

**ANNUAL REPORT OF
THE TOWN OF GRANBY VERMONT
AND
GRANBY VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT**



In Memory of Fredrick Hodgdon Sr.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017

Please bring this report to Town Meeting

IN LOVING MEMORY OF FREDRICK W. HODGDON, SR.

Fredrick W. Hodgdon, Sr. 84, of Shores Hill Road died Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at the Pines Nursing Home in Lyndonville. He was born at home in Granby on November 6, 1933 the son of Sullings Fox and Jenny (Wilson) Hodgdon. He attended Granby Central School and then went on to graduate from Lyndon Institute in 1951. He went on to be a farmer for most of his life right here in Granby on his folk's farm. He served his community for many years as a selectman and as the road agent.

On June 11, 1954 he married Priscilla Hill celebrating 63 years of marriage together...

Fred was a good family man, the love of his life was his wife Priscilla, and he also enjoyed time spent with his grandchildren. He was a man of all trades and would do anything for anyone and not expect anything in return. Besides loving farming and he loved his animals, especially his pigs, Fred was the best road agent, plowing the roads for many years, not to mention driveways. He was a skilled carpenter and mason building beautiful fireplaces out of stone. Fred was just an all-around fun, friendly, caring, good person.

Besides his wife, Priscilla, survivors include three sons; Frederick "Rick" Hodgdon Jr. and his wife Kathy, Kenneth Hodgdon and his wife Pammy, and Jerry Hodgdon and his wife Patricia, all of Granby and a daughter Mary Gadwah and her husband Wilman, of Bethlehem, NH. Also surviving are four grandchildren; Freddie Hodgdon, Jody Hodgdon, Kristin Freeto, Tori Desjardins and eleven great grandchildren and two great- great grandchildren, a sister Barbara Brown and her husband Lynwood, sister-in-law Sue Hodgdon LaMadeleine and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two brothers. Donald of Granby, Murray Hodgdon and wife Naomi of Guildhall, and by a sister Vivian Hodgdon Brown and husband Sherwood Brown.

Fred was also a member of our local Church, Granby-Victory Congregational Church and was a Deacon for many years. He was also one of the Directors of the then Holiday In The Hills back in the beginning years, which is now called the Victory Granby Holiday In The Hills Historical Preservation Group, Inc. For many years during the 30 year span of the fall festival you would see him at the horse and pony pulling with his tractor, etc helping to move and load the stone boats.

Fred was first elected as a Selectman for the town of Granby at the March 1963 Town Meeting and was reelected every 3 years until his retirement in March 2013. He also served as a Justice of The Peace for most of those years; was the Town Republican Committee Chair for a number of years and attended the County meetings quite often in election years. Fred was also the town representative to the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District organization that was organized in 1971, until he was unable to attend any longer and I believe he hardly ever missed a meeting. I do not know when Fred first became a representative to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association but sure it was probably from way back and again hardly ever missing a meeting. Granby was very lucky to have such a dedicated person to the interests of his beloved town...

A memorial service was held at the Granby Congregational Church on Monday November 20, 2017 at 11:00 am, with burial following at the Appleton Cemetery here in Granby. A gathering at the Granby Town Hall to celebrate Fred's life was held immediately after.





Donna J. Hodgdon

December 23, 1953 - June 15, 2017

GUILDHALL - After a brief but vicious bout with pancreatic cancer Donna J. Hodgdon of Guildhall passed away on June 15, 2017. Her cancer diagnosis was complicated by congestive heart failure and a 30-year-long battle with lupus. "I'm fighting a triple whammy," she would tell family and friends; however, in all respects she managed the hand she was dealt with grace and dignity.

She leaves behind: a sister, Bonnie LaValley and her husband Phil; three brothers, Sonny, Allen and Terry Hodgdon; aunts and an uncle; nieces and nephews; and grandnieces and grandnephews.

Donna was born on December 23, 1953 to Charles and Everdene Hodgdon of Granby, who predeceased her. After graduating from White Mountains Regional High School she attended UVM and received a degree in Radiation Therapy. She moved to Los Angeles where she worked at Kaiser Permanente Hospital for 25 years.

Donna loved animals, especially cats, and strongly believed in a place called Rainbow Bridge, where after death she will reunite with pets of years past. U.S. Poet Laureate Maya Angelou wrote a line that best describes the life of Donna Joy Hodgdon: "My mission in life is not merely to survive but to thrive, and do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style." Rest in peace little

sister. Rest in peace knowing that you are loved and cherished by your family. A celebration of life was held on Saturday, October 14th at 11:00 AM at the Granby Church. A luncheon followed at the Granby Town Hall.

Donna grew up in Granby, attending the Granby Central School.

Dale Ward Somerville

May 23, 1929 ~ November 3, 2017 (age 88)



Dale Ward Somerville, 88, died Friday November 3, 2017 at his home in Victory following a short illness.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Marlene Somerville; his son David Somerville and his wife Kathy Chiasson; his daughter Jennie Keefer and her husband Ed. He is also survived by five step children: Ellen Raemsch, Anne Foley, Brian Foley, Karen Foley and Janet Jentilet. Dale leaves behind five grandchildren: Jessica Bristol, Justin Woodruff, Caitlin Blair, Madison Foley, Sierra Foley, and five great-grandchildren. He also is survived by several nieces and nephews and close friends. Dale was predeceased by his first wife Greta Rockwood Somerville and his first grandchild Daniel Somerville.

Dale was born on May 23, 1929 in Hanover, NH. He was the son of Frank and Florence Ward Somerville. He was the oldest of the four Somerville children, Donna Hoyt, Sherman Somerville and Jack Somerville, all of whom passed away in recent years. He spent his early years on a dairy farm in Norwich, VT which had been in his family since 1900. Dale was a graduate of Hanover High School and served in the Korean War. After driving oil tankers from Boston, Dale settled down on Brookmead Farm in Norwich where he continued trucking part-time and had a very successful farming career. He and Greta were named the 1979 Farm Family of the Year by the Vermont Farm Bureau.

Dale sold the farm in 1996 and moved to Victory in the Northeast Kingdom, where he continued his love of trucking. He was a Vermonter through-and-through, and each summer you could find him at the local fairs doing tractor pulls with his old Oliver tractor. Each winter he waited for the snow to fall so he could head out on his snowmobile. Dale always had a kind word and a helping hand for those around him. He lived a life of integrity that will long be admired by all who knew him.

Per Dale's request there will not be a funeral service. A memorial service will be planned for the Spring of 2018.

Those wishing to may make a donation in his memory to the Upper Valley Land Trust (19 Buck Road, Hanover, NH 03755) to help preserve the Somerville Farm on Turnpike Road in Norwich.

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TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

		Term Expires
Moderator	Bruce Berryman	2018
Town Clerk	Nellie Noble*	2018
Treasurer	Nellie Noble	2018
Selectboard	Reginald Bunnell-Vice Chairman	2018
	Robert Peters-Chair	2019
	Larry Brown	2020
Listers	Dorene Brown	2018
	Debra Bunnell-Chair	2019
	Cindy Bilodeau	2020
Auditors	Shelly Houde	2018
	Aimee Houghton	2019
	Susan Laferriere	2020
Delinquent Tax Collector	Nellie Noble	2018
First Constable	Bonnie Sult	2018
Town Grand Juror	Robert Peters	2018
Town Agent	Bruce Berryman	2018
Library Trustees	Barbara Brown	2018
	Dorene Brown	2019
	Betty Brown	2020
	Cara Berryman	2021
	Priscilla Hodgdon	2022
School Directors	Betty Brown	2018
	Natalie Duffy	2019
	Sonia Peters	2020
NEK Choice School District D	Sonia Peters	2020
	Selectboard In Charge of Highways	

Justices of the Peace

February 1, 2019

Bruce Berryman*
Reginald Bunnell*
John Noble*
Sonia Peters*
Victor Tremblay

*Notary's

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	Paula N. Christopher*
Town Fire Warden & Town Tree Warden	John Noble
NVDA Representatives	Reginald Bunnell-2018
Energy Coordinator	Larry Brown
Health Officer appointed by State	Robert Peters-2020
Animal Control Officer	Bonnie Sult
Town Service Officer	Robert Peters
NKWMD Supervisor	Robert Peters
	Reginald Bunnell.-alternate
Civil Defense Chairperson	Reginald Bunnell
Lyndon Rescue Representative	Bruce Berryman
E911 Coordinator	Nellie Noble
Town Emergency Management Agency	Robert Peters-Chair, Sonia Peters, Selectboard
Road Foreman	Robert Peters

Planning Commission Members:	Term Expires:
Nellie Noble	2018
Tom Duffy-Chair	2019
Debra Bunnell-Secretary	2020
John Noble	2021
Sonia Peters	2021

Zoning Board of Adjustment Members:	
Nellie Noble-Secretary	2018
Tom Duffy-Chair	2019
Debra Bunnell	2020
Sonia Peters	2020
John Noble-Chair	2021

Zoning Administrator:	Reginald Bunnell	2018
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Conservation Commission Members:	
Bruce Berryman-Chairman	2018
John Noble	2019
Victor Tremblay	2019
Charles Marceau	2020
David Faris	2021

Cow Mtn. Pond Management Committee	
John Noble-Chair, Thomas Goss-Vice Chair, Nellie Noble-Secretary, Reginald Bunnell, Victor Tremblay, John Irwin Jr., Bruce Berryman	

GRANBY VERMONT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING

MARCH 6, 2018

The Citizens of the Town of Granby, Vermont who are legal voters in the Annual Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Granby Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at **7:30 P.M.** in the evening to transact the following business: VIZ

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for the term of one year.

Article 2: To elect the following Town Officers as required.

Town Clerk for the term of three years.

Treasurer for the term of three years.

Selectman for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Lister for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Auditor for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Delinquent Tax Collector for the term of one year.

First Constable for the term of one year.

Town Grand Juror for the term of one year.

Town Agent for the term of one year.

Library Trustee for the term of five years.

Article 3: To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers; to see if the voters will accept the Town Report.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to collect its 2018 taxes by the Treasurer in two installments, with the first installment due on August 15, 2018 and the last installment due on November 15, 2018.

Article 5: Will the Town levy an interest charge of one percent per month from the due date of each installment?

Article 6: Will the Town vote to authorize its Auditors to print in the Town Report the names of delinquent taxpayers?

Article 7: Shall the Town approve the following appropriation requests:

A. Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging	\$300.00
B. Caledonia Home Health Care	\$75.00
C. Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.	\$92.00
D. VT Center for Independent Living	\$105.00
E. Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	\$200.00
F. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium	\$87.00
G. Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.	\$100.00
H. American Red Cross Northern VT Chapter	\$250.00
I. Lancaster Community Cupboard (Food Pantry/Soup Kitchen)	\$100.00
J. Northwoods Stewardship Center	\$250.00
K. Green Up Vermont	\$50.00
L. VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$100.00

Article 8: To set the wages of the Town Officers.

Article 9: Will the Town vote to accept the proposed Town General Fund Budget of \$55,926.00 for the ensuing year?

Article 10: Will the Town vote to accept the proposed Town Highway Fund Budget of \$91,000.00 for the ensuing year?

Article 11: Will the voters authorize the town/Selectboard to sell the Granby School building and personal property to the Victory Granby Holiday In The Hills Historical Preservation Group, Inc. for \$1.00 upon receiving ownership from the Granby School District?

Article 12: Will the Town vote to hold the Annual Town Meeting in the evening?

Article 13: To conduct any other non-binding business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

Given under our hands this 30th day of January 2018

Selectboard of Granby

Robert C. Peters Robert C. Peters

Reginald A. Bunnell Reginald A. Bunnell

Larry M. Brown Larry M. Brown

Attest: Nellie Noble
Nellie Noble, Town Clerk

Received for Record

Nellie Noble Town Clerk
January 30, 2018

WARNING

NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

MARCH 6, 2018

The legal voters of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are hereby notified and warned to vote, by Australian Ballot, at the polling place and between the hours specified by their municipality on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 to act on the following article.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$760,519?

Joyl Cury	Paula Le Roythage
Steve Duro	Gene A. LeDoux
Jack Sumburg	Robert Smith
Minnal Sivas	
David Arlos	
Kevin Flanders	
John Keene	
Paul	
Bob Bahril	
Walter M. S. S. S.	
Knott W. Johnston	Rec'd for Recording + Filing
David Gunders	January 13, 2018
Mr. Dugan	Debbie Dugan, Groton Town Clerk
John Dugan	
Heather Burt	

2018 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2017 BUDGET	2017 ACTUAL as of 12/31/17	2018 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$600.00	\$246.25	\$400.00
Audit -- Financial	\$6,200.00	\$6,500.00	\$7,595.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$6,000.00	\$1,147.50	\$2,500.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Cleaning	\$2,100.00	\$1,765.04	\$1,600.00
Copier	\$1,900.00	\$2,021.36	\$2,000.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$3,000.00	\$6,081.58	\$5,000.00
Heating Fuel	\$1,000.00	\$1,438.51	\$1,500.00
Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$303.52	\$0.00
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$16,000.00	\$16,143.36	\$16,000.00
Planning	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Legal Fees	\$2,500.00	\$1,050.00	\$2,000.00
Postage	\$3,000.00	\$2,868.61	\$3,000.00
Office Supplies	\$3,600.00	\$4,934.77	\$3,600.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,200.00	\$3,213.47	\$3,200.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,000.00	\$865.10	\$1,100.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$52,200.00	\$48,589.07	\$50,595.00
Gross Wages	\$376,570.00	\$371,320.86	\$379,193.00
Overtime Wages-- Warehouse	\$5,000.00	\$3,078.81	\$5,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$23,347.00	\$23,055.60	\$23,820.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$5,460.00	\$5,392.10	\$5,571.00
State Unemployment Insurance	\$13,500.00	\$12,017.27	\$13,500.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$19,200.00	\$18,045.39	\$19,990.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$32,000.00	\$39,846.64	\$34,000.00
Mileage - Employee	\$7,000.00	\$6,687.17	\$7,000.00
Mileage- Supervisor's	\$5,000.00	\$5,074.43	\$5,000.00
Supervisor Secretary Payments	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$500.00
Personnel Equipment	\$1,300.00	\$283.99	\$1,000.00
Training	\$1,500.00	\$795.00	\$1,500.00
Travel	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$490,477.00	\$486,347.26	\$496,174.00
BUILDING EXPENSES			
Improvements	\$1,000.00	\$505.92	\$1,000.00
Electricity	\$8,900.00	\$8,520.90	\$9,800.00
Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$902.78	\$1,000.00
Misc. Supplies	\$500.00	\$2,706.51	\$1,000.00
Trash Removal	\$3,600.00	\$3,032.16	\$3,000.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$15,500.00	\$15,668.27	\$15,800.00

2018 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2017 BUDGET	2017 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2017	2018 PROPOSED BUDGET
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES			
Purchases	\$500.00	\$18.18	\$500.00
Baler Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$8,176.59	\$6,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$8,000.00	\$5,530.94	\$6,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$2,900.00	\$2,412.68	\$2,200.00
Forklift Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$13,511.62	\$4,000.00
Misc. Equipment Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$2,533.89	\$2,000.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$600.00	\$624.78	\$500.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$3,000.00	\$5,742.78	\$3,000.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$4,171.99	\$1,500.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$18,000.00	\$17,863.63	\$18,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$10,000.00	\$17,076.94	\$10,000.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$55,500.00	\$77,664.02	\$53,700.00
PROGRAMS EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$2,000.00	\$720.25	\$1,000.00
Permits & Fees	\$450.00	\$235.00	\$450.00
Composting	\$18,500.00	\$16,125.68	\$22,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$4,000.00	\$2,447.14	\$3,000.00
Dues & Subscription	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$14,000.00	\$18,022.46	\$15,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$27,000.00	\$28,095.62	\$24,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$4,547.60	\$4,000.00
Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$26,000.00	\$41,203.15	\$30,000.00
Special Collections	\$300.00	\$22.60	\$300.00
Supplies	\$600.00	\$913.90	\$500.00
Tire Disposal	\$9,000.00	\$15,612.00	\$9,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$105,850.00	\$127,945.40	\$109,250.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$719,527.00	\$756,214.02	\$725,519.00
DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS			
Interest			
Principal			
TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION			
CAPITAL FUND			
Capital Improvement Fund	\$36,000.00	\$34,470.00	\$35,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$36,000.00	\$34,470.00	\$35,000.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$755,527.00	\$790,684.02	\$760,519.00
Grants--St of VT	\$59,000.00	\$62,499.00	\$59,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$40,000.00	\$35,565.00	\$35,000.00
Haz Mat/Paint Care (CEG Fees)	\$2,000.00	\$6,410.60	\$3,200.00
Interest Income	\$25.00	\$7.48	\$25.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$500.00	\$122.00	\$500.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$1,000.00	\$504.00	\$500.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$150.00	\$125.00	\$150.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$150,000.00	\$204,913.65	\$179,394.00
Compost Income	\$6,000.00	\$15,087.41	\$13,000.00
Electronics Income	\$21,352.00	\$27,446.52	\$22,000.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$4,000.00	\$16,202.25	\$10,000.00
Battery Income	\$3,500.00	\$6,143.75	\$3,750.00
Tire Income	\$8,000.00	\$14,302.60	\$9,000.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$460,000.00	\$457,110.58	\$425,000.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$755,527.00	\$846,439.84	\$760,519.00

Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2017 by processing slightly more recycling compared to 2016 – 2981 tons in 2017 compared to 2962 tons in 2016. While tonnage for paper and cardboard were down, almost every other category saw increases compared to 2016. Tonnages for scrap metal, e-waste, and glass were all up significantly compared to 2016. Recycling markets remained steady throughout most of 2017 and were generally on the high side. Some policy changes in China sent ripples throughout some markets, but so far we have been isolated from those actions. The District ended 2017 with a surplus of \$55,755.82. This is good news considering 2016 ended with a deficit of \$53,459. Revenues in 2017 were 12% above projections. While budgeted expenses were 4.7% above projections. Sale of recyclables, including scrap metal, was responsible for most of the increase in revenues.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District membership in 2017. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3rd in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

Vermont's Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) guided most of our activities in 2017 and will continue to do so for the next several years. 2018 will see more of the same in helping our member communities comply with Act 148. The NEKWMD assisted 10 Towns with establishing food scrap collection at their transfer stations by the July 1, 2017 deadline.

The NEKWMD is entering 2018 with a proposed budget of \$760, 519 – an increase of less than 1% compared to 2017. The surcharge rate of \$24.25 will remain the same for 2018. Our surcharge on trash remains below the State average of \$26.19.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and four part-time employees in 2017. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly with the District's Executive Director to set the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget at their Town Meeting in March.

Since the surcharge on trash is based on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

We would like to express our appreciation to our able staff for their continuing commitment to our mission. The nearly 50,000 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

NEKWMD Executive Committee

LastName, FirstName Middle Suffix	Address
BERRYMAN, BRUCE	367 LUND LN, GRANBY, VT
BERRYMAN, CARA	367 LUND LN, GRANBY, VT
BILODEAU, CINDY	100 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
BILODEAU, LEONARD	100 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
BISHOP, SCOTT	1446 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, BARBARA	8960 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, BETTY	472 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, DORENE	8912 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, EDWIN	8749 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, JEFF	8912 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, LARRY	472 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, LYNWOOD	8960 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, SHERYL E.	56 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
BROWN, TAWNIA	8745 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BUNNELL, DEBRA	8955 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
BUNNELL, REGINALD	8955 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
COOPER, LESLIE	675 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
DAVIS, BONNIE	8792 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
DUFFY, DREW	5191 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
DUFFY, NATALIE	5191 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
DUFFY, THOMAS	5191 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
DUNHAM, ROLAND E.	719 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
DUNHAM, SHELIA M.	719 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
FARIS, DAVID	79 MATTHEWS KNL, GRANBY, VT
FITTA, LOIS	675 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HAMMERLE, ELIZABETH	5191 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, FREDRICK JR	576 FELKER RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, JERRY	324 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, JOHN W.	6173 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, KATHY	576 FELKER RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, KENNETH	8534 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, NICOLE E.	6173 GRANBY RD GRANBY VT 05840, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, PAMMY	8534 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, PATRICIA	324 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HODGDON, PRISCILLA	72 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HOUE, RYAN	155 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HOUE, SHELLEY	155 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
HOUGHTON, AIMEE J.	784 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
HOUGHTON, CASEY L.	784 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
LAFERRIERE, JOHN C	354 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT

LastName, FirstName Middle Suffix	Address
LAFERRIERE, SUSAN	354 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
LAMADELEINE, SUSAN	157 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
LAMOUREUX, JOHN	6451 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
MARCEAU, CHARLES A.	6671 GRANBY RD GRANBY VT 05840, GRANBY, VT
NOBLE, CALVIN	75 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
NOBLE, JOHN	9130 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
NOBLE, LACIE R.	9130 GRANBY RD GRANBY, GRANBY, VT
NOBLE, NELLIE	75 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
PETERS, MICHAELA E.	1071 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
PETERS, ROBERT	1071 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
PETERS, SONIA	1071 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
RUPPERT, CHESTER HENRY	9130 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
SHORES, VERNON E.	6336 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
SPICER, ROBERT G. JR.	9018 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
SPICER, TAMATHA S.	9018 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
SULT, BONNIE	6313 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
TREMBLAY, LOIS	1594 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
TREMBLAY, VICTOR	1594 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT
WALKER, HENRY	6170 GRANBY RD, GRANBY, VT
WILLIAMS, RAYMOND TERRY	1171 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
WILLIAMS, TERRI LYNN	1171 SHORES HL, GRANBY, VT
WILLSON, GARY A.	467 PORRELL RD, GRANBY, VT

Total number of voters: 62

Last year, Secretary of State Jim Condos announced the launch of VT's new Elections Management Platform. This streamlined the elections administration process, providing voters with greater access to voter specific information. Over 25,000 Vermonters registered to vote online in 2016. For the November General Election, nearly 6,500 Vermonters requested an absentee ballot through the My Voter Page.

By using the My Voter Page, a registered voter can:

- 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: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>

Online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>

GRANBY ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING

MARCH 7, 2017

The Citizens of the Town of Granby, Vermont who are legal voters in the Annual Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Granby Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 7 2017 at 7:15 P.M. in the evening to transact the following business: VIZ

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Bruce Berryman Moderator. Nellie Noble, Town Clerk was delayed due to Australian ballot counting and told Moderator to start without her, so Sonia Peters JP took minutes till Nellie was able to take over... Article 1-5

There are 60 voters on the checklist with 16 present. 26% turnout.

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for the term of one year.

Bruce Berryman nominated by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Robert Peters. No other nominations. Bruce Berryman elected by voice vote.

Article 2: To elect the following Town Officers as required.

Selectman for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Larry Brown nominated by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Robert Peters. No other nominations. Clerk cast one ballot for Larry Brown. Larry Brown elected.

Lister for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Cindy Bilodeau nominated by Debra Bunnell and seconded by Reg Bunnell. No other nominations. Clerk cast one ballot for Cindy Bilodeau. Cindy Bilodeau elected.

Auditor for the term of three years. (By ballot)

Sue Laferriere nominated by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Debra Bunnell. No other nominations. Clerk cast one ballot for Sue Laferriere. Sue Laferriere elected.

Delinquent Tax Collector for the term of one year.

Nellie Noble nominated by Debra Bunnell and seconded by Reg Bunnell. No other nominations. Nellie Noble elected by voice vote.

First Constable for the term of one year.

Bonnie Sult nominated by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Larry Brown. No other nominations. Bonnie Sult elected by voice vote.

Town Grand Juror for the term of one year.

Robert Peters nominated by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Larry Brown. No other nominations. Robert Peters elected by voice vote.

Town Agent for the term of one year.

Bruce Berryman nominated by Betty Brown and seconded by Larry Brown. No other nominations. Bruce Berryman nominated and seconded.

Library Trustee for the term of five years.

Priscilla Hodgdon nominated by Debra Bunnell and seconded by Larry Brown. No other nominations. Priscilla Hodgdon elected by voice vote.

Article 3: To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers; to see if the voters will accept the Town Report.

Motion made by David Faris and seconded by Reg Bunnell to accept the Town Report. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to collect its 2017 taxes by the Treasurer in two installments, with the first installment being due on August 15, 2017 and the last installment due on November 15, 2017.

Motion made by Debra Bunnell and seconded by Reg Bunnell that we do. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 5: Will the Town levy an interest charge of one percent per month from the due date of each installment?

Motion made by Reg Bunnell and seconded by Larry Brown that we do. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 6: Will the Town vote to authorize its Auditors to print in the Town Report the names of delinquent taxpayers? Motion made and seconded that we do. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 7: Shall the Town approve the following appropriation requests:

A. Northeastern VT Development Association	\$500.00
B. Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging	\$300.00
C. Caledonia Home Health Care	\$75.00
D. Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.	\$92.00
E. VT Center for Independent Living	\$105.00
F. Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	\$200.00

G. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium	\$87.00
H. Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.	\$100.00
I. American Red Cross Northern VT Chapter	\$250.00
J. Vermont Trails and Greenways Council	\$35.00
K. Lancaster Community Cupboard (Food Pantry/Soup Kitchen)	\$100.00
L. Northwoods Stewardship Center	\$250.00
M. Green Up Vermont	\$50.00
N. VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$100.00

Moderator reviewed each one separately and asked if there were any modifications. Nellie Noble said she made the motion to increase the amount for VT Trails and Greenways Council from \$35 to \$85 as she had miss typed the amount from what they were requesting. Motion was seconded and approved by voice vote. Motion was made and seconded to approve all the other appropriations as presented. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 8: To set the wages of the Town Officers.

Bruce told voters what page the current wages were listed on. Nellie Noble said that as of January 1, 2017 minimum wage had increased to \$10.00 and felt that any of the officers now receiving \$9.60 should be increased. Reg Bunnell made motion and seconded by Larry Brown to increase the \$9.60 to \$10.00 and to leave all the other wages as presented being: To pay the Town Clerk & Treasurer \$6500 a year plus the Town Clerk fees and 1% tax commission; Selectboard to stay at \$700 a year with the Chairman receiving an additional \$104 a year; and all other officers to receive \$10.00 an hour. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 9: Will the Town vote to accept the proposed Town General Fund Budget of \$71,090.00 for the ensuing year? Nellie mentioned that with the previous appropriation increase of \$50 the bottom line of budget figure changes. Motion was made and seconded we accept budget figure of \$71,140.00. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

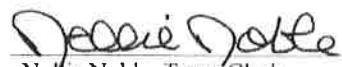
Article 10: Will the Town vote to accept the proposed Town Highway Fund Budget of 75,500.00 for the ensuing year? No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 11: Will the Town vote to hold the Annual Town Meeting in the evening? Motion made and seconded that we do. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.


Article 12: To conduct any other non-binding business that may legally come before the Town Meeting. Moderator read the results for the NKWMD Budget Vote during the day. Yes 21 and No 0. Nellie said that Rep. Connie Quimby had stopped in earlier and left the Doyle polls and a report that she had done and also some of her homemade peanut butter fudge. All are on the side table for you to take. Nellie reminded everyone of the rabies clinic this next Saturday morning. Debra Bunnell thanked the 'girls' for doing such a nice job on the Town Report this year. Really enjoyed seeing the color photos in it. Makes it a lot more interesting to read. Nellie said she compiles it with input from the Auditors which were Shelly Houde and Aimee Houghton this time. With our new copier it is very cost effective to put in colored pages...


No further business so meeting adjourned by Moderator at 7:34 p.m. (10 minutes shorter than last year)

Respectfully submitted 3.9.17


Nellie Noble, Town Clerk

Approved by:

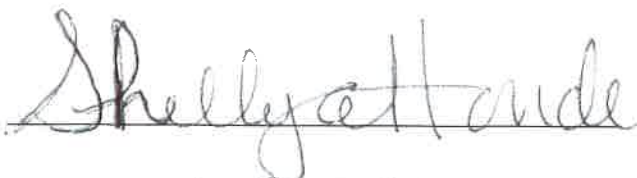

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Date: 3/12/17


Title: Selectman
Date: 3/15/17

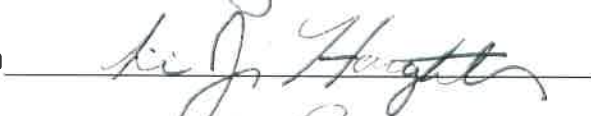
AUDITOR'S REPORT

We, the Auditors of the Town of Granby, have examined all accounts of the Town and to the best of our knowledge the following financial statements and reports of receipts and disbursements present the financial position of the Town of Granby, as of December 31, 2017

Shelly Houde



Aimee Houghton



Susan Laferriere



NOTE: The financial records for the Town of Granby are audited by the Town Auditors and reports placed in the town report. These reports are typed up by the Town Clerk and all other documents, pictures, etc. are collated together and presented as the Town Report by the Town Clerk. We work as a team on deciding the cover picture and story. This year the cover picture was taken by Fred's niece, Shelly Hodgdon Houde and the story was written by Nellie Noble with her input. We decided to put in memorial pages for Donna Hodgdon who grew up in Granby, and for Dale Somerville from Victory who was a helping hand to Granby projects and a great friend to many of us. If there are any other items that you feel you would like to see in the report please let me know and we can discuss. Thank you. It is always fun putting the town report together as an overall look of the "TOWN" and not just numbers.

Nellie Noble, Town Clerk and Treasurer

Delinquent Taxes Collected in 2017

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	
2012	Stowell, Kenneth	
2013	Stowell, Kenneth	
2014	Brown, Shirley (Estate)	
	Stowell, Kenneth	
2015	Brown, Edwin & Tawnya	
	Dixon, Lisa	
	Brown, Jeff & Dorene	
	Stowell, Kenneth	
2016	Brown, Edwin & Tawnya	
	Brown, Jeff & Dorene	
	Brown, Sherwood (Estate)	
	Favreau, David	
	Hodgdon, Jerry & Patty	
	Walker, Henry	
	Stowell, Kenneth	
2017	Brown, Edwin & Tawnya	
	Favreau, David	
	Our, Chris/Bates, Andree	
	Roy, Robert	
	Strum, Daniel	
	Total Received in 2017	\$ 14,049.61

Due to new state law in 2012 we can no longer list individual amounts.
Just the total received and unpaid in the year.

Delinquent Taxes unpaid as of December 31, 2017

2014	Brown, Shirley Estate*	
2015	Brown, Shirley Estate	
2016	Brown, Shirley Estate	
	Colburn Associates	
	Dixon (Ware), Lisa	
2017	Brown, Jeff & Dorene (camp)	
	Brown, Jeff & Dorene (S. Brown property)	
	Brown, Shirley Estate	
	Colburn Associates, Inc.	
	Dixon (Ware), Lisa	
	Favreau, David	
	Hodgdon, Jerry & Patricia	
	Walker, Henry*	
	Total delinquent as of 12/31/17	\$ 8,201.87
	*partial payment made in January 2018	

Stowell property sold at tax sale on 1/24/17
Purchased by LIADSA Investments II

Statement of Taxes Raised

2017 Municipal Grand List	\$188,187.58	
General Fund Tax Rate	0.204	\$38,389.64
Road Fund Tax Rate	0.1621	\$30,505.25
Total Municipal Tax Bill	\$0.3661	\$68,894.89
2017 Education Grand List-Homestead	\$37,528.00	
Statewide Education Tax Rate-Homestead	0.9782	\$36,709.88
2017 Education Grand List-Nonresidential	\$150,659.58	
Statewide Education Tax Rate-Nonresidential	1.5015	\$226,215.41
Late Homestead Penalty		60.57
Total		<u>\$331,880.75</u>
Current taxes collected by Treasurer		\$315,013.41
Late Homestead Penalty		\$60.57
HS 122 education payments from State		\$8,885.09
2017 Delinquent taxes turned to collector		<u>7,921.68</u>
		\$331,880.75
Received from:		
US Forest In Lieu of Taxes		\$4,498.00
Vermont ANR in Lieu of Taxes		\$573.57
State of VT-town payment portion of taxes from taxpayers		401.97
Current Use Hold harmless payment		<u>27,105.00</u>
		\$32,578.54

Grand List Tax Rate Five Year Comparison 2013-2017

Year	Tax Rate		Tax Rate	
2013	1.4167	homestead	1.8978	non-residential
2014	1.4057	homestead	1.8688	non-residential
2015	1.4396	homestead	1.9052	non-residential
2016	1.4289	homestead	1.9356	non-residential
2017	1.3443	homestead	1.8676	non-residential

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Granby 2017 Billed Grand List
Form 411 - (Town code: 252)
Main District Using "As Billed/Freeze" Data

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(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	14	1,329,000	1,165,500	163,500	1,329,000
Residential II R2	16	2,584,400	2,103,900	480,500	2,584,400
Mobile Homes-U MHU	1	64,000	0	64,000	64,000
Mobile Homes-L MHL	9	673,100	481,400	191,700	673,100
Seasonal I S1	26	981,900	0	981,900	981,900
Seasonal II S2	25	2,672,400	0	2,672,400	2,672,400
Commercial C	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	3	7,688,400	0	7,688,400	7,688,400
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	0	0	0	0	0
Other O	0	0	0	0	0
Woodland W	41	7,369,100	11,400	7,357,700	7,369,100
Miscellaneous M	1	110,500	0	110,500	110,500
TOTAL LISTED REAL	136	23,472,800	3,762,200	19,710,600	23,472,800
P.P. Cable	0	0		0	0
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	0	0		0	0
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		23,472,800	3,762,200	19,710,600	23,472,800
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	1/1	10,000	10,000	0	10,000
Veterans >10K		0			
Total Veterans		10,000	10,000	0	10,000
P.P. Contracts	0	0			
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	0/0	0	0	0	0
FarmStab Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total FarmStabContr	0/0	0	0	0	0
Current Use	30/30	4,511,942	98,600	4,413,342	4,511,942
Special Exemptions	0		0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		4,521,942	108,600	4,413,342	4,521,942
Total Exemptions		4,521,942	108,600	4,413,342	4,521,942
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		189,508.58			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			36,536.00	152,972.58	189,508.58
NON-TAX	12 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411				

General Fund
Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017	
Checkbook Balance	\$ 89,522.55
Savings Account	\$ 324.74
Total Available	<u>\$ 89,847.29</u>
Current Receipts:	
2017 Property Taxes	\$ 315,013.41
US Forest Service-in lieu of taxes	4,498.00
Agency of Natural Resources-in lieu of taxes	573.57
State of VT- Current Use Hold harmless payment	27,105.00
State of VT-Municipal Tax Adjustment	401.97
Late filed HS 122 fees	60.57
Land Use Change Tax	459.75
Checking Account interest-Union Bank	140.12
Savings Account interest-Union Bank	0.34
Late charges on Tax installments	70.63
Late charges on Tax installments(delinquent)	184.14
Delinquent Taxes	14,049.61
Delinquent tax sale receipts over minimum bid	2,422.39
Tax sale other revenue(lawyer fee, postage, newspaper ad)	1,014.59
Delinquent Taxes interest	1,941.72
Overpayment on taxes (refunded)	19.16
Delinquent Tax Collector fees	1,199.18
Town Clerk Fees	1,935.50
Town Clerk Fees from Dog licenses	96.00
Dog Licenses-minus TC fees	428.00
Record Preservation fees from Recordings	568.00
Refund from VT Trails & Greenways-check not cashed	35.00
Pay per bag rubbish tags	166.00
Fish & Game Licenses sold-sent to State	243.50
Total Receipts:	<u>372,626.15</u>
Total Available	<u>\$ 462,473.44</u>
Disbursements:	
Paid orders January 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017	220,591.69
<i>Transfers</i>	
Road Account Taxes	\$ 30,505.25
School Account Taxes	109,120.00
Granby Town Library Appropriation	740.00
Restoration Account recording fees	568.00
Restoration Account Appropriation	1,000.00
Animal Control/Health Officer Appropriation	100.00
Ambulance/Fire Dept. Appropriation	200.00
Town Office Equipment Fund	200.00
Fish & Game Licenses paid to state	243.50
Total Disbursements:	<u>\$ 363,268.44</u>
December 31, 2017 Balance	<u><u>\$ 99,205.00</u></u>

General Fund Treasurer's Report Continued

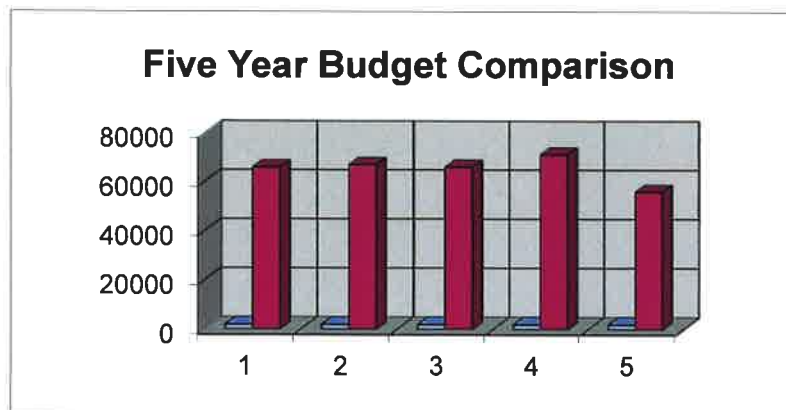
Checkbook Balance	\$ 98,779.92 *
Savings Account Balance	425.08
	\$ 99,205.00

Reconciliation of Checking Account

Checking Bank Balance	\$ 100,636.77
Outstanding Checks	1,856.85
Outstanding Deposits	-
Checkbook Balance	\$ 98,779.92

1)*\$73,820.27 is due the State Education fund on June 1, 2018.
May change slightly after April state 'true up' they call it..

	Year	Budget
(1)	2014	65,940.00
(2)	2015	66,903.00
(3)	2016	65,991.00
(4)	2017	71,090.00
(5)	2018	55,926.00



Selectmen's Report - General Fund Expenditures 2017

Vaughn Hodgdon-Rubbish & Recycling pickup/tipping fees	12,546.66
NKWMD-Surcharges	431.13
Telephone	881.22
GMP-electricity	734.20
Town Hall Heat-fuel	2,098.49
Nellie Noble-Town Clerk/Treasurer	6,500.00
Nellie Noble-Town Clerk fees	2,028.50
Paulla Christopher-Assistant TC/Treas.	30.00
Town Office Expenses	3,460.07
Nellie Noble-1% Tax Commission	3,564.59
Nellie Noble-Delinquent Tax Collector fees	1,199.18
Elections expenses-Ballot Clerks	268.80
Auditors & Expenses	657.60
Town Report (printing, postage)	567.72
Selectmen's Salaries & Expenses	2,204.00
Tax Sale expenditures	3,436.98
Listers Salaries & Expenses	1,293.87
Essex County Taxes	5,534.79
Over payments refunded	19.16
VLCT-dues	1,013.00
IRS-Town Share FICA taxes	1,314.05
Debra Bunnell-Green Up Day Lunch supplies	40.00
VT State Treas.-Rabies Control Program	48.00
VT State Treas.-Spaying/Neutering Program	192.00
Lancaster Ambulance Service/Lyndon Rescue-Contracts	1,388.00
Mowing: Cemeteries, Town Hall, School	1,300.00
Town Hall Maintenance	1,999.33
Town Hall restroom renovations	8,203.68
VLCT PACIF-Insurance/WC/Unemployment	4,946.00
PSB-bank loan and interest (final payment) for 'Sherwoods Garage'	8,227.10
St. Johnsbury Fire Dispatch service	350.00
VT State Treas. Half of FY17 State Education taxes	68,000.57
VT State Treas. Half of FY18 State Education taxes	73,819.00
NVDA	500.00
VT Area Agency on Aging	300.00
Caledonia Home Health	75.00
NE Kingdom Human Services	92.00
Essex County Natural Resources	200.00
American Red Cross	250.00
VT Center for Independent Living	105.00
Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.	100.00
Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	87.00
VT Trails and Greenways Council	85.00
Lancaster Community Cupboard	100.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00
VT Rural Fire Protection	100.00
Northwoods Stewardship Center	250.00
Total	220,591.69

SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2018

	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Expenditures	Difference for 2017
Rubbish Removal, Recycling, NKWMD Surcharge/Tags	13,000.00	13,000.00	\$ 12,977.79	22.21
Electricity	575.00	575.00	734.20	(159.20)
Heating fuel	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,098.49	401.51
Telephones	1,000.00	1,000.00	881.22	118.78
Care of Cemeteries & flags & signs	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	-
Essex County Taxes	5,550.00	5,515.00	5,534.79	(19.79)
Town Report- Printing/binding/mailling	550.00	500.00	567.72	(67.72)
Insurances: Property/WC/Unemployment/Liability	4,500.00	5,025.00	4,946.00	79.00
VLCT Dues	1,064.00	1,013.00	1,013.00	-
Town Clerk & Treasurer salary	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	-
Town Office Supplies/equipment/travel/training	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,460.07	289.93
Record Book Restoration Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
Assistant Town Clerk-Treas./clerical office help	200.00	200.00	30.00	170.00
Selectmen's Salary & expenses	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,204.00	96.00
Attorney Fees	400.00	400.00	-	400.00
Auditors & expenses	400.00	550.00	657.60	(107.60)
Listers & expenses/CAPTAP/off site backup	1,500.00	1,700.00	1,293.87	406.13
Constable & expenses	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
FICA taxes	1,400.00	1,200.00	1,314.05	(114.05)
Elections	900.00	300.00	268.80	31.20
Green Up Day Supplies	40.00	40.00	40.00	-
Lancaster Ambulance Service-contract	1,232.00	1,232.00	1,232.00	-
Lyndon Rescue, Inc.-contract	281.00	156.00	156.00	-
St. Johnsbury Fire Dispatch re: East Burke Fire Dept.	350.00	350.00	350.00	-
Town Hall Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,999.33	0.67
Town Hall Restroom renovation	-	7,000.00	8,206.68	
PSB-Bank loan and estimated interest	-	8,400.00	8,227.10	172.90
Animal Control Officer/Health Office Expenses Fund	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
East Burke Fire Department/Lancaster Ambulance calls Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00	-
Granby Public Library	740.00	740.00	740.00	-
Town Office Equipment fund	200.00	200.00	200.00	-
NVDA-dues	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
VT Trails and Greenways Council-dues	85.00	85.00	85.00	-
Northwoods Stewardship Center	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging	300.00	300.00	300.00	-
Caledonia Home Health Care	75.00	75.00	75.00	-
NE Kingdom Human Service, Inc.	92.00	92.00	92.00	-
VT Center for Independent Living	105.00	105.00	105.00	-
Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	200.00	200.00	200.00	-
Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	87.00	87.00	87.00	-
Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
American Red Cross Northern VT Chapter	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Lancaster Community Cupboard (Food Pantry/Soup Kitchen)	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
Total	\$ 55,926.00	\$ 71,140.00	\$ 70,526.71	613.29

Animal Control Officer/Health Officer Fund
Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017

Savings Account Balance	\$ 1,014.96
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Current Receipts:

Town appropriation 2017	\$ 100.00
Union Bank-interest	1.08
Total Receipts:	<u>\$ 101.08</u>

Disbursements:

Total disbursements	<u>-</u>
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December 31, 2017 Balance (all in savings)	<u>\$ 1,116.04</u>
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Granby Town Health Officer Report

Robert Peters is our Town Health Officer

There were no Town Health Officer issues this year.



Granby Animal Control Officer Report

Bonnie Sult is our Animal Control Officer and Pound Keeper

No issues this year..

Unanticipated Ambulance & Fire Call Fund

Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017	
Savings Account Balance	\$ 848.37
Current Receipts:	
Union Bank-interest	\$ 0.98
Town Appropriation	200.00
Total Receipts:	<u>\$ 200.98</u>
Total Available	<u>\$ 1,049.35</u>
Disbursements:	
Total disbursements	
December 31, 2017 Balance	<u><u>\$ 1,049.35</u></u>

Essex County Sheriff's Department 'after hours call service' Fund

Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017	
Savings Account Balance	\$ 502.52
Current Receipts:	
Union Bank-interest	\$ 0.50
Total Receipts:	\$ 0.50
Total Available	\$ 503.02
Disbursements:	-
Total disbursements	\$ -
December 31, 2017 Balance	<u><u>\$ 503.02</u></u>

Town Office Equipment Fund

Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017	
Savings Account Balance	\$ 1,002.68
Current Receipts:	
Union Bank-interest	\$ 1.13
Town Appropriation	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Total Receipts:	<u>\$ 201.13</u>
Total Available	\$ 1,203.81
Disbursements:	
Total disbursements	\$ -
December 31, 2017 Balance	<u><u>\$ 1,203.81</u></u>

Appleton Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund 2017

Lots	Principal
Aldrich, Robin	200.00
Brown, Jeff & Dorene	100.00
Brown, Lynwood & Barbara	100.00
Brown, Sherwood* & Vivian*	200.00
Brown, Glen* & Shirley*	100.00
Corliss, Robert* / Thompson, Ruby*	200.00
Faris, David & Edna*	600.00
Fitta, Lois	100.00
Hodgdon Jr., Albert *	200.00
Hodgdon, Allen/Hodgdon, Donna*	100.00
Hodgdon, Donald* / Hodgdon-LaMadeleine, Sue	200.00
Hodgdon, Fox* & Jennie*	200.00
Hodgdon Sr., Fredrick* & Priscilla	200.00
Hodgdon, Kenneth & Pammy	200.00
LaMadeleine, Denis*	100.00
Lund, Henry*	200.00
Olson, Marvin* & Minnie*	200.00
Total Principal	\$ 3,200.00

*Deceased

Total in savings account January 1, 2017	\$ 3,646.68
Cemetery plots sold	
Union Bank-interest	3.65
Total in savings account December 31, 2017	<u>\$ 3,650.33</u>
Available interest only to be used: \$450.33	

Note 1: If you wish to "reserve" a Lot it must be recorded with the Selectboard and Town Clerk and Paid For. A Lot size is for 2 and the cost is \$200.00; which will be placed in the Perpetual Care Fund - "interest only" to be used. There are a few "half" Lots still available.

Note 2: No trees are to be planted in the cemetery and we require that you purchase and place corner markers on your lots.



Cow Mtn. Pond Forest Project Fund
Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017

Checkbook Balance \$ 57,688.12

Current Receipts:

Passumpsic Bank-interest	\$	57.96
Total Receipts:	\$	57.96
Total Available	\$	57,746.08

Disbursements:

None

Total disbursements _____

December 31, 2017 Balance \$ 57,746.08

Reconciliation of Checking Account

Bank Balance	\$	57,746.08
Outstanding checks	\$	-
Checkbook balance	\$	<u>57,746.08</u>



Cow Mountain Pond



Little Cow Pond

Pictures taken in 2016

Town Officer Wages as voted in 2017

Town Clerk & Treasurer	\$6,500 a year plus all Town Clerk fees and 1% current taxes collected commission
Assistant Town Clerk/Treas.	\$10.00 an hour
Selectboard Members	\$700 a year each
Selectboard Chair	\$104 a year
All other officers*	\$10.00 an hour

*for example: Auditors, Listers, Election Workers, Constable,
Zoning Administrator, Health Officer, Animal Control Officer

NOTE: Minimum wage goes up on 1/1/18 to \$10.50



Dog Licenses

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Female Dogs	8 @	\$13.00	\$	104.00
Female Spayed	15 @	\$9.00	\$	135.00
Male Dogs	15 @	\$13.00	\$	195.00
Male Neutered	10 @	\$9.00	\$	90.00
Total Dogs	48		\$	524.00
Late fees received				
Total Received			\$	524.00
Less: Town Clerk fees (48x\$2.00)				96.00
State of VT Rabies Control Program(48x\$1.00)				48.00
State of VT/Neutering Program (48@\$4.00)				192.00
Total Town Share			\$	<u>188.00</u>

LICENSE FEES

\$9.00 for each neutered/spayed dog or wolf-hybrid and \$13.00 for each non-neutered dog or wolf-hybrid. Includes a \$1.00 fee for the State rabies control program and a \$4.00 fee for the State Neutering program. Vaccines are good for 3 years.

Licenses are due on or before April 1, 2018. A 50% penalty will be charged after this date by law.
Rabies Clinic: March 10, 2018 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. at the Granby Town Clerk's Office
(East Haven Veterinary Clinic ~ \$15 a shot) Have all dogs on leashes and all cats in a carrier.

Planning Commission

On Hand January 1, 2017	Treasurer's Report	
Check Book Balance		\$ 998.49
Current Receipts:		
Zoning permit fees		\$ 30.00
Union Bank-interest		\$ 1.51
Total Receipts		<u>\$ 31.51</u>
Total Available		\$ 1,030.00
Disbursements:		
Paid orders January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017		\$ 30.00
December 31, 2017 Balance		<u><u>\$ 1,000.00</u></u>

Reconciliation of Checking Account

Bank Balance	\$ 1,027.70
Outstanding checks	\$ 27.70
Check Book Balance	<u><u>\$ 1,000.00</u></u>

Planning Commission Expenditures

Reginald Bunnell-Zoning Administrator	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 30.00



Granby Town Plan



Restoration Fund
Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017		
Savings Account Balance	\$	875.01

Current Receipts

Union Bank-interest	\$	1.65
Town Appropriation	\$	1,000.00
Recording Receipts (\$4 per page)	\$	568.00
Total Receipts	\$	1,569.65
Total Available	\$	2,444.66

Disbursements:

	\$	-
Total		
December 31, 2017 Balance	\$	2,444.66

Reappraisal and Lister Fund
Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017		
Savings Account Balance	\$	13,364.01

Current Receipts:

Union Bank-interest	\$	14.46
State of VT-Education Equalized Grand List payment	\$	145.00
State of VT-Reappraisal funds payment	\$	1,233.00
Total Receipts	\$	1,392.46

Total Available	\$	14,756.47
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Disbursements:

None	\$	-
December 31, 2017 Balance	\$	14,756.47

Granby Town Library Report

On Hand January 1, 2017

Check book balance	\$	104.52
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Current Receipts

2017 Town appropriation	\$	740.00
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Total receipts	\$	740.00
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Total Available	\$	844.52
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Disbursements

School Building Electricity	\$	263.83
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School Building property/liability insurance		440.00
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Total disbursements:	\$	703.83
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December 31, 2017 balance	\$	140.69
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Check book balance

Reconciliation of checking account

Bank Balance	\$	140.69
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Outstanding checks		-
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Checkbook balance	\$	140.69
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Granby Town Library is located in the left hand side of School Building.

Town Clerk Fees Received in 2017

Dog License Fees	\$	96.00
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Fish & Wildlife License Fees		21.00
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Land Record Recording		744.00
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Property Transfer Tax Returns		54.00
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DMV Registration Renewal fees		12.00
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Title Searches		125.00
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Uncertified copies		956.50
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Vital Record Copies		20.00
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Total	\$	2,028.50
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Granby Conservation Commission Report

On Hand January 1, 2017

Savings Account Balance	\$	302.14
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Passumpsic Savings Bank-interest		0.31
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No disbursements for the year

December 31, 2017 Balance	\$	302.45
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Granby VT Historical Group
Nellie Noble-Treasurer

On Hand January 1, 2017

Checkbook Balance \$ 1,388.35

Receipts:

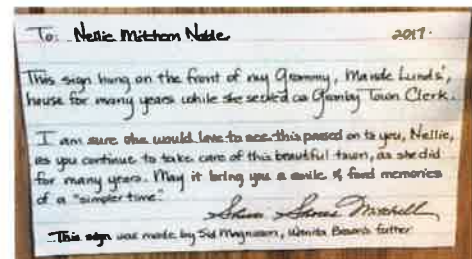
Book Sales-A Longer Walk	10.00
Book Sales-Thru the Woods, etc..	20.05
Donation	5.00
Tax	1.80
Postage	6.50
Total Receipts	\$ 43.35
Total Available	\$ 1,431.70



Disbursements:

VT Dept. of Taxes-2017-Sales Tax	\$1.80
Postmaster	\$6.45
Total Disbursements	\$8.25

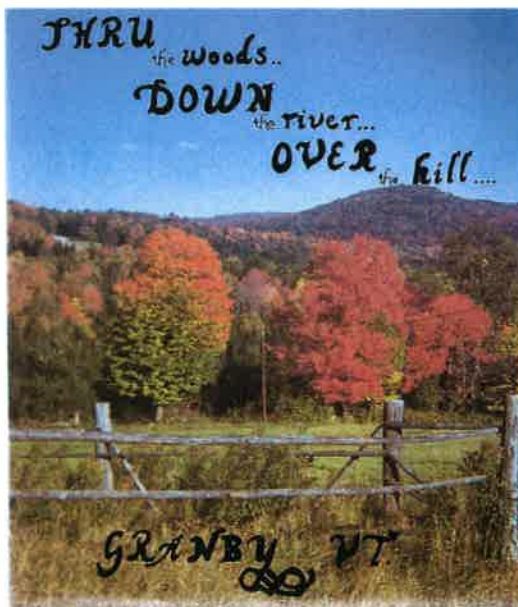
December 31, 2017 Balance \$ 1,423.45



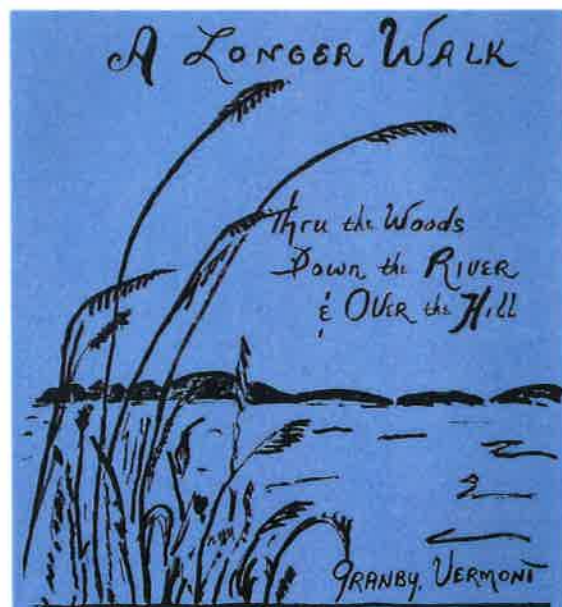
Reconciliation of Checking Account

Checking Bank Balance	\$ 1,431.70
Outstanding Checks	\$ 8.25
Check Book Balance	\$ 1,423.45

note: Town Clerk sign was given personally to me, but I feel it should be placed in with other historical items of the town. *Nellie*



\$21.25



\$10.60

Tax Sale Report 2017

The town had a tax sale on January 24, 2017 for all the delinquent years taxes for Kenneth Stowell. Opening bid (which includes delinquent taxes, interest, Aug installment late fees, collector fees, lawyer fees (15% of del. Amount), and newspaper ads, and postage) was started at \$7577.61

There were two people that bid on the property. Bidding stopped at \$10,000 with a bid from LIADSA Investments II, Inc..

Broke down as:

Delinquent taxes & fees	\$ 6,563.02
Lawyer fees	730.71
Postage	13.88
Newspaper ads	<u>270.00</u>
Total opening bid required	\$ 7,577.61

Minus winning bid	10,000
	\$ (2,422.39)

Tax Sale special savings account

Opening balance in January 2017

Deposit from LIADSA Investments II LLC	\$ 2,422.39
Union Bank-Interest	<u>2.20</u>
Balance 12/31/2017	2,424.59

This money has to be turned over to Kenneth Stowell once the deed has been executed which happens towards the end of January 2018.. One year and one day from the tax sale date. This is a state law that any money received over the minimum bid has to be placed into an interest baring account and paid to the original delinquent property owner.

Highway Fund Treasurer's Report

On Hand January 1, 2017

Checkbook Balance	\$	31,950.57
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Current Receipts:

2017 Levy Road Taxes	\$	30,505.25
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Regular State Aid		29,967.99
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Road Over weight Permits		140.00
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Passumpsic Bank - interest		24.56
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Total Receipts:	\$	60,637.80
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Total Available	\$	92,588.37
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Disbursements:

Paid orders January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017	\$	80,556.14
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Total disbursements	\$	80,556.14
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December 31, 2017 Balance	\$	12,032.23
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Reconciliation of Checking Account

Bank Balance		\$21,762.23
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Uncleared checks		\$9,730.00
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Check Book Balance		\$12,032.23
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No outstandings loans at the end of December 2017



Selectmen's Highway Expenditures 2017

Houghton & Sons Grading Services-plowing & sanding	\$ 40,685.00
Winter Sand /Salt	9,170.05
Walt Neborsky-mowing roadsides	1,260.00
Larry Brown-Labor & equipment	460.00
Chloride	3,301.50
S & R Grading Services-labor & equipment	12,787.50
Gravel	640.91
Cat A Road Inventory Project	5,760.00
Buzzell Gap Road Project (grant)	6,491.18
Total	<u>\$ 80,556.14</u>

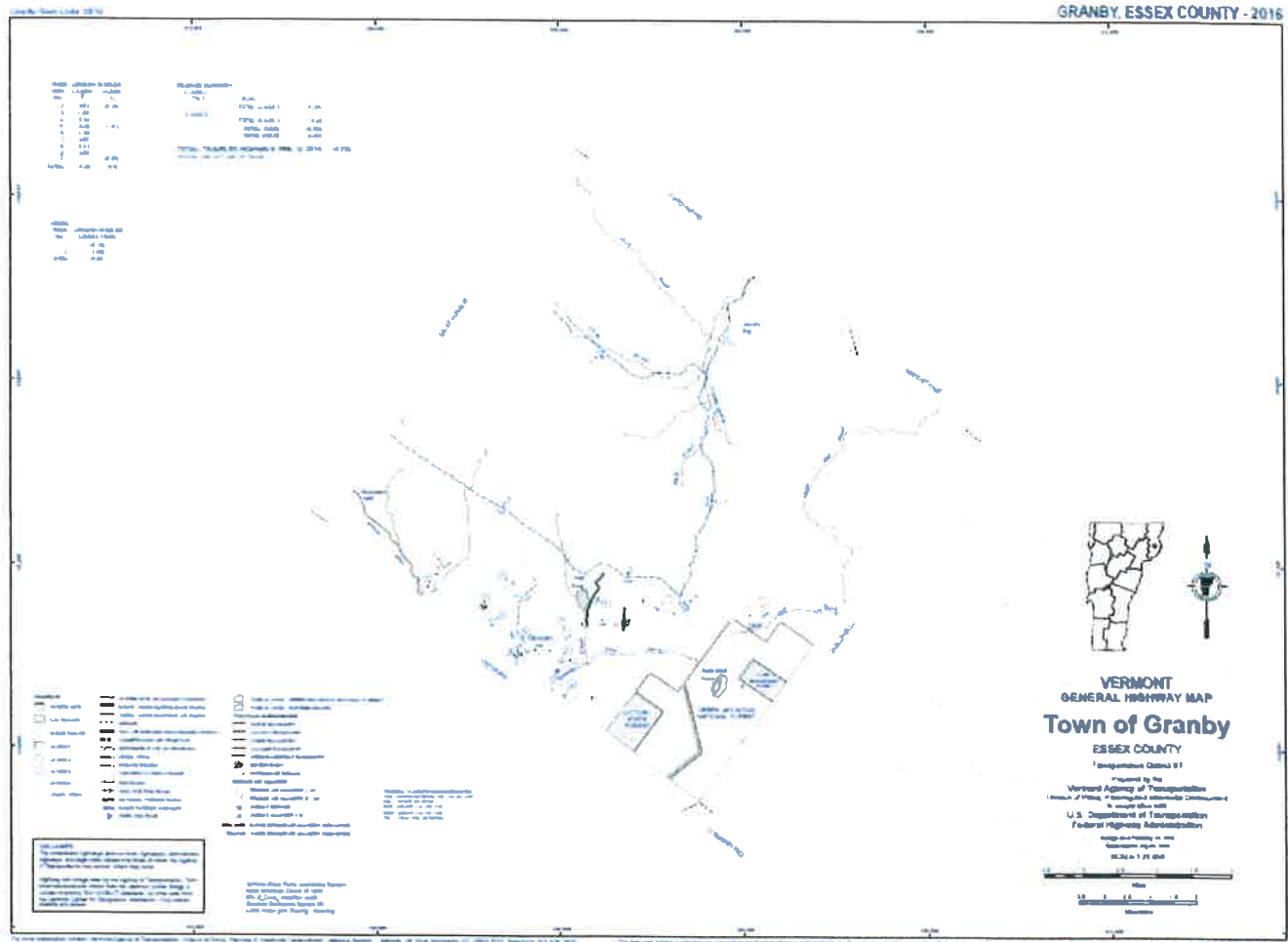
Proposed Budget - 2018

Disbursements

Plowing & Sanding	\$ 40,000.00
Winter sand & salt	10,000.00
Chloride	5,000.00
Grader Rental/Operator	14,000.00
Gravel	2,000.00
Summer maintenance labor/equipment use	10,000.00
CAT B grant-work on Buzzell Gap/Porrell Road	10,000.00
Total	<u>\$ 91,000.00</u>

Revenues State of VT State Aid	\$ 29,600.00
Road overweight permits	140.00
Interest	20.00
Cat A grant reimbursement due	5,760.00
PILOT Project thru NVDA due	3,100.00
Portion of 2017 carry over	10,000.00
To be raised by local taxes	42,380.00
Total	<u>\$ 91,000.00</u>

TOWN OF GRANBY

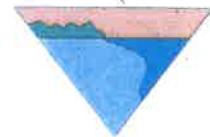


Road Erosion Inventory and Capital Budget

Prepared by:

Funded by:

Vermont Better Roads
Clean Water You Can Afford



Project Background

The Town of Granby's Road Erosion Inventory and Capital Budget Plan was funded by the Vermont Agency of Transportation's Better Roads Program. This project falls under "Category A" grants of the Better Roads Program, and "Categories B and C" provides grants for towns to implement road improvement projects, specifically those identified in this inventory. This road erosion inventory identifies priority Hydrologically Connected Road Segments in the town of Granby, it provides a design for corrective measures, and outlines cost estimates for each project to assist the Town in budgeting for project implementation. This inventory is not intended to be comprehensive of all road erosion in town, but it mainly gathers priority projects that are an appropriate scope to receive funding support through Category B & C Better Roads grants. Additional priorities for larger projects, such as a culvert replacement, is also outlined in this report, but will require further project development and fundraising.

This inventory is intended to provide a budget framework for a 5-year plan to implement these projects. A Road Erosion Inventory and Capital Budget Plan is recommended every 5-years, to create a budget cycle for road improvement projects as well as a tool for town officials to track road improvement progress.

Acknowledgements

This report is written by Heather Johnson, District Manager for the Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District.

Additional assistance for this inventory was provided by:

Robert Peters, Nellie Noble, and Larry Brown, Town of Granby
Shauna Clifford, Vermont Agency of Transportation

General Observations

General observations of the roads in the town of Granby are included below to assist with the overall understanding of road erosion and overall strategies that can be employed throughout town to reduce erosion risks. It was observed that roads with large and small grader berms had limited the ability of stormwater to shed off the road into the ditch. It was also observed that the ditch and the shoulder are not well defined. Several culverts were investigated. Many of the culverts in the town are in good standing. They have good headers and good inlets and outlets. There are very few culverts that need to be replaced.

Hydrologically Connected Road Segments

A component of the methodology of this inventory was to reference the Vermont Agency of Natural Resource's Hydrologically Connected Road Segments data layer, developed in 2017 and shown below. Through the analysis of the road's slope, soil erodability, and proximity to stream, the data show segments of roads in Granby that were assessed to have a low, moderate or high risk of road erosion. Referencing road segments that are moderate to high risk is helpful in determining if current management is adequate or as a consideration for project design in areas that are at higher risk levels.

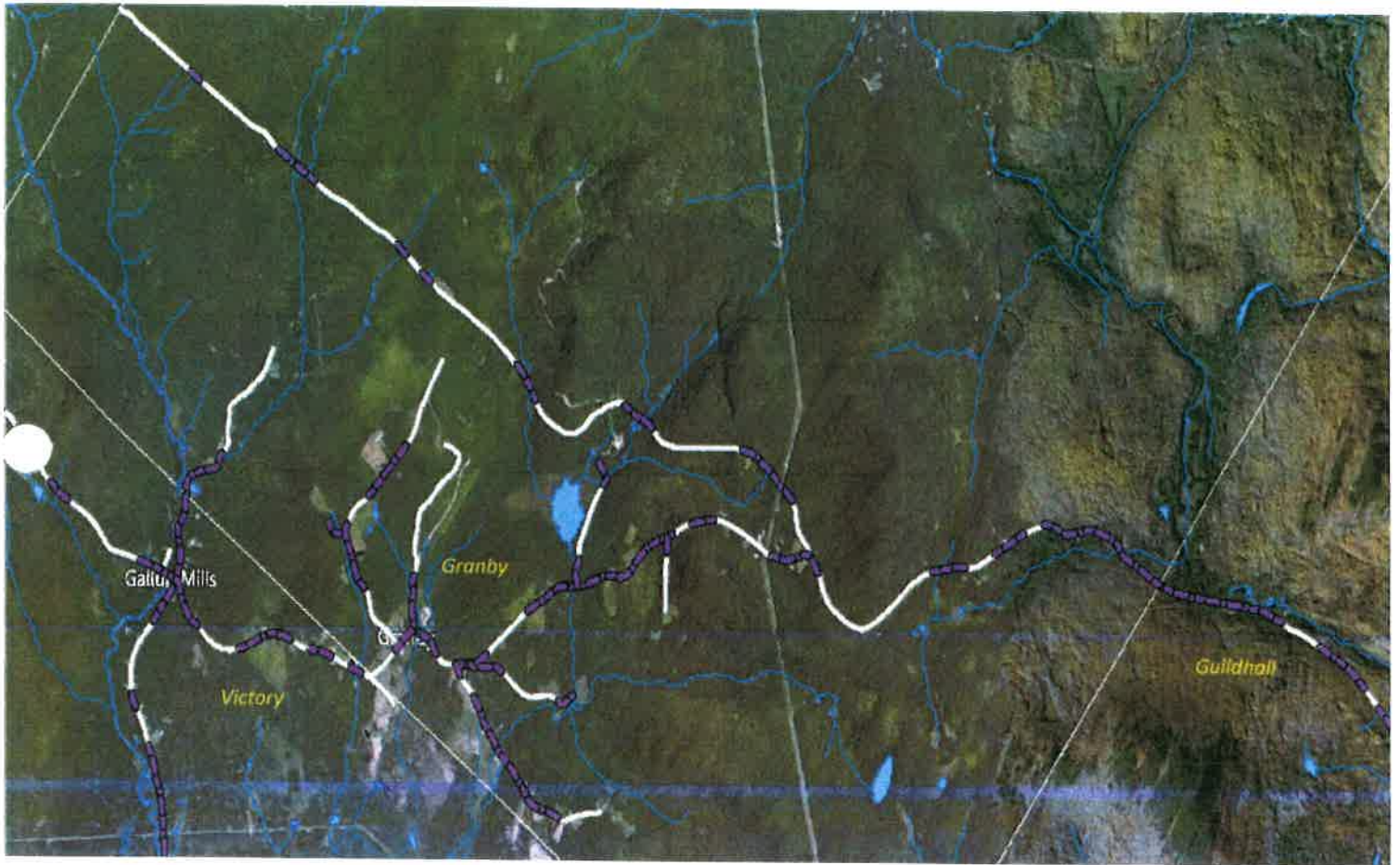


Figure 1: Town of Granby Hydrologically Connected Road Segments



VMCTA

November 1, 2017

Town of Granby Selectboard
PO Box 15
Granby, Vermont 05840



Dear Granby Selectboard,

It is with great pleasure that I write to tell you that your Town Clerk and Treasurer received two awards from the VMCTA at our Annual Awards Banquet in September.

Nellie Noble completed the requirements for Certified Vermont Clerk, Cum Laude, and Certified Vermont Treasurer, Cum Laude.

VMCTA's Advanced Certification was introduced two years ago as a means to give Vermont Clerks and Treasurers the opportunity to continue with education in their profession and to receive recognition for their efforts. The certification program includes components of years of service; related municipal experience in the community; involvement in the VMCTA, county clerk's associations and local government; attendance at professional workshops and seminars at the state and regional levels; and, taking advantage of other educational opportunities.

I hope you will join VMCTA in congratulating Nellie Noble on this well-deserved recognition.

Sincerely,

Donna Kinville, CMC, CVC, CVT

President, VMCTA



TOWN OFFICER NARRATIVE STATEMENTS

(Compiled by the Town Clerk-hopefully I didn't forget anything)

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE

. Cannot believe I just completed my 30th year at a job that I absolutely LOVE. Thank you so much to the voters of Granby for their support by re-electing me every 3 years. Up again in March of 2018...I received my 2nd recertification this year from the VT Municipal Clerks & Treasurers Association. There is a drop box installed in the wall next to the Town Office door where you may drop off any paper work/payments to me. I again attended as many training sessions as possible to keep up to date on the constantly changing state and federal laws and other agency procedures. This included trips to Fairlee, Killington, Danville, and St. Johnsbury. Starting on January 1, 2017 Vermont now has same day voter registration which means that if you have not registered to vote you may do so even on the day of voting at the polls, or obviously any time before with your Town Clerk. Paper application forms are still available on the town office table along with many other publications, etc. for your use and to take... You may also apply to the checklist when you renew or get your new driver's license or on the VEMS web page. I was able to get some sorting done in the vault but still more to do. Certain contents can be purged from the vault so it is an ongoing project keeping up with this. There is a state law on the length of time we need to keep certain things (for example: orders/checks/invoice; bank statements just to name a few...

My assistant, Paula Christopher spent one afternoon while we were in Boston at MGH with Calvin, cross indexing onto index cards all of our recorded Mylar maps to make it easier to find under current ownership names... For those of you that use Face Book I have created a page called 'Granby VT Community Page'... If I have not added you to it, please contact me and I will add you. I have used it to post community events, newspaper articles, pictures... Anything that I feel people would be interested in... I would also like to have as many town resident and tax payers email address for a town data base if you feel like sharing with me. With all the different projects that were done in town this year and proposed projects, I was very busy in the town office. As most of you have heard Granite State Power Link is proposing to put a transmission line thru Granby next to the VELCO power line. This initial step involved many hours of title searching and coping in the office. They also came to town and did a presentation which was only attended by about 6-8 residents/property owners. Sure they will be coming again...

SELECTBOARD

2017 was a very busy year... We were able to get the Category A road inventory grant work done. You will see in the road expenditures that we have an expense for this work but it is a grant project and will be receiving some of the amount back... The Grant amount we will receive is \$5760 with our cost to Essex County NRCD to do the inventory is \$6,000 with us having to have an in-kind match of \$1140... The in-kind match did not have to be done in payment but could be applied as in-kind time. We were lucky enough to have Robert Peters donate his time to this project for the cost of \$1140.00. You will see 3 pages of the completed report on pages 33-35. The board applied for another VT Back Roads grant to work on the next steps. As you will see from the road segment map, the state has done an inventory themselves and we need to bring all these sections up to standard. Currently this also includes all class 4 roads in the town. This includes the Old County Road and a couple of other smaller sections off the class 2 roads. The board plans to start the process to change the category of the class 4 roads to Legal Trails. They fall under different rules and we do not have to do any upkeep to them. The state also does not pay any state aid on class 4 roads so would all have to be paid by the town. Changing the status of the roads will not change any of the property owner's legal right of ways to their properties. Stay tuned for more on this in 2018. Our loan for the land and 'Sherwood's Garage' was paid in full this year. A big improvement to the Town Hall downstairs was the renovation of our restroom to be handicap accessible. What a great thing to have done!! A few people asked if we had hot water now but board voted not to put hot water in. A thank you goes out to Betty Brown who donated and installed the mini blind and curtain for the restroom... New drain guard hangers were installed on the town hall as some of the original had failed. We were also able to get our Local Emergency Plan Operation document adopted. This will help the town when we need to apply for grants & reimbursements on our roads from flooding, etc. Robert had to take a special course in order for this to happen.

We had an annual building(s)/property audit with our insurance company, VLCT PACIF, and there were a number of small issues we need to address. Most of the fire extinguishers need to be taken to Reed Supply for checking and some are so old they need to be disposed of; the garage has some issues with electrical wires and junction boxes to be covered; pit needs to be boarded over and painted around the floor edge for better visibility; all of the school ground equipment is very old and has dangerous edges, etc for someone getting hurt so needs to be all removed.

We were also able to apply for and receive a grant thru NVDA called a Pilot project grant for a section of the Buzzell Gap road. (This is one of the many sections that has to be upgraded due to new state laws) The state has done an inventory of ALL the town roads in sections and we are required to bring each of these sections 'up to the state/road standards'...

LISTERS

Annually the Dept. of Taxes, through its Division of Property Valuation and Review, conducts a study of all municipalities' grand lists. The results of this study are very important to all towns and cities. The education property value is a critical component in Vermont's education property tax system. The figures for our municipality effective January 1, 2018 are:

Equalized Education Grand List: \$18,526,658

Education Grand List (from 411): \$18,950,858

Common Level of Appraisal: 102.29%

Coefficient of Dispersion: 8.63%

(Common Level of Appraisal should be as near to 100% as possible and a COD of 20 or lower is generally considered to reflect a good level of equity across taxpayer assessments.)

All residents: The homestead declaration laws are the same as last year, and you **HAVE TO** fill out a **Homestead Declaration EACH YEAR.**, and the form to get a **prebate** towards your 2018 tax bill. Questions regarding your town property values need to be addressed to the Listers, not the Town Clerk/Treas. Our email address is: granbylisters@myfairpoint.net

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

There was one tax sales done in 2017. Thank you to all of you that are making regular monthly payments. I realize it is hard but everyone needs to at least make a monthly payment to keep caught up on the taxes to avoid a tax sale which I personally do not want to do but it is part of the job and state law...

COW MOUNTAIN POND FOREST

. No work was done in 2017. The stewardship plan is still in draft form.

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Nothing new.

GRANBY HISTORICAL GROUP

We are still continuing to sell the History books slowly but steadily. We have a scrap book and photo album they we are trying to keep up to date with items and would welcome any copies of items you may have. You don't have to give us your copy. All items can be scanned for our use. We are looking for a couple more people to be members/directors so if you are interested please let Claudette Morehouse-Chairman or Nellie Noble-Secretary know. Our other director is Barbara Brown. The directors we have lost are Maude Lund, Leah Austin, Ruth Noble, and Beverly Shores. ☺

GRANBY TOWN LIBRARYGRANBY SCHOOL BUILDING

The town Library account continues to pick up the cost of the electricity and insurance for the School/Library building. There will be a change of ownership of the School Building in 2018 as the School District can no longer own property after 7/1/18.

18TH ANNUAL HUNTER'S SUPPER

NOVEMBER 10, 2018 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. GRANBY TOWN HALL

Vital Statistics

Births

Morgan Olivia Farrar- May 15, 2017 to Sheryl Brown & Joel Farrar

Marriages-None

Deaths

Fredrick W. Hodgdon Sr. November 8, 2017

Burials in Appleton Cemetery

Donna J. Hodgdon

Fredrick W. Hodgdon, Sr.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Granby Town Clerk's/Treasurer's Office

9005 Granby Road

PO Box 56 Granby, VT 05840

Phone: (802) 328-3611 Fax: (802) 328-2200

Email: townofgranby@myfairpoint.net

Drop off box for payments, documents, etc. next to Town Office door

Office Hours are by appointment.

In case of emergency please feel free to call me at home.

GREEN MOUNTAIN PASSPORTS: Applicants must be 62 years of age or older and be a legal resident of the town.

Fee: \$2.00. Applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office.

FISH & GAME LICENSES: Licenses are available from the Town Clerk. I now do the licenses on line so can also do permanent licenses and reprints, loss licenses-no matter where you may have purchased your original from. These are just a few new features available to you. As long as I have my laptop at the Post Office I can issue licenses there as long as I am not busy with a customer and always feel free to call me at home too. There is a \$1.50 charge for the reprints. For those of you that have permanent licenses remember that you should get an up to date copy each year so you have the current year on your tags. I can do those for you. I am no longer an official Big Game reporting station. The state has also furnished me with some new transport tags to give you...New in 2018: in order to get your permanent license you must now be 66 years old, and have a one-time fee of \$60 (this was changed from last year)... Law books are available at the Town Office and the Granby Post Office.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWALS: Most vehicle renewals can be done at the office; cars, trucks, trailers, all terrain, motorcycle, motor home, tractors, special trucks, etc. along with snowmobiles and boats. A \$3 Town Clerk fee will also be charged. You need to pay the registration fee with a check or money order. TC fee has to be paid separate. Local snow machine club memberships and VAST memberships may be purchased in town from the MRRD Treasurer-Debra Bunnell.

Granby Post Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:00-9:30 a.m./3:00-4:30 p.m.

Mail dispatch time is 4:05 p.m.

Saturday: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Mail dispatch time is 11:30 a.m.

CPO Postmaster: Nellie Noble

Assistants: Linda Cooke & Tracey Martel

Phone: (802) 328-2427

Selectboard Meetings

Last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office

School Board Meetings

Scheduled as needed. Held at the Town Clerk's Office.

RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC:

Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Granby Town Clerk's Office

Town Clerk will try to be in the office to license dogs that morning. Spayed \$9 and unneutered are \$13. Reminder, if your dog does not need shots before April 1st you may license them anytime between now and then... Little easier on your budget...

RUBBISH REMOVAL:

HOURS: Every other Saturday morning from 9:00 –10:00 a.m. (in front of Lynwood Brown's garage)

Mandatory recycling is in effect. Remember: black plastic and items 5-7 are not recyclable. We know that some of you might not like to deal with the recycling but: **the more that we recycle, the less it costs us for tipping fees at the landfill and also for the NKWMD.** If you need to know if the trucks are coming in or if it's the correct night PLEASE call the Selectboard Chair, as he is the one that will be notified. Remember-On August 1st, 2015 the town implemented the pay per bag system of \$2 per bag... Extra tags may be purchased from the Town Clerk. (Also available at the Granby PO)

Zoning Commission/Planning Commission Meetings

Meetings are called as needed.

REMEMBER: ZONING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED IN GRANBY

Contact the Zoning Administrator at 328-2191 or the Town Clerk to get an application.

All questions need to be directed to the ZA. Application fee is \$20 for residential and \$35 for commercial (includes \$10 recording fee), plus the cost of any notices that have to be published in the newspaper regarding your permit if it's a conditional use, change of use, or variance, etc. and will be billed to the applicant.

Permits issued in 2017: Maple sugar hous-1 Shed-1 Subdivision-1

DRIVEWAY/CURB CUT PERMITS

This is a new permit required that the Selectboard adopted in 2011. Applications are available at the Town Office. Permit is free but it needs to be recorded in the Land Records and that fee is \$10.

Had one permit issued in 2017

E911

Please do not use your 911 addresses as your mailing address. If you use a Post Office box for your mail, your mailing address does not change. Only use the 911 street addresses when someone asks for your legal residence/location. Also, your number needs to be displayed on or very near your house/camp. Number signs may be purchased from the East Burke Fire Dept. for \$25. Please stop into the East Burke Garage and speak with Mr. Greer about purchasing. The signs can be vertical or horizontal and come prepunched with two holes. If you need to reach the service providers for Granby directly use the numbers below. Dial 911 for emergency use only!

Nellie Noble-E911 Coordinator

VT State Police	892-7759 or 1-802-748-3111
Essex County Sheriff's Dept.	676-3500 -Trevor Colby
VT Fish & Game	1-802-748-3111
Lancaster Ambulance Service	1-603-788-3323
East Burke Fire Dept.	1-802-748-8924 (dispatched out of St. Johnsbury)
CALEX or Lyndon Rescue, Inc.	1-802-748-3111

Forest Fire Warden

John Noble – 1-802-535-4222 Permits are required for all outside fires except in contained fireplaces/fire pits. Different rules apply when there is snow on the ground. But you should still contact John you are burning.

VICTORY-GRANBY HOLIDAY IN THE HILLS HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GROUP INC.
2017

We reorganized in 2015 and in doing so discovered that we had lost the original name with the Secretary Of State's Office. That now belongs to someone else. Both names are registered with the state and no part of names can be used for advertising a local event, fall festival, etc. unless it is sponsored by us. In order to keep part of the original name and to include the two towns that were/are involved this is what was decided on. As some of you recall our logo says Victory Granby Holiday In The Hills and Friends of Victory Bog.

We have a number of the old souvenir items still available and for sale including, caps, kids t-shirts, note cards, spoon rests, label pins... We also have a CD that has all the old programs on it and another with a lot of the old pictures. We plan on giving the Town of Granby and the Town of Victory a copy of the CD's for their town office as it is part of their history also... For anyone that uses Face Book there is a page on there with lots of the old pictures and pictures of the RR's Sign Dedication in 2014, along with pictures of projects, etc. as they are done; copies of minutes, and projects, etc.



Our biggest project for this year was putting up a new sign at the site of the Fred Mold Memorial near Damon's Crossing in Victory. The sign was wood burned and painted by Granby resident Shelly Hodgdon Houde, sign post was made by Calvin Noble of Granby. On August 22, 2017, Victory resident Zane Cooke along with his grandson Tucker and Calvin Noble of Granby installed the post and sign.



Calvin Noble & Zane Cooke



Calvin Noble & Tucker



New sign

We are in the process of having all the old slide pictures that we have been able to accumulate printed and put into photo albums. We will also include any other printed pictures that we have and have been graciously emailed or given to us... If anyone has any pictures they would like to share with us it would be greatly appreciated. Get to Nellie Noble and she will scan them in and return to you...

Other projects we are working on is trying to locate the Carpenter family burial site in the old Albert & Cecile Hodgdon field so it can be marked. We are also working with the Town of Granby Selectboard and hope to take ownership of the Granby School Building and contents to preserve the building and contents. We will be adding items, etc to have as a museum. There is a lot of structure work, etc that needs to be done so some major fundraising will be needed and will be looking into grants. Hands on help of course will also be needed so hope many of you will be willing to come help. Of course for this to happen, first the School District has to vote to sell to the town and then the town has to vote to sell to us. This will hopefully all happen at the March 2018 annual meetings.

Remember: at our organizational meeting we voted to have all current residents in Granby and Victory be members of the group without having to pay the yearly dues. Anyone else may be a member for the year August 1-July 31 for \$5.00...

Officers/directors are: Chairman- Rodney Noble; Vice Chairman-Bruce Quimby; Secretary-Nellie Noble; Treasurer-Claudette Morehouse; Assistant Treasurer-Nellie Noble; Directors: Calvin Noble, Connie Quimby, Elise Hineline, Marlene Somerville, Shirley Warden, Allen Hodgdon, Mike Fournier. Honorary Directors: Maurice Bouchard and Andy Fisher... (Dale Somerville passed away in 2017).

Vermont League of Cities and Towns 2017 Overview
Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

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

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 138 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts.

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

VLCT is the only statewide organization devoted solely to delivering a wide range of services to local officials who serve municipalities of varying populations and geographic regions but face similar requirements with disparate resources. The organization provides legal, consulting, and education services to its members, offering important advice and responses to direct inquiries, as well as training programs on specific topics of concern to officials as they carry out the duties required by statute or directed by town meeting voters. VLCT represents cities and towns before the state legislature and state agencies, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and loudly, and also advocates at the federal level, primarily through its partner, the National League of Cities.

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

During the 2017 calendar year, in addition to providing responses to more than 3,700 telephone inquiries, holding 16 training sessions, and following approximately 300 separate pieces of legislation, 13 summer study committees, and developing VLCT's legislative platform with five municipal policy committees, VLCT celebrated its 50th anniversary. Throughout the year, VLCT recognized local officials and employees who have served a number of communities for 50 years, and highlighted some of the many successes of the organization and local government during the last 50 years. It was also an important year to look ahead, to consider new ideas, and to think about new programs and ways of delivering services to members that will address their changing needs in the coming years. VLCT launched a new website in June 2017 that, despite a few initial glitches, has functioned well and serves as a better connection point for members, thanks to consistent updates, new information, and easier navigation tools. VLCT has also moved the majority of its mission-critical IT systems to the "cloud" in an effort to provide more security for member information, greater protection against hacking attempts, and greater redundancy of access that will help the organization remain operational following a disaster scenario. The move to the cloud also reduces the need to acquire, maintain, and replace costly capital equipment.

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

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at www.vlct.org.

To the Voters of Granby:

Since 1950, the Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) has been the regional advocate for stronger communities and vibrant local economies. We are the only combined regional planning and economic development organization in Vermont, serving the largest geographic region of the state – the beautiful Northeast Kingdom.

Each year we request dues from our member communities. These funds are vital to us as they help defray the costs of providing direct assistance to the 50+ municipalities and scores of businesses in our region.

Local governance has become increasingly complex. NVDA has steadily expanded our service offerings, which now include, but are not limited to:

- Land use planning at the local and regional level – including town plans, zoning bylaws, and on-call technical assistance for local officials;
- Transportation studies, infrastructure inventories, and project planning;
- Digital mapping and GIS data services;
- Grant writing and administration for community and regional projects;
- Direct business support and referral services to employers in our region.
- Energy planning and water quality planning and implementation to help communities meet new statutory requirements;
- Emergency planning and assistance with flood hazard plans and regulations;
- Economic development planning to grow and strengthen businesses in our communities;
- Benchmarking and reporting for investments made in the region's USDA Rural Economic Area Partnership (REAP) Zone – a program that has brought millions of dollars to the region;
- Maintaining a federal Foreign Trade Zone designation to improve the competitiveness of companies that import in our region;
- Municipal education and training opportunities for local officials.

How is this relevant to Granby? In 2017, NVDA staff helped with the update of Granby's Local Emergency Operations Plan. Our staff also assisted with a Grants in Aid Project to help the town meet new state storm water requirements on its roads. Finally, we helped to facilitate outreach efforts regarding the proposed Granite State Power Link project.

NVDA's municipal dues are based on a very affordable \$0.75 per capita rate, with a maximum of \$3,500 and a minimum of \$250. We take great pride in providing cost-effective professional services to the communities and businesses of the Northeast Kingdom.

At our annual meeting Granby was "confirmed" as a planning community by the NVDA board, which allows your community to benefit from a number of planning initiatives. We look forward to pursuing these opportunities with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,
David Snedeker
Executive Director



For over 35 years, the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging has been a trusted resource for older Vermonters to age in place. The Council on Aging is the go-to place for older Vermonters to gain assistance for aging well in their communities. We offer a Senior Helpline, health insurance counseling, staff specially trained to help people develop long range planning as they age, caregiver support programs and grants, case management for those who need a bit more support in aging in place, as well as assistance applying for fuel, food, and pharmacy programs. Our nutrition programs partially fund meal sites and home delivered meals under the guidance of our registered dietitian. Working with RCT and Legal aid we provide solutions for the complex challenges people face while living in a rural community. In addition, our work is supplemented by 300 volunteers who serve as Senior Companions, Meals on Wheels drivers, lead wellness programs and assist people in their homes.

We sincerely thank the residents of Granby for their continued support to make a difference in the lives of the residents who are often the most vulnerable. As a private non-profit we are able to remain independent and put the focus on the consumers who need unbiased assistance.

We're just a call away... 800-642-5119

Meg Burmeister
Executive Director

Caledonia Home Health & Hospice
Visit Statistics for 2018 Town Appropriations

Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice (CHHC) is Northern Counties Health Care's (NCHC) certified Medicare and Medicaid comprehensive Home Care and Hospice division.

Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice has proudly served the residents of Caledonia and Southern Essex counties since 1968. Our mission is to enhance the quality of life of individuals and families by providing compassionate, accessible and affordable patient-centered health services to our community.

In the last year, Caledonia Home Health and Hospice was honored to provide 62 visits to the town residents of Granby, VT. Our staff visited 1 home of community members living in the Granby area.

While working with residents, we provided physical, occupational, and speech therapies. We provided skilled nursing, medical social work, personal care attendants, and even home makers. We work together with primary care physicians so that care is specific and structured to treatment goals.

2018 Town Appropriation Visit Statistics Granby, VT

- Home Care (Therapy, Nursing, MSW) = **62 visits**

Total Visits in Granby, VT = 62 visits

Testimonials

"In the past 11 years of my care giving, home health has been my support at all times. They are the best! I could not have done it without them... I'm glad to have them on my side. They are a great team. We need more like them."

"My Physical Therapist and Nurse were methodical, practical, and explained things to me in terms I could understand. They were friendly, courteous, good listeners, and punctual as well as professional."

"The staff is very kind and caring. They make you feel good by the way they treat you as a friend and not a patient. They are on time and call 1st to let you us know they are coming. Very knowledgeable in all areas of healthcare. Thank you!"

"People from home health care agency were kind, communicative, thoughtful, and patient. Nothing but good thoughts for those people."

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Serving the NEK
since 1960

Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. (NKHS)

Annual Fiscal Year Summary: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

The mission of NKHS is to enrich communities and enhance the ability of individuals and families to improve their lives.

Emergency/crisis intervention care at NKHS is in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Thank you, **Town of Granby** voters, for your **\$92.00** appropriation support last year toward our emergency/crisis services to residents in need in the NEK. The Emergency Services team responded to serve **506** individuals in fiscal year 2017. Family and friends of these individuals benefited from the support as well. Some of those responses were provided by the Embedded Emergency Crisis Services team dedicated to work alongside law enforcement responding to crisis situations at homes, businesses, barracks, and/or hospitals. Law enforcement and community members agree the positive impact embedded mental health crisis workers provide while responding directly to a scene or situation is invaluable. When unexpected tragic events occurred, our Specialty Team provided support at schools and businesses about how to deal with sudden grief and loss in the community.

NKHS served **1** individuals last year from the **Town of Granby** out of a total of **3580** individuals who utilized our programs in the NEK, homes, schools, our offices, and through emergency services. We could not do this without our 500+ dedicated employees. As a 501(c)(3) private not-for-profit organization, our volunteer Board of Directors and Program Standing Committees provided oversight to support the agency's belief that human services should be cost effective, available to all no matter their age or ability to pay, and responsive to the needs of our local communities.

Please visit our website at www.nkhs.org for more information about our agency and services. NKHS bases our appropriation request on \$1.05 per person in your community according to the 2010 census, the same amount as last year. We greatly appreciate your interest, your help in letting people know about the services we provide, and your financial support.

Sincerely,

Carol Boucher
Interim Executive Director

Mark Whitworth
President, Board of Directors

We're all about being human.

**THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
TOWN OF GRANBY
SUMMARY REPORT**

Request Amount: \$105.00

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'17 (10/2016-9/2017) VCIL responded to over **3,000** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **358** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **13** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **165** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **80** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **98** individuals with information on assistive technology; **45** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **534** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also now home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **49** people and provided **22** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

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

During FY '17, VCIL provided direct services to Vermont residents utilizing the following programs/services:

- Information, Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)
- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)
- Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP)

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

Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District

5396 State Route 105, Brunswick VT, 05905

essexnrcd@gmail.com www.vacd.org/conservation-districts/essex-county

Town of Granby
PO Box 56 Granby Road
Granby, VT 05840

November 1, 2017

Dear Granby Selectboard,

On behalf of Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District, I kindly ask you to consider us when voting for appropriations in the upcoming 2018 year. I am asking you to vote to support us with funding in the amount of \$200.00 at the next town budget meeting. The funds will be used to assist in writing upcoming Better Roads Grants.

The Essex County NRCD is administered by a locally elected Board of Supervisors including Bill Manning (Island Pond), Dan Kilborn (Island Pond), Ursula Johnson (Canaan). We receive a small grant from the State of Vermont each year (\$7,000 in 2017), but must raise the remaining funds for our services and projects from grants, fees and donations.

Thank you very much for your consideration and for your support. Please feel free to contact me by email if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from you and working with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,



Heather Robinson



December 14, 2017

Nellie Noble, Town Clerk
Town of Granby
PO Box 56
Granby VT 05840

Dear Ms. Noble:

The Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium respectfully requests that the following special appropriation article appear on the 2018 warning for Granby Town Meeting:

"Shall the Town vote the sum of \$87 to support the operation of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium during the ensuing year, in exchange for free unlimited general admission to the Museum for all Granby residents?"

The Fairbanks Museum invites Granby residents to take full advantage of their unlimited free general admission to the Museum to explore the nature, beauty, and wonders of our world. Your municipal appropriation provides essential support for the care of the Museum's historic building and the maintenance and exhibition of the most extraordinary educational collections in northern New England. These are among our region's most prized assets. Each year the Museum offers new opportunities for exploration and discovery, so do come for a visit! In 2018, the Museum will be powered with 90% renewables, energized with new hands-on science exhibits, and will once again open our exquisite native butterfly house for visitors to enjoy. As you know, the Museum also is fully engaged in community economic, educational, and cultural development initiatives and contributes significantly to the attraction of visitors to our region.

The Board of Trustees, staff, and volunteers of the Museum are tremendously grateful for the support, encouragement, and collaborative planning that have marked the Northeast Kingdom's relationship with the Museum. We hope that the Museum, in turn, delivers services, programs, and a commitment to community development that benefit Granby's residents and visitors of all ages and contribute to Granby's remarkable quality of life.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Kane".

Adam Kane, Executive Director

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services

NEKLS began with one woman, Eva Warner, teaching area residents to read at their kitchen table.

It is *so much more* almost 50 years later.

It is our mission to inspire and empower learners, birth and beyond.

- **The High School Completion Program (HSCP)** collaborates with local schools to provide a path to a high school diploma for anyone 16 or older. Program participants may have left school or may still be enrolled in their partnering high school. **In FY 2017, NEKLS in collaboration with partnering high schools awarded 74 high school diplomas** in the tri-county region.
- **The General Educational Development Program (GED)** leads to a high school diploma equivalency. **In FY 2017, NEKLS awarded 21 GED's** in the tri-county region.
- **Adult Education and Literacy Programs** served **293 students for more than 9,649 hours in FY 2017 in the tri-county region.** In addition to HSCP and GED services, our teachers provided math, reading and writing skill development, job skills development, computer literacy and support in students' transition to work or college.
- NEKLS teaches English as a second or other language (**English for Speakers of Other Languages**) to students from around the world who have come to settle in our beautiful Northeast Kingdom. **In FY 2017, NEKLS served 8 ESOL students in the tri-county region.**
- NEKLS Community Learning Centers offer **group and individual computer training.** In addition to computer classes, an average of **81 community members a month** access email, search the web, perform job searches, complete online job applications, or apply for unemployment benefits at the **five Community Learning Centers in the tri-county region.**
- **Children's Integrated Services (CIS)** is Vermont's comprehensive approach to provide child development and family support services. **In FY 2017, Northeast Kingdom Learning Services Early Intervention and Family Support Specialists received over 300 referrals to EI and Family Support services.**
- **The Tutorial Program** provides one-on-one and group instruction to K-12 students at any number of locations including area libraries and town halls. **In FY 2017, NEKLS served 65 K-12 students in the tri-county region.**
- NEKLS also provides **prevention programming** aimed at reducing underage alcohol and tobacco use. **In FY 2017, NEKLS worked closely with the Newport Rotary Club and other community partners, along with grassroots organizations NEK End Addiction and NEK Stand Strong to address the area's opioid epidemic. These efforts resulted in a presentation by Brandon Novak at North Country Union High School, the Conversations of Hope panel discussion, and the Opioid Overdose Awareness & Memorial Walk.**

NEKLS has a staff of 57 dedicated professionals committed to serving the needs of the Northeast Kingdom. Please contact us at 1-844-GO NEKLS (466-3557) if you or someone you know has need of our services or at info@neklsvt.org.

Thank you for your generous support!



American Red Cross

New Hampshire and
Vermont Region

Town of Granby
C/o Nellie Noble
PO Box 56
Granby, VT 05840



Dear Nellie,

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping local communities prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters, most commonly home fires.

We also provide several other services which include supplying blood and blood products in the United States, emergency communication services for Military Service Members and their families, training courses for emergency preparedness, as well as certification courses for Licensed Nurse Assistants, babysitting, and First Aid/CPR. These services, amongst the other services and campaigns outlined below, help thousands of residents each year, and would not be possible without the generosity of donors and hundreds of local volunteers working together 365 days a year, 24 hours a day.

We provide all of our services **free** with **no** support from federal or state governments. In order to be able to provide these services, the American Red Cross reaches out to partners in the community like the **Town of Granby** for funding. It is for this reason that the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont respectfully requests a donation of **\$250.00** for the upcoming fiscal year.

This past year, the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont provided the following services throughout the region:

- Every 17 hours, on average, we assisted a local family, helping over **1,134** people.
- We installed **2,871** smoke detectors in homes through our Home Fire Campaign.
- Every day, approximately **87** people were trained in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills.
- We collected **95,196** units of blood from **65,728** donors. All **40** hospitals in NH and VT depend on Red Cross collections.
- In NH/VT, **13** families who were separated from their families were reconnected with the help of our Service to the Armed Forces department.
- We currently have over **1,300** volunteers throughout the two states that help to make these services happen.

As you know, a disaster or emergency can strike at any time without warning, and the American Red Cross is committed to being in the Granby community to help your residents in times of need. Your donation will go a long way in ensuring that your citizens receive the support they need when confronted by a disaster or emergency.

On behalf of the volunteers and staff throughout the two states, thank you for your consideration of this request to support the humanitarian work that we do. While we hope that no disasters hit your area, rest assured that the American Red Cross will be there to help if they do.

Sincerely,

Emily Poirier
Regional Development Specialist

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Dear Select Board/Town Clerk:

October 2017

Please consider Green Up Vermont's request for your community's financial support. We respectfully ask you to include the appropriate amount from the guide below in your budget for next year. This guide remains the same as in previous years:

For towns under 1,000 population \$ 50
For towns over 1,000 and under 2000 . . . \$100
For towns over 2,000 and under 3000 . . . \$150
For towns over 3,000 and under 4000 . . . \$200
For towns over 4,000 population \$300

Sincerely,
Melinda Vieux
President, Green Up Vermont

Town report information for Green Up Day, May 6, 2017

(This is available for download at www.greenupvermont.org under "About Us.")

Green Up Day marked its 47th Anniversary, with over 22,000 volunteers participating! Green Up Vermont, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, continues to proudly carry on this tradition of Green Up Day. **Green Up Vermont is not a State Agency.** Seventy-five percent of Green Up Vermont's budget comes from corporate and individual donations. People can now choose to donate to Green Up Vermont by entering a gift amount on Line 29 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form. As a result, Green Up Vermont has been able to significantly increase the percentage of individuals giving, thus making Green Up Day more stable for the long-term.

With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's unique annual tradition of taking care of our state's lovely landscape and promoting civic pride with our children growing up with Green Up. Our East Montpelier coordinator reports "Green Up Day is an excellent teachable moment for our children." Green Up Day is a day each year when people come together in their communities to give Vermont a spring cleaning! Green Up Vermont also focuses on education for grades K-2 by providing two free activity booklets to schools and hosts its annual student poster design and writing contests for grades K-12. To learn more please visit www.greenupvermont.org.

Support from cities and towns continues to be an essential part of our operating budget. It enables us to cover sixteen percent of the operating budget. All town residents benefit from clean roadsides! Funds help pay for supplies, including over 50,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and the services of two part-time employees.

Mark your calendar: May 5, 2018 Green Up Day, 48 years of tradition!

**Join with people in your community to clean up for Green Up Day,
Always the first Saturday in May.**

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Agency of Human Services

Vermont Department of Health (VDH) Report for Granby

Your Office of Local Health (OLH) is in St. Johnsbury and can be reached at the above address or telephone numbers. Please feel free to visit or give us a call if you have any questions or concerns regarding health in your town. VDH staff work every day to ensure all Vermonters have access to a healthy environment. There are 12 district offices around the state and our central office and state laboratory are in Chittenden County; all delivering a wide range of public health services and support to your community. In 2017, the Health Department worked on several state-wide initiatives many of which specifically served your community.

The Health Department's 3-4-50 initiative aims to engage multiple sectors – business, education, municipalities – in implementing policies and strategies that will reduce the three (3) behaviors of tobacco use, physical inactivity and poor diet that lead to four (4) chronic diseases of cancer, heart disease and stroke, diabetes and lung disease that result in more than 50% of deaths in Vermont. The local office is working to engage partners to sign-on to 3-4-50 and make a commitment to take action that will help reduce chronic disease across the state.

OLH served 1,298 pregnant women and children to age five in Caledonia and Lower Essex Counties through the WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children) program. WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling, education and breastfeeding support; and, we partner closely with grocery stores across the state to enable participants to use a debit-like card to access nutritious foods. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.

In 2017, our staff responded to 43 cases of infectious disease in Caledonia and Lower Essex Counties. Each reported case is investigated to minimize the exposure and/or effect of disease. We also provided 1,435 doses of vaccine for preventable diseases to healthcare providers statewide totaling \$72,932.75 in Essex county alone. Our local office also offers quarterly trainings to each Town Health Officer to help increase their knowledge, skills and comfort level when dealing with potential health issues.

Prevention is one of the health department's primary concerns. Regional Prevention Partnerships statewide are actively working on programs in our district to help increase state and community capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking, reduce prescription drug and marijuana use and/or misuse. Drug Take Back days, Red Ribbon week, programs and educational opportunities embedded in many schools and newly formed prevention coalitions are all examples of the work our staff and local community members have brought to our area.

The Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) is actively recruiting and working with volunteers to train and prepare for, not only major emergency events, but to be available to support those first responders that serve your town on a regular basis.

The local health department staff are trained to respond to a variety of events and available to assist in arranging and supporting programs and training in your town. Please do not hesitate to contact our office to discuss issues or concerns.

Help us help your community to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all Vermonters.



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

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

The most notable changes are:

- Only family members (as defined in Act 46), legal guardians, certain court-appointed parties or legal representatives of any of these parties can apply to obtain a certified copy of a birth or death certificate. In the case of a death certificate only, the funeral home or crematorium handling disposition may apply for a certified copy.
- An individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for a certified copy of a birth or death certificate.
- An individual who refuses to complete the application or cannot provide valid identification will be ineligible and referred to the Vital Records Office.
- Certified copies of birth and death certificates can be ordered from any town, not just where the birth or death occurred or where the person was a resident.
- Certified copies will be issued on anti-fraud paper.
- Access to noncertified copies (previously called “informational” copies) is not significantly changed by the new law or rules.
- Marriage, civil union, divorce or dissolution certificate copies and processes are not affected by the new law or rules.

For text of Act 46, go to

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

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114 Vail Drive
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In an emergency, Dial 9-1-1

"CARING FOR THE KINGDOM"

9 January 2018

Select Board
Town of Granby
PO Box 56
Granby, VT 05840

Dear Select Board:

Lyndon Rescue continues to work hard to provide you with the most cost effective, yet efficient and top-notch service we can. As an essential service to your community, we continue to strive to provide you with coverage 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. To provide the best service possible we have put forth a budget that is both comprehensive and the bare minimum to stay in business. We have focused any increases on the areas that are most important for initial increases, like staff. We continue to be significantly underfunded in areas such as training, vehicle and equipment replacement, and service enhancement. We are working through strategies to raise funds to do this without more significant changes to the community rates.

This year has met us with some significant change as well as challenges, which includes new leadership in both the operations and the Board of Directors. With these changes, we have undergone a full evaluation of the organization and made some tough decisions. We have found that the organization has continually been further and further in debt at the end of each year, which coupled with not increasing the per capita rates for the communities as needed, has caused a financial predicament that will take some years to correct. We have made a plan and instituted some significant spending programs to assist with cost control, but we cannot continue to keep costs flat and sustain the business.

With that said, we are requesting \$280.37 for the Calendar Year 2018. We are also requesting payments on 15 April 2018 (30%), 15 August 2018 (30%), and 15 December 2018(40%). This will allow us to control the interest and bank costs associated with borrowing money to sustain business through the year.

A full 2017 report will follow in the next few weeks.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully,

Jon R. Bouffard, MBA, NRP, FP-C, CCP-C, TP-C, IC
Director of Operations

A Non-Profit Ambulance Company serving the communities of: Brighton, Burke, Charleston, East Haven, Granby, Kirby, Lyndon, Morgan, Newark, Norton, Sheffield, Sutton, Victory, Wheelock and The UTGs

NORTHWOODS STEWARDSHIP CENTER

Connecting people and place through science, education and action

December 20, 2017

Town of Granby
PO Box 56
Granby, VT 05840

Dear Members of the Granby Selectboard,

I am writing to express our sincere thanks for your past support and to respectfully request that the Town of Granby renew its support for NorthWoods Stewardship Center through an annual appropriation of \$250 at Town Meeting.

NorthWoods offers widespread conservation and educational services throughout the region and is supported through the generosity of private individuals, local communities, charitable grants, and fee-for-service contracts. We provide reduced-cost educational programs (including camps, After School, and natural science activities), summer Conservation Corps jobs for local youth, and a variety of practical workshops for adults throughout the year.

In 2017, NorthWoods continued its active role in Essex County communities—engaging local youth in conservation projects that benefit our neighbors and communities, managing natural resources, investing in the region's resource-based economy. This year NorthWoods re-established a Burke-based Conservation Crew that mostly focused on water quality improvement and watershed restoration projects. These projects included the closure and revegetation of Bumps road in East Burke to create a walking trail, projects to improve storm water infrastructure at Lyndon Institute and Lyndon State College, and numerous projects on private homes on Maidstone Lake to better mediate stormwater and to improve overall water quality of the lake. NorthWoods also plans in the spring of 2018 to help with river restoration where the Burke dam was removed by planting over 2500 plants and building two sets of steps to access the East Passumpsic River. In all, the NorthWoods Conservation Corps crew members completed over 5,000 hours of conservation service in Essex County and the Passumpsic River Valley. These youth gain hands-on work experience, environmental education, career training, and a hard-earned paycheck while completing valuable stewardship work.

We invite all Granby residents to visit NorthWoods to enjoy a ski, paddle, or nature hike or to join us for one of our youth camps or landowner education programs. Continued support from the Town of Granby is critical to the success of these programs and *we appreciate your support!*

Thank you. I am happy to respond to any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Dusty May
Conservation Corps Field Coordinator
NorthWoods Stewardship Center

PO Box 220 / 154 Leadership Drive, East Charleston, VT 05833 802-723-6551

www.northwoodscenter.org

NEK CHOICE SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

The legal voters of NEK Choice School District are hereby duly notified and warned to meet at their respective individual voting locations below, to vote for Articles One (1) through Four (4) by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, with the polls open from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Town of Brunswick: Brunswick Community Office Building
Town of Bloomfield: Bloomfield Town Hall
Town of East Haven: East Haven Community Building
Town of Granby: Granby Town Office
Town of Guildhall: Guildhall Town Office
Town of Kirby: Kirby Town Office
Town of Lemington: Lemington Town House
Town of Maidstone: Maidstone Town Office
Town of Norton: Norton Town Office
Town of Victory: Victory Town Office

- ARTICLE 1. Shall the voters of NEK Choice School District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes? (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the NEK Choice School District authorize the Board of School Directors to withdraw from the Unanticipated Tuition Reserve Fund in order to pay unanticipated tuition expenses in FY2019? (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters of the NEK Choice School District approve the Board of Directors to expend \$5,423,799, 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 \$18,912 per equalized pupil. This is the first year of operation. There is no prior year for comparison. (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the action taken at the meeting of the School District held on March 7, 2017 to elect eleven (11) school directors to serve on the NEK Choice School District, in spite of the fact that the warning listed the incorrect term dates under the Articles of Agreement, and any act or action of the municipal officers or agents pursuant thereto, be readopted, ratified and confirmed, pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2662? (Australian Ballot)

Given unto our hands this 18th day of January, 2018.

NEK Choice School District Board Chair


Miles Etter

WARNING
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
GRANBY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The citizens of the Granby Town School District, who are legal voters in the Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at Granby Town Hall on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 7:15 pm and act on the following articles:

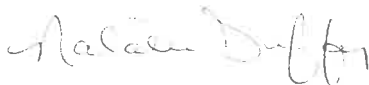
- Article 1:** To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year as required by law.
- Article 2:** To elect a School Director for a term of three years.
- Article 3:** Shall the voters of the Granby Town School District authorize the school district to place all unencumbered funds for Fiscal Year 2018 into the Reserve Fund under the control and direction of the school directors for the purpose of unanticipated education costs?
- Article 4:** Shall the voters of the Granby Town School District authorize the school district Board of Directors to sell, or otherwise transfer the Granby School House.
- Article 5:** To transact any other business proper to be brought before said meeting.

Given under our hands, this 29th day of January, 2018

GRANBY SCHOOL DIRECTORS



Sonia Peters, Chairperson



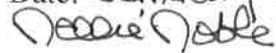
Natalie Duffy, Vice Chairperson



Betty Brown, Clerk

Received for Record:

Date: January 29, 2018



Nellie Noble, Town Clerk

GRANBY ANNUAL TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 7, 2017

The citizens of the Granby Town school District, who are voters in the Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at Granby Town Hall on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 7:15 P.M. and act on the following articles:

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Moderator Bruce Berryman

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for the term of one year

Bruce Berryman nominated and seconded. No other nominations. Bruce Berryman elected by voice vote.

Article 2: To elect one School Director for a term of three years.

Sonia Peters nominated and seconded. No other nominations. Clerk cast one ballot for Sonia Peters. Sonia Peters elected for three years.

Article 3: Shall the voters of the Granby Town School District authorize the school district to place all unencumbered funds for Fiscal Year 2017 into the Reserve Fund under the control and direction of the school directors for the purpose of unanticipated education costs, reducing the school tax rate, and/or capital expenses?

Motion made by Reg Bunnell that we do seconded by Larry Brown. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 4: Shall the voters of the Granby Town School District approve the school board to expend \$173,527, 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 \$10,094 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 2.7% higher than spending for the current year.

Motion made by Betty Brown that we do seconded by Ryan Houde. No further discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Article 5: To transact any other business proper to be brought before said meeting.

Nellie reported on the Australian ballot results. Granby voted 21-1 to merge into the new district. Sonia Peters was elected in Granby for the new board member along with all the other towns that had people running.

David Faris asked how the merger, etc. will work. Sonia explained how it will work and the tax breaks we will get by merging. By July 2018 we will need to decide what will be done with the School Building along with any surplus funds that we may have. She said there are 2 other towns plus us that have large surplus that the boards feel should not be placed into the new districts. They are working with the Legislature in Montpelier to see if the funds can be designated for each town instead of being all merged into the new district funds.

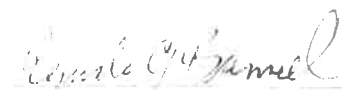
No further business so Moderator adjourned meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Nellie Noble, Town Clerk 3.11.17

Approved by:



Title JP

Date 3/13/17



Title School Director

Date 3/16/17



Granby Town School District Treasurer's Report

	AGENCY	Repair Fund	Reserve Fund
	Union Bank Municipal NOW Checking	Union Bank Savings Account	Union Bank Savings Account
JUNE STATEMENT BAL as of 6/30/16:	\$ 46,924.24	\$ 10,289.70	\$ 143,211.37
Revenue Received	\$ 138,138.82	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Interest Earned	\$ 113.13	\$ 10.34	\$ 289.71
Reserve to Operating - Annual Meeting	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Expenditures Paid	\$ (151,413.66)	\$ -	\$ -
Transferred to Reserve Fund - FY16 Surplus	\$ (30,682.22)	\$ -	\$ 30,682.22
JUNE STATEMENT BAL as of 6/30/17:	\$ 3,080.31	\$ 10,300.04	\$ 174,183.30
Revenue received	\$ 128,042.00	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Interest	\$ 57.02	\$ 5.14	\$ 132.17
Expenditures Paid	\$ (23,008.58)		
Reserve to Operating per Town Mtg Vote	\$ 46,000.00		\$ (46,000.00)
DECEMBER STATEMENT BAL as of 12/31/17:	\$ 154,170.75	\$ 10,305.18	\$ 128,315.47

GRANBY SCHOOL DISTRICT-GENERAL FUND-FY2017

REVENUE/EXPENDITURE REPORTS (Unaudited)

	FY17 BUDGET	FY17 ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
<u>GENERAL REVENUES</u>			
Property Taxes	118,014.00	118,014.00	-
US Forest Reciepts	-	669.27	669.27
Interest Income	100.00	113.13	13.13
US Forest Revenue	-	-	-
Transfer From ReserveFund	-	-	-
SpEd MainstreamBlockGrant	3,848.00	3,848.00	-
SpEd Intensive Reimb	20,101.00	11,462.00	(8,639.00)
Prior Year Adj-Reg Ed	-	-	-
Prior Year Adj-SpEd	-	-	-
Revenue EEE (PreK)	1,041.00	1,041.00	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	143,104.00	135,147.40	(7,956.60)
<u>GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES</u>			
<u>62310-SCHOOL BOARD</u>			
Audit Assessment	4,740.00	4,775.00	(35.00)
Legal Services	1,000.00	25.00	975.00
Errors & Omissions/Liability Ins.	282.00	192.00	90.00
Advertising	-	-	-
General Supplies	50.00	-	50.00
Dues & Fees	500.00	273.25	226.75
	<u>6,572.00</u>	<u>5,265.25</u>	<u>1,306.75</u>
<u>62321-SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE</u>			
Assessment of S.U. Services	<u>4,539.00</u>	<u>4,539.00</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>62490-TREASURER SERVICES</u>			
Postage	-	28.20	(28.20)
General Supplies	50.00	-	50.00
	<u>50.00</u>	<u>28.20</u>	<u>21.80</u>
<u>61100-REGULAR EDUCATION (Pre K)</u>			
Tuition-Riverside PK	<u>-</u>	<u>883.40</u>	<u>(883.40)</u>
<u>61100-REGULAR EDUCATION(Elementary)</u>			
Tuition-Unknown New Kindergarteners	13,000.00	-	13,000.00
Tuition-Burke K-6	-	26,682.00	(26,682.00)
Tuition-WMRSD-Lancaster K-6	-	32,082.60	(32,082.60)
Tuition-Riverside K-6	56,700.33	-	56,700.33
	<u>69,700.33</u>	<u>58,764.60</u>	<u>10,935.73</u>
<u>61100-REGULAR EDUCATION(Secondary)</u>			
Tuition-Concord MS 7-8	-	-	-
Tuition - St J School 7-8	-	-	-
Tuition-White Mtn Regional HS	16,282.82	18,057.06	(1,774.24)

Tuition-StJ Acad 9-12	-	-	-
Tuition-LI 9-12	-	16,825.00	(16,825.00)
Tuition-Riverside 7-8	-	-	-
East Burke School 9-12	-	-	-
PurchService-Independ/OutState	-	-	-
	16,282.82	34,882.06	(18,599.24)

62160-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Prof Services Ed Reimb - OT	-	-	-
PurchasedService From SU-OT	3,824.00	-	3,824.00
	3,824.00	-	3,824.00

61200-SPECIAL EDUCATION

PurchasedService From S.U.	25,435.85	33,337.52	(7,901.67)
Tuition Private/Independent	-	-	-
	25,435.85	33,337.52	(7,901.67)

62150-SPEECH PATHOLOGY SERVICES

Other Professional Services	15,000.00	-	15,000.00
Prof Services Ed Reimb - SLP	-	-	-
Purchased Service From SU Speech	900.00	-	900.00
General Supplies	800.00	-	800.00
Books and Periodicals	-	-	-
	16,700.00	-	16,700.00

62480-EEE SERVICES

Prof Serv Ed Reimb-EEE	-	1,041.00	(1,041.00)
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TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	143,104.00	138,741.03	4,362.97
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TRANSFER TO RESERVES

(Add back not actual FY17 Budgeted Exp)

PROJECTED SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FY2017	(3,593.63)
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The ECSU and its Districts are audited on an annual basis by an outside certified public accounting firm. For the school year 16-17 Gene A. Besaw & Associates, P.C. of Newport, VT performed the audit. A team of three to five auditors spent approximately three days per week from August to October on site and additional documentation was sent directly to them for review. The audit examines the evidence that supports the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements provided by ECSU and each district. It also assesses the accounting principles and procedures utilized by all entities. These audits were performed for 2017 but the results were not available by the printing deadline.

ESSEX-CALEDONIA S.U.- GENERAL FUND - FY2017
REVENUE/EXPENDITURE REPORT (Unaudited)

	FY17 Budget	FY17 Actual	Difference
<u>51510-BANK INTEREST</u>			
Interest Income	-	507.13	507.13
<u>51931-LOCAL ASSESSMENT</u>	-	507.13	507.13
Local Assessment Concord	167,950.00	167,950.00	-
Local Assessment Waterford	166,853.00	166,853.00	-
Local Assessment Lunenburg	131,183.00	131,183.00	-
Local Assessment Guildhall	20,048.00	20,048.00	-
Local Assessment Maidstone	11,348.00	11,348.00	-
Local Assessment Granby	4,539.00	4,539.00	-
Local Assessment Kirby	60,523.00	60,523.00	-
Local Assessment Victory	6,809.00	6,809.00	-
	569,253.00	569,253.00	-
<u>51990- MISC REVENUES</u>			
Misc-Other Local Revenue	-	972.74	972.74
<u>54200-INDIRECT RATE-UNRESTRICTED</u>			
Indirect Rate-Unrestricted	-	-	-
<u>55400- PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT</u>			
Prior Year Adjustment	-	-	-
<u>55720-VSBIT REFUND</u>			
VSBIT Refund	-	-	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	569,253.00	570,732.87	1,479.87

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

62200-TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

Computer & Network Maintenance	17,700.00	17,503.08	196.92
Computer Tech Maintenance Stipend	-	378.50	(378.50)
Social Security	-	23.46	(23.46)
Medicare	-	5.49	(5.49)
Workers Comp	-	2.99	(2.99)
Unemployment Comp	-	0.98	(0.98)
Supplies-Toner/Ink	4,000.00	2,688.19	1,311.81
Computer Software	400.00	-	400.00
Computer Equipment	1,200.00	-	1,200.00
Computer Related Hrdw/Supl	300.00	-	300.00
	23,600.00	20,602.69	2,997.31

62213-PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Training - Prof Dev	-	7,465.00	(7,465.00)
Travel - Prof Dev	-	-	-
	-	7,465.00	(7,465.00)

62310-S.U. BOARD

Minutes Clerk's Salary	610.00	360.00	250.00
Social Security	37.82	22.00	15.82
Medicare	8.85	5.16	3.69
Worker's Compensation	4.82	2.86	1.96
Unemployment Compensation	13.42	0.69	12.73
Administrative Purchased Services	-	-	-
Prof Services-Contracted	-	116.50	(116.50)
Training - Prof Dev	-	452.50	(452.50)
Audit Services	18,000.00	9,300.00	8,700.00
Legal Services	-	1,832.50	(1,832.50)
Advertising/incls. School Spring Share	-	2,018.20	(2,018.20)
Staff Travel	-	95.31	(95.31)
Books and Periodicals	-	-	-
	18,674.91	14,205.72	4,469.19

62321-SUPERVISORY SERVICES

Superintendent Salary	102,000.00	102,000.00	-
Admin Assistant/HR Wage	50,058.00	51,327.83	(1,269.83)
Substitute - Clerical	-	209.40	(209.40)
Stipends-In Service Presenter	-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
Benefits Pd-In-Lieu-Of	600.00	-	600.00
Health Benefits	47,853.60	44,422.87	3,430.73
Dental Benefits	1,029.11	953.52	75.59
Social Security	9,427.60	9,333.20	94.40
Medicare	2,204.84	2,182.79	22.05
Retirement Benefits	2,002.32	2,053.11	(50.79)
Worker's Compensation	1,201.26	1,240.10	(38.84)
Unemployment Compensation	352.00	44.48	307.52
Disability Benefit	745.08	789.00	(43.92)
Flex Plan Fees	90.00	90.00	-
Administrative Services	-	200.00	(200.00)
Criminal Records Check	500.00	155.00	345.00
Training - Prof Dev	3,600.00	897.00	2,703.00
Liability Insurance (Includes Bond)	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Smart Phone Service	-	400.00	(400.00)
Internet Service	-	-	-
Staff Travel	7,200.00	5,066.38	2,133.62
Travel - Prof Dev	300.00	194.10	105.90
Office Supplies	3,500.35	3,733.35	(233.00)
Books and Periodicals	-	241.80	(241.80)
Dues & Fees	4,000.00	3,515.00	485.00
	238,664.16	231,048.93	7,615.23

62520- FISCAL SERVICES

Business Manager Salary	70,000.00	72,000.00	(2,000.00)
Assist to the Business Mgr Wage	-	-	-
Finance Clerk Wage	73,320.00	69,089.00	4,231.00

Overtime	-	195.65	(195.65)
Benefits Pd-In-Lieu-Of	-	1,743.75	(1,743.75)
Health Benefits	35,839.44	21,611.82	14,227.62
Dental Benefits	1,543.66	1,086.79	456.87
Social Security	8,885.84	8,681.72	204.12
Medicare	2,078.14	2,030.43	47.71
Retirement Benefits	6,332.80	5,721.10	611.70
Worker's Compensation	1,132.23	1,129.94	2.29
Unemployment Compensation	528.00	83.20	444.80
Disability Benefit	702.27	746.75	(44.48)
Flex Plan Fees	90.00	45.00	45.00
Software Agreements Tech Support	33,500.00	32,646.94	853.06
Training - Prof Dev	2,300.00	275.00	2,025.00
Smart Phone Service	-	480.00	(480.00)
Staff Travel	1,500.00	350.85	1,149.15
Travel - Prof Dev	1,000.00	248.55	751.45
General/Office Supplies	3,500.00	2,987.42	512.58
Dues & Fees	1,500.00	186.38	1,313.62
Bank Fees	250.00	154.18	95.82
	244,002.38	221,494.47	22,507.91

62600-BUILDING OPERATION

Head Custodian/Custodial Wages	3,041.00	2,483.60	557.40
Social Security	188.54	154.00	34.54
Medicare	44.09	36.06	8.03
Worker's Compensation	24.02	19.58	4.44
Unemployment Compensation	66.90	6.41	60.49
Professional Services	-	-	-
Rubbish Removal	900.00	691.00	209.00
Repairs & Maint. of Building/Cust.	1,200.00	711.81	488.19
Office Rental	18,000.00	18,000.00	-
Telephone Service	2,679.00	2,230.05	448.95
Internet Service Agreement	1,068.00	2,113.84	(1,045.84)
Postage	6,250.00	4,082.23	2,167.77
Advertising	600.00	164.20	435.80
Custodial Supplies	1,500.00	1,476.60	23.40
Electricity	3,500.00	3,065.27	434.73
Fuel	4,750.00	3,050.59	1,699.41
Equipment < \$5,000	500.00	-	500.00
	44,311.55	38,285.24	6,026.31

65400-PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

Prior Year Adjustment	-	8,725.00	(8,725.00)
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TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	569,253.00	541,827.05	27,425.95
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UNAUDITED SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FY2017	28,905.82		
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AUDITED FUND BALANCE AS FY2016

31,839.00

UNAUDITED FUND BALANCE AS FY2017

60,744.82

The ECSU and its Districts are audited on an annual basis by an outside certified public accounting firm. For the school year 16-17 Gene A. Besaw & Associates, P.C. of Newport, VT performed the audit. A team of three to five auditors spent approximately three days per week from August to October on site and additional documentation was sent directly to them for review. The audit examines the evidence that supports the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements provided by ECSU and each district. It also assesses the accounting principles and procedures utilized by all entities. These audits were performed for 2017 but the results were not available by the printing deadline.

19 January 2018

To the towns of Concord, Granby, Guildhall, Kirby, Lunenburg, Maidstone, Victory, and Waterford:

It is not an exaggeration to say the changes to the education system in the Northeast Kingdom over the last year are historical. Community members, in twenty-two individual school districts and four supervisory unions, spent more than two years imagining how to improve our school systems and eventually created three new merged Supervisory Districts; Kingdom East, NEK Choice, and the Caledonia Cooperative. By restructuring governance, these new districts freed up resources to improve opportunities for students, enhance choice for families, maintain our small school culture and provide opportunities for taxpayers. The combined votes to create these new districts were overwhelmingly positive and the hard work of the boards to realize these opportunities has begun and will continue to be refined over the next several years. These are exciting times in education!

Another result of these mergers is the Essex-Caledonia Supervisory Union will stop making operational decisions on June 30, 2018, and will cease to exist on December 31, 2018. While this final Essex-Caledonia Supervisory Union Superintendent's Report will be published in this March's town reports each of the new districts will be making decisions at annual school district meetings throughout the spring and may be providing additional information at different times and in different ways.

Caledonia Cooperative: (Waterford, Walden, Barnet)

The Caledonia Cooperative vote was held on May 23, 2017, and passed. However, the K-12 side of the merger failed. The Caledonia Cooperative then explored the possibility of creating a side by side merger with Peacham and as a result of a positive merger vote by Peacham November 28, 2017, the Caledonia Cooperative merger was successful. The Caledonia Cooperative organizational meeting was held on January 16, 2018, and the voters decided the annual school district meeting for the Caledonia Cooperative will be held annually on the first Tuesday of May. The Caledonia Cooperative School District is part of the Caledonia Central Supervisory Union, and Mat Forest is the Superintendent.

Kingdom East (Concord, Lunenburg, Lyndon, Burke, Sutton, Newark, Sheffield, and Wheelock).

The Kingdom East vote was held on March 7, 2017, and passed. The Kingdom East organizational meeting was held on May 30, 2017, and the voters decided the annual school district meeting for the Kingdom East School District will be held annually on the second Tuesday of April. The Kingdom East School District is a single district, and Jennifer Botozjorns is the Superintendent.

NEK Choice (Bloomfield, Brunswick, East Haven, Granby, Guildhall, Kirby, Lemington, Maidstone, Norton, and Victory)

The NEK Choice vote was held on March 7, 2017, and passed. The NEK Choice organizational meeting was held on June 22, 2017, and the voters decided the annual school district meeting for the NEK Choice School District will be held annually on the first Tuesday of March. The NEK Choice School District is part of the Essex North Supervisory Union and, Karen Conroy is the Superintendent.

It has been an honor to serve the Essex-Caledonia Supervisory Union and the member districts for the last three years. Our focus for the remainder of the year will be on transitioning individual districts to their new school systems. I am proud of the work that has been done in all of the communities. Thank you to the school board members for the hundreds of volunteer hours they have given and their dedication to education throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael J. Clark', with a stylized, flowing script.

Michael J. Clark
Essex-Caledonia Supervisory Union
Superintendent

**NEK Choice School District
2018-2019 Budget**

Approved 01/18/2018

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	Proposed Budget (FY19)
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Supervisory Union Assessment	\$175,299
Total Superintendent's Office:	\$175,299

SCHOOL BOARD

Board Members Salary	\$6,600
NEK Choice Clerk	\$50
NEK Choice Moderator	\$50
Payroll Taxes	\$513
Audit Services	\$45,000
Legal Services	\$2,000
Errors & Omissions/Liability Ins.	\$8,000
Advertising	\$1,700
Dues & Fees-VSBA Data/Dues/New Member Trainings	\$3,323
Travel	\$550
Supplies	\$200
Total School Board:	\$67,986

TREASURER

Treasurer Salary	\$513
Payroll Taxes	\$39
General Supplies	\$100
Total Treasurer:	\$652

REGULAR EDUCATION: PreK Tuition
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Tuition-Location TBD PreK (57)	\$186,219
Total PreK Tuition:	\$186,219

REGULAR EDUCATION: Elementary Tuition
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Tuition-Location TBD New Kindergarteners (15)	\$217,079
Tuition-Burke Town K-6 (10)	\$154,844
Tuition-Canaan K-6 (16)	\$256,000
Tuition-Clonlara K-6 (2)	\$31,731
Tuition-Colebrook Elementary K-6 (4)	\$64,996
Tuition-Concord K-6 (4)	\$56,700
Tuition-Groveton Elementary K-6 (2)	\$30,186
Tuition-Lancaster Elementary K-6 (10)	\$167,180
Tuition-Lunenburg Elementary (1)	\$15,225
Tuition-Lyndon Town K-6 (6)	\$92,906
Tuition-Newark K-6 (4)	\$61,937
Tuition-St. Johnsbury K-6 (2)	\$21,053
Tuition-Stark Elementary K-6 (1)	\$15,093
Tuition-Stratford K-6 (7)	\$111,286
Tuition-Thad Stevens K-6 (15)	\$212,562
Tuition-Riverside K-6 (37)	\$524,320
Tuition-Waterford K-6 (6)	\$78,750
Total Elementary Tuition:	\$2,111,847

**NEK Choice School District
2018-2019 Budget**

REGULAR EDUCATION: Secondary Tuition	Proposed Budget (FY19)
Tuition-Burke Town 7-8 (2)	\$30,969
Tuition-Canaan 7-8 (6)	\$108,000
Tuition-Colebrook Elementary 7-8 (1)	\$16,249
Tuition-Groveton Middle 7-8 (2)	\$30,186
Tuition-Lancaster Elementary 7-8 (8)	\$133,744
Tuition-Lyndon Town School 7-8 (3)	\$46,453
Tuition-Millers Run 7-8 (1)	\$15,484
Tuition-Newark 7-8 (4)	\$61,937
Tuition-Riverside 7-8 (22)	\$349,503
Tuition-St. Johnsbury 7-8 (4)	\$42,105
Tuition-Stratford Public 7-8 (2)	\$31,796
Tuition-Thad Stevens School 7-8 (10)	\$158,865
Tuition-Waterford 7-8 (1)	\$13,125
Tuition-Canaan 9-12 (9)	\$162,000
Tuition-Clonlara 9-12 (2)	\$31,731
Tuition-Colebrook Academy 9-12 (6)	\$118,500
Tuition-East Burke 9-12 (2)	\$31,773
Tuition-Groveton High 9-12 (12)	\$175,500
Tuition-Lyndon Institute 9-12 (17)	\$303,361
Tuition-St. Johnsbury Academy 9-12 (20)	\$354,585
Tuition-White Mountain Regional 9-12 (11)	\$182,446
Extra Cost-St. Johnsbury Academy 9-12 Guided Studies (2)	\$17,640
Total Secondary Tuition:	\$2,415,952
Total Regular Education Tuition:	\$4,714,018
REGULAR EDUCATION: Services	
Contracted Services PreK & 504 Services	\$119,164
Total Regular Education Services:	\$119,164
SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES	
Special Education Assessment	\$346,680
Total Special Education Services:	\$346,680
Grand Total of NEK Choice School District Expenditures:	\$5,423,799

District: Northeast Kingdom Choice USD County: Essex		U065 Essex North		Property change: equivalent yield 9,842	Homestead tax rate per \$9,842 of spending per equalized pupil 1.00	
				11,862	income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income	
Expenditures		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	
1	Adopted or warned union district budget (including special programs and full technical center expenditures)				\$5,423,799	1
2	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at union district meeting	+				2
3	Adopted or warned union district budget plus articles				\$5,423,799	3
4	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+				4
5	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+				5
6	Total Union Budget				\$5,423,799	6
7	S U assessment (included in union budget) - informational data					7
8	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in union expenditure budget) - informational data					8
Revenues						
9	Union revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, federal, etc.)					9
10	Total offsetting union revenues					10
11	Education Spending				\$5,423,799	11
12	Northeast Kingdom Choice USD equalized pupils				286.79	12
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil						
13					\$18,912.09	13
14	minus Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil					14
15	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per equpup)					15
16	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per equpup)					16
17	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per equpup)					17
18	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per equpup)					18
19	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per equpup)					19
20	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per equpup)					20
21	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equpup)					21
22	Excess spending threshold	threshold = \$17,103	Allowable growth	threshold = \$17,386	threshold = \$17,816	22
23	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	\$17,103.00		\$17,386.00	\$17,816.00	23
24	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate				\$18,912.09	24
25	Union spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	based on \$9,265	based on \$9,701	based on yield \$10,190	based on yield \$10,076	25
26	Anticipated equalized union homestead tax rate to be prorated [\$18,912.09 ÷ (\$9,842.00 / \$1,000)] Less ACT153 8 cents First Year of Operation Incentive	based on \$3.98	based on \$1.00	based on \$1.00	based on \$1.00	26
Prorated homestead union tax rates for members of Northeast Kingdom Choice USD		Equalized Rate	CLA	Rate on tax bill		
		FY2018	FY2019	FY2019	FY2019	
T021	Bloomfield	1.4690	1.5425	108.96%	1.4157	100.00%
T035	Brunswick	1.1032	1.1584	95.66%	1.2110	100.00%
T064	East Haven	1.6607	1.7437	106.64%	1.6351	100.00%
T083	Granby	1.0000	1.0500	102.29%	1.0265	100.00%
T088	Guildhall	1.0000	1.0500	120.72%	0.8698	100.00%
T108	Kirby	1.5607	1.6387	104.17%	1.5731	100.00%
T111	Lemington	2.0811	1.4615	102.18%	1.4303	100.00%
T118	Maidstone	1.0000	1.0500	111.91%	0.9383	100.00%
T144	Norton	1.7674	1.8416	94.29%	1.9531	100.00%
T216	Victory	2.1876	2.0782	104.77%	1.9836	100.00%
27	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated from Northeast Kingdom Choice USD [((\$18,912.09 ÷ \$11,862) × 2.00%)]	based on 1.80%	based on 2.00%	based on 2.00%	3.19%	27
Prorated union income cap percentage for members of Northeast Kingdom Choice USD						
		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	
T021	Bloomfield	-	-	-	2.74%	100.00%
T035	Brunswick	-	-	-	2.06%	100.00%
T064	East Haven	-	-	-	3.05%	100.00%
T083	Granby	-	-	-	1.87%	100.00%
T088	Guildhall	-	-	-	1.87%	100.00%
T108	Kirby	-	-	-	2.92%	100.00%
T111	Lemington	-	-	-	2.55%	100.00%
T118	Maidstone	-	-	-	1.87%	100.00%
T144	Norton	-	-	-	3.05%	100.00%
T216	Victory	-	-	-	3.52%	100.00%

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,842 for every \$100 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,862 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.629. **New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.**

- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.

- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

Northeast Kingdom Choice School District Summary

A year ago an unprecedented Vermont development occurred in the Northeast Kingdom. Pressures on Vermont's educational delivery has strained taxpayers throughout the state. With State Board of Education approval, voters from central Caledonia to northern Essex counties representing 10 towns: Bloomfield, Brunswick, East Haven, Granby, Guildhall, Kirby, Lemington, Maidstone, Norton, and Victory, determined to merge their belief and commitment that school choice offered their children the best opportunities for educational development, by forming the Northeast Kingdom Choice School District (NEK). NEK Choice will continue to support tuitioning students with the belief that the ability of parents to choose the educational settings that best fits their child's need will lead to the best outcomes for these students.

NEK Choice School District was given approval and assigned to Essex North Supervisory Union (ENSU, Canaan School District), as a Unified Union School District. This union shares administrative and other traditional services. A significant piece of this approval waived the statute for representation for a Unified Union School District. (Normally operating districts have three representatives while tuition districts have one.) They approved a new configuration, which Canaan heartily supported, that there be three representatives from Canaan and three from NEK Choice. The spirit of cooperation between the two districts has begun strongly and both realize student needs are better supported by working together. Our new Superintendent, Karen Conroy, has worked hard to support this new and unique merger. The efforts have focused on solidifying a good office staff with technology improvements to enhance and increase efficiency, quality, and productivity.

The NEK Choice Board has diligently pursued the challenges of meeting the needs of 287 students in our new district. Establishing policies regarding Tuition, Residency, and Voucher are keys to ensuring integrity for our taxpayers as well as providing the best options for successful education. Communication is another vital component that the board is challenged with. We are in the process of building and launching a website for NEK Choice that will be part of the ENSU website. We feel that the area NEK Choice encompasses presents a great challenge to successful communication. A quality website is a key piece to meeting this need. Another resource tool that is coming together is a Parent/Guardian Resource Guide. Mission, history, policies and process will accompany a large collection of information about schools throughout our Northeast area. We intend to print this and have it available at the Town Clerk's office of each town in NEK Choice. This will also be available on our website. The daunting task of putting together a first-ever budget for this type of district has required a great deal of time with the state and the need to become educated to understand a budget that is new to us all. In a tough state-wide fiscal year, the one piece that appears reassuring is that our merger has given us some control over spending, in particular the 5% throttle for increase and decrease. As you can see, there is work being done and work to do to ensure a successful first year beginning July 1, 2018 our first official day of operation.

I would like to thank you all for having the courage to move forward with a view that expands our communities to a broader involvement for the benefit of our children. A larger voice will help us to maintain our educational desires for our children. We thank you and welcome your participation and support. Thanks on behalf of our Board!



Miles Etter

Chair of NEK Choice School Board

Superintendent of Schools
Karen E. Conroy

As I reach my mid-year tenure as the Superintendent of Schools of Essex North Supervisory Union (ENSU), I am full of energy, enthusiasm, and optimism. According to author Michael Fullan, in his book entitled, *Leading in a Culture of Change*, “Energetic-enthusiastic-hopeful leaders cause greater moral purpose in themselves, bury themselves in change, naturally build relations and knowledge and seek coherence to consolidate a greater moral purpose.” There is no greater moral purpose than the task of educating our children and it is an honor to expand the supervisory union services to support the children of the newly created unified school district, Northeast Kingdom (NEK) Choice.

On August 30, 2017, the State Board of Education adjusted the boundaries of the current supervisory union to include the towns of East Haven, Granby, Guildhall, Kirby, Maidstone, and Victory, merging with the existing towns of Bloomfield, Brunswick, Lemington, and Norton to create the new NEK Choice School District. I would like to personally welcome these new communities and assure you that I am committed to providing the resources and educational opportunities available to each of the students in these communities for them to learn and thrive.

Act 46 encouraged governance to create cost efficiencies, but more importantly to create opportunities for students by providing NEK Choice residents with the option to choose the learning environment that best meets the needs of their child. The NEK Choice School District will provide educational services by paying tuition for its students to attend the public or approved independent school of their choice as allowed under Vermont law.

In the past several months, I have been working with the NEK Choice School District board members and the newly appointed ENSU Transitional Supervisory Union Board to prepare for full operation beginning on July 1st, 2018. These activities include a range of items from the development of policies on tuition and residency, to upgrades to improve the efficiency of the ENSU central office operations, to website changes to provide a means of communication to our parents and the community members. All of these transformational efforts are designed to ensure that systems and procedures are in place for a smooth shift for towns, school district officials and students.

I am looking forward to working with the communities of NEK Choice to communicate the education opportunities available for their youth. Please feel free to visit our office in the Canaan Community Office Building or contact us by phone if you have any questions.

Thank you for all you do to support our students.



Essex North Supervisory Union
Superintendent of Schools

**Report of the Director of Special Education
ENSU & NEK Choice
2018**

The Essex North Supervisory Union Special Education department currently, consists of three full time proficient special education teachers, and thirteen dedicated time para-educators. Each staff member professionally and enthusiastically provides the special education Individualized Education Plan (IEP) services to students in grades Pre-K to twelve to forty-four different students. The Director of Special Education case manages eleven school choice and alternative placement students outside of the Canaan Schools.

With the exciting addition of including the NEK Choice towns to ENSU's current special education program, there will be additional Special Services Case Manager who will oversee all NEK Choice students with Individualized Education and 504 Plans in about 25 differing schools.

Each special education student has an identified disability which adversely effects their educational performance, and is in need for supports, above what can be provided through the traditional educational support system available to all students within the school according to the Vermont Special Education Rules.

The special education staff provides a variety of services both within the student's classroom and throughout the Canaan Schools. While working in any setting, the students are accessing their grade level common core content areas with their peers, and working toward mastery of their IEP goals. Both the special educators, and the paraprofessionals support the IEP accommodations, modification implementation, and learning opportunities to enhance the student's basic skill areas of weakness to support access to their grade level classrooms.

There are also contracted related services for the special education IEP students from outside resources to best support student's needs in the areas of Speech and Language, Autism Specialist, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy.

The Canaan Schools high school IEP students work closely with their IEP teams to generate individualized transition plans that are an integrated part of their IEP. Each plan includes long term and short term goals in areas of education and training, employment, and at times independent living. This transition plan assists the students to start thinking about what direction they want to take after high school. To support the IEP student's in this exploration process, the Vermont Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) and the Youth Employment Specialist (YES), are available weekly to meet and discuss any part of the student's transition plan individually or in small groups. These two resources are able to assist student's to explore a wide variety of career options such as college searches, job shadowing, unpaid work experiences, career and interest inventories are just to name a few.

I would like to conclude with the well-deserved recognition for all the exceptional special education staff I am so fortunate to work with. Every single one of them is dedicated to doing an excellent job, and I want to thank all of you for what each does on behalf of our students.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Cole
Director of Special Education

Essex North Supervisory Union
2018 - 2019 Budget

Approved 01/08/2018

Expenditures SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	Approved Budget (FY18)	Proposed Budget (FY19)	Increase (Decrease)	NEK Choice	Canaan
GENERAL COSTS					
SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE:					
Superintendent Salary	\$95,000	\$96,820	\$1,820	\$48,410	\$48,410
Treasurer	\$1,522	\$1,522	\$0	\$761	\$761
Business Admin Salary	\$46,350	\$51,500	\$5,150	\$25,750	\$25,750
Admin Asst Salary-FY 18 Under Sped/Medicaid	\$9,984	\$34,320	\$24,336	\$17,160	\$17,160
Group Ins-Health/Dental/Life/STD/LTD	\$50,575	\$43,229	-\$7,346	\$21,615	\$21,615
VT Teacher Health Assessment-New Hires (KC)	\$0	\$1,253	\$1,253	\$627	\$627
FICA	\$11,694	\$15,895	\$4,201	\$7,947	\$7,947
Payroll Ins-WC/Unemp	\$1,547	\$1,923	\$376	\$962	\$962
Legal Services	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,500
Audit Services	\$9,000	\$11,000	\$2,000	\$5,500	\$5,500
Repairs/Maintenance-Copier Contract	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,250
Prof/OLT Liab. Ins-Errors & Omissions/Liability Ins.	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$2,500
Telephone/Internet	\$1,000	\$7,800	\$6,800	\$3,900	\$3,900
Postage	\$1,100	\$1,500	\$400	\$750	\$750
Travel Expenses	\$3,000	\$7,000	\$4,000	\$3,500	\$3,500
General Supplies	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Heat	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	\$1,750	\$1,750
Equipment Replacement	\$4,000	\$500	-\$3,500	\$250	\$250
Dues & Fees	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$3,000
Contracted Services Erate/BAMentor/Shred/Imaging	\$0	\$11,200	\$11,200	\$5,600	\$5,600
Advertising	\$0	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$850	\$850
Tuition Reimbursement	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Software-WebHost/Infinite Visions/3 Users	\$0	\$23,411	\$23,411	\$11,706	\$11,706
HRA	\$0	\$12,900	\$12,900	\$6,450	\$6,450
HRA-Admin Fees	\$0	\$125	\$125	\$63	\$63
Will be Billed as SUPERVISORY Assessment	\$251,772	\$350,598	\$98,826	\$175,299	\$175,299

Revenue Statement SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	Revised 2017-2018	Estimated 2018-2019	Increase (Decrease)
Prior Year Carry-Over	\$21,604	\$0	(\$21,604)
Indirect Costs	\$3,500	\$0	(\$3,500)
Misc. Income	\$1,500	\$0	(\$1,500)
Assessments-NEK	\$47,000	\$175,299	\$128,299
Assessments-Canaan	\$190,227	\$175,299	(\$14,928)
Total Revenue Superintendent's Office	\$263,831	\$350,598	\$86,767

Expenditures SPECIAL EDUCATION /SERVICES	Approved Budget (FY18)	Proposed Budget (FY19)	Increase (Decrease)	NEK Choice	Canaan
Special Services (Special Ed)					
Salaries-Director (.10 to 504 Services)	\$63,124	\$61,297	-\$1,827	\$30,649	\$30,649
Salaries-Admin Asst. (75 FTE FY 19) (.50 FTE FY 18)	\$16,640	\$30,888	\$14,248	\$15,444	\$15,444
Para Educators-Canaan Only (Includes EEE)	\$165,091	\$259,982	\$94,891	\$0	\$259,982
Special Ed Teachers-Resource Room	\$133,639	\$164,277	\$30,638	\$45,000	\$119,277
Substitutes	\$500	\$6,300	\$5,800	\$0	\$6,300
FICA	\$28,954	\$42,301	\$13,347	\$9,686	\$32,615
Payroll Ins-Worker's Compensation/Unemployment	\$8,654	\$12,372	\$3,718	\$2,949	\$9,423
Group Ins-Health/Dental/Life/LTD/STD	\$119,219	\$171,507	\$52,288	\$38,175	\$133,332
Travel-Director/NEK Teacher	\$4,000	\$6,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$4,000
Advertising	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$200	\$800
General Supplies-Special Ed	\$10,000	\$7,500	-\$2,500	\$0	\$7,500
Contracted Services-PT/OT/Speech/Mainstream/RR	\$312,645	\$513,392	\$200,747	\$336,208	\$177,184
Equipment Maintenance	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
Telephone	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$3,500
Tuition-Extraordinary Canaan Students	\$209,700	\$268,950	\$59,250	\$0	\$268,950
Equipment -Special Ed Canaan Only	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$10,000
Instructional Support Services	\$3,000	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$8,000
Transportation-Extraordinary Canaan Students	\$0	\$23,100	\$23,100	\$0	\$23,100
Dues & Registrations	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
Postage	\$0	\$800	\$800	\$0	\$800
HRA	\$0	\$44,140	\$44,140	\$7,095	\$37,045
HRA-Admin Fee	\$0	\$470	\$470	\$83	\$387
Contracted Services-Paras in Canaan School (NEK)	\$0	\$30,209	\$30,209	\$30,209	\$0
Will be billed as Special Education Assessment	\$1,083,166	\$1,668,984	\$585,818	\$518,197	\$1,150,787
Above will be reimbursed at 56%					

Budget Sub-Totals (Superintendent/Special Education):	\$1,334,938	\$2,019,582	\$684,644	\$693,496	\$1,326,086
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Expenditures OTHER SERVICES (Non-Reimbursable)	Approved Budget (FY18)	Proposed Budget (FY19)	Increase (Decrease)	NEK Choice	Canaan
Salaries-Director/Admin Asst for 504 Services (.10)	\$0	\$10,243	\$10,243	\$5,122	\$5,122
FICA/Health/HRA/Dental/Life/Dis/Long/Short/WC	\$0	\$5,363	\$5,363	\$2,682	\$2,682
Pre-K Salary (Para Salary Above)	\$70,375	\$26,262	-\$44,113	\$0	\$26,262
Pre-K Subs	\$575	\$600	\$25	\$0	\$600
Pre-K FICA/Health/HRA/Dental/Life/Dis/LTD/STD/WC	\$42,727	\$18,546	-\$24,181	\$0	\$18,546
Pre-K General Supplies/Books	\$700	\$766	\$66	\$0	\$766
Pre-K Contracted Services (EEE)	\$25,729	\$34,308	\$8,579	\$27,688	\$6,620
Pre-K Equipment (EEE)	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
VT Teacher Retire Health Assess (JL + New NEK)	\$0	\$2,506	\$2,506	\$1,253	\$1,253
Tuition Reimbursement-Para Educators	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,500
Contracted Services-504 Only Speech/PT/OT/PARAS NEK(Riverside/Lancaster)/Evaluations- Canaan Only	\$0	\$83,720	\$83,720	\$72,720	\$11,000
General Supplies-504 Students (Canaan Only)	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Equipment-504 Students NEK Only	\$0	\$9,200	\$9,200	\$9,200	\$0
Will be billed as invoiced for the above services:	\$142,106	\$196,514	\$54,408	\$119,164	\$77,350

Grand Total of Special Ed & Other Services:	\$1,225,272	\$1,865,498	\$640,226	\$637,361	\$1,228,137
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Budget Sub-Totals (Super, Special Ed & Other):	\$1,477,044	\$2,216,096	\$739,052	\$812,659	\$1,403,436
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Revenue Statement SPECIAL ED SERVICES/OTHER	Approved /Revised 2017-2018	Estimated 2018-2019	Increase (Decrease)
Pre-School	\$69,726	\$49,005	(\$20,721)
EEE Grant -Canaan	\$17,085	\$29,062	\$11,977
Mainstream Block Grant-NEK	\$0	\$32,292	\$32,292
Mainstream Block Grant-Canaan	\$122,849	\$158,933	\$36,084
IDEA-Canaan	\$78,173	\$109,087	\$30,914
Special Ed Reimbursement-NEK	\$0	\$139,225	\$139,225
Special Ed Reimbursement-Canaan	\$679,769	\$556,961	(\$122,808)
Special Ed Assessments-NEK	\$0	\$346,680	\$346,680
Special Ed Assessments-Canaan	\$257,670	\$296,744	\$39,074
Contracted Services-NEK	\$0	\$119,164	\$119,164
Contracted Services-Canaan	\$0	\$28,345	\$28,345
Total Revenue Special Ed Services/Other:	\$1,225,272	\$1,865,498	\$640,226

Expenditures I, IIA, IV, REAP Grants	Title	Approved Budget (FY 18)	Proposed Budget (FY19)	Increase (Decrease)
Pre-School		\$0	\$0	\$0
Contracted Services		\$108,159	\$61,232	-\$46,927
Academic Enrichment-Online VHS		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Summer Programming		\$22,435	\$22,435	\$0
After School Program		\$0	\$0	\$0
Literacy Interventionist		\$6,000	\$25,728	\$19,728
Academic Enrichment-Experiential		\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
PBGR/MTSS		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
Mentoring		\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
Supplies-Homeless Supports		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0
Retirement Contribution		\$1,400	\$6,541	\$5,141
Indirect Cost		\$0	\$0	\$0
Grant Funds will Pay for these Costs:		\$173,994	\$161,936	-\$12,058

Revenue Statement TITLE I, IIA, IV, REAP Grants	Revised 2017-2018	Estimated 2018-2019	Increase (Decrease)
Anticipated Federal Funding	\$161,936	\$161,936	\$0
FY 17 Carry-Over	\$12,058	\$0	-\$12,058
Total	\$173,994	\$161,936	-\$12,058

	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase	NEK	Canaan
Grand Total of All Expenditures:	\$1,651,038	\$2,378,032	\$726,994	\$812,659	\$1,403,436