

Town of Fairlee, Vermont

Annual Report



For the Year Ending December 31, 2018

Town of Fairlee Services & Office Hours

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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm and Friday 9:00 am – Noon
(or by appointment)

TOWN OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER.....333-4363

Town Clerk EXT.1
Town Administrator/Selectboard Office EXT.2
Zoning Office EXT.3
Treasurer EXT.4
Listers' Office EXT.5
Town Fax 333-9214
Samuel Morey Elementary School 333-9755
Rivendell Academy 603-353-4321
Rivendell District Office 603-353-2170
Town Beach 333-9416

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER..... DIAL 911

NON-EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Upper Valley Ambulance 333-4043
Fire Department 333-4785
Health Officer 333-4363 EXT.3
Animal Control Officer 802-741-1640
Local Police 333-4363 EXT. 6
Vermont State Police 222-4680

FAIRLEE TRASH & RECYCLING (including Metal and Brush Dump)

For Fairlee Residents & Taxpayers only
Dump Pass required (purchase from Town Clerk)
Saturday 9:00 to 11:00 am (Summer Hours 8:30 to 11:00 am)
at the Transfer Station located on Dump Rd off of US Route 5 South
Extra hours for Spring & Fall Clean-up the first Saturday of May and second Saturday in October
For Transfer Station/E-Waste information see Fairlee Town Website www.fairleevt.org

PUBLIC LIBRARY – Telephone 333-4716 (closed Sunday & Monday)

Tuesday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Wednesday 1:00 to 7:00 pm,
Thursday and Friday 1:00 to 5:00 pm,
Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

POST OFFICE – Telephone 333-4305

Monday – Friday: **Lobby:** 7:30 am to 4:45 pm **Window:** 9:00 am to 4:15 pm
Closed daily 11:00 am to 12:15 pm
Saturday: **Lobby:** 7:30 am to 12:00 pm **Window:** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

SEASONAL RESIDENTIAL WATER turned on by May 15, 2019 and turned off after October 15, 2019

SELECTBOARD MEETING – Monday evenings at 6:00 pm

FIREMEN'S MEETING – Regular Meeting – First Thurs of the month at 7:30 pm
Drill – Third Thursday at 6:00 pm

FAST SQUAD MEETING – as needed

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING – First Thursday at 6:00 pm

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MEETING – Second and Fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm as needed

**Agency and Community Organization Reports are available on the Fairlee website
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2018

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF FAIRLEE (ORANGE COUNTY) PO BOX 95 FAIRLEE, VERMONT 05045

Chartered in 1761
Population 987 as of 2014
Area 11,490 acres; Altitude 430 Feet; 72 09' W, 43 55'



Richie Hall



Bill Pierson

This year's Town Report is dedicated to two longtime and now greatly missed members of the Fairlee Community.

Richie Hall served as a Selectman and Fireman for many years. He was well respected for his welding and equipment repair abilities, as well as his quiet strength and friendly willingness to help others.

Bill Pierson served as Fire Department Chief for many years, performed winter maintenance on Fairlee Town highways, was a leader in the Vermont Army National Guard and was recognized as a highly skilled heavy equipment operator. Bill's good natured personality was known by all.

We feel the Town of Fairlee was blessed to have two such citizens.

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Town Officers – 2018/2019

Moderator (elected for one year term)	Bruce Taylor Term Expires March 2019
Town Clerk (elected for three year term)	Georgette Wolf-Ludwig Term Expires March 2021
Town Treasurer (elected for three year term)	Lisa Hinsley Term Expires March 2020
Assistant Town Clerks	
(appointed by Town Clerk for one year term)	Sondra Farnham Term Expires March 2019 Kelly Gardner Term expires March 2019 Barbara Lantery Term Expires March 2019
Assistant Treasurers	
(appointed by Town Treasurer for one year term)	Melissa Gahagan Term Expires March 2019 Georgette Wolf-Ludwig Term Expires March 2019
Selectboard (elected for three year term)	Frank J. Barrett, Jr., Chair Term Expires March 2019 Catherine McGrath Term Expires March 2020 Peter Berger Term Expires March 2021
Town Administrator	Tad Nunez
Minutes Clerk	Joanna Bligh
First Constable (elected for one year term)	Jason Bachus Term Expires March 2019
Collector of Delinquent Taxes (appointed for one year term)	Jason Bachus Term Expires March 2019
Chief of Police (appointed by Selectboard for one year term)	Jason Bachus Term Expires March 2019
Road Commissioners	Selectboard
Water Commissioners	Selectboard
Listers (elected for three year term)	Noël G. Walker, Chair Term Expires March 2019 Russell W. Collins Term Expires March 2020 Dan A. Ludwig Term Expires March 2021
Auditors (elected for three year term)	Richard J. Walker, Chair Term Expires March 2019 Larry Martin Term Expires March 2020 Sandra Smith-Ordway Term Expires March 2021
Budget Committee (elected for three year term)	Stephen Bentley, Chair Expires March 2019 Elizabeth Wilson Term Expires March 2020 Dan Ludwig Term Expires March 2021 Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Budget Committee Clerk
Fairlee Planning Commission	
(elected for four year term)	Miranda Clemson, Chair Term Expires March 2019 Timothy Danen Term Expires March 2019 Sarah Berger Term Expires March 2020 Margaret Gladstone Term Expires March 2020 Denis Lambert Term Expires March 2020 Susanne Pacilio Term Expires March 2021 Smith Reed Term Expires March 2021
Zoning Administrator	Chris Brimmer

Development Review Board

(appointed by Selectboard for three year term)..... David Fracht, Chair Term Expires March 2020
Peter Lange Term Expires March 2019
Anthony Gahagan (Alternate, one year term) Term Expires March 2019
Vacancy (Alternate, one year term) Term Expires March 2019
Timothy Danen Term Expires March 2020
William Dunnack Term Expires March 2021
Nancy Anderson Term Expires March 2021

Cemetery Commissioners

(elected for five year term)Charles H. Hinsley, Chair Term Expires March 2021
Eric C. Sleeper Term Expires March 2019
Lance V. Mills Term Expires March 2020
Lawrence Farnham Term Expires March 2022
Robert Edmands Term Expires March 2023

Grand Jurors (elected for one year term)Clyde C. Blake II Term Expires March 2019
William A. Dunnack, Jr. Term Expires March 2019

Town Agent to Prosecute & Defend Suits

(elected for one year term) Horace Palmer Term Expires March 2019

Town Agent to Transfer Real Estate.....Georgette Wolf-Ludwig

Trustees of Public Library (elected for five year term)..... Cyrie Lange, Chair Term Expires March 2022
Ammie Collins Term Expires March 2019
Crystal Champagne Term Expires March 2020
Charlotte Williams Term Expires March 2021
Joy Weale Term Expires March 2023

Recreation Council Board (elected for five year term)..... Matt Jung, Chair Term Expires March 2021
Samantha Hickman Term Expires March 2019
Cameron Buster Term Expires March 2020
Vacant Term Expires March 2022
Meghann Bourne (Brough) Term Expires March 2023

Animal Control Officer Wayne E. Godfrey

Emergency Management CoordinatorLance Colby

Fence ViewersRussell B. Smith, Larry C. Martin

Inspector of Lumber, Shingles & WoodClyde C. Blake II

Weigher of CoalClyde C. Blake II

Pound Keeper Bradford Veterinarian Clinic

Tree Warden Larry C. Martin

Fire Department Chief Barry Larson

Forest Fire Warden Eric C. Sleeper, Term Expires July 1, 2023

Forest Fire Warden's Key Man Robert Maddock, Jr.

Town Service Agent..... Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Term Expires April 2019

Justices of the PeacePeter Berger, Ann Walker, Timothy Danen,
Horace Palmer III, Larry C. Martin

Health Officer Chris Brimmer Term Expires December 31, 2021

Deputy Health OfficerVacant

Representative to Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Planning Peter Berger, Alternate Vacant

Representative to Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Trans Advisory Council Smith Reed

Representative to Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District	Tad Nunez
Fairlee Representatives to Tri-Town Commission (appointed by Selectboard for one year term)	Jay Barrett, Nancy Anderson, Jason Knowles
Fairlee Historical Society	Russell Smith, President; Donald Weaver, Vice President; Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Curator; Noël Walker, Secretary; Lisa Hinsley, Treasurer
Forest Board	Terry Lewis, Mitchell Phelps, Reginald Cramer III, David Matthews, Chair, James G. O'Donnell
E911 Coordinator	Noël G. Walker
Assistant Judges of Orange County Court	Joyce McKeeman, Victoria Weiss
Orange District Probate Court, 5 Court Street, Chelsea, VT 05038	Bernard Lewis, Judge Elaine Duke, Registrar
Senators from Caledonia-Orange District	Jane Kitchel and Joe Benning
Representative to General Assembly	Sarah Copeland Hanzas
Lake Morey Protective Association, Inc.	Ginny Pomeroy, President; Willard Watson, Vice-President, Bill Minard, Treasurer; Ginny Reed, Secretary
Lake Morey Commission Members (appointed by Selectboard for one year term)	Donald Weaver, Chair, Greg Allen, Bruce Durgin, Mark Richardson and Byron Stone
Representative to Green Mountain Economic Development Corp.	Frank J. Barrett, Jr.
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc.	Representative; Richard Senn Administrator: Clay Odell
Connecticut Joint Rivers Commission	Ben Dana, Danielle Allen
Green-Up Day Coordinator	Peter Berger
Fairlee Scholarship Committee	Lisa Hinsley, Jane Chambers, Georgette Wolf-Ludwig



1950 addition removed May 31, 2017 for the new ADA addition

Annual Fairlee Town Meeting

MARCH 6, 2018 MINUTES

Town Meeting was held at the Samuel Morey Elementary School Gymnasium on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. 79 voters registered at the door. Total number of voters on the voter checklist was 734.

Moderator Bruce A. Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Article 1. To elect a Moderator.

Russell Smith nominated Bruce A. Taylor for Moderator for one year. There were no other nominations. A motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Bruce A. Taylor, Moderator for one year.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the Town Officers' Reports.

Town Clerk Georgette Wolf-Ludwig asked that a correction be noted in the 2017 Town Report on page 3.

Town Officers 2017/2018 under Selectboard, Catherine McGrath should have been listed as Chair.

Treasurer Lisa Hinsley asked that a correction be noted in the 2017 Town Report on page 61, under the column of "2017 Taxes As Billed", Highway Revenues should be \$(35,000), Highway Expenses should be \$243,138 leaving a total of \$178,538 Highway to be Raised by Taxes. These numbers were brought over from the 2018 Taxes (Estimated) column in error. This correction does not affect 2018 numbers or anything that is being voted on today, it is just a typo in last year's column.

Selectboard Member Catherine McGrath asked that a correction be noted in the 2017 Town Report on page 15 in the Fairlee Selectboard Annual Report the name of Ginny Smith should read Ginny Reed.

The Moderator continued the meeting by asking Russell Smith to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. With no objections from the voters the Moderator then introduced Sarah Copeland-Hanzas, Fairlee's Representative to the Vermont State Legislature, who gave a legislative update. She distributed to the voters her town meeting legislature newsletter along with retired Senator Bill Doyle's survey. She updated the voters on the H.707 Sexual Harassment bill and the H.911 Education Finance Reform bill. She encouraged the voters to please contact her with any of their concerns.

The Moderator announced that refreshments this year were provided by the Fairlee Historical Society. He then asked for a volunteer who could bring the microphone around to voters. Mark Bishop volunteered.

He also recognized and welcomed the Samuel Morey Elementary School students.

Article 3. To elect all necessary officers of the Town and to fill any office that may be vacant, including:

Selectboard Member, for three years

Town Clerk, for three years

First Constable, for one year

Lister, for three years

Auditor, for three years

Budget Committee Member, for three years

Planning Commission Member, for three years

Planning Commission Member, for four years

Planning Commission Member, for four years

Cemetery Commissioner, for five years

Grand Juror, for one year

Grand Juror, for one year

Town Agent to Prosecute, for one year

Library Trustee, for five years

Recreation Council Member, for five years

Russell Smith nominated Peter Berger for Selectboard Member for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Peter Berger, Selectboard Member for three years.

Clyde Blake nominated Georgette Wolf-Ludwig for Town Clerk for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Town Clerk for three years.

Dan Ludwig nominated Jason Bachus for First Constable for one year. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Jason Bachus, First Constable for one year.

Noël Walker nominated Dan Ludwig for Lister for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Dan Ludwig, Lister for three years.

Richard (Rick) Walker nominated Sandra Smith-Ordway for Auditor for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Sandra Smith-Ordway, Auditor for three years.

Noël Walker nominated Dan Ludwig for Budget Committee Member for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Dan Ludwig, Budget Committee Member for three years.

Mark Bishop nominated Margaret Gladstone for Planning Commission Member for three years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Margaret Gladstone, Planning Commission Member for three years.

Mark Bishop nominated Susanne Pacilio for Planning Commission Member for four years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Susanne Pacilio, Planning Commission Member for four years.

Mark Bishop nominated E. Smith Reed for Planning Commission Member for four years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for E. Smith Reed, Planning Commission Member for four years.

Dan Ludwig nominated Robert Edmands for Cemetery Commissioner for five years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Robert Edmands, Cemetery Commissioner for five years.

William (Bill) Dunnack nominated Clyde Blake for Grand Juror for one year. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Clyde Blake, Grand Juror for one year.

Clyde Blake nominated William (Bill) Dunnack for Grand Juror for one year. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for William (Bill) Dunnack, Grand Juror for one year.

Clyde Blake nominated Horace (Hod) Palmer III for Town Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits for one year. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Horace (Hod) Palmer III, Town Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits for one year.

Charlotte Williams nominated Joy Weale for Library Trustee for five years. There were no other nominations. Motion

was made, seconded and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Joy Weale, Library Trustee for five years.

Samantha Hickman nominated Meghann Bourne (Brough) for Recreation Council Member for five years. There were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded and voted in the affirmative for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Meghann Bourne (Brough), Recreation Council Member for five years.

Article 4. To see what action the Town will take with regard to the following appropriations. All sums have been included in the Town Budget. A sum not to exceed:

- a) Five Hundred dollars (\$500) to the American Red Cross for disaster support (CO)
- b) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to Capstone Community Action (formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.) for fuel, food and housing assistance to families (CO)
- c) Four Hundred dollars (\$400) to Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. for adult education and literacy instruction for residents of Fairlee (CO)
- d) Six Hundred dollars (\$600) to Central Vermont Council on Aging for senior services including a helpline, transportation and meal delivery (CO)
- e) One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five dollars (\$1,545) to Clara Martin Center for counseling services (CO)
- f) Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$250) to Cohase Chamber of Commerce for membership (CO)
- g) Fifty dollars (\$50) to Green Up Vermont (CO)
- h) One Thousand dollars (\$1,000) to Green Mountain Economic Development (Z)
- i) Five Thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$5,250) to the Lake Fairlee Association for milfoil eradication program (CO)
- j) Two Thousand dollars (\$2,000) to Little Rivers Health Care for insurance and medical assistance including mobile dental van (CO)
- k) Five Hundred dollars (\$500) to the Mentoring Project for young persons (CO)
- l) Two Hundred dollars (\$200) to the Orange County Diversion Program, a cost-effective alternative to the criminal court system for eligible offenders (CO)
- m) Two Hundred dollars (\$200) to Orange County Parent Child Center (formerly known as Kids Place) for parenting and family support programs (CO)
- n) Two Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$2,200) to the Orange East Senior Center for providing meal and social services at the center (CO)
- o) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to the Oxbow Senior Independence Program for adult day care services (CO)
- p) One Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$1,500) to the Rivendell Recreation Association to provide elementary sports and recreational activities (CO)
- q) Four Hundred Fifty dollars (\$450) to the Rivendell Trails Association for trail maintenance, hikes and education (CO)
- r) Seven Hundred dollars (\$700) to Safeline for a hotline for crisis support and referral services (CO)

- s) Two Thousand dollars (\$2,000) to Stagecoach Transportation for transportation of seniors, persons with disabilities and commuters (CO)
- t) Forty-Two Thousand Eleven dollars (\$42,011) to Upper Valley Ambulance for emergency services (H)
- u) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired for services including rehabilitation, orientation and mobility, assistive technology, social networking and statewide transportation (CO)
- v) One Hundred Fifty-Five dollars (\$155) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living to help Vermonters with disabilities by providing the Meals on Wheels Program, Peer Advocacy Counseling Program and information and referral services (CO)
- w) One Hundred dollars (\$100) to Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force to support Rural Fire Protection Program (CO)
- x) Five Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$5,500) to the Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT and NH/ Hospice of the Upper Valley for home health care and hospice support services to individuals and their families (CO)

Russell Smith made the motion to pass Article 4 in its entirety. The motion was seconded. Article 4 was opened for discussion. Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 4 passed in its entirety.

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee authorize the Selectboard to accept and administer any Federal, State or private grant money?

Clyde Blake made the motion to move Article 5. The motion was seconded. Article 5 was opened for discussion. Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 5 passed in the affirmative.

Article 6. To act upon the Recommendations of the Budget Committee as they pertain to Highway Expenses and to appropriate a sum of money for Highway expenses.

Budget Committee Member Elizabeth Wilson made the motion for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$248,138.00 for Highway expenses. The motion was seconded. Article 6 was opened for discussion.

Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 6 passed in the affirmative.

Article 7. To raise such sum of money as may appear necessary for the Maintenance and Improvements of the Town Highways for the ensuing year, and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer under 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2018 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2018. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes.

Budget Committee Member Elizabeth Wilson made the motion that the Town raise by taxes \$178,538.00 for the Maintenance and Improvements of the Town Highways and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer under 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2018 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2018. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes. The motion was seconded. Article 7 was opened for discussion. Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 7 passed in the affirmative.

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee appropriate the following sums to undertake and save for capital improvements within the Town in accordance with the Capital Budget and Program adopted by the Selectboard? All sums have been included in the Town Budget. A sum not to exceed:

- a) \$75,000 towards Highway Rebuilding
- b) \$20,102 towards Lake Morey Road Grant/Match
- c) \$52,500 towards Town Hall
- d) \$10,000 towards Fire/Rescue
- e) \$10,000 towards Transfer Station
- f) \$43,000 towards Exterior Building Maintenance
- g) \$1,640 towards Town Common
- h) \$8,480 towards Computer Plan
- i) \$5,000 towards Library-Facility
- j) \$2,500 towards Police Department
- k) \$6,800 towards Financial Audit
- l) \$1,000 towards Milfoil
- m) \$1,000 towards Vault Expansion
- n) \$2,500 towards Village Enhancement Center

Russell Smith made a motion to move this Article 8 in its entirety. The motion was seconded. Article 8 was opened for discussion. Meredyth Morley questioned the allocation (item c) of \$52,500.00 toward the Town Hall. Selectboard Member Catherine McGrath explained that these funds would be used to fill in the old Town Hall septic system and for new pavement around the Town Hall and Town Common Rd. Being there was no other discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 8 passed in its entirety.

Article 9. To act upon the recommendations of the Budget Committee as they pertain to Town Expenditures and to appropriate a sum of money for Town Expenses.

Budget Committee Member Elizabeth Wilson made the motion for the Town to appropriate the amount of \$949,606.00 for Town Expenditures. The motion was seconded. Article 9 was opened for discussion. Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 9 passed in the affirmative.

Article 10. To raise such sum of money as may appear necessary for Town Expenses and Indebtedness for the ensuing year and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer per 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2018 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2018. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes.

Budget Committee Member Elizabeth Wilson made the motion that the Town raise by taxes the sum of \$984,040.00 for Town Expenses and Indebtedness and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer per 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2018 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2018. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes. The motion was seconded. Article 10 was opened for discussion. Being there was no discussion, the question was called. The motion carried. Article 10 passed in the affirmative.

Article 11. To transact any other proper Town business that may come before this meeting.

Town Clerk Georgette Wolf-Ludwig announced that a Grand Opening for the newly refurbished Town Hall will be held on July 28th, 2018. She encouraged everyone to save this date for it will be a historic event for the Town.

The Moderator read aloud the list of those deceased in 2017 and asked for a moment of silence to be observed.

Selectboard Member Catherine McGrath then read out loud and presented the following Proclamation to Samuel Morey Elementary School Principal Michael Foxall.

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In the Town of Fairlee, Orange County, Vermont

By the Town Clerk and Selectboard

A Proclamation

Whereas: The decisions our citizens make concerning town leadership, management, and funding are critical in determining our quality of life and economic viability for generations to come; and

Whereas: The Town of Fairlee's decisions on such matters are determined during its annual Town Meeting on the first Tuesday in March; and

Whereas: Over the last 32 years, the Fairlee Elementary School and the Samuel Morey School have graciously allowed the Town to hold its annual Town Meeting in its gymnasium; and

Whereas: By this action, the community-mindedness of the School's students, teachers, staff, and leadership has benefitted the welfare of the Town of Fairlee.

Now, Therefore, the Town Clerk and Selectboard do hereby extend our gratitude and appreciation to the Samuel Morey School.

Given this sixth day of March 2018

Georgette Wolf-Ludwig
Town Clerk

Catherine H. McGrath
Selectboard Chair

Peter Berger
Selectboard Vice Chair

Frank J. Barrett, Jr.
Selectboard Member

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Principal Foxall graciously thanked Selectboard Member Catherine McGrath for this recognition and said he would hang this proclamation with pride in the school. He recognized the close partnership and respect between the town and the school. He added that by holding town meeting where students can attend will hopefully have an influence on voter apathy and expected students would continue to attend town meetings in the Town Hall.

Being there was no other business, the Moderator declared Town Meeting adjourned at 10:47am.

Attest: Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, CVC/CMC
Fairlee Town Clerk

Fairlee Selectboard – 2018 Annual Report

The Fairlee Selectboard is pleased to report that our town is healthy and, we believe, headed in a positive direction. We remain mindful of the community's trust and value working on your behalf. Even more so, we are proud of what has been accomplished in 2018 working closely with so many of you.

Much of the Town's actions in 2018 rested on work that the Board initiated over the past several years. Most of the Town's achievements have been based upon the strong participation of community members and our extraordinarily talented and dedicated town staff.

TOWN HALL

An important presence since it was constructed in 1914, **our historic town hall is beautifully renovated** and once again is a leading source of civic and social community pride. A lovely re-dedication ceremony in July celebrated a successful finish to a project that had been ongoing for at least twenty years. The renovation could never have taken place without the solid support of a broad spectrum of Fairlee's citizens, the unrelenting and unwavering dedication and hard work of the town's municipal staff, and the continued support, cooperation, and engagement of the many facets of Vermont state government.

The Town of Fairlee continues to proceed in the defective tank's legal battle and has great faith and trust in the superbly talented legal and engineering team that is representing the Town on the matter.



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Tad Nunez has been Fairlee's Town Administrator since January 2018. His long and deep background in municipal government has fulfilled the initial vision that we had when the position was first created in 2011. Tad has brought a needed skill set to the town's Administrator position. He has helped the Board move towards better integrating budgeting, management, oversight, and accountability, and his personal and daily attention to the details of the Town Hall and water tank projects has moved both towards successful completion.

PLANNING

This Selectboard is optimistic about Fairlee's future, particularly because of increased community engagement. *When citizens engage in planning, we are confident that the Town will move forward in a manner consistent with the community's values and preferences.* 2019 is an important "forward-looking" year as the Planning Commission works on an **update of Fairlee's Town Plan**. To open doors for additional housing in the Village Area, the Town has appointed a **committee to examine community septic issues**. Additionally, as a necessary first step towards re-imagining and revitalizing our core village area, the Town has applied for a competitive state grant that will fund a **community-driven study of local transportation, recreation, and economic development opportunities**.

PERSONAL GRATITUDE

In closing, I wish to highlight these remarks on a far more personal note. Since the Town Meeting in March 1995 and after 24 years of continuously serving you on the Fairlee Selectboard, **I have chosen not to run for an additional ninth three-year term**. It is time for me to devote the time and energy (and patience!) that I still may possess to other pursuits and interests, and time for me to step aside and gladly welcome and encourage a new and younger generation of leadership. Given the devotion and dedication to the Town of my two remaining colleagues, and the youthful talent and ability that I know is out there, willing and able to serve, I will forever remain optimistic and "bullish" about the future of Fairlee – the little town under the cliff.

In 1995 when I first stood for election (it was an open seat that year and two of us had "thrown our hats into the ring," as it were), I was asked by Town Moderator Russ Smith to give a few remarks. I clearly recall saying that I very much believed in and enjoyed the processes of representative government, and that I would appreciate and honor your vote. Now, twenty-four years later, I have never once regretted, even for a moment, saying that to you. **Thank you very much for that honor and opportunity.**

Frank J. "Jay" Barrett, Jr., Selectboard Chair
Peter Berger, Selectboard Vice- Chair
Cathy McGrath, Selectboard member

Addendum to Selectboard Report

While it is often said that all good things come to an end, it is difficult when they do.

Jay Barrett is leaving the Selectboard after 24 years. He had talked about calling it quits over the past few election cycles, but each time had been coerced to stay. This year, Jay is adamant about it being his final year. Sadly, a good thing is coming to an end, and everyone in the Town office feels the need to recognize him for his service and dedication to Fairlee.

It is difficult keeping straight everything that Jay has brought to the Town as an architect, an officer, and a historian. As an architect, Jay's work has graced the Town Hall renovation. As a member of the Selectboard, Jay's vision of governance helped bring us the Town Administrator position, a Development Review Board, and the implementation of a Capital Budget. With the impending failure of the dam on Lake Fairlee, Jay stepped up, worked with our neighboring towns to form the Tri-Town Commission, and built cooperation among the diverse parties involved to successfully complete the project. Over nearly a generation, positive changes in the style and nature of Fairlee are due in good part to Jay being a reliable steward and devout believer in our small town.

As a historian, and based on his deep love for railroads, Jay applied for and was awarded in 1994 the National Register of Historic Places status for his current residence, the Ely Boston & Maine Railroad Depot. In 1997, working closely with Carl Schmidt from Orford, the Samuel Morey Bridge was added to the National Register. And in 1998 on behalf of the Town, Jay applied for and received the same status for the Fairlee Railroad Station.

Afterwards, with support from the Fairlee Historical Society and guidance from the Vermont Division of Historical Preservation, Jay worked on obtaining historic designation for the Fairlee Town Hall, a process which asked specifically about nearly every detail of the building. The Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation unanimously approved the application, and after a final review by the National Park Service, the Fairlee Town Hall was officially added to the National Register of Historic Places on February 25, 2014. Jay Barrett's continued contributions to preserve history in the Town of Fairlee will be one of his most valuable legacies.

Suffice it to say that because of Jay Barrett, Fairlee is a better place. We honor Jay and send him our best wishes, knowing that – after 24 years – looking ahead, he will finally be able to have a number of quiet Mondays and enjoy an earlier beverage. From all of us, Thank You!



Peter Berger and Cathy McGrath
Selectboard

Georgette Wolf-Ludwig
Town Clerk

Noël Walker
Lister

Tad Nunez
Town Administrator

Lisa Hinsley
Town Treasurer

Chris Brimmer
Zoning Administrator

Fairlee Board of Auditors – 2018 Annual Report

We have examined the accounts and records of the Town of Fairlee, in accordance with Title 24 Vermont Statutes. To the best of our knowledge the statements contained in this report accurately show the financial activity and the financial position of the Town for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018. Professional audit reviews are currently being performed on a yearly basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Walker, Chair

Larry Martin

Sandra Smith-Ordway



Fairlee Town Hall Grand Re-Opening – July 28, 2018

Upper left – all ages enjoyed food at the Orford/Fairlee Lions Club annual Lobster/Steak dinner;

lower left – Ben Dana and son;

right – Angelia Rorison and Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, members of the Grand Re-Opening committee.

Fairlee Budget Committee – 2018 Annual Report

The Fairlee Budget Committee held its annual budget hearing on January 7, 2019 at the Fairlee Town Hall. Department budgets were reviewed individually with department representatives and questions were taken from the floor.

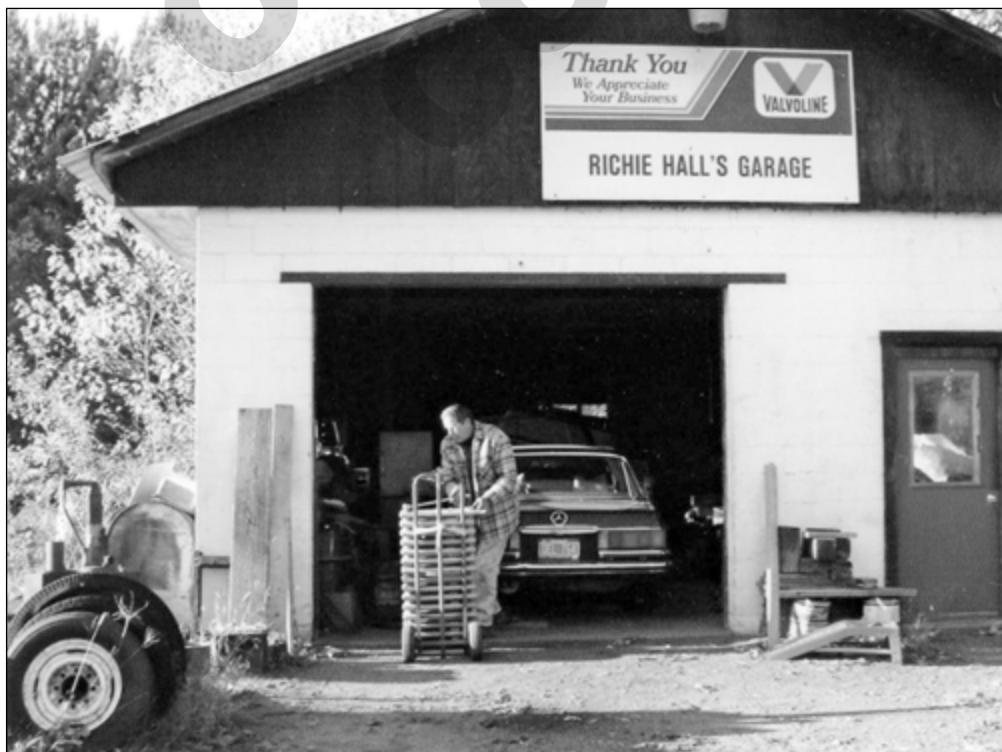
Discussion primarily centered on the need to level fund department budgets wherever possible in order to minimize any increases to the tax rate. Each department's budget was reviewed in turn, there were very few comments from the floor.

The budget committee met with the Select Board on January 16, 2019 at the Fairlee Town Hall to discuss the proposed 2019 budget. The only items brought up were requests from the library trustees and the treasurer's office for increases in their respective budgets. After a brief discussion the Select Board voted to keep the 2019 budget as proposed.

The budget committee reminds all community members that active participation in the financial well-being of the Town is everyone's responsibility. This involvement should be a year-round activity by attending the weekly Select Board meetings. Notices of such can be located on the Town website. Further, Lisa Hinsley, the town Treasurer is always willing to answer any questions. Finally, please feel free to reach out to any budget committee member at any time as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Wilson
Dan Ludwig
Steve Bentley, Chair



Richie at work

Fairlee Cemetery – 2018 Annual Report

The Fairlee Cemeteries are in great shape as we head into 2019. It was a pretty busy year.

We'd like to send out a big thanks to Bill Hodge and his crew for their great work at the Village Cemetery and the Ely Cemetery. We'd also like to thank Steve Robinson for his great work taking care of the Brushwood Cemetery. Steve and his family have been keeping the Brushwood Cemetery in fantastic shape for many years now.

Standing Stone has begun stone repair on some of the older stones that have fallen through the years. We have also been taking care of some trees that are in danger of falling on stones at the Ely and Village cemeteries. Cemetery commissioners will begin a program of stone cleaning in the Spring. We will continue this work for the foreseeable future to keep our cemeteries in tip top shape.

Cemetery Rules signs are now installed at the Village and Ely cemeteries. Please abide by them and please take care of your trash so our cemeteries stay nice and clean.

If you have any cemetery related questions please contact cemetery chair Chaz Hinsley, or cemetery commissioners Ric Sleeper, Larry Farnham, Robert Edmunds, and Lance Mills.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance Mills, Secretary



*Standing Stone repairing cemetery stones
in the old section of Fairlee Village Cemetery.*

Development Review Board – 2018 Annual Report

The DRB meets on an as needed basis on the second and/or fourth Tuesday of the month. In 2018 the DRB met four (4) times and conducted public hearings on three (3) applications as shown in the table below.

DRB issued permits	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Conditional use, variance, waiver	9	1	1	1	1
Site plan review	3	1	3	3	0
Subdivision/lotline adjustment	4	3	5	2	2
Appeal	0	2	0	0	0
Denial	0	1	0	0	0

The workload of the DRB continues to decrease as the number of permits issued by the Zoning Administrator without the need for a hearing increases. This change in focus allows for speedier approvals and lowered costs for routine land development projects. We will continue to serve the Town, considering land development applications as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

David Fracht, Chairperson
Nancy Anderson, Vice Chairperson
Tim Danen
Bill Dunnack
Anthony Gahagan (alternate)
Peter Lange



Renovation of the Fairlee Town Hall Auditorium

Fairlee Emergency Management – 2018 Annual Report

Being prepared for any emergency is the key to survival. Make sure that you have an emergency kit that will help you survive for at least 72 hours.

Please pick up a free copy of the “Family Emergency Preparedness Guide” which is available at the Town Hall or Library. It will help you prepare your “emergency kit” and gives a lot of information on what to do if something (emergency) does happen to you.

The last two years we have been lucky to host the “Vermont Emergency Management Preparedness Conference” at the Lake Morey Resort. It will be held in 2019 at the Resort. I encourage everyone to stop at the resort during the conference to visit the displays set up outside to see what equipment is available for our use in an emergency. If you are a “First Responder” you can sign up for training.

Fairlee uses “Code Red” for local alerts, both emergency and non-emergency. Please sign up so you can hear the alerts (cell phone users only). Your house “land-line” phone should be signed up automatically.

In an emergency please call 911 to get help.

Prepare your family emergency plan, stay safe, keep alert to weather conditions and, if possible, volunteer during an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance E. Colby, Emergency Coordinator



A young Bill



Bill in Vermont Army National Guard

Fairlee Fast Squad – 2018 Annual Report

In 2018 the Fairlee Fast Squad responded to 43 medical calls in the town of Fairlee. This year was a year of change for the Fast Squad. We thankfully waved farewell to some long-standing squad members and welcomed in new officers.

With our change in squad members, that has changed the number of members available to serve our community. This time of change has offered us the ability to look at the way we serve our community. While we remain committed to providing quality patient care when called upon, we wish to connect with the community outside the arena of emergencies. If there is something happening in town that you think we should be involved with, let us know. We would love to set something up.

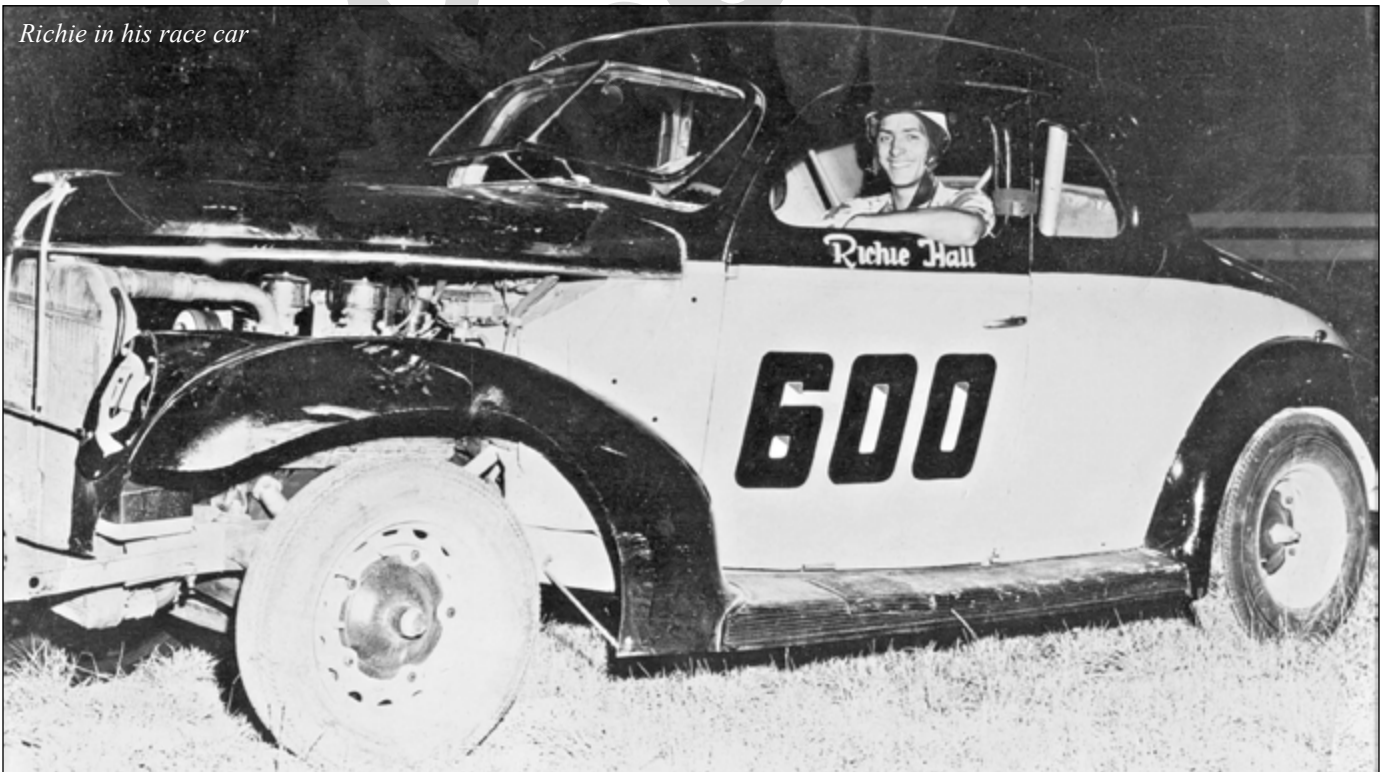
We have continued to upgrade our equipment to meet changing EMS standards and protocols and to ensure that our squad can provide care at their appropriate training levels. We have also taken some steps to provide our squad with equipment to help them be better distinguished on scene as first responders and not bystanders.

The Fast Squad is thankful for the support we receive from the town and take great pride in being able to assist in your moments of need. If you ever think you need us call 911. If you think a friend needs us call 911. We are here to help serve the community and if you can think of a way we can do that, please don't hesitate to reach out to us on Facebook.

Sincerely,

Ross Cannon
President, Fairlee Fast Squad

Richie in his race car



Fairlee Fire Department – 2018 Annual Report

In 2018 the Fairlee Fire Department responded to 45 calls for assistance.

Smoke detectors save lives. Remember to test your detectors and change batteries twice a year.

Burn permits are required and issued by Fire Warden Ric Sleeper and Deputy Warden Bob Maddock.

Fireworks permits are required 15 days prior to event. Permits are issued by the Fire Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Larson, Fairlee Fire Chief



Bill and Donald Stocking on the antique fire truck in the 4th of July parade

Fairlee Town Forest Board – 2018 Annual Report

Weather conditions aside, during a recent fall timber harvest which will resume during drier conditions in 2019, we made wonderful progress in your forest again this year. Your board maintained the trails and roads and is happy to report that there was no major damage within the forest.

We met the Rivendell Academy sophomore science students on April 27th to release and measure the American Chestnut trees planted in 2016. We're moving this annual activity to occur in the fall as it's a better fit for the ecology portion of the science class. As such, we returned to the newly dedicated Chestnut Landing on October 4 to meet with the 2018/2019 sophomore science class and released and measured the town's 21 chestnut trees. Surprisingly, a few have already exceeded a height of ten feet. The national office of The American Chestnut Foundation has offered, and we accepted, a gift of three display panels which follow the history of this incredible tree. A kiosk will be constructed in the spring just off the edge of the Chestnut Landing to house this gift.

On June 26, Peter Lange and David Matthews helped the family of Marcia Dunning move material, tools and equipment to Bald Top. On Bald Top there now sits a cedar bench "In honor of Marcia Dunning by her family for her deep devotion to the CRT and Bald Top Mountain – June 30, 2018"; (CRT being the Cross Rivendell Trail).

We're also happy to report that the nine apple seedlings, planted by Max Haehnel and members of his Boy Scout Troop in June of last year, all survived and some actually produced apples. We hope that they survive to grow beyond the browsing reach of deer and can avoid being damaged by black bears and moose. This project was part of Max's effort to earn his Eagle Scout Award which we understand he received this year. As any scout knows, this is no small accomplishment – well done, Max!

We were saddened by the resignation of Peter Lange in September. Peter has been active in the management of the town forest for more than twenty years as well as serving on numerous town committees during that same period. We also offer special thanks to Peter, as a member of the five-volunteer group who stepped up and accepted the construction management responsibilities through the completion of the renovations to the Town Hall.

Reg Cramer has stepped up to replace Peter. As a lifetime Fairlee resident, Reg is very familiar with the forest and possesses a sincere desire to maximize its use for the town.

As mentioned at the beginning of this report, we began to harvest timber in Stands 13 and 15 in September but were shut down by the wet working conditions. At the completion of the harvest, we hope to establish a wildlife food plot on the landing.

Respectfully submitted,

Reg Cramer
Peter Lange
Terry Lewis
David Matthews
Jim O'Donnell
Mitch Phelps

Fairlee Historical Society – 2018 Annual Report

This coming year will be the first time in 33 years that Fairlee has held its Town Meeting in the Town Hall, the heart of our town.

On July 28, 2018 the Fairlee Historical Society hosted the Grand Re-Opening of the newly renovated Fairlee Town Hall. Town Moderator Bruce Taylor opened the ceremony with an historic time-line of our town hall which was followed by a ribbon cutting celebrating the new ADA south entrance. All of this was followed by presentations upstairs in the auditorium. Russ Smith, President of the Fairlee Historical Society opened the presentation followed by Senator Jane Kitchel, Selectboard Chair Jay Barrett and a performance by the Fairlee Country Scottish Dancers. Afterwards, there were self-guided tours through the building. The celebration ended with the Michael Zsoldos Trio concert on the Common (donated by the Fairlee Community Arts), the Orford/Fairlee Lion's Club annual steak and lobster dinner, the Fairlee Community Church's "Make Your Own Sundae," and a dance upstairs in the auditorium featuring the music of The Flames. Many thanks to the Grand Re-Opening Committee, including Angelia Rorison, Miranda Clemson, Tim Danen, Molly Stone, Sandra Smith-Ordway, Peter Lange, Noël Walker, Don Weaver, Lisa Hinsley, Elizabeth Wilson, Tad Nunez, Gene Ordway and Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, for all of its hard work making the Grand Re-Opening a huge success. And a special thanks to Laurie Gould and her Rivendell Academy students for cleaning the Auditorium chairs to prepare for our Grand Re-Opening.

The Fairlee Historical Society installed an illuminated plaque in the auditorium honoring all contributors and the Fairlee Taxpayers for making the renovations possible. Together, our investments in the Town Hall show esteem for Fairlee's past and fuel the community's wishes for our future. Thank you.

The Fairlee Historical Society held its annual organizational meeting on September 18th.

Current officers are:

President: Russell Smith

Vice President: Don Weaver

Secretary: Noël Walker

Treasurer: Lisa Hinsley

Curator: Georgette Wolf-Ludwig

Program Coordinator: Cathy McGrath

The annual meeting was followed by a show-and-tell program featuring the highlights of members' personal collections, including Lance Mills' advertising signs, Bruce Dowler's *Vermont Life* magazines, Cathy McGrath's souvenir plates and Gary Goodrich's (President of the Vershire Historical Society) local colonial items that he discovered with his metal detector.

Please visit us at www.fairleevt.org/historical-society and become a member today.

Respectfully submitted,

The Fairlee Historical Society

Lake Morey Commission – 2018 Annual Report

In 2016 and 2017, Solitude Lake Management determined that milfoil comprised 1% and 6% of the total vegetation in Lake Morey, respectively. In light of this exponential increase and the prospect that it would be worse in 2018 (it was – 22%), they submitted a permit application in January 2018 to possibly treat the lake with Renovate OTF this year but definitely in 2019. Soon after, a new chemical was approved by the EPA, Procellacor, that had advantages over Renovate – no restrictions except a 3-day waiting period for irrigation, is applied in parts per billion vs. Renovate in parts per million, and is specific to milfoil. Subsequently a permit application for Procellacor was submitted as well. A decision for Renovate is expected by February 1, 2019 and for Procellacor by April 1 but will be followed by comment periods, hearings, etc. In any event, Fairlee has been assured that it will have an approval of at least one in sufficient time for a 2019 treatment.

Over the course of three weeks, professional divers addressed the area from Gilmore's Point clockwise around to Breezy Bay, the portion of the lake that will not be treated in 2019.

The expanded Greeter Program performed 1012 inspections of boats entering or leaving the lake and identified four that carried milfoil fragments when exiting the lake.

Adopt-a-Lake volunteers reported a total of 1,436 hours searching for and hand harvesting milfoil.

Commission activities for 2019 will include an expanded effort to better understand the current water quality of Lake Morey and trends toward increasing phosphorous levels and cyanobacteria (blue green algae) blooms. We are planning a monthly lake tributary (stream) water sampling program that will endeavor to measure critical water chemistry parameters, similar to the Lay Monitoring Program which measures water quality parameters for two stations in the main waterbody. Of the eight tributaries entering the lake, we have selected five of the most significant hydraulic contributors. A team will collect monthly samples for phosphorous, sulfate, pH, etc. The State of Vermont has offered to perform the analysis in conjunction with a grant in 2019. Several Commission members have undergone basic training regarding stream surveying to determine if water disturbance plays a role in ultimate stream/lake health. Further, the State has offered to expand deep-water quality tests in concert with the Lay Monitoring Program to explore the possible contribution of sediment loading to phosphorous levels.

While cyanobacteria was observed in 2018, it was less than the past two years and did not affect diver and normal lake activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Lake Morey Commission



Lake Morey Foundation – 2018 Annual Report

For more than 35 years, the Lake Morey Foundation (LMF), a Fairlee-based nonprofit organization, has raised funds to support programs and activities that benefit Lake Morey, its surroundings, and the Fairlee community through its mission:

To protect, preserve, conserve and enhance Lake Morey and its watershed & viewshed as an environmental, recreational and economic resource.

During the past year the Lake Morey Foundation finalized the acquisition of a 148-acre parcel on Morey Mountain and placed the land in conservation in perpetuity. After completing the fundraising portion of this goal in 2017, the Foundation closed on the purchase of this parcel in 2018 and transferred the title over to the Upper Valley Land Trust (UVLT). UVLT has now assumed the natural resource management and overall stewardship of the property for public benefit as an educational and recreational asset. To aide in this effort we encourage the Town and its citizens to make a donation to UVLT (www.uvlt.org) earmarked for Morey Mountain conservation.

The Lake Morey Foundation is also pleased to continue its support of local programs in 2018 by funding these initiatives:

- \$1000 to the newly-formed Fairlee Arts Council to assist with start-up expenses
- \$4000 to the Town Hall renovation project for the purchase of production equipment to expand opportunities for use of this space
- \$2490 to the Lake Morey Greeter Program to educate boaters and minimize the further introduction of invasive aquatic species into Lake Morey
- \$1000 to the Town of Fairlee for improvements to the Town Beach

We want to thank our many supporters for their generous donations to the Lake Morey Foundation, those who make annual gifts, and those who made additional contributions to the Morey Mountain campaign. The LMF focuses its fundraising efforts around enhancing water quality, providing conservation and recreational opportunities, and continuing as a valuable asset for the Fairlee community. Please visit our website at www.lakemoreyfoundation.org for further information on the types of projects we fund, the process to apply for a grant, and how to make a donation. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Durgin, President

The Lake Morey Foundation, Inc. PO Box 234, Fairlee, VT 05045

2018 Board of Directors: Greg Allen, Patty Armstrong, Chris Baine, Josh Bloomberg, Gary Brooks, Shawn Byron, Ray Clark, Bruce Durgin, Ginny Pomeroy (ex-officio LMPA), Susanne Pacilio, Noël Walker and Bob Wertheimer.



Lake Morey Protective Association – 2018 Annual Report

THE LAKE MOREY PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION (LMPA) WAS FOUNDED IN 1907, MAKING IT THE OLDEST LAKE ASSOCIATION IN THE STATE OF VERMONT. ON BEHALF OF IT'S 200+ MEMBERS, THE LMPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CARRIES OUT A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSION OF PRESERVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF LAKE MOREY AND ITS IMMEDIATE SURROUNDINGS WHILE SAFEGUARDING THE HEALTH OF THE LAKE FOR ALL TO ENJOY.

2018 INITIATIVES:

Fairlee Family Fun Day: A barbeque picnic for lake and town residents with golf tournament, sailing regatta and games for kids took place on July 14, 2018 at the town beach. (Sailing regatta was held on 7/21/18.)

Boater Safety: co-sponsored for the eighth year with the VT State Police Marine Division, a class that leads to a VT boating license. Over the past eight years, Terry Lewis has led this class and certified over 150 safe boaters. We hope to continue with this event in 2018 to place even more safe boaters on our waterways. We are searching for a person to take over the teaching of this vital training, as it is the only “live” class on the eastern side of the State. If you know of anyone interested in teaching this 8-hour class, please have them get in touch with Terry Lewis.

Lake Water Quality Initiatives: The LMPA has been working closely with the Lake Morey Commission and the Lake Morey Foundation to monitor and address both natural and man-made threats to the aquatic environment of Lake Morey. Threats include proliferation of Eurasian milfoil as well as the many different types of aquatic invasive species that are known to be present in Lake Champlain and other water bodies in Vermont. The presence of cyanobacterial blooms has presented a new challenge in recent years as well as an influx of phosphorus and other nutrients to the lake from run-off and unforeseen events such as a break in a beaver dam that has contributed to further algal blooms.

Greeter and Adopt-A-Lake Programs: The LMPA runs programs to educate lakeshore owners and boat operators about controlling the spread of invasive species in the Lake. Peggie Bissell has led the “Greeter Program” at the boat ramp over the past 3 years. Three part-time employed greeters and LMPA volunteers inspect over 1,000 watercraft per year. Many boats have previously been in Lake Champlain, the Connecticut River and other bodies of water affected by aquatic invasive species (AIS). Education about how to clean the boats to prevent the spread of AIS is the ultimate goal of the Greeter program. The “Adopt-A-Lake” program encourages lake residents to participate in monitoring, pulling, and removing Eurasian Milfoil from the lake. For 2019, the Adopt-A-Lake and Greeter programs will be maintained and strengthened with the goal of preventing new invasive species from becoming established in Lake Morey.

Lake monitoring and Milfoil Management: in 2018 our members assisted in regular monitoring of the Lake. Don Weaver and Barbara Duncan led this key activity. Professional extraction by divers controlled areas of the Lake bottom growing the invasive Eurasian Milfoil in 2018, and this control measure will be repeated in 2019.

Community Service Activities: This year, the LMPA teamed up with several local organizations to provide funds for Fairlee Community Arts, Fairlee Library, and Upper Valley Rescue.

As we begin our 113th year, our Lake Association will continue to keep a vigilant eye on both the needs of the Lake and the surrounding lands to ensure that we are a responsible and responsive local organization. We appreciate the support of our Town Administrators as we work together to see that Lake Morey continues to provide healthy recreation opportunities for all residents.

The LMPA's activities can be followed at: www.lakemorey.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Pomeroy, President

Lake Morey Protective Association, P.O. Box 241, Fairlee, VT 05045

Lake Fairlee Association – 2018 Annual Report and 2019 Request to the Town of Fairlee



The LFA has had another busy year; an update on our 2018 accomplishments and expectations for 2019 follows.

Although the results of the September survey are forthcoming, anecdotal evidence suggests that the 2018 Tripoclyr, brand name “RENOvate”, application was a resounding success. Working with our contractor, LFA treated 79 acres as approved by the state, amounting to all the Priority 1 treatment areas identified in the September 2017 survey. In these areas, those previously most affected by milfoil, we have seen negligible late season regrowth, based on anecdotal reports of landowners and visitors, but we await the results of the September 2018 survey to confirm their accuracy. As this was a successful application year, we did not contract with our dive team to engage in manual removal via hand-pulling and top-down suction harvesting. We anticipate the need to reengage in such removal next year and other interim years until the next needed application, which we hope will be the summer of 2021 at the earliest.

As stated in last year’s report, we remain quite optimistic that our balanced approach of management is working. Based on past trends, we anticipated a 2018 treatment, and despite the significant regrowth of the late summer/early fall of 2017, the treatment appears to have been quite successful. We excitedly await the results of the survey to provide data evidence that further confirms the efficacy of our methods.

The greeter program continues to maintain its consistency and success. Again, we have retained our core group of greeters for the 2018 season and our greeters were present at the boat ramp every weekend from Memorial Day to Columbus Day, and each day throughout the summer. They recorded another 1,800 launch inspections this season and continue to be passionate about their roles educating users about invasive species and encouraging boater safety and care for the lake environment. Indeed, during the late season, one greeter discovered an unknown but suspicious looking plant on an out of state boat and trailer set to be launched into the lake. She kept a sample and sent the boater away to wash both with hot water according to protocol. When the sample was shared with the state for identification, we learned that it was fanwort, a potentially highly invasive plant. Moreover, Vermont is one of the few places in the northeast where fanwort has not yet taken hold in its waters. This successful intervention demonstrates why we are so thankful for the focus and vigilance that our greeters bring to their jobs, and we’re again happy to report that many plan to return for the summer of 2019.

Financial support from the State remains level; the 2018 grant came in at \$23,000.00. Thus, most of our treatment and program costs have and continue to be supported by lakeshore property owners and other LFA members. Even so, the steady support of each town crucial to making our budget each year. As you can see from the attached budget*, the lake treatment significantly depleted our reserves by close to half. By design, we will spend the next three years accumulating resources to spend on the anticipated treatment in 2021. Still, the costs of staffing the greeter station and off-year manual harvesting continues to rise, though the previous paragraph illustrates the value of those expenditures. Finally, we anticipate the costs of chemical treatment to continue to rise as well.

We are grateful to the Town of Fairlee for its consistent support, and for meeting our request for a 5% increase last year. For 2018, the Lake Fairlee Association again requests \$5,250. For more information please see our website www.lakefairlee.org or contact any one of the LFA board members.

Nolan Riegler
nolan.riegler@gmail.com

**See Community Organization Reports on Fairlee website: www.fairleevt.org*

Fairlee Librarian's – 2018 Annual Report

What another fun year here at the library! Our core programs such as Movie Night, Book Group, Lego Club, and Story Time have continued with great success. Craft Night continues on a monthly basis except during June – August, because of the Summer Reading Program. Due to lack of attendance I have stopped monthly Game Nights except on special occasions. I have replaced it with Donuts with Your Grown-Ups, which is a special once a month Saturday Story Time with donuts.

We had another successful Summer Reading Program. The theme for this year was Libraries Rock!

This music theme led to several fun programs! We made instruments, had Ellis Music visit for a Musical Petting Zoo where the children were able to play different instruments, magic lesson, paint and listen, and made our own Rock Star clothing (tie-dye)! This summer the children were challenged to read 850 minutes/books. If they met this challenge they were able to get a bouncy house! Not only did they reach 850 books/minutes but they did it by WEEK 4 (of 6)! One lucky winner also got to pie me in the face!

I have continued visits with the Samuel Morey Preschool. I have also started going to Bunny Steps once a month. Both of these programs involve stories, crafts, finger plays, dancing, and sometimes bubbles!

Once again the local libraries collaborated with the Samuel Morey Elementary Fifth Grade for the Vermont Reads program. The featured book was Bread and Roses, Too by Katherine Paterson. For this event, we had two community book discussions where community members went to the classroom for a group discussion with the students, a field trip to the Barre Quarries, and were able to attend an author talk sponsored by the Bradford Public Library.

Do you love audio-books or ebooks? Did you know that the library offers downloadable audios and ebooks through ListenUp!Vermont? Now with the Libby app it's easier than ever to use this resource. See Samantha for information on this great service.

I have already booked a great speaker for September 4th at 6 pm. Michael Tougias will be at the Fairlee Public Library that evening giving the talk "400 Miles Down the Connecticut River". I would love to see the library filled that evening.

Visit our website www.fairleelibrary.com and sign up for our monthly newsletter!

Respectfully submitted,
Samantha Hickman, Library Director

Statistics	2017 (thru Dec 31st)	2018 (thru Nov 30th)
Total Circulation	8871	7688
Total Program Attendance	1983 (189 programs)	2056 (250 programs)
Total Visits	8996	8448

Most Circulated Item 2018: Murder on the Orient Express (17 checkouts)

Most Circulated Book 2018: The Great Alone (15 checkouts)

Fairlee Public Library Trustees – 2018 Annual Report

Our town library continues to thrive and grow. This has been a busy year with a number of popular programs happening at the library. The trustees continue to be pleased with the work Ms. Hickman and our volunteers do to make our library vibrant, pleasant and responsive to our community needs. There are a number of programs offered for all ages. Books are available from our own growing collection, inter-library loan, books on tape, and in large print. Movies, puzzles, computer access with printing capability, newspapers and magazines are also popular.

Ms. Samantha has attended workshops and conferences this year that have given her some great ideas, free materials and expanded our library offerings. Have you heard of One Card? Local Vermont librarians are now offering a card that allows you to use many local libraries, not just the one from the town you reside in. Ask at the front desk if you would like to update your card!

The library trustees meet nearly monthly to make decisions that affect our library. A number of recent projects have focused on building maintenance and upkeep. This summer, both front bay windows were replaced. The building was power washed, and the old rusted bulkhead was replaced. The front gardens were tended to and as a safety precaution shelving in the children's area was bolted to the walls. We were all grateful when our town road agent improved our driveway.

Looking ahead, there are a number of building and maintenance projects to plan for. The exterior vinyl siding is very old and will need to be replaced eventually and the exterior trim needs to be painted. Inside, our carpet has seen better days and we hope to freshen the interior space with new paint this year. All of these projects cost money and we are appreciative of the taxpayers who support our library and hope you will visit often.

This year we have increased the budget for the children's and youth books. This line item has not increased for a number of years and happily, we are seeing more of these books being used. We have also requested a raise for our librarian. The trustees are committed to increasing our librarian's compensation to be inline with a Vermont librarian's average salary and to accurately reflect her education and experience. Ms. Hickman has a Masters degree in Library Science and we are extremely fortunate to have her skill and enthusiasm at the Fairlee Public Library.

The board of trustees is grateful to the Friends of Fairlee Library, donors, our volunteers who so faithfully support our community library and to Suzanne who willingly substitutes for Ms. Hickman when necessary. We welcome comments or suggestions from the Fairlee community that might improve our services.

Respectfully submitted,

Cyrie Fagan Lange
Chair, Fairlee Public Library Board of Trustees

Board Of Listers – 2018 Annual Report

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS:

**VT Homestead Declarations are required to be filed annually by April 15th,
even if you are filing an extension.**

Form HS-122 Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Claim must be filed annually on all homestead residential properties and Form HS-144 Household Income must be filed to receive a state property tax adjustment if you qualify. It is imperative that the HS-144 is filed by April 15th for the town to be notified on July 1st of a state payment to be applied to your tax bill. Late filing may result in a penalty. If your taxes are done by a tax preparer, please make sure that they file the above forms by April 15th. You may file online. <http://tax.vermont.gov>

Fairlee's 2019 CLA is 98.96%. The CLA or common level of appraisal is the ratio of actual sales to their listed values. The CLA is used by the VT Dept. of Taxes to adjust the Homestead and Non-Residential Education Tax Rates to account for the differences between the grand list and actual sales.

Our last town wide reappraisal was in 2004 with a statistical adjustment in 2008. We are currently in the process of selecting an Appraisal Company to complete a town wide reappraisal for the 2021 Grand List, with inspections beginning in 2020.

A reminder that Current Use forms are now available online and the annual deadline for new enrollments and additions is **September 1st**.

Annual Agricultural (Ag) Certificates are mailed early Sept. to all land owners enrolled in the active agricultural category and/or farm buildings. This **Ag Certificate must be filed annually by November 1st**.

Please keep your contact information updated so your town records are current. You can easily do this on the town website: fairleevt.org.

For assistance or information concerning Fairlee property assessments, please call the Listers Office at 802-333-9829 or e-mail listers@fairleevt.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Fairlee Board of Listers
Noël Walker
Dan Ludwig
Russell Collins

Fairlee Planning Commission – 2018 Annual Report

In 2018, the Planning Commission's focus has been on updating the Fairlee Town Plan, which expires on September 30, 2019 and needs to be resubmitted for state approval. To that end, the PC has hosted several informational meetings and programs, including a presentation from the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department on forest blocks and connectors, and a lively roundtable discussion on housing with area developers and agencies, including Twin Pines Housing Trust.

Fairlee is actively pursuing a "Better Connections Grant", which will be used in planning upgrades to the Fairlee transportation infrastructure.

The Planning Commission held informational hearings on the Unified Development Bylaw in June and July. The town had been operating under the provisions of the Unified Bylaw for some time now on an interim basis. Following this emphasis on outreach and after some spirited discussion, the town voted overwhelmingly to adopt the Unified Development Bylaw, as written, in a vote held on August 14th.

We encourage all to read the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes that are available on the Town of Fairlee Planning Commission web site – <https://www.fairleevt.org/primary-boards-1/planning-commission>, and we extend a warm welcome to all to come to our meetings and join in on the discussions.

Our wish is for Fairlee to be an attractive, strong and thriving community and all suggestions and comments are welcome in helping us to reach that goal.

Please communicate these to: PC-Chair@fairleevt.org, or stop into the Town Hall and meet with Chris Brimmer, our Zoning Administrator.

Respectfully submitted,

The Fairlee Planning Commission
Miranda Clemson, Chair
Smith Reed, Vice-Chair
Susanne Pacilio
Denis Lambert
Sarah Berger
Margaret Gladstone



Richie giving rides

Fairlee Police Department – 2018 Annual Report

The Fairlee Police Department's mission is to provide professional and compassionate police service through partnerships that build trust, reduce crime, create a safe environment, and enhance the quality of life in the Fairlee community.

In June 2018, I was offered and accepted a full-time law enforcement position as the Chief of Police for the Orford Police Department. As I considered the position, I also considered the impact it would have on my serving the Fairlee Community, and have hopes that there will be little to no impact. Just as I worked a full-time position elsewhere while serving as your part-time Chief, this new position will provide additional training, networking, and support that the Fairlee Police Department and residents will benefit.

As part of the requirements for New Hampshire, I took a leave of absence from Fairlee between August 27 and December 14, to attend the New Hampshire full-time police officer academy. During this absence, the Orange County Sheriff's Department stepped in, increased the patrol hours, and provided Fairlee with continuing service and protection during my absence.

Fairlee emergency calls and regular calls when I am not on duty, are still primarily covered and supported by the Vermont State Police. We continue to have additional police coverage with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, as well as my own patrol hours, ensuring the continuation of the long honored and traditional three agency coverage for Fairlee residents. For 2019, I have proposed to increase the Sheriff's Department contract, offsetting the increase with a reduction in my hours, to better serve Fairlee with various hours and times of patrol service.

Total Calls for Service conducted by me in 2018 were: 72

Total Calls for Service conducted by the Orange County Sheriff's Department were: 55

Total Calls for Service conducted by the Vermont State Police were: 249

It is my goal to continue to provide the citizens and tax payers of Fairlee with the highest level of Integrity, Respect, Fairness, and Excellence as your part-time Chief, and continue to have the Fairlee Police Department as an integral part of the safety and security of the Upper Valley area.

Please keep your family safety and security in mind at all times by locking and securing your homes and vehicles, and report any suspicious activity. If you see something, say something.

Finally, in 2018, 148 Police Officers were killed while serving their communities. My thoughts and prayers go to their families and their communities. May they all Rest in Peace, knowing the sacrifice was not in vain, but a sacrifice of love for the communities they served.

Jason D. Bachus
Chief of Police

REMEMBER: FOR ALL EMERGENCIES, DIAL 911

Fairlee Recreation Council – 2018 Annual Report

In 2018 the Fairlee Recreation Council continued building on improvements to the Fairlee Town Beach. Our approach has been to repair and enhance existing features of the property.

In the spring general landscaping was done and the picnic tables received a fresh coat of paint. The Vermont Recreation and Parks Association (VRPA) contacted us about performing a service project to help commemorate their 75th annual conference held at Lake Morey Resort. VRPA took our input about desired accessibility improvements to the town beach property and formed a team to execute the plan. As a result of the hard work of the VRPA and generous donations from multiple vendors, the project was a great success. Josh Ryan, of Timber & Stone LLC, installed two accessible trails. One trail rises up from the parking lot towards the playground and is lined with large stones on the downhill side to improve aesthetics. The second trail leads to a small gravel pad that was created to accommodate a wheelchair accessible picnic table. The new table features an extension that allows for a wheelchair to fit underneath. We also received a brand new beach wheelchair that is designed to navigate sand allowing access to the waterfront. Other improvements include replacement of playground surface material, large outdoor grill, and two spring riders. Donated funds, totaling \$900, not utilized during the project will be used to purchase new swim area lines and marker buoys. In early October the work was completed and we celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony in front of the beach house.

Staffing challenges this summer forced us to reduce the number of swim lesson sessions and change overall management of the beach. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we worked to keep some services available with limited staff. This coming summer we hope to be fully staffed and look forward to a great season at our renovated Fairlee Town Beach.

On the first Friday in December we celebrated the holiday tree lighting party in the newly accessible second floor of town hall. It was fun and well attended community event to help kick off the holiday season.

Respectively submitted,

Matt Jung,
Chair, Fairlee Recreation Council

New chandelier in Town Hall grand staircase



Fairlee Scholarship Committee – 2018 Annual Report

The Fairlee Scholarship Committee is pleased to report we awarded 12 scholarships in 2018 in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to Fairlee students seeking higher education. These scholarships were disbursed in two payments of \$500.00, one for the fall semester and one for the spring semester. These scholarship awards would not be possible without donations. Please consider supporting the Fairlee Scholarship Fund with a donation of any size so we may continue to award these scholarships to help support our Fairlee students.

Thank you

The Fairlee Scholarship Committee

Lisa Hinsley

Jane Chambers

Georgette Wolf-Ludwig



The Flames on the stage at the Town Hall Grand Re-Opening – July 28, 2018

Tri-Town Commission – 2018 Annual Report

The Tri-Town Commission has the responsibility of operation and maintenance of the Lake Fairlee Dam under the interlocal agreement between the towns of Fairlee, Thetford, and West Fairlee. Responsibilities include preparing a budget, managing business affairs, maintaining compliance with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations, and ensuring that the dam is safe and secure.

The Tri-Town Commission continued to monitor the dam this past year. The electrical was finished up for the lights on the walk way as was an inspection by our insurance company. The insurance recommendations include floating buoys and signs attached to the dam, warning of the spillway danger. These are next year's projects. There was also an inspection by the State of Vermont, because it is State controlled water. The Budget for the dam has increased because of insurance increases and to comply with insurance recommendations.

The commission will keep the dam up to date and in good repair, working with State and local agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Stone
Chair, Tri-Town Commission



Richie Hall – happy family memories

Fairlee Town Administrator – 2018 Annual Report

I am pleased to report the following activities of the Town Administrator's Office during the 2018 year:

- Completed the new water storage tank project.
- Completed paving projects: Terry Hill Road, Town Common Road and Town Hall Parking Areas.
- Completed the Town Hall renovation project.
- Completed the renovation of the Town Beach property sponsored by the Vermont Recreation and Parks Association (VRPA) and secured \$990 cash donation from VRPA.
- Completed the right-of-way project through the Transfer Station property, allowing the Town to obtain electrical service to the Transfer Station.
- Completed the relocation of the temporary water storage tank roof.
- Completed and closed out FEMA related projects equaling \$13,244 in federal fund reimbursements.
- Assisted the Fairlee Community Arts organization to secure a \$13,500 community arts grant.
- Secured a \$8,000 Better Roads grant to complete a hydro-connected inventory: drainage, ditching, erosion control assessment to meet the Clean Water Act.
- Secured grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to improve the Transfer Station operations.
- Secured a \$135,485 Vermont Agency of Transportation grant to make repairs to east section of Lake Morey Road.
- Secured \$6,000 Vermont Agency of Transportation funding to complete ditching work on Maurice Roberts Road.
- Secured funding for a VLCT/PACIF grant in the amount of \$455.20 to purchase additional highway and water safety equipment.
- Secured Aquatic Nuisance Control grant in the amount of \$18,769.
- Completed the structural roof repairs to the Old Fire Station.
- Established a steering committee to review the future needs for a waste water treatment system.
- Established an Emerald Ash Borer Preparedness steering committee.
- Sold the 1984 weed harvester in the amount of \$7,750. Revenue to be held in the milfoil capital budget line item.
- Established a new Town Hall facility use policy and rental procedures. Administered several rentals ranging from community dances, wedding, Eagle Scout Ceremony, Recreation Council special events, Candidate Forum, elections, speaking engagement and meetings.
- Managed the tree removal of large street trees on Town Common Road and Fairview Square.

The above are just the highlights of the 2018 activities. I look forward to continually working with the Forest Board, Recreation Council, Library Trustees and members of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Tad Nunez, Town Administrator

Fairlee Town Clerk – 2018 Annual Report

The renovation of the Fairlee Town Hall consumed most of 2018 but even under all the construction the Town Clerk's Office hummed along. By July the project was mostly finished, and we celebrated a grand re-opening of the building. The new ADA entrance and elevator made it possible to set up the November General Election upstairs in the auditorium. We had a large turn out on election day and the extra room in the auditorium was ideal. This coming March 2019, Town Meeting will be back in the Town Hall auditorium after 33 years. Town Meeting was moved to the school in 1986 due to accessibility issues. This will truly be a memorable day for many Fairlee voters who remember having Town Meeting in the Town Hall.

The Fairlee/Orford Foodshelf is located here at the Town Hall. Food donations can be dropped off during the Town Clerk's office hours. This year, David and Roxanne Matthews donated an upright freezer to the foodshelf. This is a great addition to the foodshelf. Thank you so much, David and Roxanne!

The 2019 Dump/Beach Pass is now available. Purchase your pass for \$5.00 at the Town Clerk's Office or go to www.fairleevt.org/town-offices/town-clerk to download the Dump/Beach form and process your request through the mail.

The Fairlee Rabies Clinic

will be held on

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 from 6:00pm-7:00pm at the Fire Station.

Fairlee residents may also license their dogs at this time.

The deadline to license dogs is Monday, April 1, 2019.

Dog licenses can also be purchased through the mail with a valid rabies certificate.

Dog fees are: \$9.00 for spayed or neutered, \$13.00 for unsprayed or unneutered.

The Town Clerk's office hours are Monday through Thursday 8:30am – 3:30pm and Friday 9:00am – 12:00noon. If you are unable to come in during my regular business hours, please feel free to contact me and set up an appointment. I can be reached at the Town Clerk's Office 333-4363 ext. 1 or by email at townclerk@fairleevt.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, CVC/CMC
Fairlee Town Clerk

*Voting Day, Town Hall Auditorium with
Larry Martin, Peter Berger and
Georgette Wolf-Ludwig*



Town Clerk's Report of Licenses Sold In 2018

LIQUOR LICENSES ISSUED IN 2018

First Class Licenses

Avery Inns of VT/Lake Morey Country Club	115.00
Avery Inns of VT/Lake Morey Resort	115.00
Leda's Pizza Restaurant	115.00
Tigerstyle LLC/Samurai Soul Food	115.00

Second Class Licenses

Cumberland Farms #8013	70.00
Champlain Farms	70.00
Chapman's Store	70.00
Dollar General #15272	70.00
Petro Gas Group NE/Seven Eleven	70.00
Wing's Supermarket	70.00

Total	<u>\$ 880.00</u>
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DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 2018

159 Neutered Males/Spayed Females @ \$4.00	636.00
45 Males and Females @ \$8.00	360.00
Collected for State of VT 204 Licenses Sold @5.00	1,020.00

Late Fees	<u>60.00</u>
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Total	<u>\$ 2,016.00</u>
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CIVIL MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED IN 2018

14 Licenses Issued @ \$70.00 per Licenses	
Paid to Town – Licenses	140.00
Paid to Town – Fees	140.00
Collected for State of Vermont	700.00

Total	<u>\$ 980.00</u>
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Town Treasurer – 2018 Annual Report

Again, it was another busy and exciting year for all of us in the Town offices. There never seems to be a dull moment here in Fairlee and things are continuing to change every day.

Here are a few highlights from the Treasurer's office:

- The Treasurer's office went over budget in 2018 due to the extra work load which caused us to increase the 2019 budget. The State continues to impose more and more changes and/or regulations which all takes time to stay in compliance. While we were very fortunate to have received such a large amount of grant money from the USDA for our water projects, it has been time-consuming keeping track of all the projects and making sure all requirements were completed to USDA's satisfaction. Our Town Administrator is being more aggressive in the search and therefore obtaining grant money to offset normal operating costs, however this process requires more time. Due to this, the Treasurer's office is busier and therefore open more hours to get it all done.
- The books were reviewed by Fothergill, Segale & Valley CPAs for the calendar year 2017. No major findings again this year. Reports are available here in the Town Offices if anyone would like to see a copy.
- The Town Hall Renovation project was completed in July, included is a synopsis of the final project cost and how it was funded. This information can be found at the bottom of the Statement of Debt Services Report.

Please remember if you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to call, email or stop by and chat.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Hinsley, Treasurer
(802) 333-4363 ext. 4
treasurer@fairleevt.org

PLEASE NOTE:

Beginning in 2019 the Town of Fairlee will begin charging a late filing penalty for any State of VT Homestead Declaration form (HS-122) not filed by the due date of April 15. There are no extensions allowed on this form so please make sure you file it on time. Previously we have waived the fee but now feel due to the extra work created by the late filing, we must now charge. The late filing penalty could be as much as 8%.

Upper Valley Ambulance – 2018 Annual Report

The mission of Upper Valley Ambulance (UVA) is to provide round-the-clock emergency medical response to residents and visitors of the nine communities we serve. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is one of the three legs of public safety, along with law enforcement and fire/rescue. While we all hope that we never require the services of a public safety agency, having those services available is very important to our peace of mind.

The communities of Bradford, Corinth, Fairlee, Orford, Piermont, Thetford, Strafford, Vershire and West Fairlee have a combined population of over 12,000 full-time residents. We think of it as a single community with a population similar to the larger communities in our region, Hanover, Hartford, and Lebanon, but with a much larger area, over 340 square miles! Approximately 1100 calls for medical aid came through the 9-1-1 system for our area in 2018.

When someone calls 9-1-1 it is because they are experiencing an event that overwhelms their ability to cope with. We, and our community FAST squads, respond and bring professional intervention skills, mostly medical but often just a helping hand and reassurance. Perhaps an individual has fallen and cannot get up without assistance. We conduct an assessment to determine if they are injured or have an underlying medical problem that caused them to fall. If not, we help them up and leave them with advice on how to stay safe in the future. Those kinds of calls make up 35% of what we do, no ambulance transport. We provide that service at no charge to the patient. The next call can be a rollover accident on the highway with multiple injured patients. We have to be prepared to handle anything. That is what you, our constituents, expect of us.

UVA employs highly skilled, highly educated, allied health professionals (EMTs, Advanced EMTs, Paramedics). Two providers are on duty 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In addition, we have a second ambulance on duty during the day, and if our ambulances are already committed to calls when another one comes in, we pay for another ambulance service to respond to that call. You are thus ensured that if you call 9-1-1, an ambulance will always respond.

The expense of running UVA is split between the income we generate by billing for ambulance transport, and a fee that we charge the communities. The split is roughly 50-50. The fees are paid by the towns according to the year-round population. The UVA Board of Directors and I are very careful with the public's money. We believe we run a tight financial ship, and welcome a comparison with any other public safety entity covering a community of 12,000 souls.

Finally, we are grateful to have the opportunity to serve you, although we sincerely hope you won't need us.

Management and Staff of
Upper Valley Ambulance

Fairlee Water Department – 2018 Annual Report

This has to be one of the most interesting years of my career working for the Fairlee Water Department.

When the water bond was passed we entered into a whole new world of things to do beside our regular work in operating the water system. Barry and I have been included in many of the meetings during the planning process and provided vital information in how things should be done. We wanted a concrete tank, but, due to cost, ended up with a metal tank, which will provide an adequate water supply for the Town of Fairlee for years to come.

It has been a pleasure to work with Tad Nunez, the new Town Administrator, as his expertise is with paper work and Barry and I are happier with the nuts and bolts part of the job. Working together we have accomplished a lot, keeping abreast with everything that has been happening during the tank rebuild, future filter plant and future waterline replacement.

Some work on the water system had to be put off to 2019. We have already planned for this work and will complete it in 2019.

I greatly appreciate all the help during the year from everyone who helped operate the water system, report leaks and gave a hand when needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance E. Colby,
Chief Operator



Summer music series

Zoning Office – 2018 Annual Report

Residential construction returned to its previous pattern, but most of the new construction involved residential additions and accessory buildings. Commercial use permits continued at roughly the same slow pace owing to the lack of vacancy and quick turnover. There are tax credit opportunities for façade rehab and restoration projects on historic buildings in the Village Center, please contact me for more information.

2019 will see an update project for the Town Plan, with an emphasis on planning for residential and commercial infill development on Main Street, better connections between the Village and Lake Morey neighborhoods, development of recreation opportunities, and infrastructure planning. The Town is currently seeking a Better Connections Grant to begin designing upgrades to our transportation infrastructure and streetscape.

I expect to pursue other grant opportunities though the coming year as your priorities and vision for the Village and Town develop, your participation is vital. Please send me an email at zoning@fairleevt.org if you have any questions about this or any other zoning topic.

Zoning Permits	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
single family home	9	2	2	0	2
residential addition	10	6	11	2	7
residential accessory structure	5	4	7	10	8
home occupation	0	0	1	0	0
pool	0	0	0	0	0
commercial construction	3	2	2	3	0
commercial accessory structure	2	2	2	0	0
commercial use/sign	0	3	3	1	1
demolition	4	0	0	0	0
Total issued	33	19	28	16	18
denials	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Brimmer
Zoning Administrator

Births Reported in 2018

<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>NAME OF PARENTS</u>
Bellamy Sophia Schuyler Pilcher	F	March 16, 2018	Lebanon, NH	Doug & Luch Pilcher

Births are not listed unless reported to the Town Clerk.

Civil Marriages Reported in 2018

<u>APPLICANT A</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>APPLICANT B</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE</u>
Charles Frederick Sellick	Sebring, FL	Charlotte Gail Huntington	Fairlee, VT	November 18, 2017	Sebring, FL
Anna Marie Dase	Newport, NH	Anthony Kanatas	Newport, NH	May 12, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Katherine Carlson Brooks	Boston, MA	Haiyan Ramirez Batlle	Boston, MA	June 2, 2018	Post Mills, VT
Robin Scott Fromson Walters	Boston, MA	Angela Chieh Lou	Boston, MA	June 9, 2018	Thetford, VT
Jeanne Marie Welsh	Stoughton, MA	Justin Gregory Donahue	Stoughton, MA	June 9, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Haverill Alexandra Leach	Barrington, RI	Andrej Strojín	Barrington, RI	June 29, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Amy Elizabeth Leclair	Alpharetta, GA	Lance Anthony Muzik	Alpharetta, GA	July 14, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Lance Vernon Mills	Fairlee, VT	Bernice Lynn Burroughs	Fairlee, VT	July 26, 2018	Edgartown, MA
Caitlin Michaela Cole	Lebanon, NH	Rozlynn Mary Flewelling-Caulfield	Lebanon, NH	August 11, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Madeline Hawthorne Kelly	Bozeman, MT	Henry Adams Vinson	Bozeman, MT	September 1, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Meghan Florence Adams	Barrington, NH	James Webster Blouin	Barrington, NH	September 1, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Bleeker Langdon Wheeler	Brooklyn, NY	Jennifer Lynn Grossman	Brooklyn, NY	September 2, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Sarah Katherine Shea	San Francisco, CA	Michael Preston Daniel	San Francisco, CA	September 8, 2018	Thetford, VT
Heather Elizabeth Western	Maynard, MA	James Joseph Sullivan III	Maynard, MA	September 15, 2018	Fairlee, VT
Marissa Anne Lemieux	Austin, TX	Stephen James Whalen	Austin, TX	September 29, 2018	Thetford, VT
Renee Louise Gosselin	Wakefield, MA	Tyler Michael Gemmer	Wakefield, MA	September 29, 2018	Waitsfield, VT



Richie and Jessie Hall – newlyweds 1972

Deaths Reported In 2018

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
Edmund Dolar Mason	86	Fairlee, VT	February 18, 2018
Gordon L. White	87	Lebanon, NH	February 23, 2018
Robert John Welch	72	Lebanon, NH	March 2, 2018
Wallace Blake Traendly	70	South Strafford, VT	April 13, 2018
Donald H. Henderson	94	Fairlee, VT	May 24, 2018
Muriel Tyler Norman	78	Wilder, VT	June 13, 2018
Anne McCoy Wright	84	Fairlee, VT	June 14, 2018
Richard Essex Hall	90	Fairlee, VT	June 15, 2018
William Scott	91	Peabody, MA	July 5, 2018
Bernhard Poschmann	91	Fairlee, VT	July 11, 2018
Stanley K. Wing	93	Naples, FL	September 12, 2018
Helen Pierce Swetland	89	Hanover, NH	September 19, 2018
Gloria Lee	97	Windsor, VT	September 30, 2018
Irene Starace	89	Lebanon, NH	October 9, 2018

Deaths are not listed unless reported to the Town Clerk

Burial Permits & Cremation Certificates Reported In 2018

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>PLACE OF BURIAL</u>	<u>DATE OF BURIAL</u>
Pauline M. Snow	89	Natick, MA	December 4, 2017	Newton Cemetary, MA	December 7, 2017
Donald H. Henderson	94	Fairlee, VT	May 24, 2018	Phaneuf Crematorium	May 29, 2018
Jean Farrar Munn	89	Lebanon, NH	March 26, 2018	Fairlee Village Cemetary	June 13, 2018
Gertrude M. Hodge	99	Berlin, VT	April 20, 2018	Fairlee Village Cemetary	June 2, 2018
Bernhard E. Poschmann	91	Fairlee, VT	July 11, 2018	Fairlee Village Cemetary	July 20, 2018
Richard Norman	77	Fairlee, VT	November 29, 2017	Fairlee Village Cemetary	August 4, 2018
Muriel Tyler Norman	78	White River Junction, VT	June 13, 2018	Fairlee Village Cemetary	August 4, 2018
Lloyd W. Ackerman	94	Hartford, VT	October 20, 2016	Arlington National Cemetery	April 30, 2018

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

The Vermont Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records – namely, birth and death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth and death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage and tracking of birth and death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a Vermont birth or death certificate. **The changes go into effect on July 1, 2019.**

The most notable changes are:

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

For text of Act 46, go to <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2018/Docs/ACTS/ACT046/ACT046%20As%20Enacted.pdf>

CONTRACTUAL PAYMENTS IN 2018

The Town of Fairlee and the Fairlee Water Department paid amounts in excess of \$1,000.00 under various employment and contractual arrangements during 2018 to the individuals and firms listed below:

TOWN/WATER CONTRACTUAL:

A&B Locksmith Service, LLC	Keys/Locks	\$ 4,367.00
All-Access Infotech, LLC	IT/Equipment	28,468.71
Alliance Mechanical	TH Heating System Maint.	1,488.00
Amazon	Library Books/Supplies	2,260.00
Aquatic Endeavors Commercial Diving	Milfoil Divers	13,000.00
Bay State Elevator	Elevator	23,246.70
Benjamin Quinn	Town Hall Renovations	2,650.00
Bergeron Protective Clothing	Fire Gear	14,714.32
Bill Hodge's Prop. Service	Cemetery Mowing & Work	21,572.50
Blaktop	Road Resurfacing	90,146.57
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance 2018	46,953.49
Bore Tech, LLC	Under Road Boring	6,200.00
Brandon Stevens Mowing, LLC	Highway Mowing	6,375.00
Burlington Communications	Police Equipment	4,350.00
Cargill, Inc.	Winter Roads – Salt	28,122.05
CAI Technologies	Listers Maps	2,150.00
Chief	Highway Department	2,448.61
Chippers, Inc.	Tree Removal at Cemetery	5,000.00
Clara Martin Center	Appropriation	1,545.00
Community Bank	Lake Fairlee Dam Bond	17,996.98
Consolidated Communications	Telephone/Library Internet	7,131.90
Cott Systems, Inc.	Land Records Management	3,125.36
County of Orange	County Tax	47,344.63
Cramer Electric Co., Inc.	Electrical Work	21,371.66
Danen, Tim	Town Hall Renovations	28,938.26
Delta Dental	Dental Insurance	3,614.62
DN Tanks, Inc.	Water Tank	11,250.00
Dzjala, John	Town Hall Renovations	9,787.46
East Coast Printers	T-shirts	1,330.00
E.J. Prescott, Inc.	Water Line Supplies	3,328.27
Elgin, Kevin	Town Hall Renovations	15,301.40
Endyne, Inc.	Water Department	1,357.00
Flint, Blake & Boles, Inc.	Town Hall Renovations	1,850.00
Fogg's Hardware	Supplies	2,736.85
Fothergill Segale & Valley CPAs	Auditors	6,400.00
Granite Industries of Vermont	Countertops	2,000.00
Green Mountain Power	Electricity	31,114.01
Green Mountain Flagging, LLC	Water Department	1,669.88

Contractual Payments Continued:

Hickman, Samantha	Reimbursements	2,077.90
Ingram Library Services	Library Books	6,418.23
Iron Works Fire Protection Co, LLC	Town Hall Renovations	15,750.00
K & R Portable Toilets	Port-a-lets	1,683.03
L&B Roofing	Town Hall Renovations	12,450.00
Lackie, David	Trucking Sand	1,543.75
Lake Fairlee Association	Appropriation	5,250.00
LHS Associates, Inc.	Elections	1,422.00
Leet Ware Construction	Town Hall Renovations	292,058.97
Little Acres Landscape Construction	Highway Department	1,100.00
Little Rivers Health Care	Appropriation	2,000.00
Loewen Window Center of VT/NH	Town Hall Renovations	2,038.00
Longto Tree Service	Tree Removal	4,550.00
Martin's Quarry	Highway Department	3,906.37
Meub Gallivan & Larson, Attorneys PLC	Water Tank Legal	108,549.55
Mike's Trucking & Excavation	Roads	162,638.75
Miranda Clemson, LLC	Website	1,127.96
N.A. Manosh, Inc.	New Water Tank	706,768.26
New England Municipal Resource (NEMRC)	Software/Support/Contract	2,369.65
Newcity CM	Construction Work – Water/TH	71,656.92
Newcity, Wade	Town Hall Renovations	3,243.75
Newmont Farm, LLC	Transfer Station Power	10,000.00
Northstar Fireworks	Fireworks July 4 th	5,500.00
Nunez, Tad	Reimbursements	3,670.39
Oakes Brothers	Supplies	18,532.32
Orange County Sheriff's Dept.	Law Enforcement Patrol	16,691.00
Orange East Senior Center	Appropriation	2,200.00
People's United Bank	Bond Repayment (Water Dept.)	51,987.04
Perry's/Patten's Oil Service, Inc.	Fuel Oil & Propane	12,559.28
Perley Colby Plumbing & Heating	Plumbing/Water System	18,486.57
Pete's Rubbish Removal, Inc.	Town Hall Renovations	2,475.60
Portland Glass	Town Hall Renovations	6,000.00
Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer, PC	Legal	2,330.00
PTO's Repair	Police Cruiser Repairs	1,469.59
Quinttown Container Services	Recycling/Emerg Bldg Trash	17,244.00
R & R Communications, Inc.	Fire Department Equipment	4,248.00
R.C. Brayshaw & Company, Inc.	Rec Council Calendar	1,109.00
Repro	Town Report Printing	1,856.45
Rivendell ISD	School Taxes	2,503,720.00
Rivendell Recreation Association	Appropriation	1,500.00
Ross Valve Manufacturing Co.	Pumphouse Repair & Maint.	1,684.23
Rowell's Grading	Highway Department	6,655.00
Sabil & Sons	FD Equip. Maintenance	2,678.74
Schaal Engineering, PC	TH 2 nd Floor/Water Dept.	8,133.60

Contractual Payments Continued:

Sellers Treybal Structural Eng. PC	RR Station Consultant	1,200.00
Servidio Engineering	Water Tank Legal	125,627.87
Solitude Lake Management	Milfoil	8,500.00
Standing Stone Landscape Architecture	Cemetery Stone Repairs	6,200.00
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies – Town	1,085.53
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies – Library	1,020.14
Superior Rentals, LLC	Town Hall Renovations	3,000.00
Superior Spray Foam Co.	Town Hall Renovations	3,617.00
Symquest Group, Inc.	Copier Service/Repair	1,318.98
Tata & Howard	Engineers – Water/Highway Dept.	203,226.66
The Cincinnati Cos.	Insurance (FD/Fast Squad)	2,159.00
The Digital Image Works	Town Hall Donor Board	1,781.25
Third Generation Painting and Drywall	Town Hall Renovations	18,134.00
Thomson Timber Harvest/Trucking	Town Hall Renovations	1,100.00
Thomson Excavation	Town Hall Septic System	17,850.00
Topsham Telephone	Internet (Town Hall, Library & FD)	3,361.60
Town of Hanover	Dispatch	11,102.22
Town of Fairlee	Transfers	280,000.00
Tri-Valley Transit, Inc.	Appropriation	2,000.00
Tri-Town Commission	Lake Fairlee Dam	5,591.50
Two Rivers Ottauquechee	Membership	4,395.19
UI Insurance Services	Fire Department Insurance	11,714.00
Unifirst Corp.	Town Hall Rug Service	1,795.96
Union Bank	Town Hall Loan Payments	17,019.40
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc.	Ambulance Service/Training/Reimb.	42,011.00
Upper Valley Audio Visual	Town Hall Curtains	4,520.00
US Bank Equipment Finance	Town Hall Copier	6,775.49
US Postage Service	Postage Meter	3,858.00
Valley Floors	Town Hall Renovations	7,938.27
Valley News	Legal Notices/Advertising	1,464.15
Vermont Appraisal Co.	Consulting	1,250.00
Vermont State Treasurer	School Taxes	333,710.95
Vermont State Treasurer	Marriage Licenses	1,150.00
Vermont State Treasurer	Water Department	1,031.87
Vermont State Treasurer	Dog Licenses	1,005.00
Vermont Wholesale Granite	Donor Plaques	1,962.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance/Hospice	Appropriation	5,500.00
VLCT (VT League of Cities & Towns)	Membership/Workshops	3,138.00
VLCT Employment Resource & Benefits	Unemployment Insurance	3,263.00
VLCT PACIF	Property Casualty/WC Ins.	37,359.50
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	Office Supplies	2,622.97
Water Solutions	Water Department	2,188.82
Weld-Tek	Town Hall Renovations	4,560.00
Wings Market	Supplies/Fuel	1,215.63

EMPLOYMENT PAYMENTS IN 2018

Amounts listed are the gross amount paid to individuals making \$1,000 or more.

EMPLOYEE	HOURS	DUTIES	AMOUNT
Jason D. Bachus	454.00	Chief of Police/Town Constable	\$ 18,295.26
Peter B. Berger	N/A	Selectboard Vice-Chair/Election worker	1,160.00
Joanna W. Bligh	406.75	Minutes Clerk (DRB, PC, SB)	6,284.16
John C. Brimmer	1,555.00	Zoning Administrator & PC Planner	33,415.73
Sylvia Brown	197.00	Town Hall Custodian	3,546.18
Russell W. Collins	445.00	Lister	7,080.38
Kevin L. Cummings	183.50	Trash & Recycling Attendant	3,154.39
Joseph J. Deffner	121.50	Milfoil - Boat Ramp Greeter	1,458.00
Robert Edmands	213.00	Library & TH Handyman/Trash Attendant	3,491.03
Ella L. Farrell-Starr	140.50	Milfoil - Boat Ramp Greeter	1,686.00
Melissa P. Gahagan	362.50	Assistant Town Treasurer	8,308.50
Kelly M. Gardner	327.50	Assistant Town Clerk	5,253.10
Samantha Hickman	1,824.00	Library Director	35,513.10
Lisa Hinsley	1,602.25	Town Treasurer	38,272.64
Luke Holland	193.00	Lifeguard	2,123.00
Amy R. Kosakowski	134.00	Library Custodian	2,346.35
Barbara Lantery	283.75	Assistant Town Clerk	4,162.16
Barry G. Larson	370.00	Water Department & Fire Department	11,771.50
Emma K. Larson	272.50	Beach Manager/Lifeguard	3,815.00
Catherine H. McGrath	N/A	Selectboard Member/Election worker	1,035.00
John T. Nunez	1,962.50	Town Administrator	49,744.61
Jamie Ordway	N/A	Fast Squad & Firefighter	1,130.00
Lindsay L. Richardson	127.00	Milfoil - Boat Ramp Greeter	1,524.00
Lars O. Sandvik	246.50	Milfoil - Boat Ramp Greeter	2,958.00
Suzanne Stone	184.25	Library Assistant	2,047.11
Noël G. Walker	1,234.50	Lister/E-911 Coord./Tech Asst.	23,577.56
Georgette K. Wolf-Ludwig	1,945.75	Town Clerk	46,860.66



*Mark Sargent and Russ Smith
at the Town Hall Grand Re-Opening*

**TOWN OF FAIRLEE
2018 GRAND LIST
STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED**

(AS APPROVED BY THE SELECTBOARD ON AUGUST 22, 2018)

GRAND LIST:

Municipal	\$ 2,092,742.00
Homestead	697,822.00
Non-Residential	1,393,071.00
State of VT Special Exemption - from Education Tax (solar fields)	1,849.00

TAXES ASSESSED & BILLED:

	Grand List x	Tax Rate	
General Fund	\$ 2,092,742.00	\$ 0.4510	\$ 943,826.64
Highway Fund	2,092,742.00	0.0900	188,346.78
Water Bond	2,092,742.00	0.0090	18,834.68
Vet Local Agree Rate	2,092,742.00	0.0003	627.82
Lake Fairlee Dam Bond	2,092,742.00	0.0110	23,020.16
Non-Residential Education	1,393,071.00	1.4854	2,069,267.66
Homestead Education	697,822.00	1.6891	1,178,691.14
Total Taxes Assessed & Billed:			4,422,614.89
Late HS-131 Penalty			-
			<u>\$ 4,422,614.89</u>

Municipal Tax Rate	0.5613
Total Non-Residential Tax Rate	2.0467
Total Homestead Tax Rate	2.2504

TAXES ACCOUNTED FOR:

Collections:	
General Fund	\$ 932,375.76
Highway Fund	186,061.68
Water Bond	18,606.17
Lake Fairlee Dam Bond	22,740.87
Veteran's Local Agreement Rate	620.21
Non-Residential Educ.	2,044,162.47
Homestead Educ.	1,164,390.78
Total Collections	4,368,957.94
Delinquent to Collector	53,656.95
Total Taxes Accounted For 12/31/18:	<u>\$ 4,422,614.89</u>

VETERANS EXEMPTIONS:

\$ 80,000.00

DELINQUENT TAXES:

Submitted to Treasurer,	
Delinquent for 2013	\$ 1,038.13
Delinquent for 2014	5,080.33
Delinquent for 2015	4,992.80
Delinquent for 2016	4,982.40
Delinquent for 2017	10,024.75
Delinquent for 2018	27,538.54
Total Delinquent Taxes 12/31/18:	<u>\$ 53,656.95</u>

Submitted on the 23th day of January 2019 by Jason Bachus

TOWN OF FAIRLEE
2018 STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICES
As of December 31, 2018

	<u>PRINCIPAL BALANCE</u>
SHORT-TERM :	
Water Dept. Litigation Loan - (Union Bank)	
Capital Improvement Loan available balance = \$300,000	
Capital Improvement interest rate = 1.44% fixed	
Annual principal and interest payment	
Maturity date = June 23, 2019	\$ 300,000.00
Water Dept. New Tank Loan - (Union Bank)	
USDA Grant Anticipation Note available balance = \$3,675,000	
Grant Anticipation Note interest rate = 2.19% fixed	
Maturity date = December 31, 2019	981,037.53
LONG-TERM:	
Water Dept. Bond - (Bond Bank, held by People's Bank)	
Original Bond principal balance = \$760,720.44	
Bond interest rate = 1%, 20 yr. fixed	
Bond admin fee = 2%, 20 yr. fixed	
Annual payment amount = \$51,987.04	
Maturity date = June 1, 2025	323,893.99
Lake Fairlee Dam Loan - (Community Bank)	
Original Loan principal balance = \$289,000	
Loan interest rate = 2.75%, 20 yr. fixed	
Annual principal payment amount = \$14,450, with interest payments made semi-annually	
Maturity date = July 15, 2035	245,650.00
Town Hall Renov. Loan - (Union Bank)	
Original Loan principal balance = \$835,055	
Loan interest rate = 3.0%	
Monthly principal and interest payments	
Maturity date = December 16, 2037	<u>822,087.42</u>
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT AS OF 12/31/18	<u><u>\$ 2,672,668.94</u></u>

TOWN HALL RENOVATION COST	
Total Project Cost	\$ 1,057,441.87
Less Donations Received	186,724.75
Less Amt. Paid through General Fund	<u>35,662.12</u>
TOTAL LOAN AMOUNT	<u><u>\$ 835,055.00</u></u>

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Cemetery Fund - #41

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 12,967.70	\$ 12,980.06
RECEIPTS:		
Interest - Fund Account	12.36	29.51
Sales of Lots (40%)	-	240.00
TOTAL	<u>12,980.06</u>	<u>13,249.57</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Cemetery Expenses - Maint.	-	6,200.00
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 12,980.06</u>	<u>\$ 7,049.57</u>

Fund established in 1980 with 60% of plot sales added annually for perpetual care.

Cemetery - Certificate of Deposit - Community Bank - #50

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 34,175.05	\$ 34,200.62
RECEIPTS:		
Cemetery CD opened		
Interest	25.57	68.42
TOTAL	<u>34,200.62</u>	<u>34,269.04</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Transfer to Cemetery Fund Account	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 34,200.62</u>	<u>\$ 34,269.04</u>

Cemetery Funds invested in CD.

Rosalene M. Ordway Trust Fund - #42

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	2.90	6.56
TOTAL	<u>2,502.90</u>	<u>2,506.56</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Toward Water On & Off	2.90	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,506.56</u>

Fund established in 1987 with a bequest from Rosalene M. Ordway. Interest only is to be used for the maintenance and improvements of water in the Fairlee Village Cemetery.

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Fairlee Recreation Council Fund - #43

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 9,079.54	\$ 12,106.75
RECEIPTS:		
Donations	50.00	181.02
Calendar Sales	3,795.00	1,706.03
Fairlee Music Series Donations	4,750.00	-
Interest	13.07	31.87
TOTAL	17,687.61	14,025.67
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Calendar Expenses	1,089.00	1,132.38
Fairlee Music Series Expenses	4,457.93	292.07
Misc. Expenses	33.93	111.38
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 12,106.75</u>	<u>\$ 12,489.84</u>

This fund was established to allow the Fairlee Recreation Council to do fundraising for future projects/events and keep the funds separate so that they could be carried over year after year.

Fairlee Historical Society Fund- #44

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 3,715.71	\$ 5,614.08
RECEIPTS:		
Donations	3,300.00	7,336.25
Dues	683.00	1,186.00
Book Sales	80.00	-
Misc. Income	-	700.00
Interest	3.52	10.20
TOTAL	7,782.23	14,846.53
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Grand Re-opening Expenses	-	2,430.56
Town Hall Renovation Expenses	-	7,554.05
Misc. Expense (meetings/supplies/postage/etc.)	2,168.15	698.60
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 5,614.08</u>	<u>\$ 4,163.32</u>

Fund established in 1976 for the purpose of collecting dues and donations to be used for the preservation of the archives and facilitate historical programs.

FHS Town Hall 2nd Floor Fundraising Fund - #61

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 122,900.50	\$ -
RECEIPTS:		
Donations	49,642.28	12,895.01
Transfer from Town (for septic costs)	4,206.25	-
Interest	183.93	14.47
TOTAL	176,932.96	12,909.48
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Transfer to Town towards Renovation cost	176,932.96	12,791.79
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 117.69</u>

Fund established in 2016 to track fundraising efforts for the 2nd floor renovations.

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Scholarship Fund - #45

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 164,033.52	\$ 156,317.91
RECEIPTS:		
Donations	1,100.57	100.00
Interest	183.82	400.08
TOTAL	<u>165,317.91</u>	<u>156,817.99</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Scholarships	9,000.00	12,000.00
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 156,317.91</u>	<u>\$ 144,817.99</u>

Fund established in 1967 as part of the Fairlee School District to give students, who are Fairlee residents, the opportunity to apply for scholarships to help fund continuing education after high school graduation.

Sheldon Miller Bequest Fund - #46

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 33,486.45	\$ 33,525.30
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	38.85	87.88
TOTAL	<u>33,525.30</u>	<u>33,613.18</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Rivendell Interstate School District	-	-
Thetford Academy	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 33,525.30</u>	<u>\$ 33,613.18</u>

Fund established in 1986 with a bequest from Sheldon Miller. Interest only is to be used for educational purposes in connection with the Fairlee Elementary School (now the Samuel Morey Elementary School) and Thetford Academy.

William H. Lange Memorial Forest Fund - #47

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 15,346.19	\$ 15,364.00
RECEIPTS:		
Stumpage Income	-	2,886.47
Interest	17.81	39.81
TOTAL	<u>15,364.00</u>	<u>18,290.28</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Forest Management	-	2,450.00
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 15,364.00</u>	<u>\$ 15,840.28</u>

770 acres acquired through a federal grant and a generous donation from John and Irma Lange in 1981. Any and all funds generated through sound forestry practices are to be used for the maintenance, upkeep and improvement of the 770 acres (only) at the discretion of the five member Forest Board.

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Timber Trust Fund - #48

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 29,144.05	\$ 28,637.62
RECEIPTS:		
Logging Income	-	-
Interest	33.57	74.25
TOTAL	29,177.62	28,711.87
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Forest Management	540.00	650.00
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 28,637.62</u>	<u>\$ 28,061.87</u>

700 acres were acquired prior to 1950 as a result of unpaid property taxes. 10% of the principal is to be set aside annually to be used by the five member Forest Board, at their discretion, for the maintenance, upkeep and improvement of the 700 acres. The balance of any funds generated through forest management are available for use with the majority of voters approval. Three of the more notable activities conducted in the past five years, using these funds, was the clearing to open the view from Bald Top, treatment of the invasives on Bald Top, and the planting of 21 hybrid American Chestnut seedlings (by the Rivendell Academy science students). Each May the sophomore science students will visit the plantings to release any competition and measure the growth. That information will be sent to The American Chestnut Foundation's main office for their records.

Gravel Pit/Logging Fund - #49

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 26,833.14	\$ 26,864.27
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	31.13	70.40
	26,864.27	26,934.67
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Forest Management	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 26,864.27</u>	<u>\$ 26,934.67</u>

100 acres acquired from the State of Vermont for \$1.00 in 1982. Should the town choose to no longer use it for recreational purposes, it reverts back to the State of Vermont. 10% of the funds generated from sound forestry practices are to be set aside annually to be used for the maintenance, upkeep and improvement of the forest. The balance of the funds are available, at the discretion of a majority of the voters, for "Recreation Development."

Firemen's Stock Fund - #52

(CORRECTED)

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 12,713.71	\$ 15,089.59
RECEIPTS:		
Change in Stock Value	2,152.80 *	-
Dividend	223.08	246.49
TOTAL	15,089.59	15,336.08
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 15,089.59</u>	<u>\$ 15,336.08</u>

(* indicates number changed from last year's Town Report, due to Auditor's adjustments)

Fund established in 1995 from a donation made in stocks to the Fairlee Fire Department.

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Reappraisal Reserve Fund - #53

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 55,811.20	\$ 62,407.75
RECEIPTS:		
State of Vermont - Per Parcel	6,470.00	6,503.00
Interest	126.55	166.88
TOTAL	62,407.75	69,077.63
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses (water line work)	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	\$ 62,407.75	\$ 69,077.63

Fund established in 1998, per Statue 32 VSA, §4041a, for the purpose of reappraisal cost related to our grand list.
Funded annually by the State of Vermont.

Restoration Fees Reserve Fund - #54

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 6,131.05	\$ 6,576.83
RECEIPTS:		
Restoration Fees	2,461.28	2,968.20
TOTAL	8,592.33	9,545.03
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	2,015.50	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	\$ 6,576.83	\$ 9,545.03

Fund established on December 8, 1998 for the sole purpose of funding the restoration, preservation and conservation of municipal records filed with the Town Clerk. A portion of the recording fees from land records funds this account.

Listers' Training Reserve Fund - #55

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 1,848.44	\$ 1,848.44
RECEIPTS:		
State of Vermont	135.00	135.00
TOTAL	1,983.44	1,983.44
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Training Expenses	135.00	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	\$ 1,848.44	\$ 1,983.44

Fund established in 2005, per Statue 32 VSA, §4041a (a) and 5405(f), for the purpose of listers' education.
Funded annually by the State of Vermont.

Town Treasurer's Statement of Fund Accounts - 2018

Railroad Station Fund - #58

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 9,460.12	\$ 11,683.37
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	10.99	30.61
Transfer From Railroad Station	<u>2,212.26</u>	<u>777.86</u>
TOTAL	11,683.37	12,491.84
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 11,683.37</u>	<u>\$ 12,491.84</u>

Fund established in 2012 to enable any funds in excess of spending be carried over to the next year to be used to upgrade and repair the Railroad Station.

Library - Perkins Fund - #80

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 500.27	\$ 500.86
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	<u>0.59</u>	<u>1.31</u>
TOTAL	500.86	502.17
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 500.86</u>	<u>\$ 502.17</u>

Fund established by a donation from Homer & Alice Perkins, interest only to be used to purchase nature books.

Library - Titus Fund - #81

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 4,710.21	\$ 4,715.69
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	<u>5.48</u>	<u>12.35</u>
TOTAL	4,715.69	4,728.04
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 4,715.69</u>	<u>\$ 4,728.04</u>

Fund established by a donation from Isabel Currier Titus, interest only to be used to purchase books.

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Library - Bequest Fund - #82

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 26,368.77	\$ 26,399.35
RECEIPTS:		
Interest	30.58	69.20
TOTAL	26,399.35	26,468.55
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Misc. Expenses	-	-
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 26,399.35</u>	<u>\$ 26,468.55</u>

Fund established by misc. donations/bequests of \$300 or more by Library patrons, interest only transferred to the Book Donations fund annually.

Library - Misc. Expenses Fund - #83

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 5,953.44	\$ 6,210.62
RECEIPTS:		
Donations	250.00	550.00
Interest	7.18	15.51
TOTAL	6,210.62	6,776.13
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Library Improvements	-	2,171.98
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 6,210.62</u>	<u>\$ 4,604.15</u>

Fund established by misc. donations by Library patrons specifically for misc. library expenses, funds used to help the library cover expenses not budgeted or exceeding budget.

Library - Book Donations Fund - #84

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
FUND BALANCE, 1 JANUARY	\$ 1,202.59	\$ 1,324.50
RECEIPTS:		
Transfer from Fairlee Library Trustees	-	-
Donations	1,363.73	1,341.38
Interest	1.49	3.46
TOTAL	2,567.81	2,669.34
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Book Purchase Expenses	1,243.31	1,406.81
FUND BALANCE, 31 DECEMBER	<u>\$ 1,324.50</u>	<u>\$ 1,262.53</u>

Fund established by misc. donations/bequests of less than \$300 by Library patrons, for books only. This fund is also spending \$250/year for purchasing books, to lower the book expense line item in the Library Town budget.

GENERAL FUND - SUMMARY BUDGET

	<u>2016 Actual</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
Revenues				
Administration	\$ 29,600	\$ 44,899	\$ 28,275	\$ 16,900
Cemetery	1,080	-	360	-
Community Organizations	-	-	-	-
Emergency Services and Building	24,320	30,855	24,120	24,120
Fire & Rescue	34	-	-	-
Forestry	-	-	-	-
Health	-	-	-	-
Library	971	1,455	891	800
Listers	61,371	67,556	68,916	68,538
Milfoil-Lake Morey	66,378	47,457	51,368	94,508
Other	2,375	2,375	-	-
Police	8,826	3,677	3,701	2,000
Railroad Station	4,800	4,800	5,700	5,200
Recreation Council	3,193	3,565	2,583	3,000
Town Hall & Parks	559	169	250	27,700
Trash & Recycling	2,193	2,004	2,368	6,725
Tri-Town Commission	-	-	-	-
Zoning	10,398	4,481	35,141	57,500
Total Revenues	<u>216,098</u>	<u>213,292</u>	<u>223,673</u>	<u>306,991</u>
Expenses				
Administration	268,753	275,924	280,348	297,668
Cemetery	9,378	9,049	16,020	11,395
Community Organizations	23,960	24,750	25,000	25,500
Emergency Services and Building	71,531	52,453	59,186	70,253
Fire & Rescue	58,888	57,545	55,514	71,494
Forestry	269	269	269	769
Health	646	-	-	-
Library	76,246	81,786	86,246	93,319
Listers	35,181	36,037	37,039	41,746
Milfoil-Lake Morey	54,000	60,652	60,636	119,963
Other	63,668	72,068	60,833	64,000
Police	37,784	43,383	41,598	45,047
Railroad Station	4,800	4,800	5,700	5,200
Recreation Council	16,694	19,816	14,054	21,745
Town Hall & Parks	48,937	41,265	62,348	86,287
Trash & Recycling	29,905	23,743	25,476	30,057
Tri-Town Commission	14,429	420	1,412	1,250
Zoning	48,336	63,346	50,500	112,483
Total Expenses	<u>863,405</u>	<u>867,304</u>	<u>882,178</u>	<u>1,098,174</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (647,306)</u>	<u>\$ (654,012)</u>	<u>\$ (658,506)</u>	<u>\$ (791,183)</u>

GENERAL FUND - SUMMARY BUDGET

	2016 Taxes <u>As Billed</u>	2017 Taxes <u>As Billed</u>	2018 Taxes <u>As Billed</u>	2019 Taxes <u>(Estimated)</u>
General Fund (Income)/Expense	\$ 684,791	\$ 725,455	\$ 735,793	\$ 791,183
Capital Budget to be Raised by Taxes	252,333	227,933	239,522	181,105
Cash Available/Carry Forward	<u>(63,349)</u>	<u>(73,159)</u>	<u>(31,492)</u>	<u>(13,000)</u>
Town to be Raised by Taxes	<u>873,775</u>	<u>880,229</u>	<u>943,823</u>	<u>959,288</u>
Highway Revenues	(65,000)	(35,000)	(64,600)	(69,416)
Highway Expenses	<u>256,734</u>	<u>219,997</u>	<u>243,138</u>	<u>232,944</u>
Highway to be Raised by Taxes	<u>191,734</u>	<u>184,997</u>	<u>178,538</u>	<u>163,528</u>
Water Bond to be Raised by Taxes	<u>17,879</u>	<u>17,879</u>	<u>17,879</u>	<u>17,879</u>
Veteran's Local Agreement Rate	<u>735</u>	<u>735</u>	<u>735</u>	<u>735</u>
Lake Fairlee Dam Loan Payments	<u>22,000</u>	<u>22,000</u>	<u>21,603</u>	<u>21,205</u>
Town Hall Loan Payments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,573</u>
Total Municipal Taxes to be Raised	<u>\$ 1,106,123</u>	<u>\$ 1,105,840</u>	<u>\$ 1,162,578</u>	<u>\$ 1,219,208</u>
Total Tax Rate - Actual	<u>\$ 0.5350</u>	<u>\$ 0.5313</u>	<u>\$ 0.5613</u>	
Total Tax Rate - Estimated	<u>\$ 0.5402</u>	<u>\$ 0.5321</u>	<u>\$ 0.5594</u>	<u>\$ 0.5826</u>
Difference from last year				<u>\$ 0.0213</u>
Percentage increase over last year				3.79%

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

ADMINISTRATION	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Property Taxes	\$ 1,104,648.51	\$ 1,154,777.12	\$ -	\$ -
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	23,410.32	5,663.88	-	-
Delinquent Tax Fee	8,791.66	8,619.08	6,000.00	6,000.00
Clerks Fees	8,182.72	9,599.84	7,500.00	8,000.00
License Fees -Marriage/Dog	1,727.00	1,603.50	1,700.00	1,700.00
Vehicle Registration Fees	351.00	329.00	350.00	250.00
Copier Fees	186.44	479.23	200.00	200.00
Large Format Copies	123.75	43.00	150.00	50.00
Misc. Income	677.14	543.97	-	-
Interest Income	1,449.33	1,393.68	1,500.00	700.00
Total Revenues	1,149,547.87	1,183,052.30	17,400.00	16,900.00
Less Property Taxes	(1,104,648.51)	(1,154,777.12)	-	-
Total Revenues Less Property Taxes	44,899.36	28,275.18	17,400.00	16,900.00
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages - Selectboard	2,650.00	2,650.00	2,650.00	2,650.00
Salaries & Wages - Town Administrator (TA)	45,173.10	43,259.11	44,786.95	47,324.00
Salaries & Wages - Town Clerk	45,233.47	44,595.66	45,289.92	46,653.36
Salaries & Wages - Treasurer Office	31,941.87	42,497.68	30,939.52	46,347.80
Salaries & Wages - Auditor	300.00	200.00	300.00	300.00
Salaries & Wages - Asst. Clerk	6,062.63	9,700.18	10,008.96	10,309.23
Salaries & Wages - Minutes Clerk	5,103.05	6,284.16	6,601.00	6,800.00
Salaries & Wages - Tech Asst.	1,404.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Delinquent Tax Commission	8,853.15	8,003.04	6,000.00	6,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	11,873.23	12,827.07	11,327.84	12,843.16
Unemployment Insurance	2,306.00	3,263.00	2,542.00	2,542.00
Auditors Expense	3,000.00	-	-	4,160.00
TA/Selectboard Expense	3,916.97	3,265.17	3,000.00	2,550.00
Town Clerk & Treasurer Expense	1,085.47	804.90	1,600.00	1,400.00
Town Report	2,660.09	2,610.52	3,050.00	3,150.00
Vt. League of Cities & Towns	2,094.00	2,138.00	2,138.00	2,138.00
Advertising	2,734.36	464.78	1,500.00	1,500.00
Postage	2,206.66	2,847.88	2,500.00	3,445.00
Office Supplies	2,456.73	3,198.72	2,500.00	3,000.00
Clerk's Supplies	798.38	977.94	1,000.00	1,200.00
Training	1,095.00	1,515.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
Computer & Internet Expense	15,445.27	15,664.18	15,438.00	16,100.00
Website	1,112.45	1,245.34	1,000.00	1,400.00
Equipment - New	4,613.82	570.69	2,600.00	1,500.00
Equipment - Repair	-	-	500.00	500.00
Equipment Maintenance/Contracts	11,337.05	11,649.47	13,923.00	10,660.00
Travel/Mileage Expense	1,504.28	1,686.50	1,000.00	1,300.00
General Liability/Workers' Comp Insurance	9,578.00	9,777.75	8,361.00	5,127.00
Health/Dental/Eye Insurance	42,912.58	36,347.45	46,514.88	38,743.20
Retirement Plans	-	6,315.00	6,300.00	7,100.00
Telephone	1,444.64	2,109.05	1,500.00	2,600.00

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

ADMINISTRATION	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Emergency Telephone	1,970.00	1,970.00	2,000.00	325.00
Professional Fees - Other	2,401.27	300.00	10,000.00	5,000.00
Lake Fairlee Dam Loan	25,572.14	17,996.98	21,602.75	21,205.38
Town Hall Renovation Loan	-	26,448.30	-	56,573.40
Misc. Expense	-	109.38	-	-
Interest Exp - Tax Anticipation	-	-	-	-
Reimbursable Expenses	655.98	-	-	-
Total Expenses	301,495.64	324,792.90	311,973.82	375,446.53
Less Lake Fairlee Dam Bond	25,572.14	17,996.98	21,602.75	21,205.38
Less Town Hall Renovation Loan	-	26,448.30	-	56,573.40
Total Operating Expenses	275,923.50	280,347.62	290,371.07	297,667.75
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (231,024.14)</u>	<u>\$ (252,072.44)</u>	<u>\$ (272,971.07)</u>	<u>\$ (280,767.75)</u>

Notes:

All Salaries & Wages 2019: All salaries & wages include 3% cost of living (COL) increase. Town Administrator Salaries and Wages 2018 over because of increased hourly rate due to not taking the health insurance benefit. Treasurer's office hours increased from 27 hours in 2018 to 40 hours per week in 2019 to meet the demands of the office.

Auditors Expense 2019: Need \$8,000 for Professional Review of books, of which \$3,840 will be used from capital budget line item Financial Audit. If a Single Audit is required by USDA due to Water Dept. construction project, difference between a Review and Single Audit will be paid by the Water Dept.

Town Report 2019: Includes printing of Town Report, postage to mail, and \$700 for compilation if needed.

Postage 2019: Increased to include TA, Listers, Police, and Zoning postage. All will be shown in Admin for 2019 instead of department budgets.

Equipment - New 2019: To purchase new paper folder and envelope inserter.

Telephone 2019: Increased to include TA, Listers and Zoning phone charges. All will be shown in Admin for 2019 instead of department budgets.

Emergency Telephone 2019: Town of Hanover changed the formula for calculating Dispatching fees (decrease in Admin. Emergency phone is shown as increase in Fire/FAST).



Town Hall south end ADA entrance

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

CEMETERY	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Sale of Lots (60%)	\$ -	360.00	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Income - Fund	-	-	-	-
Interest Income - CD	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>360.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenses				
Cornerstones	140.00	145.00	-	150.00
Monument Repair	-	-	800.00	1,000.00
Insurance	39.00	39.75	31.00	35.00
Water	624.31	602.22	640.00	710.00
Contracted Services	7,867.50	14,910.00	14,839.00	9,075.00
Flag Expense	261.17	297.65	300.00	300.00
Association Dues	-	-	25.00	25.00
Misc. Expense	116.74	25.00	100.00	100.00
Total Expenses	<u>9,048.72</u>	<u>16,019.62</u>	<u>16,735.00</u>	<u>11,395.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (9,048.72)</u>	<u>\$ (15,659.62)</u>	<u>\$ (16,735.00)</u>	<u>\$ (11,395.00)</u>

Notes:

Monument Repair 2019: Increased to \$1,000 to purchase cleaning solution for monuments.

Contracted Services 2019: Mowing/spring & fall clean-up Fairlee Cemetery, Ely Cemetery and Brushwood Cemetery. Tree removal and maintenance will be paid for out of Cemetery Fund (#41).



Moderator Bruce Taylor reading the Proclamation at the Fairlee Town Hall Grand Re-Opening

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	-	-	-	-
Expenses				
American Red Cross	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
The Mentoring Project	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Capstone Community Action	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Central Vermont Adult Basic Ed, Inc.	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
CVCOA	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Clara Martin Center	1,545.00	1,545.00	1,545.00	1,545.00
Cohase Chamber of Commerce	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Orange County Parent Child Center	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Little Rivers Health Care	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Lake Fairlee Assoc. Milfoil	5,000.00	5,250.00	5,250.00	5,250.00
Orange County Diversion Program	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Orange East Senior Center	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Oxbow Senior Independence Program	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Rivendell Trails Association	450.00	450.00	450.00	450.00
Rivendell Rec Association	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Safeline	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
Stagecoach Transportation	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
Vermont. Assoc. for the Blind & Vis. Impaired	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
VNA/Hospice	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Total Expenses	24,750.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,500.00
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	\$ (24,750.00)	\$ (25,000.00)	\$ (25,000.00)	\$ (25,500.00)

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

EMERGENCY SERVICES AND BUILDING	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Emergency Building Rent	\$ 26,130.00	\$ 24,120.00	\$ 24,120.00	\$ 24,120.00
Efficiency VT Refund	4,725.00	-	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>30,855.00</u>	<u>24,120.00</u>	<u>24,120.00</u>	<u>24,120.00</u>
Expenses				
Equipment - Repair	294.88	357.57	300.00	400.00
Building Repairs	808.34	1,161.84	2,000.00	8,000.00
Building Repairs - Old Fire Station	-	-	1,500.00	1,800.00
Contracted Services	1,351.00	911.50	900.00	1,000.00
Upper Valley Ambulance	36,149.00	42,011.00	42,011.00	43,428.00
Insurance	2,601.86	2,874.78	2,689.28	3,074.88
Electric	5,381.07	5,536.05	5,200.00	5,200.00
Fuel	4,217.33	4,655.88	5,000.00	5,000.00
Water	401.62	429.74	410.00	500.00
Rubbish	1,248.00	1,248.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Septic Pumping	-	-	-	600.00
Total Expenses	<u>52,453.10</u>	<u>59,186.36</u>	<u>61,260.28</u>	<u>70,252.88</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (21,598.10)</u>	<u>\$ (35,066.36)</u>	<u>\$ (37,140.28)</u>	<u>\$ (46,132.88)</u>

Notes:

Building Repairs 2019: Repairs to ceiling in bays.

Building Repairs - Old Fire Station 2019: Replace garage door.

Contracted Services 2019: Furnace maintenance (\$500), Generator maintenance (\$400).

Upper Valley Ambulance 2019: UVA operating budget increased by \$1 per capita (2.5% increase). Also included is the ambulance replacement surcharge (year two of two year temporary surcharge) of \$4 per capita.

(Upper Valley Ambulance formerly part of Health, as was Health Officer Salaries & Wages. Since Health Officer has now been brought in-house and covered under the Zoning Office, Upper Valley Ambulance was moved to this department. We have renamed this department Emergency Services and Building and done away with Health.)

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

FIRE & FAST SQUAD	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages - Fire	8,595.00	5,505.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Salaries & Wages - FAST	2,085.00	1,290.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	764.24	462.47	994.50	994.50
Supplies - Fire	1,035.73	814.18	1,250.00	1,250.00
Supplies - FAST	2,351.75	243.01	3,000.00	3,000.00
Office Supplies	58.00	68.95	100.00	100.00
Training - Fire	677.95	635.45	1,000.00	1,000.00
Training - FAST	150.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
Computer/Internet	1,499.40	1,636.19	1,659.00	1,659.00
Equipment - New Fire	15,446.85	18,239.53	13,000.00	13,000.00
Equipment - New FAST	-	294.63	2,000.00	2,500.00
Equipment - Repair	11.48	337.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Vehicle Operation/Maintenance	3,412.03	4,934.03	5,000.00	5,000.00
Insurance - Fire	9,957.75	9,518.57	9,929.05	9,796.55
Insurance - FAST	2,006.39	1,951.15	1,994.67	1,969.57
Telephone & Dispatch	9,493.15	9,583.54	9,500.00	11,724.00
Total Expenses	<u>57,544.72</u>	<u>55,513.70</u>	<u>68,927.22</u>	<u>71,493.62</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (57,544.72)</u>	<u>\$ (55,513.70)</u>	<u>\$ (68,927.22)</u>	<u>\$ (71,493.62)</u>

Notes:

Training - FAST 2019: Continue to fund training for those finishing their AEMT and for continuing education.

Equipment - FAST 2019: Continue to upgrade med kits and replace disposable supplies.

Telephone & Dispatch 2019: Town of Hanover changed the formula for calculating Dispatching fees (decrease in Admin. Emergency phone is shown as increase in Fire/FAST).

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

FORESTRY	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	19.13	19.13	19.00	19.00
Equipment - New	-	-	750.00	-
Vehicle Operation/Maintenance	-	-	500.00	500.00
Total Expenses	<u>269.13</u>	<u>269.13</u>	<u>1,519.00</u>	<u>769.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (269.13)</u>	<u>\$ (269.13)</u>	<u>\$ (1,519.00)</u>	<u>\$ (769.00)</u>



Bill and Judy Pierson

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

HEALTH	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	-	-	-	-
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	-	-	600.00	-
Payroll Taxes Expense	-	-	46.00	-
Upper Valley Ambulance	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	-	-	646.00	-
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (646.00)	\$ -

Notes:

Salaries & Wages 2019: Position to be brought in-house and covered under Zoning office.

Upper Valley Ambulance 2019: Moved to Emergency Building and Services.



Fairlee Country Scottish Dancers performed at the Fairlee Town Hall Grand Re-Opening

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

HIGHWAY	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
State Highway Funds	\$ 40,257.31	\$ 40,241.35	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Grant Income	-	13,844.94	24,600.00	29,416.00
Misc. Income	310.00	305.00	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>40,567.31</u>	<u>54,391.29</u>	<u>69,600.00</u>	<u>69,416.00</u>
Expenses				
Winter Roads	131,256.07	125,817.15	97,000.00	97,000.00
Sand/Salt/Aggregate	26,254.65	32,770.74	30,000.00	28,000.00
Summer Rd - Resurfacing	25,292.92	2,556.27	20,000.00	20,000.00
Summer Rd - Maintenance	71,591.55	22,785.00	45,000.00	30,000.00
Summer Rd - Ditching	5,500.96	2,210.00	15,000.00	10,000.00
Summer Rd - Mowing	7,000.00	6,375.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Summer Rd - Culvert Maintenance	9,960.92	614.42	10,000.00	10,000.00
Tree Removal/Trimming ROW	-	4,550.00	5,000.00	7,000.00
Guardrail - Maintenance & Repair	-	-	-	7,000.00
Street Signs - Maintenance & Repair	938.62	187.91	750.00	750.00
Summer Rd - Sweeping	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Street Lighting	7,673.11	7,164.29	7,500.00	7,500.00
Special Projects	-	-	-	5,000.00
Municipal Roads General Permit	-	1,140.00	2,000.00	1,800.00
Highway Advertising	-	-	400.00	400.00
Insurance	347.00	335.50	262.00	294.00
Grant Expense	-	1,174.16	2,026.00	-
Misc. Expense	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	<u>286,915.80</u>	<u>208,780.44</u>	<u>243,138.00</u>	<u>232,944.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (246,348.49)</u>	<u>\$ (154,389.15)</u>	<u>\$ (173,538.00)</u>	<u>\$ (163,528.00)</u>

Notes:

Sand/Salt/Aggregate 2019: Salt prices based on historical usage, price locked in for 2018 and 2019 per contract.

Special Projects 2019: Class 4 culverts and road maintenance (Brushwood & Knoblock Road).

Grant Expense 2019: All expenses related to grant income are part of the normal operating Highway budget, included in line items above.

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

LIBRARY	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Book Income	\$ 42.50	\$ 11.74	\$ 75.00	\$ 50.00
Program Income	91.99	82.05	50.00	50.00
Computer Income	207.19	358.31	200.00	200.00
Copier Income	133.85	117.80	200.00	100.00
Postage Income	558.81	120.92	400.00	200.00
Grant Income	420.00	200.00	-	200.00
Total Revenues	<u>1,454.34</u>	<u>890.82</u>	<u>925.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages - Librarian	31,950.47	35,395.27	35,436.00	36,499.08
Salaries & Wages - Sub. Salary	577.27	808.25	834.00	1,201.55
Salaries & Wages - Cleaning	1,718.14	2,464.18	2,732.00	2,813.51
Salaries & Wages - Seasonal Asst.	803.86	1,238.86	1,334.00	1,374.02
Salaries & Wages - Grounds	739.89	868.68	820.00	845.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	2,723.10	3,119.23	3,148.43	3,269.09
Automation System Maintenance	561.46	546.22	896.24	896.24
Books	3,978.27	3,930.61	4,000.00	4,000.00
Books - Juvenile	2,050.69	1,758.58	2,050.00	2,800.00
Media (DVD's, audio books etc.)	1,350.00	1,337.24	1,350.00	1,400.00
Subscriptions	450.59	463.59	460.00	460.00
Inter-Library Loan for Lost Books	-	-	50.00	50.00
Audio/Visual Co-ops	412.14	492.68	595.00	595.00
Prizes	170.43	167.43	175.00	175.00
Programs	1,341.82	1,370.47	1,350.00	1,400.00
Public Relations	57.16	62.40	75.00	75.00
Computer Expense	4,009.09	3,763.17	4,000.00	4,000.00
Copier Expense	44.35	191.19	250.00	250.00
Annual Cleaning Expense	495.00	495.00	550.00	550.00
Postage	1,262.17	885.45	1,300.00	1,000.00
Supplies	694.31	793.55	800.00	800.00
Custodial Supplies	346.79	350.00	350.00	350.00
Conf., Dues & Workshops	656.65	209.12	500.00	800.00
Equipment - New	1,476.37	1,434.13	1,500.00	750.00
Equipment - Repair/Maintenance	328.28	216.90	500.00	500.00
Building Repairs	4,500.00	2,678.00	2,678.00	3,500.00
Mileage	351.82	541.86	642.00	450.00
Insurance-Contents/Building	2,760.00	3,612.50	2,725.00	3,550.00
Health/Dental/Eye Insurance	8,707.75	9,614.42	9,489.60	9,929.28
Telephone	383.63	389.15	360.00	400.00
Computer Telephone	1,847.88	1,847.88	1,848.00	1,848.00
Electric	2,149.11	2,471.43	2,600.00	2,600.00
Security	288.00	288.00	288.00	288.00
Fuel	1,307.62	2,010.47	2,500.00	2,500.00
Water	401.62	429.74	410.00	500.00
Septic	890.00	-	-	900.00

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

LIBRARY	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
Total Expenses	81,785.73	86,245.65	88,596.27	93,318.76
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	\$ (80,331.39)	\$ (85,354.83)	\$ (87,671.27)	\$ (92,518.76)

Notes:

Grant Income: Received a grant for Marko the Magician program held at Library, expense shown under Programs.

Salaries & Wages - Librarian 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

Salaries & Wages - Sub Salary 2019: Includes 3% COL increase and hours increased to 105 hours per year.

Salaries & Wages - Cleaning 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

Salaries & Wages - Seasonal Assistant 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

Salaries & Wages - Grounds 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

Books - Juvenile 2019: Increased \$750 to cover demand of three sections of the Library (picture book, juvenile, and young adult).

Conf., Dues & Workshops 2019: Increased to cover cost of Association for Rural and Small Libraries conference in Burlington, VT.

Building Repairs 2019: Increased to cover cost of landscaping of flowerbeds (\$500/year), interior painting, and exterior trim painting.



Richie the gardener – and friend!

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

LISTERS	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
State of Vermont - Current Use	\$ 66,759.00	\$ 68,249.00	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 68,000.00
State of Vermont - PILOT	796.65	667.13	667.00	538.00
Total Revenues	<u>67,555.65</u>	<u>68,916.13</u>	<u>66,667.00</u>	<u>68,538.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	28,905.84	29,242.13	32,771.00	33,753.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	2,318.68	2,351.77	2,507.00	2,582.10
Map Maintenance	2,707.00	2,550.00	2,706.00	2,806.00
User Assoc. Fees	50.00	60.00	60.00	140.00
CAMA/MICROSOLVE	215.00	716.50	460.00	715.00
Postage	118.28	184.27	125.00	-
Supplies	-	-	150.00	150.00
Mileage	396.76	320.78	500.00	500.00
Telephone	325.38	283.13	390.00	-
Professional Fees	1,000.00	1,250.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
Misc. Expense	-	80.00	100.00	100.00
Total Expenses	<u>36,036.94</u>	<u>37,038.58</u>	<u>41,269.00</u>	<u>41,746.10</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ 31,518.71</u>	<u>\$ 31,877.55</u>	<u>\$ 25,398.00</u>	<u>\$ 26,791.90</u>

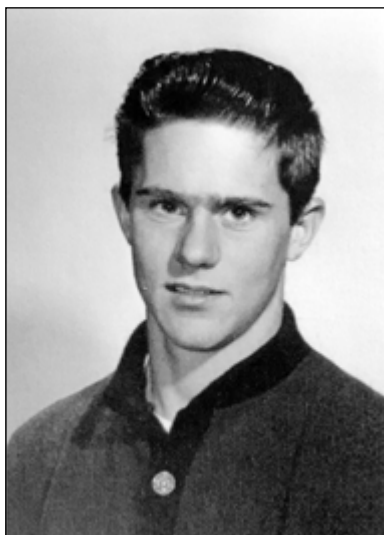
Notes:

Salaries & Wages 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

CAMA/MICROSOLVE 2018: 2016 & 2017 invoices not received and paid until 2018.

Postage/Telephone 2019: Moved to Administration budget line items. Due to new systems, these amounts are not able to be tracked separately anymore.

Misc. Expense 2019: Includes conference fees.



Bill's senior photo



GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

MILFOIL	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Grant Inc - State of Vermont	\$ 16,470.00	\$ 18,769.00	\$ 17,200.00	\$ 28,500.00
Misc. Income - In-kind	25,077.00	27,620.00	26,095.00	27,738.00
Misc. Income - Donations	5,910.00	4,979.40	7,776.00	38,270.00
Total Revenues	<u>47,457.00</u>	<u>51,368.40</u>	<u>51,071.00</u>	<u>94,508.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages - Boat Greeter	8,740.64	7,626.00	10,224.00	9,290.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	398.84	583.40	782.00	710.00
In-kind Expense	25,077.00	27,620.00	26,095.00	27,738.00
Gasoline/Oil	84.30	33.35	100.00	100.00
Contractual	22,950.00	21,500.00	28,500.00	78,000.00
Equipment - Repair/Maintenance	686.05	170.00	500.00	400.00
Equipment - Storage	583.13	725.75	700.00	750.00
Insurance	317.00	528.75	240.00	1,155.00
Misc. Expense	114.55	148.90	120.00	120.00
Misc. Expense - TA Salary	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Total Expenses	<u>60,651.51</u>	<u>60,636.15</u>	<u>68,961.00</u>	<u>119,963.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (13,194.51)</u>	<u>\$ (9,267.75)</u>	<u>\$ (17,890.00)</u>	<u>\$ (25,455.00)</u>

Notes:

Misc. Income - Donations 2019: Lake Morey Foundation and Lake Morey Protective Assoc. to donate one-half the cost of the treatment for the lake (\$63,000) as well as a portion of the greeters program.

Contractual 2019: Solitude will be treating 39.1 acres of Lake Morey.

Insurance 2019: Increase due to workers comp for boat greeters now being charged to Milfoil.



Don Weaver and family at the Orford/Fairlee Lions Club annual Lobster/Steak dinner

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

OTHER	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Weed Harvester Income	\$ 2,375.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>2,375.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenses				
Board of Civil Authority	160.01	113.04	1,000.00	500.00
Elections	1,036.82	3,211.85	3,000.00	1,000.00
County Tax	47,759.45	47,344.63	53,000.00	53,000.00
Memorial Day/July 4th	1,557.00	1,904.57	3,000.00	2,000.00
Weed Harvester Expense	1,633.07	-	-	-
Land Records Restoration	380.48	350.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fireworks	5,000.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Emergency Management	246.56	377.50	1,650.00	1,000.00
Lake Fairlee Dam	14,294.14	2,031.50	2,040.00	-
Total Expenses	<u>72,067.53</u>	<u>60,833.09</u>	<u>70,190.00</u>	<u>64,000.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (69,692.53)</u>	<u>\$ (60,833.09)</u>	<u>\$ (70,190.00)</u>	<u>\$ (64,000.00)</u>

Notes:

Weed Harvester 2018: Sold in 2018, proceeds from sale of \$7,750 in Milfoil Capital Budget.

Emergency Management 2019: Includes office supplies (\$250), equipment repair (\$250), mileage (\$300) and training (\$200).



*Cutting of the Ribbon at the Grand Re-Opening of the Fairlee Town Hall
Bruce Taylor, Don Weaver, Peter Lange, Noël Walker, and Georgette Wolf-Ludwig*

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

POLICE	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Fines & Fees	\$ 3,677.02	\$ 1,730.50	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Grant Income	-	1,970.00	2,000.00	-
Total Revenues	<u>3,677.02</u>	<u>3,700.50</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	15,450.44	10,292.22	18,000.00	12,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	1,181.93	799.23	1,377.00	918.00
Subcontractors	14,786.04	13,496.50	12,300.00	18,300.00
Uniforms	404.89	-	400.00	150.00
Grant Expense	-	4,350.00	4,000.00	-
Postage	0.46	0.46	20.00	-
Supplies/Forms	155.00	99.49	100.00	100.00
Training	500.00	70.00	500.00	150.00
Computer/Internet	900.05	491.47	1,000.00	500.00
Equipment/Fees	869.67	384.25	1,000.00	2,000.00
Equipment Repair	285.00	-	-	-
Mileage	11.24	122.63	200.00	100.00
Vehicle Expense	1,073.90	1,941.31	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance	4,764.00	6,395.25	5,188.00	4,829.00
Dispatch PD	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
Animal Control	-	155.00	400.00	500.00
Total Expenses	<u>43,382.62</u>	<u>41,597.81</u>	<u>49,485.00</u>	<u>45,047.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (39,705.60)</u>	<u>\$ (37,897.31)</u>	<u>\$ (44,485.00)</u>	<u>\$ (43,047.00)</u>

Notes:

Salaries & Wages 2019: Includes 3% COL increase. Hours reduced and time given to Orange County Sherriff's dept. (Subcontractors).

Postage 2019: Moved to Administration budget line items. Due to new systems, these amounts are not able to be tracked separately anymore.

Equipment/Fees 2019: Increased for purchasing new service pistol and shotgun.

Animal Control 2019: Town has now hired someone to be the Animal Control Officer who is paid per occurrence.

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

RAILROAD STATION	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Grant Income	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Railroad Station Rent	4,800.00	5,200.00	5,400.00	5,200.00
In-kind Income	-	-	500.00	-
Total Revenues	<u>4,800.00</u>	<u>5,700.00</u>	<u>5,900.00</u>	<u>5,200.00</u>
Expenses				
Grant Expense	-	1,200.00	-	-
Insurance	1,691.00	2,271.50	1,781.00	1,962.00
Electric	348.07	463.39	560.00	560.00
In-kind Expense	-	374.22	500.00	-
Property Improvement/Maintenance	548.67	-	2,400.00	500.00
Water	-	613.03	375.00	500.00
Contracted Services	-	-	-	625.00
Transfer Income to RR Fund	2,212.26	777.86	284.00	1,053.00
Total Expenses	<u>4,800.00</u>	<u>5,700.00</u>	<u>5,900.00</u>	<u>5,200.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Notes:

Grant Income/Expense 2018: The project was partially funded by a grant from the Preservation Trust of Vermont.

Contracted Services 2019: New line item added to more accurately show Port-a-Potty services, previously shown in Property Improvement/Maintenance.

Transfer Income to RR Fund: Net Revenues Over Expenses at year-end are transferred to Railroad Station Fund - #58.



Russ Smith, Fairlee Historical Society President

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

RECREATION COUNCIL	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Swim Lesson Fees	\$ 1,780.00	\$ 495.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 800.00
Swim Lesson Fees - Non-Resident	-	105.00	800.00	400.00
Beach Pass - Resident	840.00	1,882.50	800.00	1,000.00
Beach Pass - Non-Resident	945.00	45.00	-	800.00
Beach Pass - Day	-	55.00	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>3,565.00</u>	<u>2,582.50</u>	<u>3,200.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages -Beach Staff	6,627.48	2,123.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Salaries & Wages - Beach Manager	3,913.68	3,815.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	806.39	454.22	995.00	995.00
Red Cross	484.50	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Beach - Operations/Maintenance	2,074.17	1,607.86	1,000.00	1,000.00
Beach - Buildings/Grounds	1,535.09	535.92	1,250.00	1,000.00
Special Activities	806.85	1,147.62	850.00	1,000.00
Advertising	614.90	656.99	700.00	700.00
Postage	78.60	-	300.00	25.00
Equipment - New	-	196.07	200.00	275.00
Insurance	1,446.00	2,139.25	1,783.00	1,425.00
Telephone	371.45	373.32	325.00	375.00
Electric	274.90	252.55	300.00	300.00
Water	602.21	582.22	650.00	650.00
Misc. Expense	-	170.00	-	-
Rubbish	180.00	-	200.00	-
Total Expenses	<u>19,816.22</u>	<u>14,054.02</u>	<u>22,553.00</u>	<u>21,745.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (16,251.22)</u>	<u>\$ (11,471.52)</u>	<u>\$ (19,353.00)</u>	<u>\$ (18,745.00)</u>

Notes:

Equipment- New 2019: Purchasing new swim training toys and padded swim bars.

Rubbish 2018/2019: Rubbish from beach being taken to Town Hall and put in dumpster there.

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

TOWN HALL & PARKS	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Town Common Rent	\$ 14.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Town Hall Rent	-	200.00	-	500.00
Grant Income - Comm. Arts	-	-	-	13,500.00
Misc. Income - Donation	-	-	-	13,500.00
Misc. Income	155.00	50.00	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>169.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,700.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	3,819.28	4,447.58	5,000.00	5,500.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	292.19	340.23	382.50	420.75
Parks	550.88	691.41	1,000.00	1,000.00
Grant Expense	-	-	-	27,000.00
Custodial Supplies	380.55	1,291.39	750.00	1,500.00
Equipment - New	-	711.89	1,000.00	1,500.00
Equipment - Repair	241.12	-	250.00	250.00
Building Repairs	12,650.98	1,909.27	20,000.00	14,000.00
Town Hall Renovations	-	17,422.51	-	-
Insurance	5,513.00	7,167.00	5,513.00	6,616.00
Electric	3,842.57	6,813.60	4,000.00	5,000.00
Heating Fuel/Propane	2,833.19	4,810.69	3,000.00	5,000.00
Rubbish Removal	-	-	-	650.00
Water	697.03	745.83	711.00	825.00
Contracted Services	10,444.27	15,996.46	11,000.00	17,025.00
Total Expenses	<u>41,265.06</u>	<u>62,347.86</u>	<u>52,606.50</u>	<u>86,286.75</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (41,096.06)</u>	<u>\$ (62,097.86)</u>	<u>\$ (52,606.50)</u>	<u>\$ (58,586.75)</u>

Notes:

Grant Income/Misc. Income - Donations/Grant Expense 2019: Fairlee Community Arts (FCA) applied for a grant which named the town as recipient for sound and av equipment. Total project is \$27,000 of which \$13,500 will be paid through a grant and the other \$13,500 by donations raised by FCA.

Salaries & Wages 2019: Includes 3% COL increase and increased hours for cleaning upstairs.

Building Repairs 2019: Includes water filters being replaced every 3 months (\$200), heating filters replaced monthly (\$800), 2nd floor sanding and refinishing (\$2,627), sprinkler head replacements/valve inspection (\$5,500) plus normal repairs.

Rubbish Removal 2019: Small dumpster placed at Town Hall in 2018 for trash from Town Hall, Library and Beach.

Contracted Services 2019: Includes elevator contract of (\$3,000), HVAC contract (\$1,488), mowing contract (\$8,575), fire sprinkler system maintenance (\$1,450), rug cleaning (\$2,100), water filtration machine (\$410).

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

TRASH & RECYCLING

	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
Revenues				
Trash Income - T & R	\$ 125.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 130.00	\$ -
Dump Pass	840.00	892.50	900.00	700.00
Scrap Metal	917.57	1,317.03	650.00	900.00
Aluminum	121.00	123.50	50.00	125.00
Grant Income - CVSWD	-	-	-	5,000.00
Grant Income - Green Up	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>2,003.57</u>	<u>2,368.03</u>	<u>1,730.00</u>	<u>6,725.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	4,715.07	4,875.34	5,000.00	6,872.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	360.51	372.84	382.50	525.71
Recycling	15,996.00	15,996.00	15,996.00	15,996.00
Facility Maintenance	67.33	1,565.06	1,500.00	2,000.00
Metal Dump	-	100.00	-	100.00
Brush Dump	945.00	170.00	1,000.00	500.00
Membership Fee - CVSWD	987.00	987.00	1,000.00	987.00
Composting	-	276.00	500.00	1,200.00
Green-Up Expense	191.11	-	200.00	200.00
Workers Comp. Ins.	481.00	1,133.75	871.00	1,051.00
Contracted Services	-	-	-	625.00
Total Expenses	<u>23,743.02</u>	<u>25,475.99</u>	<u>26,449.50</u>	<u>30,056.71</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (21,739.45)</u>	<u>\$ (23,107.96)</u>	<u>\$ (24,719.50)</u>	<u>\$ (23,331.71)</u>

Notes:

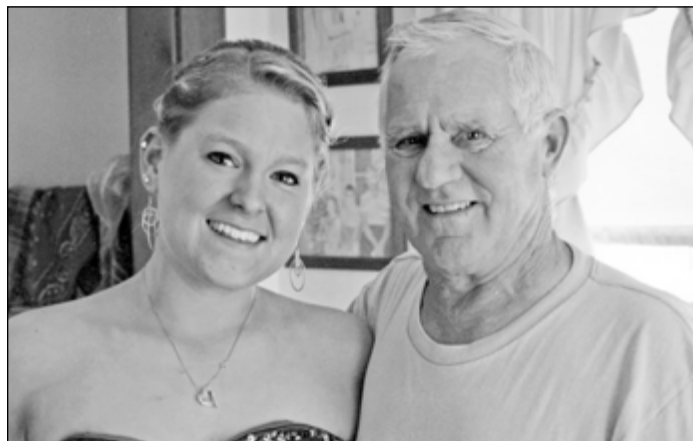
Grant Income/Expense for 2018 & 2019: CVSWD Implementation grants to be used for signage, composting, educating the public with greeters and building a warming booth at Transfer Station. Expenses part of normal operating cost.

Salaries & Wages 2019: Includes 3% COL increase, also includes new greeter(s) at gate.

Facility Maintenance 2019: Increased for new entrance sign.

Composting 2019: Now paying for weekly pick-up.

Contracted Services 2019: New line item added for Port-a-Potty services at facility for winter months.



*Bill Pierson with
granddaughter Molly*

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

TRI-TOWN COMMISSION (Fairlee's 34%)	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenses				
Stipend - Maint.	-	170.00	170.00	170.00
Stipend - Treasurer	136.00	136.00	136.00	136.00
VLCT Dues	283.90	290.36	289.00	297.50
VLCT Property & Casualty Insurance	-	680.00	408.00	408.00
State of VT Fee	-	136.00	68.00	68.00
Other Misc. Exp	-	-	-	170.00
Total Expenses	<u>419.90</u>	<u>1,412.36</u>	<u>1,071.00</u>	<u>1,249.50</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (419.90)</u>	<u>\$ (1,412.36)</u>	<u>\$ (1,071.00)</u>	<u>\$ (1,249.50)</u>



Billy Backhoe!

GENERAL FUND - DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

ZONING	2017 Actuals	2018 Actuals	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
ZA Permit Fees	\$ 1,600.85	\$ 3,181.15	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Grant Income - Park and Ride @ RR	-	27,200.00	27,500.00	-
Grant Income - Planning Grant	2,880.00	4,760.00	6,800.00	-
Grant Income - Better Connections	-	-	-	54,000.00
Total Revenues	<u>4,480.85</u>	<u>35,141.15</u>	<u>37,800.00</u>	<u>57,500.00</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages - Planner/ZA	33,323.16	33,415.73	33,990.00	35,010.00
Salaries & Wages - E911 Coordinator	389.34	179.21	500.00	500.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	2,579.01	2,562.20	2,640.00	2,716.52
ESRI Software Update	400.00	400.00	400.00	300.00
Regional Planning Commission	1,378.00	1,417.00	1,417.00	1,456.00
Green Mtn Economic Development	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
VCDA Membership Dues	-	-	50.00	50.00
Grant Expense - Park and Ride @ RR	20,056.00	6,643.89	7,444.00	-
Grant Expense - Planning Grant	2,249.60	2,978.19	6,800.00	-
Grant Expense - Better Connections	-	-	-	60,000.00
Town Plan - Consultant	-	-	-	8,500.00
Advertising	188.71	185.57	400.00	500.00
Postage	41.12	74.60	200.00	-
Supplies	412.99	180.09	500.00	750.00
Equipment	-	-	200.00	200.00
Training/Mileage	1,013.18	1,130.68	1,650.00	1,000.00
Telephone	315.18	283.13	375.00	-
Professional Fees	-	50.00	500.00	500.00
Total Expenses	<u>63,346.29</u>	<u>50,500.29</u>	<u>58,066.00</u>	<u>112,482.52</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ (58,865.44)</u>	<u>\$ (15,359.14)</u>	<u>\$ (20,266.00)</u>	<u>\$ (54,982.52)</u>

Notes:

Grant Income/Expense 2019: Better Connections Planning grant applied for, purpose of grant is to position the Town to be able to implement short and long-term projects to improve transportation needs.

Salaries & Wages - Planner/ZA 2019: Includes 3% COL increase.

Town Plan - Consultant 2019: Contracted with Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission for assistance with Town Plan.

Advertising/Supplies 2019: All line items increased due to public outreach regarding the Town Plan update.

Postage/Telephone 2019: Moved to Administration budget line items. Due to new systems, these amounts are not able to be tracked separately anymore.

FAIRLEE WATER DEPARTMENT FUND

WATER	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Revenues				
Annual Water Rent	\$ 110,476.89	\$ 118,380.21	\$ 114,940.16	\$ 126,434.18
Metered Water Rent	9,693.56	23,810.67	10,085.18	11,093.70
Seasonal Water Rent	15,807.44	17,309.20	16,446.06	18,090.67
Late Fees	1,057.72	578.78	500.00	500.00
Misc. Income	25.62	-	-	-
Town Portion of Loan Payment	17,879.00	17,879.00	17,879.00	17,879.00
USDA Anticipation Loan Proceeds	-	981,037.53	-	-
Litigation Loan Proceeds	-	300,000.00	-	-
Total Revenues	154,940.23	1,458,995.39	159,850.40	173,997.55
Less Town Portion of Loan Payment	17,879.00	17,879.00	17,879.00	17,879.00
Less Water Users Portion of Loan Payment	34,108.05	34,108.04	34,018.00	34,018.00
Total Revenues for Operating	102,953.18	1,407,008.35	107,953.40	122,100.55
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	11,884.17	10,441.50	12,000.00	12,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	905.21	795.65	918.00	918.00
Advertising	704.85	41.40	500.00	250.00
Discounts Allowed	3,399.73	3,727.67	3,800.00	3,800.00
Dues and Subscriptions	288.64	265.00	360.00	300.00
Insurance	4,044.00	3,289.00	2,491.00	3,192.00
Mileage/Travel Reimb	930.10	613.61	1,000.00	500.00
Office Supplies	62.50	60.95	100.00	100.00
Postage	189.08	245.29	300.00	200.00
Professional Fees	-	-	5,000.00	-
Professional Fees - Water Tank	187,067.76	-	-	6,000.00
Professional Fees - USDA	-	884,119.09	-	-
Professional Fees - Litigation	-	317,246.71	-	-
Pump House Repairs & Maintenance	13,940.65	12,544.15	33,000.00	33,000.00
Water Lines Repair & Maintenance	13,326.76	18,561.17	14,000.00	17,000.00
Special Projects	956.21	9,146.19	11,000.00	11,000.00
Gate Valve/Hydrants	1,543.56	103.50	5,000.00	5,000.00
State of Vermont	1,190.13	1,031.87	1,500.00	1,000.00
Telephone	1,531.13	1,437.33	1,750.00	1,500.00
Training	205.00	64.00	200.00	200.00
Treasurer/TA Salary	3,848.08	4,571.00	4,571.00	4,837.00
Testing Water/Well Head	1,240.93	1,333.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Electric	9,337.32	8,412.70	11,000.00	8,500.00
Propane	508.20	410.55	900.00	500.00
Other Expenses	-	(332.93)	-	-
Reserve Fund	-	-	5,000.00	-
Interest Expense - Litigation Loan	-	-	-	3,000.00
Water Bond Payment - Peoples Bank	51,987.05	51,987.04	51,987.00	51,987.00
Total Expenses	309,091.06	1,330,115.44	167,877.00	166,284.00
Less Water Bond Payment	51,987.05	51,987.04	51,987.00	51,987.00

FAIRLEE WATER DEPARTMENT FUND

WATER	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
Less Water Tank	187,067.76	-	-	-
Total Operating Expenses	<u>70,036.25</u>	<u>1,278,128.40</u>	<u>115,890.00</u>	<u>114,297.00</u>
Net Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	<u>\$ 32,916.93</u>	<u>\$ 128,879.95</u>	<u>\$ (7,936.60)</u>	<u>\$ 7,803.55</u>

Notes:

Water Rents 2019: Increased all rates by 10%.

Professional Fees - Water Tank 2019: Single Audit will be required for calendar year 2018 due to USDA funding, difference between a Review and Single Audit being charged to Water Dept.

Pump House Repairs & Maintenance 2018/2019: Increased \$13,000 in 2018 for servicing the pump, however, due to construction it was put off until spring of 2019.

Special Project 2018: Repairs to old and disfunctional valves, along with replacement of new water line, near Fairview Street and Lake Morey Road intersection.

Special Project 2019: Replacement of aging water line and equipment as needed.



Upper left – Peter Berger tending the grill; and upper right – Fairlee Community Church volunteers serving ice cream sundaes at the Town Hall Grand Re-Opening.

CAPITAL BUDGET

Categories	2017 Balance Forward	2018 Raised By Taxes	2018 Grants/ Other Funds	2018 Actual Spending	2018 Balance Forward		2019 Raised By Taxes	2019 Grants/ Other Funds	2019 Proposed Spending	2019 Balance Forward
Financial Audit	5,040	6,800	-	6,400	5,440		-	-	5,440	-
EMERGENCY RESERVE FUND:										
Fire & Rescue	135,146	10,000	-	-	145,146		10,000	-	-	155,146
Police Department	2,533	2,500	-	-	5,033		2,500	-	-	7,533
TOWN BUILDINGS AND LANDS RESERVE FUND:										
Town Hall	14,844	52,500	-	54,168	13,176		13,000	-	26,000	176
Furnace Replacement	11,000	-	-	-	11,000		-	-	-	11,000
Railroad Station	1,101	-	-	-	1,101		-	-	-	1,101
Misc. Buildings	7,000	-	-	-	7,000		-	-	-	7,000
Transfer Station	-	10,000	-	10,000	-		40,000	-	40,000	-
Exterior Building Maintenance	-	43,000	-	4,766	38,234		20,000	-	20,000	38,234
Town Common	1,442	1,640	-	1,639	1,443		-	-	500	943
Computer Plan	12,883	8,480	-	3,245	18,118		8,449	-	6,553	20,014
Library-Facility	5,982	5,000	-	5,982	5,000		5,000	-	-	10,000
Vault Expansion	-	1,000	-	-	1,000		1,000	-	-	2,000
Village Center Enhancement	5,144	2,500	-	-	7,644		2,500	-	2,500	7,644
TOWN HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND:										
Bridges & Culverts	20,951	-	-	-	20,951		-	-	20,951	-
Highway	1,137	-	-	-	1,137		-	-	-	1,137
Highway Rebuilding	60,886	75,000	-	61,542	74,344		75,656	-	130,000	20,000
Lake Morey Rd Grant/Match	111,272	20,102	-	23,792	107,582		-	340,952	386,429	62,106
LAKE RESERVE FUND:										
Beach - Playground Equip.	621	-	990	75	1,536		-	-	900	636
Milfoil	19,500	1,000	7,750	-	28,250		3,000	-	-	31,250
WATER SYSTEM RESERVE FUND:										
(None at this time)										
Total	\$ 416,482	\$ 239,522	\$ 8,740	\$ 171,609	\$ 493,135		\$ 181,105	\$ 340,952	\$ 639,273	\$ 375,920

Notes:

Financial Audit: Funds will be used in 2019, this category will no longer be in the Capital Budget as it does not qualify as a Capital Improvement.

Fire & Rescue 2019: Continue to raise for new fire truck.

Police 2019: Continue to save for new police cruiser.

Town Hall 2019: Generator to be installed at Town Hall.

Transfer Station 2019: Build Maintenance shed with trusses from Water Tank.

Exterior Building Maintenance 2019: Painting at the Emergency Services Building.

Town Common 2019: Electrical updates to Bandstand for Summer Concert Series.

Computer Plan 2019: Computer replacements, extended warranties, battery back-ups, cybersecurity policy, and basement wiring.

Library 2019: Continue to save for interior/exterior building improvements.

Vault Expansion 2019: Continue to save for new vault.

Village Center Enhancement 2019: Maintain existing trees per the Village Center tree inventory, replace tree removed from Town Common in 2018.

Bridges & Culverts 2019: Balance in this account being used as matching funds for Culvert grants.

Highway Rebuilding 2019: Continue paving Terry Hill Road.

Lake Morey Road Grant/Match 2019: Includes 3 grants/projects - 1. Structures Grant received to do retaining wall (near Barbieri) on Lake Morey East, 2. VT Better Roads Grant applied for to replace culvert near the retaining wall, 3. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant applied for to also help with replacing culvert.

Beach - Playground Equip. 2018/2019: Funds received in 2018 from VT Rec and Parks Assoc. as part of the Park Build Project, to be used in 2019 to replace the swim area safety lines and buoys.

Milfoil 2018/2019: \$7,750 from sale of Weed Harvester in 2018. Continue to save in 2019 for retreatment as grants are becoming unreliable.

TOWN OF FAIRLEE
Combined Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances

	(CORRECTED)	
	December 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
General Fund Checking - Merchants	\$ 210,007.23	\$ 180,009.83
General Fund Checking - Union Bank	1,410,702.02	1,719,069.66
USDA Water Checking - Union Bank	-	6.72
Petty Cash	50.00	50.00
Prepaid Expense	-	40.64
Due to/From	(952,441.45) *	(1,183,150.85)
Total Current Assets	<u>668,317.80</u>	<u>716,026.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 668,317.80</u>	<u>\$ 716,026.00</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Current Liabilities		
Due to School	\$ 496,386.00 *	\$ 499,506.00
Due to State for School	147,992.36 *	185,718.54
Prepaid Property Taxes	51,801.97	16.14
Security Deposits	-	400.00
FWT Payable	-	-
Social Security Payable	-	-
Medicare Payable	-	-
State W/H Payable	-	-
Health Insurance Payable	(17.95)	53.75
457(b) Empower Payable	40.00	(70.00)
State Lic Fees - Marriage	450.00	-
State Lic Fees - Dogs	-	15.00
State Lic Fees - Hunt/Fish	-	150.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>696,652.38</u>	<u>685,789.43</u>
Fund Balances		
Fund Balances - Prior Years	(6,142.35) *	(28,334.58)
Fund Balances - Current Year	(22,192.23) *	58,571.15
Total Fund Balances	<u>(28,334.58)</u>	<u>30,236.57</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	<u>\$ 668,317.80</u>	<u>\$ 716,026.00</u>

2017 numbers changed due to a professional review performed by Fothergill Segale & Valley CPAs in November of 2018 for the calendar year 2017. All asset, liabilities and fund balances were reviewed and adjusted accordingly to reconcile the Town's fund balance. * indicates numbers changed from last year's Town Report.

FAIRLEE WATER DEPARTMENT
Combined Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance

	December 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Due from Town	\$ 117,766.96	\$ 246,646.91
Total Current Assets	<u>117,766.96</u>	<u>246,646.91</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>\$ 117,766.96</u>	 <u>\$ 246,646.91</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

Fund Balances		
Fund Balance - Prior Years	\$ 271,917.79	\$ 117,766.96
Restricted Fund Balance - Reserve	-	-
Fund Balance - Current Year	(154,150.83)	128,879.95
Total Fund Balances	<u>117,766.96</u>	<u>246,646.91</u>
 Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	 <u>\$ 117,766.96</u>	 <u>\$ 246,646.91</u>



Crowd gathering for the Town Hall Grand Re-Opening ceremony in the shade of the Fairlee Community Church

2019 WARNED ARTICLES SUMMARY

Article 4. Appropriations (see Dept. Budget in parenthesis)

CO = Community Organizations, Z = Zoning, EMS = Emerg. Services & Bldg.

a) American Red Cross (CO)	\$ 500
b) Capstone Community Action (CO)	300
c) Central Vermont Adult Basic Ed. Inc. (CO)	400
d) Central Vermont Council on Aging (CO)	600
e) Clara Martin Center (CO)	1,545
f) Cohase Chamber of Commerce (CO)	250
g) Green Mountain Economic Development (Z)	1,000
h) Green Up Vermont (CO)	50
i) Lake Fairlee Assoc. Milfoil (CO)	5,250
j) Little Rivers Health Care (CO)	2,000
k) Mentoring Project (CO)	500
l) Orange County Court Diversion Program (CO)	200
m) Orange County Parent Child Center (CO)	200
n) Orange East Senior Center (CO)	2,200
o) Oxbow Senior Independence Program Inc. (CO)	300
p) Rivendell Recreation Association (CO)	1,500
q) Rivendell Trails Association (CO)	450
r) Safeline (CO)	700
s) Stagecoach Transportation (CO)	2,500
t) Upper Valley Ambulance (EMS)	43,428
u) Vermont Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CO)	300
v) Vermont Center for Independent Living (CO)	155
w) Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force (CO)	100
x) Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT and NH/Hospice of the Upper Valley (CO)	5,500
Total Appropriations - Included in Budgets (Article 4)	<u>\$ 69,928</u>

Article 6 & 7. Highway Budget

Budgeted Income \$ (69,416)

Budgeted Expenses

Winter Roads - Road Maintenance	97,000
Winter Roads - Sand/Salt/Aggregate	28,000
Summer Roads - Resurfacing	20,000
Summer Roads - Maintenance	30,000
Summer Roads - Ditching	10,000
Summer Roads - Mowing	7,000
Summer Roads - Culvert Maintenance	10,000
Tree Removal/Trimming ROW	7,000
Guardrail - Maintenance & Repair	7,000
Street Signs - Maintenance & Repair	750
Summer Roads - Sweeping	1,200

2019 WARNED ARTICLES SUMMARY

Street Lighting	7,500
Special Projects	5,000
Municipal Roads General Permit	1,800
Highway Advertising	400
Insurance	294
Total Budgeted Expenses (Article 6)	<u>232,944</u>
Highway Budget to be Raised by Taxes (Article 7)	<u>\$ 163,528</u>

Article 10. Capital Budget

a) Fire & Rescue (Emergency Reserve Fund)	\$ 10,000
b) Police Department (Emergency Reserve Fund)	2,500
c) Town Hall (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	13,000
d) Transfer Station (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	40,000
e) Exterior Building Maintenance (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	20,000
f) Computer Plan (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	8,449
g) Library - Facility (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	5,000
h) Vault Expansion (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	1,000
i) Village Center Enhancement (Town Buildings and Land Reserve Fund)	2,500
j) Highway Rebuilding (Town Highway Reserve Fund)	75,656
k) Milfoil (Lake Reserve Fund)	3,000
Capital Budget to be Raised by Taxes (Article 10)	<u>\$ 181,105</u>

Article 12. Town Expenditures (See Summary Budget)

Budgeted Income	\$ (306,991)
Budgeted Expenses (Article 12)	<u>1,098,174</u>
Town Expenditures to be Raised by Taxes	<u>\$ 791,183</u>

Article 13. Town Expenses and Indebtedness

General Fund (Income)/Expense	\$ 791,183
Capital Budget Raised by Taxes	181,105
Water Bond to be Raised by Taxes	17,879
Veteran's Local Agreement Rate	735
Lake Fairlee Dam Bond	21,205
Town Hall Loan	56,573
Cash Available	(13,000)
Town Amount to be Raised by Taxes (Article 13)	<u>\$ 1,055,680</u>

This report summarizes the dollar amounts of the warned articles.

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 5, 2019
WARNING**

The legal voters of the Town of Fairlee, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Fairlee Town Hall in the said Town on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. to act upon the following articles:

Article 1. To elect a Moderator.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the Town Officers' Reports.

Article 3. To elect all necessary officers of the Town and to fill any office that may be vacant, including:

Selectboard Member, for three years
First Constable, for one year
Lister, for three years
Auditor, for three years
Budget Committee Member, for three years
Planning Commission Member, for three years
Planning Commission Member, for four years
Cemetery Commissioner, for five years
Grand Juror, for one year
Grand Juror, for one year
Town Agent to Prosecute, for one year
Library Trustee, for five years
Recreation Council Member, for four years
Recreation Council Member, for five years

Article 4. To see what action the Town will take with regard to the following appropriations. All sums have been included in the Town Budget. A sum not to exceed:

- a) Five Hundred dollars (\$500) to the American Red Cross for disaster support (CO)
- b) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to Capstone Community Action for fuel, food and housing assistance to families (CO)
- c) Four Hundred dollars (\$400) to Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. for adult education and literacy instruction for residents of Fairlee (CO)
- d) Six Hundred dollars (\$600) to Central Vermont Council on Aging for senior services including a helpline, transportation and meal delivery (CO)
- e) One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five dollars (\$1,545) to Clara Martin Center for counseling services (CO)
- f) Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$250) to Cohase Chamber of Commerce for membership (CO)
- g) One Thousand dollars (\$1,000) to Green Mountain Economic Development (Z)
- h) Fifty dollars (\$50) to Green Up Vermont (CO)
- i) Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$5,250) to the Lake Fairlee Association for milfoil eradication program (CO)
- j) Two Thousand dollars (\$2,000) to Little Rivers Health Care for insurance and medical assistance including mobile dental van (CO)
- k) Five Hundred dollars (\$500) to the Mentoring Project for young persons (CO)
- l) Two Hundred dollars (\$200) to the Orange County Court Diversion Program, a cost-effective alternative to the criminal court system for eligible offenders (CO)
- m) Two Hundred dollars (\$200) to Orange County Parent Child Center (formerly known as Kids Place) for parenting and family support programs (CO)

- n) Two Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$2,200) to the Orange East Senior Center for providing meal and social services at the center (CO)
- o) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to the Oxbow Senior Independence Program Inc. for adult day care services (CO)
- p) One Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$1,500) to the Rivendell Recreation Association to provide elementary sports and recreational activities (CO)
- q) Four Hundred Fifty dollars (\$450) to the Rivendell Trails Association for trail maintenance, hikes and education (CO)
- r) Seven Hundred dollars (\$700) to Safeline for a hotline for crisis support and referral services (CO)
- s) Two Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$2,500) to Stagecoach Transportation for transportation of seniors, persons with disabilities and commuters (CO)
- t) Forty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight dollars (\$43,428) to Upper Valley Ambulance for emergency services (EMS)
- u) Three Hundred dollars (\$300) to the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired for services including rehabilitation, orientation and mobility, assistive technology, social networking and statewide transportation (CO)
- v) One Hundred Fifty-Five dollars (\$155) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living to help Vermonters with disabilities by providing the Meals on Wheels Program, Peer Advocacy Counseling Program and information and referral services (CO)
- w) One Hundred dollars (\$100) to Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force to support Rural Fire Protection Program (CO)
- x) Five Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$5,500) to the Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT and NH/Hospice of the Upper Valley for home health care and hospice support services to individuals and their families (CO)

Article 5. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee authorize the Selectboard to accept and administer any Federal, State or private grant money?

Article 6. To act upon the Recommendations of the Budget Committee as they pertain to Highway Expenses and to appropriate a sum of money for Highway Expenses.

Article 7. To raise such sum of money as may appear necessary for the Maintenance and Improvements of the Town Highways for the ensuing year, and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer under 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2019 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2019. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes.

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee create the following capital reserve fund categories?:

- Emergency Reserve Fund *for future purchases of emergency equipment and vehicles;*
- Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund *for improvements or repairs to town owned buildings and lands;*
- Town Highway Reserve Fund *for capital improvements to town roads, bridges and culverts;*
- Lake Reserve Fund *for water quality and invasive treatments for Lake Morey and Lake Fairlee, as well as the town beach and beach equipment;*
- Water System Reserve Fund *for up-grades and improvements to the water system.*

Article 9. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee authorize the Selectboard to transfer any remaining funds allocated from previous capital budgets into the relevant reserve funds according to their purpose as outline in Article 8?

Article 10. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee appropriate the following sums to undertake and save for capital improvements within the Town in accordance with the Capital Budget and Program adopted by the Selectboard? All sums have been included in the Town Budget. A sum not to exceed:

- a) \$10,000 towards Fire/Rescue (Emergency Reserve Fund)
- b) \$2,500 towards Police Department (Emergency Reserve Fund)
- c) \$13,000 towards Town Hall (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- d) \$40,000 towards Transfer Station (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- e) \$20,000 towards Exterior Building Maintenance (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- f) \$8,449 towards Computer Plan (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- g) \$5,000 towards Library-Facility (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- h) \$1,000 towards Vault Expansion (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- i) \$2,500 towards Village Enhancement Center (Town Buildings and Lands Reserve Fund)
- j) \$75,656 towards Highway Rebuilding (Town Highway Reserve Fund)
- k) \$3,000 towards Milfoil (Lake Reserve Fund)

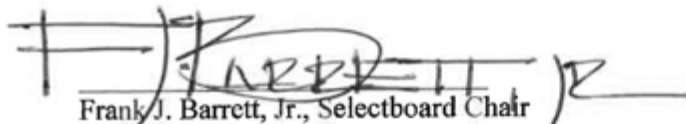
Article 11. Shall the voters of the Town of Fairlee change the position of First Constable from an elected position to an appointed position, and if needed a Second Constable to be appointed by the Selectboard in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651?

Article 12. To act upon the recommendations of the Budget Committee as they pertain to Town Expenditures and to appropriate a sum of money for Town Expenses.


Article 13. To raise such sum of money as may appear necessary for Town Expenses and Indebtedness for the ensuing year and to authorize collection of same by the Town Treasurer per 32 VSA 4791. Property taxes shall be billed on or before September 1, 2019 and shall be due and payable on or before October 1, 2019. Interest shall be at a rate allowed by law and shall be payable on all past due taxes.

Article 14. To transact any other proper Town business that may come before this meeting.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Fairlee duly called, noticed and held on January 28, 2019.


Frank J. Barrett, Jr., Selectboard Chair


Peter B. Berger


Catherine H. McGrath

Recorded before posting, January 28th, 2019


Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Town Clerk


Thank you



Curtain re-installation funded by the Dalrymple, Hohneker, and Esposito families



*New Town Hall back door railing
crafted and donated by Peter Lange*



Upright freezer donated to the foodshelf by David and Roxanne Matthews. From left to right: David Matthews, Barbara Lantery, Georgette Wolf-Ludwig, Tad Nunez, and Roxanne Matthews



*Changing table in ADA compliant bathroom donated by
Elizabeth Wilson and Denis Lambert*



Piano donated by Elizabeth McGrath

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