the prior year. The calls were as follows:

Structure Fires	12	Automatic Fire Alarms	15
Wild Land Fires	4	Hazardous Materials	3
Vehicle Fires	1	Rescues	4
Mutual Aid	13	ASST. EMS	3
MVA	19	CO Alarms	5
Others	8		

The Hyde Park Town Fire Department members would like to thank Chief Edwin Webster for his 44 years of service with Hyde Park Town Fire Department. Ed served his last 38 years as Fire Chief. We also would like to thank his wife Nancy for allowing us Ed's service.

As like most departments in the area we are experiencing a shortage of membership, and we continue to look for new members. If you are interested in protecting our community, please contact any officer or member for more information about joining.

As always, the department members would like to thank the taxpayers of the community for your continued support of the department.



*Retired Chief
Ed Wester*

Chief Brad Carriere
212 Centerville Rd.
Hyde Park, VT 05655
hptownfd@hydeparkvt.com
802-730-6770 Cell#

HYDE PARK FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Please contact Forest Fire Warden, Ryan Nolan at (802)279-6955 Monday through Friday, 4pm to 8pm for your Burn Permits. You will also need to contact the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department at (802)888-3502 to report your burn.

HYDE PARK TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

NAME:	RANK:	YEARS OF SERVICE:
Audet, Zachery M.	Firefighter	6
Burnor, Dan, J. Jr.	Captain *	11
Bouchard, Jared. N.	Sr. Firefighter*	7
Byrne, Mailin	Junior Firefighter	1
Carriere, Alex, H.	Lieutenant	7
Carriere, Brad, E.	Chief Engineer *	26
Carriere, Cailyn. A.	Junior Firefighter	2
Chauvin, Ava	Junior Firefighter	1
Cook, George, L.	Safety Officer	45
Jones, Chris, D.	Engine Lieutenant	13
Graham, Robert	Firefighter	1
Laird, Robert W.	Sr. Firefighter *	4
Lamos, Allen	Chaplain	1
Mayhew, Chris, A.	Firefighter *	34
Nolan, Ryan, D.	Asst. Chief Engineer *	30
Patnoe, Tanika, L.	Firefighter	2
Powers, Dylan, S.	Sr. Firefighter	4
Schmidt, Dirk, O.	Firefighter	4
Wetherell, Kaleb, M.	Lieutenant *	8

*Vermont Fire Academy Certified Firefighter 1

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS:

Gray, Lynwood, "Cookie"	Retired Chief	43
Audet, Kevin R.	Retired Assistant Chief	30
Green, Roy, "Mike"	Retired Captain	20
Webster, Edwin, W. Jr.	Retired Captain	15
Larock, Jeremy, W.	Retired Lieutenant	20
Boivin, Roland, A.	Retired Engineer	33
Bapp, Quint, L.	Retired Firefighter	33
Boivin, David, J.	Retired Firefighter	23
Burnor, Dan, J. Sr.	Retired Firefighter	12
Reeve, Wallace	Retired Firefighter	9
Webster, Edwin Sr.	Retired Chief	48
Rohleder, John	Retired Lieutenant	17

BACKYARD BURNING RULES

PROHIBITED

- Garbage
- Tires
- Rubber
- Plastic
- Waste Oil
- Asphalt Materials
- Asbestos
- Pressure-treated Wood
- Plywood

WHY NOT BURN?

Burning trash and debris is illegal and releases many harmful pollutants including:

Dioxin – causes cancer, birth defects, and enters the food chain.

HCB – Persistent toxin that enters the food chain and is a probable carcinogen.

Formaldehyde – causes burning in eyes and throat, nausea, and difficult breathing.

Hydrogen Chloride Gas – causes fluid buildup in the lungs and possible ulceration of the respiratory tract.

Particulates – causes respiratory infection.

Carbon Monoxide – Prevents oxygen from being absorbed by the heart and lungs.

OKAY

- Natural Wood– timber, logs, boles, trunks, branches, limbs, stumps, untreated lumber
- Clean Wood Pallets
- Leaves
- Brush



QUESTIONS?

Please call your local fire warden prior to burning for a permit. Feel free to contact the Vermont DEC Air Quality and Climate Division at (802) 828-1288 with any questions or concerns.

Recycle, Reuse, Respect

HYDE PARK FAST SQUAD

Did you ever wonder what FAST Squad stands for? It's the First Aid Stabilization Team.

The Hyde Park FAST Squad has been in service for many years and consists of volunteer members. Previously, we operated under the Hyde Park Town Fire Department. In 2009, the Hyde Park Selectboard created a stand-alone "Hyde Park FAST Squad" to complete the same duties outside of the fire department structure.

The FAST Squad includes Emergency Medical Responders and Emergency Medical Technicians. Our service is licensed with the State of Vermont as a Basic Level Service.

Members are expected to participate in trainings and business meetings held each month.

We encourage anyone who might be interested in joining the FAST Squad to email Brad Carriere at hpfsms1@yahoo.com or call him at (802)730-6770.

We, the members, are asking for \$4,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Our service is dispatched with Northern EMS on all medical calls, motor vehicle accidents and CO alarms, along with the Hyde Park Town Fire Department and the North Hyde Park Eden Fire Department within the Town of Hyde Park.

We are always looking for new members to join the Fast Squad. The Fast Squad meets the first four Thursdays of the month at 7:00PM at the Hyde Park Town Fire Department.

Hyde Park Fast Squad Members

Chief Brad Carriere	NREMT	25 Years of service
ASST. Chief George Cook	EMT	25 Years of service
Dorothy Cook	EMT	25 Years of service
Michael Riddle	NREMT	3 Years of service

Hyde Park Fast Squad Proposed Budget for 7/1/22- 6/30/23

Administration	\$500.00
Training	\$500.00
Supplies	\$500.00
Radio Maintenance	\$1,000.00
Payroll	\$1,500.00
Total	\$4,000.00

911 Sign Program

We are still working on the upper end of Centerville Road, McKinstry Hill Road and all side roads. We will finish these areas up in the Spring of 2022 and start Center Road, Sliver Ridge Road, Cleveland Corners Road and all side roads off of them.

NORTH HYDE PARK / EDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

The North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department responded to **56** calls in 2021

	Hyde Park	Eden
Fire / CO alarm	7	9
Lift Assist	1	2
Car Accident	6	10
Chimney Fire	1	3
Structure Fires	6	3
Brush Fire	1	0
Vehicle Fire	1	2
Good Intent	2	1
Mutual Aid to the County	1	



The North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department has had another difficult year dealing with the COVID 19 Pandemic.

The world of the volunteer fire department is changing. We are no different than the rest of the state looking for new members. Jobs and family lives take up a lot of a member's time. We are looking for all types of members, young and older, possibly retired that may be home during the day time hours. The department meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. The officers meet on the 4th Monday of each month. If you are interested in joining the department stop by the fire house to get an application; you may also contact any member of the department.

As always, the department would like to thank the Selectboards and taxpayers for their ongoing support, the road crews for maintaining roads and coming out to assist us when need be, and local wrecker services that come to assist to get traffic and hazards removed which allows us to open up the road ways.

Respectfully Submitted

2019 Freightliner M2-112 HME 1500/1000 gal



2005 International 4400/ E- One 1250/1000 gal.



NORTH HYDE PARK / EDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

<u>Name</u> <u>Certified</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Position/ *FF1</u>
John Savage	40	Chief*
Brent Lanpher	30	Assistant Chief*
Scott Audet	32	Captain*
Marvin Whitcomb	21	Captain/Treasurer*
Ethan Griggs	10	Lieutenant*
Dakota Aither	4	Lieutenant
Eric Aither	47	Firefighter
Quint Bapp	23	Firefighter*
Justin Gillen	11	Firefighter*
Matthew Hill	4	Firefighter
Adam Degree	4	Firefighter
Zack Degree	4	Firefighter
Ben Collier	4	Firefighter*
Jakob Boyer	4	Firefighter*
Mariah Ingalls	4	Firefighter
Jordan Rowell	2	Firefighter*
Rebecca Ferland	2	Firefighter
Kelley Wells	1	Firefighter/Secretary

Honorary Members.

FF	Robert Parsons
Captain	Delano Heath
FF	Dennis Heath
FF	Paul Dumas
Asst. Chief	Gary Lanpher
FF	Brian Jones
FF	Wade Larose
Chief	Dexter Stewart
Captain	Larry Draper
Chief	Marvin Locke
FF	Gary Larose
LT	Kevin Jones
FF	Rodney Burns
FF	Gary Wright
FF	Roger Audet

1997 Body built by Phil Ward (past Chief)
2008 International cab and chassis



2013 International Terra Star / Valley Fire Rescue



	Actual Jul 20 - Jun 21	Budget Jul 20 - Jun 21	Current Jul 21 - Jun 22	Proposed Jul 22 - Jun 23
INCOME				
Operation Income-Eden	\$ 36,100.00	\$ 36,100.00	\$ 36,600.00	\$ 38,625.00
Operation Income-Hyde Park	\$ 36,100.00	\$ 36,100.00	\$ 36,600.00	\$ 38,625.00
Donation to Dept.	\$ 2,199.53			
Disability Insurance-Eden	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	
Disability Insurance-Hyde Park	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 25.00			
Money Market	\$ -			
Insurance Rebate	\$ 747.00			

TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$ 76,571.53</u>	<u>\$ 73,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 74,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 77,250.00</u>
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EXPENSES				
Administration	\$ 151.33	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 300.00
Air Packs	\$ 25.96	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Apparatus Fuel	\$ 1,028.50	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,900.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 2,470.52	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Capital Expenses	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Chemicals	\$ 912.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,000.00
Donations	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dues	\$ 658.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Electricity	\$ 1,916.36	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Equipment	\$ 4,890.89	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 664.55	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fire Gear	\$ 9,508.53	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,500.00
Fire Prevention	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Fire Station Supplies	\$ 663.42	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Firefighting Supplies	\$ 78.43			\$ 200.00
Food	\$ 935.44	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Generator	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 2,815.24	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Hose/Ladder testing	\$ 2,068.50	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,200.00
Insurance	\$ 14,572.00	\$ 18,400.00	\$ 18,400.00	\$ 19,800.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 20.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Office Supplies	\$ 2,940.64	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Professional Fees	\$ 287.80			\$ 500.00
Pump Testing	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 550.00
Radio/Pagers/Active911	\$ 2,621.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,000.00
Salaries	\$ 10,093.56	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
Snow Plowing/Removal	\$ -	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,000.00
Telephone	\$ 2,175.01	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
Training	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Transfer To Money Market	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Truck Maintenance	\$ 5,834.10	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 75,832.30</u>	<u>\$ 73,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 74,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 77,250.00</u>
Income 2021	\$ 739.23			
Beginning Balance (7-1-20)	\$ 2,584.27			
Ending Balance (6-30-21)	\$ 3,323.50			
Balance Money Market (6-30-21)	\$ 24,872.27			



Newport Ambulance Service Inc, P.O. Box 911 Newport, Vermont 05855

Dear Residents of Belvidere, Eden, Hyde Park, Johnson, and Waterville,

2021 Covid Year Two! Another memorable year to say the least. Vaccinations and testing have unfortunately become a standard part of our business, your lives and everyone's daily conversations. Our crews have been diligently providing vaccinations and testing not only at our Johnson station but throughout Northern Vermont. We not only thank them but thank those of you who have sent cards of appreciation or bought them lunch amongst other acts of kindness.

Call volume was up this year from 1,357 in 2020 to 1,436 in 2021. Volume was down in both of those years as compared to the previous two years. In 2018, we responded to 1,503 calls while in 2019 the call volume was 1,456. The call breakdown for 2021 is as follows:

Transports:	553
911 Emergency:	758
Mutual Aid:	125

911 Calls Per Town:	Belvidere	17
	Eden	111
	Hyde Park	259
	Johnson	350
	Waterville	21

Inflation during 2021 has been reported to be just under 7%. Unfortunately, our major costs, medical supplies, heating fuel, as well as fuel for the ambulances have increased roughly 30%. Despite this we are asking for a 3% increase in town appropriations. This yields a total from the five towns we service from \$358,885 in 2021 to \$369,667 in 2022.

The amount each town is asked to contribute is based upon the number of residents counted at the last US Census. As this is the first year we have data from the 2020 census, the portion each town is asked for varies slightly from before. Depending upon the population change, some of the towns have an increase in their portion while others have a decrease.

Fortunately, we have been able to pay off several loans this year, including the mortgage on the Johnson building. This will help stabilize our budget over the next several years.

Finally, we, like every other EMS provider, as well as businesses, are faced with employee shortages. If you or anyone you know is looking for their first career choice or possibly looking to change their careers, please contact us. The jobs we offer are both personally and financially rewarding.

We thank you for your support.

Jeffrey Johansen, Executive Director
Scott Griswold, Vice Chair

NEMS 2022 Approved

	2020	2021	2022	
Income				
4000 · Town Appropriations	\$327,780.00	\$353,515.00	\$364,377.00	
4005 · Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	
4007 COVID Testing			\$30,000.00	
4009 · Service Ambulance Runs	\$770,000.00	\$780,000.00	\$810,000.00	
4012 · Intercept Income	\$2,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,500.00	
4018 · Ambulance Coverage Time	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$2,000.00	
	\$1,099,780.00	\$1,137,265.00	\$1,209,877.00	
Expense				
5000.01 · Collection Fees	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$350.00	
Total 5000 · Billing Services Exp.	\$600.00			
5001.01 · 02.03.04.17 Payroll	\$55,000.00	\$53,469.00	\$43,524.00	
5001.05 Nas 11 R&M	\$0.00	\$468.00	\$780.00	
5001.6 Nas 11 Fuel	\$300.00	\$390.00	\$546.00	
5001.08 · CPA	\$371.00	\$390.00	\$390.00	
5001.10 · Office Supplies	\$500.00	\$390.00	\$100.00	
5001.11 · Telephone	\$0.00	\$1,187.00	\$1,775.00	
5001.12 · Cell Phones	\$1,794.00	\$1,557.00	\$1,497.00	
5001.13 · Dues	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
5001.14 · Health Insurance	\$3,000.00	\$3,730.00	\$2,354.00	
5001.15 · Pension	\$2,894.00	\$3,742.83	\$4,520.00	
5001.17 Board of Directors	\$8,190.00	\$8,190.00	\$8,190.00	
Total 5001 · Administration Exp.	\$0.00			
5006 · Rubbish Removal Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,100.00	
5007 · Diesel Fuel/Gas Expense	\$23,000.00	\$23,000.00	\$28,000.00	
5008.01 · Insurance Package	\$12,344.00	\$12,344.00	\$14,985.00	
5008.03 · Health Insurance Exp	\$54,000.00	\$70,539.00	\$54,324.00	
5008.05 · Workers Comp. Ins Exp	\$58,480.00	\$44,080.00	\$60,675.00	
5009 · Bank Charges/ Fees Exp.	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	
5010 · Interest Expense	\$17,160.00	\$12,000.00	\$11,870.00	
5011 · Staff & Squad Training	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
5012 · Payroll Expenses	\$680,000.00	\$707,200.00	\$803,070.00	
Special Pay			\$10,000.00	
5013 · Postage/Delivery Expense	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	
5016.01 · Meals Expense	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	
Total 5016 · Travel & Meals Exp.				
5017.01 TPA	\$1,300.00	\$456.00	\$1,053.00	
5017 · Pension Plan Expense	\$19,334.00	\$25,170.00	\$31,500.00	
5018.06 · NEMS #1 R&M	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00	
5018.07 · NEMS #2 R&M	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	
5018.08 · NEMS #3 R&M	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$8,000.00	
5018.14 · Service Agreements	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
5018.10 · Misce. Amb R&M	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		

NEMS 2022 Approved

	2020	2021	2022	
5023 Grounds		\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00	
5019 · Building R&M Expense	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$6,000.00	
5020 · Computer Repairs/ Upgrade Expe	\$2,000.00		\$0.00	
5021.01 · Office Supplies	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$200.00	
5021.03 · Med. Supplies/Equip.	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$12,000.00	
5021.04 · General Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
5021.05 · Equipment Batteries	\$1,000.00	\$800.00	\$1,000.00	
5024 · Oxygen Expense	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
5025 · Employee Recognition	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
5027 · Paging Expense	\$1,015.00	\$1,015.00	\$1,015.00	
5028.01 · Telephone Expense	\$1,705.00	\$0.00		
5028.03 · Internet Service	\$1,080.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,620.00	
5029 · Electricity Expense	\$3,000.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	
5030 · Heating Expense	\$3,500.00	\$3,600.00	\$3,000.00	
5032 · Comp Exp Non Capitalize	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	
5034 · Radio Exp Non Capitalized	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
5040 · Squad Uniforms	\$1,200.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	
5043 · Public Relations	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
5047 Billing Contract	\$22,558.00	\$22,558.00	\$22,558.00	
Mortgage 2026	\$19,848.00	\$21,876.00	\$0.00	
NEMS 3 2018	\$15,348.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	
NEMS 1	\$0.00	\$16,020.00	\$13,491.00	
NEMS 2	\$12,360.00	\$11,881.00	\$0.00	
Zoll lease	\$8,122.00	\$5,414.00	\$4,060.00	
Provider Tax	\$16,000.00	\$24,665.00	\$23,810.00	
Stretcher	\$5,904.00	\$0.00		
Total Expense	\$1,106,577.00	\$1,147,951.83	\$1,209,877.00	
Income	\$1,099,780.00	\$1,137,265.00	\$1,209,877.00	
Expense	\$1,106,577.00	\$1,147,951.83	\$1,209,877.00	
Change	-\$6,797.00	-\$10,686.83	-	5.39%
This is a non audited report.				

HELP US HELP YOU!

911 House Number Signs are IMPORTANT

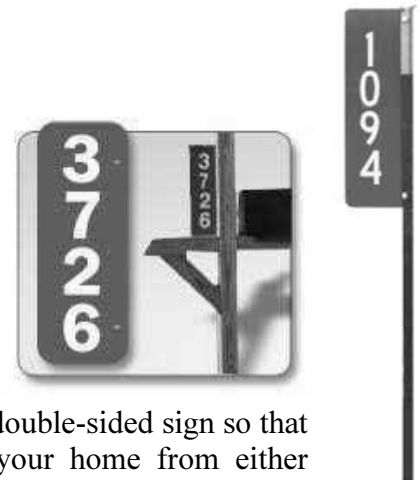
Snowbanks and summer grass can hide 911 house number signs. This also means that emergency responders may have a hard time finding you. Can you see your house number sign when approaching your driveway?

In 2013, your volunteer emergency responders, town staff and an intern from the regional planning office, reviewed existing roadside 911 signs to ensure compliance with the 2012 Road Naming and Numbering Ordinance. A very low compliance rate, 20%, was discovered for installation of the required signs. House numbering errors were also discovered. To correct the errors and any confusing number sequences, some property owners have been required to change their physical address. To accelerate the installation of 911 number signs along roads, in 2014, town voters approved the first \$3,000 funding request to install 911 house number signs. This continued funding level has allowed volunteers to purchase signs from the Vermont Correctional Industries Sign and Print Shop to complete sign installations, starting on the west side of town and moving toward the east. In 2022, the volunteer crew expects to install signs at the edge of the road right-of-ways along Center Road and begin to along Cleveland Corners Road and its side roads (originally planned to be complete in 2021). Emergency services volunteers feel that this has been a successful program and plans are to continue to seek funding for additional phases at the same \$3,000 annual level until the entire town has been signed. FY2023 will be the 9th year of the program, and 3 more years are anticipated to complete due to increasing material costs for this project. Once completed, all new construction will be required to install signs at that time, but at the developer's cost and replacement signs will be at the property owner's cost.

Proper signage assists our local responders and especially mutual aid responders coming from neighboring towns. House numbers must be visible as you approach your driveway. Statistics show that even a few seconds saved not "searching" for a house number can significantly improve the outcome during a significant medical emergency. It is also a fact that fire doubles in size every minute given the right conditions. This means finding the correct address PROMPTLY can help us prevent a trash fire from turning into a room and contents fire.

Sign Requirements:

- All numbers at the beginning of your driveway must be visible and not be covered by snow, trees or bushes, and be 4 INCHES in height and be reflective. First Responders do appreciate visible numbers as they approach your driveway.
- The recommended color is white reflective numbers on a reflective green background. As nice as they look, brass numbers on a white background are not easy to locate, even during the daytime. Signs at least 42" from the ground will be visible in most winter conditions. It's important to post a double-sided sign so that responders can see the number as they are approaching your home from either direction.



If you do not know your 911 number, please contact the town offices at 888-2300 or admin@hydeparkvt.com. If you would like to install your house number sign before the town sign program gets to your location, please send a written request to the town offices and a volunteer from emergency services will contact you.

**Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
2021 Annual Report**

The Lamoille County Communication's Center received 23,679 E911 calls the past year, which is up from the 18,948 in 2020. We dispatched 33,565 fire, EMS and police calls, which are itemized as follows:

Fire Agency	Total Calls	Ambulance Agency	Total Calls	Police Agency	Total Calls
Barre Town	214	Barre Town	4056	Barre Town	6109
Cambridge	171	Cambridge	454	Hardwick PD	2086
Elmore	45	Hardwick	798	LCSD	5907
Greensboro	39	Morristown	805	Morristown PD*	4105
Hardwick	67	NEMS	1424	Stowe PD	5505
Hyde Park	83	Stowe	860		
Johnson	120				
Morrisville	235				
North Hyde Park/Eden	56				
Stowe	382				
Wolcott	44				
Total	1456	Total	8397	Total	23712

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

Even after significant efforts to minimize unnecessary contact between members of the community and our staff due to COVID concerns, the patrol department handled a total of 3,903 incidents in 2021, **down only 1%** from 2020. Routine traffic stops were down significantly from previous years, but calls for service in the community were up. Losing two deputies to neighboring municipal departments in 2021, our patrol force was reduced to only four deputies, one Lieutenant and one Detective. Fortunately, the department has two full time deputies scheduled to graduate the Academy in February. This should return us to nearly full-staffed in patrol. We had an extremely productive year with drug related arrests. Our department, assisted by DEA task force members, seized over 8,500 bags of heroin/fentanyl, and nearly a 1 ½ pounds of cocaine/crack. Some of these cases have resulted in Federal prosecution. LCSD will eventually receive a small percentage of the seized assets. Investigations related to sex crimes were up for the third consecutive year, particularly cases involving juveniles. These cases are very time consuming and sometimes take several months to complete the investigations. Drug overdose cases also continue to rise. We had nearly a dozen in 2021 with several that resulted in death. Below are just some of our incident totals:

Nature of Call	Johnson	Hyde Park	Wolcott
Traffic Accident	66	77	30
Burglary	9	2	0
Citizen Dispute/ Family Fight/ Domestic	147	39	21
DUI/ DLS	11	2	4
Motor Vehicle Complaint	377	298	198
Noise Disturbance	41	11	5
Sex Crimes	13	7	3
Drug Investigations	11	13	1
Theft	57	13	1
Traffic Tickets	100	88	68
	Fine Amount \$19,358	Fine Amount \$16,226	Fine Amount \$7,980

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

Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
Communications Assessment
For the Years FY 2022 -2023

Total Budget One Half
Assessment of Budget

FY 2022 -2023

\$ 866,872 \$ 433,436

Population Portion 50% of allocation				Grand List Portion 50 % of allocation			FY 22-23	FY 21-22		Percent	Overall
Town Name	Population	Population Percentage	Population Cost	Grand List	Grand List Percentage	Grand List Portion	Assessment	Assessment	Increase/ (Decrease)	Increase/ (Decrease)	Assessment Percentage
Belvidere	358	1.206%	\$ 5,229	\$ 360,690	0.61%	\$ 2,648	\$ 7,877	\$ 7,888	\$ (11)	-0.14%	0.91%
Cambridge	3839	12.936%	\$ 56,071	\$ 5,671,040	9.61%	\$ 41,633	\$ 97,704	\$ 98,655	\$ (951)	-0.96%	11.27%
Eden	1338	4.509%	\$ 19,542	\$ 1,400,820	2.37%	\$ 10,284	\$ 29,826	\$ 30,516	\$ (690)	-2.26%	3.44%
Elmore	886	2.986%	\$ 12,941	\$ 1,922,180	3.26%	\$ 14,111	\$ 27,052	\$ 25,096	\$ 1,956	7.79%	3.12%
Hyde Park	3020	10.177%	\$ 44,109	\$ 3,234,850	5.48%	\$ 23,748	\$ 67,857	\$ 65,898	\$ 1,959	2.97%	7.83%
Johnson	3491	11.764%	\$ 50,988	\$ 2,410,700	4.08%	\$ 17,698	\$ 68,686	\$ 70,521	\$ (1,835)	-2.60%	7.92%
Morristown	5434	18.311%	\$ 79,367	\$ 7,656,130	12.97%	\$ 56,206	\$ 135,573	\$ 132,967	\$ 2,606	1.96%	15.64%
Stowe	5223	17.600%	\$ 76,285	\$ 29,101,720	49.29%	\$ 213,645	\$ 289,930	\$ 263,159	\$ 26,771	10.17%	33.45%
Waterville	686	2.312%	\$ 10,019	\$ 648,840	1.10%	\$ 4,763	\$ 14,783	\$ 14,791	\$ (8)	-0.06%	1.71%
Wolcott	1670	5.627%	\$ 24,391	\$ 1,704,950	2.89%	\$ 12,517	\$ 36,908	\$ 37,005	\$ (97)	-0.26%	4.26%
Hardwick	2920	9.840%	\$ 42,648	\$ 2,148,080	3.64%	\$ 15,770	\$ 58,418	\$ 56,803	\$ 1,615	2.84%	6.74%
Greensboro	811	2.733%	\$ 11,845	\$ 2,780,520	4.71%	\$ 20,413	\$ 32,258	\$ 30,416	\$ 1,842	6.06%	3.72%
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	29676	100.00%	\$ 433,436	\$ 59,040,520	100.00%	\$ 433,436	\$ 866,872	\$ 833,715	\$ 33,157	3.98%	100%

Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
Communications Assessment
For the Years FY 2021 -2022

Total Budget One Half
Assessment of Budget

FY 2021 -2022

\$ 833,716 \$ 416,858

Population Portion 50% of allocation				Grand List Portion 50 % of allocation			FY 21-22	FY 20-21		Percent	Overall
Town Name	Population	Population Percentage	Population Cost	Grand List	Grand List Percentage	Grand List Portion	Assessment	Assessment	Increase/ (Decrease)	Increase/ (Decrease)	Assessment Percentage
Belvidere	365	1.262%	\$ 5,261	\$ 337,950	0.63%	\$ 2,627	\$ 7,888	\$ 8,667	\$ (779)	-8.99%	0.95%
Cambridge	3844	13.291%	\$ 55,404	\$ 5,564,050	10.38%	\$ 43,251	\$ 98,655	\$ 108,125	\$ (9,470)	-8.76%	11.83%
Eden	1370	4.737%	\$ 19,746	\$ 1,385,530	2.58%	\$ 10,770	\$ 30,516	\$ 34,180	\$ (3,664)	-10.72%	3.66%
Elmore	863	2.984%	\$ 12,439	\$ 1,628,360	3.04%	\$ 12,658	\$ 25,096	\$ 28,098	\$ (3,002)	-10.68%	3.01%
Hyde Park	2961	10.238%	\$ 42,677	\$ 2,987,160	5.57%	\$ 23,220	\$ 65,898	\$ 71,098	\$ (5,200)	-7.31%	7.90%
Johnson	3633	12.561%	\$ 52,363	\$ 2,335,900	4.36%	\$ 18,158	\$ 70,521	\$ 72,798	\$ (2,277)	-3.13%	8.46%
Morristown	5501	19.020%	\$ 79,287	\$ 6,905,700	12.88%	\$ 53,680	\$ 132,967	\$ 135,465	\$ (2,498)	-1.84%	15.95%
Stowe	4431	15.321%	\$ 63,865	\$ 25,638,210	47.81%	\$ 199,294	\$ 263,159	\$ 280,097	\$ (16,938)	-6.05%	31.56%
Waterville	706	2.441%	\$ 10,176	\$ 593,750	1.11%	\$ 4,615	\$ 14,791	\$ 15,339	\$ (548)	-3.57%	1.77%
Wolcott	1688	5.836%	\$ 24,329	\$ 1,630,680	3.04%	\$ 12,676	\$ 37,005	\$ 41,500	\$ (4,495)	-10.83%	4.44%
Hardwick	2861	9.892%	\$ 41,236	\$ 2,002,570	3.73%	\$ 15,567	\$ 56,803	\$ 62,320	\$ (5,517)	-8.85%	6.81%
Greensboro	699	2.417%	\$ 10,075	\$ 2,616,810	4.88%	\$ 20,341	\$ 30,416	\$ 33,655	\$ (3,239)	-9.62%	3.65%
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	28922	100.00%	\$ 416,858	\$ 53,626,670	100.00%	\$ 416,858	\$ 833,716	\$ 891,342	\$ (57,626)	-6.47%	100.00%

Lamoille County Sheriff's Department
Patrol Budget
July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

	Budget 20-21	Budget 21-22	Budget 22-23	Percentage Increase	Assessment Increase	
OPERATING BUDGET						
SALARIES	\$ 674,572	\$ 771,252	\$ 810,117	5.04%		
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 41,823	\$ 47,817	\$ 50,227	5.04%		
MEDICARE	\$ 9,781	\$ 11,183	\$ 11,747	5.04%		
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,600	\$ 5,400	17.39%		
HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT	\$ 137,629	\$ 151,432	\$ 149,820	-1.06%		
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$ 60,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 60,000	9.09%		
RETIREMENT	\$ 64,468	\$ 90,552	\$ 137,498	51.84%		
MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	\$ 5,300	\$ 5,300	\$ 10,000	88.68%		
UNIFORMS	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500	\$ 12,000	41.18%		
TRAINING/EDUCATION	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	0.00%		
REPAIRS/MAINTANCE	\$ 29,500	\$ 25,000	\$ 18,000	-28.00%		
INSURANCE - LIABILITY / UMBRELLA	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,750	0.00%		
AUTO INSURANCE	\$ 27,000	\$ 18,500	\$ 25,000	35.14%		
GAS EXPENSE	\$ 33,500	\$ 31,000	\$ 20,000	-35.48%		
PATROL EQUIPMENT	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	0.00%		
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,800	8.89%		
TELEPHONE/DATA LINE	\$ 7,500	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,500	8.33%		
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500	\$ 10,000	17.65%		
DISABILITY INSURANCE	\$ 1,137	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	0.00%		
GPS MONITORING	\$ 3,250	\$ 3,250	\$ 3,900	20.00%		
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 1,164,461	\$ 1,284,836	\$ 1,377,959	7.25%		
CAPITAL BUDGET						
CRUISER	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000	25.00%		
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000	25.00%		
TOTAL BUDGET: FY 21-22	\$ 1,204,461	\$ 1,324,836	\$ 1,427,959	7.78%		

COP'S GRANT (IF WE CAN FILL THE POSITION)	\$	93,750	\$	93,750		
CREDIT FOR LARAWAY SCHOOL	\$	12,000	\$	12,360	\$	12,500
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT	\$	20,000	\$	20,600	\$	50,000
CREDIT FOR ELMORE PATROL	\$	15,979	\$	16,458	\$	16,952
ASSESSMENT - HYDE PARK	\$	420,623	\$	433,242	\$	446,239
ASSESSMENT - JOHNSON	\$	481,761	\$	496,214	\$	511,100
ASSESSMENT - WOLCOTT	\$	231,972	\$	238,931	\$	246,098
CONTRIBUTION FROM LCSD	\$	22,126	\$	13,281	\$	51,320
CREDIT FOR CARRY-OVER FUNDS						
ADJUSTED TOTAL	\$	1,204,461	\$	1,324,836	\$	1,427,959

**LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT
FISCAL 2023 BUDGET
2021 MUNICIPAL EQUALIZED GRAND LIST**

Town	**2021** Grand List Dollars (1% value)	Percentage of Budget	Prior Year 7/01/20-6/30/21	Cost Per Town 7/01/21-6/30/22	Increase/ (Decrease)
Belvidere	\$ 360,690	0.666563%	\$ 3,426	\$ 3,546	\$ 120
Cambridge	\$ 5,671,040	10.480205%	\$ 56,402	\$ 55,753	\$ (649)
Eden	\$ 1,400,820	2.588746%	\$ 14,045	\$ 13,772	\$ (273)
Elmore	\$ 1,922,180	3.552230%	\$ 16,507	\$ 18,897	\$ 2,391
Hyde Park	\$ 3,234,850	5.978073%	\$ 30,281	\$ 31,803	\$ 1,522
Johnson	\$ 2,410,700	4.455026%	\$ 23,679	\$ 23,700	\$ 21
Morristown	\$ 7,656,130	14.148694%	\$ 70,003	\$ 75,269	\$ 5,267
Stowe	\$ 29,101,720	53.780609%	\$ 259,893	\$ 286,106	\$ 26,213
Waterville	\$ 648,840	1.199070%	\$ 6,019	\$ 6,379	\$ 360
Wolcott	\$ 1,704,950	3.150785%	\$ 16,530	\$ 16,762	\$ 232
Totals	<u>\$ 54,111,920</u>	<u>100.000000%</u>	<u>\$ 496,783</u>	<u>\$ 531,987</u>	<u>\$ 35,204</u>
Tax Rate	0.00983124				

LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT

	7/1/20-6/30/21	7/1/21-6/30/22	7/1/22-6/30/23
	PRIOR YEAR	CURRENT	PROPOSED

BUDGET

REVENUES:

	Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget
Municipal Assessments:				
Belvidere	2,968	2,968	3,426	3,546
Cambridge	52,410	52,410	56,402	55,753
Eden	12,587	12,587	14,045	13,772
Elmore	15,351	15,351	16,507	18,897
Hyde Park	26,854	26,854	30,281	31,803
Johnson	22,187	22,187	23,679	23,700
Morristown	61,757	61,757	70,003	75,269
Stowe	234,288	234,288	259,893	286,106
Waterville	5,294	5,294	6,019	6,379
Wolcott	15,187	15,187	16,530	16,762
Total Municipal Assessments:	448,883	448,883	496,783	531,987

Other Income:

Small Claims Court	7,060	8,000	8,000	8,000
Interest Income	1,090	2,000	2,000	1,000
Probate Fees	3,620	3,000	3,000	3,000
Miscellaneous	102	0	0	0
State of VT Co-Share Building	95,178	85,298	98,778	105,551
Reserve Funds Applied	0	0	4,792	39,061
Surplus Applied	41,632	41,632	29,532	16,092
Total Other Income:	148,682	139,930	146,102	172,704

TOTAL REVENUES:	597,565	588,813	642,885	704,691
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EXPENDITURES:

COURT	391,338	397,290	418,370	460,913
PROBATE	360	3,000	3,000	3,000
SHERIFF'S DEPT.	189,775	188,523	221,515	240,778

TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	581,473	588,813	642,885	704,691
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NET REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	16,092	0	0	0
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**LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT
BUDGET**

**7/1/20-6/30/21
PRIOR YEAR**

**7/1/21-6/30/22
CURRENT**

**7/1/22-6/30/23
PROPOSED**

EXPENDITURES:

Actual

Budget

Budget

Budget

Personnel:

Maintenance	49,127	51,000	51,500	52,900
County Clerk	16,943	16,000	16,360	17,200
Asst. Judges	43,065	42,900	43,865	45,180
Asst. Judges - Bench Time	8,559	25,000	20,000	20,000
Soc/Sec and Medicare - Employer	9,958	11,230	11,033	11,328
Health & Dental Insurance	50,952	53,000	54,500	54,800
Retirement - Employer Share	2,258	2,310	2,462	2,555
Workers' Comp.	1,216	3,600	2,000	2,000
VT Dept. of Labor (SUTA)	134	750	400	250
Total Personnel:	182,212	205,790	202,120	206,213

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

Auditor	6,000	6,500	0	6,500
Legal Fees	33,091	1,000	10,000	35,000
Reimbursement from State/Partners	(25,331)	0	(4,000)	(14,000)
Treasurer	5,732	6,000	6,000	6,200
Total Professional Services:	19,492	13,500	12,000	33,700

BUILDING EXPENSES:

Building Improvements	0	2,000	5,000	2,000
Contract Services	34,245	42,000	42,000	42,000
Electric	23,271	22,000	21,000	24,000
Heating Fuel	10,204	12,500	12,500	13,000
Water/Sewer	19,321	1,500	28,000	33,500
Repairs - Building/Equipment	12,951	10,000	10,000	10,000
Repairs - Cooling/Heating Plant	9,989	5,000	7,500	12,000
Repairs - Elevator	3,730	5,000	5,000	5,000
Custodial Supplies	1,171	4,000	4,000	4,000
Trash	3,849	3,500	3,750	4,000
Repairs - Grounds	5,468	5,000	5,000	6,500
Precautionary Expenses (Covid-19)	19,246	0	0	0
Total Building Expenses:	143,445	112,500	143,750	156,000

TRAINING, EDUCATION, & OTHER:

Education/Training	175	3,000	2,000	2,000
Travel/Meals	80	2,500	2,000	2,000
Total Training & Education:	255	5,500	4,000	4,000

DUES/MEMBERSHIP

Judges' Assoc.	967	1,500	1,500	1,500
Total Dues/Membership:	967	1,500	1,500	1,500

SUPPLIES:

Office Supplies	2,362	5,000	2,500	2,500
Kitchen/Jury Supplies	1,984	6,000	5,000	4,000
Equipment/Furnishings	0	4,000	2,000	2,000
Total Supplies:	4,346	15,000	9,500	8,500

LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT BUDGET	7/1/20-6/30/21 PRIOR YEAR	7/1/21-6/30/22 CURRENT	7/1/22-6/30/23 PROPOSED	
EXPENDITURES (continued):	Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget
INSURANCE:				
Property /Liability	25,001			
Umbrella	4,175			
General Liability	1,844			
Public Officials Liability	6,930			
Bonds	854			
Total Insurance:	38,804	40,000	42,500	48,000
COMMUNICATIONS:				
Legal Notices	276	500	500	500
Postage	461	1,000	500	500
Telephone	1,080	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total Communications:	1,817	2,500	2,000	2,000
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Miscellaneous	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total Miscellaneous:	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL COUNTY COURT	391,338	397,290	418,370	460,913

LAMOILLE COUNTY - PROBATE BUDGET	7/1/20-6/30/21 PRIOR YEAR	7/1/21-6/30/22 CURRENT	7/1/22-6/30/23 PROPOSED
EXPENDITURES:	Actual	Budget	Budget
Office Supplies	0	1,000	1,000
Equipment	0	1,000	1,000
Telephone	360	500	500
Education/Training	0	500	500
TOTAL PROBATE	360	3,000	3,000
TOTAL COUNTY & PROBATE COURTS	391,698	400,290	421,370

LAMOILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT BUDGET	7/1/20-6/30/21 PRIOR YEAR	7/1/21-6/30/22 CURRENT	7/1/22-6/30/23 PROPOSED	
EXPENDITURES:	Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget
PERSONNEL:				
Secretary/Bookkeeper (contract)	113,703	113,703	117,115	123,728
Total Personnel:	113,703	113,703	117,115	123,728
ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONS:				
Office Equipment	902	2,500	1,500	1,500
Telephone	515	400	400	550
Total Administrative/Operations:	1,417	2,900	1,900	2,050
TRAINING, EDUCATION, & OTHER:				
Ammunition	4,489	4,500	4,500	5,000
Education/Training	5,482	10,000	10,000	10,000
Sheriff's Uniform	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total Training & Education:	10,971	15,500	15,500	16,000
INSURANCE:				
Property	4,060			
Liability	1,229			
Police Professional	12,829			
Public Official	766			
Bonds	285			
Total Insurance:	19,169	18,000	21,000	28,000
BUILDING EXPENSES:				
Building Repairs & Improvements	4,530	9,000	9,000	10,000
Alarm Monitoring Courthouse	0	300	300	300
Cleaning	10,349	12,500	12,500	14,100
Supplies Custodial	924	600	1,600	1,600
Electricity	5,937	8,120	7,500	7,000
Heating & Fuel	3,303	3,800	5,000	5,000
Water & Sewer	17,010	1,000	27,000	29,000
Heating Plant	1,367	600	600	1,500
Generator Maintenance	978	2,500	2,500	2,500
Precautionary Expenses (Covid-19)	117	0	0	0
Total Repairs & Maintenance:	44,515	38,420	66,000	71,000
TOTAL SHERIFF'S EXPENSES:	189,775	188,523	221,515	240,778

HYPE PARK RECREATION COMMITTEE INCLUDING HYDE PARK YOUTH SPORTS

2021 Hyde Park Recreation

The Hyde Park Recreation Committee hosted three tournaments at the Garfield Field facilities including two state ASA tournaments as well as a Cancer benefit tournament. In addition to the field rental fees, committee members ran the snack shack, generating additional funding to assist with the budget for the field maintenance costs.

This year, Hyde Park Youth Sports (HPYS) was added to the Hyde Park Recreation Committee. The HPYS committee consists of community members that would like to be involved in youth sports. Previous years Hyde Park youth sports have been managed through the Hyde Park Elementary School. With COVID challenges our school was unable to host sports for our students. Hyde Park Recreation developed this committee to create a positive program for kids to still enjoy sports. All members are volunteers. Each sports program is run by a committee member, as the representative for the committee on each sport. Scholarships were made available to parents/players who could not afford the full enrollment fees. Monthly meetings have been hosted by the committee and meeting minutes are posted with the town.

This year the playground at the Garfield facility was deemed unsafe. The removal of unsafe structures was done with help of the HPYS volunteer members.

Our goal for 2022 is to replace some play structures and develop a safe and positive playground.

Hyde Park Youth Sports

Hyde Park Little League Baseball

Eric & Erica Bornemann were Program Managers of Hyde Park Little League Baseball.

Baseball was the first sport of 2021 under the Hyde Park Recreation Committee. HPYS successfully hosted 4 teams at different levels of play. Enrollment of 70 kids made for a very successful season.

During the 2021 season, we installed a batting cage and made improvements to Field 3 at the Garfield facility. This year the committee would like to continue to make improvements to the Garfield facilities. HPYS is hoping to raise additional money through a banner advertisement program to help assist with some bigger improvement costs.

In the coming year, Hyde Park Little League will open up softball teams in addition to the baseball teams that played in 2021.

Hyde Park Youth Soccer:

Michelle Pelletier was the program manager of Hyde Park Youth Soccer.

In 2021, enrollment of soccer had 94 kids in 6 different teams. There were 7 scholarships given. We added a volunteer buy-out option to enrollment of the soccer program to encourage greater involvement of parents in the program. Parents that chose to volunteer rather than pay the

additional fee, assisted in field set up/clean up or field maintenance to keep the fields operating through the season.

In previous years, Hyde Park Youth Soccer was played at the "Finnegan's Field" facility owned by Lamoille Union High School. The committee members brought our goals and equipment from Finnegan's to the town-owned Garfield facility. The committee finds the Garfield facilities provide opportunities to utilize multiple fields, better parking, and less hazards for the kids such as proximity to Route 15.

Our goal for 2022 is to upgrade the grass surface and purchase goals to host tournament play.

Hyde Park Youth Basketball

Michelle Pelletier was the program manager of Hyde Park Youth Basketball.

In 2021, enrollment of basketball had 87 kids in 7 different teams. There were 9 scholarships given. The season is still active at the time of this report.

HPYS has worked with Hyde Park Elementary to allow the use of the gym. Storage of equipment and gym space are a challenging factor for 2021-2022 season. In 2022-2023, our season goal is to have full access to Hyde Park Gym or alternate, as currently the gym is a shared space with other after school activities.

Looking Ahead- 2022

Hyde Park Recreation Committee would like to make a few upgrades to the Garfield facility playground, based on available funds. HPYS plans to continue to offer baseball, softball, soccer, and basketball to the kids of Hyde Park. Parent involvement is key to the success of these programs and we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the parents that have given so much thus far.

Thanks,

Hyde Park Recreation Committee:

Ken Harvey	Matt Morin
Deb Slayton	Eric Bornemann
Gary Nolan	Erica Bornemann
Shelly Nolan	

Hyde Park Youth Sports Sub-Committee:

Eric Bornemann	Kristi McKnight
Erica Bornemann	Mike McKnight
Matt Morin	Deb Edwards
Meranda Morin	Craig Edwards
Alan Pelletier	Devon DePaolo
Michelle Pelletier	Jazanne Fellows

HYDE PARK ENERGY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT JANUARY 2022

Elisa Clancy, *Chair*, Denise Greene, *Vice Chair*, Meg Taylor, *Secretary*, Christine Hallquist

Weatherization

As a committee, our goals are to help residents save financial and natural resources through conservation and efficient use of energy. One of the easiest ways to save energy is to weatherize your home and business.

Public Awareness

HPEC partners with Efficiency Vermont to increase public awareness of energy efficiency. In October 2021, we tabled at two local hardware stores to engage with and educate people about weatherization and financial incentives offered by Efficiency Vermont. We encourage everyone to Button-Up their homes and take advantage of the cost savings offered by Efficiency Vermont.

Assistance for Low-Income Households

Low-income households spend more on energy bills as compared to non-low-income households, creating a high energy burden. The Hyde Park Energy Committee is available to assist low-income households and connect with energy efficiency programs designed to meet their needs. In our area, no-cost weatherization services are provided by Capstone Community Action.

Love Your Lawn Initiatives

Another goal for HPEC is to increase public awareness of energy issues and build public support for sustainable systems. Lawn care accounts for a large use of natural resources. This year our committee designed a three-pronged approach to lawn care to improve our lawn health, use quiet, efficient means to care for our lawns, and convert mowed areas to no-or-low mow areas. We encourage residents to mow less and differently, reduce lawn size, convert lawns to meadow, and use electric tools when possible.

Raise the Blade

An outreach campaign to raise awareness of the benefits of improved soil health by mowing grass no lower than 3 inches. Healthy soils reduce stormwater runoff and improve water quality. HPEC met with mowing contractors and local lawn maintenance people, placed signs around town at participating locations, and teamed up with the Green Up Day committee to discuss Raise the Blade at Green Up Day bag pick up locations. For the Raise the Blade campaign, HPEC partnered with LawnToLake.org, Stowe Energy Committee, and Morrisville Conservation Commission.

Meadow It

HPEC's Denise Greene, UVM Extension Master Gardener, did a presentation in May, *Meadow It*, about creating a pollinator meadow in your lawn. Creating a meadow out of part of your lawn will reduce mowing energy use, attract native birds and beneficial species to the yard, improve soils, and diminish runoff and erosion, all while being beautiful. Denise is speaking with Village Trustees about the possibility of a new meadow installation at the Elsa French Park. If you have an interest in doing this at your place, get in touch with Denise.

Mow Electric!

This campaign is aimed to reduce greenhouse gas emission and create more livable communities. Electric lawn care equipment, from mowers to chore tools, have significant environmental and economic benefits. HPEC encourages residents to check out the savings, compare CO2 emissions, find vendors and consider switching from gas/diesel equipment to electric. Visit mowelectric.org

HPEC will continue these programs in 2022 and we would love to have your help, either as a committee member, or simply by participating with our initiatives.

LAMOILLE FIBERNET

Communications Union District

What is Lamoille FiberNet?

Lamoille FiberNet is a CUD (Communications Union District) serving Lamoille County. Lamoille FiberNet CUD was organized under Vermont Legislation, VSA 30 Chapter 82 which enabled the formation of CUDs in Vermont to provide high speed, symmetrical Internet access to all Vermont residents. Our original member towns included Belvidere, Cambridge, Eden, Johnson, Hyde Park, Morristown, and Waterville and in the last year we have also added Stowe and Wolcott. Our mission is to provide locally-controlled, affordable, and reliable high-speed Internet service to every address in our 9 member towns. Our Governing Board is made up of representatives appointed by the Selectboards of our member towns. We have an Executive Committee, a Technology Committee, a Marketing & Communications Committee, and a Partnership Task Force which is charged with arranging partnerships with telecommunications construction companies and Internet Service Providers (ISPs). Meeting times, agenda and minutes are posted on our website <https://lamoillefiber.net/>

2021 Planning Activity - This year we commissioned the first draft of our preliminary business plan. This was performed by the Tilson Group. This plan provides valuable data that we will use going forward. This data includes the location of existing infrastructure like utility pole data, locations of existing services, total numbers of E-911 addresses, boundaries of local power companies and more. We also sent out a “Request for Proposal” (RFP) for partners to build our network and provide Internet services to our member towns. We received many good proposals, and it was the responsibility of the Partnership Task Force to go through those responses and choose the entities we will partner with. At the time of this report, we are very close to signing a Memorandum of Understanding with a provider. We also recently hired Val Davis as our Executive Director.

2021 Grants Received - In 2021 we received a \$120,970 ARPA grant to support our mission. We also received a \$30,000 USDA RDBG grant through The Lamoille County Planning Commission (LCPC) to assist in the mission of providing broadband to our member towns. In support of the USDA RDBG grant, The LCPC granted us \$7500 and the Lamoille Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) granted us \$3500. Both the LCPC and LEDC Grants are to help with administrative expenses. We also received a DPS Grant to partner with NEK Broadband in providing service to non-served communities in their region. The Lamoille County Planning Commission provides daily administrative support as well as overall governance guidance to the Board and the Committees.

Submitted by LFCUD Governing Board

Jeff Tilton (Vice Chair) and Lucy Rogers (Waterville), Jane Campbell, John Meyer and Carl Fortune (Morristown), Charlotte Reber, Doug Molde and Paul Warden (Johnson), Michael Rooney (Chair), Jack Wool and Carol Fano (Hyde Park), Liza Jones and Stephanie Van Blunk (Eden), Timothy Humphrey and Sam Lotto (Cambridge), Carol Caldwell Edmonds and Kipp Verner (Belvidere), Stephen Friedman, Chris Foran and Scott Weathers (Stowe), Bruce Wheeler and Michael Davidson (Wolcott)

For more information, please reach out to your town representatives or Val Davis
LFCUD Executive Director at director@lamoillefiber.net

GIHON VALLEY HALL

The Gihon Valley Hall Committee is a volunteer group dedicated to the restoration and revitalization of the former Grange Hall in North Hyde Park Village and to improving the vitality of the N. Hyde Park neighborhood.

In the past year, thanks to grants from the Vermont Arts Council and the Vermont Communities Foundation, we were able to **install two energy-efficient heat pumps** to heat and cool the first-floor event space, **update the electrical infrastructure** of the building, and we purchased a **versatile, LED stage lighting system**.

In 2021 we received a **\$50,000 Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant** from the Preservation Trust of Vermont. This money will allow us to restore the building's original windows and add storm windows to improve insulation. We're grateful for the partnership of the Preservation Trust who are working with us to preserve the hall's historic character and get the building added to the National Register of Historic Places. They also helped fund a study to recommend **accessibility and fire safety improvements** to the building. We'll be seeking grants and donations in the coming year to fund that work as we prepare the second-floor for use.



Our volunteer committee continues to work hard maintaining and improving the building, scooping up free bench cushions, planting a free community vegetable garden (funded by RiseVT), and building a mechanical room in the basement to insulate the water pipes and house a future boiler – to name a few of our recent accomplishments. With our latest facility improvements, the hall was able to extend its operating season into the fall when we **hosted a neighborhood-wide Fall Fest** and rented the hall to the Lamoille River Dancers for their series of **square dance events!**

The Gihon Valley Hall's front porch is now home to a **Little Free Library** thanks to the efforts of the Friends of Lanpher Memorial Library, builder Dan Noyes, and library caretakers the Thoeni-Olsen family. Stop by to borrow a book!

We look forward to re-opening the hall this spring when we'll be hosting our annual **Green Up Day event May 7th**. This event will also be an opportunity for people to test out temporary crosswalks that we'll be installing in partnership with the Lamoille County Planning Commission and VTrans to explore ways to **slow traffic in the village center** and make the neighborhood safer for pedestrians and bicyclists.

For FY23, we're asking to increase our \$3,500 annual maintenance budget to \$5,000 primarily to cover the expense of broadband wi-fi and heating utilities as we begin to use the hall for more months of the year.

If you'd like to learn more or get involved, contact us at gihonvalleyhall@gmail.com, visit our website (<https://gihonvalleyhall.wixsite.com/home>), follow us on Facebook or Instagram (@gihonvalleyhall), or call Al Spitzer at (802) 730-3374.

With gratitude – Allen Spitzer (Chair), Andy Race (Vice Chair), Liz Courtney (Secretary), H. Dale Porter (Treasurer), Monica Heath, and Laura Race.

HYDE PARK COMMUNITY CIRCLE

Statement of Intention: “The Hyde Park Community Circle is called for Hyde Park residents and friends who are interested in building community together. The Circle is called so that people can think and act creatively together, providing on-going support in a cooperative spirit.”

As COVID continued through 2021, Hyde Park Community Circle (HPCC) did not begin the visioning process we had hoped to do with the Vermont Council on Rural Development and community members (a recommendation that sprang from the open community meeting called the Hyde Park: Next Generation Think Session on February 12, 2020). We laid low much of the year but managed to hold two community events that were great successes!

HPCC sponsored a Jedediah Hyde Ice Cream Social on July 26. It was held on the Lamoille County Courthouse lawn on a beautiful summer evening. The Lamoille County Player’s cast from “Annie” opened the social with several songs from the show. The Lovesick Trio of Jim Pitman, Mark LeGrand and Carrie Cook provided the main entertainment. In addition to providing delicious ice cream toppings, and cookies, there were activities for children and a presence from local organizations including Lamoille Neighbors, Friends of the Lanpher Memorial Library and the Lanpher Memorial Library. A booth about the “Knot in Hyde Park” effort enlightened the community to the invasiveness of Japanese Knotweed. HPCC was enriched this year by new volunteers who brought new life and helping hands to this event. They stepped right up to the plate and made it happen! The social was a super community event and HPCC was pleased to be able to sponsor it again.

On December 4, 2021, the Gihon Valley Hall Committee and HPCC co-sponsored the 2021 Lighting of the Wreaths event. A ceremony was held at Gihon Valley Hall and broadcast on Facebook Live with music by Betty Jo Jivoff and the reading of names of people and events recognized by donors. Two large wreaths were set aglow with the lights. Following the event, one wreath was displayed outside Gihon Valley Hall and another wreath was hung at the Lamoille County Courthouse for the holiday season. It was a pleasure to again work with our fellow Hyde Parkers from North Hyde Park to hold this special event.

2021 Financial Report

<u>HPCC 2021 Event</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Net Gain/(Loss)</u>
Think Spring *	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jedediah Hyde Ice Cream Social	(\$622.00)	\$217.60	(\$404.40)
Home Day *	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Lighting Ceremony	\$0.00	\$445.00	\$445.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
TOTAL	(\$622.00)	\$1,662.60	\$1,040.60

* This event was not held due to COVID pandemic

Submitted By: Deborah Henderson, Treasurer

Lamoille County Planning Commission FY21 Municipal Report



FY21 Municipal Assistance July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

HYDE PARK TOWN

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

LCPC Board Member

Greg Paus

Liz Courtney – County Director

Caleb Magoon – County Director

Transportation Advisory Committee

Richard Pearson

Ron Rodjenski (alt)

In Hyde Park these services included:

- ❖ Providing general support, coordination, and assistance for continuity of municipal operations during COVID-19;
- ❖ Providing broadband planning assistance;
- ❖ Partnering with Hyde Park Energy Committee to organize workshops on home weatherization, energy efficiency, and transitioning to renewable sources of energy;
- ❖ Providing funding, through LCPC's Brownfields Program, to conduct environmental assessment at the former Valley Hotel in North Hyde Park;
- ❖ Providing information, technical support, and coordination about various highway topics between State officials and Hyde Park Highway Department;
- ❖ Facilitating technical support and coordination with VTrans related to traffic and bike-pedestrian safety, speed limits, and signs on town and state roads;
- ❖ Providing information and technical support regarding the Municipal Roads General Permit;
- ❖ Facilitating \$17,240 of Grant In Aid funds, used to assist the town in complying with the state's Municipal Roads General Permit, for a 2021 project;
- ❖ Providing information about VTrans grant programs and other available funds for road projects;
- ❖ Assisting Town in securing a Municipal Planning Grant to evaluate access and traffic issues related to the Green River Reservoir State Park;
- ❖ Managing an FY20 Municipal Planning Grant to develop a master plan for transportation safety and revitalization in North Hyde Park. Work with Town to develop options for pedestrian safety improvements in North Hyde Park Village. Applying to the Vermont Agency of Transportation for a demonstration project to "test" two potential crosswalk locations in North Hyde Park;

- ❖ Assisting the Town with preparation of a FEMA “Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities” grant application for engineering funding to upgrade the Whitcomb Island Bridge and culvert on Garfield Road;
- ❖ Conducting traffic and bike-pedestrian counts specific to the Green River Reservoir MPG project;
- ❖ Conducting inventory of town-owned bridges;
- ❖ Assisting with updating of Local Emergency Management Plan;
- ❖ Assisting with review of flood hazard regulations for compliance with FEMA standards, and potential opportunities to reduce flood insurance premiums for property owners;
- ❖ Assisting with updating town Zoning maps and overlays;
- ❖ Providing outreach and informational resources on new Vermont stormwater management standards, including the “3 Acre Rule” and Draft Stormwater General Permit;
- ❖ Providing outreach on the update of the Lamoille River Tactical Basin Plan.

SERVICE AGENCY REPORTS

The American Red Cross Northern New England Region has responded to 5 disaster cases in Lamoille County, providing assistance to 29 individuals. Most commonly, these incidents were home fires. Red Cross workers were on the scene to provide food, clothing, lodging, emotional support, and more to families during their hours of greatest need. Our teams also provide Mass Care to first responders. Things like food, water, and warm drinks strengthen the brave men and women of your local Fire and Police Departments as they answer the call to keep your residents safe. Hyde Park had two disaster events affecting 10 individuals in 2021. We proudly assisted 7 of Lamoille County's Service Members, veterans, and their families by providing emergency communications and other services, including counseling and financial assistance. During the last fiscal year, we collected 1,218 pints of life-saving blood at 43 drives in Lamoille County. Last year, 223 Lamoille County residents were taught a variety of important lifesaving skills such as First Aid, CPR, Babysitting Skills and Water Safety. Lamoille County is home to 6 American Red Cross Volunteers. We have volunteers from all walks of life, who are trained and empowered to respond to disasters in the middle of the night, to teach safety courses, to help at our many blood drives, and so much more. The American Red Cross is proud that 90% of its staff is made up of volunteers; they are truly the heart and soul of our organization.

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), is a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Hyde Park residents for fifty-six years. CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16- 90+) in:

- Basic skills programs: reading, writing, math, computer, and financial literacy
- English Language Learning and preparation for U.S. citizenship
- High school diploma and GED credential programs
- Academic skill readiness for work, career training and/or college

Hyde Park is served by our learning center in Morrisville.

Last year, CVABE served 10 Hyde Park Residents, who engaged in over 700 hours of services. Children of parents with low literacy skills have a 72 percent chance of being at the lowest reading levels themselves, and 70% of adult welfare recipients have low literacy levels. By helping to end the cycle of poverty, your support changes the lives of Hyde Park residents for generations to come. We deeply appreciate Hyde Park's voter-approved past support. This year, your level support is again critical to CVABE's free, local education services.

Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) is a private nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting older Vermonters to age with dignity and choice. CVCOA services are available to those age 60 and up, or to adults with disabilities. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters to remain independent for as long as possible. CVCOA makes a difference in the lives of older Vermonters by connecting them to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive, including transportation, mental health counseling, family caregiver support, volunteer services, healthy aging resources and opportunities, information and assistance, legal services, health insurance (Medicare) counseling, and case management services. Most of our clients are living at or below the poverty level. Our services are designed to help people live independently at home for as long as possible. Not only is this the preference of older adults, but has also been shown to offer significant physical, emotional and financial benefits to elders, their families, and our communities.

At CVCOA, we are the leading experts and advocates in healthy aging for central Vermonters. We respect the wishes of aging persons to age at home, remain healthy, stay active, and connected to the

communities they know and love. CVCOA has many partners from healthcare, social services, and governmental organizations. However, as the area agency on aging for Central Vermont, we are the only community-based provider delivering care coordination, case management, information and assistance, and innovative caregiver supports directly to older Vermonters in their homes, at our office, or by phone. CVCOA also provides contracted services for transportation, legal, and mental health services. CVHHH and SASH also provide some case management supports in Central Vermont. CVCOA provides funding and technical assistance for 12 Meals on Wheels sites under contracts for quality assurance but does not directly produce and deliver meals.

CVCOA Help Line - (800) 642-5119 - has the answers to hundreds of common questions from older Vermonters, their families, and caregivers. Information & Assistance staff counsels older Vermonters and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel.

Clarina Howard Nichols Center (Clarina) marked forty years of service in June 2021. Clarina provides services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Lamoille County. During the past year, Clarina served 294 individuals, including:

- Provided shelter to 40 individuals (23 adults and 17 children) for a total of 1,943 bed nights
- Provided criminal and civil court advocacy to 184 individuals
- Responded to 1,080 hotline calls

Funding from the Town of Hyde Park supports the continued availability of high quality, no cost advocacy, education, and shelter services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Clarina's role in supporting safety at home became even more critical during the pandemic. Survivors were trapped in their homes. Tensions were high due to financial pressures, remote learning for children, and isolation from family and friends. As tensions rose, violence escalated and the opportunities to reach out for help were limited. Clarina's services have remained available. Our hotline was answered 24/7. Clarina staff worked with community partners on emergency planning efforts, including supporting expanded emergency shelter options, assisting with food distribution, and engaging with schools about child/family safety during remote learning.

We also issued a plea to the community – You can help. If you suspect that someone is isolated at home with an abusive partner, here are some basic tips:

- Reach out – call, video chat, go for a walk (maintaining social distancing)
- Listen – allow the survivor to share what they want, when they want
- Believe – do not question the survivor about the severity or details of the abuse
- Offer resources – share Clarina's hotline number, talk about safety planning
- Don't judge – the survivor knows the safest options for their circumstance

HomeShare Vermont helps people stay in their homes whether they are aging, persons with disabilities or simply someone just trying to make ends meet. At the same time, it helps someone else find an affordable place to live and uses existing housing more efficiently. At its core, home-sharing is about two people helping each other. HomeShare Vermont provides a comprehensive screening and matching service to help people find the right match, then ongoing support for as long as they decide to live together. This assistance ranged from simple companionship to cooking, cleaning, pet care, yard work, etc. Each match is unique depending on the needs and interests of both parties. Those who shared their homes ranged in age from 30-96 and those who found housing ranged in age from 22-78. 80% of matched participants were considered low income. The average rent in our program last year was only

\$296/month. Of those who shared their homes, 78% reported feeling less lonely, 76% felt safer, 50% slept better and 43% even felt healthier just by having someone living with them.

By sharing their homes, Homeshare Hosts in our program received over \$225,000 in rental income to help them make ends meet. Homeshare Guests provided over 23,000 hours of assistance to their HomeShare Host this year helping with everything from yardwork to dog walking to making meals. The average rent of a homesharing match in our program was only \$314/month with 25% of matches paying no rent at all. Using the difference between market rents and HomeShare actual rents, it is estimated that HomeShare Guests saved over \$530,000 in rental expenses this year. (802) 863-5625 www.HomeShareVermont.org

Hyde Park Elementary School provides, with town funding support, After-School and Summer Camp programs. Research has shown that After-school programs have a positive impact on academic achievement and improve test scores, and summer programs help curb summer learning loss. The After School program offers enrichment opportunities including coding, art, fitness activities, and homework support during the school year.

There has been a continuing increase in student participation and many children enjoy the camp which exposes children to enrichment activities such as Taekwondo, theater, puppetry, basketball, dance, and fishing as well as providing swimming, hiking, and cooking experiences. The program has been primarily funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant. Matching funds are required as part of the grant requirements. Hyde Park's support allows us to continue this program. We would appreciate the support of the taxpayers in continuing this important work.

Hyde Park Youth Mentoring Program serves the Hyde Park community's children ages 6 through 12 years. We currently (as of the writing of this report) remain on hold as it regards to meeting with mentees due to COVID-19 but hope to resume meeting with our mentees as soon as possible. The mission of the Hyde Park Youth Mentoring Program is to provide positive role models who will support and nurture young persons' social development, personal growth, and in turn, academic success. Mentors guide youth toward positive choices through one-on-one sustained relationships. Our ultimate goal is that every young person in Hyde Park who wants or needs a mentor has one and that every adult who wants to be a mentor can be. We are always working to increase the number of mentor matches.

As always, there are many more children who have been identified as mentee candidates, who will begin meeting with mentors as soon as mentor volunteers can be found. If you are interested in making a difference by becoming a mentor in our community, please contact Mentoring Program Coordinator Jeff Beattie at 802-371-7491 or jeff@jeffbeattie.com. Thank you.

Lamoille Community Food Share is a locally funded, volunteer powered 501c3 non-profit corporation. Our mission is to help support and improve the physical well-being of individuals who might otherwise go hungry. To this end, we provide supplemental food, free of charge, in a supportive environment, striving to offer healthy choices within our budget. We help all those who ask, but our main service area consists of the towns of Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Morristown, Stowe and Wolcott.

2021 was another challenging year for LCFS. But with hardworking employees and volunteers, as well as the support of our generous community, we have managed to keep up with the ever-increasing need for food assistance. We are currently seeing a 41% rise in the number of visits to the food share over pre-pandemic numbers. We invite people to come as needed; there are no restrictions. The support we receive from our community allows us to keep our doors open 6 mornings a week for those in need.

More than ever, we appreciate the help we have received in the past and look forward to continued support from our friends and neighbors in Elmore. Your support of LCFS ensures that the citizens of Hyde Park have access to healthy nutritious food. Thank you! Board of Directors: Ken Lamb – President, Joan Green, Caroline Ballard, Lee Genung, Bill Robinson, Ellen Waldman, Julie Bomengen, Mark Andrews

The Lamoille County Conservation District (LCCD) staff work with town officials and landowners to develop stormwater and water quality improvement projects throughout Lamoille County. State and Federal funding support our work with local community grant-matching. Through a Natural Resource Conservation Commission Block Grant provided by Ecosystem Restoration Program of the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, the Lamoille County Conservation District (LCCD) completed the repair of a massive gully erosion to stabilize the streambank and improve water quality before it enters the Centerville Brook, supported the installation of subsurface stormwater system on Prospect Street and continues to providing engineering and planning to develop additional projects in Hyde Park.

LCCD is currently working with the Town and landowners to develop concepts for stormwater and remediation work west of the Village of Hyde Park and a planting plan for the Prospect St. bioretention basin. Agricultural Outreach to farms in Hyde Park includes help with Nutrient Management Plans, advice on Best Management Plans and farm viability options.

Peter Danforth, Director, (802) 888-9218 ext:3004; E-mail: lcddirector@gmail.com

Lamoille County Mental Health Services (LCMHS) strives to provide the highest quality services and support to our community to enhance independence and quality of life. Over the past year, we provided quality services to Lamoille Valley residents with all our programs including a 24-hour 365 day a year Mobile Crisis Team (MCT) responding to requests from children, families, and individuals as well as local police, ambulance, Copley Hospital inpatient and Emergency Department, Lamoille Valley school districts and other partners. The Mobile Crisis Team also provides Critical Incident Stress Debriefing for first responders, families, and work colleagues coping with the aftermath of a traumatic event. This is the only full-time mental health emergency crisis response service in the region. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, we served 68 individuals providing over 5,500 services over the course of fiscal year 2021.

In the past five years, we have created a community peer support program, The Cadre Team, to support individuals who are experiencing a difficult time to have a peer to talk with or to assist them in getting over a temporary challenge. We have also developed into a Zero Suicide agency to help reduce suicides in our area, among the highest county for suicide related deaths in Vermont. This effort has been successful in training over 200 staff and community members on basic suicide prevention and over 70 providers on doing specific suicide intervention therapy. As well, LCMHS is sponsoring a survivors of suicide support group which is open to all communities to help individuals cope with this challenging event. Funding support from local governments can help to expand these efforts.

Our community and school treatment/support programs were engaged by Zoom and in person to work with children and families through the challenges of the early pandemic and, as the 2021-2022 school year starts, we are continuing to develop new pathways to help families coping with both the COVID virus as well as a hybrid classroom model spawned by it. Meanwhile, our Developmental Services program has also done phenomenally well as we have recently been found to continue to have one of Vermont's strongest employment programs for persons with intellectual and development disabilities. In the last year, July 2020 through June 2021, LCMHS has provided services including child and

family mental health, crisis services for individuals, and a variety of other community-based services to improve outcomes for individuals and families in the Lamoille Valley. As well, our agency continues working with local, county, and state police and other first responders and local schools to help improve outcomes for persons impacted by sudden and unexpected events such as accidents and other serious incidents.

In these challenging times, town contributions and support, are always valued, making them more important than ever as all of us wrestle with the COVID 19 recovery. We are committed to do what we can to support our families and friends who find themselves in need and help to mitigate the many health impacts of the pandemic.

Michael Hartman, Chief Executive Officer

The Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to investigating, prosecuting, and providing victim advocacy services for child sexual abuse, child serious physical abuse, adult sexual assaults, and crimes against vulnerable adults. The LCSIU represents a collaborative partnership between the Lamoille County State's Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, The Lamoille County Sheriff's Department, Morristown Police Department, Stowe Police Department, The Clarina Howard Nichols Center, and the Department for Children and Families, as well as various medical and therapeutic service providers.

In fiscal year 2021, the Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit was involved in 95 incidents throughout Lamoille County: 84 investigations related to allegations of physical and sexual violence against children and 11 investigations related to allegations of abuse against adult victims. Town funds supplement our state funds and help us in supporting our detectives to investigate incidents in a timely manner and assist our victim advocates in helping victims through this very difficult and traumatic process. Town funds helped us train our core team; specific to the work we do.

The LCSIU space in Hyde Park provides a secure and comfortable area to meet with victims and their non-offending caregivers, and through a multidisciplinary team approach, ensures victims can seamlessly access the services they need. In 2021, we were recommended and granted National Accreditation as a Child Advocacy Center (CAC). This designation means we meet rigorous national standards that ensure allegations of child sexual and physical abuse are investigated and prosecuted while providing coordinated support services to victims and their families.

As the Executive Director, I would welcome opportunities to talk with Lamoille County groups and organizations about the important work of the LCSIU. Please contact me at 851-8116 if you have questions or would like additional information. Thank you for your continued support.

Tracy Patnoe, Executive Director

Lamoille Economic Development Corporation supports economic development activities and services in the Town of Hyde Park and throughout Lamoille County. These municipal funds help support multiple economic development services in your town and beyond. We welcome your continued endorsement of our mission to grow our local economy through small business support services, business financing and many other important initiatives. By supporting LEDC, you help bring many direct business services to our local small businesses, including one-on-one business advising and counseling for all entrepreneurs and start-up businesses in Lamoille County. These advising services are specific to each entrepreneur and are provided free of charge. These consulting sessions can cover topics including drafting business start-up plans, obtaining business financing, marketing your business, digital marketing strategies, accounting best practices, locating appropriate commercial spaces, and more. If a

business has needs that exceed our level of expertise, we have resources to refer businesses to the proper channels. Your funding support directly assists with this effort. In addition to free business advising & consulting services, LEDC also oversees the Lamoille County Revolving Loan Fund. This important loan fund provides businesses seeking financing with an opportunity that some lending institutions often do not allow. We accept higher risk loans to businesses that are often unable to obtain funding elsewhere, which creates opportunity for entrepreneurs that would not otherwise be able to start or maintain their business. This funding is sometimes used as a bridge loan to leverage additional financial services businesses may not be able to obtain without the additional assistance our loan fund provides.

LEDC also has a marketing consultant contracted to work with individual businesses free of charge. This work runs the gamut of marketing activities, often with a focus on digital marketing. As part of this program, LEDC offers grants for website start-up builds and existing website redesigns. Your support helps fund this work.

LEDC also conducts multiple small business workshops held at the Green Mountain Technical and Career Center. These workshops are well attended and receive good feedback from attendees. Entrepreneurs who attend learn a variety of topics including selling goods and services online, accounting best practices, human resources management, hiring foreign workers, seasonal worker visas and more. Your funding support also helps LEDC bring these workshops to business owners in your town and beyond. Many entrepreneurs have attended these small business workshops, which we recently began holding again in the fall of 2021 after they were shuttered for many months due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition, LEDC, along with the assistance of 11 other Regional Development Corporations throughout the state, works closely with trusted business support groups in Montpelier throughout the legislative session to promote and advocate for the needs of the local business community. All Vermont businesses benefit from this work in the way of legislative action aimed at funding and supporting their efforts. Your support helps make this effort possible.

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

Pat Ripley, Executive Director

Lamoille Family Center has served thousands of children, youth and families throughout the Lamoille Valley since 1976, offering home visiting, parent education, playgroups, infant wellness support, child-care resource and referral, prevention programming, youth services, and emergency assistance. In fiscal year 2021, our caring and dedicated staff reached more than 4,000 individuals and impacted many more. LFC continues to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic with flexibility, providing services through telehealth and masked, socially distanced visits.

Examples of Hyde Park residents served include:

- Children's Integrated Services team provided 28 families with support and early intervention
- 39 children received toys, games, and books through the Holiday Project
- 60 residents received emergency assistance for rent, heat, diapers, clothing and other needs
- 7 families received Welcome Baby visits by our Maternal-Child Health Specialist

- 13 families were supported by a DULCE family specialist around pediatric infant wellness
- 25 residents visited the Story Stroll to promote movement and literacy skills
- 23 families attended Parent Education Workshops to learn more about raising healthy families
- 2 youth facing severe crisis situations were served via LFC's Youth and Young Adult Program
- Dozens of families and several childcare providers received childcare support services
- Many students, educators, parents, and community members benefitted from prevention programming and work promoting healthy lifestyles by Healthy Lamoille Valley

Together, we strive to help families become mentally and physically healthy, resilient, safe, strong, and independent. We cannot do this work without you. Please call if you would benefit from our services. Thank you for your support.

Floyd Nease, Executive Director, fnease@lamoillefamilycenter.org
480 Cady's Falls Road Morrisville, VT 05661, (802) 888-5229 ext. 124

Lamoille Home Health & Hospice is celebrating its 50th year of providing care to Lamoille County residents and their families. Understandably, 2021 was a challenging year for all of us. The COVID-19 pandemic has had an enormous impact on the way we serve our clients. The financial and emotional toll that it continues to take on many Vermonters is also very real. Our Agency is deeply committed to meeting the health needs of every resident. As a non-profit, we are able to ensure that everyone is cared for; not just those with an ability to pay. All of our neighbors matter to us, and through collaboration with our community health partners, it helps us to ensure delivery of the best possible care.

Your town's support is constant for us in the ever changing and challenging work of health care. Last fiscal year, LHH&H staff made 7,367 home visits to residents of Hyde Park. These visits included 2,782 for nursing, 1,345 for physical therapy, 397 for occupational therapy, 83 for speech therapy, 215 for medical social worker, 1,501 for licensed nursing assistance, 851 for personal care attendant, 161 for case management and 32 for volunteer visits.

Town allocations, personal donations, and committed volunteers afford us the opportunities to provide the finest home health care with a hometown touch! LHH&H exists to service you and your loved ones; to provide hope, healing and recovery. Your continued support makes a world of difference to so many in Lamoille County.

Lamoille Housing Partnership (LHP) was established in 1991. LHP develops, rehabilitates, and maintains safe, decent, and affordable housing through rental, home ownership, or other means to low and moderate-income earning persons and families living within Lamoille County and the Town of Hardwick. LHP provides such assistance without discrimination or prejudice using a combination of private and public funding partnerships. LHP is a registered 501c3 nonprofit. Our mission in action reduces housing affordability barriers and closes the housing opportunity gap in the Lamoille Valley. We believe that all individuals, regardless of income, deserve the opportunity to lead thriving, healthy, and dignified lives and this starts with a safe, stable, and affordable home.

LHP Economic & Community impact:

- Over \$50 million invested in development of 280+ affordable apartments and homes since 1991.
- Over \$240,000 in property taxes paid to local municipalities in 2021.
- Income eligible, affordable apartments designated for households that earn 30% to 120% of area median income.
- 7 commercial spaces developed in downtown areas leased to restaurant and retail businesses.

- 70 participants of Support And Services At Home (SASH) free, voluntary health and wellness programming in 2021.
- Prior to renting a home through LHP, 20% of LHP's residents have previously been at high risk of becoming or have experienced homelessness.
- In 2021, LHP provided 13 renter households, who previously endured homelessness, a path out of homelessness into permanent, long-term housing

LHP Resident Demographics:

- Annual range of household incomes served: \$6,000 - \$58,000
- Populations served: low to moderate income (LMI) earning families, members of the workforce, aging persons, persons with disabilities, veterans and individuals who have experienced homelessness
- Total residents served in Lamoille County and Hardwick: 454
- Total LMI families housed with children under age 18: 64
- Total LMI aging individuals and individuals with disabilities housed: 204
- Total LMI individuals housed previously at high risk of becoming or have experienced homelessness: 90

LHP Affordable Rental Apartment & Community Development Portfolio:

- Morrisville: Arthur's on Main, Lamoille View, Morrisville Community HLP, Portland and Main. Total apartments, commercial spaces: 78, 2.
- Jeffersonville: Mann's Meadow Family and Senior, Brewster River. Total apartments and commercial spaces: 40, 1.
- Johnson: Lower Main Street & Mack Mudgett Drive, School Street. Total apartments: 28.
- Stowe: Sylvan Woods. Total apartments: 39
- Hardwick: Bemis Block, Highland Hill HLP, Cherry Street, South Main Street, Evergreen Manor, Maple St. Apartments. Total apartments, commercial spaces: 98, 4

Service Area Housing Needs: Barriers to housing among local LMI populations include: housing costs that outpace wages, low vacancy rates, and a rental housing shortage with a disproportionate amount of subsidized, affordable options. Barriers to housing contribute to: severe rates of housing cost burdened households, homelessness and evictions, overcrowding, compromised access to basic needs such as food and health care, and a workforce shortage. LHP apartment rental rates range from *\$79 to **\$940 per month and include utilities (*subsidized apartments, **higher rental rates represent market rate apartments in LHP portfolio, just 8%.) Comparatively, area market rate rentals range from \$900 to \$1,500 per month, and in most cases exclude heat and utilities. As of October 2021, LHP had 0 vacancies within our entire 280-unit rental portfolio and 480+ applicants on our waitlist. In the same month, 68 households are experiencing homelessness in area communities and seeking long term housing. To develop solutions that reduce or end barriers to housing in our service area communities, we collaborate with local partners including Stowe Land Trust, Lamoille County Planning Commission, and Lamoille Valley Housing and Homelessness Coalition regarding affordable housing, workforce housing, homelessness, rentals and purchase property availability.

Support and Services at Home (SASH) programming: Free health and wellness support program for aging persons and persons with disabilities living in congregate housing, plus Medicare recipients in surrounding communities. Program measurably reduces medical expenses, supports participants to healthfully and independently age at home. SASH assists approximately 5,000 people statewide.

LHP funding is received from area municipalities: Stowe, Morrisville, Cambridge, Hyde Park, Eden, Elmore, Johnson, and Waterville and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, Vermont Housing

Finance Agency, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits, Vermont Community Development Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, developer fees, philanthropic contributions from individuals and businesses.

Lamoille Neighbors started serving its members on April 1, 2019, and for the past 3 years we have successfully carried out our mission to help seniors stay active, connected, and less isolated. Our dedicated volunteers have transported members to medical and other appointments, events, grocery stores, the library, the bank, and the post office. We provided gardening help, handyman repairs, pet care, and meal deliveries. Our 52 volunteers completed 249 services to 61 members this past year. A large portion of these services are to citizens of Hyde Park and transportation is approximately 50% of our services.

To combat the social isolation of seniors exaggerated by COVID, we held outside concerts, stargazing lectures, bird watching walks, and garden tours. We partnered with other service organizations to create a “Celebration of the Arts” event. We held Zoom lectures, discussion groups, and exercise programs. We regularly checked up on members by calling on the phone, sending cards, making friendly visits to the more vulnerable seniors, and delivering Holiday baskets door to door. All our volunteers undergo a criminal background check and, if they volunteer to drive, a DMV records check. We are now providing N95/KN95 masks to all volunteers and members who want them.

This year, Lamoille Neighbors is asking for the same amount of support as last year (\$800.00) from the Town of Hyde Park to help us increase our membership, subsidize the dues for those who cannot afford them, and expand our services.

Website: www.lamoilleneighbors.org

Email: lamoilleneighbors@gmail.com Phone: (802)585-1233

Lamoille Restorative Center (LRC) empowers people to make good choices and connect positively to their community. Our mission is to uphold the dignity and resilience of individuals and families through restorative justice principles and programs. The number of children, youth, and adults residing in Hyde Park who were served by one of LRC’s twelve (12) programs in fiscal year 2021 was sixty-four (64). Across the Lamoille Valley in fiscal year 2021, staff at LRC worked with a total of **716** individuals, and specifically helped:

- **157** students get re-engaged with school.
- **74** people stay out of the justice system with the help of **42** volunteers; through restorative justice meetings where participants identify ways to repair the harm caused by their crime.
- **10** men and women reenter their community from prison, establish positive relationships and work to avoid re-offending.
- **253** people get treatment for substance use and/or mental health issues. These people avoided deeper court involvement and many avoided potential prison sentences.
- **22** young people with disabilities and other barriers to employment prepare for the world of work and find meaningful employment.

These interventions save tax dollars, reduce recidivism, and help people address issues that often lead to crime in the first place. LRC relies on financial contributions from individuals and communities – like this town’s appropriation. We are grateful for Hyde Park’s residents’ continued support. Lamoille Restorative Center is located at 221 Main St. Hyde Park, VT 05655 www.lrcvt.org (802) 888-5871. To learn more about Lamoille Restorative Center and its programs or how to volunteer, please contact Heather Hobart, Executive Director, at 888-0614 or hhobart@lrcvt.org.

Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County operates to improve the health of, and enhance the quality of, life for our community elders by providing nutritious meals and social interaction. Our daily meal and well check visits help elders live independently in their own homes and community.

Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County provides home-delivered meals and congregate-style meals at meal sites throughout Lamoille County. Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County delivers meals to elders (60 or older) in need for various reasons, including but not limited to inability to prepare their meals, income, and transportation challenges, hospital/nursing home discharge, and illness or injury. Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County also provides meals to caregivers (regardless of age) and people under 60 with a disability if they reside with or care for someone receiving meals.

Volunteers are crucial in our success. Volunteers deliver nine of the ten delivery routes traveling over 275 miles each day. Volunteers also help prep foods, serve lunch at our congregate meal sites, and help with fundraising events. Over the last year, Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County has prepared over 5,000 pounds of locally sourced fruits and vegetables. Each meal complies with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans providing 1/3 of the daily Recommended Dietary Allowances.

Our work is only possible because of support from communities like yours. State and Federal funding accounts for 40% of our budget, and we fill in the gap by writing grants and campaign letters, fundraising activities, client contributions, and town appropriations.

This fiscal year, October 1, 2020- September 30, 2021, Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County delivered over 47,000 meals. Of those, 7,481 meals were delivered to 58 recipients in Hyde Park.

Thank you for your ongoing support. For more information about our services or to become a volunteer, please call 888-5011.

Nicole Fournier Grisgraber, Executive Director

North Central Vermont Recovery Center (NCVRC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing a safe, supportive, welcoming, and substance-free environment for individuals and families on their paths to lasting recovery from alcohol and other drugs. Our programs and services are provided to all citizens regardless of age, race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation. All services and programs offered at NCVRC are provided free of charge. Most of our staff, coaches, volunteers, and board members are people with lived experience with addictions, allowing us to provide powerful, effective insights working with the people we serve.

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought unprecedented challenges for us, as it has for everyone. We have been able to keep close-to-normal hours, opening our doors to the community with available staff at least 56 hours per week while also hosting support groups and workshops in the evenings outside of official open hours. According to our sign-in system, during FY21 from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 we served approximately 8669 people (a 10% increase from 2020) including several hundred new visitors.

NCVRC supports numerous pathways to and in recovery, including:

- Recovery Coaching (individual support and goal setting)
- Opiate addiction recovery assistance
- Recovery Coaching for family members
- Alcoholics Anonymous
- 24/7 Emergency department recovery coaching at Copley Hospital
- Families Anonymous

- *SMART Recovery* and *All Recovery* groups
- Financial Planning Workshops and Employment counseling
- Refuge Recovery (Buddhist-based meditation)
- Arts and Music programs
- Al-Anon (for family members/loved ones)
- Substance-free social activities and Recovery Yoga
- Health and Wellness Workshops
- A safe space to visit and meet others in a substance-free environment, including the use of computers, television, and a full kitchen to prepare meals.

We distribute harm reduction to go packs including Narcan, educational and instructive materials, and in some cases fentanyl test strips. We collaborate with our many community partners, providing referrals and resources to assist with barriers and challenges connected with addiction, such as housing, healthcare, food, employment, parenting, transportation, inpatient and outpatient treatment, and legal issues. And in FY22, we expanded our Health and Wellness program, to include the Moms in Recovery Support Program and other programming at our satellite facility at Jenna's House in Johnson. We are working with Jenna's Promise to dramatically increase the recovery services available in the Lamoille Valley.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the whole NCVRC family, we greatly appreciate and thank the community for supporting North Central Vermont Recovery Center.

North Country Animal League (NCAL) appreciates the support we receive from the Town of Hyde Park each year. Your support is invaluable in helping us meet our mission. North Country Animal League promotes compassionate and responsible relationships between humans and animals through sheltering of homeless animals, adoptions, education, spay/neuter and outreach programs, and support of cruelty prevention.

In 2021 year to date, NCAL has taken in and sheltered 2 strays and 4 owner surrenders from Hyde Park. This amounted to a cost to NCAL of \$4,350 based on our average cost per animal of \$725. Hyde Park residents adopted 9 dogs or cats from NCAL in 2021. Eight Hyde Park young residents participated in our humane education programs in 2021. NCAL Meals, our free pet food delivery program for families in need, supported 4 families (4 pets) in 2021.

Tracy Goldfine, Executive Director, 802-888-5065 x 106, tracyg@ncal.com

River Arts is a non-profit community arts center with a mission of enriching and empowering the community through the arts. River Arts is committed to serving local communities with ongoing art opportunities and exposure. For many, these programs serve as a vital connection to their community, encouraging therapeutic self-expression and enriching relationships to self and the community at large.

River Arts has had an incredibly challenging year as all arts organizations have had. We have worked hard to meet adversity with creativity; reframing "limitations" as valuable learning experiences to re-imagine ways to be a more inclusive and equitable organization. With the setbacks due to COVID-19 we continued to keep the doors open recognizing the essential service that art can provide through such trying times. River Arts hosted many classes, camps, programs, and community events including bringing innovative exploratory arts. In 2021, we offered 10 camps and served 78 youth with nearly half of our campers receiving scholarships. In Hyde Park alone, River Arts has served 438 residents, the third largest township which accesses our

organization and 46% of those who have given funds to support our mission.

A community arts non-profit like River Arts is not possible without the support of our generous donors and dedicated community. Behind every program and event, there are costs to both create and run them. River Arts relies on the generosity of others to help underwrite the expenses associated with high quality programming and events that bring energy and vitality to our community. We hope the Town of Hyde Park will help us to fully realize our mission.

Selina Coté, Co-Director | Outreach & Youth Programming

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT), is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex and Lamoille Counties. RCT operates fare-free shuttle and commuter bus routes which allow connections between towns in our region as well as the ability to travel throughout Vermont and beyond. In addition, RCT provides demand response transportation services under several programs, such as Medicaid, the Elderly & Disabled program and Rides 2 Wellness. Though RCT was greatly impacted by COVID-19, we continued to grow and do our part to keep our community healthy and safe. We get the most out of life when we are driven by a purpose. At RCT, we have a special program that helps Vermonters every day. The RCT Volunteer Driver program takes people of all ages and walks of life wherever they need to go. RCT depends on dedicated volunteer drivers for the majority of our demand response transportation services. Without their generosity and commitment to our community, RCT would not be able to achieve its mission.

In FY20, RCT buses traveled a total of 95,714 miles across our service areas of Caledonia, Essex, Orleans and (newly added!) Lamoille Counties, with service points in Washington County. Our bus service connects passengers to destinations throughout and beyond Vermont. The RCT Shuttle/Commuter/Shopper Bus system keeps people connected to work and family and community. RCT is committed to efficient travel and reducing Fossil Fuel consumption. In FY20, RCT received funding to put two new electric buses on the road.

RCT Dial-A-Ride: NEK residents called our Dial-A-Ride Program for a total of 134,053 trips to healthcare appointments, jobs, school and more. Though the emergence of COVID-19 reduced demand, we were honored to provide essential rides with safety as our priority. We extend our sincere thanks to the donors and sponsors whose contributions are invaluable to RCT, especially during this challenging pandemic. We at RCT, rely on your generosity to provide required local match funding for our grants.

There are many ways to be a part of the RCT team. If you would like to be a part of something bigger than yourself, **consider a donation to RCT**. Donating to RCT helps your neighbors and your community be stronger. Would you like to be a part of an important cause, help your neighbors, and be reimbursed for your expenses? Call RCT today. For other RCT career opportunities visit: www.RideRCT.org. (802) 748-8170

Salvation Farms has moved more than 500,000 servings of surplus produce from over 20 different farms into the community in the last three years, serving upwards of 50 food programs. In this work, the organization has engaged community-based volunteers in over 2,000 hours of gleaning and distribution. All of this work is performed at no cost to farmers or the food programs that receive this food.

As of December 2021, Salvation Farms has delivered **40,478 pounds** of surplus produce to community food programs in the Lamoille Valley that are serving residents of Hyde Park:

Food Program	Pounds of Produce Delivered in 2021
Cambridge Community Food Shelf	2,570
Capstone Community Action – Head Start Program (Morrisville)	85
Hardwick Area Food Pantry	4,427
Lamoille Health Partners – Bounty Share	455
Johnson Emergency Food Shelf	2,645
Lamoille Community Food Share (Morrisville)	3,970
Lamoille County Mental Health Services – Food Shelf (Morrisville)	2,655
Lamoille Campus Cupboard – Lamoille Union High School	1,059
Laraway Youth & Family Services (Johnson)	859
NEKCA Hardwick	2,249
Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County	4,155
The Manor, Inc.	2,109
Teen Challenge New England (Johnson)	4,568
WIC (Morrisville)	4,511
LCMHS -- Copley House (Morrisville)	1,638
Lamoille View Apartments – SASH	1,409
United Community Church of Morrisville	1,114
Total:	40,478 pounds

Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to support the costs of construction. During the **23+ years** of the program, almost **1200 grants** totaling **\$2.6 million** have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

We have made several adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program, including changing the name from Dry Hydrant Grant Program to Rural Fire Protection Program to better reflect the diverse range of projects we support. We have increased the maximum grant award amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project. New rural fire protection systems, along with repair, replacement, relocation, upgrades of existing systems, and drafting site development, are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2020 was \$200,432, of which \$107,524 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covered site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Vermont Department of Public Safety through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. Since last year's appropriation request, we have received nearly **\$10,000** in town appropriations from almost **100** towns, with contributions still coming in. We are deeply

grateful for your ongoing support.

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

Tom Maclay, Chair, RFP Task Force, (802) 426-3265 | 83creameryst@fairpoint.net
Troy Dare, Program Manager, RFP (802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com

Vermont Family Network (VFN) operates to empower and support all Vermont children, youth, and families, especially those with disabilities or special needs. VFN has collectively served families across Vermont for more than 30 years. Vermont children, youth, and families are provided a "one-stop-shop" to help them reach their full potential. VFN gives a strong start, lifts family voices, and advances inclusive communities.

VFN traditionally, is primarily funded through state and federal grants. We find that waning funds threaten to slow our work and minimize the number of families we can support. We are reaching out to communities like Hyde Park where we have served many families to seek your help. Your appropriation will help ensure the work we are able to do all around the state continues to happen with the same excellence and care that it has for the past 30 years.

We are proud to serve over 1,400 families yearly with expert information, referral and assistance services provided by family support consultants located in Williston, Newport and Rutland, holding an annual conference, and much more, through our Family Support Program.

Vermont Family Network is also home to Puppets in Education, an educational puppetry team who teach children and parents all around the state about important topics like bullying prevention, child abuse prevention and disability awareness through engaging performances that emphasize compassion, respect, effective leadership and communication. Each year almost 10,000 school children benefit from one of these educational programs.

Thank you so much for your consideration. The funding received will go a long way to ensuring our ability to continue to provide the much-needed services to families all across the state. Please feel free to reach out to me at Claire.giroux-williams@vtfn.org, or 802-876-5315, ext. 105 if you have any questions.

Claire Giroux-Williams, Development and Communications Manager



LRSWMD Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Report

The Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District (LRSWMD) is a municipal non-profit with a mission to reduce the quantity and toxicity of the trash generated and going to the landfill while maintaining or improving overall environmental quality (air, water, soil), treating customer and employees with respect, and operating within a balanced budget.

The LRSWMD is comprised of the 12 communities: Belvidere, Cambridge, Craftsbury, Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Johnson, Morristown, Stowe, Waterville, Wolcott, and Worcester. Each town either appoints or elects a representative to serve on the Board of Supervisors; Marilyn Zophar represents Hyde Park. The LRSWMD provides outreach and education on materials management in schools and in communities, free use of waste receptacles for community events, sells recycling and composting bins at subsidized costs, assists member communities with compliance with state solid waste regulations, and hosts annual household hazardous wastes events which are free for all LRSWMD residents. The 2022 collections dates are: Saturdays – May 14, August 20, and September 10.

The LRSWMD operates facilities in the following communities: Craftsbury, Johnson, Morristown, Stowe, and Worcester and Lamoille Soil - a commercial food scrap composting facility in Johnson. The services offered at these facilities are open to both District and non-District users.

A total of 3,266 tons of solid waste was collected this year, down 2.1%, while recycling was up 2.2% at 912 tons. Some of our locations experienced intermittent closures, impacting annual tonnages. Following the July 1, 2020 ban on food waste in landfills, food scrap collection at our sites continues to increase, and by the end of FY2021 we were processing 5.3 tons of food scraps per week. Last spring, we sold out of our finished compost, and this year we expect to have twice the volume available.

We also collect a myriad of special wastes and are proud to have kept a significant amount of them out of the landfill to be sent for proper recycling, reuse or disposal, including 57 tons of electronic waste and 38 tons of tires.

The Board of Supervisors approved a \$1,695,800 annual operating budget for FY22. This budget is generated through user fees and disposal surcharges. ***There is no tax or per capita assessment charged to member towns.***

Learn more online: www.lrswmd.org, Facebook Instagram and Twitter. Give us a call us at (802)888-7317.

LRSWMD Locations	Hours
Office - 29 Sunset Dr. Morrisville ph: 888-7317 ADMINISTRATION ONLY - DOES NOT ACCEPT WASTE	Monday - Friday 8:00 ^{am} - 4:30 ^{pm}
Craftsbury - Town Garage, 40 Creek Road	Saturday 9 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}
Johnson - 941 Wilson Road, off Route 100 ph: 635-9246	Fri., Sat., & Sun. 8:30 ^{am} - 3:30 ^{pm}
Lamoille Soil - Wilson Road, Johnson	By appointment only
Morrisville - 832 Cochran Road	Saturday 8:30 ^{am} - 1:30 ^{pm}
Worcester - 43 Calais Road ph: 229-2719	Saturday 7:30 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}
Stowe - 91 Dump Road ph: 253-4059	Wed. thru Mon. 7:30 ^{am} - 3 ^{pm} CLOSED TUESDAY
Stowe Reuse Room NO DROP OFFS ACCEPTED ON TUESDAY. DROP OFFS ACCEPTED ONLY WHEN TRANSFER STATION IS OPEN.	Tuesday 10:30 ^{am} - 4:30 ^{pm} Sat. & Thurs. 8:30 ^{am} - 2:30 ^{pm}
Stowe Redemption Center (Call ahead 253-4059)	Closed Tues. & Sun. All other days 7:30 ^{am} - 3 ^{pm}

Site closures subject to occur without warning. Notice will be provided when possible.



GREEN UP VERMONT
www.greenupvermont.org

Green Up Day
May 7, 2022



Green Up Day on May 1, 2021 was a huge success thanks to nearly 22,000 volunteers statewide who Greened Up. The infographic shows that all your hard work to beautify Vermont is needed and that it makes where we get to live, work, and play a very special place. As one of Vermont's favorite holidays, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Along with Green Up Day, we work year-round to further our impact with waste reduction initiatives, additional clean-up efforts, and educational programs.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride, and community engagement. Thank you for your support of this crucial program that takes care of all our cities and towns.

Your donations make a huge impact and can be made on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at www.greenupvermont.org.

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont). greenup@greenupvermont.org (802)229-4586

2021 Local Health Annual Report

Twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. Additional information about your local health office and related programs can be found at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local>.

COVID-19

It has been almost two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began, and in response, our families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless other groups have worked to better protect the health of our communities. Together we ensured towns had access to the vaccine, testing, and other services needed to make more informed decisions about their health. As of December 1, 2021, approximately

- 494,000 Vermonters received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine.
- 546,055 people have been tested and a total of 2,570,835 tests completed.
- Many COVID-19 resources are now provided in over 20 different languages.
- Up-to-date information, including town-level data can be found on the Health Department's website: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity>.

Public Health Programs

In addition to COVID-19 response efforts, Local Health offices continue to provide health services and programs to Vermont communities, including but not limited to

- In collaboration with Town Health Officers and other local partners, we help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health at a time when more of us are spending time at home with our families. Find information about environmental health and lead, asbestos, toxic chemicals, child safety, food safety, climate change, drinking water, and more at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/environment>.
- The WIC nutrition program continues to provide primarily remote access to services with phone appointments. In 2021, an average of approximately 11,300 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont each month.
- As of November 23, 2021, 193,000 flu vaccine doses have been administered. Protecting people from influenza continues to be particularly important as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19.

Thank you to everyone involved in supporting these efforts. We look forward to what 2022 brings, to seeing you in the community, and encourage you to stay in touch with us.

200,000 VERMONTERS QUALIFY TO E-FILE THEIR INCOME TAXES FOR FREE. **Do you?**

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tax.vermont.gov/forms-request



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- Property Tax Credit, or
- Renter Rebate

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You may be eligible for free tax help through the IRS, AARP, or MyFreeTaxes.com.
To learn where to find tax help, visit tax.vermont.gov/free-prep.

Email: tax.individualincome@vermont.gov

Phone: (802) 828-2865 or (866) 828-2865 (toll-free in VT)
tax.vermont.gov

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NOTICE TO VOTERS

For Local Elections

BEFORE ELECTION DAY:

CHECKLIST POSTED at Clerks Office by **JANUARY 30, 2022**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by **FEBRUARY 9, 2022**.

HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE: There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to <https://olvr.vermont.gov/>.

REQUEST EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS: You, or a family member, can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election in person, in writing, by telephone, email, or online at <https://mvp.vermont.gov/>. The latest you can request ballots for the **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING** Election is the close of the Town Clerk's office on **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022**. (Any other person authorized by you who is not a family member must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home. (Ballots can be delivered on any of the eight days preceding the day of the election or on the day of election.)

ON ELECTION DAY:

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form.

! If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your town clerk or any election official for help.

NO PERSON SHALL:

- ! Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- ! Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- ! Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- ! Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- ! Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

FOR HELP OR INFORMATION: Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS using Vote Tabulator Ballots

CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT: For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one", or "Vote for not more than two", etc.

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- **WRITE-IN candidate(s).** To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

CHECK OUT:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

CAST YOUR VOTE by depositing your voted ballot into the vote tabulating machine.

LEAVE the voting area immediately by passing outside the guardrail.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF HYDE PARK, VERMONT
MARCH 1, 2022**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ☒
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p style="text-align: center;">MODERATOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 1 Year MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LISTER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 2 Years remaining of 3 Year term MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LAMOILLE SOLID WASTE SUPERVISOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 1 Year remaining of 2 Year term MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SELECTBOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 2 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>ROLAND BOIVIN</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 2 Years remaining of 3 Year term MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>CHASITY FAGNANT</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CEMETERY COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 5 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>SARRAH PATCH</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SELECTBOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>MATTHEW MORIN</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>LISA J. BARRY</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LANPHER LIBRARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 5 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">TOWN CLERK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>KIMBERLY J. MOULTON</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>TINA LOWE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LANPHER LIBRARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 5 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">TREASURER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>KIMBERLY J. MOULTON</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 4 Years remaining of 5 Year term MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">LISTER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 Years MORE THAN ONE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>		

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

ARTICLES

Article 2. Shall the voters authorize borrowing an amount not to exceed One Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$175,000) with a repayment term of not more than five (5) years to fund the Town's portion (50%) of the purchase of a fire truck for the North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department? YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 3. Shall the voters vote to eliminate the office of lister, thereby requiring the Selectboard to contract with or employ a professional qualified assessor, who need not be a resident of the Town and who shall have the same powers, discharge the same duties, proceed in the discharge thereof in the same manner, and be subject to the same liabilities as are prescribed for Listers or the Board of Listers under the provisions of Title 32 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, per 17 V.S.A. 2651c? YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 4. Shall the voters appropriate \$75,000 of the General Fund Balance to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund for highway garage repairs, highway equipment purchases and roadway projects? YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 5. Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Hyde Park in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$275,000.00), subject to reduction from available state and federal grants-in-aid and other financial resources, be issued for the purposes of purchasing a +/-25-acre parcel of land from H.A. Manosh, Inc. (Tax Parcel # 13050175, SPAN 306-097-10812), and evaluating and permitting the site for municipal development? YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 6. Shall the voters approve, in addition to any other appropriations approved in prior articles, a total general fund expenditures amount for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 of \$2,900,600 of which \$2,475,300 shall be raised by property taxes and \$425,300 by non-property tax revenue? YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 7. Shall the voters approve the payment of property taxes to the Town Treasurer in four equal installments (32 V.S.A. 4792), as listed below; with delinquent taxes and assessments have charged against them an eight percent (8%) commission after the fourth installment (32 V.S.A. 1674) and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one-half percent (1 ½%) per month or fraction thereof from the due date of such tax? Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month (32 V.S.A § 5136). Payments are due in the hands of the Treasurer by 4:00 P.M. on the below due dates. Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be accepted if postmarked on or before the due date (32 V.S.A. 4773).

First installment to be paid on or before Wednesday, August 31, 2022

Second installment to be paid on or before Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Third installment to be paid on or before Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Fourth installment to be paid on or before Monday, May 15, 2023

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #058A

MARCH 1, 2022

If in **FAVOR** of the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked **YES**.

If **OPPOSED** to the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked **NO**.

ARTICLE X

“Shall the voters of Lamoille North Modified Unified School District #058A (PreK-6th grade) approve the school board to expend \$15,018,228, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$20,945 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 14.43% higher than spending for the current year.”

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YES

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NO

OFFICIAL BALLOT

LAMOILLE NORTH MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #058B

MARCH 1, 2022

If in FAVOR of the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked YES.

If OPPOSED to the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked NO.

ARTICLE XI

“Shall the voters of Lamoille North Modified Unified School District #058B (7th-12th grade) approve the school board to expend \$15,521,287, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,245 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.66% more than spending for the current year.”

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YES

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NO

ARTICLE XII

“Shall the voters of Lamoille North Modified Unified School District #058B, Green Mountain Technology & Career Center, approve the school board to expend \$3,368,599 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?”

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YES

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NO

RESUME OF TOWN MEETING – March 2, 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there was no floor meeting and all articles were voted by Australian Ballot at the polls.

Article 1:

Moderator:

Paul Nesky ran unopposed and was elected with 288 votes.

Selectboard 2 yr term:

Susan Bartlett (215 votes) elected as Selectboard over Tony Trombley (110 votes)

Selectboard 2 yr term:

Chasity Fagnant (195 votes) elected as Selectboard over Roger Audet (123 votes).

Selectboard 1 yr remaining of 3 year term:

David Gagnier (114 votes) elected as Selectboard over Savannah Droney (106 votes) and Ally Judkins (89 votes).

Lister 3 yr term:

There were no candidates on the ballot for this office and no write-in candidate received the required amount of votes to win this office.

Lister 1 yr remaining of 3 yr term:

There were no candidates on the ballot for this office and no write-in candidate received the required amount of votes to win this office.

LNMUUSD School Director 3 yr term:

There were no candidates on the ballot for this office and no write-in candidate received the required amount of votes to win this office.

LRSWMD Supervisor 2 yr term:

There were no candidates on the ballot for this office and no write-in candidate received the required amount of votes to win this office.

Cemetery Commissioner 5 yr term:

Robert C. Foss ran unopposed and was elected with 287 votes.

Cemetery Commissioner 1 yr remaining of 5 yr term:

Sarrah Patch (155 votes) was elected as Cemetery Commissioner over Bonnie Blaisell (131 votes).

Lanpher Memorial Library Trustee 5 yr term:

Melanie Dickinson ran unopposed and was elected with 296 votes.

Lanpher Memorial Library Trustee 1 yr remaining of 5 yr term:

Kimberly Austin-Puleio ran unopposed and was elected with 291 votes.

Article 2: Shall the voters appropriate \$2,000 to the North Central Vermont Recovery Center?
Yes: 238; No: 92 - Article Passed

Article 3: Shall the voters appropriate \$750 to Salvation Farms?
Yes: 250; No: 77 - Article Passed

Article 4: Shall the voters appropriate \$500 to Vermont Family Network?
Yes: 243; No: 76 - Article Passed

Article 5: Shall the voters approve, in addition to any other appropriations approved in prior articles, the Selectboard's proposed budget for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, totaling \$2,736,000 of which it is estimated \$2,308,200 will be raised by property taxes?
Yes: 251; No: 77 - Article Passed

Article 6: Shall the voters approve to pay to the Town Treasurer, real property taxes in four installments with due dates of 4:00 p.m. on August 31, 2021, November 15, 2021, February 15, 2022, and May 16, 2022, with an interest charge of 1% per month added for the first three months, and thereafter 1.5% per month if each installment is not paid by the due date; after May 16, 2022, any unpaid taxes would be charged an 8% collection fee plus the interest fees? Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be accepted if postmarked on or before the due date.
Yes: 305; No: 28 - Article Passed

COMMUNITY SERVICES

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Hyde Park Town Clerk and Treasurer: Kimberly J. Moulton (802)888-2300 option 1
Planning, Zoning & Selectboard: Ron Rodjenski, (802)888-2300 x302 ron@hydeparkvt.com
Town Listers' Office: 888-2300 x303, Office Hours: Wed. 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Animal Control: For Information call (802)316-6921. Emergency calls to 911
Hyde Park Village Trustees / Utility Billing (Village Electric, Water and Sewer): (802)888-2310
Hyde Park Highway Garage: (802)888-4625
North Hyde Park Water District #1: Roger Audet (802)635-7038
Hyde Park Opera House: (802)888-4507

FIRE, POLICE, AND AMBULANCE SERVICES

Dial 911 in Emergencies

Non-Emergency Numbers for:

Lamoille County Sheriff: Sheriff Roger Marcoux (802)888-3502
Ambulance: Newport Ambulance Services (NEMS) (802)334-2023
Hyde Park Fire Department: Chief Brad Carriere (802)730-6770
North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department: Chief John Savage (802)635-7357

VERMONT SUPERIOR COURT - LAMOILLE UNIT

154 Main Street · All mail to: P.O. Box 570 · Hyde Park, VT 05655
Criminal Division: (802)888-3887 Family Division: (802)888-3887
Civil Division: (802)888-3887 Probate Division: (802)888-3887

LAMOILLE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Main Office (802)888-7317, Visit www.lrswwmd.org for locations and hours
Contact Private Trash Haulers for residential/commercial needs:
Casella Waste Management (Hyde Park) - (802) 888-5423
Town of Wolcott Transfer Station: Gulf Rd - (802) 888-2746
Cambridge Transfer Station; VT 104 - (800) 439-3615
Foss Enterprises: Garfield Rd - (802) 888-2469
All Metals Recycling: VT 15 Morrisville - (802) 472-5100
Hillside Trash - (802) 888-7567

Community Services &
General Information

Dial 211
vermont211.org

Road Conditions

Dial 511
newengland511.org

ELECTED STATE OFFICIALS

Lamoille-2 Representatives (for Belvidere, Hyde Park, Johnson, Wolcott)
Kate Donnally kdonnally@leg.state.vt.us; (802) 828-2228
Daniel Noyes dnoyes@leg.state.vt.us; (802) 828-2228
State Senator – Lamoille District
Richard Westman rawestman@gmail.com; (802) 644-2297
Governor Phil Scott (800) 828-3322; www.governor.vermont.gov
Lt. Governor Molly Gray (802) 828-2226; www.ltgov.vermont.gov
Secretary of State Jim Condos (800) 439-8683; www.sos.vermont.gov
U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy (800) 642-3193; www.leahy.senate.gov
U.S. Senator Bernard Sanders (800) 339-9834; www.sanders.senate.gov
U.S. Representative Peter Welch (888) 605-7270; www.welch.house.gov

SCHOOLS

Hyde Park Elementary School: pre-K to 6th Grade; (802)888-2237, www.hpes.lnsd.org; Diane Reilly, Principal
Lamoille Union Middle School: 7th to 8th grades; (802)851-1300, www.lums.lnsd.org; Denise Maurice, Principal
Lamoille Union High School: 9 to 12th grades; (802)888-4261, www.luhs.lnsd.org; Bethann Pirie, Interim Principal
Green Mountain Technology & Career Center; (802)888-4447, www.gmtcc.lnsd.org; Erik Remmers, Director
Lamoille North Supervisory Union (802)888-3142, www.lnsd.org, Catherine Gallagher, Superintendent

PUBLIC TRANSIT

Rural Community Transportation; Johnson Shopper Route stops in Sterling View Mobile Home Park. (802)888-6200; www.riderct.org

LIBRARY

Lanpher Memorial Library; (802)888-4628; located at the corner of Church & Main across from the Courthouse
Library Hours: Monday 12-7; Tuesday 10-5; Wednesday 10-5; Friday 10-5; Sat. 10-1
Story Time: Mondays 6:00 pm; Wednesdays 10:00 am; E-mail: hydeparklibrary@yahoo.com

OTHER ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANIES (in addition to Hyde Park Electric)

Morrisville Water and Light Company (MWL); South & East Areas; outage reports (8802)888-2162; office (802)888-3348
Vermont Electric Cooperative (VEC); North Areas; outage reports (800)832-2667; office (802)635-2331
Central Vermont Public Service (GMP-CVPS); Near Johnson; outage reports or office (888)835-4672
Hardwick Electric Department (HED); Near Wolcott/Craftsbury; outage reports or office (802)472-5201