

Corinth, Vermont

ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023



APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS: 2023-2024

TREASURER

Dick Kelley Office: 439-5850, ext 5
Home: 439-6589

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Martha Brough 2026 802-222-7270

ADMIN ASST & CLERK FOR THE SELECTBOARD

Anne Rosten 439-5792
Shirley Montagne (Financial Clerk) 439-6584

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Martha Brough 802-222-7270

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, (contracted annually)

Michelle Boyer 439-5827

AUDITORS (contracted annually)

Batchelder Associates

BUILDING SAFETY OFFICER

Katharine Lea 2024 439-5395

BLAKE MEMORIAL LIBRARY, 3 year

Shirley Montagne 2024 439-6584

BUDGET COMMITTEE (at-large), 1 year

Elizabeth Davis 2024 --
Raymond Moulton 2024 439-5465
Amy Peberdy 2024 439-5990
Mike Pittman 2024 439-3015
Lee Porter 2024 439-5899

CONSERVATION COMMISSION, 4 year

Ken Arkind 2024 589-0016
Luke Campbell 2025 ---
Luis Graf 2027
Mary Kent 2027
Katharine Lea 2026
John Mellquist 2027
*Glynn Pellagrino 2026 439-5566
Lindle Lawton Sutton 2025 439-5803

E-911 COORDINATOR, 1 year

KellyAnn Donahue 2024 439-9987

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, 1 year

Joe Blodgett, director 2024 439-5682
Rick Cawley 2024 439-5511
Carl Demrow 2024 439-6731
Nick Kramer 2024 439-5736
Mike Wolff 2024 439-3666

ENERGY COORDINATOR, 1 year

Tim O'Dell 2024 685-3370

FENCE VIEWERS, 1 year

Gary Bicknell 2024 439-5149
Robert Fortunati 2024 439-6179
Catherine Tudish 2024 439-6421

FIRE CHIEF

Ed Pospisil 439-6074

FIRE WARDEN (state appointment), 5 year

Mike Wolff 2027 439-3666

GAME WARDEN

Mike Scott 802-279-7817

GREEN-UP DAY COORDINATOR

Anne McKinsey -- 439-6472

HEALTH OFFICER (state appointment), 3 year

Brad Wheeler 2025 439-9319

NEKWM BOARD of SUPERVISORS, 1 year

Marian Cawley, alternate 2024 439-5511
Bob Sandberg 2024 439-5563

PLANNING COMMISSION, 3 year and

ZONING BOARD of ADJUSTMENT, 3 year

*Kerry DeWolfe 2024 439-3092
Dick Kelley 2026 439-6589
Kenya Lazuli 2024 439-3606
Anne Margolis 2024 439-5630
Russ Pazdro 2025 439-5265
Patricia Rizzo 2026 439-5736

REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE, 3 year

Virginia Barlow 2024 439-5652
Christiane Carroll (Clerk) -- 439-5850
Dick Kelley (Treasurer) -- 439-5850
Nick Kramer 2025 439-5736
Kenya Lazuli 2024 439-3606
Raymond Moulton 2024 439-6250
Linda Weiss 2025 439-5280

ROAD COMMISSIONER, 3 year

Lee Porter 2024 439-5899

ROAD FOREMAN

Joe Blodgett -- garage: 439-6272

SERVICE OFFICER, 1 year

Catherine Haley 2024 603-381-1500

SURVEYOR of WOOD & TIMBER, 1 year

Virginia Barlow 2024 439-5652

TREE WARDEN, 1 year

Virginia Barlow 2024 439-5652

TRORC COMMISSIONER, 1 year

Tim O'Dell 2024 685-3370

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE SERVICE REP, 1 year

Joe Truss 2024 439-6178

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS: 2023-2024

MODERATOR, 1 year

Gary Apfel 2024 439-3459

TOWN CLERK, 3 year

Christiane Carroll 2026 Office: 439-5850

SELECTBOARD, 3 year

Carl Demrow 2026 439-6731
Holly Groschner 2024 439-3903
*Nick Kramer 2024 439-5736

LISTERS, 3 year

*KellyAnn Donahue 2025 439-5098
Martha Brough 802-222-7270
-vacant-

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR, 1 year

Susan L. Fortunati 2024 439-6179

CEMETERY COMMISSION, 3 year

Norman Collette 2026 685-3812
*Raymond Moulton 2025 439-5465
-vacant-

WRVS DISTRICT #36 DIRECTORS, 3 year

Nancy Ertle 2026 802-522-3996
Jeremiah Goyette 2024 --
Michael Tkac 2025 --

CONSTABLE, 1 year

-vacant-

JUSTICES of the PEACE, 2 year; terms exp. 1/31/2025

Kathy Chapman 439-5980
Jane M. Conner 439-6051
Anne Margolis 439-5630
Tim O'Dell 685-3370
Russ Pazdro 439-5265
Amy Peberdy 439-5990
Allegra Shumway 439-3459

* denotes chair

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ABOUT THE PHOTOGRAPHS:

East Corinth village was transformed for about two months over the summer when Warner Bros. movie set crews arrived to construct the sets for the filming of what will undoubtedly be a blockbuster film, *Beetlejuice 2*. Inasmuch as the *Beetlejuice* following is of a staggering size worldwide, it seemed fitting that this year's *Annual Report* should be devoted to this event with photos. During the weeks of set construction, several days of filming, followed by the removal of all traces of *Beetlejuice*, much fun was had by all — visitors and village residents alike! The movie is scheduled for release in early September, 2024.

Most of these photos were taken by Ed Pospisil — thank you, Ed!

TOWN MEETING WARNING

MARCH 5, 2024

The legal voters of the Town of Corinth in the County of Orange are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Cookeville on Tuesday March 5, 2024, at 10:00 AM to act on the following:

Article 1. To elect the following by Australian ballot. For the purposes of this article the polls will be open from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

Moderator for 1 year

Selectboard member for 3 years

Selectboard member for 1 year

Lister for 3 years

Lister for 2 years

Collector of Delinquent Taxes for 1 year

Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years

Constable for 1 year

Waits River Valley School Director for 3 years

Article 2. To see if the voters will accept the various Officers' Reports as presented in the Town Report.

Article 3. To see if the voters will vote \$952,850, of which \$682,850 to be raised by taxes, to support the Highway Fund.

Article 4. To see if the voters will vote \$129,700, of which \$129,700 to be raised by taxes, to support the Highway Capital Equipment Fund.

Article 5. To see if the voters will vote \$15,000, of which \$15,000 to be raised by taxes, to support the Bridge Reserve Fund.

Article 6. To see if the voters will authorize the town to use funds received from the Better Back Roads grant program.

Article 7. To see, in the case of unanticipated State funds not included in the budget for specific highway and bridge projects applied for and received during the fiscal year, if the voters will authorize the expenditure of such funds for those projects.

Article 8. To see if the voters will vote \$1,000, of which \$1,000 to be raised by taxes, for the Emerald Ash Borer Fund.

Article 9. To see if the voters will vote \$500, of which \$500 to be raised by taxes, to support the Planning Commission.

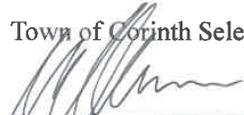
Article 10. To see if the voters will vote \$600, of which \$600 to be raised by taxes, to support the Conservation Commission.

Article 11. To see if the voters will vote \$5,000, of which \$5,000 to be raised by taxes, to support the Town Hall Capital Improvement Fund.

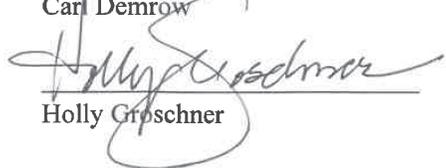
- Article 12.** To see if the voters will vote \$493,205, of which \$241,005 to be raised by taxes, to support the General Fund.
- Article 13.** To see if the voters will vote to have the taxes collected by the Treasurer and fix the dates of payment for the same on or before the close of business the second Tuesday following Labor Day each year, and on or before the close of business the 2nd Tuesday of February each year. Postmarks not accepted.
- Article 14.** To see if the voters will fix the compensation for the Selectboard members for the coming year at \$2,000 each.
- Article 15.** To recommend members-at-large for the Budget Committee for 1 year.
- Article 16.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Corinth, Vermont this 8th day of January, 2024.

Town of Corinth Selectboard


 Nick Kramer, Chair


 Carl Demrow


 Holly Groschner

Received for record this 9 day of January, 2024 at 8 A.M. / P.M.


 Christiane Carroll, Town Clerk



NEKWMD: 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2023	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$300.00	\$144.25	\$300.00
Audit -- Financial	\$6,845.00	\$8,750.00	\$9,000.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$2,500.00	\$2,129.60	\$2,500.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$25.00
Surplus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cleaning	\$1,920.00	\$1,869.00	\$2,000.00
Copier	\$1,500.00	\$1,406.55	\$1,500.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$5,500.00	\$6,444.16	\$6,500.00
Heating Fuel	\$1,300.00	\$988.42	\$1,500.00
Liability & Casualty Ins.	\$15,000.00	\$12,595.77	\$16,000.00
Legal Fees	\$3,000.00	\$702.00	\$2,000.00
Postage	\$2,000.00	\$1,860.48	\$2,000.00
Office Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$5,715.38	\$3,500.00
Secretary Stipend	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Telephone/IT - Office	\$10,000.00	\$8,757.01	\$7,500.00
Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$4,511.00	\$1,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,200.00	\$1,175.76	\$1,400.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$55,565.00	\$57,409.38	\$57,025.00
Gross Wages	\$445,164.00	\$422,760.32	\$457,414.00
OT Wages--Warehouse	\$5,000.00	\$10,439.76	\$9,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$27,942.00	\$27,564.01	\$28,918.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$6,534.00	\$6,446.43	\$6,763.00
Unemployment/HCP Insurance	\$6,000.00	\$7,326.60	\$7,150.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$25,725.00	\$27,593.95	\$30,709.00
Health Insurance	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$72,000.00
Workman's Comp. Insurance	\$27,500.00	\$25,573.23	\$34,000.00
Mileage - Employee	\$4,000.00	\$4,890.17	\$5,000.00
Life & Disability	\$5,700.00	\$7,840.36	\$7,750.00
Personnel Equipment	\$500.00	\$729.46	\$750.00
Training	\$500.00	\$30.00	\$500.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$614,565.00	\$541,194.29	\$659,954.00
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES			
Baler Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$853.13	\$3,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$7,793.24	\$5,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$3,000.00	\$2,486.31	\$3,000.00
Forklift Repairs	\$4,000.00	\$7,804.67	\$3,500.00
Misc. Equipment Repairs	\$500.00	\$8,387.94	\$1,000.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$3,000.00	\$4,980.23	\$3,000.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$3,440.29	\$3,500.00
Mack Truck Loan Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$27,000.00	\$27,537.50	\$28,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$15,000.00	\$33,038.85	\$27,500.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$63,000.00	\$96,322.16	\$77,500.00

NEKWMD: 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2023	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
BUILDING EXPENSES			
Electricity	\$5,400.00	\$5,557.34	\$5,400.00
Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$150.35	\$1,500.00
Trash Removal	\$3,600.00	\$4,175.76	\$3,800.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$11,000.00	\$9,883.45	\$10,700.00
PROGRAMS EXPENSES			
Composting	\$26,000.00	\$22,970.00	\$23,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$3,500.00	\$2,785.60	\$3,500.00
Foam Cycle	\$0.00	\$48,500.00	\$0.00
Organics VT Grant	\$0.00	\$141,335.50	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$7,000.00	\$7,560.43	\$8,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$35,500.00	\$56,545.30	\$40,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$5,500.00	\$5,986.48	\$5,500.00
Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$24,000.00	\$33,718.71	\$22,500.00
Special Collections	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Supplies	\$400.00	\$494.48	\$500.00
Tire Disposal	\$15,000.00	\$17,460.80	\$15,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$117,150.00	\$337,357.30	\$118,250.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$861,280.00	\$1,042,166.58	\$923,429.00
Capital Improvement Fund	\$24,000.00	\$26,500.00	\$24,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$24,000.00	\$26,500.00	\$24,000.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$885,280.00	\$1,068,666.58	\$947,429.00
Grants--St of VT	\$80,000.00	\$124,686.17	\$111,000.00
Grants--Organics	\$0.00	\$141,335.50	\$0.00
Surplus Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$59,000.00	\$58,465.00	\$59,000.00
Haz Mat/Paint Care	\$5,000.00	\$5,060.34	\$5,000.00
Interest Income	\$30.00	\$45.95	\$30.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,500.00	\$2,945.62	\$2,500.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$2,000.00	\$2,070.60	\$1,500.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$150.00	\$125.00	\$150.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$122,000.00	\$60,151.24	\$100,000.00
Compost Income	\$26,000.00	\$21,550.00	\$23,000.00
Electronics Income	\$14,000.00	\$18,751.08	\$19,000.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$18,000.00	\$16,631.04	\$18,000.00
Battery Income	\$5,000.00	\$4,710.45	\$5,000.00
Tire Income	\$15,000.00	\$14,732.50	\$15,000.00
Per Capita Assessment	\$50,000.00	\$49,763.82	\$54,506.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$487,600.00	\$544,742.64	\$533,743.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$885,280.00	\$1,065,766.95	\$947,429.00

Section 1:

Financial Reports

TOWN BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT, FALL 2023

The Town Budget Committee recommends the following budgets for FY2025:

	<u>Total Budget</u>	<u>To Be Raised</u>
General Fund	\$493,205	\$241,005
Highway Fund	952,850	682,850
Highway Capital Equipment Fund	129,700	129,700
Bridge Reserve Fund	15,000	15,000
Town Hall Capital Improvement	5,000	5,000
Fire Station	61,200	61,200
Planning Commission	500	500
Conservation Commission	600	600
Emerald Ash Borer	1,000	1,000
	<u>\$ 1,659,055</u>	<u>\$ 1,136,855</u>

Respectfully submitted,

- Nick Kramer, Selectboard
- Carl Demrow, Selectboard
- Holly Groschner, Selectboard
- Christiane Carroll, Town Clerk
- Dick Kelley, Treasurer
- Lee Porter, Member-at-Large
- Elizabeth Davis, Member-at-Large
- Raymond Moulton, Member-at-Large
- Amy Peberdy, Member-at-Large
- Michael Pittman, Member-at-Large

•• LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM FOR PETS ••

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

To receive a VSNIP application, send a 9 inch self-addressed stamped envelope to:
 VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034

Indicate if it’s for a cat, dog or both. For more information, call **802-672-5302**.
 Please visit our website: www.vvsahs.org/vsnip.html

— Sue Skaskiw, VVSA Humane Society Executive Director/VSNIP Administrator

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

TOWN BUDGET: REVENUES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
GENERAL FUND - REVENUES				
Current Tax Levy, Town	227,849.00	26,869.71	239,742.00	241,005.00
Fund Bal Surplus, Gen Fun	61,000.00	0.00	75,000.00	90,000.00
Fees Due Town	17,500.00	18,406.27	19,000.00	18,500.00
Dog Licenses	1,000.00	668.00	1,000.00	750.00
Education Tax Billing Fee	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Hall Rental	1,000.00	1,165.00	1,000.00	1,100.00
Liquor & Tobacco License	140.00	255.00	140.00	250.00
Permit Appl Fee, Gen Fund	100.00	115.00	100.00	100.00
Restoration of Records	4,000.00	3,666.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
HS Late Filing Penalty	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Civil Fines, General Fund	1,000.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Equalization Revenue	500.00	1,021.00	500.00	1,000.00
Interest Late/Delinq Tax	10,000.00	13,002.13	10,000.00	12,000.00
Interest on Savings	1,000.00	10,002.81	1,000.00	20,000.00
Hold Harmless Money	100,000.00	99,774.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Land Use Change Tax	1,000.00	4,856.50	1,000.00	1,000.00
Misc Income, Gen Fund	1,500.00	10,882.76	2,000.00	2,000.00
TOTAL	429,089.00	190,684.18	456,482.00	493,205.00
COMPUTER RESERV-REVENUES				
Current Tax Levy, Compute	3,000.00	3,000.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	3,000.00	3,000.00	500.00	500.00
TWN HALL CAPITAL IMPROVE				
Current Tax Levy, Hall Ca	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
FIRE STATION REVENUE				
Current Tax Levy, Fire St	61,700.00	61,720.83	61,200.00	61,000.00
Bond Income from US Bank	0.00	636.50	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	61,700.00	62,357.33	61,200.00	61,000.00
DELINQUENT TAX-REV				
Interest Earned, Del Tax	0.00	1.22	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	1.22	0.00	0.00
PLAN COMM - REVENUES				
Current Tax Levy, Plan Co	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Permit Appl Fee, Plan Com	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	500.00	525.00	500.00	500.00
CONSERV COMM-REVENUE				
Current Tax Levy, Conserv	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Forest Parks & Rec grant	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
Misc Income, Conserve	1,500.00	2,345.15	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL	2,100.00	3,945.15	2,100.00	2,100.00
EAB - REVENUE				
Current Tax Levy, Emerald	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
ARPA REVENUE				

Town Budget: REVENUES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
Revenue, ARPA	211,000.00	63,905.19	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	211,000.00	63,905.19	0.00	0.00
SCHOOL - REVENUES				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HISTORY BKS - REVENUES				
Corinth History Book Sale	0.00	235.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	235.00	0.00	0.00
REAPPRAISAL - REVENUES				
State Grant, Reappraisal	8,700.00	8,678.50	8,700.00	8,700.00
TOTAL	8,700.00	8,678.50	8,700.00	8,700.00
TRANS STATION - REVENUE				
Recycling In - Trans Stat	3,500.00	1,449.75	3,500.00	4,000.00
Misc. Income - Trans Stat	0.00	1,796.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	3,500.00	3,245.75	3,500.00	4,000.00
HOME IMPROVE - REVENUES				
Interest Income, Home Imp	0.00	22.07	0.00	0.00
Home Imprv Loan Repayment	0.00	901.48	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	923.55	0.00	0.00
BLAKE LIBRARY - REVENUES				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
rest of recs - REVENUES				
FEES - Rest of Recs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HIGHWAY- REVENUES				
Current Tax Levy, Highway	599,107.00	598,652.67	658,725.00	682,850.00
Fund Bal Surplus, Highway	73,000.00	14,430.04	50,000.00	90,000.00
Weight Permits, Highway	500.00	440.00	500.00	500.00
Highway State Aid	170,000.00	123,236.09	172,000.00	174,500.00
Misc Income, Highway	1,000.00	8,722.81	2,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL	843,607.00	745,481.61	883,225.00	952,850.00
HWY CAPITAL EQUIP-REVENUE				
Current Tax Levy, Hwy Cap	115,470.00	115,470.00	88,558.00	129,700.00
Fund Bal Surplus, Hwy Cap	10,000.00	7,413.93	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	125,470.00	122,883.93	88,558.00	129,700.00
STATE - REVENUES				
State Grant-Park'n Ride	0.00	51,471.21	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	51,471.21	0.00	0.00
FEMA - REVENUES				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETTER BACK RDS-REVENUES				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BRIDGE RESERVE-REVENUES				
Current Tax Levy, Brdg Re	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
TOTAL	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00

Town Budget: REVENUES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
GRAND TOTAL	1,713,666.00	1,282,337.62	1,526,765.00	1,673,555.00

End of Town Budget: Revenues

TOWN BUDGET: EXPENSES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
GENERAL FUND				
SELECTBOARD				
Salary, Selectboard	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Payroll, Admin Brd Clrk	2,000.00	1,946.25	2,500.00	2,500.00
Payroll, Finance Asst	3,000.00	3,805.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
SS & MCare, Selectboard	660.00	912.36	1,325.00	1,000.00
Meetings, Selectboard	200.00	149.90	200.00	200.00
Misc Expense, Selectboard	200.00	1,453.75	200.00	200.00
TOTAL	12,060.00	14,267.26	14,725.00	14,400.00
TOWN REPORT & AUDITORS				
Postage, Town Report	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00
Printing, Town Report	2,300.00	2,165.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
Prof Ofc Serv, Auditors	13,000.00	17,425.00	13,000.00	25,000.00
Hired Services, Town Rept	1,100.00	1,537.50	1,300.00	1,600.00
TOTAL	16,750.00	21,127.50	16,950.00	29,250.00
ELECTIONS				
Payroll, Elections	100.00	502.50	1,500.00	3,000.00
Payroll (A/P), Elections	2,900.00	1,802.76	0.00	0.00
SS & MCare, Elections	0.00	38.45	45.00	90.00
Postage, Elections	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
Supplies, Elections	600.00	17.25	600.00	50.00
TOTAL	3,850.00	2,360.96	2,395.00	3,140.00
LISTERS				
Payroll, Listers	17,500.00	14,326.75	22,500.00	24,500.00
SS & MCare, Listers	1,340.00	1,082.80	1,710.00	1,875.00
Tech Dues & Support, List	1,400.00	2,541.87	1,500.00	3,000.00
Meetings, Listers	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Mileage, Listers	100.00	0.00	75.00	300.00
Supplies, Listers	300.00	123.36	300.00	150.00
Appeals, Listers	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Consulting Svcs, Listers	2,550.00	750.00	5,800.00	2,500.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
TOTAL	23,190.00	18,824.78	32,085.00	32,625.00
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER				
Payroll, Admin Officer	1,500.00	0.00	2,250.00	250.00
SS & MCare, Admin Officer	120.00	0.00	140.00	100.00
Mileage, Admin Officer	100.00	0.00	100.00	50.00
Supplies, Admins Officer	0.00	5.99	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	1,720.00	5.99	2,490.00	400.00
TOWN OFFICE				
Payroll, Town Clerk	27,050.00	27,014.09	31,000.00	32,500.00
Payroll, Ass't Town Clerk	3,000.00	2,636.20	6,000.00	6,500.00
Payroll, Town Treas	27,000.00	24,750.00	28,350.00	30,000.00
Payroll, Ass't Town Treas	14,000.00	6,379.75	10,000.00	10,400.00
SS & MCare, Office	5,435.00	4,646.53	5,800.00	6,100.00
Retirement, Office	1,500.00	1,777.24	1,775.00	2,300.00
Health Insurance, Office	13,000.00	14,926.19	14,000.00	18,100.00
Furniture & Equip, Office	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Meetings & Mmbrship, Offi	150.00	280.00	200.00	300.00
Mileage, Office	100.00	312.32	100.00	300.00
Supplies, Office	2,000.00	1,408.08	2,000.00	1,500.00
Preserve Records, Office	0.00	787.05	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	93,735.00	84,917.45	99,725.00	108,000.00
TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATE				
Telephone, Tech & Communi	4,000.00	3,363.12	4,000.00	4,200.00
Website, Communications	1,500.00	969.14	1,500.00	1,500.00
Contract Maint, Equip	2,700.00	3,217.99	2,700.00	2,700.00
Tech Dues & Support, Tech	7,000.00	6,045.55	7,000.00	6,500.00
Postage, Tech & Communica	2,800.00	3,936.58	2,800.00	4,600.00
Supplies, Tech & Communic	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Tech Equip Purch, Tech &	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
TOTAL	18,300.00	17,532.38	18,300.00	19,500.00
LEGAL & INSURANCE				
Unemployment Insurance	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Workers Comp, Legal & Ins	1,000.00	805.19	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bond Ins, Legal & Ins	14,500.00	18,903.71	14,500.00	18,000.00
Disability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Advertising Legal Notices	250.00	85.10	250.00	0.00
Legal Services, Legal & I	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
TOTAL	16,850.00	19,794.00	16,850.00	22,150.00
SERVICES & FINANCIAL				
Misc Expense, BCA	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Abated Taxes, Financial	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
County Tax, Financial	34,000.00	17,937.99	36,000.00	36,000.00
VLCT Dues, Financial	2,800.00	0.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
Two Rivers Dues, Financia	2,100.00	0.00	2,400.00	2,450.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
Ambulance, Safety Serv	71,000.00	72,750.00	74,460.00	74,500.00
CTERT, Safety Serv	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Corinth Fire Dept, Safety	60,000.00	60,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00
Fire Warden, Safety Serv	700.00	0.00	700.00	700.00
Emergency Mgr, Safety Ser	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Animal Control, Safety Se	750.00	0.00	500.00	750.00
TOTAL	179,550.00	157,687.99	190,560.00	190,800.00
APPROPRIATIONS				
American Red Cross	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Blake Memorial Library	2,740.00	2,740.00	2,900.00	4,000.00
Clara Martin	2,177.00	2,177.00	2,180.00	2,180.00
Council on Aging	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Ctrl VT Adult Basic Educ	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Green Mtn Econ Dev	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Little Rivers Health Ctr	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Mentor Proj of Upper Vall	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Northeast Slopes	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00
Orange County Parent Ctr	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Orange County Diversion P	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
Orange East Senior Ctr	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Safeline	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
Tri-Valley Transit	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Topsham-Corinth Little Le	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Vermont Green Up	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance	6,250.00	6,250.00	6,250.00	6,250.00
VT Ctr Indep Living	170.00	170.00	170.00	170.00
VT Rural Fire Protect	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public Health Council, Ap	146.00	146.00	150.00	150.00
Vermont Family Network	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
TOTAL	25,393.00	25,393.00	25,560.00	26,660.00
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE				
Payroll Janitorial, Hall	4,200.00	370.00	7,500.00	8,700.00
SS & MCare, Hall Maint	336.00	613.57	575.00	670.00
Contract Maint, Hall Main	500.00	410.00	500.00	500.00
Rubbish Removal, Hall Mai	150.00	136.27	150.00	0.00
Contract Facility Mgr, Tw	2,500.00	7,290.00	0.00	0.00
Furniture & Equip, Hall M	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Mileage, Town Hall	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Repairs & Maint	1,500.00	3,892.50	1,900.00	900.00
Supplies, Hall Maint	500.00	1,068.01	500.00	750.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

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Supplies, Hall Maint	500.00	1,068.01	500.00	750.00
Utilities, Hall Maint	6,300.00	4,167.07	6,900.00	6,900.00
TOTAL	16,236.00	17,947.42	18,275.00	18,670.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
Payroll, Transfer Station	4,500.00	4,158.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
SS & Mcare, Transfer Stat	360.00	318.52	360.00	360.00
Retirement, Transfer Stat	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
Solid Waste, Sanitary Ser	200.00	2,823.00	200.00	200.00
NEKWD per capita fee	1,230.00	1,222.20	1,542.00	1,850.00
Supplies, Sanitary Serv	50.00	5.98	50.00	0.00
Site Costs, Sanitary Svc.	0.00	22.99	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	6,365.00	8,550.69	6,677.00	6,910.00
LAW ENFORCEMENT				
Payroll, Constables	500.00	142.50	500.00	0.00
SS & MCare, Constables	40.00	10.90	40.00	0.00
Mileage, Constables	50.00	20.63	50.00	0.00
OC Sheriff, Safety Serv	11,000.00	4,472.00	9,500.00	18,000.00
Hired Safety Svc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL	11,590.00	4,646.03	10,090.00	18,500.00
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR				
SS & MCare, Coll Del Tax	1,300.00	1,068.61	1,500.00	1,000.00
	1,300.00	1,068.61	1,500.00	1,000.00
HEALTH				
Supplies, Health Officer	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL	11,590.00	4,646.03	10,090.00	18,500.00
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR				
SS & MCare, Coll Del Tax	1,300.00	1,068.61	1,500.00	1,000.00
	1,300.00	1,068.61	1,500.00	1,000.00
HEALTH				
Supplies, Health Officer	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
CEMETERY				
Workers Comp, Cemetery	0.00	145.08	0.00	150.00
Supplies, Cemeteries	300.00	667.52	300.00	300.00
Appropriation, Cemeteries	700.00	1,000.00	700.00	550.00
TOTAL	1,000.00	1,812.60	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSE	428,089.00	395,936.66	457,382.00	493,205.00
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION				
Salary, Road Commissioner	2,400.00	2,200.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
SS & MCare, Highway	15,952.00	16,164.31	16,500.00	18,900.00
Retirement, Highway	12,500.00	11,331.91	11,000.00	17,250.00
Uniforms & Safety Clothes	4,900.00	1,193.33	3,900.00	3,000.00
Health Insurance, Highway	91,236.00	91,843.32	109,000.00	134,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	500.00	692.00	750.00	750.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

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Unemployment Insurance	500.00	692.00	750.00	750.00
Workers Comp, Highway	13,000.00	14,023.60	16,000.00	16,000.00
Short Term Disability	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Property & Casualty Insur	14,000.00	15,718.44	16,000.00	16,500.00
Permits, Highway	0.00	1,812.00	1,350.00	1,350.00
Mileage, Highway	0.00	82.53	0.00	0.00
Misc Expense, Admin	0.00	908.66	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	154,488.00	155,970.10	176,900.00	210,650.00
HIGHWAY LABOR				
Labor, Undistributed	157,833.00	156,023.99	165,725.00	195,000.00
Labor, Overtime	20,000.00	26,304.75	25,000.00	25,000.00
Labor, Temp Part Time	10,000.00	2,816.33	5,000.00	4,000.00
Leave Time	14,456.00	13,847.00	14,500.00	17,000.00
Holidays	6,230.00	5,968.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
TOTAL	208,519.00	204,960.07	215,725.00	246,500.00
GRAVEL				
Gravel, Undistributed	27,500.00	7,402.88	27,500.00	27,500.00
Gravel, CII	0.00	11,500.34	0.00	0.00
Gravel, CIII	27,500.00	32,950.66	27,500.00	27,500.00
Gravel, CIV	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Gravel, Mud Season	0.00	8,286.51	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	60,000.00	60,140.39	60,000.00	60,000.00
PATCH AND PAVE				
Preventative Maint	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Paving	150,000.00	162,607.48	150,000.00	150,000.00
Blacktop Patch CII & CIII	0.00	3,656.04	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	160,000.00	166,263.52	160,000.00	160,000.00
CHLORIDE				
Chloride	12,900.00	9,675.03	12,900.00	12,900.00
TOTAL	12,900.00	9,675.03	12,900.00	12,900.00
SALT				
Winter Salt	55,000.00	38,682.82	55,000.00	55,000.00
TOTAL	55,000.00	38,682.82	55,000.00	55,000.00
SAND				
Winter Sand	35,000.00	30,347.60	35,000.00	35,000.00
TOTAL	35,000.00	30,347.60	35,000.00	35,000.00
STONE				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
POSTS & GUARD RAILS UNDIS				
Posts & Guard Rails	7,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL	7,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
OTHER MATERIALS				
Materials, BBRG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Materials, Undistri	1,500.00	506.36	3,000.00	1,500.00
TOTAL	1,500.00	506.36	3,000.00	1,500.00
CULVERTS				
Culverts, Undistributed	10,000.00	4,073.64	10,000.00	10,000.00
Culverts, CII	0.00	3,242.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	10,000.00	7,315.64	10,000.00	10,000.00
SIGNS				
Signs	1,500.00	303.96	1,000.00	1,000.00
Signs, CII	0.00	47.00	0.00	0.00
Signs, CIII	0.00	409.68	0.00	0.00
Signs, PVT Drives	0.00	67.19	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	1,500.00	827.83	1,000.00	1,000.00
SAFETY EQUIP GRANT				
HIRED SERVICES				
Prof Serv, Hired Serv	10,000.00	2,440.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
CII-Hired Services, Summe	0.00	3,980.00	0.00	0.00
CIII-Hired Service, Summe	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	10,000.00	6,420.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
GARAGE				
Telephone, Garage	1,700.00	1,618.98	1,700.00	1,700.00
Rubbish Removal, Garage	700.00	949.66	700.00	1,100.00
Repairs & Maint, Garage	5,000.00	939.57	5,000.00	5,000.00
Supplies, Garage	300.00	295.24	300.00	0.00
Utilities (Electric), Gar	2,500.00	2,900.44	3,500.00	3,000.00
Utilities (Heat), Garage	500.00	1,755.61	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	10,700.00	8,459.50	11,700.00	11,300.00
OPERATING SUPPLIES				
Diesel only	50,000.00	67,598.00	70,000.00	65,000.00
Gas, Oil, Chainsaw Chains	5,000.00	1,084.55	2,000.00	2,000.00
TOTAL	55,000.00	68,682.55	72,000.00	67,000.00
EQUIP REPAIRS & MAINT				
M & R Chainsaws	0.00	780.00	0.00	0.00
M & R Chipper	0.00	15.78	0.00	0.00
Hydroseeder	0.00	25.15	0.00	0.00
M & R Culvert/Pressurer W	0.00	1,960.94	0.00	0.00
M & R Liquid Chloride Sys	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
M & R Plows & Wings	0.00	8,302.80	0.00	0.00
M & R Radios/Repeater	0.00	975.60	0.00	0.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

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M & R Radios/Repeater	0.00	975.60	0.00	0.00
M & R Sanders	0.00	607.69	0.00	0.00
M & R Small Tools & Equip	3,500.00	634.08	2,500.00	0.00
M & R Flatbed Trailer	0.00	1,362.33	0.00	0.00
M & R Trailer (Storage???)	0.00	221.29	0.00	0.00
M & R Water Pump	0.00	846.95	0.00	0.00
M & R Weed Wacker	0.00	159.00	0.00	0.00
M & R York Rake	0.00	2,035.15	0.00	0.00
M & R Equip (General)	8,500.00	716.46	7,500.00	12,000.00
TOTAL	12,000.00	18,643.22	10,000.00	12,000.00
VEHICLE REPAIRS & MAINT				
M & R Vehicle (General)	50,000.00	6,885.69	50,000.00	60,000.00
M & R Ford F-550	0.00	11,353.45	0.00	0.00
M & R 2018 Western Star	0.00	18,402.67	0.00	0.00
2020 Western Star	0.00	4,160.56	0.00	0.00
M & R Cat 140 Grader	0.00	1,674.40	0.00	0.00
M & R 2016 Western Star	0.00	20,712.99	0.00	0.00
M & R Grader 130G	0.00	16.94	0.00	0.00
M & R Grader 143H	0.00	315.26	0.00	0.00
M & R Loader	0.00	3,692.02	0.00	0.00
M & R Excavator	0.00	1,752.52	0.00	0.00
M & R 2008 Freightliner	0.00	236.05	0.00	0.00
M & R JCB Loader	0.00	3,452.46	0.00	0.00
M & R John Deere Backhoe	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
M & R John Deere Tractor	0.00	2,675.88	0.00	0.00
M & R 2004 F450	0.00	1,988.20	0.00	0.00
Hyster Roller	0.00	254.12	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	50,000.00	77,573.21	50,000.00	60,000.00
TOTAL HWY GEN FUND EXPENSE	843,607.00	854,467.84	883,225.00	952,850.00
HWY CAPITAL EQUIPMENT				
Purchase, Reserve	0.00	1,712.00	0.00	0.00
Purchase, 2018 West Star	35,444.00	35,457.83	0.00	41,600.00
Purchase, Tractor John De	25,500.00	25,499.17	24,743.00	25,000.00
Grader	36,500.00	36,437.13	36,500.00	36,500.00
Purchase, 2008 Frghtliner	0.00	47.00	0.00	0.00
Purchase, 2020 Western St	28,026.00	28,026.15	27,315.00	26,600.00
TOTAL	125,470.00	127,179.28	88,558.00	129,700.00
STATE INFRASTRUCTURE				
Cobble Mt bridge	0.00	958.75	0.00	0.00
Materials, Brook Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Class 2 Roadway State Gra	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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State Structure Grant Exp	0.00	25,727.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Taplin Hill Rd	0.00	9,226.51	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	35,912.26	0.00	0.00
FEMA				
Materials, Cookeville Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dense Grade, Cookeville R	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Cookeville Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Brook Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Brook Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Claflin Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Joe Lord Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Joe Lord Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Johnson Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Heath Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Backway Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Serv, Backway Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Turkey Hill Rd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired Svcs, Turkey Hill R	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETTER BACK ROADS				
Ryder Rd BBR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials, Dearborn Hill	0.00	-5,676.56	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	-5,676.56	0.00	0.00
2022 Heath Rd Pilot	0.00	-4,575.65	0.00	0.00
Materials, Meetinghouse R	0.00	-1,975.09	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	-6,550.74	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	6,550.74	0.00	0.00
BRIDGE RESERVE FUND				
Bridge Reserve	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
CHICKEN FARM BRIDGE				
TOTAL	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
TOTAL HWY EXPENSE	984,077.00	1,005,332.08	986,783.00	1,097,550.00
COMPUTER RESERVE				
Equip Purchase, Computer	3,000.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
TOTAL	3,000.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
TWN HALL CAPITAL IMPROVE				
Furniture & Equipment	0.00	3,070.00	0.00	0.00
Property Repairs & Maint	5,000.00	3,547.43	5,000.00	5,000.00
Utilities, Town Hall	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	5,000.00	6,617.43	5,000.00	5,000.00
FIRE STATION EXPENSES				
Equipment	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities, Fire Station	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bond Payment, Fire Statio	61,700.00	61,737.62	61,200.00	61,000.00
TOTAL	61,700.00	61,837.62	61,200.00	61,000.00

Town Budget: EXPENSES

Account	Budget FY - 2023	Actual FY-2023 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
PLANNING COMMISSION				
Legal Notices, Plan Comm	0.00	37.00	0.00	0.00
Meetings, Plan Comm	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Supplies, Plan Comm	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
TOTAL	500.00	37.00	500.00	500.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
Green Up Day Conserv Comm	400.00	713.47	400.00	400.00
Misc Expense, CCC	0.00	650.44	0.00	0.00
Supplies, Conserve Comm	200.00	95.16	200.00	200.00
Program presenters, Conse	0.00	400.00	0.00	0.00
donation	0.00	1,035.10	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	600.00	2,894.17	600.00	600.00
EMERALD ASH BORER				
Misc Expense EAB	5,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	5,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
ARPA				
Misc Expense, ARPA	0.00	1,719.50	0.00	0.00
Town Hall Renovat., ARPA	0.00	4,882.70	0.00	0.00
Town Garage Addition	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	6,602.20	0.00	0.00
SCHOOL				
Corinth port School Budge	982,617.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	982,617.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HISTORY BOOKS				
Purchase, History Books	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
REAPPRAISAL/PARCEL MAINT				
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRANSFER STATION				
Matrls, Supplies, Trans S	0.00	9.99	0.00	0.00
Trans Station Utilities	0.00	899.00	0.00	0.00
Prof. Services - Trans St				
TOTAL	0.00	908.99	0.00	0.00
HOME IMPROVEMENT				
Financial Loans, Home Imp	0.00	3,924.19	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	3,924.19	0.00	0.00
BLAKE LIBRARY EXPENSES				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rest of Records				
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS EXPENSE	-1,058,417.00	-82,831.60	-69,800.00	-68,100.00

End of Town Budget: Expenses

FUND BALANCES

	Cumulative Fund Balance at 6/30/22	Cumulative Fund Balance at 6/30/23		
	Surplus (Deficit)	Surplus (Deficit)	Revenues	Expenditures
General Fund	139,080	161,677	374,513	448,446
Highway Fund	284,587	229,754	889,187	800,420
Highway Capital Equip.	57,022	52,727	116,400	123,711
Bridge Reserve	39,466	54,466	15,000	0
Computer Reserve	20,582	23,582	3,000	0
Town Hall	56,695	55,078	5,000	0
Planning Commission	11,190	11,569	540	121
Conservation Commission	11,687	12,738	6,388	4,378
Emerald Ash Borer	13,000	18,000	5,000	0
History Books	6,859	7,084	225	0
Reappraisal	58,358	58,358	0	0
Transfer Station	5,958	8,330	5,618	391
Home Improvement	21,265	21,265	98	0
Restoration of Records	6,456	7,260	804	0
Subtotal	717,278	721,887	1,421,773	1,377,466
ARPA	325,861	383,164	362,165	36,304
Total	1,058,065	36,669	1,783,938	1,413,770

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT as of December 31, 2023

Total Delinquent Taxes owing as of December 31, 2022	\$106,827.53
Plus 2022-2023 Delinquent Taxes at the close of business February 7, 2023	<u>+266,216.54</u>
Total Delinquent Taxes to collect in 2023.....	\$373,044.07
Less total taxes collected	<u>-265,009.25</u>
Balance of uncollected Delinquent Taxes on December 31, 2023	<u>\$108,034.82</u>

The Collector of Delinquent Taxes is paid from the commission (penalty) charged to and collected from the delinquent taxpayer. That total amount collected in calendar year 2023 paid to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes was \$16,048.90. The town is only responsible for paying the employers share of the payroll tax costs.

FUND BALANCES

2022		2023			
Net income	Cum. Fund Bal.	Revenues	Expenditures	Net income	Cum. Fund Bal.
(73,933)	139,080	418,533	395,936	22,597	161,677
88,767	284,587	797,407	852,240	(54,833)	229,754
(7,311)	57,022	115,470	119,765	(4,295)	52,727
15,000	39,466	15,000	0	15,000	54,466
3,000	20,582	3,000	0	3,000	23,582
5,000	56,695	5,000	6,617	(1,617)	55,078
419	11,190	500	121	379	11,569
2,010	11,687	3,945	2,894	1,051	12,738
5,000	13,000	5,000	0	5,000	18,000
225	6,859	225	0	225	7,084
0	58,358	0	0	0	58,358
5,227	5,958	5,618	3,246	2,372	8,330
98	21,265	0	0	0	21,265
804	6,456	804	0	804	7,260
44,307	732,204	1,370,502	1,380,819	(10,317)	721,887
325,861	325,861	63,905	6,602	57,303	383,164
414,474		2,804,909	2,768,240	36,669	36,669

NOTE — The collection of delinquent taxes and current year taxes are two separate functions of the town and the individual(s) responsible for collecting these taxes are two different individuals. The Collector of Delinquent Taxes is an elected position authorized to collect and process payment(s) for delinquent taxes. The Town Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer are the authorized individuals to collect and process current taxes. Therefore, separate checks are necessary and required when making each of these specified tax payments. When submitting your tax payment be sure to send it to the proper person responsible for accepting and processing the payment(s), otherwise it may be returned to you and/or payment processing may be delayed. Do not combine delinquent and current tax payments in one check.

It was voted at the March 3, 2020 Town Meeting to discontinue listing the names of the Delinquent Taxpayers. Therefore, only the parcel ID numbers and the principal tax amounts as of December 31, 2023 are being reported.

Parcel ID #	Del Tax Amt	Parcel ID #	Del Tax Amt
009-00311	502.85	081-02967	4,181.98
009-00316	972.20	081-03811	1,113.68
014-00800	6,155.44	082-01542	1,669.46
019-00657	2,267.04	082-01562	6,739.78
019-00721	4,226.94	082-02472	605.34

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030-00440	4,755.26	082-04162	633.28
054-00052	2,543.87	086-00086	1,790.15
054-01379	1,316.76	089-00161	7,665.42
064-00412	1,772.08	097-03605	4,746.22
065-00304	317.60	097-03973	18,083.50
078-01194	3,006.96	098-00362	1,128.14
078-01955	12,962.96	110-00150	777.40
079-00660	2,224.25	110-00231	1,683.62
079-00943	786.12	110-00351	5,070.56
079-01507	4,151.08	115-00148	4,184.88
			\$108,034.82

Late vs. delinquent taxes: “Taxes become delinquent when a taxpayer fails to pay the taxes on the final due date specified on the bill (which must be at least 30 days after the bill has been sent out). Note that with installment payments, an installment may be overdue but the taxes are not delinquent until the final installment date has passed. However, the town may charge interest on overdue installment if it so votes.” VLCT Handbook for Collectors of Delinquent Taxes] Our taxes are collected in two installments. The first installment is due in September and the 2nd/final installment due the following February. The actual due dates are set at town meeting every year. When the September installment is not paid on time it is considered “late” not delinquent and is assessed with an interest charge each month until paid. All unpaid taxes owing after the February due date are considered “delinquent” and are assessed with both interest and penalty charges. The interest charge is assessed monthly. There is a one-time penalty of 8% assessed on all unpaid delinquent 1st installment principal tax amounts. A 3% penalty is assessed on all unpaid 2nd (final) installment principal tax amounts. The month following the final installment due date, an additional 5% penalty is assessed on all remaining unpaid 2nd (final) installment delinquent principal tax amounts. In accordance with 32 VSA 1674(2)(3)(A).

A tax sale is tentatively scheduled for February 2024. I am working with the attorney to set a definite sale date. The sale information will be published in the Journal Opinion (3) three consecutive weeks prior to the sale as required by law. Property sold at tax sale may be redeemed within one year from the day of sale in accordance with 32 VSA 5260. However, “when the time for redemption has passed and the land is not redeemed, the collector or his or her successor shall execute to the purchaser a deed, which shall convey to him or her a title against the person for whose tax it was sold and those claiming under him or her.” Pursuant to 32 VSA 5261

Taxpayers may request abatement of taxes pursuant to 24 VSA 1535 by written request to Corinth Board of Abatement c/o Corinth Town Office, PO Box 461, Corinth, VT 05039.

The following policy was established for the collection of delinquent taxes. It is mailed with both the February and March Delinquent Tax Collectors Notice and as necessary thereafter.

**TOWN OF CORINTH
POLICY FOR COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES
FEBRUARY 17, 2000**

1. As soon as the warrant has been received, and each month thereafter, the Collector of Delinquent Taxes will send a notice to each Delinquent Taxpayer. Interest is assessed at 1/2% per month. A one-time penalty of 8% will be assessed on all unpaid delinquent 1st installment principal tax amounts. A 3% penalty will be assessed on all unpaid 2nd (final) installment delinquent principal tax amounts. The month following the

final installment due date, an additional 5% penalty will be assessed on all remaining unpaid 2nd (final) installment delinquent principal tax amounts. In accordance with 32 VSA 1674(2)(3)(A).

2. Make payments payable to ***Town of Corinth***.
Separate checks are required when paying delinquent taxes and current year taxes — do **NOT** combine payment into one check.
3. Payment(s) that would leave an unpaid balance due of less than \$100.00 will not be accepted.
4. Partial payments will be applied first to the interest portion of the amount due; the remainder will be divided proportionally between the principal amount of the tax and the penalty.
5. If a check is returned due to insufficient funds, acceptance of personal/business checks will be at the discretion of the Collector of Delinquent Taxes and the Collector may require payment to be made with guaranteed funds (i.e., cash, bank or treasurer’s check or postal money order.)
6. There will be a \$25.00 “return check” fee imposed for each check returned unpaid by the bank. Any acceptable payment received, will first be applied to cover the return check charge, remaining funds will then be applied as outlined in item #4 of this policy.
7. Post-dated checks are not acceptable.
8. Taxpayers may request an abatement of taxes pursuant to 24 VSA 1535 by written request to the

Corinth Board of Abatement
c/o Corinth Town Office
PO Box 461
Corinth, VT 05039

9. Payment arrangement requests to avoid tax sale must be submitted in writing to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes. The Collector of Delinquent Taxes will furnish a written response either accepting or denying the request.
10. Once accounts have been submitted to the Attorney in preparation for tax sale, payment must be by cash, money order, bank, treasurers or certified check. Personal checks will not be accepted. Call before sending final payment to insure the correct amount. 32 VSA 4874
11. Pursuant to 32 VSA 5254b, the owner of a property being sold for taxes may request in writing, not less than 24 hours prior to the tax sale, that a portion of the property be sold. Such request must clearly identify the portion of the property to be sold, and must be accompanied by a certification from the District Environmental Commission and the Town Zoning Administrative Office that the portion identified may be subdivided and meets the minimum lot size requirements.

Due to the increasing cost of stamps, envelopes, ink, paper supplies, etc. receipts will NO longer be sent unless specifically requested.

Revised — February 12, 2003
Revised — January 1, 2004
Revised — April 25, 2005

Susan L. Fortunati
Collector of Delinquent Taxes
440 Rollie Day Road
Corinth, VT 05039
802-439-6179 (phone & fax)

Revised — February 13, 2008

Revised — March 9, 2017

Revised — March 10, 2022

End of Delinquent Tax Report

HOME IMPROVEMENT LOAN FUND

There was one new Home Improvement loan issued in fiscal year 2023 and one loan repaid. The year ended with four loans on the books, one of which is being actively repaid.

The Home Improvement Loan fund ended fiscal year 2023 with \$10,711 in loan receivables and a cumulative surplus fund balance of \$21,279.

Anyone interested in applying for this low interest loan may request an application by contacting any one of the committee members. The application is also available on the town website at www.corinthvt.org under the Committees tab. There are financial income limits as noted below in the “Requirements” outline.

The Loan Committee members are Virginia Barlow, Christiane Carroll, Dick Kelley, Nick Kramer, Raymond Moulton and Linda Weiss. Anyone interested in serving on this Committee, please let the Selectboard know.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Kelley

Loan Committee Treasurer

REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant(s) must be a Corinth resident and will be required to complete and file an application form, provided by the Loan Fund Committee. Applications are available at the Town Treasurer’s Office.
2. Applicant(s) must be within the approved financial guidelines set and approved by the Loan Fund Committee to qualify for a low interest loan, which is the WIC Income Eligibility Guidelines plus 33 1/2 %. The Committee may require a co-signer if deemed necessary.
3. Funds must be used only for “home improvement” projects on property located in Corinth.
4. Maximum loan amount issued will be \$5,000.
5. No loan shall be issued for the payback period to exceed a maximum of 48 months.
6. Only one loan per applicant(s) may be maintained at any one time – (i.e. John Smith and Mary Jones have a current joint loan; neither John Smith nor Mary Jones may qualify for a second loan individually nor with another party as long as their name is associated in any way with a current outstanding loan).
7. Subordination agreements will not be granted.
8. Financial documentation such as the most current income tax return(s) and other sources of income may be required for review by the Committee members.
9. Current loan obligations, monthly expenses, and any other reasonable information may be required for

review by the Committee members.

10. The applicant shall provide a file copy of adequate insurance to the Town upon receipt of the approved funds.
11. Subsequent loans will be considered on a loan-by-loan basis, only for grantees that had been in good standing and who have paid off their previous loans within the originally specified payment period, and upon receipt of evidence showing the improvement work that was already completed with previously provided funding.
12. Refinancing of a loan will be considered on a loan-by-loan basis, only for loans that are in good standing, and upon receipt of evidence showing the improvement work that was already completed with previously provided funding.

CEMETERY COMMISSION ACCOUNTS

Account Title: Cemetery General Fund

Current Investment Value:	173,850.89
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 8,277.66</u>
Account Total:	182,128.55
Account Title: Center Cemetery	

Current Value Perpetual Care Fund (PCF) Contributions:	31,463.19
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 1,191.24</u>
Account Total:	32,654.43
Account Title: W Corinth/Darling Cemetery	

Current Value Perpetual Care Fund (PCF) Contributions:	7,817.11
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 281.18</u>
Account Total:	8,098.29
Account Title: Corinth Corner Cemetery	

Current Value Perpetual Care Fund (PCF) Contributions:	6,171.72
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 225.02</u>
Account Total:	6,396.74
Account Title: East Corinth Cemeteries PCF	

Current Value Perpetual Care Fund (PCF) Contributions:	17,030.97
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 540.66</u>
Account Total:	17,571.63
Account Title: Munn-Rowel/McCrillis Cem PCF	

Current Value Perpetual Care Fund (PCF) Contributions:	1,194.24
Core/Fidelity Gov Money Market/Investment Income Accumulated/Cash:	<u>+ 43.66</u>
Account Total:	1,237.90

Community Bank Checking Account 12/19/23	<u>+ 3,456.38</u>
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TOTAL ACCOUNTS VALUES 1/19/2024	\$ 251,543.92
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GRAND LIST

01/04/2024
09:51 am

Corinth 2023 Billed Grand List
Form 411 - (Town code: 159)
Main District

(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	Nonhmstd Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	243	37,658,600	26,002,000	11,656,600	37,658,600
Residential II R2	351	93,109,100	59,085,700	34,023,400	93,109,100
Mobile Homes-U MHU	12	254,100	174,500	79,600	254,100
Mobile Homes-L MHL	87	7,638,600	4,658,600	2,980,000	7,638,600
Seasonal I S1	28	1,292,900	0	1,292,900	1,292,900
Seasonal II S2	70	7,118,600	730,000	6,388,600	7,118,600
Commercial C	13	1,887,100	108,000	1,779,100	1,887,100
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	3	4,471,700	0	4,471,700	4,471,700
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	8	3,471,600	1,907,400	1,564,200	3,471,600
Other O	0	0	0	0	0
Woodland W	50	6,573,300	0	6,573,300	6,573,300
Miscellaneous M	132	6,159,900	43,000	6,116,900	6,159,900
TOTAL LISTED REAL	997	169,635,500	92,709,200	76,926,300	169,635,500
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		169,635,500	92,709,200	76,926,300	169,635,500
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	11/11	110,000	90,000	20,000	110,000
Veterans >10K		330,000			
Total Veterans		440,000	90,000	20,000	110,000
P.P. Contracts	0	0			
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	1/1	23,800	0	23,800	23,800
Non-Apprv (voted)	3/3	257,700			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	4/4	281,500	0	23,800	23,800
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	174/174	15,772,500	5,823,000	9,949,500	15,772,500
Special Exemptions	0		0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		16,494,000	5,913,000	9,993,300	15,906,300
Total Exemptions		16,494,000	5,913,000	9,993,300	15,906,300
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		1,531,415.00			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			867,962.00	669,330.00	1,537,292.00
NON-TAX		23 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411			

INDEPENDENT AUDIT



Batchelder Associates, PC

January 18, 2024

Sherry Montagne
Finance Clerk
Town of Corinth, Vermont

Please find this letter as confirmation that Batchelder Associates, PC has entered into an engagement with the Town of Corinth to audit their financial statements for Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Batchelder

Bonnie K. Batchelder, CPA

Bonnie K. Batchelder • Certified Public Accountant

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STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

Town of Corinth
Statement of Taxes Raised
Fiscal 2023

Grand List	
Gross Real Estate	\$ 167,432,300
Less Veterans, Current Use and Contracts	(15,784,500)
Taxable Grand List	\$ 151,647,800
Tax Rates	
Residential	2.0825
Non-Residential	2.1838
Revised Net Billings Including Penalties	\$ 3,229,968.14
Taxes Accounted for as Follows:	
Less Collections	
Highway Fund	\$ 598,652.67
Highway Capital Fund	115,470.00
Bridge Reserve Fund	15,000.00
Emerald Ash Bore Fund	5,000.00
Planning Commission Fund	500.00
Town Hall Capital Fund	5,000.00
Conservation Commission Fund	600.00
Computer Equip Reserve Fund	3,000.00
General Fund	228,665.40
Fire Station Bond	61,720.83
School Taxes Nonresidential Taxes	1,051,134.35
School Taxes Homestead Taxes	1,135,367.69
School Taxes Local Agreement	9,857.20
Total	\$ 3,229,968.14

Total delinquent taxes as June 30 2023 for all years was: \$180,156.66

Section 2:

Town Reports, 2022–2023

SELECTBOARD

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

It's been another busy year for the Selectboard, marked by transitions and new challenges. Following Rick Cawley's departure from the board after four years (and nearly as many decades in service to the Town in one capacity or another—thanks Rick), Holly Groschner was appointed to fill his seat. Holly brings new energy and a wealth of experience to the position and we've been glad to have her.

After several years of transitions, staffing in the Town Office has begun to stabilize. Town staff have been working diligently to keep Corinth running in a changing, increasingly complex world. Even as State and federal entities continue to emphasize the importance of local decision-making and increase the number of funding opportunities available to small municipalities, competing for these opportunities and complying with their many requirements often falls to part-time or volunteer town officers already busy with “regular” town business.

With the help of a new Selectboard Financial Clerk, the Town Treasurer and the board have been making steady progress on reconciling prior years' financial statements and catching up with the Town's regular audit schedule. The reconciliation process fell behind for several years, following a series of consecutive transitions in the Treasurer's Office. The ability to provide taxpayers with an accurate and independently audited set of accounts is critical to our ability to accurately budget and steward the Town's finances, and as such is something all board members take incredibly seriously. As part of the reconciliation initiative, the board determined that a change of audit firms was appropriate and contracted with Batchelder Associates of Barre, starting with fiscal year 2023. Thanks to the work of the town's financial staff and their work to transition in auditing firms, the board is confident the Town is once again on track to meet its financial reporting goals in the near future.

As Vermont as a whole continues to grapple with challenging workforce trends, the competition to attract and retain quality employees continues to stiffen. Thanks to the diligence of town staff, most openings are being filled. If you have an interest in working for the Town of Corinth, don't hesitate to let us know. The retention challenge has been felt most sharply in the Highway Department over the last several years, but thankfully vacancies have been refilled and we are once again fully staffed.

The board has been working closely with Town Hall Facilities Manager, the Highway Foreman and Highway Commissioner to advance two significant capital projects that we see as critical investments in town infrastructure: an update to the Town Hall's primary entrance to ensure the integrity of the aging roof and exterior wall and the long-term ADA compliance of that building, and a modest expansion to the Town Garage that would allow for winter storage, better upkeep and prolonging the life of certain valuable town highway equipment. The board is currently working in consultation with Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission to ensure that we are maximally leveraging available State and federal funds for each project, defraying costs that would otherwise be borne by Corinth taxpayers.

The summer saw the (allegedly incognito) filming of a Hollywood blockbuster (which shall not be named) in East Corinth Village, complete with all the logistical challenges you might imagine that would entail. Before the film crew had finished shooting, 3 to 9 inches of rain fell across the State in a 48-hour period. While much of Corinth may have been spared in comparison to neighboring towns, multiple residents in Town sustained significant property damage, and the storm caused many thousands of dollars in damage to Town roads. Highway Department leadership and the board have been working closely with State and federal emergency management

representatives to submit eligible damage claims to FEMA and navigate the process for reimbursement.

And as always, in addition to the projects listed above, the diverse category of “regular” town business has also kept us busy since the last Town Meeting. Thanks go out to all our elected and appointed town officers, full and part-time staff, volunteers, and everyone else in Corinth devoting their time to helping keep the lights on in our little corner of the state.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Kramer, Chair
Carl Demrow
Holly Groschner

TOWN TREASURER

General Fund. The General Fund ended fiscal year 2023 with a surplus of \$22,596, which increases the overall surplus fund balance to \$161,676.

Revenues were \$418,533, while expenditures were \$395,937, creating the surplus.

The surplus carried forward from prior years of \$139,080, with the 2023 surplus of \$22,596, increases the surplus fund balance to \$161,676 as of June 30, 2023.

Highway Fund. The Highway Fund ended the 2023 fiscal year with a deficit of \$54,833, which reduces the surplus fund balance of \$284,587 to \$229,754.

Budgeted revenue and expenditures were \$843,607, which included the use of \$61,000 from the surplus fund balance. Actual revenues were \$797,407, while actual expenditures were \$852,240.

Other Funds. During FY 23 the Town received American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of \$63,905 and spent \$6,602, leaving a fund balance of \$383,164.

All reserve funds continue to enjoy healthy balances. There remains the question of what the target amount of each fund should be. To that aim, the Town should undertake to analyze each fund and set a policy that guides the timing and amount of infusions into each fund.

As always, I’m very grateful for assistance provided by others in the town office. Town Clerk Christiane, Lister Kelly, Delinquent Tax Collector Susan, and many others provide much needed help and information. Thanks to all of you!

Respectfully submitted.
Dick Kelley, Treasurer

CEMETERY COMMISSION

We lost a good friend and fellow cemetery commissioner this year in Geoffrey Hoots, who in his 70's took his first public position very seriously, and helped us to update our by-laws to include natural burials in some cemeteries. He also helped us straighten out our accounts & finances to include spread sheets accounting of our books, the creation of one general fund investment account, and five perpetual care investment accounts for the cemeteries under town care. Thank you Geoffrey; you are sorely missed. Rest in Peace!

Due to all the rain this last season we had a record breaking growing season with grass that grew fast, thick and tall, keeping us busy mowing more than usual, and often in wetter conditions than we care to mow in.

General maintenance, corner stones for new lots, grass markers & foundations for memorials were set where needed, and a few old memorials were repaired or replaced with new grass markers.

Repairing old monuments is an ongoing project that is time consuming and expensive. We try every year to make progress on this front.

Erosion of silt and stone from Learmonth Lane down into the newer section of the West Corinth cemetery was due to heavy rains causing washouts from the steep driveway across the road. Combined with water up the road running down past a clogged culvert, this driveway material washed directly into the cemetery. With all the emergency washouts in town this season, the clogged culvert problem on Learmonth Lane continues, with the promise that it will be resolved this coming year.

Erosion in Corinth Corner Cemetery: Due to high water and flooding, we had a large erosion issue along the steep river bank on Meadow Brook at the edge of the Corinth Corner cemetery that is threatening to erode a section of the cemetery grounds. This kept us busy drawing plans, applying for a river bank stabilization permit with the state, meeting with FEMA representatives, applying for aid, sending out bids and choosing a contractor. We hope to be able to repair this costly damage in 2024.

East Corinth Cemetery: For those who wonder where the upright marble cemetery markers are that usually grace the old entrance at the base of the hill, they were removed for the widening of the road, and will be placed back at the entrance in 2024.

Corinth Cemetery Commission By-Laws can be found on the town's corinthvt.org website under Committees, along with Agendas, Minutes and a link to the Secretary of State's 32-page publication of Digging Deep, a guide to Vermont Cemetery and Burial practices.

A list of Town Cemeteries & a map of their locations with 911 addresses can be found here in the town report.

Special thanks to those who help us keep our cemeteries clean by taking away old pots & plants or any silk or plastic flowers that fade and deteriorate and whose petals blow around the cemeteries in the wind.

Our town cemeteries are special places of reverence & peace that are abundant in memorial stone art & history. Thank you for respecting them.

Norm Collette, Secretary

Raymond Moulton, Chair



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The past year was filled with educational presentations. We began with a fascinating talk on the research being conducted here in Corinth on Dartmouth Woodlands forest land. We were happy to host Tony D'Amato, Director of UVM Forestry Program and Director of UVM Research Forests; Kevin Evans, Director of Woodlands Operations for Dartmouth Woodlands; and Dartmouth student Eva Legge, who is one of the many people conducting research in the Dartmouth forest land on Maplewood Road, which is the location of the Clement Loop Trail, maintained by the Corinth Conservation Commission. Adding to the talk on the woodland research was Dartmouth Professor of Ecology, Caitlin Hicks Pries. The presentation covered many aspects of forest ecology and the effects that climate change might have on forest health in the future. The Clement Loop trail is one of three maintained by the Commission, along with the Roaring Ridge Trail and the trails in the Shea Town Forest.

We followed that talk with our annual tracking walk, held at the Roots School with two sessions led by Brad Salon. The weather and snow conditions were good for track identification, and the sessions were well attended by the community.

The month of May brought Green Up Day, which is coordinated by Conservation Commission members and Green Up Day coordinator, Anne McKinsey. The celebratory awards ceremony recognizing community members who collected the most trash was held at the town hall after our annual spring work day at the town apple and pear orchard located behind the town hall. The trees in the town orchard continue to grow into mature fruit trees and are bearing more fruit each year.

The Commission also continued to work with the Corinth Community Coalition on a mural project to be located on the deposit bottle container where we collect the cans and bottles that fund most of the work of the Commission. And most of you may have noticed the two willow trees and wonderful perennials sprouting from the berm along the front of the transfer station on Brook Road. The project began with a Commission grant from the state of Vermont for two trees, and is now spearheaded and tended by The Garden Society, led by Barbara Soros. The spring also brought the return of the Corinth Free Store, formerly the "Cookeville Mall." Thanks to Amy Peberdy and the numerous volunteers she managed to cajole into tending the trailer at the transfer station, the free store successfully kept many useful items from becoming landfill fodder.

June found our volunteers and Commission members working on the trails in the F.X. Shea Town Forest. Seven of us cleared the numerous blowdowns and branches that occurred over the winter and spring. We are happy to report that the new parking lot held up well through its first mud season.

In July we teamed up with the Blake Memorial Library and the Bradford Conservation Commission to jointly host local bear expert Ben Kilham for a packed town hall event where he shared his vast experience working with orphaned black bears.

Our final presentation focused on trapping rules and regulations in Vermont. Bree Furfey, Wildlife Biologist with Vermont Fish and Wildlife, and Mike Scott, a game warden also with the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife, were joined by Wildlife Biologist and Veterinarian Walt Cottrell to discuss the current rules and regulations and the science behind the practice of trapping in Vermont.

Finally, we had a few members leave the Commission. We wish to thank Travis Gendron and Miranda Moody Miller for their time and effort. And we welcomed new members Luise Graf, John Melquist, and Mary Kent to the Commission.

Our work will continue to help protect the fragile ecological resources in Corinth and to educate our community about how we can be good stewards of our forests, rivers, and wild lands in a time of ever-increasing environmental stress and encroachment on important wildlife habitat.

Respectfully submitted by Glynn Pellagrino, chair.

CORINTH COMMUNITY COALITION

This past year our Coalition continued to provide support for our neighbors. We have welcomed our collaboration with local, county and state organizations to help those from our community in need.

In January, we made a donation to the East Corinth General Store's *Pay It Forward Program*. Community-minded store owner Renee Salomaa created this program to prepare and deliver meals for local residents experiencing food scarcity. We encourage residents to consider making a donation to support this effort. Also, the New Hope Food Shelf in the Riverside Grange at 4 Batten Rd, West Topsham is open on Fridays from 5:30pm to 6:30pm, serving the towns of Corinth, Topsham and Orange. For emergency food needs at other times, call Rev. KellyAnn Donahue at 802-439-9987.

In February, we met with Katharine Lea, Town Building Safety Officer, to work on a revision of the Corinth Dilapidated Building Ordinance. This effort was in response to the concerns of village residents about the condition of the former McLam's store. Our revision was submitted to the select board and the Town Planning Commission for their consideration.

In March, our Coalition received a \$500 grant from the Norwich Lions Club for the Corinth Recycling Mural Project. We began discussions last year with the Town Conservation Commission and the Waits River Middle School principal and art teacher to enlist local youth in creating an 18' x 8' mural with an environmental theme on the side of the boxcar housing the collection receptacles for the bottles and cans at the transfer station. Matt Denton, local artist, and Jacqueline Labate, Director of the Growing Peace Project, will be facilitating the project, which we hope to initiate in the spring.

We continued to help people with their shopping, getting medications, transportation and housing. We made referrals to our Town Service Officer, Catherine Haley, who provided support for some folks requiring help with domestic issues. Catherine's responsibilities include assisting families with inadequate housing, lack of transportation, unemployment, substance abuse, serious domestic conflicts, including child or spousal abuse, disability, other medical issues or life-threatening disease, lack of access to reliable phone and internet service, racism, gender discrimination and environmental health risks. If you or someone you know would be interested in speaking with Catherine, she can be contacted at 603-381-1500 and catherinehaley09@gmail.com.

Last year, we collaborated with Anne McKinsey of AMCK Web and Print Design, to create a Town Business and Services Directory to inform residents about local services available in Corinth. Our goal was to encourage shopping from our neighbor entrepreneurs. Currently, 50 businesses are posted on our directory. Check out our listings for artists, dance groups, small engine repairs, pet care and boarding, construction, web design and planning, religious faith, clean outs/recycling/scrap, farm and garden supplies, locally grown food, bakeries, outdoor and environmental education programs, plumbing and heating services, real estate brokers, renewable energy businesses, rental properties, tree and forestry services, woodworking and cabinetry. If you would like to inquire about our listings or include your business or services with the Directory, simply go to localresourcenetwork.org.

In April, we began discussions that focused on ways to recognize and honor indigenous people who were the original stewards of our land in Corinth. We learned that many state, county and local organizations, including some government committees, begin their meetings with a land acknowledgement statement. In May, the Coalition board adopted the following statement we now observe at each of our monthly meetings:

"We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of Indigenous People, and pay our respect to their elders both past and present."

After hearing from townspeople, we began in May discussing the idea of reviving the Corinth Quarterly Newsletter. Our goal was to continue gathering reports from various town committees and organizations to inform residents four times a year about their work, upcoming community events and special interest stories. In August, we requested funds from the select board to print, publish and mail a quarterly newsletter as the town had done in the past. The select board no longer has the resources for this effort and recommended the Coalition research potential costs and make a proposal to the town Budget Committee. In November, after attending a budget meeting and realizing the financial and funding challenges the committee was grappling with, we withdrew our proposal and decided to put our request on a warrant article to the voters for town meeting.

Throughout the year, we continued our collaboration with the Town Conservation Commission, alternating every other month collecting and redeeming recycled bottles and cans. Our thanks to the Coalition crew: Dean Packard, Carl Demrow, Sandy and Jeff Spiegel. In December, we presented gift certificates to the two workers at our town transfer station and the two employees at Bradford Redemption Center for their support of our recycling efforts.

Our Coalition board members are Carole Freeman, Alice Mower, KellyAnn Donahue, Dean Packard, Catherine Haley, Sandy Spiegel and Jeff Spiegel. We meet by zoom every third Tuesday of the month at 5PM. We are always looking for new board members and should you be interested in attending our meetings, please contact Jeff Spiegel (439-5339/jeffoire@yahoo.com). We are inspired by so many in Corinth who support our neighbors.

CORINTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Corinth Historical Society had a very active and successful year.

In March, for the first time in several years, we returned to the age-old tradition of providing Town Meeting Luncheon.

In April, we co-hosted a joint event with the “Junction Dance Festival” company on the topic of the Pike Hill Mines. This event was very well attended.



In June, the Corinth Academy Museum was cleaned and reorganized in preparation for our participation in the Blake Memorial Library’s “Garden, House & Studio Tour” fundraiser, which was held on Saturday and Sunday of the first weekend of July.

The rest of the summer Cafe/Museum schedule was held mostly at the Academy Museum due to the filming of the Beetlejuice movie in East Corinth. It was a very successful season with lots of wonderful refreshments and hosting and excellent participation and enthusiasm in the Museums. We had several new Museum Guide trainees to help us as well.

During July and August, the East Corinth Museum site was decorated by the movie company for a drive-by scene in the film and was unavailable for us to open. The CHS was financially compensated for the movie producer’s use of the property.

The movie crew also removed the large “Ag & Trades” sign from the museum barn and brought it across the street to Anne McKinsey’s barn for much needed repainting. After the repainting was completed by Anne, the sign was returned to its position on the barn wall with the help of Anne’s nephew Patrick. A big project, well done.

To save us money on mowing costs, Chris Groschner volunteered to mow the Academy Museum lawn for us this year, which he did faithfully and in time for Museum openings.

As always, there were many letters, e-mails, and calls in reference to research, information and offers of historical donations, all of which were addressed in a timely manner.

Norm Collette met several times with EPA Representatives and the Archaeologist/Historian covering the Pike Hill Mines Project, providing them with information and our extensive collection of Pike Hill site maps. The maps were returned to us along with a totally digitized copy of the collection.

Our annual meeting, which includes the election of the Board of Directors as well as other business, was held on November 11th at the Corinth Town Hall. The business portion was followed by a Potluck Dessert Social and an opportunity to view the exhibit in honor of Veteran’s Day. We then enjoyed a presentation by Author and Historian Larry Coffin who spoke about “The Year 1816: The Year Without a Summer”.

To close out the year, the annual lighted Christmas tree on the Academy museum lawn was supplied by Dan Wing and Dina Dubois, who selected, purchased and assisted in setting up the tree and stringing the lights.

Our newly updated web-page can be found on the corinthvt.org website under culture, where you will find photos, old town maps, the improved town history index by Jen Spanier, links to you-tube videos & Beetlejuice movie production images of interest from the Blake Memorial Library Collection, contact information and the all-important donations & membership forms. Please don’t forget to renew your memberships!

As always, we sincerely thank all for your time, your efforts, your enthusiasm, and for any way in which you have contributed to the success of the CHS.

Consiglia Longo, Director at Large.

EC FIBER DELEGATE’S REPORT



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

In June 2023, ECFiber celebrated the completion of its original 23 town network when it activated its operation center in White River Junction. In August, the District was awarded a \$13 million construction grant that will support the first three or four stages of its \$30 million, nine-stage, network

completion plan. In November, its Series 2023A municipal revenue bond received a “BB” rating from Standard & Poor’s Global Credit arm, a historic moment in US financial history: the first time a municipal revenue bond not backed by taxes, and not for a regulated utility or exclusive service territory, received a rating. This was extended to the six earlier bonds as well.

ECFiber’s network completion plan is under way, with Stage I (Fairlee, West Fairlee, Bradford) nearing completion. You may have noticed ECFiber or Eustis Cable trucks recently on Rt. 25 putting up fiber on the poles.

The network completion plan is somewhat dictated by geography. The network is being extended North from Thetford to Fairlee/West Fairlee/Bradford, North from there to Newbury, West to Topsham, South to Corinth, and West to Washington.

Fairlee, West Fairlee, and Bradford will have customers receiving service by Town Meeting Day 2024, with a small number of locations that will have to wait until the spring to see construction completed.

Newbury is Stage II of the plan and customers will be online summer 2024. Some addresses in the South Ryegate area will be served by NEK Broadband because of how the utility poles are laid out.

Topsham is Stage III of the plan and customers will be online in autumn 2024, although some will be served earlier than that because they will be built as part of the Stage II build out in Newbury.



Corinth is Stage IV of the plan and customers will be online in late autumn 2024, although some are already served out of Chelsea. Others will be served earlier than that because they will be built as part of the Stage II build out in Newbury or Stage III build out in Topsham. All Corinth residents are urged to pre-subscribe to ECFiber, which can be done [here](#). There is no cost to doing this, and no commitment is required. {Information to be provided by Holly Groschner about subsidies.}

Washington is Stage V of the plan and customers will be online in late autumn 2024, although some will be served earlier than that because they will be built as part of the Stage III build out in Topsham.

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

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

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LAW ENFORCEMENT STUDY REPORT

Following last year’s discussion at town meeting regarding the contract for Orange County sheriff, the Selectboard created the Corinth Law Enforcement Study Committee and designated the following individuals to serve on it: Jon Saken, resident, Catherine Haley, Town Service Officer, Chris Diaz, Town Constable, Mike Tkac, former Hartford, VT police officer, Kenya Lazuli, member of the Town Planning Commission, and Jeff Spiegel, member

of the Corinth Community Coalition and facilitator for the committee. The committee voted to have Sandy Spiegel as recorder of the discussions and minutes. The committee also created the following Statement of Purpose: “Our goal is to recommend 3 cost effective and sustainable proposals to the Selectboard that facilitate the safety and well-being of all Corinth residents.” The Study Committee was charged by the Selectboard to make 3 recommendations by June for law enforcement in Corinth.

The Study Committee convened in May. It contacted town officials from Bradford, Topsham, Newbury, Chelsea, Washington, and Randolph about their law enforcement services and asked if they would consider policing cost and coverage sharing with Corinth. None of the towns chose to pursue that proposal.

Chris Diaz reported on various incidents in which he was involved in the last year. These included underage drinking, neighbor conflicts, ATV traffic, animal control, geriatric health issues, and domestic abuse.

On May 9th, we completed our deliberations and sent the following recommendations and rationales to the Selectboard and expressed our willingness to meet with them to discuss our report. Upon receiving our recommendations, the Selectboard expressed their deep appreciation to the committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND RATIONALES FOR CORINTH LAW ENFORCEMENT

Recommendation: No longer contract with OCS. Call State Police for Emergencies

Rationales:

1. 3 hours of unspecified coverage at the sole discretion of OCS is not desirable
2. OCS may not want to contract for only 3 hours
3. Currently OCS has 3 officers assigned to courts, leaving 1 to patrol the entire county
4. OCS has not responded to emergencies in Corinth
5. OCS has insufficient certified deputies
6. Some calls require a certified police officer to accompany other service providers
7. No accountability or oversight for services rendered

Recommendation: From the \$9,500 budgeted for OCS, increase service time and compensation for Town Constable to \$30/hr; reimburse constable for job-related expenses up to \$250 annually; compensate constable for travel time and specified hours. After-hours calls should be directed to state police, or constable should be compensated for overtime.

Rationales:

1. Provides for more patrolling and visibility
2. Constable is vulnerable to more dangerous conditions
3. Has not been compensated for travel time
4. Has not been compensated for serving criminal and civil paper work and evictions
5. Responds to calls when OCS or state police don't show up
6. \$15/hr is not a livable wage for a constable who puts his life at risk
7. Creates accountability with specified hours
8. Constable enforces town ordinances and civil services
9. Increase mileage compensation to federal IRS standard rate

Recommendation: Advertise and hire a local certified police officer to serve as a second constable who can respond to criminal cases; add to the annual budget funds for prevention programs and education

Rationales:

1. A certified police officer can respond to criminal cases
2. Having no certified police officer puts the local constable legally at risk
3. A licensed police officer has qualified immunity
4. Prevention programs have the potential to reduce the need for law enforcement

TOWN LISTER

In March of 2023 the voters elected KellyAnn Donahue as Lister for a two-year term. Martha Brough was appointed as Lister by the Selectboard on May 18, 2023. We receive consulting help from Debra Kingsbury. With support from our District Supervisor at the VT Department of Taxes, and from our accounting program software team, we lodged the Grand List numbers on June 27. This number is the value of all listed land and buildings in our town. It is used to calculate our tax bills.

This year we processed 117 property transfers. We reviewed 462 Homestead filings and 186 Current Use Applications. Information sessions regarding Change of Appraisal notices were held on July 10 and 11. The Change of Appraisal Grievance sessions were then held on July 17 and 18.

KellyAnn Donahue is the E-911 Coordinator. This system locates buildings for first responders, in accordance with satellite photos.

We have been ordered to do a town-wide reappraisal by the VT Department of Taxes. Formal inspections will begin in July of 2026. The appraisal should be completed by 2028 and will be conducted by the New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC). Our Listers will not be present for the on-site inspections. We will assist with scheduling and provide data from past years.

We can assist you with property value data, parcel maps, address changes, ownership changes and current use (of land) issues. Our office hours are Monday and Tuesday from 8AM to 12PM.

Reminder: If you are a Vermont resident you MUST file tax form HS-122 (Vermont Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Credit Claim). If you file after the April deadline, you will receive a penalty and not benefit from the residential tax rate.

Respectfully submitted,

KellyAnn Donahue, Head Lister

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission continued its work on projects stemming from the goals and recommendations of the Town Plan. The PC held a community meeting featuring Kevin Geiger from Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission to discuss planning issues and the tools available to address them. In connection with the ongoing exploration of land use regulations, the PC conducted a community wide survey in September. The community's response was impressive; approximately 250 responses were received. The PC will be seeking additional community input as it continues the process of proposing a land use planning ordinance. The PC did not receive the Municipal Planning grant it applied for to help with this process and the PC is developing a plan for moving forward. The PC took on another project based on concerns from the community and drafted proposed changes to the Town's Dilapidated Building Ordinance.

The PC generally meets on the first Thursday of the month. Agendas are posted on the website, and members of the community are welcome to attend.

ROAD COMMISSION

This past year being from 1 July 2022 thru 30 June 2023. We all are seeing daily life working back to the new normal. The inflation rate is increasing and the availability of items is now twice the lead time if available. This winter has been the new average. Mud Season is still a challenge, but most town roads were kept passable most of the time by our hard-working “Road Crew”.

This past year our dedicated Road Crew again have gone over and above, keeping up with the day-to-day challenges and making sure the roads were safe for all to travel, including emergency equipment and school busses.



This fiscal year we accomplished the Village Paving with a price tag of \$161,752. The town did not receive a paving grant for this project, so it was a calculated expense.

The Town did receive a “Grant In Aid” in the amount of \$25,600. This was used for culvert upgrades and stone-lined ditches on Heath Rd. and Meeting House Rd.

The Town also received a “Better Back Roads” grant in the amount of \$12,500, which went to Ryder Rd. for culverts, ditches and general road upgrades.

The Town also received two “Structures Grants” in the amount of \$137,600. The first is to repair and replace, as needed, the Hedgehog bridge in the Village, which should be completed in 2024. The second was to replace a 3-ft. x 40-ft. culvert on Taplin Hill with a 4-ft. x 60-ft polymer-coated metal culvert.

I believe this comprises all the major projects completed in 2023. The rest of the work would be grading, culvert replacement, roadside mowing, and all necessary maintenance as needed.

Joe, Brian, Mark, Tom and I greatly appreciate the support we get from the Select Board and the townspeople. This kind of support has given us everything we need to do our jobs effectively and efficiently.

Everyone stay healthy and safe!

Lee Porter, Road Commissioner

2024 PLAN

1. Pave town roads as is economically feasible.
2. Continue with capital improvements with the help of the Better Back Roads project.
3. Stone line ditches, and replace culverts as needed.
4. Apply for any grants which are feasible to the town.
5. Complete Hedgehog Brook Bridge
6. Work on our current FEMA projects

TOWN CLERK

It has been a busy year in the office, with a lot of land recording and oodles of archive scanning. We now have our land records scanned back to the 1940s. You can access the records by visiting corinth.lr-1.com or find the link under “Land Records” on our website, corinthvt.org. Our tax map can also be accessed online, which includes helpful information about property lines, acreage, and ownership.

We have already been preparing for the upcoming elections. 2024 will be a big election year. Each election will be run a bit differently, so it is important to stay informed. On the “Voting/Elections” section of our website, you can find details about the elections process and answers to frequently asked election questions. You will also find access to the My Voter Page where you can register to vote, update your voting information, request absentee ballots, view sample ballots, and much more.

On March 5, 2024, we will hold our Town Meeting and the Presidential Primary Election. For the Presidential Primary, Vermont law 17 V.S.A. §2704. requires you to ask for a specific party ballot (Dem or Rep) and for your choice to be recorded by the election official.

On August 13, 2024, we will hold the Statewide Major Party Primary Election. For the Statewide Primary, you will be given three ballots (Dem, Rep, and Ind) but you will confidentially vote only one of those ballots, returning the two unmarked ballots separately.

And finally, on November 5, 2024, we will hold the General Election. For the General Election, the state will send out ballots in the mail to all registered active voters. You can return your ballot via the mail or come to the polling place to vote in person.

Finally, I would like to bring your attention to a statewide downward trend of folks not registering their dogs in recent years. I hope Corinth can turn that around in 2024 and we can have a record setting year of getting all dogs in town registered. Registering your dog is not only the law, but it also helps protect your pet if they go missing and helps protect the community if an incident occurs. All dogs must be registered by April 1st and registration can easily be done via the mail, the drop box, or by stopping into the office. Please see the Dog & Wolf-Hybrid Licenses page of this annual report for details.

Remember, most town business can be done at your convenience through the website, email, mail, or by calling. We also have a secure drop box to the left of the front door on the porch where checks, applications, and records can be dropped off. And don't forget to check the website for the town calendar, updates/announcements, and for notifications of office closures.

Respectfully Submitted by the Office of the Town Clerk

TRANSFER STATION SUPERVISOR

The Town of Corinth has been a member town of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) since 2012. The District serves nearly 50,000 residents in 49 member towns. Each of these towns is entitled to representation by at least one supervisor. The board of supervisors meets on the second Tuesday of every month in Lyndonville and sets the direction of NEKWMD policy. The District assists member towns with waste management education and recycling/compost program implementation. The transfer station, now located on Brook Road, is open for business Saturdays from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Your supervisors are Bob Sandberg and Marian Cawley (alternate).

Corinth contracts with Casella Waste Management to provide trash collection services and single-stream recycling, and NEKWMD provides “enhanced” or “expanded” recycling for materials that are not collected by Casella. These materials are hauled away periodically by NEKWMD.

The Universal Recycling and Composting Law (Act 148), passed by the Vermont Legislature in 2012, offers Vermonters a set of guidelines and mandates for keeping as much as possible out of landfills. In addition to all mandated recyclables (banned from the landfill as of July 1, 2015), leaf and yard debris and clean wood scraps are

also now banned from landfills. To address the law’s requirement that all transfer stations must accept food scraps (as of July 1, 2017), two compost totes are available to residents, one at the transfer station, and two (or more) at the end of Bob Sandberg’s Cookeville Composting service driveway on Abe Jacobs Road, where food scraps are processed. (We are pleased that both of these food scrap disposal sites are being used by residents!) Act 148 also mandates a “pay as you throw” variable-rate pricing for trash disposal, which is covered by the per-bag fee assessed by Casella (see below). Details about the Universal Recycling Law can be found at <https://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/solid/universal-recycling>.

NEKWMD also provides the mandated Household Hazardous Waste Collection. Please see the town web site for announcements about when and where these collections will take place.

The town thanks Joan Hayward for overseeing operation of the expanded recycling facility.

RUBBISH CHARGES (AS OF 1/20/2021):

15 gallon bags: \$4.25/bag
 30 gallon bags: \$5.50/bag
 45 gallon contractor bags: \$8.50/bag

USED TIRES ARE ALSO TAKEN FOR A FEE:

up to 17" off rim: \$3
 up to 17" on rim: \$4
 over 17" off rim: \$7
 over 17" on rim: \$14

Casella collected 204 tons of trash and 123.5 tons of single-stream recycling from the Transfer Station in 2023. In addition, Corinth residents recycled 5.46 tons of special waste through NEKWMD, including aerosol drums (0.06), alkaline/rechargeable batteries (0.29), automotive batteries (0.35), hardcover books (0.16), e-waste (3.95), light bulbs (0.07), oil filters (0.22), and used motor oil (0.37). *Well done, Corinthians! Let’s strive for less solid waste and more recycling in the coming year.*

For more information about the NEKWMD district, see the Executive Committee Report, Warning, and Proposed Budget in this town report.

For current listings of recyclables, including special items that are accepted for no fee, and fees for tires and rubbish, visit the town website: corinthvt.org/services/transfer-station.

ENSURE THAT THE ITEMS YOU PLACE IN THE BINS ARE RECYCLABLE!



Section 3:

Local Services, 2022-2023

CORINTH-TOPSHAM EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

P.O. Box 58, West Topsham, VT 05086 • ctert58@yahoo.com

2023 was another busy year for our community. In 2023 we had 217 calls. We continue to respond to both fire and medical calls. We responded to 20 motor vehicle accidents and three structure fires.

We thank the communities we serve for their continued support. As they did last year, our costs keep rising. The cost of training has skyrocketed.

We lost two members this year but gained three! We are always looking for more volunteers. We will pay for the cost of education for most levels. We can be contacted at ctert58@yahoo.com or ctertclerk20@yahoo.com.



Mark Nickles, AEMT,
Chairman Head of
Service, Training Officer

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BLAKE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

676 Village Rd, P.O. Box D, East Corinth, VT 05040 • 439-5338 • blakememorial.org

Blake is a publicly supported non-profit public library operating under 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. We are so grateful for our staff, volunteers, community, and donors for the support received in 2023. The generosity of our donors, a Winnie Belle grant, a FIRST in VT robotics grant, Vermont Humanities Council grants, a Vermont Afterschool grant, and endowment funds allowed Blake Memorial Library to continue developing our collection and offering quality programming, and to provide several weeks of free summer camp and afterschool programming. The contribution of two dollars per capita from the residents of Corinth has also helped us to continue to provide many resources and services.

Here are some of our many offerings:

- Almost 20,000 books, videos, and audiobooks available for loan, with items added monthly
- Access to downloadable e-books and audio books
- Rotating collection of videos and audiobooks from the Librarians of the Upper Valley
- Circulating and non-circulating periodicals
- Kanopy movie-streaming
- Public access desktop and laptop computers
- Help accessing and using technology
- Local history resources and special collection
- Printing, scanning, faxing, and copying
- Large print book collection and quarterly rotating collection
- Interlibrary loan service
- Local conservation resources
- Vermont attraction passes
- Children's board book tote bag kits
- Robotics team
- Jigsaw puzzle lending library
- Access to LearningExpress (a job search, job skills training, and test prep service)
- Access to Universal Class
- Access to America's historic newspapers
- Access to the Digital Public Library of America
- Access to Vermont genealogy resources
- Access to the Vermont Online Library
- Weekly Story Hour for children
- Regular book discussion series
- VT Reads book discussion
- Meeting space available for community use
- Exhibits featuring local artists
- Summer Reading Program, complete with activities, events, and prizes
- OneCard Network
- Toy lending library
- Chess and board game clubs
- Public WiFi extending into the parking lot

It's been a busy year at the library. More of our programming has been offered in person with the reduced threat from Covid-19. We also continue to offer hybrid in-person/virtual programming. Some highlights this year were the creation of a kids' robotics team, the second annual Art-House-Garden Tour, the Vermont Golden Dome and Green Mountain book award reading challenges, basket making and needle felting workshops, and the fall photo contest.

The 119th annual Blake Memorial Library Association meeting and Board of Trustees election was held in September. We were happy to welcome Zoe Tilley Poster to the board. A new fundraising committee has formed as well.

We wish to thank our large group of dynamic and energetic volunteers for sharing their time and talents with the library and the community. They help keep the library running by staffing the circulation desk, processing new books, managing interlibrary loan services, recommending books and other items for our collection, returning books to the shelves, and much, much more. This assistance allows our small staff to offer first-rate services and programming to our community.

Our vision: Blake Memorial Library is a community resource developed by community members to promote learning and sharing. We aim to encourage the people of Waits River Valley to read, to explore, to think critically and creatively, and to come together to share ideas and inspire each other; we strive to provide them with the tools to do so. Blake Memorial Library supports civil discourse to strengthen and preserve democracy.

Board of Trustees: Shirley Montagne – President/Treasurer, Rob Rinaldi – Vice-President, Carl Demrow – Secretary, Tania Aebi, Dina DuBois, Nick Kramer, Kathryn Price, Zoe Tilley Poster

Library Director: Jennifer Spanier

Assistant Librarian: Kimberly Hotelling

CORINTH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

P.O. Box 294, East Corinth, VT 05040

The year 2023 has ended and emergencies have picked up for the Corinth Fire Department. Members were busy with a lot of events. Our Trick or Treat at Halloween is getting bigger, and for the first time, the Corinth Fire Department entered a Christmas truck lighting contest in Lyndonville. There were over 30 different trucks of all types that paraded through the streets with over 2,000 people watching. The good news is that the Corinth Fire Department took 1st place!

Now the not so good news. We had a couple of building fires, also mutual aid calls for building fires to different towns. Members assisted in some medical calls. Auto accidents were up as were downed power lines.

In 2023, we had the honor to work with the American Red Cross. In Phase I, we put smoke detectors in 17 homes in Corinth, totaling about 40 detectors in homes that either did not have a detector or had detectors that were over 10 years old and needed to be replaced. The smoke detectors provided are free to homeowners. I am hoping to do a Phase II this year. The Red Cross and Corinth Fire Department install detectors where they should be put inside the home. We would like everybody to have one, two, or three detectors in their homes. It is an early warning to save your life.

If you need a smoke detector, call Chief Ed Pospisil at 439-6074.

We accept donations. We are a 100% volunteer fire department and our membership is still strong.

Remember to change your smoke detector batteries

For any emergency, call right away: 439-5115 or 911.

If a fire occurs, get out right away and have a family spot to meet. Do not go back into the home or building for any reason ... family first.

Thank you.

Chief Ed Pospisil and officers and members of the Corinth Fire Department

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

5445 Lake Morey Rd, Fairlee, VT 04045

(802) 333-4043 • info@uppervalleyambulance.com • uppervalleyambulance.com

To all community members in the Upper Valley Ambulance coverage area:

2023 has been a busy year for Upper Valley Ambulance. We are on track to respond to more calls than ever before. Ambulance services across the country are seeing this same trend. Some folks have asked for my opinion on this. Honestly, some of it has to do with our healthcare system and most of it has to do with our growing population that is aging.

The mission statement of Upper Valley Ambulance continues to be:

MISSION STATEMENT

Upper Valley Ambulance is a pre-hospital service whose primary focus is to provide high quality emergency care to our nine member towns. Our organization is committed to providing efficient, prompt and creative transportation systems both on a local and regional basis. We will meet the ongoing healthcare needs of the communities that we serve, and strive to provide total customer satisfaction. We will be proactive in seeking new opportunities to fulfill this mission.

To fulfill this, we have built a plan to replace equipment on a regular basis while keeping cost as low as possible. We have had to increase our staffing to accommodate the increase in calls over the past several years. We have seen a 49% increase in 911 calls since 2015. This increase affects equipment and personnel.

Our overall insurance budget for 2024 will be 21% higher than 2023. Our well-trained personnel need to be able to pay for their rent, food, groceries and fuel to have fulfill lives. We believe that happy employees make better employees and thus better providers for all that call us in a time of need.

The per capita rate that we receive from the nine Towns that we serve covers 40% of our total operating budget. We cover the remainder of our budget by billing for services provided. On average, it costs \$822.00 to provide one ambulance transport. Insurance carriers reimburse us a fraction of this cost. We take on extra work such as doing interfacility transfers, cover races and other events to help offset these deficits.

We currently have eleven full-time providers (including two administrative staff) and about 24 part-time providers. We have six providers certified at the Paramedic level, twelve at the Advanced EMT level, and seventeen at the EMT level. We have three ambulances, two of which are 4-wheel drive to accommodate the winter road conditions. We are slated to replace our oldest ambulance (2017) in early 2024 with another 4-wheel drive ambulance. We continually keep our providers well-trained and up to date on new equipment, procedures and protocols.

Our providers are extremely proud of the work that they do, and they should be. Upper Valley Ambulance has become highly respected in the EMS community for their professionalism, skill and compassion. I am proud to be the Director of this fine organization.

If you ever have questions, please feel free to contact me. I love to brag about who we are and what we do!

Very Sincerely

Alan Beebe, Executive Director

Proudly serving Bradford, Corinth, Fairlee, Orford, Piermont, Strafford, Thetford, West Fairlee & Vershire since 1990

Section 4:

Appropriations, 2022–2023

AMERICAN RED CROSS NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND REGION redcross.org/vermont

Orange County Service Delivery July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Disaster Response

In the past year, the American Red Cross has responded to **9 disaster cases** in **Orange County**, providing assistance to **34 individuals**. Most commonly, these incidents were home fires. Red Cross workers were on the scene to provide food, clothing, lodging, emotional support, and more to families during their hours of greatest need. Our teams also provide Mass Care to first responders. Things like food, water, and warm drinks strengthen the brave people of your local Fire and Police Departments as they answer the call to keep your residents safe.

Home Fire Campaign

Last year, Red Cross staff and volunteers worked throughout Orange County to educate residents on fire, safety and preparedness. We made **3 homes safer** by helping families develop emergency evacuation plans.

Blood Drives

We collected **902 pints** of lifesaving blood at **28 drives** in Orange County.

Training Services

Last year, **526 Orange County residents** were taught a variety of important lifesaving skills such as First Aid, CPR, Babysitting Skills and Water Safety.

Service to the Armed Forces

We proudly assisted **11 of Orange County's Service Members, veterans, and their families** by providing emergency communications and other services, including counseling and financial assistance.

Volunteer Services

Orange County is home to **3 American Red Cross Volunteers**. We have volunteers from all walks of life, who are trained and empowered to respond to disasters in the middle of the night, to teach safety courses, to help at our many blood drives, and so much more. The American Red Cross is proud that 90% of its staff is made up of volunteers; they are truly the heart and soul of our organization.

Town/City	Disaster Events	Individuals
Bradford	1	4
Brookfield	1	9
Chelsea	1	2
Corinth	1	2
Post Mills	1	1
Wells River	1	2
Williamstown	3	14



PLEASE GIVE BLOOD!



CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

24 Barton St, Suite 1, Bradford, VT 05033 • (802) 222-3282 • cvabe.org

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Corinth residents for fifty-eight years.

CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16 - 90+) in:

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

Corinth is served by our learning center in Bradford. The site has welcoming learning rooms with computers, laptops and internet access to support instruction. CVABE staff and volunteers also teach students at the library or other local sites as needed.

On average, one Corinth resident enrolls with CVABE a year. Additionally, one Corinth resident volunteered with CVABE. Teachers instruct students one-to-one and/or in small groups. Each student has a personalized education plan to address his/her learning goals. These goals might include: getting or improving a job, earning a high school credential, helping one's children with homework, budgeting and paying bills, reading important information, obtaining a driving license, preparing for college, gaining citizenship, and more.

Children of parents with low literacy skills have a 72% chance of being at the lowest reading levels themselves, and 70% of adult welfare recipients have low literacy levels. By helping to end the cycle of poverty, your support changes the lives of Corinth residents for generations to come.

CVABE provided free instruction to 446 people last year in the overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. It currently costs CVABE \$3,726 per student to provide a full year of instruction. Nearly all students are low income. Over 70 community volunteers work with CVABE's professional staff to meet the large need for these services while keeping overhead low.

We deeply appreciate Corinth's voter-approved past support. This year, your level support is again critical to CVABE's free, local education services. Only a portion of CVABE's budget is comprised of state and federal support. Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, to ensure we can help the neighbors who need education for a better life.

For more information regarding CVABE's adult education and literacy instruction for students, or volunteer opportunities, contact:



Bradford Learning Center
24 Barton Street - Suite 1
Bradford, Vermont 05033
(802) 222-3282
www.cvabe.org

CENTRAL VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING

59 N. Main Street, Suite 200, Barre, VT 05641 • (802) 479-0531 • info@cvcoa.org • cvcoa.org
Senior Help Line: 1-800-642-5119

Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) 2023 Report for Town of Corinth:

Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) is dedicated to the mission of supporting older Vermonters to age with dignity and choice. CVCOA services are available to those age 60 and up, caregivers, and families. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters to remain independent for as long as possible. CVCOA serves 54 towns throughout the Central Vermont region.

CVCOA makes a difference in the lives of older Vermonters by connecting them to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive, free of charge. CVCOA utilizes town funding to provide individualized support to Corinth residents through case management, information and assistance, options counseling, resource and benefit enrollment (nutrition, transportation, mental health counseling, legal services, etc), long-term care planning, health insurance counseling, family caregiver support, connection to wellness and social activities, and more.

CVCOA supported **51 residents of Corinth**. CVCOA Case Manager Marianne Barnett worked directly with clients in Corinth.

CVCOA served 4,040 unduplicated clients from 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023. CVCOA mobilized 497 volunteers through our AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP and general volunteer programs. These volunteers served over 40,000 hours, providing direct service, delivering meals on wheels, supporting nutrition sites, leading wellness classes, offering companionship and creative encouragement, and more.

All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of **Corinth for their ongoing commitment to the health, well-being, independence, and dignity of older Vermonters in the Corinth community.**

CLARA MARTIN CENTER

1483 Lower Plain Rd, Bradford, VT 05033 • (802) 222-4477 • claramartin.org

Clara Martin Center provides a multitude of services throughout greater Orange County to best meet the needs of community members in a holistic approach. These include individual, couples, and group therapy and services for co-occurring mental health and substance use. We also offer psychiatric consultations and evaluations and medication management services. Services are confidential and include:

- Outpatient Counseling
- Psychiatric Services
- Short-term crisis intervention
- School and Home-based services
- Education for families
- Community resource assistance
- Hospital Diversion
- Walk-in Clinic
- Vocational Services
- Alcohol and other drug treatment
- Respite Care
- 24-hour emergency system

Clara Martin Center is your local community mental health agency, providing behavioral health and substance use services to the greater Orange County and the greater Upper Valley area for the last 57 years.

Clara Martin Center’s broad range of programs serve children, families, couples, and individuals. Services are confidential and include counseling, psychiatric services, consultations, short term crisis intervention, school and home-based services, education for families related to emotional and behavioral challenges, community resource assistance, alternatives to hospital care, respite care, housing, vocational services, substance use treatment, a walk-in clinic and 24-hour emergency services. We strive to meet the care needs of the communities we serve, and provide services that meet the needs of the individuals that have entrusted their care to us.

FY23 TOTAL SERVED AT CMC		TOTAL SERVED Corinth	
Children & Family Services	465	Children & Family Services	19
School Services	103	School Services	1
JOBS	67	JOBS	2
Adult Services	671	Adult Services	29
CSP Services	160	CSP Services	5
Supportive & Transitional Housing	27	Supportive & Transitional Housing	
Substance Use Services	278	Substance Use Services	3
Corrections Services	94	Corrections Services	
Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	293	Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	5
Access	848	Access	21
CCBHC Services	1,087	CCBHC Services	17
Total Served - unduplicated	2,191	Total seen:	63
CVSAS	447	CVSAS	1

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For more information about Clara Martin Center services, visit our website at www.claramartin.org.

GREEN MOUNTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP.

35 Railroad Row, Suite 101, White River Junction, VT 05001 • (802) 295-3710 • gmedc.com

Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation (GMEDC) is one of twelve statewide Regional Development Corporations (RDCs), serving a 30-town region in Orange and northern Windsor counties. Our primary function is to develop economic vitality and prosperity consistent with the goals of the communities we serve.

In FY2023, dues from member towns contributed \$19,273 of our annual operating budget of \$220,183. Town dues are assessed at \$0.50/resident, as determined by population data from the VT Department of Health and the U.S. Census Bureau. Further operating revenue comes from business memberships and federal, state, and other funding sources. Your support helps provide client-specific economic development services free of charge and available to municipalities, new entrepreneurs, established and expanding businesses. Services include business development guidance, relocation support, and project development; for requests that are beyond our level of expertise, GMEDC has a ready referral network to meet client needs. Additionally, the RDCs work collectively throughout the legislative session to promote the needs and interests of the business community across the state. GMEDC and our local partners have assisted 100+ businesses and municipalities seeking additional information on economic development activities, local business projects, funding opportunities, legislative action and more.

FY2023 activities included:

- Supporting numerous funding applications for capital investment, brownfield assessment and redevelopment, project planning and pre-development, **totaling over \$5 million in funding to our service area.**
- Securing state funding to implement a third round of the successful small business technical assistance program, providing small grants and administrative support to match specific business needs with service providers.
- Leveraging a \$1.5 million Economic Development Administration partnership for the Randolph Innovation Hub to hire staff and rebrand as Cultivator: Where Community Collaborates, gathering community input to map the way forward.
- Continued support of the \$300,000 Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Working Communities Challenge White River Valley Consortium project, working to improve housing opportunities in 14 towns in the White River Valley.
- Ongoing partnership with Orange County Parent and Child Center to develop a new, \$6 million childcare facility offering 88 new seats in the Randolph region.
- Closeout of \$500,000+ Environmental Protection Agency-funded brownfield clean-up of former Valley Motors site in Bethel.



On behalf of the GMEDC Board of Directors and all of our members, I would like to thank the Town of Corinth for your continued support and partnership. For further information, call us at (802) 295-3710 or visit our website at www.gmedc.com

Erika C. Hoffman-Kiess, Executive Director

GREEN UP VERMONT — CORINTH



Despite a seemingly endless number of rainy days prior to Green Up Day, from the looks of it, ALL of Corinth's roadsides were cleaned of debris, including the infamous Brook Road, which everyone agreed was the worst they'd ever seen. On May 6, the skies cleared and another successful Green Up Day was the topic for celebration! Following the collection of all bags, tires, and other assorted junk, gift baskets and raffle prizes were awarded on the steps of the Town Hall, accompanied by delicious Hatchland Dairy ice cream with sprinkles provided by **Kai's Cones**. Winning raffle tickets were called out by Elliot and Zachary Lea who kept the suspense high!

There was a tie for the person/couple with the most bags: Rick & Marian Cawley and Rob & Nancy Oliver each hauled in 12 green bags to win the coveted 'Taste of Corinth Gift Basket.' And, 24 lucky winners received a prize from the raffle drawing! In previous years, a plaque had been awarded to the team that brought in the most bags. This was not done last year inasmuch as no team signed up.

At day's end, Corinth's roadsides were free of debris, beer cans, tires, and other large junk. Due to the rain, the overall numbers were down a bit from 2022, but we can still feel great about...

- 105 Corinth Green Up Day volunteers (includes the helpers at the transfer station over five Saturdays)
- 70 (approx) miles of Corinth roads cleaned of trash
- 224 green bags hauled in
- 42 tires from roadsides hauled in
- Other misc. large pieces of rubbish picked up

These totals were sent in to the statewide Green Up Vermont program to add to the state tally.

This has been a wonderful community effort, with a hearty thanks to everyone who stood by the big map each Saturday at the transfer station in the rain. And many thanks to Amy Peberdy for picking up water and free bagels in Montpelier and preparing the bagels. Thanks to the Corinth Conservation Commission for their help and support (thank you, Ken Arkind!). AND, in appreciation to all of the vendors who offered these **LOCALLY-PRODUCED** raffle prizes:

Crossmolina Pizza Night gift certificates, Vittles House of Brews ground coffee, Sweet Bear maple syrup, Montview Vineyard wine, Hop 'n' Goat Farm eggs, Borealchemy herbal products, Marilyn's Kitchen apple crisp & German stollen, and Root Vine Healing herbal tinctures.

Here is a challenge: While us Corinthians are superb at cleaning up our roadsides every May, and many folks pitch in with hours of their time and raffle prizes, how can we address the accumulation of debris in the first place? Your ideas are eagerly welcomed! Drop me an email with your suggestions: mckinseya@gmail.com

Mark your calendar for Green Up Day: Saturday, May 4, 2024!

Keeping it green,

Anne McKinsey, Green Up Day Corinth coordinator

GREEN UP VERMONT

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Green Up Day:
May 4, 2024



Green Up Day, continued to grow with 23,500 volunteers statewide who cleaned up nearly 348 tons of litter and 15,000 tires. We saw 23% more volunteers lend a hand and heard in many cases there was less litter (30%) to be cleaned up. Tire collection saw a 4.8% increase. The statistics show that the hard work to beautify Vermont is still needed but also that our efforts for awareness are paying off. As one of Vermont's favorite traditions, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont, as well as keep residents civically engaged.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are requesting level funding for 2024.

Green Up initiatives are year-round and further our environmental impact with waste reduction programs, additional clean-up efforts, and educational initiatives.

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



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

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow on Instagram (greenupvermont).

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LITTLE RIVERS HEALTH CARE, INC.

720 Village Road, East Corinth, VT 05040 • (802) 439-5321

As Little Rivers celebrates its 18th anniversary, we are focused on the sustainability of vastly expanded services over the past three years. As with so many of our community partners, ensuring that our residents receive the vital services they need has been a challenge like no other.

For the 3-year pre-pandemic period of 2017-2019, LRHC operated with average annual excess revenues of \$230,125, and in 2022, LRHC operated with a loss from operations of \$2,117,454 from impacts of the public health emergency. In the past year, LRHC significantly improved facilities, continued providing services at all six OESU schools at no cost to schools and municipalities, increased provision of behavioral health and psychiatric services, and added programming to support those adversely affected by food and nutrition insecurity.

Our patient population increased by 71% to 6,531 in 2022 and patient appointments increased by 60% to 39,309 visits, demonstrating both the need for and capacity of Little Rivers. Our strong collaborations with local food security organizations allowed us to more than double the quantity of food given to our community (now over 1,000 pounds a week).

In addition to our services, LRHC also contributes to the local economy. In 2022, Little Rivers employed over 80 people in well-paying jobs, spent over \$9 million locally, and brought in over \$3 million in federal dollars to our communities. In return for our grant funding, we need to demonstrate financial support from our towns, so we are deeply grateful to our area towns and generous donors who continue to support us in this work. Many thanks to you all.

Sincerely,

Andrew Barter, CEO



THE MENTORING PROJECT OF THE UPPER VALLEY

P.O. Box 237, Bradford VT 05033 • (802) 439-3562, (802) 222-1624

mentoringprojectuv.org

The Mentoring Project of the Upper Valley (TMPUV) is a community-based mentoring program that matches young people with adult volunteers in Vermont towns in our area: Bradford, Fairlee, Corinth, Topsham, Groton, Wells River, Newbury, Vershire, Ryegate & Thetford. Mentors and mentees commit to spending five hours per month together during non-school hours for at least one year, and also keep in touch through telephone and online check-ins between in-person meetings. Through spending time together doing both favorite and new activities, mentors and mentees build a trusting relationship that can change the course of each person's life for the better!

During 2023, TMPUV experienced a bittersweet **change in leadership**. After more than a decade of leading our organization, Nancy Jones retired and left a long legacy of successful matches in her wake. Anne Hatch began as the new Program Director in February of this year and worked closely with Nancy and the board to ensure a smooth transition. Aside from her work with TMPUV, Anne is a middle school teacher who brings a great deal of experience in collaborative education and social service programs. This is an exciting year of growth for The Mentoring Project!

Devoting time to **community outreach opportunities** allows us to connect with past and future mentors and mentees. Special events also allow TMPUV to serve even more youth with unique engaging activities. Here are just some of the collaborative events we had a chance to be a part of this year:

- River Bend Career & Technical Center (Photo booth & face painting at the Expo in March)
- Jazzy's Childrens' Fund (Craft station at summer concert in Groton in August)
- Bradford Public Library ("Wellness Warriors" program for youth in July-August)
- Newbury Woman's Club (Face painting at the Spring Flea Market in May)
- Blue Mountain Union School (Estimating challenge at the Family Open House in September)

While supporting life-changing one-on-one relationships is at the core of TMPUV, it also means a great deal to come together for **celebrations, learning, service, and camaraderie**. Here is just a sampling of events that we enjoyed as a group this year:

- Annual Sliding Party (for mentors & mentees, Feb.)
- Running Water Recreation Center "March Madness" (for mentors, mentees & families, Mar.)
- Graduation & Welcome Summer Celebration at Boulder Beach (for mentors, mentees & families, June)
- Fajita Bar & Game Night at The Hub (for mentors & mentees, July)
- Back-To-School Ice Cream at Phoenix Scoops (for mentors, mentees & families, Sept.)
- Annual TMPUV Recognition Celebration at Colatina Exit (for mentors, mentees & families, Dec.)

With the generous outpouring of support from our host communities, we know that 2024 will be another banner year of support for our youth as well as volunteer engagement. We believe in the power of human connection!

Peter Berger, Board Treasurer Anne Hatch, Program Director

NORTHEAST SLOPES

10397 Route 25, East Corinth, VT 05040 • (802) 439-5789

Despite the new normal of challenging snow and weather conditions, Northeast Slopes was open 30 days this past season. The lifeblood of Northeast Slopes is the hard work of our dedicated volunteers, and through them we provide quality winter recreation and strive to play an important role in building and sustaining the sense of community in this area of Vermont.

Our scheduling has changed a bit from past years: on days we are open, our hours are from noon to 4 PM. This has helped with retaining volunteers, which is always a challenge! We've also found that on the days that we are open, the hill is busy, busy, busy with lots of smiling faces!

Our expanded school programs had another successful season of providing equipment, lessons, and slope time for kids in the area. For over ten years, this aspect of our programming has demonstrated our commitment to serving local children.

We have some exciting news: We'll be building a new outdoor pavilion to take the place of the covid era tent and the "deck" as it is sometimes called. Charlestown Productions, the production company for the Beetlejuice movie, gave us extensive amounts of building materials from the sets. Coupled with a grant of nearly \$20,000 from the State of Vermont's Recreational Facilities Grant Program, we'll be able to put the pavilion up without stretching our budget.

Our board believes Northeast Slopes provides Corinth and surrounding towns with a vital and affordable local service that gives young people and their families a great place to meet and recreate outdoors during the long winter months. We work hard to open as many days as weather allows, organize fun local events, and seek financial support beyond our immediate community. Please keep in mind we are entirely volunteer staffed and run, and we always welcome the interest and involvement of new volunteers!

ORANGE COUNTY PARENT CHILD CENTER

693 Vermont Route 110, Tunbridge, VT 05077 • (802) 889-9472 • orangecountypcc.org

One of 15 parent child centers in Vermont, the Orange County Parent Child Center strengthens families with young children and connects them to their communities. We accomplish this through an array of different support including in home, community and center based. We serve families regardless of income.



OCPCC's programs include: Children's Integrated Services Family Support and Family Support Nursing, Welcome Baby visits, free community playgroups, Early Care & Education, parent education, concrete supports and resource & referral services. We are a public pre-k partner under Act 166. You can learn more at www.orangecountypcc.org.

Last year, with the continued support of your community, we were able to provide 103 services to Corinth residents

Lindsey Trombley

Executive Director

ORANGE COUNTY RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CENTER

P.O. Box 58, Chelsea, VT 05038 • (802) 685-3172 • occrjvt.org



Orange County Restorative Justice Center (OCRJC) is a community-based restorative justice agency, offering cost-effective alternatives to the Family, Criminal, Civil Courts and the State corrections system. We remain committed to our mission and vision—building and advocating for just communities by providing restorative programs to address legal issues, wrongdoing, conflict and the needs of harmed parties; and connecting participants to services that improve the health, well-being and positive behavior of individuals and the community. We want the everyday life in Orange County communities to be safe, just and provide opportunities for all people to thrive.

We offer 10 programs to Orange County residents: Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA), Court Diversion, Driver's License Reinstatement, Pre-Trial Services, Reparative Panels, Restorative Re-entry after Incarceration, Safe Driver Education, Transitional Housing, Victim Assistance and the Youth Substance Awareness Safety Program.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, 289 people were referred to us for services. We served 62 harmed parties (victims) and distributed \$9107 in restitution to those who experienced losses due to crime. We held Circles of Support for 6 individuals, secured 4 apartments for transitional housing.

In FY23, OCRJC worked with 4 people who live in or whose incidents took place in Corinth. For each incident referred to OCRJC, the person responsible and the individuals impacted by the crime are offered services.

OCRJC's FY23 operating budget was \$534,247. We are proud to be supported by appropriations from every town in Orange County. The Town of Corinth appropriated \$350 for FY23 to support our work. OCRJC requests \$350 in 2024 to support ongoing programs.



Thank you for your support! For additional information, find our website at <https://ocrjvt.org> or contact Jessica Schmidt, Executive Director, at 802-685-3172 or info@ocrjvt.org.

ORANGE EAST SENIOR CENTER

176 Waits River Road, Bradford VT 05033 • (802) 222-4782

Our primary focus is helping seniors. What did we accomplish in 2023?

We were open for in-person meals at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays each week (except for certain holidays). We continue to offer Meals on Wheels and Takeouts on those days. These are state-approved nutritious meals.

We offer the following programs:

- Well-being check for Meals on Wheels customers
- Foot care clinics
- Classes in exercise and balance
- Income tax preparation and help with Medicare Part D and Medicaid forms
- Distribution of donated medical equipment
- Provide our space to AA, ALANON and a Cribbage Club
- Host Bingo on Mondays, doors open at 4PM. Food is available.
- Rental space with parking



In 2023 we have delivered 2,423 meals in Corinth.

Our volunteers gave 3,477 hours to our Center and drove 20,574 miles delivering meals to participating seniors in our six towns.

Town appropriations are primarily used to offset the cost of providing in person or delivered meals. Our goal is to make sure no senior goes hungry.

Thank you for supporting the Orange East Senior Center! Everyone is welcome for meals and events!

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria R. Chaffee, Director

PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL OF THE UPPER VALLEY

One Court Street #378, Lebanon, NH 03766 • (603) 523-7100 • info@uvpublichealth.org

The Public Health Council of the Upper Valley (PHC) is our region's trusted leader in public health, supporting the people, professionals, and organizations who, together, make our communities healthier places to live, work, and play. Our mission is to improve the health of all Upper Valley residents. We do this in four keyways:

1. Unify the public health priorities of the region to promote collaboration and progress towards shared goals.
2. Work alongside health and human services organizations and policy makers to develop actionable plans and best practices to address the community's priorities.
3. Aggregate and disseminate important public health information across the region and bring people together to share ideas, experiences, and expertise.
4. Function as a backbone support for underserved members of the community by serving as fiscal sponsor for program development, providing technical assistance, and advocating for health equity.
5. PHC is recognized by the State of New Hampshire as one of its regional public health networks and collaborates closely with White River Junction District Office of the Vermont Department of Health.

Our work in 2023 included:

- Released a new Community Health Improvement Plan that describes the collaborative strategies partners will use to address community health priorities.
- Hosted regular meetings for PHC partners to share information and provide opportunities for problem solving.
- Distributed COVID test kits to social service organizations for vulnerable residents.
- Provided staff support to Upper Valley Strong as the coalition responded to the July flooding.
- Hosted six flu clinics in rural communities with support from Dartmouth Health, Geisel School of Medicine and local partner, providing over 1,500 free vaccines.
- Served as host for the Upper Valley Community Health Equity Partnership, a program funded through a grant from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Collaborated with local school districts and the Hartford Community Coalition to provide summer meals for children in the region.
- PHC appreciates the opportunity to serve the residents of Corinth and will continue to work hard to meet your needs in 2024. For more information about PHC, visit us at www.uvpublichealth.org.



SAFELINE, INC.

PO Box 368, Chelsea, VT 05038 • (802) 685-7900 • safelinevt.org

Safeline, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization that provides free confidential services for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking in Orange County and northern Windsor County.

In FY2023, Safeline’s staff and volunteers provided 2,325 services for 260 victims of domestic violence, stalking, and sexual abuse. 133 services were provided for 10 victims who identified themselves as residents of Corinth. These statistics could be understated, as victims often choose not to give any identifying information out of fear for their safety.

Services for Corinth survivors included: crisis intervention (26), emotional support (28), information and referral (21), case management (20), safety planning (11), and assistance with protection orders (14). These services were for 7 females and 3 males who experienced domestic violence (6), family violence (2), stalking (1), and child physical abuse (1).

A trained advocate is always available to provide crisis support, safety planning, resources, information and referrals through Safeline’s 24 hours a day/7 days a week confidential Hotline (1-800-639-7233). Survivors can also choose from a wide array of additional services including legal advocacy, day shelter services, job readiness skills development, and financial management education.

In addition to providing direct services, Safeline is a resource for the community at large and is committed to changing the culture of violence. As part of this work, Safeline offers a full range of prevention education for community organizations, schools, medical centers, faith communities, youth groups, and anyone who is seeking information about domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking.

We thank the voters of Corinth for your support as we strive to end domestic violence, stalking and sexual abuse in Corinth.



TOPSHAM-CORINTH LITTLE LEAGUE

3 Benjamin Road, Topsham, VT 05076

Topsham-Corinth Little League was created by caring parents who wanted to provide a sports program for children in the towns of Topsham and Corinth. The league is open to boys and girls from ages 5- 12. Our non-profit organization supports and fosters teamwork, community, and a love of baseball/softball.

We were fortunate last year to have three major league teams [one softball team and two baseball teams], three minor league teams [one softball team and two baseball teams], two machine pitch teams and two tee-ball teams. We also hosted the CVNLL opening day this year and one of our two baseball teams was able to finish as runner up!

The Topsham-Corinth league continues as the fastest growing league in the CVNLL area. We purchased new catchers equipment this year to replace the very old and used equipment from years ago and we purchased equipment bags that are utilized to carry team supplies. We are requesting \$500.00 this year to help offset equipment and uniform cost, field lining machine and to look at the possibility of installing new bleachers and upgrades to the concession building structure.

For the 2023 season, TCLL provided baseball and softball instruction to over 100 children from the towns of Topsham and Corinth. We hope to be able to continue our program as it is a positive way to encourage our children to be team players and stay physically active.

Thank you from the TCLL board, parents and the players.

Sincerely,

Mark Snider Jr.

TCLL President

TRI-VALLEY TRANSIT

297 Creek Road, Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-2287 • trivalleytransit.org

Thank you for the Town of Corinth's generous support last year. During the past four years, your support helped us provide 1,858 free Dial-A-Ride trips for Corinth residents in the past year, either by volunteer drivers or on wheelchair accessible vehicles. TVT's Dial-A-Ride and Public Bus Systems provided a total of 180,335 rides for the year. All of TVT's transportation programs enable community members to maintain their independence, gain and keep employment, and access critical healthcare and quality-of-life services.

Dial-A-Ride Programs — Focus on specialized populations including elders, persons with disabilities and low-income families/individuals who are unable to access the bus system. Dial-A-Ride offers direct access from home to: medical treatments, meal site/senior programs, adult day care services, pharmacies, food shopping, social services, vocational rehabilitation, radiation & dialysis, substance abuse treatment, and other destinations that enhance riders' quality of life.

Bus System — Promotes economic development, energy conservation, mobility independence and quality of life. Corinth residents can access the River Route Commuter service to Lebanon, Hanover, and White River Jct. from the Bradford Park & Ride.

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

VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

11 East State St, Montpelier, VT 05602 • (802) 229-0501 • vcil.org

Request Amount: \$170.00

For over 44 years, 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'23 (10/2022-9/2023) VCIL responded to thousands of 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 **140** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **4** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **178** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **115** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **73** individuals with information on assistive technology; **41** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **379** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. Our Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) served **17** people and provided **7** 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 in downtown Montpelier (although we are working from home as our office (along with so many others) was devastated in the July flood and we have four branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During FY'23, 4 residents of Corinth received services from the following programs:

- Information, Referral and Assistance (IR&A)



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.

VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE

14 Crab Apple Ridge, Randolph, VT 05060 • (802) 828-4582 • vacd.org

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property, and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, designs installations, and finds financial resources to support the costs of construction. During the **26+ years** of the program, **1,177 grants** totaling nearly **\$2.8 million** have been provided to Vermont towns for the installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.



The Rural Fire Protection Program is managed by the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservations Districts, whose mission is to work with landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the state.

We have made several adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program in recent years, including changing the name from Dry Hydrant Grant Program to Rural Fire Protection Program to better reflect the diverse range of projects we support. We have increased the maximum grant award amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project (\$15,000 for a couple special case projects). New rural fire protection systems, along with repair, replacement, relocation, and upgrades of existing systems, and drafting site development, are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2023 was **\$199,158** of which **\$82,374** was paid in grants to support the construction and repair of **17 rural fire protection projects** throughout Vermont. The remaining budget covered site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Division of Fire Safety of the Vermont Department of Public Safety, through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. In FY 2023, we received over \$9,375 in town appropriations from **90 towns**. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support.

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

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Maclay, Chair

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

66 Benning St, Suite 6, West Lebanon, NH 03784 • (888) 300-8853

October 3, 2023

Dear Council Members and Citizens of Corinth;

We at the Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) would like to offer our heartfelt thanks for the opportunity to have our appropriation request included in 2023 funding. VNH respectfully requests \$6,250. This represents level funding from last year's request.

As an integral part of the community healthcare system in Corinth, VNH serves to breach an otherwise significant gap in the community's continuum of care. Last year, VNH provided 1,889 visits to 78 residents of all ages and at all stages of life. VNH is also the foremost team of hospice and home health experts for over 140 communities in Vermont and New Hampshire. We deliver nursing, hospice and rehabilitation services at home with proven effectiveness, integrity and compassion. Just as local families have counted on us since 1907, you can count on us today.

Having our patients maintain their independence is key. Our nurses, therapists and social workers provide assessments, medical care and education to assist people in leading a more self-sufficient life. This includes patients who are frail, elderly and disabled, people with terminal illness, those recovering from major surgery or illness and children with chronic medical needs. They all benefit by receiving the care they need in the familiarity and comfort of home.

Town funding is what allows us to bring down the cost of services provided to those in need. With adequate town funding, we are able to provide an affordable option for home healthcare in the community. To continue meeting these needs, we urge the Town of Corinth to budget continued financial support of Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire.



On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your consideration of this request.

With kind regards,

Anthony Knox

Community Relations Manager

aknox@vnhcare.org

(603) 790-3172

Section 5:

State & County Services, 2022–2023

TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION

128 King Farm Road, The King Farm, Woodstock, VT 05091 • (802) 457-3188 • trorc.org

TRORC 2023 YEAR-END REPORT

The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is your regional planning commission. We are governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our 30 member towns. We work to make the area better today, and to articulate a vision for a thriving regional economy that enhances the Region's outstanding quality of life. The following are highlights from our work in 2023.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON PLANNING ISSUES

Our staff support your local officials by being a wealth of information on many subjects, enabling them to serve you better. We provide advice on zoning, capital budgeting, and preventing flood damage; review solar and cell tower projects; stay abreast of state and federal initiatives so that local government can take advantage of these; and have worked hard to address the region's housing crisis. The Municipal Technical Assistance Program has supported eligible towns in identifying project opportunities and funding sources to undertake those projects. TRORC staff have also assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, bylaws and studies.

ECONOMY AND PUBLIC HEALTH

This year, TRORC supported the Region's talented artists, food producers, and other parts of the creative economy sector through training and networking events. We also were able to provide many small businesses with grant funds to weather Covid-19, as well as guidance to towns on using their federal recovery funds. TRORC also helps identify and clean contaminated parcels of land for reuse.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND PREPAREDNESS

TRORC staff continued to serve as liaisons between Vermont Emergency Management and local emergency responders, organizations, and town officials on emergency planning. TRORC assisted several communities with updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans, helping to reduce future damages from disasters and enable greater state and federal funding when they do happen. When disasters happen, we actively become part of the state and local long-term recovery process and have done so most recently with the July floods.

ENERGY/CLIMATE CHANGE

TRORC assisted towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to save money for communities and further the State energy goal of meeting 90% of energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. TRORC has continued working to support member towns through assessing town buildings for energy conservation upgrades. We also work on state-level climate policy and local adaptation measures.

TRANSPORTATION

TRORC also worked with towns to get funding to implement road improvement projects. We also work to support our transit agencies, build park and ride lots, and help towns with traffic counts and speed studies.

Specifically in Corinth this past year, TRORC assisted the town with updating its Local Emergency Management Plan. Staff also worked with the town on a municipal planning grant application that would help explore establishing a zoning bylaw. TRORC also assisted the town with a grant application to install a stone-lined ditch and replace several undersized culverts on Hoots Place Road. Staff also assisted the town with applying for energy assessment grants for the Town Hall and Town Garage.

We are committed to serving you, and welcome opportunities to assist you in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director

William B. Emmons III, Chairperson, Pomfret

VERMONT 2-1-1

Dial 2-1-1 or 1-866-652-4636 • vermont211.org

Vermont 211 is an Information and Referral program of the United Ways of Vermont available between 8am-11pm every day. By dialing 211 or by texting your zip code to 898211, you will receive up-to-date information and referrals on community, health, and human services for your area and region. (Text between 8:00am-10:00pm, Monday-Friday.) You can also search for services in your town in our Community Resource Directory at our website. (<https://www.navigateresources.net/211vermont/>)

Our 211 system in Vermont is at the fingertips of every resident and every phone. 211 is cost-effective, high quality, personal, flexible and community based.

Can't find what you need? You can always reach one of our trained professionals by phone or by text. Vermont 211 is here to offer help and to offer hope.

- One call or text gives you access to resources across your community and region. 211 is efficient, fast and easy to use.
- No more wrong numbers; no more wasted time trying to find the right resource(s).
- 211 is a private and confidential call or text; most often the name of the caller is not even taken. Language translation services are also available.
- 211 maintains the integrity of the 9-1-1 system; saving that vital community resource for life and death emergencies.
- 8am-11pm availability every day of the year by phone or 24/7 by visiting <http://vermont211.org>
- 211 is an easy way to find or give help in your community.

In times of disaster, Vermont 211 plays a critical role in bringing information to the people most affected by the events and relaying the needs of callers back to the government officials and the first responders.

WHAT ARE THE NEEDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

Vermont 211 collects city, town, county and statewide data and feeds it back to communities to help make

systemic change. Monthly reports showing the needs of your county are available on our website.

Residents of Corinth made 18 calls and texts to Vermont 211 from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, for a range of needs. Eleven searches on <http://vermont211.org> were conducted by people looking for resources serving the town of Corinth.

ORANGE COUNTY REFERRALS

Vermont 211 provided 734 referrals to Orange County residents, who called or texted Vermont 211 during the fiscal year. Top referrals were for Housing and Shelter (152 referrals), which include motel intakes for people experiencing homelessness, rental assistance, and housing counseling, among others. The second most common referral was for Tax Organizations and Services, which increased last fiscal year due to 211 contracting with Capstone Community Action to help schedule tax preparation services. Other referrals were for Community Groups and Government/Administrative Offices (66 referrals), Public Assistance Programs (58), and Utility Assistance (56). Many more referrals were provided for a range of resources and services.

Note: These referrals may not represent unique individuals; sometimes multiple referrals are made to the same person. Vermont 211 identifies town-level referrals when the count is 10 or above.

WANT TO SUBSCRIBE TO OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER?



Our e-newsletter shares monthly statistics on the needs of Vermonters, highlights resources and keeps you up to date on new initiatives. To see or subscribe to our newsletter, go to: <http://www.vermont211.org/news/monthly-newsletter>

VERMONT 211 PARTNERS WITH HELP ME GROW

Vermont 211 participates in the Vermont Department of Health's Help Me Grow initiative. Help Me Grow VT is a statewide system that supports families with children through age 8, by providing them access to the VT 211 database. By calling 2-1-1 ext. 6 (Mon-Fri 8-5), parents and caregivers will be connected to a Child Development Specialist who can answer parent and caregiver questions about their children's development and behavior, including developmental screening; connect families to state and local resources in their area; provide families with tools to track developmental milestones; and offer care coordination.

Note: There are other numbers to reach Vermont 211. You also can dial: 802-652-4636 or 866-652-4636. If you call us but cannot reach a live person, please leave a message with your name and number so that we can get back to you.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

118 Prospect St, White River Junction, VT 05001 • (802) 295-8820 • healthvermont.gov

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. The White River Junction Local Health Office provides essential services and resources to towns in Northern Windsor and Southern Orange counties. Some highlights of our work in 2023 are below. For more information, visit HealthVermont.gov/local/white-river-junction

COLLABORATION WITH PARTNERS

The White River Junction (WRJ) staff works with over 30 diverse health care and social service organizations

in the Greater Upper Valley Integrated Services Team (GUVIST). **GUVIST is making services and support for community members of all ages more efficient, effective, responsive and appropriate to the desires of those in need.** To learn more about this initiative, visit uvpublichealth.org/guvist/

ADDRESSING HEALTH EQUITY

Our Women, Infants & Children (WIC) program helps pregnant people and families with children under age 5. We provide healthy foods, nutrition education, breastfeeding support and referrals to community resources. Our office understands that not having transportation can make it difficult to get services. **Our office has the most access points in the state with our nutritionists hosting clinics at seven satellite sites.** If you would like to learn more visit www.healthvermont.gov/local/white-river-junction/wic-white-river-junction

PLANNING FOR AND RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES

Our Emergency Preparedness Specialist, Immunization Nurse, Epidemiologist and other staff have worked with the Upper Valley Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) to help our communities. They have spent hundreds of hours **conducting COVID testing, administering COVID and Mpox vaccinations, investigating over 210 infectious disease cases and collecting kits for water testing during flood recovery.** Learn more about the MRC at uvpublichealth.org/featured-partner-upper-valley-medical-reserve-corps/

Learn more at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local/white-river-junction> Join us on www.facebook.com/vdhwrij/

VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

89 Main St, Montpelier, VT 05602 • (802) 229-9111 • vlct.org

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

Member Benefits — All 247 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 142 other municipal entities that include villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts. Members have exclusive access to a wide range of specialized benefits, expertise, and services, including:

- **Legal and technical assistance**, including prompt responses to member questions that often involve how to comply with state and federal requirements. Staff responds to thousands of member questions and publishes guidance, templates, research reports, and FAQs. In 2023, VLCT specialists provided government-specific finance training as well as resources and consultation that help Vermont's cities and towns comply with federal rules for receiving federal ARPA and infrastructure funding. Staff also provides input to state leaders on designing and implementing grant programs for municipalities.
- **Trainings and timely communications on topics of specific concern to local officials.** The League provides training via webinars, classes at members' locations, and its annual member conference, the largest gathering of municipal officials in the state. In the wake of the 2023 floods, VLCT became a crucial information hub for local officials. VLCT's Equity Committee assists local officials in centering the work of justice, diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging in their municipalities' decision making, policies, practices, and programs.
- **Representation before the state legislature, state agencies, and the federal government**, ensuring that municipal concerns are heard collectively and as a single, united voice. VLCT's recent legislative efforts have

helped cities and towns access additional resources to respond to the pandemic, repair roads and bridges, enact cybersecurity, improve housing and economic growth, promote renewable energy, provide emergency medical services, address equity and inclusion, and ensure the quality of our drinking water. Specific success in 2023 includes securing \$3 million for towns to expand their capacity to access state and federal grants through the Municipal Technical Assistance Program, fighting to balance changes to local zoning laws with state land use laws to facilitate housing construction, elevating awareness of the financial difficulties rural emergency medical services face, amplifying municipal concerns as the Legislature contemplates moving toward a state-led reappraisal system, and increasing municipal authorities in statute. Members are also represented at the federal level to Vermont’s Congressional delegation and through our partner, the National League of Cities.

- **Access to insurance programs.** The Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) provides comprehensive and cost-effective property, liability, and workers’ compensation insurance coverage, programs, and services that protect the assets of your community. The VLCT Unemployment Insurance Trust provides unemployment insurance at stable pricing. VLCT also offers members group rates on important benefits for municipal employees: life, disability, dental, and vision insurance. All the programs offer coverage and products that members need and ask for, help Vermont municipalities stretch their budgets, and are only available to VLCT members.

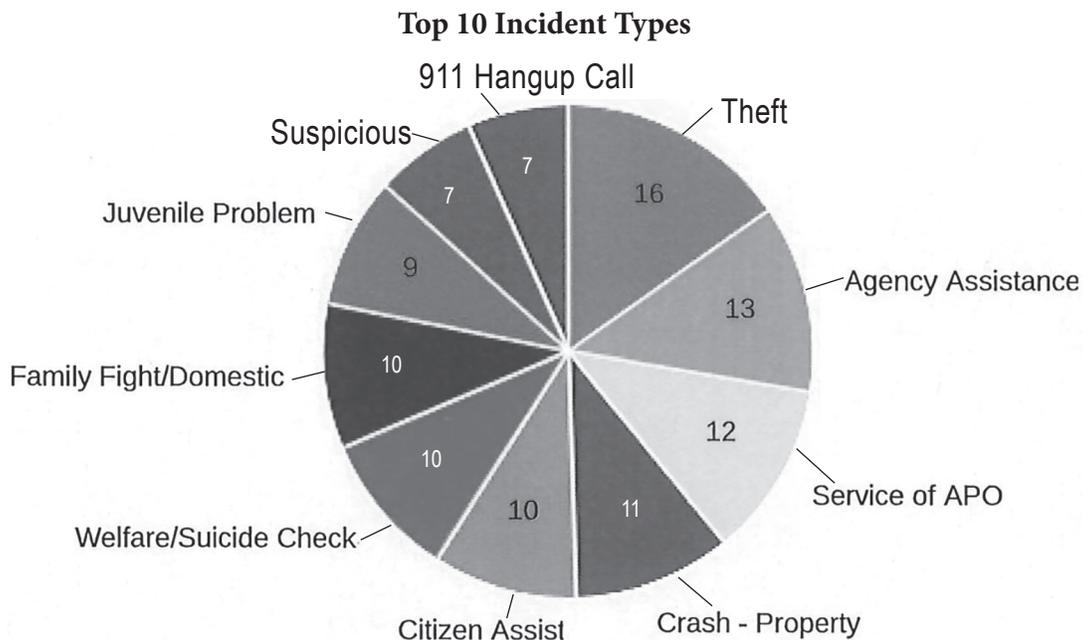


Members are welcome to contact VLCT anytime to ask questions and to access resources to help them carry out the important work of local government. To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, visit vlct.org. Recent audited financial statements are available at vlct.org/AuditReports.

VERMONT STATE POLICE: ST. JOHNSBURY BARRACKS

1068 Route 5, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819 • (802) 748-3111 • dps.state.vt.us

The total number of cases generated in the Town of Corinth from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 was 184.



Town Information

TOWN INFORMATION: 2023

Corinth Area and Population

Area: second in county, 16th in state: 30,943 acres (2008 VT Agency of Natural Resources)

Population — per 2020 Census: 1,455

Housing Units— per 2020 Census: 829 units (803 in 2010)

Highways:

Class 1 Town Highways: none

Class 2 Town Highways: 21.75 miles

Class 3 Town Highways: 48.69 miles

Class 4 Town Highways: 23.30 miles

Total Town Highways: 93.74 miles

State Highway (Rte. 25): 3.963 miles

Grand Total Highways: 97.70 miles

See detailed 2020 census information online via the link on the Corinth website:

[Town Gov't > Maps/Statistics.](#)

TOWN MAP

The Town Map, courtesy of the Two-Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission, follows on pages 70–71. Numbers on the map refer to 911 street addresses. For clarity, not every address is shown. Corinth's cemeteries are numbered in ovals on the map, with driving directions in the inset.

Voting Information

Elections Management System (EMS) – includes a statewide voter checklist and other resources and tools to be used by town and city clerks across Vermont to conduct all of their election related business – from registering voters, to processing absentee ballot requests, to entering election results;

- **Online Voter Registration Tool** – register to vote online here: olvr.sec.state.vt.us
- **“My Voter Page”** – Vermont registered voters may visit this website for access to a your voter-specific web page (you must log in) where you can request an absentee ballot and track its status, update your voter registration record, find your polling place, view a sample ballot, and more: mvp.sec.state.vt.us

Corinth on the Web

Town of Corinth municipal website: corinthvt.org

Corinth's municipal website is updated continuously with all board meeting agendas and minutes, forms/permits that you can download, information about town ordinances, listings of fun stuff that's going on in Corinth, town maps, town office hours, and much more: corinthvt.org

Subscribe to the LRN Listserv: lists.vitalcommunities.org/lists/subscribe/lrn

Blake Memorial Library: blakememorial.org

Blake Memorial Library's *Corinth Oral History Project* — view videos of some of your neighbors! Find on [YouTube](#)

CorinthFacebook page: facebook.com/TownOfCorinthVT

ORDINANCES, PERMITS, RESOLUTIONS

The full text of all ordinances and applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office and at corinthvt.org.

All Terrain Vehicle Ordinance: ATVs may not be operated on any town highway or trail in Corinth. Fees: First offense \$50, second offense \$100, third offense \$200.

Animal Cruelty Ordinance: This ordinance protects the welfare of animals in Corinth under the authority of 24 V.S.A. Ch. 61, SS2291 (21).

Anti-Nuclear Ordinance: Banning the construction and operation of commercial nuclear reactors and/or mines for fissionable material or any other nuclear facility, and the transportation, storage, or disposal of radioactive wastes for such reactors and/or such mines in the land, air, or water of the Town of Corinth.

Anti-Racism Resolution: Adopted by the Selectboard September 14, 2020.

Dilapidated Building Ordinance: Establishes measures to abate the public nuisances, health and safety hazards, and other harmful effects that arise from dilapidated or vacant buildings and structures in the Town of Corinth.

Dog Ordinance: In effect since May 15, 1995, requires that all dogs and wolf-hybrids shall be licensed and restrained from running at large. Corinth Dog Ordinance-Sept 2015.

Flood Hazard Area Zoning Regulation: An update to the bylaws was adopted by the Selectboard on May 11, 2015. Permits are required for all new construction, substantial improvements and other developments, within all lands to which these regulations apply.

Highway Ordinance: A comprehensive Highway Ordinance has been in effect since October 30, 1987. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish municipal policy and practice on the maintenance and upgrading of existing town roads and to describe construction standards and procedures for accepting new roads into the town highway system.

Highway Access Permit: Required to develop, construct, or re-grade any driveway entrance or approach to a town highway.

Sewage Ordinance: The Town's Sewage Ordinance has been replaced by State permit regulations. If you are building, replacing, or altering your septic system, contact the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, Wastewater Management Division 1-802-241-3822, 103 South Main St. – Sewing Bldg, Waterbury, VT 05671-0405.

Snowmobile Ordinance: On February 29, 1988, the Selectboard voted to continue the policy regarding operation of snowmobiles. The policy for snowmobiles is that "all unplowed roads are available for use by snowmobiles. There are no other restrictions."

Solid Waste Ordinance: To protect the health and welfare of the citizens of Corinth and to promote the conservation of natural resources and wise use of the environment, this ordinance is designed to regulate the separation, recovery, collection, removal, storage and deposition of solid waste, including recyclables.

Speed Ordinances: There are several speed ordinances for the villages of this Town.

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Stop Sign Ordinance: In effect since May 7, 2004, regulates traffic in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

Highway Personnel Policy: The purpose of these Personnel Policies is to assist in the effective administration of the highway work performed by the Town of Corinth.

Subdivision Bylaws: This ordinance was adopted by vote on November 7, 1995 and is effective as of that date. Requires town approval of all division of land in Corinth. Applications are available from the Administrative Officer, Martha Brough.

Subdivision Permit: Application for approval of a proposed subdivision shall be made to the Corinth Planning Commission.

Zoning Ordinance: There is a zoning ordinance that only pertains to FEMA-designated flood hazard zones.

Copies of all ordinances and applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office and at corinthvt.org.

TOWN INSURANCE POLICIES AND BONDS as of July 1, 2023

Buildings

Town Hall and Contents, Multi-peril	
Town Garage, Multi-peril	
Corinth Academy Building	
Salt Shed	
Fire Station	
Combined Building Value	\$3,327,297

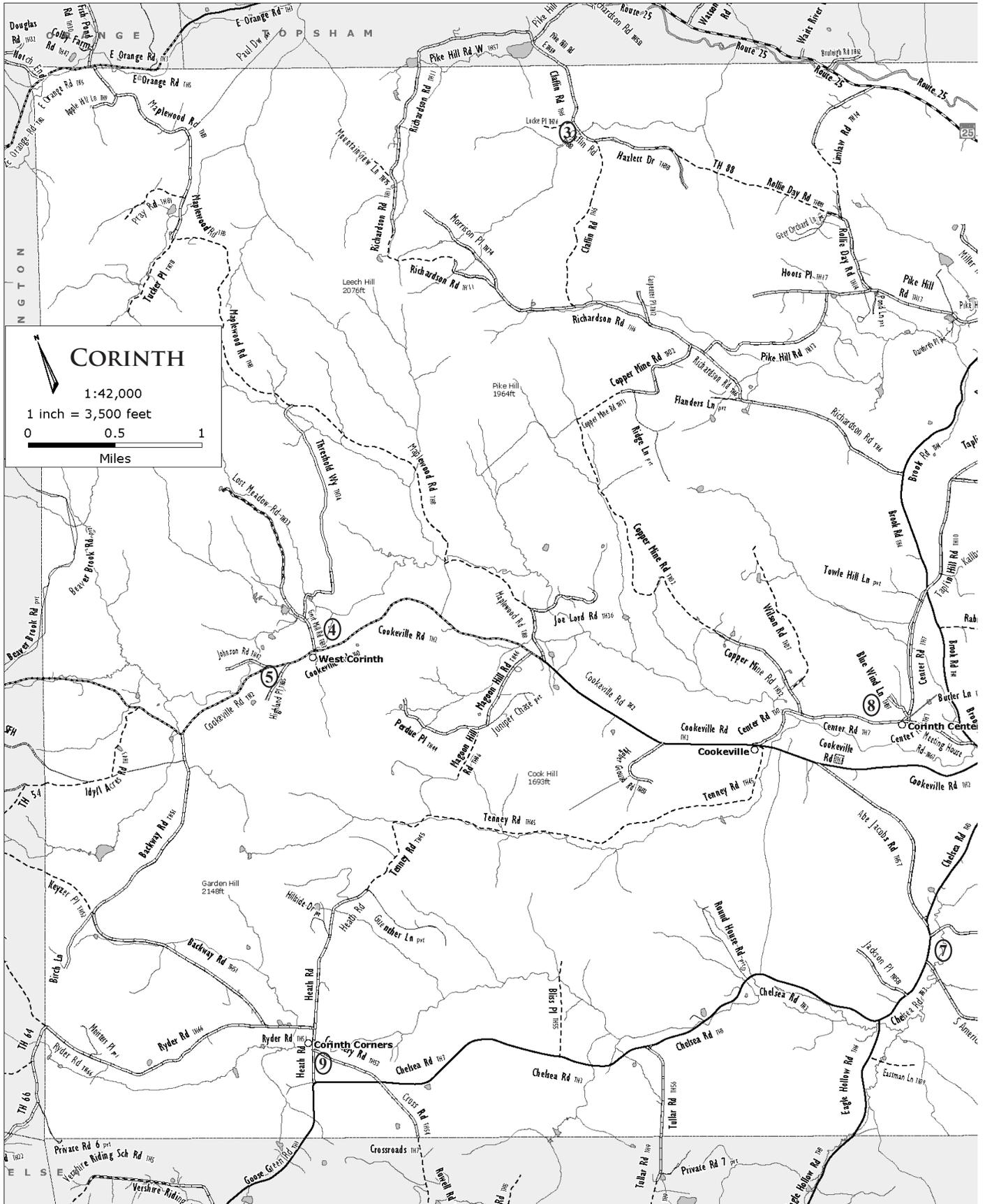
Contents Values

Town Hall Contents	\$75,000
Town Garage Content	\$100,000
Contractors Equipment Coverage	value of equipment
Fire Station	\$18,500

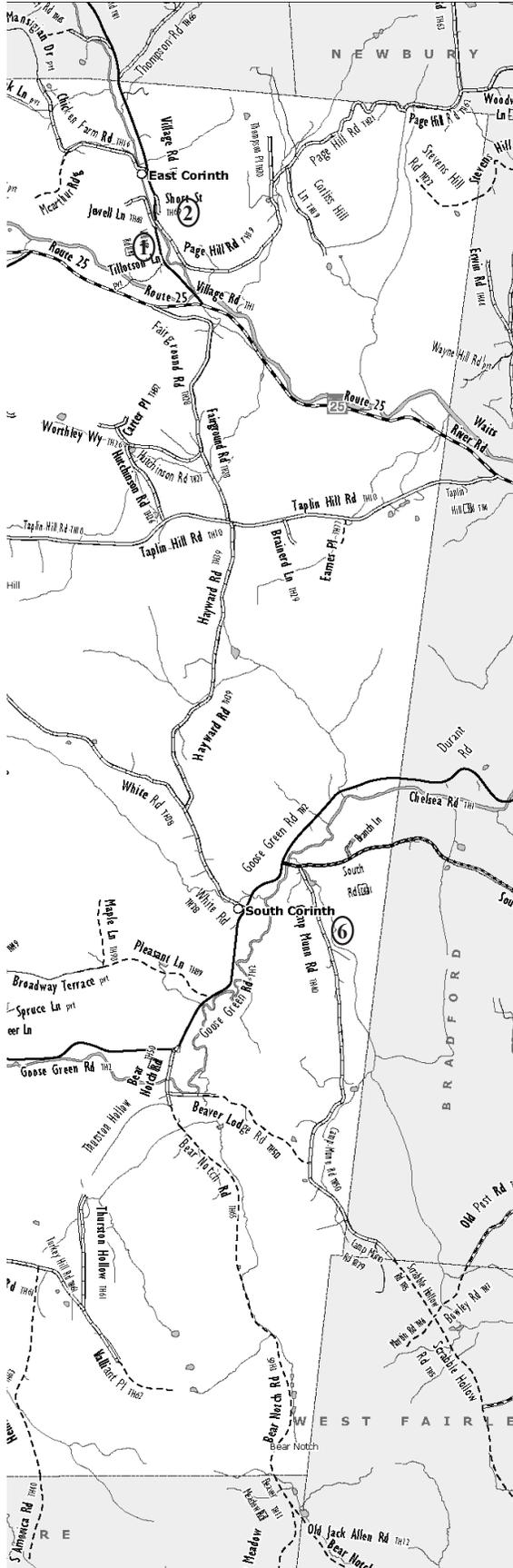
Liability

Liability on Buildings	\$10,000,000
Public Officials Liability	\$10,000,000
Workman's Compensation (standard)	per statute
Business Auto Policy	\$10,000,000
Town Crime Coverage	
Money Orders & Counterfeit Money	\$25,000
Computer Fraud, Funds Transfer Fraud, Money & Securities on & off premises, Forgery or Alteration	\$50,000
Employee Theft & Faithful Performance – PACIF provider any one occurrence	\$500,000

Town Information



Town Cemeteries



1. **NEW EAST CORINTH:** 271 Village Road, East Corinth. From Route 25, turn onto Village Road in East Corinth. The entrance to the cemetery is on the left, just after Tillotson Lane. The road to the cemetery has a gate, unlocked. Open the gate and drive up the hill to the cemetery. Please close the gate when you leave.
 2. **OLD EAST CORINTH :** 11 Page Hill Road, East Corinth. This cemetery lies at the end of Short Street (Route 25 to Village Road; right, off Village Road). The fourth and last house has the address of 70 Short Street. The road to the cemetery passes between this house and a barn. The cemetery is a very short distance up the road on the left.
 3. **MCCRILLIS CEMETERY:** Locke Place, West Topsham. To get to Locke Place, take Rte. 25 to Waits River, Pike Hill Road to Claffin Road, then right to Locke Place.
 4. **DARLING CEMETERY:** 4220 Cookeville Road, West Corinth. This Cemetery lies east of Grist Mill Road.
 5. **WEST CORINTH CEMETERY:** 4535 Cookeville Road, West Corinth. This cemetery is located at the corner of Cookeville Road and Highland Place.
 6. **MUNN CEMETERY:** 1100 Camp Munn Road, Corinth. From Goose Green Road in South Corinth, turn right onto South Road and right immediately thereafter onto Munn Road.
 7. **MEADOW CEMETERY:** 1233 Chelsea Road, Corinth. This cemetery lies across the road from the Meadow Meeting House.
 8. **CORINTH CENTER CEMETERY:** 900 Center Road, Corinth; located behind the Corinth Bible Church.
 9. **CORINTH CORNER CEMETERY:** 300 Cemetery Road, Corinth. It is just north of the abandoned Methodist Church at 327 Heath Road, at the corner of Heath and Cemetery Roads.
- PAGE-FULTON CEMETERY** (not marked on map): This cemetery lies on the Newbury-Corinth border, southwest of the intersection of Page Hill Road and Fulton Road, Newbury.

TH cls 1 (village) Corinth, Vermont
 TH cls 2
 TH cls 2 gravel
 TH cls 3
 TH cls 3 gravel
 TH cls 4 gravel
 VT forest hwy
 trail
 private
 VT route
 234 e911 address
 e911 drive

State Plane Meters, NAD 83

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REGIONAL COMMISSION

GIS Service Center

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Woodstock, VT 05091
802-457-3188

www.trorc.org

DOG AND WOLF-HYBRID LICENSES

A copy of the VLCT Handbook on Vermont Municipal Dog Law is available for inspection at the Town Clerk's office. Any person who fails to follow the requirements of the law shall be fined in an amount not more than \$500.00. All unlicensed dogs need to be licensed.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

All dogs and wolf-hybrids three months of age or older must be registered on or before the first of April of each year. Dogs and wolf-hybrids licensed after April 1 will cost 50 percent (50%) in excess of the Town's regular share of fees.

DOG LICENSE FEES

(These fees include the \$5.00 Vermont State Fee.)

Altered Male or Female by April 1st \$9.00 – after April 1st \$11.00

Unaltered Male or Female by April 1st \$13.00 - after April 1st \$17.00

* CERTIFICATION OF SPAYING

In order to qualify for a neutered male or spayed female license, the owner must provide to the clerk a Certificate of Spaying signed by a veterinarian showing that the dog has been sterilized.

*CERTIFICATION OF RABIES VACCINATION:

An owner of a dog or wolf-hybrid shall deliver to the Town Clerk a Certificate or certified copy of a current Vaccination Certificate against rabies. For the purpose of this law, a current vaccination against rabies means that:

1. All dog and wolf-hybrids vaccinations recognized by State and Local authorities shall be administered by a licensed Veterinarian or under the supervision of a licensed Veterinarian.
2. All dogs and wolf-hybrids over 3 months of age shall be vaccinated against rabies. The initial vaccination shall be valid for 12 months. Within 9 to 12 months of the initial vaccination, the animal must receive a booster vaccination.
3. All subsequent vaccinations following the initial vaccination shall be valid for 36 months.
4. All vaccinations, including the initial vaccination with a U.S. Department of Agriculture approved 3-year vaccine product.

A rabies clinic may or may not be scheduled this year. Please watch the Journal Opinion for an update.

Dog License Report for Corinth

125 dogs were licensed in 2023

All dogs in Corinth must be licensed by April 1st of each year.

If you have moved into town after April 1st with a dog that is licensed in another town, you need only bring your existing licensing paperwork, with the rabies certificate and spaying certificate (if applicable) to the Town Clerk. The existing previous Town's license will suffice in Corinth until April 1st of the following year.

To register, please mail your check and copies of certifications to the town of Corinth, put them in the town hall drop box, or visit during town clerk office hours.

TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

GARAGE - VEHICLES					
Year	Description		Model #	Serial #	Date Acquired
1988	John Deere Backhoe		4239DCD05	CD4239D652177	1/16/08
2016	Western Star		4700SF	5KKHAVDV0GLHE2472	8/31/15
2013	Caterpillar Bucket Loader		930K	RHN01406	7/8/13
2018	John Deere Roadside Mower		6105E	1PO6105ECJOO11213	8/29/19
1985	Caterpillar Grader		130G	7GB00655	12/4/13
2006	Caterpillar Grader		143H Motor	APN00690	1/25/08
2016	Ford F-550		F-550	1FDUF5HTXGEB96792	3/23/16
2011	Hitachi Excavator		ZX120-3	1FFAPW0XKBD100012	5/15/12
2018	Western Star		4700SF	5KKHAVDV5JLJT7548	8/23/17
2020	Western Star		4700SF	5KKHAVDV6LLLU1570	9/16/19
1985	Caterpillar		D5B		11/27/17
2008	Freightliner		916A3	1FULATCG39PZ73066	9/5/17
2021	Caterpillar Grader		140	N9500418	6/14/21
2004	Ford F-450		F-450	1FDKD47PX4EA85909	12/19/22
GARAGE - MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT					
	Description	Manufacturer	Model #	Serial #	Date Acquired
	1,000 Gallon Fuel Tank	Highland Tank	1,000 Gal Double Wall		9/7/08
	Air Compressor	NAPA	82348VA	13744	12/8/10
	Bandit Model 100 Chipper	Bandit	100		6/25/96
	Broom attachment	York			6/30/92
	Chloride System				6/30/03
	Culvert Thawer with Pressure Washer				3/7/00
	Echo Brush Cutter	Echo			6/30/92
	Flammable Cabinet	Global	237285		10/18/11
	Husqvarna Chainsaw	Husqvarna	357XP		9/25/01
	Husqvarna Chainsaw	Husqvarna	137		12/18/06
	Hydraulic Hose Coupler Machine	Weatherhead	T-4822	2628	11/18/11
	HydroSeeder	EPIC	L30	EP-L30-3R	7/3/18
	Impact Wrench	Ingersoll-Rand	IR261	9998	11/18/11
	Jonsered Chainsaw	Jonsered	2159		11/17/09
	Jonsered Chainsaw	Jonsered	630		10/3/10
	Kenwood Mobile Radio	Kenwood		B1100453	3/29/11
	Kenwood UHF Mobil Radio	Kenwood	TK-8360HUK	B1C00458	1/26/12
	Kenwood UHF Portable Radio	Kenwood	TK-3312K	B1503469	9/27/11
	Kenwood UHF Mobile Radio	Kenwood	TK-860HUK		3/28/14
	Mig Welder	Millermatic	Mil 903868 360		4/30/04
	OptiPlex 745 Minitower Computer	Dell		HHK6RD1	9/24/07
	Plasma Cutter				10/27/09
	Pneumatic tool & compressor			W13N93 2033 0091 B 382	7/17/12
	Semi Trailer Van			W18MUF11450002A	9/1/11
	Sign Post Driver	Reimann & George	1804533	G003332	11/18/11
	Stihl Chainsaw	Stihl	MS290	279075149	11/18/11
	Trimmer		245R		8/4/03
	York Rake				6/30/92

CORINTH TOWN MEETING MINUTES: MARCH 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM by Gary Apfel, town moderator. Rick Cawley led with the Pledge of Allegiance, and Marian Cawley and John Conner led us in America the Beautiful.

Tim O'Dell spoke on community and communication. Zachary Lea-Saken was announced as acting as microphone runner. Gary Apfel explained Robert's Rules.

Article 1. To elect the following by Australian ballot. For the purpose of this article, the polls will be open from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

- Moderator for 1 year
- Town Clerk for 3 years
- Selectboard member for 3 years
- Lister for 3 years
- Lister for 2 years
- Lister for 1 year
- Collector of Delinquent Taxes for 1 year
- Constable for 1 year
- Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years
- WRVS School Director for 3 years
- WRVS School Director for 1 year

No action necessary.

Article 2. To see if the voters will accept the various Officers' Reports as presented in the Town Report.

Jeff Spiegel moved the article. Chris Groschner seconded.

Dick Kelly pointed out a correction on page 22 of the annual report – The Emerald Ash Borer fund balance for 2021 should read \$8,000 and the 2022 balance should read \$13,000.

There was some discussion on budget increases.

Gary called for a vote to accept the reports, the ayes have it.

Article 3. To see if the voters will vote \$883,225, of which \$658,725 to be raised by taxes, to support the Highway Fund.

Chris Groschner moved the article. Kelly Donahue seconded.

Lee Porter thanked the selectboard and townspeople for their support of the highway crew. Holly Groschner led a round of applause for the hard work of the road crew.

Lee Porter and Joe Blodgett discussed budget increases due to inflation and supply-chain issues.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 4. To see if the voters will vote \$88,558, of which \$88,558 to be raised by taxes, to support the Highway Capital Equipment Fund.

John Saken moved the article. Jeff Spiegel seconded.

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Joe Blodgett spoke about supply-chain shortages and a truck they ordered and are waiting to see if they will receive.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 5. To see if the voters will vote \$15,000, of which \$15,000 to be raised by taxes, for the Bridge Reserve Fund.

Kerry DeWolfe moved the article. Chris Groschner seconded.

Joe Blodgett explained the fund and discussed plans for work on a bridge in the village in the coming year.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 6. To see if the voters will authorize the town to use funds received from the Better Back Roads grant program.

Chris Groschner moved the article. Jeff Spiegel seconded.

Joe Blodgett explained the program.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 7. To see if the voters will fix the compensation for the Selectboard members for the coming year at \$1,200 each.

Sue Parmenter moved the article. Louis Graff seconded.

Holly Groschner moved to amend the article to read: “To see if the voters will fix the compensation for the Selectboard members for the coming year at \$2,000 each.”

Margaret Loftus seconded the amendment.

There was discussion if this would be a one-time increase or on a continued basis and the legal/procedural ability to vote to amend it on a permanent basis without due warning. Chris and Holly Groschner and Liz Davis spoke in favor of the increase. There was question about what the compensation is in other towns and how we compare.

Gary called for a vote on the amendment, the ayes have it.

Gary called for a vote on the amended article, the ayes have it.

Gary called for a non-binding motion to get a sense of the town’s desire to increase the selectboard compensation to \$2,000 going forward. John Conner moved the non-binding motion. Katharine Lea seconded. The ayes have it.

Article 8. To see if the voters will vote \$2,000, of which \$2,000 to be raised by taxes, for the Emerald Ash Borer Fund.

John Saken moved the article. Kelly Donahue seconded.

An update of the problem was given and it was discussed that while the Emerald Ash Borer has not yet been sighted in Corinth, funding is needed for preventative tree work and to build up a reserve for when they do arrive and need a quick response.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 9. To see if the voters will vote \$500, of which \$500 to be raised by taxes, to support the Planning Commission.

Kerry DeWolfe moved the article. Chris Groschner seconded.

Kerry DeWolfe explained the planning commissions recent focus on bylaw updates and preparing for increasing property sales. She explained that town support is needed for grant funding.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 10. To see if the voters will vote \$2,100, of which \$600 to be raised by taxes, to support the Conservation Commission.

John Saken moved the article. Kerry DeWolfe seconded.

Glynn Pellagrino explained \$400 of the budget is for Green Up Day and \$200 is to show town support for grant funding. Glynn gave an update of the new FX Shea Town Forest parking lot, which was paid for with grant funding. He also mentioned the Town Orchard's progress and future plans for events there. The commission is discussing climate change and ways to preserve important forest blocks. Anne Mckinsey, new Green Up Day Coordinator, thanked Ken Arkind, retiring coordinator, for his work and gave an update on the success of the prior year as well as upcoming year plans.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 11. To see if the voters will vote \$5,000, of which \$5,000 to be raised by taxes, to support the Town Hall Capital Improvement Fund.

Irene Mann moved the article. Louise Graff seconded.

Carl Demrow explained the fund is used for maintenance of the hall and the anticipated \$30k roof replacement that will be needed in the upcoming year. There was discussion on the difference between maintenance projects funded with this fund versus ARPA funding used for new projects.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 12. To see if the voters will vote \$500, of which \$500 to be raised by taxes, to support the computer equipment reserve fund.

John Saken moved the article. Kelly Donahue seconded.

Nick Kramer explained the fund and said there is a decrease in current request because of the established healthy fund balance.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 13. To see if the voters will vote \$456,482, of which \$239,742 to be raised by taxes, to support the General Fund.

Kelly Donahue moved the article. Chris Groschner seconded.

Kelly Donahue explained what sort of items make up the General Fund. There was discussion about the County Tax and how that is charged per capita and covers the county courthouse and admin services. There was then discussion about the sheriff's office budget vs. actual cost and the current staffing shortages. There was concern expressed about the amount of service we receive from the sheriff's office and the ability to control what level of

service we receive.

Jeff Spiegel moved to amend the article to decrease the sheriff's office budgeted amount from \$11,590 to \$9,500. The amended article reads: "To see if the voters will vote \$454,392, of which \$237,652 to be raised by taxes, to support the General Fund."

John Melquist seconded the amendment.

There was further discussion about the proposed decrease. John Melquist expressed support for the amendment while Lee Porter spoke against the decrease. John Saken and Holly Groschner expressed concern that decreasing the budget would impact the perception of the level of service the town would like to see from the sheriff's office.

Susan Fortunati moved to amend the amendment so it includes not only the proposed decrease to the sheriff's budget but also the increase to the selectboard compensation from Article 7. The amended amendment reads:

"To see if the voters will vote \$456,792 of which \$240,052 to be raised by taxes, to support the General Fund."

Holly Groschner seconded the amendment to the amendment.

Further discussion was had around the constable position and the challenges of reduced legal enforcement ability of that position. There was discussion around the ability to negotiate and enhance communication with the sheriff's office to advocate for town needs.

Margaret Loftus moved to call the question. Sue Parmenter seconded. Gary called for a vote by hand. A 2/3 vote was achieved, the ayes have it and the call passed.

Gary called for a vote to amend the amendment to read: "To see if the voters will vote \$456,792, of which \$240,052 to be raised by taxes, to support the General Fund."

Voice vote was unclear so a vote was done by hand. 40 ayes, 22 nays. The ayes have it and the amended article passed.

Gary called for a vote on the amended article, the ayes have it.

At 12:12pm, Robert Fortunati made a motion to recess the meeting for lunch until 1pm. John Conner seconded. Gary called for a vote on the recess, the ayes have it.

Gary called the meeting back to order at 1pm.

Carl Demrow gave a State Representative update.

Article 14. To hear a report from the selectboard on planned expenditures of ARPA funds.

Liz Davis moved the article. John Saken seconded.

Rick Cawley gave an update on current ARPA funding plans included: the purchase of jaws of life for the fire department, a study of sewage and septic in the village, an update to the town hall entrance and accessibility ramp, and the building of a town garage to house equipment. The selectboard explained that they relied on suggestions from the ARPA committee as well as considerations of town resource capabilities and state and federal grant opportunities to make their decisions.

Gary called for a vote to accept the report, the ayes have it.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to have the taxes collected by the Treasurer and to fix the dates for

payment of the same.

Sue Parmenter moved the article. Dick Kelly seconded.

Dick Kelly moved to amend the motion to read: To see if the Town will vote to have the taxes collected by the Treasurer on September 12, 2023 and February 6, 2024, postmarks not accepted.”

Susan Fortunati seconded.

Gary called for a vote on the amendment, the ayes have it.

Gary called for a vote on the article, the ayes have it.

Article 16. To recommend members-at-large for the Budget Committee for 1 year.

Chris Groschner moved the article. Lee Porter seconded.

The recommendations included: Lee Porter, Amy Peberdy, Liz Davis, Raymond Moulton, and Mike Pittman.

Gary called for a vote to close nominations performed by raise of hand, 2/3 vote achieved and the ayes have it.

Gary called for a vote on the article, the ayes have it.

Article 17. In case of unanticipated State Aid Funds (funds not included in the budget) for specific highway and bridge projects applied for and received during the fiscal year, shall the Town allow expenditure of such funds for those projects?

TR Jackson moved the article. Chris Groschner seconded.

No discussion had.

Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Article 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

The Corinth Historical Society expressed thanks for the town support of the luncheon, and Gary thanked the Corinth Historical Society in return and further thanked the town volunteers and staff.

Dina Dubois expressed thanks to Norm Collette for his historical knowledge of the town and all of his efforts.

Anne McKinsey discussed the tragic death of her dog due to trapping and shared some information about trapping in the state.

Jeff Spiegel invited people to join the upcoming selectboard meeting to discuss a Corinth village beautification project.

Katharine Lea moved for: “The town to create a study committee to review the law enforcement needs of Corinth.” John Saken seconded. Rick Cawley said the details of the committee could be discussed at an upcoming selectboard meeting. Gary called for a vote, the ayes have it.

Ed Pospisil expressed concern about a request for three generators to be used for town folk during emergencies that went unanswered by the selectboard. Nick Kramer and Rick Cawley expressed the apologies for the miscommunication and encouraged further discussion to make sure the request was resolved.

Irene Mann asked about the increase in town office salaries. Rick said it was a consensus made by the budget

committee and was needed to keep up with inflation.

Sue Parmenter moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris Groschner seconded. Gary called for a vote to adjourn, the ayes have it. Meeting adjourned at 2:20pm.

Respectively Submitted By



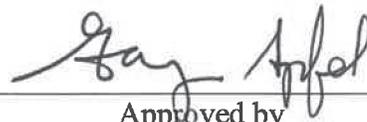
Christiane Carroll, Town Clerk



Approved by

SELECT BOARD, MAINT

Office held



Approved by

Town Moderator

Office held



VITAL RECORDS FOR THE TOWN OF CORINTH: 2023

BIRTHS

Name	Parents	Date
Katrina Eaton	Charlotte & Michael Eaton	April 23, 2023
Sadie Kelley	Anna & Zachary Kelley	September 22, 2023
Ronan Corrigan	Sarah Corrigan & Brad Salon	November 23, 2023

MARRIAGES

Couple:	Date:
Justin Blake & Samantha Bonnet	July 22, 2023
Virginia Barlow & Christopher Doyle	August 6, 2023
Sarah Corrigan & Brad Salon	October 5, 2023
Melanie Bartz & Daryl Tuttle	October 26, 2023
Adam Spencer & Dawn Beaucage	October 26, 2023

DEATHS

Name:	Date:	Years:
William Parmenter	January 19, 2023	85 yrs
Ernst Aebi	April 16, 2023	85 yrs
Alysha Hull	April 26, 2023	18 yrs
Shirley Eastman	April 29, 2023	91 yrs
Geoffrey Hoots	May 12, 2023	75 yrs
Jerome Andrew	May 18, 2023	85 yrs
Olene Doyle	June 1, 2023	91 yrs
Helen Wolff	June 4, 2023	72 yrs
Laura Young	August 5, 2023	93 yrs
Suzanne Hansen	August 18, 2023	75 yrs
Gail Davis	September 24, 2023	97 yrs
Claudia Smith	October 14, 2023	74 yrs
Patricia Bergholm	November 26, 2023	82 yrs
Dale Van Gorden	December 11, 2023	73 yrs
Catherine Kent	December 16, 2023	91 yrs

•• EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS ••

Emergency: 439-5155

FIRE DEPARTMENT	439-5155 or 911
CORINTH-TOPSHAM EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM	439-5155 or 911
GAME WARDEN: Mike Scott (or call State Police)	cell: (802) 279-7817, dispatch: (802) 748-3111
FOREST FIRE WARDEN: Mike Wolff	439-3666, cell: (605) 431-7085
LITTLE RIVERS HEALTH CARE	439-5321 or 439-5322
CENTRAL VERMONT MEDICAL CENTER	(802) 229-9121
DARTMOUTH HITCHCOCK MEDICAL CENTER	(603) 650-5000
ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF	(802) 685-4875
VERMONT STATE POLICE	(802) 222-4680

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Tues 8am - 4pm

Thurs 9am - 3pm

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Mon 9am - 3pm

Wed 9am - 3pm

Fri 9am - 3pm

LISTER: KellyAnn Donahue – 439-5098

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Mon 8am - 12pm

Tues 8am - 12pm

ROAD FOREMAN: Joe Blodgett – 439-6272

email: highway@corinthvt.org

Winter Hours: Mon-Fri 6:30am - 2:30pm

Summer Hours: Mon-Thurs 6:30am - 4:30pm

TRANSFER STATION HOURS: Every Saturday from 8am - 1pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Selectboard: Regular– first Tuesday at 7pm; Financial– second Monday at 7pm

Planning Commission: first Thursday at 7pm or as needed

Conservation Commission: first Monday at 7pm

School Directors: second Thursday at 6pm at [Waits River Valley School](#)

The public is welcome to all meetings. Some meetings are held both in person and remotely — check the agendas. See corinthvt.org for agendas and (unapproved) minutes for all meetings.

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Treasurer: Mike Pieciak

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Senator Bernard Sanders (202) 224-5141

Senator Peter Welch (202) 224-4242

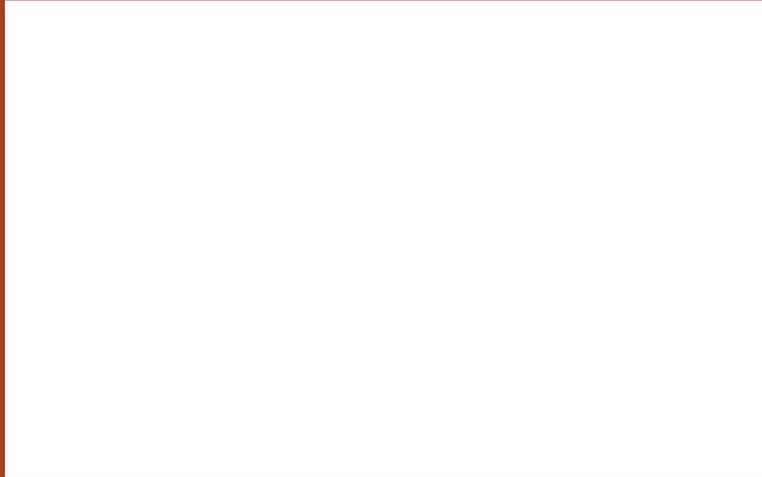
Rep. Becca Balint (202) 225-4115

STATE:

Senator Mark MacDonald (802) 272-1101

Rep. Carl Demrow (802) 828-2228

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