

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

# Barnet

TOWN MEETING ~ MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022

6:30 PM

BARNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## **Contact Information, Etc.**

### **Contact Information & Hours of Operation**

#### **Town Clerk's Office**

Town Clerk: Benjamin Heisholt  
Asst. Clerk: Catherine Roy  
Telephone: 633-2256  
Fax: 633-4315  
Email: [townclerk@barnetvt.org](mailto:townclerk@barnetvt.org)  
Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m. – Noon & 1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Town Website: [www.barnetvt.org](http://www.barnetvt.org)

#### **Town Garage**

Road Foreman: Mark Chase  
Telephone: 633-4477

#### **Animal Control Officer**

Vacant  
Contact Caledonia County Sheriff  
or local Constables

#### **Barnet Public Library**

Librarian: Dylan Ford  
Telephone: 633-4436  
Email: [barnetpl@hotmail.com](mailto:barnetpl@hotmail.com)  
Hours:

Tuesday: 10:00 – 4:00  
Wednesday: 11:00 -3:00  
Thursday: 9:00-12:00  
Saturday: 10:00 – 2:00

#### **McIndoe Falls Library**

Librarian: Dylan Ford  
Email: [mcindoefallslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:mcindoefallslibrary@gmail.com)  
Hours:  
Monday: 9:00-12:00  
Thursday: 12:30-5:00

#### **Board of Listers**

Telephone: 633-2256  
Email: [listers@barnetvt.org](mailto:listers@barnetvt.org)  
Meetings: Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m. – Noon at the  
Town Clerk's Office. Please call for an appointment.

#### **Transfer Station & Recycling Center**

Supervisor: Bruce Marston  
Hours: Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
During summer from the first Wednesday after Memorial Day  
until the last Wednesday before Labor Day open 3-7 p.m. on  
Wednesdays.

#### **Barnet School**

Principal Luisa Millington  
Telephone: 633-4978  
<https://barnet.ccsuvt.net>

#### **Vermont State Game Warden**

Will Seegers Cell: 802-498-5351  
Dispatcher: 802-748-3111

#### **Caledonia Central Supervisory Union**

Telephone: 684-3801

#### **Meetings**

##### **Selectboard**

Second and fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the  
Barnet Fire Station on Bimson Drive

##### **Caledonia Cooperative School District Board of Directors**

Visit website for times and locations:  
<https://www.ccsuvt.net/>

##### **Planning Commission/Zoning Board**

First Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Barnet Fire &  
Rescue Station on Bimson Drive

#### **Municipal Calendar**

April 1, 2022 – Dog Licenses due  
April 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. – Annual Town Meeting  
May 29, 2022 – Memorial Day Services  
May 30, 2022 – Memorial Day (Office closed)  
June 1, 2022 – Transfer Station summer hours begin  
July 4, 2022 – Independence Day (Office closed)  
August 2022 – Property Tax bills mailed out  
August 31, 2022 – Transfer Station summer hours end  
September 5, 2022 – Labor Day (Office closed)  
Mid-October 2022 – Property Taxes due (see bill for date)  
October 31, 2022 – Library Trunk or Treat Event  
November 24, 2022 – Thanksgiving (Office closed)  
November 25, 2022 – Office closed  
December 26, 2022 – Office closed  
January 2, 2023 - Office closed  
"Office" = Town Clerk's Office

#### **Other**

##### **Dog Licenses**

All dogs six months of age or older must be licensed annually  
between January 1 through April 1. Licenses may be obtained  
in person at the Town Clerk's Office or through the mail. A  
current certificate of rabies vaccination must be on file, or  
presented.

Fees for license on or before April 1:

- \$9.00 for neutered/\$13.00 for unneutered

Fees for license after April 1:

- \$11.00 for neutered/\$17.00 for unneutered

##### **NEK Broadband Contact-**

Kathleen Monroe 802- 633- 3052  
Cell: 802-384- 5600 email: [speakvt@sover.net](mailto:speakvt@sover.net)



**Town of Barnet, Vermont**  
**Annual Report**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2021**

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## **Section 1**

### **2022 Annual Town Meeting**

**WARNING  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022**

**The legal voters of the Town of Barnet, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Barnet School (163 Kid Row) in said Town on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to transact the following business from the floor:**

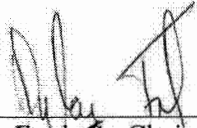
- ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2. To elect all other Town Officers as required by law and additional Town Officers as approved by the voters.
- ARTICLE 3. To consider and act upon the report of the Town Auditors.
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont?
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?
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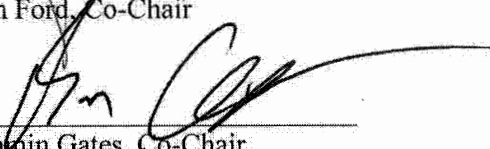
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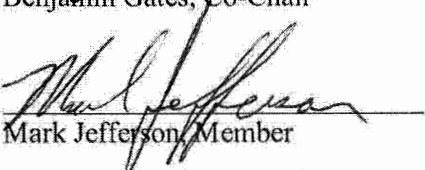
- ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?
- ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?
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- ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?
- ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?
- ARTICLE 21. To see what arrangements the Town will vote for the collection of its taxes, and its portion of taxes for Caledonia Cooperative School District, and by what lawful official for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to defray the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the current year.
- ARTICLE 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.

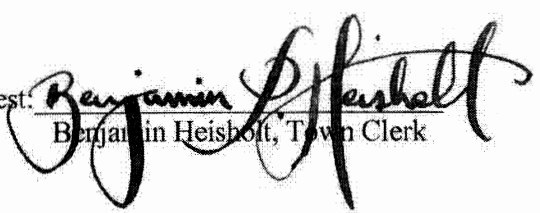
By the Selectboard members of the Town of Barnet:

  
Dylan Ford, Co-Chair

  
Benjamin Gates, Co-Chair

  
Mark Jefferson, Member

Attest:

  
Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk

## **NOTICE TO VOTERS**

### **For Local Floor Annual or Special Meeting**

#### **BEFORE MEETING DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED** at Clerks Office by March 26, 2022. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote.

**HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to [olvr.sec.state.vt.us](http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us).

#### **ON MEETING DAY:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **NO PERSON SHALL:**

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

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

## **Section 2**

### **General Town Information**

## **Town Elected Officers**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires</u></b>
<b>Moderator</b>	Dennis McLam	April 2022
<b>Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>	Benjamin Heisholt	March 2024
<b>Selectboard</b>	Mark Jefferson	April 2022
	Dylan Ford	March 2023
	Benjamin Gates	March 2024
<b>Listers</b>	John Cook	April 2022
	Sarah Cook	March 2023
	John Fairchild	March 2024
<b>Caledonia Cooperative School District School Directors (representing Barnet on three- town, nine-member board)</b>	Jessica Lynn Roy	2022
	David Warden	2023
	Susan Roberts	2024
<b>Auditors</b>	Jeffrey Riley	April 2022
	Joseph Breidenstein	March 2023
	Dennis Kauppila	March 2024
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	Lisa Bowden	April 2022
<b>1st Constable</b>	Steve Mosher	March 2023
<b>2nd Constable</b>	David Stevenson	March 2023
<b>Grand Juror</b>	David Willis	April 2022
<b>Trustee of Public Funds</b>	William Graves	April 2022
	Merle Fitzgerald	March 2023
	George Coppenrath	March 2024
<b>Library Trustees</b>	Susan Wood	April 2022
	Julie Roos	March 2023
	Rebecca Boardman	March 2024
	Laura Goldberg	March 2025
	Ashley Wright	March 2026
<b>Justice of the Peace</b>	Rebecca Boardman	February 2023
	Salvatore DeMaio	February 2023
	William Graves	February 2023
	Susan Jensen	February 2023
	Dennis Kauppila	February 2023
	Maurice Roberts	February 2023
	Shellie Samuels	February 2023

## **Town Appointed Officers**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires</u></b>
<b>Beach Committee</b>	Jennifer Kierstead Christen Emerson Philo Marcotte Daniel Pearl Christopher Yancey	
<b>Dam Committee</b>	Dylan Ford George Coppenrath Susan Coppenrath Donald Easter Joseph Mangiapane David Price	
<b>Emergency Management Coordinator</b>	Ronald Morse	
<b>Fire Chief</b>	Ronald Morse	December 2022
<b>Fire Warden</b>	Christopher Bunnell	June 2023
<b>Health Officer</b>	Dylan Ford	
<b>Health Officer, Deputy</b>	Emil Pollak	
<b>Library Director</b>	Dylan Ford	
<b>Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Representative</b>	William Douglas	
<b>Road Foreman</b>	Mark Chase	
<b>Town Attorney</b>	Steven Adler	April 2022
<b>Town Clerk &amp; Treasurer, Assistant</b>	Catherine Roy	April 2022
<b>Transportation Advisory Committee Representative</b>	Benjamin Gates	
<b>Tree Warden</b>	Stanley Robinson	April 2022
<b>Zoning Administrative Officer</b>	Shirley Warden	March 2023
<b>Zoning Secretary</b>	Dawn Holtz	
<b>Zoning Board/ Planning Commission</b>	Dennis McLam Dakota Butterfield Benjamin Adams Trent Roy Bruce Denio Mark Bowen Zachary Mangione Elizabeth Evans Eric Skovsted	July 2022 July 2022 July 2023 July 2023 July 2023 July 2024 July 2024 July 2025 July 2025



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### TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT

### OFFICIAL RETURN OF VOTES

### ANNUAL MEETING AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ELECTION – March 2, 2021

1. Total registered Voters on checklist for this polling place:	<u>1,475</u>
2. Total number Voters checked off on the entrance checklist: (this includes absentee voters)	<u>231</u>
3. Total number of absentee ballots returned: (include this count in Line 2)	<u>77</u>
4. Total number of DEFECTIVE ballots (not counted but name checked off checklist): (enter the Total Defective ballots from the Defective Ballot Envelope – DO NOT include REPLACED ballots)	<u>0</u>
5. TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED: (Number of voters checked off checklist minus defective ballots)	<u>231</u>
5.1 Total Number of Ballots Counted at Polls:	<u>154</u>
6. Total number of PROVISIONAL ballots:	<u>0</u>

#### ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator for a term of one year.

DENNIS MCLAM	219
Blank	11
Spoiled/Overvotes	1
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

#### ARTICLE 2. To elect a Town Clerk for a term of three years.

BENJAMIN HEISHOLT	225
Blank	6
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

#### ARTICLE 3. To elect a Treasurer for a term of three years.

BENJAMIN HEISHOLT	223
Blank	8
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

#### ARTICLE 4. To elect a Selectboard member for a term of three years.

BENJAMIN GATES	217
Blank	12
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	2
List Write-Ins Below:	
George Coppenrath	1
Bill Graves	1
TOTAL	231

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ARTICLE 5. To elect a Lister for a term of three years.

JOHN C. FAIRCHILD	215
Blank	16
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 6. To elect an Auditor for a term of three years.

DENNIS KAUPPILA	218
Blank	13
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 7. To elect a Collector of Delinquent Tax for a term of one year.

LISA J. BOWDEN	212
Blank	17
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	2
List Write-Ins Below:	
Ben Adams	1
Kevin Morrison	1
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 8. To elect a First Constable for a term of two years.

STEVE A. MOSHER	211
Blank	20
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 9. To elect a Second Constable for a term of two years.

DAVID OTIS STEVENSON	210
Blank	19
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	2
List Write-Ins Below:	
Ronald Morse	1
Derrick Samuels	1
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 10. To elect a Trustee of Public Funds for term of three years.

Blank	155
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	76
List Write-Ins Below:	
Lisa Bowden	2
Gary C	1
Jon Carpenter	1
George Coppenrath	55
Ted Faris	1
Dylan Ford	1
Bill Graves	4
Kathleen Monroe	2
George P	2
David Price	1
Shellie Samuels	3
Diane Thompson	3
TOTAL	231

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ARTICLE 11. To elect a Library Trustee for a term of five years.

ASHLEY WRIGHT	215
Blank	16
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
Total Write-Ins	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont?

Yes	203
No	26
Blank	2
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for maintaining the Goodwillie House?

Yes	214
No	16
Blank	0
Spoiled/Overvotes	1
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Barnet Historical Society to be used for conservation and preservation of collections of historical materials associated with the township of Barnet?

Yes	210
No	19
Blank	2
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00) to Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice?

Yes	212
No	15
Blank	4
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Catamount Arts?

Yes	191
No	37
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) to Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium?

Yes	210
No	18
Blank	2
Spoiled/Overvotes	1
TOTAL	231

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ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Habitat for Humanity in the Northeast Kingdom?

Yes	202
No	25
Blank	4
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to Kingdom Animal Shelter?

Yes	194
No	34
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging?

Yes	211
No	15
Blank	5
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,775.00) to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.?

Yes	192
No	36
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.?

Yes	195
No	33
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services?

Yes	204
No	23
Blank	4
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

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ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) to Rural Community Transportation?

Yes	206
No	22
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) to Umbrella Inc.?

Yes	190
No	36
Blank	5
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$280.00) to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?

Yes	203
No	24
Blank	4
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town of Barnet appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) to the West Barnet Senior Meal Site?

Yes	216
No	14
Blank	1
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

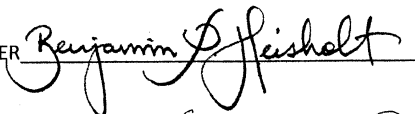
ARTICLE 28. Shall the voters authorize property taxes to become due and payable in hand to the town Treasurer during business hours on or before October 16, 2021 with said taxes to be actually received by the said treasurer on or before the due date without regard to postmark; and thereafter said taxes shall be payable to the Collector of Delinquent Tax with interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months and thereafter at the rate of 1.5% per month or fraction thereof, plus the collector's fee of 8% as provided by law?

Yes	213
No	15
Blank	3
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

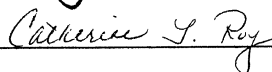
ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town of Barnet raise the sum of \$1,607,574.21 to pay for the general fund for the Town of Barnet during the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2021?

Yes	204
No	25
Blank	2
Spoiled/Overvotes	0
TOTAL	231

PRESIDING OFFICER



ASSISTANT ELECTION OFFICIAL



Ballot Bag Seal Number: 0205738

## **Barnet Transfer Station & Recycling Center. (2022)**

### **Staff, Location, Requirements and Hours of Operation.**

- **Staff:**
  - Bruce Marston, Supervisor & Recycling Center Attendant
  - Donald Nelson, Transfer Station Attendant
  - Daniel Ehlers, Recycling Center Attendant
  - Shirley Warden, Transfer Station Attendant
- **Hours of Operation:** Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., all year. During summer months from the first Wednesday after Memorial Day until the last Wednesday before Labor Day we will be open from 3-7 p.m.
- **Location:** 900 Town Forest Rd: At end of Town Forest Road. In Passumpsic Village, turn onto Bridge Street and cross the bridge over the Passumpsic River. As you come off of the bridge, take a right onto Town Forest Road and go the end of the road. Transfer Station will be on your left; Recycling Center will be straight ahead past the Transfer Station.
- **Requirements for use:** For rubbish generated by residences located within the Town of Barnet. A sticker is required to show the attendant that you are a resident or taxpayer of Barnet. This sticker can be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office.

Thank you for your cooperation,  
Bruce Marston

**January 1, 2022**

**PLEASE READ THIS IMPORTANT NOTICE**

***For the safety of yourself and others.....***

***Please do not put dangerous items in your household trash. People have been injured and even killed by unsafe items that have been disposed of improperly in trash bags. The following should NEVER be put into a trash compactor:***

***Gas cans, propane tanks, paint cans, sealed containers of any kind, all fluorescent light bulbs, any bulbs containing mercury, aerosol cans and chemicals of any kind.***

***Please remember that we collect the items listed above along with many others not listed and the Northeast Waste Management District can help you with the safe disposal of anything that you are not certain of.***

***You may call the district at 1-802-626-3532.***

***In order to make recycling work, it is essential that everyone rinse their items and not include any trash in with recyclables. If we all work together it won't be so difficult.***

***Thank you everyone,***

***Bruce P. Marston***

List of Common Items **NOT ACCEPTED** for Recycling

Please dispose of the following items in the trash unless otherwise stated.  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT SAFELY AND PROPERLY DISPOSING OF A  
MATERIAL– CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM  
WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
(802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), e-mail [outreach@nekwmd.org](mailto:outreach@nekwmd.org)

Unacceptable Plastics Include:

Any **black** plastic containers  
Motor oil, gas containers  
Pesticide containers  
Styrofoam of any kind  
Planting pots and trays  
Plastic furniture  
Plastic Toys  
Coffee Makers  
Coat hangers  
Vinyl Siding  
Maple Tubing  
CDs, DVDs, VHS, and cases  
Water line pipes and plastic tubing of any size  
**Hard, rigid plastic** (if it shatters, it's not accepted)

Unacceptable Plastic Bags and Films

Any type

Unacceptable Cardboard

Pringles containers  
Milk and Juice Cartons of any kind  
Ice cream and waxy or plastic frozen food boxes  
Cardboard with metallic interior  
Single-use coffee cups  
Soiled Cardboard  
Waxy Cardboard

Unacceptable Paper

Kraft brown paper bags (recycle with cardboard)  
White or Brown Boxboard (recycle with cardboard)  
Shiny, glossy, or metallic papers  
Paper plates, cups, bowls  
Single-use cups  
Napkins, paper towels, tissue paper

Unacceptable Glass

Crystal  
Incandescent light bulbs  
Automotive lights  
Pyrex  
Porcelain

Unacceptable Aluminum

Chip Bags, Snack Wrappers, Pop tart Wrappers  
Aluminum Flashing (recycle with scrap metal)  
Coffee Bags

Unacceptable Tin

Recycle these with Scrap Metal

Frying Pans  
Large Pieces of Metal  
Nails, Screws, Fasteners  
Any tin that is a non-food container

Unacceptable Food Scraps

PLU Stickers (sticks on fruits, vegetables)  
“Biodegradable” bags, cutlery, bowls, plates  
Food utensils  
Plates, bowls, cups  
Plastic bags  
Styrofoam  
Keurig cups



## Barnet Recycling and Waste Disposal Guide

Barnet Transfer Station, End of Town Forest Rd, Saturdays 8:00am – 3:00pm,  
Additional Summer Hours (until Labor Day) Wednesdays 3:00pm — 7:00pm

↓ SORT ITEMS ↓	
<p><b><u>MIXED PAPER</u></b> Newspapers, catalogs, telephone books, glossy inserts, paperback books, colored &amp; white paper, wrapping paper and junk mail. Any color or type of paper. <b><i>NO brown Kraft bags, boxboard, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or metallic wrapping paper.</i></b></p>	<p><b><u>CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, BOXBOARD, &amp; BROWN KRAFT BAGS</u></b> All Cardboard and Boxboard food packaging. Remove excess tape. Staples are OK. <b><i>NO wax-coated cardboard, cardboard soiled with food, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or Styrofoam.</i></b> <b>*BOXES MUST BE FLATTENED*</b></p>
<p><b><u>TIN CANS</u></b> Labels are OK. Flattening not required. Separate from aluminum cans. Tin is magnetic. <b>*MUST BE RINSED*</b></p>	<p><b><u>ALUMINUM CANS, FOIL AND FOOD TRAYS</u></b> Labels OK. Flattening not required. <b><i>NO snack bags, candy wrappers, coffee bags.</i></b> <b>*MUST BE RINSED*</b></p>
<p><b><u>GLASS BOTTLES &amp; JARS</u></b> *Rinse, Remove Lids (recycle with tin) * <b><i>NO porcelain, Pyrex, windows, crystal, light bulbs, lids, metal or wood.</i></b></p>	<p><b><u>BATTERIES</u></b> All types including primary and rechargeable batteries. Please bag similar types together and bag damaged batteries separately.</p>
<p><b><u>PLASTIC CONTAINERS #1 – #4 &amp; #5 Food Containers</u></b> <b><u>REMOVE CAPS / MAX. SIZE- 2 Gallons / NO BLACK PLASTIC / *MUST BE RINSED*</u></b> Includes food containers, health/beauty product, and cleaner containers. #5 included if it's a food container. <b><i>NO plastic bags or films, black plastic, screw-top caps, motor oil bottles, pesticide bottles, vinyl siding, toys, CD cases, VHS tapes, Styrofoam, syringes, or medical devices.</i></b></p>	
<p> <b><u>NO DIRTY OR UNRINSED ITEMS</u></b> <b><u>NO BLACK PLASTIC CONTAINERS</u></b> <b><u>NO CONTAINERS larger than 2 GALLONS</u></b></p>	

### ADDITIONAL ACCEPTED MATERIALS at the BARNET TRANSFER STATION:

**FOOD SCRAPS:** All food scraps, including meat, bones, dairy. Remove PLU stickers. No plastics, metals, paper.

**SPECIAL WASTES:** Scrap metal, Freon-containing appliances, electronics (TVs, computers, radio/stereos, gaming systems, telephones), automotive batteries, metal aerosols cans, hard cover books, fluorescent bulbs. Tires- fees apply.

**TRASH AND BULKY WASTES:** \$2.00/30 gallon bag, other fees apply for Bulky waste items. Residents can contract with private waste haulers, find our Licensed Hauler List at <http://www.nekwmd.org/pdf/haulerlist.pdf>

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE** – May through the end of September **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** in Lyndonville, & special Saturday events throughout the District. Call for details.

In addition to services provided at this location, district residents have access to disposal services at the  
**Lyndonville Recycling Center, 224 Church St, Lyndonville.**

Recycling, Food Scraps, Scrap Metal, E-waste, Waste Oil, Batteries, Fluorescent Bulbs, Freon-Containing Appliances (Refrigerators, Freezers, A/C units, and Dehumidifiers), Stump Dump, all free of charge, and Tire Disposal, fees apply, available at the Lyndonville Recycling Center.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), e-mail [outreach@nekwmd.org](mailto:outreach@nekwmd.org)

Updated 11/2021



## **Barnet Transfer Station & Recycling Center** **Pricing as of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

**Mixed solid household waste (MSW):**

- 13 gallon (kitchen) bag: \$2.00
- 30 gallon bag: \$3.00
- 42 gallon bag: \$4.00
- 55 gallon bag: \$6.00

**Construction & demolition debris (C & D):**

- \$20.00 per cubic yard
- Bulkies: \$17.00 each
- Toilets, dishwashers, (if mostly plastic), refrigerators, freezers and A.C. units are All \$5.00 each

**Metal items: FREE!**

**Tires: (automobile and pick-up trucks):**

- Without rims, less than 16.5": \$ 4.00 each
- With rims, less than 16.5": \$6.00 each
- Without rims, larger than 16.5": \$8.00 each
- With rims, larger than 16.5": \$10.00 each
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- **Large truck and farm tractor tires:**
- \$18.00 and up.

**Recycling Center: All acceptable items can be recycled at no charge. See the Recycling List, which contains most of the items below:**

- Electronic items, limited to the below list:
  - Amplifiers, answering machines, boom boxes, cable converter boxes, CD players, clock radios, computer systems and components, digital converter boxes, DVD players, electronic games consoles, etc., fax machines, MP3 players, power cords and chargers, scanners, smart phones, etc, stereo equipment, telephones, televisions, and VCRs.

***If you have any other questions regarding waste management, please call NEKWMD at (802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602 or on the web at [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org)***

**TO ALL RESIDENTS:**  
**NOTICE OF A FINE**  
**FOR FAILURE TO**  
**COMPLY WITH**  
**REGULATIONS!**

**WE ARE FACING A \$155.00 FINE PER DRUM IF WE DO NOT  
STOP PUTTING UNWANTED ITEMS IN OUR GLASS DRUMS!**

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***The worst part of this problem is the fact that after just  
three drums that are considered contaminated, they will  
no longer pick up our glass! Then, what do we do?***

***Please help prevent this from happening!***

***Thank you for your cooperation!***

# 2022 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

**\*HHW Collections are free and open to residents of all DISTRICT TOWNS\***

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 14</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Albany</b> Transfer Station
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 21</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Guildhall</b> Town Hall
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 28</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Bloomfield</b> VT Route 102
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 4</b>	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Derby</b> Recycling Center
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 18</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Morgan</b> Transfer Station
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 16</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	<b>Newbury</b> Town Garage
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 23</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	<b>Danville</b> To Be Determined
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 20</b>	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	<b>Westfield</b> Transfer Station
<b>SATURDAY, SEPT. 17</b>	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Lyndon</b> Recycling Center

**The NEKWMD reserves the right to terminate any collection early in the event that we are at storage capacity.**

**Please limit HHW disposal at listed events to 30 gallons.**

**If you have more than 30 gallons, or if you need to dispose of HHW generated at a business, please call our office to schedule an appointment at our Lyndonville facility, May 3 – Oct. 4, 2022.**

**Not going to be able to make any of these dates? NOT A PROBLEM!** The NEKWMD will be accepting these materials **by appointment at our Lyndonville facility from May 3, 2022 to October 4, 2022.** *Due to regulatory handling requirements, hazardous wastes will not be accepted without an appointment.* Scheduling ahead ensures that a qualified individual will be on-site ready to accept your hazardous waste.

What are *Household Hazardous Products*? They are consumer products that contain ingredients that **may be:**

**Toxic-** poisonous if eaten, breathed, or absorbed through the skin

**Corrosive-** can burn or destroy living tissue if spilled on skin

**Reactive-** creates fumes, heat, or explosion hazards if mixed with certain materials such as water

**Explosive-** can explode with exposure to heat or pressure

**Flammable/Ignitable-** can easily be set on fire

To determine if a product in your home is hazardous, check the label for the following words:

Danger indicates that the substance is extremely flammable, corrosive, or toxic.

Poison means that the substance is highly toxic.

Caution/Warning is put on all other hazardous substances that are a somewhat lesser hazard, but are still dangerous if the directions are not followed closely.

Conditionally Exempt Generator businesses can also use the Lyndonville collections for the actual cost of the disposal of their materials. Please call ahead for pricing and an appointment.

**CONTACT THE NEKWMD IF YOU HAVE ITEMS, YOU CANNOT IDENTIFY**  
**802-626-3532 or 800-734-4602 or [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org)**

The NEKWMD hazardous waste collection program is made possible in part by a grant from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. This year's grant totaled \$74074.00

# Acceptable HHW Materials

## HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- AEROSOLS
- AIR FRESHENERS
- AMMONIA
- ARTS AND CRAFTS SUPPLIES
- BLEACH
- CLEANERS (INCLUDES: DRAIN, OVEN, FLOOR, WINDOW, TOILET, RUG, ETC.)
- DISINFECTANTS
- METAL & FURNITURE POLISH
- MOTHBALLS
- MERCURY THERMOMETERS
- NAIL POLISH & REMOVER
- NI-CD, LITHIUM, MI-MH, AND BUTTON CELL BATTERIES
- SPOT & STAIN REMOVERS
- ALKALINE BATTERIES \*

## GARDEN SUPPLIES

- CREOSOTE
- DIOXINS
- FERTILIZERS
- FLEA KILLERS
- FUNGICIDES
- HERBICIDES
- INSECT SPRAYS
- MURIATIC ACID
- NO-PEST STRIPS
- PESTICIDES
- RODENT KILLERS

## GARAGE

- ANTIFREEZE
- BRAKE FLUID \*
- CORROSIVES

- CAR WAXES AND CLEANERS

## GARAGE (CONTINUED)

- ENGINE DEGREASERS
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS \*
- GASOLINE/DRY GAS
- KEROSENE
- LEAD-ACID CAR BATTERIES \*
- LIGHTER FLUID
- OIL-BASED PAINT
- LATEX-BASED PAINT
- PAINT THINNER
- PROPANE CYLINDERS
- SEALANTS
- STAINS/STRIPPERS
- SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS
- TRANSMISSION FLUID \*
- WOOD PRESERVATIVES
- USED MOTOR OIL AND FILTERS \*

\* ALSO ACCEPTED AT OIL AND BATTERY STATIONS YEAR ROUND

### **PLEASE DO NOT BRING:**

- ASBESTOS
- EXPLOSIVES, INCLUDING GUN POWDER, AMMUNITION
- FLARES
- INFECTIOUS WASTE
- PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
- RADIOACTIVE WASTE, INCLUDING SMOKE DETECTORS
- UNKNOWN GAS CYLINDERS
- EMPTY CONTAINERS

**CONTACT THE NEKWMD IF YOU HAVE ITEMS YOU CANNOT IDENTIFY  
802-626-3532 or 800-734-4602 or [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org)**

## ACTUAL TAXES AND TAX RATES

2021 ACTUAL Taxes and Tax Rates							
Caledonia							
Town Name	Education Homestead Taxes	Education Nonhomestead Taxes	Municipal Taxes	Education Homestead Tax Rate	Education Nonhomestead Tax Rate	Municipal Tax Rate	Local Agreement Tax Rate
Barnet	1,792,923	2,784,332	1,629,058	1.7041	1.6186	0.5887	0.0030
<i>Barnet FD #1</i>	0	0	4,317	0	0	0.0575	0
<i>Barnet FD #2</i>	0	0	12,390	0	0	0.0830	0
<i>Barnet FD #3</i>	0	0	9,055	0	0	0.0600	0
<i>Barnet FD #5</i>	0	0	3,556	0	0	0.0200	0
Burke	1,395,429	3,020,347	1,742,997	1.5211	1.7204	0.6370	0.0010
Danville	2,746,581	2,101,704	1,716,692	1.4612	1.5185	0.5265	0
Groton	806,993	1,185,450	747,033	1.4760	1.5934	0.5784	0.0010
Hardwick	1,959,443	1,366,450	2,454,987	1.7782	1.7122	1.2988	0.0104
Kirby	535,737	377,349	256,343	1.5143	1.5934	0.4344	0.0008
Lyndon	2,886,194	2,968,341	1,647,283	1.4753	1.6686	0.4408	0.0040
<i>Lyndonville Village</i>	0	0	618,036	0	0	0.8847	0
<i>Lyndon Highway</i>	0	0	1,028,539	0	0	0.3388	0
Newark	473,145	933,449	616,512	1.4126	1.5976	0.6720	0.0028
Peacham	1,135,990	1,129,920	887,357	1.7239	1.5557	0.6415	0
Ryegate	1,034,557	1,006,650	900,550	1.4662	1.5827	0.6705	0.0040
<i>East Ryegate Lightin</i>	0	0	49	0	0	0.0700	0
<i>South Ryegate Lighti</i>	0	0	43	0	0	0.0300	0
Sheffield	427,267	518,239	241,208	1.5489	1.7518	0.2395	0
St. Johnsbury	3,089,687	4,622,590	5,044,690	1.4048	1.6273	1.0003	0.0025
<i>St. J Spec Serv Dist</i>	0	0	1,302,412	0	0	0.6029	0
Stannard	153,186	183,246	116,176	1.7988	1.7822	0.6200	0
Sutton	792,372	598,518	750,659	1.3211	1.4880	0.7513	0.0038
Walden	831,589	763,297	587,389	1.6628	1.6667	0.6154	0.0063
Waterford	1,685,531	1,496,186	975,848	1.6172	1.5361	0.4690	0.0023
Wheelock	544,878	427,616	433,317	1.4419	1.6308	0.6805	0.0052
<b>County Totals</b>	<b>22,291,500</b>	<b>25,483,683</b>	<b>23,726,495</b>				

## **Section 3**

# **Reports of Town Officers, Boards, Committees & Departments**

## Select Board Report 2021

This year has been a combination of routine duties and some larger, more exciting projects. As always, we could not do it without the help of the folks who are responsible for the many moving parts it takes to make the town function. Many thanks to Benjamin Heisholt and Catherine Roy for keeping the ship sailing smoothly; to the Road Crew for making sure we all can get out even on the snowiest of days; and to all others behind the scenes who make the town safer and feel more like a community than simply a collection of houses within a distinct boundary.

The year began with a rare Australian ballot vote instead of Town Meeting. Our ballot counters had long hours of tallying names and numbers. The Fire Station hosted us again for the School Vote in May and the National election in November. Many thanks to Ron Morse and the Barnet Fire Department crew for moving the trucks around to make space for us.

The Barnet Road crew had another busy year. Our major project was the repaving and rebuilding of 3500' of Roy Mountain Road. Thanks to all of you who spent those weeks navigating alternate routes around the lake so we could complete this project as quickly as possible. Along with rebuilding a long stretch of this road, we replaced 3 large culverts and 3 sets of guardrails, cleared trees and improved ditches. This repair will greatly improve travel along this stretch. Thank you to Mark, Jason, Glenn, Barry, Steve, and, Chris to many jobs well done and for keeping us on the road in mud, rain, snow and sleet.

The Aquatic Nuisance Grant from the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Harvey's Lake Association again aided us in our Boat wash Program on Harvey's Lake. Many thanks to David Price for all the years he dedicated to helping the Town ensure the receipt of this grant. The lake remains milfoil free and a haven for 2 loon pairs. Many thanks to Jan Parsons, our Loon Monitor, for keeping us informed of their well-being. Thank you to Don Easter and the Lake Harvey Association for helping this program to run smoothly.

We spent some time on a couple of projects in Barnet Village this past year. We gave the Barnet Public Library a paint job. It certainly highlights the beautiful exterior of the old Barnet Village School. We also spent a lot of time working to survey the boundaries of the Barnet Village Town Hall. After recognizing that there could be no real actions taken on this property without legal property lines, we spent months working with the neighbors and a surveyor to define ownership of the property to the East of the building. Once we did, we pursued the possibility, once again, of this historic building for the purposes of the new Town Office building. That pursuit will continue into the next year.

Again, it takes many people behind the scenes that work tirelessly to make this community a place we all appreciate. Without these many volunteers, organization members and employees for all these hours you've given to the town. We always welcome anyone who wants to join our crew. We are excited to see you all face to face at Town Meeting. Come get involved!

Respectfully,

Dylan Ford, Benjamin Gates, and Mark Jefferson



**Town Auditor's Report**

In accordance with Title 24, Section 1681 of the Vermont Statutes, we have examined the accounts and records of the Town of Barnet.

To the best of our knowledge the financial statements in the Town Report represent the financial position of the Town of Barnet as of December 31, 2021.

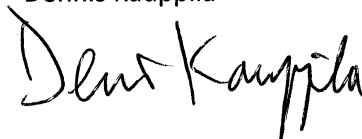
February 28, 2022

Jeffery Riley

Joseph Breidenstein

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Breidenstein", written over a horizontal line.

Dennis Kauppila

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Kauppila", written below the name.

Report from listers for 2022 town report

Barnet Listers' Report

This was an interesting year for many reasons. But, be warned there are a lot of moving parts in the configuration of property taxes for the coming years and new software for Listers.

While the 2-year reappraisal was successfully completed by the end of 2020, there was a surge in real estate sales prices this year due to possibly two or more factors. The increases would be reflected in a 3-year average designed to mitigate spikes in values, up or down.

People seem to be migrating from urban areas to rural areas because of Covid-19, a need for more privacy and space from other people, and lower prices for properties in Vermont in relation to urban and suburban areas. We saw spikes in sales particularly for very nice rural homes and lake front properties.

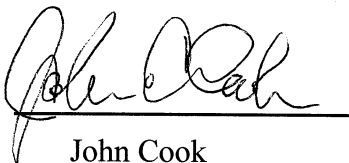
There are this year 1,125 parcels in the Barnet Grand List this year, compared to 1,110 last year. Property totals add up to \$290,228,500, up from \$245,033,507 established as the fair market value by the state last year. The equalized education Grand List is \$254,386.526 for 2021, up from \$245,033,507.

Affecting the tax rate are the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA), which is this year 108.98 % compared to 99.58 % last year following the reappraisal. The Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) for 2021 was put at 9.92 % compared to 5.63 % in 2020, also a factor in tax rates.

Even though Barnet had spikes in sales prices, the two are under the guidelines for a reappraisal. According to the rules, a CLA of 85%-115% is okay, as is a COD of under 20% .

There are a lot of statutes involved in the configuration of CLA and COD percentages, so the best place to find answers are at the [tax.vermont.gov/municipal-officials](https://tax.vermont.gov/municipal-officials) web site.

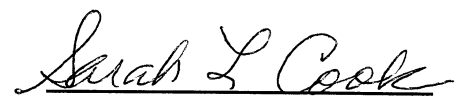
Overall, we had several pleasant conversations with people who needed to straighten out details of their property appraisals and in some cases current use values. There were other property owners that questioned reappraisal values from the year before and should have grieved them, when the seven reappraisers were here to explain details.



John Cook



John Fairchild



Sarah (Sally) Cook

Report of the Trustees for Public Funds, for fiscal year 2021

After this report, you will find a detailed financial report for the Esden Funds, as held by the Town per Oliver Esden's intent. The portion once held by the School District per Oliver Esden's intent is now held by the Caledonia Cooperative School District. The Trustees of Public Funds have oversight of the original, restricted principal for the Esden Funds, no matter where currently held.

Our investment plan has been to protect the original, restricted principal while the funds have opportunity to grow both by unrealized gain or accumulated value, and by reinvestment of earned dividends and interest. This plan has served well—the Town's share of Esden Funds has an accumulated value of \$227,098.14 on December 31, 2021, with a withdrawal of \$15,000.00 on August 12, 2021, and has gained value equaling \$30,496.77 since December 31, 2020, at a positive 14.4% rate of total return. Investment income (such as dividends and interest) for 2020 is \$12,967.81.

The beginning values over 14 years ago were \$53,168 for the Town, and \$53,168 for the School District. The Town's share of funds has increased by 4.55 times in these years.

The cooperative unified district controlling the Barnet, Walden, and Waterford schools does affect the Esden funds, as the Cooperative School District Treasurer's name was added, and the Barnet School District Treasurer's name was deleted. There is no financial report for either the Barnet School District or for the Caledonia Cooperative School District in this report. The remaining School portion of the Esden fund has been designated by the **current** Caledonia Cooperative School District board for access and use only for the benefit of Barnet citizens/residents/students. The three Trustees of Public Funds named below do receive monthly reports regarding the assignment and value of the School Esden funds. The Trustees service to the Caledonia Cooperative School District is by that District's request or permission only. The Trustees do assert a right to oversee the original, restricted principal.

The Trustees have chosen to leave the fund management over these years with the local Edward Jones Company. As the public caretakers of the Funds, we have at times made suggestions to the private fund manager. We believe our roles have evolved, and we ask that our advice be sought before actual draws from the Esden Funds assets are made by either Town or Cooperative School District boards. These Boards have the choice and right by statute to spend any gains as may seem fitting.

In 2021, the Trustees endorsed a request from the Beach Committee to transfer \$15,000.00 to the Harvey's Lake Beach Fund, and then requested that the SelectBoard approve this transfer. This process was a success, and illustrated how these funds may be used incrementally to improve our Town's property.

The Trustees' original mission remains to hold sound investments for income and growth, while the original principal is always protected.

George Coppenrath  
Merle Fitzgerald  
William Graves

**Town of Barnet**  
**Esden Fund**  
**2021 Financial Reports**

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**Activity Summary**

Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2020	211,601.37
Income:	12,967.81
Gain (loss) in value of investments:	17,528.96
Assets withdrawn from account:	15,000.00
2021 Net Earnings or (Loss)	15,496.77
Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2021	227,098.14

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**Balance Sheet**

Assets:	Dec. 31, 2020	Dec. 31, 2021
Cash	34,519.33	5,514.45
Corporate Bonds	0.00	0.00
Government Securities	0.00	0.00
Unit Trusts	23,927.40	23,236.56
Mutual Funds	153,154.64	198,347.13
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>211,601.37</b>	<b>227,098.14</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Non-spendable	53,168.58	53,168.58
Fund Balance - Unassigned	158,432.79	173,929.56
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>211,601.37</b>	<b>227,098.14</b>

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## **2021 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BARNET PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD**

The Board consists of nine members, appointed by the Selectboard to four-year, staggered terms which expire on July first of each year.

Current Board members are Benjamin Adams, Mark Bowen, Dakota Butterfield, Bruce Denio, Elizabeth Evans, Zachary Mangione, Dennis McLam, Trent Roy, and Eric Skovsted.

July 1 2021, the terms of William Biddle and Karen Stark expired, and they chose to leave the Board. They deserve a big THANK YOU for their years of service. After a search, the Selectboard appointed Elizabeth Evans and Eric Skovsted to four-year terms in their places.

The Board meets the second Tuesday of each month, as needed, at 7 PM in the conference room of the Barnet Fire Station, 151 Bimson Drive, Barnet Village. There may be COVID-19 restrictions for in-person attendance or provision for remote attendance at meetings.

At the July 13 2021 meeting, Benjamin Adams and Dennis McLam were re-elected to their positions as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.

After the April meeting, Secretary/Zoning Administrator Shirley Warden notified the Board that she would like to end her role as Board Secretary while continuing as Zoning Administrator. After a search, Dawn Holz applied and was appointed Secretary at the August meeting. The Board wishes to extend their deep gratitude to Shirley for her monumental work as Board Secretary over the years, and is very glad that she is continuing as the Town's Zoning Administrator!

Public Hearings are warned as required by State Statute in THE CALEDONIAN RECORD, and posted at the Town Clerk's office, the Barnet post office, the Barnet Library and on the Town website ([www.barnetvt.org](http://www.barnetvt.org)) at least 15 days before the hearings.

Draft minutes are also posted on the Town website, as required, five calendar days after a meeting. The approved minutes are recorded in the Barnet public records at the Town Clerk's office, and are available during regular office hours Monday - Friday 9AM to 12, 1PM to 4PM. At this writing, there may still be COVID-19 restrictions at the Town Clerk's office; please call 802-633-2256 to check for changes.

The Board met nine times in 2021, holding nine public hearings and completing one site visit. Of the hearings, two were for building on a class 4 town highway (approved); two back-lot subdivisions (both approved); three setback-from-property-line waivers (all approved); three for setbacks from Harvey's Lake shoreline (two approved and one withdrawn); two for conditional use permits for ice rinks (both approved).

During the July 13 2021 meeting, the Executive Secretary of the State of Vermont Transportation Board John Zicconi attended a Board meeting remotely to suggest that rules for helipads and airfields be considered for both the Town Plan and Zoning bylaw.

On October 31 2021, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended support of Barnet's municipal grant request to the State of Vermont on behalf of McIndoes Academy, for development of the Academy as a community center.

The Board is working to update their rules of procedure and starting a review process to re-adopt the Town Plan. The Plan must be updated every eight years; the deadline is August 2023. A small grant from NVDA has been obtained to assist in the process.

## 2021 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BARNET ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The Barnet Zoning Bylaw, effected August 14, 2018, requires all structures over 50 square feet (5'X10'), if not exempt, to have a zoning permit before construction. Structures are defined as "an assembly of materials for occupancy or use".

The zoning Bylaw also requires that qualifying Agricultural or Slivacultural structures, which are exempt from needing a zoning permit, MUST file a letter of intent to build with the Zoning Officer, with a \$15.00 recording fee, checks made to "Town of Barnet".

Application forms with instructions for completing it and the Intent to build form are available at the Barnet Town Clerk's office or on the Barnet Town website "www.barnetvt.org." Please make sure the date of the form is January 2022 or newer.

January 1, 2022 the fees for permits, which MUST be submitted with the Application, (checks made to the "Town of Barnet") increased as follows:

Basic permit	\$25.00 + \$15.00 recording fee;
Late filling	\$50.00 + \$15.00 recording fee;
Board Application	\$50.00 + \$15.00 recording fee;
Late fillling	\$100.00 + \$15.00 recording fee;
Appeals to the Board	\$50.00 + \$15.00 recording fee.

The Administrative Officer has 30 days to act on a completed application and a permit is not buildable for 15 days after it is signed by the Administrative Officer. To save time check the instructions sheet information. Incomplete applications will be returned for additional information. Leaving the application at the Town Clerk's office may delay it.

I may be reached at 802-633-4993, please leave a message and repeat your phone number twice. My address is 521 Warden Road, Barnet, VT 05821.

In 2021, fourty one applications were recieved, one was with drawn and one was returned for more information and not refiled until December.

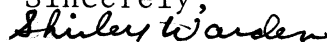
Nine required the Barnet Planning/Zoning board approval and were referred for public hearings.

Permits were issued for 1 each: foundation under an existing cottage; addition to a commercial garage; container shed; change of use; gazebo; convert a camp to a dwelling; & two containers with a connecting roof for a salt shed; 2 each green houses; ice rinks; breezways; & travel trailers; 3 each residential garages and 3 subdivisions; 4 dwelling & porches; 5 garage additions; 6 dwelling additions & decks and 10 sheds.

One new 911 locatable address number was issued in 2021.

Nine late fees were collected in 2021. Note the fee has gone up as of January and could be as much as \$100.00.

As there is a new Secretary for the Barnet Planning/Zoning Board, Dawn Holtz, 248-808-2439 and if your application needs Board approval with a Public Hearing it may take longer, plan ahead.

Sincerely,  
  
Shirley Warden,  
Barnet Zoning Administrative Officer

Town of Barnet ~ 2021 Annual Report

Report of the Collector of Delinquent Tax  
Lisa J. Bowden, Collector  
December 31, 2021

<u>Year</u>	<u>Taxes Charged to Collector</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Abated</u>	<u>Uncollected Tax as of 12/31/21</u>
2012	\$ 6,478.48	\$ 913.60	-0-	\$ 5,564.88
2013	14,648.31	2,921.45	-0-	11,726.86
2014	15,501.89	3,455.24	-0-	12,046.65
2015	15,011.89	3,656.24	-0-	11,355.65
2016	8,098.47	4,582.59	-0-	3,515.88
2017	5,989.86	4,806.17	-0-	1,183.69
2018	25,827.71	13,435.72	-0-	12,391.99
2019	29,612.53	17,205.02	-0-	12,407.51
2020	81,134.22	58,291.43	\$1,333.22	21,509.57
2021	<u>191,453.31</u>	<u>125,422.80</u>	<u>2,001.43</u>	<u>64,029.08</u>
	\$393,756.67	\$234,690.26	\$3,334.65	\$155,731.76

Unpaid Tax Balances by Taxpayer:

2012

Kendall, James \$ 5,564.88

2013

Kendall, James \$11,726.86

2014

Kendall, James \$12,046.65

2015

Kendall, James \$11,355.65

Kendall, James 3,515.88

2017

Kendall, James \$ 1,183.69

2018

Bradley, John & Sharon \$ 2,407.09

Kendall, James 9,984.90

2019

Kendall, James \$12,407.51

2020

Alongi, Vito \$ 2,393.25

Bradley, John & Sharon 3,344.59

Hahr, Christopher 2,407.32

Hilliker, Shawn 895.02

Kendall, James 12,469.39

2021

492 Rte 5 LLC \$ 1,498.58

504 Rte 5 LLC 1,779.29

Alongi, Vito 2,716.46

Boardman, Brendan 1,892.02

Bogie, Calvin & Darlene 1,712.99

Bradley, John & Sharon 3,286.23

Braley, Gabriel 2,294.29

Campbell, Kathleen 3,066.35

Conrad, Megan 327.12

Cooper, Teresa 2,006.95

Demers, Joseph 2,001.42

2021 (continued)

Denio, Bruce & Carolyn \$ 1,281.19

Edmunds, Tarcia 17.16

Hahr, Christopher 3,401.64

Hayes, Candace 2,082.26

Hilliker, Shawn 880.66

Jones, James 11,573.13

Kendall, James 3,918.87

Kendall, Marvin 8.84

Labounty, Elphage Jr, 674.50

Lacourse, Dennis Jr. 2,979.95

Lamper, Michael 9.42

Larabee Morrisette Trust 4,248.20

Mitchel, Stephanie 3,125.59

Noyes, Billy 769.18

Ouellette, William 556.71

Rivard, Martha 682.42

Seiler, Farrell Fam Trust 2,124.09

Starosciak, Keith 406.69

Sun Do 289.63

Walsh, Diane 646.80

Wright, Adam Estate 1,770.45

## **2021 REPORT OF BARNET FIRE & RESCUE**

Barnet Fire & Rescue responded to 147 fire and medical incidents in 2021 compared to 145 for the previous year. We are currently operating with a roster of 13 members. Of those 13 members 2 are certified EMS providers, 4 members are Fire/EMS trained and 7 are Fire trained. The NEK Consortium Regional Fire Services Feasibility Study was completed in April by Municipal Resources Inc. They presented the report to members of the group via Zoom and two copies were provided to each community involved in the study. It can also be viewed digitally at [www.NVDA.net](http://www.NVDA.net) under the Emergency Management tab and scroll down to NEK Consortium Regional Fire Services Feasibility Study. A timeline of action items was recommended in the report but to date there has been no formal action or discussion on any these items.

Coverage continues to be an issue both day and night and we are continuing to rely on mutual aid coverage for routine incidents more than we have in the past. Other departments in our area that have normally maintained a healthy number of volunteers are also having coverage issues and are having to resort to more requests for mutual aid for routine calls. As I have mentioned in past reports, we are always looking for new members who would be willing to serve the community and be part of a great brotherhood. If you are that person or know of someone, contact any member or stop by the firehouse on the first or third Tuesday evenings for more information. Barnet Fire and Rescue provides all the training and equipment at no cost to members, we provide an hourly stipend for time spent on calls. In addition, we also provide an Accident & Sickness policy that provides coverage in addition to Workers Compensation.

Barnet Fire Department was able to purchase 8 new sets of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus in June with the grant from the Federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$58000.00. We received proposals from two vendors and were able to negotiate with the preferred vendor to a price of \$50310.16. The Department share was a 5% match or \$2515.51. The remaining funds in the award are available until August of 2022 and we will be seeking an amendment to the grant proposal to replace our thermal imaging camera which is out of service and no longer supported by the manufacturer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald L Morse, Chief



## **Barnet Fire Rescue 2021 Treasurer's Report**

Balance on hand January 1, 2021	\$ 10,797.59	\$ 10,797.59
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### Income

Donations	\$ 1,305.58
Interest	\$ 5.69
BBQ receipts	\$ 3,269.00
911 Sign Sales	\$ 75.00
Total Income	\$ 4,655.27

January 1st balance plus income	\$ 15,452.86
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### Expenses

VSFFA Dues	\$ 308.00	
Dept T Shirts	\$ 140.35	
Meeting Refreshments	\$ 113.51	
Building Maint. & Equip	\$ 106.00	
Fire Equipment	\$ 37.09	
BBQ expenses	\$ 1,395.79	
Checks	\$ 32.42	
Postage & Box Rent	\$ 160.00	
West Barnet QS	\$ 83.79	
Donations	\$ 170.00	
Total Expenses	\$ 2,546.95	\$ 2,546.95

Balance on hand December 31,2021	\$ 12,905.91
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Christopher Bunnell, Treasurer

### **Harvey's Lake Beach Committee- Town Report 2022**

#### Summary of beach happenings for the year 2021

Summer 2021 was uneventful. We were able to open with limited hours. We employed 4 local youths. With COVID still in place we decided not to hire any guards for safety reasons. We were able to purchase a few new picnic tables and make repairs to some of the existing ones.

#### **UPCOMING CHANGES:**

- Summer 2022 we will be open regular hours of 9-5 daily (weather permitting).
- Per person fees will be increased to \$3.
- Season Passes will be increased to \$50 for residents. Passes will be for 5 people that will be listed. New to this is that the people can be from different households. There will be a \$10 fee for addition people to be added to the pass.
- We will remain a carry in carry out facility.

EXCITING NEWS, we were able to raise all the funds needed for a new playground. The permits from the state have been issued, the playground has been ordered and is scheduled to be installed this spring!! **Thank you to our community for all your support!**

We are desperately looking to hire local youth that are interested in becoming certified lifeguards. If you know someone interested please direct them to a beach committee member or the Town Clerk for an application. Funding is available to help with certification costs!

We are also looking to add a few more active beach committee members reach out if you are interested!

Visit our webpage, **harveyslakebeach.net**, passes and pavilion rental forms can be printed from there or picked up at the beach.

As always, THANK YOU, the town, for your continued support of the beach!

**Committee Members:** Christen Emerson, Philo Marcotte, Jennifer Kierstead, Chris Yancey,  
Danny Pearl

Beach Email: [harveyslakebeach@gmail.com](mailto:harveyslakebeach@gmail.com)

## Librarian's Report 2021

The Barnet Public Library is so grateful to have such a supportive and vibrant community to serve. Having opened our doors to patrons in the Fall of 2020, it was so wonderful to have the community back indoors this year, surrounded by books. 2021, though, remained unique in its own way. We continued to welcome patrons new to town as well as all of our wonderful regulars. Thank you once again for supporting this resource.

We began our year once again with books inside along with books on the porch, brought to the car, inside the library or delivered to our patrons' home in our book bushels. We sincerely enjoyed meeting people with books wherever they felt comfortable.

We continued Art at the Library by ZOOM. Many people far and wide were able to take classes in pop-up cards, embroidery art, and star shows. In February we sent over 200 Valentines to people in the community. The cards were made by young Barnet patrons. This is one of our favorite library programs.

The summer brought warm weather and so again we packed up the bookmobile with over one hundred library books each Friday and brought them to patrons in Passumpsic and West Barnet village. While it wasn't as busy as last year, we really loved meeting folks out in the community with books. Our dearest Jackie took a full time job in Montpelier. We miss her so much, but are so happy for her to find a fulfilling career she loves! Next Spring we will look for a new assistant to help us bring books and joy to Barnet.

Summer Reading was such a great success. We had over 40 participants enthusiastically fill out punch cards and pick out prizes. We like to think it is all due to the joy of reading, but I think it had a little to do with the grand prize being a large 5 pound blue gummy bear. We wrapped up our summer reading with another delightful performance by Modern Times theater and their Punch and Judy puppet show. Umbrella's delicious Dolcetti sorbet kept the audience of over 75 cool and happy.

Trunk or Treat was held again at Harvey's Lake. People seemed to enjoy the spooky dark the beach allows. The trunks were so festive; boxes of crayons, TV show idols, spiders, hobbits and real live Barnet fire fighters! Despite the rain and wind, we had 16 trunks and over 300 trick or treaters. Thank you Barnet for coming out in droves!

We received ARPA funds (thanks to the Vermont Dept. of Libraries and the Institute of Museum and Library Services) this fall allowing us to purchase items for borrowing (snowshoes, pop-up tents, folding tables) as well as some to just keep us going in almost any circumstance (outdoor book cart & HEPA filter). We will do anything to remain your community switchboard, living room, resource center and safe haven. As always, the Barnet Library welcomes any suggestions regarding any ways we can help make Barnet even better.

Dylan Ford, Director

802-633-4436 / [barnetpl@hotmail.com](mailto:barnetpl@hotmail.com) , Facebook or [www.barnetpubliclibrary.com](http://www.barnetpubliclibrary.com)

**Barnet Public Library**  
**Annual Report**  
for the year ending 12/31/2021

	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Town Tax Appropriation	30,000	30,000	31,000
Donations	1,500	3,555	1,500
Grants	1,700	4,302	200
Fundraisers	1,000	1,259	1,000
Annual Appeal	-	1,925	2,000
Barnet History Book Sales	-	675	-
Interest on Bank Accts	-	25	-
	<hr/> 34,200	<hr/> 41,741	<hr/> 35,700
<b>Expenses</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>			
Gross Wages	24,575	17,928	25,500
FICA Taxes (Soc. Sec.)	1,700	1,372	1,913
Workshops	200	-	200
<b>FACILITIES EXPENSES</b>			
Telephone	490	568	490
Internet Service	490	402	490
Maintenance & Renovation	400	300	400
<b>LIBRARY OPERATIONS</b>			
Audio/Video	150	146	150
Adult Books	2,000	1,813	2,000
Kid Books	1,000	936	1,000
Magazines/Newspaper	300	304	300
Ebooks	450	521	350
Website	300	56	300
Automation	177	186	177
Miscellaneous		(5)	-
<b>SUPPLIES &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>			
Mileage	300	-	50
Office Supplies	650	597	650
Computer	500	1,043	500
Postage	200	268	300
<b>SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>			-
Special Events	350	536	350
	<hr/> 34,232	<hr/> 26,972	<hr/> 35,120
 Net Income	 <hr/> (32)	 <hr/> 14,769	 <hr/> 581

## **Barnet Transfer Station Report For 2021**

The year 2021 was another busy year at the Transfer Station in all four categories: Construction debris, Trash, Metal and Recycling. Special thanks to Donald Nelson, Rusty Ehlers, Ernest "Buddy" Bourtelle and Shirley Warden. Everything went well again this year and everyone worked hard to make this happen! Dixie Burns (Call 2-1-1) was also there again, if needed, to help the Good Neighbor Fund operate efficiently. They all went above and beyond, as usual! Also we would like to thank the Highway Department crew for their help in sanding and plowing this year.

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund hosted two Clothing Giveaways in 2021; one in April and one in November. Proceeds from the April Giveaway were given to Brian and Kathy Somers to help during their time of need. The November proceeds were deposited into the Barnet Good Neighbor Fund to help any of our neighbors who may need help in the future. Joyce Evans (my wife), Lisa Bowden, Shelly Darrell, Wendy Stein, Heather Lindstrom, David and Ruth Anderson, Sandi Redfield, Shelly Mitchell, Michelle Travis, and the Barnet Church Store helped to organize these events. They completely filled the pews of the church with clothing from size newborn to 6X. Over 325 families took advantage of these opportunities and we are extremely thankful for all of the generous donations that allowed our neighbors to be warm this winter. Leftover clothing was donated to local non-profit agencies.

This year we collected over 133 tons of MSW materials (trash), over 24 tons of scrap metal and over 139 tons of C+D (construction debris)! The tonnage for trash and construction debris were almost equal, but both were down a bit from last year.

The Recycling Center had another very busy year and the residents of Barnet were able to keep over 81 tons of recyclables out of the landfill. Of that 81 tons almost 8 tons were plastic containers and, believe it or not, almost 9 tons of compost!

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund has had another great year. We would like to thank everyone who has donated their returnable bottles to this worthy cause. Debbie King of the West Barnet Quick Stop continues to watch out for any neighbors who may need monetary assistance from our Good Neighbor Fund. If you find yourself, or someone you know who is a Barnet resident, in need of financial assistance, please don't hesitate to ask one of our committee members: Bruce Marston, Shirley Warden, Tammy Carpenter or Tina Morrison, for help.

The folks at Casella, All Metals and The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are always ready to help solve any problems that arise. They all have really great employees.

Our little dog pals are still looking ahead to Saturday so they can enjoy a snack when they stop in for a visit. As I say each year we are always sad to hear about the loss of any of our dog friends and this year was no exception. We seem to lose a few dogs each year. This year we even lost a 4 year old pup. The younger they are the harder it is to lose them.

**We need folks to use more care in putting items in the right place and rinsing dirty items.** We seem to be moving backwards in this regard. When people don't follow the rules of recycling, it makes more work for the rest of us and Daniel "Rusty" Ehlers is spending more time than ever before climbing in and out of the dumpsters, barrels, boxes and plastic bottle bags retrieving items that are put in the wrong place. Please do a better job to help us with this on-going problem by reading the signs and removing the caps from all containers. It would also be helpful, especially during the winter months, if you could arrive BEFORE 3:00 p.m. Donald and Rusty have been at their posts since before 8 o'clock in the morning and are chilled to the bone! It's not fair to expect them to stay past closing time.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bruce Marston*

**Of Interest to Many:**

*The following is a list of some of the most common items that can be found in landfills along with the approximate time needed for decomposition:*

*Cigarette butts 10-12 years, Fishing line 600 years, Rubber boot soles 50-80 years, Plastic bottles 450 years, Leather shoes 25-40 years, Milk cartons 5 years, Cotton gloves 3 months, Aluminum cans 80-100 years, Metal cans 50 years, Train tickets 2 weeks, Batteries 100 years, Rope 3-14 months, Wool clothing 1-5 years, Styrofoam NEVER, Plywood 1-3 years and Nylon fabric 30-40 years.*

*Please consider giving items that can still be used to others, rather than throwing them away. Re-use is always better for our planet and its inhabitants. You might consider using the website **BUY NOTHING CALEDONIA**. It's incredible how many things get recycled from there. You can even make a request for something you need/want and people offer it up.*

*If you have any questions on the proper recycling of any item, you may call the Waste Management District in Lyndonville at 1-802-626-3532.*

## **Memorial Flags**

Due to Covid 19 the Barnet School 6 grade students were unable to take part placing the flags on the Veterans graves in 2021. We were able to get the following volunteers to help. Caroline & Ben Adams with Elliott, & Olive Adams, Marlisa and Arthur Cheney with Emma Gilding, Isabella and Sophia Demers, Addison Labelle and Jessica Cheney, Odessa Cheney and Heather Cheney, Judy Butson, Tony & Mary Faris, Dennis & Jeanne McLam.

The following is the number of flags placed in each cemetery. McIndoes 82, Walter Harvey 31, West Barnet 35, Barnet Center 73, Pleasant View 91, Stevens 10

The following volunteers helped collect the flags this fall. Mark Gilleland, Kevin & Sarah Daniels & children Titus, Selah, Trinity, Ezra, Shiloh & Micah. Judy Butson, Tony & Mary Faris, Dennis & Jeanne McLam.

We want to thank all of the volunteers that helped this year. We couldn't have managed without your wonderful help.

Patricia McLam

Lisa Bowden

Judy Butson

Memorial Day Report 2021

The 2021 Memorial Day services were held Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. The Passumpsic Village service was held at 9 am at the monument in Passumpsic. The Barnet Village service was conducted at 9:30am at the monument on the Barnet Village circle. The ceremonies began with a welcome by the Selectboard and a prayer led by Benjamin Gates, an elder at the West Barnet Presbyterian Church.

The speaker for both events was David Curtin. David served two years in Vietnam in the 173 Airborne Brigade, and as a civilian in the Defense Department for twenty-seven years.

Also participating was VFW Post 793 and the Auxiliary led by Commander Chris Haggett. Debbie Smith played taps at both locations and David Rock opened and closed the ceremonies with bagpipe music recognizing Barnet's Scottish Heritage.

All are welcome to attend the Barnet Memorial Day ceremonies.



## **2021 Boat Monitor Report**

**- Kathy Wirthwein**

Summer of 2021 was another successful season for our Lake Harvey Greeter Program. Our waters remain pure, thanks to our diligent Greeters and our conscientious resident and visiting boaters. We are grateful to all, and to the Town of Barnet for its ongoing support.

This summer Internet access at the boat access was needed, and it was kindly provided by parking lot neighbor Mathew Collins. Greeters now use iPads to input information about each boat, which at the end of each day is transmitted to Vermont's Agency of Natural Resources. Pre-programmed questions provide choices to input requested information. Additional comments may be entered as notes on the form. At summer's end we received back a spreadsheet of data. My job every year is to sort out the spreadsheet answers to the questions and compile a synopsis for Barnet residents and Association members.

ANR made some improvements in gathering boat monitoring information. The computer now lists the many boat access locations on the Connecticut River and Lake Champlain. Most other bodies of water covered have just one official access. Some locations are further categorized on the state spreadsheet as state parks. It is helpful that we no longer have to recall or look up locations and/or spelling while busy checking in boaters and boats!

The key question is always whether a boat was last used during the previous two weeks, because contaminants are assumed dried up or dead thereafter. If "yes" the boat was automatically washed. This criterium was consistently followed, and 48 boats were washed this season. More and more boats every year are already user washed and clean when inspected, as boaters have become more educated and take pride in protecting our lake.

The spreadsheet listed 595 visiting boats or groups. Of these 370 or 62% were last in Harvey's Lake. Another 19% (114 boats) were last in nearby Joes Pond (32), Lake Willoughby (24), Crystal Lake (9), Ticklenaked Pond (6) and Lake Morey (9). All but Joes Pond have milfoil. Various Connecticut River locations (26) and Lake Champlain (9) have a variety of invasive species. The remaining 19% came from about 50 different locations, many of which host invasive species as well. Thus far all have been kept at bay at Lake Harvey.

"Fishing" was the purpose of about 133 boats. We were visited six times by state police or the game warden. However, the vast majority of boating was solely "recreational".

The boat types were 197 outboards, 80 inboards, 65 pontoons, 19 jet skis, 29 canoes, 151 kayak groups, 46 paddleboards, 2 rafts, and 3 "boards/motorboats". These numbers should be increased because the kayaks especially arrived in groups which were listed in the "comments". We should add about 94 kayaks bringing the kayak total to 245 kayaks, and the boat total to 686. These numbers reflect those boats entering our lake during our 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM monitoring hours from Memorial Day through Labor Day weekends. Dawn or night time boats and visiting boaters pre and post program coverage add to that total.

Vermont has done an exceptional job of updating various information and improving presentation. Visit [www.lakeharvey.com](http://www.lakeharvey.com) for more information. Our Town and Lake Harvey Association are steadfast in our commitment to protect our magnificent and valuable resource.

**"Prevention is the only cure, help us keep Lake Harvey pure."**

## **Section 4**

# **Town Financial Reports**

## Treasurer's Report

As the world continued to experience its roller coaster cycles of crisis and hope in 2021, the Town's finances continued to be mostly stable and predictable. Actual revenues and expenditures were generally on target with regard to the budget, and planned long-term goals steadily progressed. Several small over-expenditures and under-expenditures were the primary drivers of variance in the General Fund. The Town remains fiscally strong thanks to years of sound management; there remains a healthy accumulated surplus and no long-term notes payable. Both of these elements of Town finance result from the design of the Selectboard and the trust of the taxpayers.

Town financial documents are sometimes difficult for taxpayers to understand because they differ from those encountered in business or personal lives. Town finances are reported using Fund Accounting: monies are separated into various funds because the Town must demonstrate that expenditures comply with restrictions on the use of the money. These restrictions can be externally imposed, as when benefactors restrict the use of the principal in the Trust Fund – these balances are called *non-spendable* or *restricted*. Or the restrictions can be internally imposed, as with many of the Town's Reserve Accounts – these balances are called *committed* or *assigned* fund balances. Monies that can be expended without restrictions are referred to as *unassigned* fund balances. Fund accounting also allows the Town to demonstrate that the use of money complies with approved budgets, and with accounting standards imposed by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The following is a brief summary of the function of each of the Town's funds.

- General Fund: The general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The operating income and expenditures of the Selectboard, including the Highway Department, are included in the General Fund.
- Reserve Fund: Used to account for a collection of various accounts held in reserve by the Town for future projects. Most of these are set aside by the Selectboard, with the approval of the voters, to prepare for large future expenditures while incurring minimal debt. They are each reserved for specific purposes and generally cannot be used otherwise.
- Trust Fund: Used to account for various permanent trust accounts established for the benefit of the Town. In each of the three current accounts the principal donated is non-spendable.

A couple of items of particular newsworthy interest have surfaced in 2021, which will merit the continued monitoring of the Treasurer's office, Selectboard, and taxpayers.

1. The Selectboard has taken steps toward renovation and repurposing of the Town Hall as a public office, with hopes of moving operations from their current location on US Route 5 South in Barnet Village a short distance up the hill to a new perch on Church Street. A total of \$28,000 was spent towards this end in 2021; if the project is approved, funds currently in the Municipal Buildings Fund (Reserve Fund) and future contributions to that fund will be used.
2. The Town received \$244,000 in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act in 2021 and expects to receive another \$85,000 in 2022. The eligible uses of these funds are limited by stipulations set forth by the federal government. The Selectboard has spent or committed only a small portion of these funds; engagement by the community in discussing possible uses of these funds is encouraged.

I continue to appreciate the confidence committed to the Treasurer's Office by the voters, and the assistance of the many volunteer officers that help make the Town's fiscal policy operate effectively. These officers, notably the Selectboard, work countless unpaid hours behind the scenes and are the true indispensable cogs and heroes of town government.

Respectfully submitted,  
Benjamin P. Heisholt, Treasurer

## Town of Barnet, Vermont

### 2022 General Fund Budget

Selectboard: Dylan Ford, Benjamin Gates & Mark Jefferson

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## Revenues

### Selectboard Income

**1 Taxes**

<b>a</b>	Selectboard Budget Tax Appropriation	1,663,085.22	1,624,979.21	1,626,001.28	1,673,637.04
<b>b</b>	Change in Deferred Property Tax Revenue	51,982.20		50,303.77	
	<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>1,715,067.42</b>	<b>1,624,979.21</b>	<b>1,676,305.05</b>	<b>1,673,637.04</b>

**2 Town Clerk's Office Fees**

	Recording Fees	20,442.00	14,000.00	19,090.00	18,000.00
<b>a</b>	General Office Fees	2,535.10	3,500.00	2,712.99	3,500.00
	Dog Licenses	1,444.00	1,500.00	1,385.00	1,500.00
	Dog Ordinance Violation Fees	125.00	0.00	87.50	0.00
<b>b</b>	Liquor Licenses	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00
	Other Licenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Fees</b>	<b>24,616.10</b>	<b>19,070.00</b>	<b>23,345.49</b>	<b>23,070.00</b>

**3 Planning Commission & Zoning Board**

	Zoning Permit Fees	885.00	1,200.00	810.00	1,200.00
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**4 Transfer Station**

	Transfer Station Collections	52,981.43	45,000.00	52,583.52	50,000.00
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**5 Harvey's Lake Beach**

	Admission Charges	0.00	10,000.00	7,709.75	9,500.00
	Pavilion Rental	(335.00)	1,000.00	1,544.50	1,500.00
	<b>Total Harvey's Lake Beach</b>	<b>(335.00)</b>	<b>11,000.00</b>	<b>9,254.25</b>	<b>11,000.00</b>

**6 General Selectboard Income**

<b>a</b>	Late Filing Fees - HS-122 forms	0.00	0.00	8,525.90	0.00
	Interest - Delinquent Taxes	19,592.14	10,000.00	40,372.59	15,000.00
<b>b</b>	Interest - Savings & Checking	20,120.43	7,900.00	14,135.58	7,900.00
	Highway Access Permits	10.00	0.00	20.00	0.00
<b>c</b>	State of VT - Current Use Payment (Selectboard's share)	46,132.00	40,000.00	44,766.00	40,000.00
	State of VT - Current Use Change Tax	0.00	0.00	2,963.50	0.00
<b>d</b>	State of VT - Fish & Game Land	7,409.40	7,900.00	7,409.40	7,500.00
<b>e</b>	State of VT - Reimburse Legal Fees		0.00		0.00
<b>f</b>	State of VT - Aquatic Nuisance Grant	6,930.00	7,000.00	9,157.00	7,000.00
	State of VT - Digitization Grant	10,958.79	0.00	0.00	0.00
	State of VT - Elections Grant		0.00	1,972.88	0.00
<b>g</b>	FEMA Firefighter Grant			47,794.65	0.00
<b>h</b>	Electronics Recycling Credit		200.00		200.00

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i	Rent - Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
j	Tax Retainage Fee - Prior Year		7,000.00	1,161.00	2,000.00
	District Court of VT - Local Fines	2,505.50	100.00	2,318.50	1,500.00
	Town Forest Logging	38,450.63	0.00	0.00	0.00
	School Election Expense Refund			1,167.58	0.00
	Various Other Income	(0.78)	800.00	0.71	0.00
	<b>Total General Selectboard Income</b>	<b>159,308.11</b>	<b>88,100.00</b>	<b>188,965.29</b>	<b>88,300.00</b>
<b>7 a</b>	<b>Use of Prior Surplus</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Selectboard Income</b>	<b>1,952,523.06</b>	<b>1,989,349.21</b>	<b>2,151,263.60</b>	<b>2,047,207.04</b>
	<b>Highway Income</b>				
<b>9</b>	<b>State Aid</b>				
a	State Aid to Roads	192,491.22	185,000.00	203,978.39	190,000.00
	NVDA Grant	13,030.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total State Aid</b>	<b>205,521.53</b>	<b>185,000.00</b>	<b>203,978.39</b>	<b>190,000.00</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Other Highway Income</b>				
a	State of VT - Current Use Payment (Highway share)	46,132.00	40,000.00	44,766.00	40,000.00
b	Insurance Claim	331.82	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Scrap Metal Sales	0.00	0.00	268.80	0.00
	Various other receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Other Highway Income</b>	<b>46,463.82</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>45,034.80</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>
<b>13 a</b>	<b>Use of Prior Surplus</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
	<b>Total Highway Income</b>	<b>251,985.35</b>	<b>225,000.00</b>	<b>249,013.19</b>	<b>230,000.00</b>
	<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>2,204,508.41</b>	<b>2,214,349.21</b>	<b>2,400,276.79</b>	<b>2,277,207.04</b>

## Expenditures

### Selectboard Expenditures

<b>15</b>	<b>Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes:</b>				
	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	11,483.37	17,000.00	11,620.90	17,000.00
	Health Insurance	27,418.15	28,600.00	28,379.92	26,800.00
a	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)	1,950.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Reserve Fund Appropriation				
b	Retirement	4,033.36	6,000.00	4,048.85	6,000.00
c	Unemployment Compensation	250.00	255.00	525.50	482.00
d	Dental Insurance	409.31	500.00	437.84	500.00
	<b>Total Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>45,544.19</b>	<b>54,355.00</b>	<b>47,013.01</b>	<b>52,782.00</b>

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<b>16</b>	<b>Town Clerk's Office</b>				
	<u>Salaries (See Schedule A):</u>				
	Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk & Treas.	63,018.17	64,347.21	66,121.17	68,208.04
	Assistant Town Clerk & Treas.	23,352.76	25,000.00	21,264.38	25,000.00
<b>a</b>	Substitute Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	331.50	0.00
	Total Salaries	86,370.93	89,347.21	87,717.05	93,208.04
	Land Record Books & Supplies	196.09	700.00	305.35	700.00
	Land Record Online Portal			1,200.00	1,200.00
<b>b</b>	Copier Expenses	2,978.15	1,500.00	1,946.17	1,500.00
	Tax Bills	302.55	250.00	320.00	350.00
<b>c</b>	Software Service Agreement	6,756.30	6,000.00	5,778.99	6,000.00
<b>d</b>	Computer Maintenance, Supplies	4,104.08	5,000.00	3,639.71	5,000.00
	Postage	2,955.22	2,500.00	2,715.93	2,500.00
	Postage Meter Rental	298.90	200.00	308.88	300.00
	Advertising	655.00	800.00	525.00	800.00
	Digitization Grant Expense	11,016.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Various Office Supplies	1,851.12	1,500.00	1,211.96	1,500.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Office</b>	<b>117,485.11</b>	<b>107,797.21</b>	<b>105,669.04</b>	<b>113,058.04</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Listers' Office:</b>				
	Salaries (See Schedule B)	9,631.27	12,500.00	13,997.50	12,500.00
<b>a</b>	Contracted Services (professional appraiser)				15,000.00
	Computer Maintenance & Supplies	1,685.95	1,500.00	1,509.09	1,500.00
<b>b</b>	Software Service Agreement		250.00		250.00
	Mileage		1,000.00		1,000.00
	Training	553.81	300.00	1,653.85	300.00
<b>c</b>	Tax Map Maintenance	2,737.50	3,500.00	2,912.50	3,500.00
	<b>Total Listers' Office</b>	<b>14,608.53</b>	<b>19,050.00</b>	<b>20,072.94</b>	<b>34,050.00</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Planning Commission/Zoning Board:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Administrative Officer Salary	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,850.00
<b>b</b>	Wages - Secretary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,126.00	1,000.00
	Administrative Officer Expenses	1,274.63	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Advertising	280.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
	E911 Administrative Expenses	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Town Plan Update			0.00	5,000.00
	Other		300.00	0.00	300.00
	<b>Total Planning Commission/Zoning Board</b>	<b>6,054.63</b>	<b>6,450.00</b>	<b>6,226.00</b>	<b>11,800.00</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Auditors:</b>				
	Salaries	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00
	Printing Town Reports	1,644.85	2,500.00	1,922.00	2,500.00
	<b>Total Auditors</b>	<b>1,644.85</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>	<b>1,922.00</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Landfill/Transfer Station:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salaries-Transfer Station (See Schedule C)	7,484.38	5,000.00	7,727.50	7,000.00
<b>b</b>	Environmental Compliance/ Post-Closure Testing	4,886.17	1,500.00	3,857.70	1,500.00
<b>c</b>	Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Annual Appropriation/Surcharge	8,839.18	7,000.00	8,593.09	8,000.00

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	Supplies - Transfer Station	72.28	100.00	18.99	100.00
<b>d</b>	Dumping Fee	25,495.87	23,000.00	24,458.54	24,000.00
<b>e</b>	Hauling Fee	23,632.83	21,000.00	22,680.00	22,000.00
	Advertising - Transfer Station	100.00	150.00	210.00	150.00
<b>f</b>	Hired Equipment	360.00	250.00	240.00	250.00
	Equipment Maintenance		0.00	413.18	0.00
	Capital Expenditures		0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Landfill/Transfer Station</b>	<b>70,870.71</b>	<b>58,000.00</b>	<b>68,199.00</b>	<b>63,000.00</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Barnet Recycling:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salaries (See Schedule D)	8,273.50	8,000.00	8,716.00	10,000.00
	Disposal Fees	2,790.00	1,000.00	3,406.00	3,500.00
	Compost Tote Fees	904.50	400.00	1,471.50	1,000.00
	Equipment & Supplies	18.41		107.09	0.00
	<b>Total Recycling</b>	<b>11,986.41</b>	<b>9,400.00</b>	<b>13,700.59</b>	<b>14,500.00</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Fire &amp; Rescue:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Volunteers' Reimbursement	4,671.70	5,000.00	5,046.64	5,000.00
<b>b</b>	Equipment & Supplies	6,372.92	12,100.00	53,040.48	12,100.00
<b>c</b>	Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	3,684.03	2,000.00	1,122.71	2,000.00
<b>d</b>	Mutual Aid Dues & Dispatching Service	4,031.00	4,000.00	3,184.00	4,000.00
<b>e</b>	Rescue Squad Expenses	2,033.26	3,200.00	86.53	3,200.00
	Regionalization		1,100.00	1,017.00	1,100.00
	Other	105.54	600.00	207.70	600.00
	<b>Total Fire &amp; Rescue</b>	<b>20,898.45</b>	<b>28,000.00</b>	<b>63,705.06</b>	<b>28,000.00</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Harvey's Lake Beach:</b>				
	Salaries - Lifeguards & Gate Attendants (See Schedule E)	1,482.00	17,300.00	4,660.77	20,000.00
	Salaries - Groundskeepers	840.00		0.00	0.00
	Salaries - Location Health Officer	1,830.00		0.00	0.00
<b>a</b>	Swimming Lessons		1,100.00	0.00	0.00
	Employee Training		850.00	0.00	850.00
	Employee Background Checks		200.00	0.00	0.00
	Operating Supplies	143.65	400.00	148.15	400.00
	Rubbish Removal		700.00	908.49	0.00
	Advertising	327.61	300.00	429.04	500.00
	<b>Total Harveys Lake Beach</b>	<b>4,623.26</b>	<b>20,850.00</b>	<b>6,146.45</b>	<b>21,750.00</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Police Services:</b>				
	Constable Charges - Dogs		200.00	0.00	100.00
	Constable Charges - Other	159.01	500.00	0.00	200.00
	Sheriff's Patrol	3,675.45	7,500.00	5,440.99	7,500.00
	Other		400.00	0.00	200.00
	<b>Total Police Services</b>	<b>3,834.46</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>	<b>5,440.99</b>	<b>8,000.00</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Selectboard:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salaries	1,010.96	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
<b>b</b>	Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	<b>Total Selectboard</b>	<b>2,510.96</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>

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<b>27</b>	<b>Elections Expenses:</b>				
	Ballot Clerks	1,106.06	500.00	345.45	500.00
<b>a</b>	Moderator	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
	Advertising	660.00	400.00	915.00	400.00
<b>b</b>	Supplies/Equipment	164.28	50.00	450.60	50.00
<b>c</b>	Ballot Tabulator Expense	386.00	2,000.00	925.00	2,000.00
	<b>Total Election Expenses</b>	<b>2,416.34</b>	<b>3,050.00</b>	<b>2,636.05</b>	<b>3,050.00</b>
<b>32 a</b>	<b>Buildings/Grounds Utilities &amp; Maintenance</b>				
	<u>Town Clerk's Office</u>				
<b>b</b>	Fuel Oil	1,623.97	2,000.00	1,371.23	2,000.00
	Electricity	1,260.40	1,200.00	1,271.86	1,200.00
	Water		400.00	0.00	400.00
	Telephone	944.38	1,000.00	1,059.54	1,000.00
	Internet	839.88	800.00	929.87	800.00
	Maintenance	3,754.15	3,000.00	2,891.93	3,000.00
	Cleaning	2,040.00	2,100.00	1,060.00	2,100.00
	<b>Total Town Clerk's Office</b>	<b>10,462.78</b>	<b>10,500.00</b>	<b>8,584.43</b>	<b>10,500.00</b>
	<u>Barnet Public Library Building:</u>				
<b>a</b>	Fuel Oil	5,610.81	8,500.00	4,363.11	8,500.00
	Electricity	742.63	900.00	787.09	900.00
	Water		1,400.00		1,400.00
<b>b</b>	Heating & Plumbing	2,708.66	0.00	3,118.38	0.00
	Other Various	2,268.84	1,300.00	1,869.67	1,300.00
	<b>Total Barnet Public Library Building</b>	<b>11,330.94</b>	<b>12,100.00</b>	<b>10,138.25</b>	<b>12,100.00</b>
<b>a</b>	<u>Town Hall</u>				
	Electricity	254.28	300.00	251.57	300.00
	Water	684.20	450.00	547.36	450.00
	Maintenance	1,124.65	1,000.00	1,122.48	1,000.00
	<b>Total Town Hall</b>	<b>2,063.13</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>1,921.41</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>
	<u>Transfer Station</u>				
	Electricity	1,822.41	1,700.00	1,601.56	1,700.00
	Portable Toilet		55.00		55.00
	<b>Total Transfer Station</b>	<b>1,822.41</b>	<b>1,755.00</b>	<b>1,601.56</b>	<b>1,755.00</b>
	<u>Recycling Center</u>				
<b>a</b>	Fuel Oil	107.11	400.00	79.72	200.00
	Maintenance		0.00		0.00
	<b>Total Recycling Center</b>	<b>107.11</b>	<b>400.00</b>	<b>79.72</b>	<b>200.00</b>
	<u>Fire &amp; Rescue Station</u>				
<b>a</b>	Fuel Oil	3,473.98	5,000.00	3,090.09	5,000.00
	Electricity	1,441.72	1,800.00	1,499.05	1,800.00
	Telephone	1,348.11	1,800.00	1,431.06	1,800.00
	Internet		550.00		550.00
	Maintenance	1,293.25	1,900.00	2,063.50	1,900.00
	<b>Total Fire &amp; Rescue Station</b>	<b>7,557.06</b>	<b>11,050.00</b>	<b>8,083.70</b>	<b>11,050.00</b>



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	<u>West Barnet Fire Station</u>				
a	Fuel Oil		0.00	-19.20	0.00
	Electricity	329.02	400.00	317.36	400.00
	<b>Total West Barnet Fire Station</b>	<b>329.02</b>	<b>400.00</b>	<b>298.16</b>	<b>400.00</b>
	<u>Harvey's Lake Beach</u>				
	Electricity	1,486.09	200.00	1,886.97	1,500.00
	Telephone		500.00		1,000.00
	Portable Toilet		500.00		500.00
	Maintenance	780.00	1,700.00	3,172.98	2,000.00
	<b>Total Harvey's Lake Beach</b>	<b>2,266.09</b>	<b>2,900.00</b>	<b>5,059.95</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Buildings/Grounds Utilities &amp; Maintenance</b>	<b>35,938.54</b>	<b>40,855.00</b>	<b>35,767.18</b>	<b>42,755.00</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Insurance &amp; Bonds:</b>				
	Vehicles, Buildings & Town Officer Bonds	18,038.08	11,752.00	19,201.53	10,753.12
	Workers' Compensation	7,429.94	3,148.00	4,491.48	2,678.40
	Insurance Claim Settlement	1,543.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
a	Fire & Rescue Insurance	3,027.00	1,250.00	1,033.00	1,250.00
	<b>Total Insurance &amp; Bonds</b>	<b>30,038.02</b>	<b>16,150.00</b>	<b>24,726.01</b>	<b>14,681.52</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Legal Expenses:</b>				
a	Tax Appeals		1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
b	Tax Collectors Items	600.00	500.00	5,141.44	500.00
	General	1,425.00	5,000.00	125.00	5,000.00
c	Zoning		1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Animal Control	317.63	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
	<b>Total Legal Expenses</b>	<b>2,342.63</b>	<b>9,000.00</b>	<b>5,266.44</b>	<b>9,000.00</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Interest on Loans:</b>				
a	Tax Anticipation Borrowing	8,877.61	5,400.00	5,349.78	4,500.00
	Line of Credit				
	<b>Total Interest on Loans</b>	<b>8,877.61</b>	<b>5,400.00</b>	<b>5,349.78</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>Professional Services:</b>				
a	Auditing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>38</b>	<b>Tax Abatements:</b>	0.00	0.00	3,334.65	0.00
<b>39</b>	<b>Annual Appropriations:</b>				
	American Red Cross	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	Area Office on Aging	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Barnet Historical Society	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Caledonia Home Health Care	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
	Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	County Tax	26,618.00	26,618.00	28,179.00	27,952.00
	Fairbanks Museum	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
	Habitat for Humanity		500.00	500.00	500.00
	Kingdom Animal Shelter		500.00	500.00	500.00

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<b>a</b>	Memorial Day	1,823.48	1,500.00	1,979.38	1,500.00
	Northeast Kingdom Human Services	1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00
	Northeast Kingdom Learning Services	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Northeast Kingdom Youth Services	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Northeastern Vermont Development Association	1,281.00	1,281.00	1,281.00	1,281.00
	Rural Community Transportation	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
	Umbrella Inc.	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	Vermont Center for Independent Living	280.00	280.00	280.00	280.00
	Vermont League of Cities & Towns	3,195.00	3,195.00	3,195.00	3,182.00
	West Barnet Senior Meal Site (formerly known as Volunteer Senior Meal Site)	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	<b>Total Annual Appropriations</b>	<b>49,822.48</b>	<b>49,999.00</b>	<b>52,039.38</b>	<b>51,320.00</b>
<b>40 a</b>	<b>Cemeteries:</b>				
	Stevens Cemetery - Misc. Mowing	757.35	2,000.00	757.35	2,000.00
	Palmer Cemetery	757.35	2,000.00	757.35	2,000.00
	Pleasant View Cemetery Association	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	6,750.00
	McIndoe Falls Cemetery	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
	<b>Total Cemeteries</b>	<b>9,864.70</b>	<b>12,350.00</b>	<b>9,864.70</b>	<b>14,350.00</b>
<b>41</b>	<b>Appropriations to Other Funds:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Fire Department Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
<b>b</b>	Municipal Buildings Fund	50,000.00	225,000.00	225,000.00	225,000.00
	Harvey's Lake Beach Fund				1,500.00
	Harvey's Lake Dam Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	Library Fund	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	31,000.00
	Fire District Grant Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,500.00
	<b>Total Appropriations to Other Funds</b>	<b>105,000.00</b>	<b>280,000.00</b>	<b>280,000.00</b>	<b>274,000.00</b>
<b>42</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Selectboard Expenses:</b>				
	Advertising		500.00		0.00
	Fire Warden Charges		800.00		0.00
	Town Officers Meetings	68.00	1,000.00	132.00	1,000.00
	Health Officer Expense		200.00		200.00
<b>a</b>	Harvey's Lake Dam Maintenance		3,500.00		3,500.00
	Harvey's Lake Dam Registration Fee	350.00	1,000.00	350.00	500.00
	Harvey's Lake Boat Wash/Monitoring (See Schedule F)	20,601.19	20,000.00	21,871.94	20,000.00
<b>b</b>	Ambulance Service	34,100.00	34,100.00	34,100.00	37,578.00
	Economic Development	1,375.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Other Various	201.01	2,000.00	623.21	2,000.00
	<b>Total Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	<b>56,695.20</b>	<b>65,100.00</b>	<b>57,077.15</b>	<b>66,778.00</b>
<b>43 a</b>	<b>Contingency:</b>	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
<b>44</b>	<b>Total Selectboard Expenditures:</b>	<b>601,057.08</b>	<b>805,706.21</b>	<b>816,656.42</b>	<b>838,674.56</b>
	<b>Highway Expenditures</b>				
<b>45</b>	<b>Salaries - General Maintenance (See Schedule G)</b>	259,446.86	265,000.00	297,159.50	290,000.00

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<b>46</b>	<b>Parts &amp; Supplies:</b>				
a	Blades & Chains	3,933.94	6,000.00	2,008.18	6,000.00
b	Tools	1,421.78	5,100.00	2,513.15	5,100.00
	Safety Supplies	462.72	1,000.00	64.49	1,000.00
c	Shop Supplies	3,376.07	2,500.00	2,758.50	2,500.00
	<b>Total Parts &amp; Supplies</b>	<b>9,194.51</b>	<b>14,600.00</b>	<b>7,344.32</b>	<b>14,600.00</b>
<b>47</b>	<b>Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes:</b>				
	FICA Taxes (Social Security)	20,596.40	21,000.00	23,461.87	21,000.00
	Health Insurance	64,593.74	67,300.00	66,859.80	67,300.00
	Health Insurance Declination Stipend	10,400.00	10,400.00	11,800.00	10,400.00
a	Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)	3,750.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
	Reserve Fund Appropriation				
	Uniforms	3,456.66	3,500.00	3,229.16	3,500.00
b	Retirement	16,475.24	16,000.00	18,154.74	16,000.00
c	Unemployment Compensation	188.00	255.00	525.50	482.00
d	Dental Insurance	1,673.55	2,100.00	1,751.24	2,100.00
	<b>Total Payroll Benefits &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>121,133.59</b>	<b>126,555.00</b>	<b>131,782.31</b>	<b>126,782.00</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>Town Garage</b>				
a	Propane	337.74	3,500.00	274.90	3,000.00
b	Waste Oil Furnace Fuel			294.11	
	Electricity	3,910.70	3,500.00	3,929.22	4,000.00
c	Telephone	954.38	1,100.00	1,083.54	1,100.00
d	Cellular Phone	495.00	550.00	585.00	550.00
	Internet Service	1,019.88	1,000.00	969.89	1,000.00
	Computer Maintenance & Supplies	1,086.10	500.00	560.83	500.00
	Building Maintenance	4,449.12	5,000.00	4,585.19	5,000.00
	Advertising	40.00	200.00	248.40	200.00
	<b>Total Town Garage</b>	<b>12,292.92</b>	<b>15,350.00</b>	<b>12,531.08</b>	<b>15,350.00</b>
<b>48 a</b>	<b>Insurance</b>				
b	Vehicles & Buildings	11,333.92	11,512.00	11,422.22	10,980.88
c	Workers' Compensation	18,234.31	17,676.00	17,714.52	17,369.60
	Deductible Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Claim Settlement	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Insurance</b>	<b>30,568.23</b>	<b>29,188.00</b>	<b>29,136.74</b>	<b>28,350.48</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Equipment Maintenance:</b>				
	Dump Trucks	70,602.17	45,000.00	51,489.43	45,000.00
	Grader	7,905.04	10,000.00	7,108.38	10,000.00
	Loader (1991)	6,308.39	3,000.00	1,788.21	3,000.00
	Loader (2010)	7,764.45	3,000.00	3,889.24	3,000.00
	Backhoe	359.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Backhoe (2019)	2,190.64	4,500.00	1,378.66	2,000.00
	Roadside Mower Tractor	1,768.15	2,000.00	1,316.51	2,000.00
	Pickup (2015)	2,804.69	2,500.00	5,210.18	5,000.00
	Chainsaws	144.45	500.00	161.15	500.00
	Other Equipment	2,234.09	1,000.00	138.49	1,000.00
	Welding Supplies	480.25	1,200.00	581.65	1,200.00

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<b>a</b>	Tires	10,194.56	10,000.00	10,671.86	12,000.00
	Stock Items	747.89	0.00	651.66	0.00
<b>b</b>	Repairs of Damaged Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>113,504.22</b>	<b>82,700.00</b>	<b>84,385.42</b>	<b>84,700.00</b>
<b>51</b>	<b>Gas &amp; Oil:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Gasoline	0.00	1,000.00	376.53	1,000.00
<b>b</b>	Diesel fuel	46,142.04	75,000.00	57,714.59	75,000.00
	Oil	3,111.85	4,000.00	2,101.98	4,000.00
	Other Petroleum Products	1,900.56	2,000.00	3,013.22	2,000.00
	<b>Total Gas &amp; Oil</b>	<b>51,154.45</b>	<b>82,000.00</b>	<b>63,206.32</b>	<b>82,000.00</b>
<b>52</b>	<b>Contracted Services:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Hired Equipment & Equipment Rental	6,650.00	10,500.00	150.00	10,500.00
<b>b</b>	Screening Winter Sand	10,768.00	16,000.00	10,626.00	16,000.00
<b>c</b>	Overburden Removal - Sand	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
	Mowing Roadsides	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
<b>d</b>	Crushing	74,785.56	75,000.00	69,822.26	75,000.00
<b>e</b>	Overburden Removal - Gravel	21,689.00	10,000.00	20,792.00	10,000.00
	Permitting	1,350.00	2,500.00	1,350.00	2,500.00
	Highway Department Education	250.00	750.00	250.00	750.00
	<b>Total Contracted Services</b>	<b>115,492.56</b>	<b>124,750.00</b>	<b>102,990.26</b>	<b>134,750.00</b>
<b>53</b>	<b>Operating Supplies:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Salt	54,815.93	70,000.00	54,449.97	70,000.00
	Cold Patch/Hot Mix	2,174.55	2,500.00	1,820.00	2,500.00
	Specialty Aggregate		1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
	Other		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Culverts	7,013.00	10,000.00	6,384.60	7,500.00
	Chloride	24,636.42	24,000.00	15,190.66	24,000.00
	Guardrails	5,247.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
	Erosion Control	162.49	500.00	242.50	500.00
	Sign Maintenance Program	4,556.25	8,000.00	1,251.87	4,000.00
	<b>Total Operating Supplies</b>	<b>98,605.64</b>	<b>126,500.00</b>	<b>79,339.60</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>
<b>54</b>	<b>Bridge Repairs:</b>				
<b>a</b>	Bridge Fund Appropriation	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
	<b>Total Bridge Repairs</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>
<b>55</b>	<b>Highway Construction Projects:</b>				
	TH #1 - West Barnet Road/West Main St	30,485.00			
	TH #4 - Groton Road			67,643.24	
	TH #9 - Barnet Center Road	153,844.06			
	TH #9 - Meeting House Hill	5,884.61			
	TH #10 - Harvey Mountain Road			131,072.06	
	TH #10 - River Road	1,238.48			
	TH #14 - Town Forest Road	43,165.42			
	TH #104 - Academy Lane			15,307.99	

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NVDA Grant	2,291.00			
Paving/Construction Projects	236,908.57	242,000.00	214,023.29	242,000.00
Construction Fund Appropriation	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
<b>Total Highway Construction Projects</b>	<b>296,908.57</b>	<b>302,000.00</b>	<b>274,023.29</b>	<b>302,000.00</b>
<b>56 Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts:</b>				
<b>a</b> Equipment Account	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	100,000.00
<b>b</b> Truck Account	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00
Highway Maintenance Account	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts</b>	<b>190,000.00</b>	<b>190,000.00</b>	<b>190,000.00</b>	<b>190,000.00</b>
<b>58 Total Highway Department Expenditures</b>	<b>1,348,301.55</b>	<b>1,408,643.00</b>	<b>1,321,898.84</b>	<b>1,438,532.48</b>
<b>Total General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>1,949,358.63</b>	<b>2,214,349.21</b>	<b>2,138,555.26</b>	<b>2,277,207.04</b>
<b>General Fund Surplus of (Deficit) (total general fund revenues less total general fund expenditures)</b>	<b>255,149.78</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>261,721.53</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>

**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for General Fund Budget**

**Schedule A - Town Clerk's Office Salaries**

Heisholt, Benjamin - Town Clerk & Treasurer	66,121.17
Roy, Catherine - Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer	21,264.38
Warden, Shirley - Substitute Town Clerk	331.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,717.05</b>

**Schedule B - Listers' Office Salaries**

Cook, John	5,848.00
Cook, Sarah	4,317.50
Fairchild, John	3,832.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,997.50</b>

**Schedule C - Transfer Station Salaries**

Nelson, Donald	6,526.00
Warden, Shirley	1,201.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,727.50</b>

**Schedule D - Recycling Center Salaries**

Bourtelle, Ernest	
Ehlers, Daniel	6,380.25
Marston, Bruce - Supervisor	2,335.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,716.00</b>

**Schedule E - Harvey's Lake Beach Lifeguards, Etc. Salaries**

Farlice, Indigo	1,680.00
Lapete, Kylee	877.50
Perkins, Sydney	1,145.63
Young, Sadie	957.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,660.77</b>

**Schedule F - Harvey's Lake Boat Wash/Monitoring Program Salaries**

Cowan, Katherine	6,053.75
Easter, Donald	9,429.75
Morrison, Alyssa	3,679.00
Roy, Jennifer	336.00
Young, Rory	546.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,044.50</b>

**Schedule G - Highway Salaries**

Bourtelle, Ernest	2,271.50
Bunnell, Christopher	14,135.63
Chase, Mark - Road Foreman	72,042.19
Fearon, Glenn	53,204.13
Fuller, Mark	105.88
Gibson, Paul	10,378.13
LeClair, Jason	54,232.05
Mosher, Steve	39,674.35
Snow, Barry II	51,115.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>297,159.50</b>

## **Town of Barnet, Vermont**

### **2022 General Fund Budget Notes**

#### **Revenues**

##### **1. Taxes**

- a. Net funds required for current-year operations for Selectmen's budget. For budget columns, this is the difference between total expenditures and non-tax revenues (including use of prior surplus).
- b. Actual amounts include adjustment for change in the balance of the deferred property tax revenue account.

##### **2. Town Clerk's Office Fees**

- a. Includes copier, fax service, vehicle registration fees, etc.
- b. Town receives \$70.00 of state licensing fee for each license.

##### **3. Planning Commission & Zoning Board**

##### **4. Transfer Station**

##### **5. Harvey's Lake Beach**

##### **6. General Selectboard Income**

- a. Penalty paid to Town for late filers of Homestead Declaration forms that were due by April 15th.
- b. Interest gained from savings accounts as a result of tax anticipation borrowing plus other accounts yielding interest of lesser sums.
- c. State payment to Town for loss in tax due to land enrolled in current use program. Uncertain funding due to legislative action.
- d. Payment from State of Vermont for Roy Mountain Wildlife Area.
- e. Payment from State of Vermont in reimbursement of legal fees expended to defend State of Vermont real estate appraisal.
- f. Grant to reimburse Town for a portion of expenses for Harvey's Lake boat wash/monitoring program.
- g. Grant to reimburse Town for firefighting equipment. See Section 23 for associated expenditure.
- h. Credit received from State for electronics items recycled at Barnet Recycling Center.
- i. Rent paid by Karne Choling for second floor at library building.
- j. Percentage of state-wide education tax that is paid to town for administration of the program.

##### **7. Use of Prior Surplus**

- a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request.

##### **8. Taxes (inactive section)**

##### **9. State Aid**

- a. Funds received from State of Vermont based on mileage: Class 2 roads=52%, Class 3 roads = 48%.

##### **10. Reserve Fund Proceeds (inactive section)**

##### **11. Flood Repair Proceeds (inactive section)**

##### **12. Other Income**

- a. Current use payment divided between Selectboard and Highway budgets.
- b. Funds from claims resulting from accidents with Town equipment.

##### **13. Use of Prior Surplus**

- a. Use of built-up surplus in the general fund to reduce overall tax request.

#### **Expenditures**

##### **14. Salaries – Town Officers (inactive section)**

##### **15. Payroll Benefits & Taxes**

- a. Appropriation made to a reserve fund equaling \$2,500 for each full-time employee. These funds can be used by employees to cover out-of-pocket health care expenses.
- b. Mandatory for full time employees. Employees pay 4.5% of wages. Fund managed by State of Vermont and similar to state employees and state teachers' retirement systems.
  - Town rate increased to 6.250% as of July 1, 2021.
  - Town rate increased to 6.750% as of July 1, 2022.

- c. Paid to the Vermont League of Cities & Towns Unemployment Trust. Includes administrative fee of \$250 with the balance going into insurance fund to cover claims.
  - d. Town pays employee cost; employees pay for additional family members.
- 16. Town Clerk's Office (formerly "Office Supplies")**
- a. Occasional employee to keep office open when both Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk are unavailable.
  - b. Includes: service contract on copier, copy paper, tax bills, toner.
  - c. Contract with New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC) for service on municipal software (grand list, land records, accounting, etc.), offsite backup plan, and disaster recovery.
  - d. IT contract through RB Technologies, and various computer components and service.
- 17. Listers' Office**
- a. Beginning in 2022 budget: hired assessor to work with Listers in hybrid Lister-Assessor arrangement. 2022 quote from NEMRC appraisers based on proposed division of tasks and NEMRC hourly rates.
  - b. Service on Listers' mapping software.
  - c. Contract with CAI Inc. for maintenance of digital mapping (tax maps, planning & zoning maps).
- 18. Planning Commission/Zoning Board**
- a. Wages are annual salary for Shirley Warden.
  - b. Secretary wages: Shirley Warden & Dawn Holtz.
- 19. Auditors**
- 20. Landfill/Transfer Station**
- a. Gate attendant. Works 7 hours per week regularly, 11 hours per week during summer.
  - b. Post-closure monitoring required as part of closure plan.
  - c. Fee paid to Waste District to run program.
  - d. Current rate at 66.00 per ton.
  - e. 235.00 per trip for MSW and for construction debris.
  - f. Mowing of former landfill to keep brush from growing.
- 21. Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (inactive section)**
- 22. Barnet Recycling**
- a. Total employee hours 8 hours per week regularly, 12 hours per week during summer.
- 23. Fire & Rescue**
- a. Wages for actual time at fires as submitted by Fire Chief paid at minimum wage.
  - b. Annual budget for equipment purchases by Fire Department. See Section 6 for grant income for equipment purchases.
  - c. Various minor repairs and maintenance to vehicles.
  - d. Dues paid to Twin State Mutual Aid System and Grafton County Sheriff's Department for dispatching services.
  - e. Equipment, supplies, medications, etc. used by rescue personnel.
- 24. Harvey's Lake Beach**
- a. Wages for certified swim instructor.
- 25. Police Services**
- 26. Selectboard**
- a. Selectboard each paid \$500 annually.
  - b. Each Selectboard member reimbursed \$500 for expenses.
- 27. Election Expenses**
- a. Annual moderator salary for Dennis McLam.
  - b. LHS Associates - miscellaneous supplies for tabulator and other elections items.
  - c. Fee for maintaining vote tabulator for two elections during even-numbered years. Fee for each election is based on number of offices and the number of candidates. Also includes service contract on tabulator.
- 28. Advertising & Postage (inactive section)**
- 29. Heat & Lights (inactive section)**
- 30. Telephones (inactive section)**
- 31. Building Maintenance (inactive section)**
- 32. Buildings Utilities & Maintenance**
- a. Prices, December 31, 2021: Fuel oil: 2.3760 per gallon, Propane: 1.5680 per gallon.
- Town Clerk's Office
- b. Town Clerk's Office fuel usage: 736 gallons in 2021.



Barnet Public Library Building (formerly known as Village Partnership Building)

- a. Library Building fuel usage: 2,280.2 gallons in 2021.
- b. Services to heating system; minor building repairs.

Town Hall

- a. Town Hall fuel usage: None in 2020.

Transfer Station

Recycling Center

- a. Recycling Center usage: 146.1 gallons in 2021.

Fire & Rescue Station

- a. Bimson Road Fire Station usage: 1,552.1 gallons in 2021.

West Barnet Fire Station

- a. Propane gas for heat in building in West Barnet. Usage: None in 2021.

**33. Insurance & Bonds**

- a. Accident & Sickness policy, a supplement to workers' compensation coverage, still handled by Underwriters Agency.

**34. Legal Expenses**

- a. Town legal representation in appeals of tax assessments and in negotiations for transitional support payments from power company.
- b. Ordinarily consists of fees associated with tax sale proceedings.
- c. Legal fees for general legal advice for zoning matters, or for defense of zoning decision in Environmental Court.

**35. Interest on Loans**

- a. Tax anticipation borrowing. See revenues for offsetting income amount.
  - 2021: borrowed \$721,209 from Union Bank at a rate of 0.75%
  - 2022: to borrow \$685,108 from Union Bank at a rate of 0.65%

**36. Professional Services**

**37. Capital Expenditures (inactive section)**

**38. Tax Abatements**

**39. Annual Appropriations**

- a. Appropriation paid through expenditures associated with Town Memorial Day observance. Includes flags and flagstuffs for cemetery markers and advertising for Memorial Day services in Passumpsic Village and Barnet Village.

**40. Cemetery Appropriations**

- a. Stevens Cemetery and Palmer Cemetery maintained through agreement by the town with local contractor. Pleasantview Cemetery and McIndoe Falls Cemetery as private cemetery associations are appropriated funds per their requests.

**41. Appropriations to Reserve Accounts**

- a. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of fire truck.
- b. Appropriation voted in 2004 for funds set aside for future projects (salt sheds, town garage, Town Clerk's office, etc.).

**42. Miscellaneous Expenses**

- a. For maintenance of dam and waterway above the dam.
- b. Selectboard contracts ambulance service, rather than appropriation to CALEX.

**43. Contingency**

- a. Extra funds added to budget to cover unforeseen items.

**44. Total Selectboard Expenditures**

**45. Salaries – General Maintenance**

**46. Parts & Supplies**

- a. Blades, cutting edges, and chains for dump trucks.
- b. Small tools and parts replacements for small tools used in shop.
- c. Any minor supply, not having a specific category above, that is used up or used and disposed of within the budget year.

**47. Payroll Benefits & Taxes**

- a. Appropriation is made to a reserve fund equaling \$2,500 for each full-time employee. These funds can be used by employees to cover out-of-pocket health care expenses.

- b. Mandatory for full time employees. Employees pay 4.5% of wages. Fund managed by State of Vermont and similar to state employees and state teachers' retirement systems.
  - Town rate increased to 6.250% as of July 1, 2021.
  - Town rate increased to 6.750% as of July 1, 2022.
- c. Paid to the Vermont League of Cities & Towns Unemployment Trust. Includes administrative fee of \$250 with the balance going into insurance fund to cover claims. The trust reimburses the State for any actual unemployment payments.
- d. Town pays employee cost; employees pay for additional family members.

**48. Town Garage**

- a. Town Garage propane usage. 170.2 gallons in 2021.
- b. Waste oil furnace fuel. 117.5 gallons in 2021.
- c. Two lines: telephone and dedicated alarm line.
- d. Cellular phone for Road Foreman.

**49. Insurance**

**50. Equipment Maintenance**

- a. Tires for dump trucks only.
- b. Repairs to Town equipment damaged in accidents resulting in insurance claims.

**51. Gas & Oil**

- a. Gasoline usage: 148.9 gallons in 2021.
- b. Diesel Fuel: 26,541.8 gallons in 2021. Price as of December 31, 2021 at 2.4920 per gallon.

**52. Contracted Services**

- a. Various equipment and contractors used for brief periods in non-employee role.
- b. Screening of winter sand at Town pit.
  - 2021 Actual: Chief Crushing & Excavation (5,313 cubic yards at \$2.00)
- c. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access sand at Town pit.
- d. Crushing of gravel at Town pit.
  - 2021 Actual: Chief Crushing & Excavation - 1" minus crushed gravel (11,583 cubic yards), erosion stone (1,056 cubic yards); all products at \$5.45 per cubic yard.
- e. Expenses incurred to remove overburden to access gravel at Town pit.

**53. Operating Supplies**

- a. Salt purchased from Cargill Salt Co. and American Rock Salt Company
  - \$72.11 per ton for the 2020-2021 season.
  - \$79.00 per ton for the 2021-2022 season.

**54. Bridge Repairs**

**55. Highway Construction Projects**

**56. Appropriations to Other Reserve Accounts**

- a. Funds placed in reserve account to cover purchases of major road equipment other than trucks.
- b. Funds placed in reserve account for future purchase of trucks.

**57. Other Projects**

**58. Totals**

**Town of Barnet  
General Fund Balance Sheet**

<b>Assets:</b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2020</u></b>	<b><u>Dec. 31, 2021</u></b>
Checking Account	(211,940.24)	(494,041.25)
Checking Account ICS	472,854.98	712,153.56
Union Bank TAN Deposit Accounts	609,756.43	769,434.49
Passumpsic Savings Bank TAN Deposit	0.00	0.00
Delinquent Tax Collector Checking Account	2.80	2.80
Petty Cash	382.88	365.35
Undeposited Funds	12,780.03	3,864.44
Uncollected Delinquent Taxes	202,727.06	155,731.76
Current Taxes Receivable	39,580.13	3,408.47
Due from State for Aquatic Nuisance Grant	6,930.00	9,157.00
Due from NVDA	13,030.31	0.00
Various Accounts Receivable	18,005.13	17,831.04
Due to/from Other Funds	7,540.33	46,199.25
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,171,649.84</b>	<b>1,224,106.91</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Tax Appropriation Due to School District	59,054.00	19,937.79
Union Bank Line of Credit	0.00	0.00
Payroll Withholdings Payable	(2,229.57)	(2,173.96)
Various Accounts Payable	40,101.96	139,481.70
Fees due to Delinquent Tax Collector	1,260.81	2,881.82
Due to Resident/Taxpayer	0.99	0.00
Sales Tax Payable	0.00	42.70
Due to/from Other Funds	21,160.16	217.61
Deferred Property Tax Revenue	194,803.36	144,499.59
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>314,151.71</b>	<b>304,887.25</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
Fund Balance - Unassigned (Accum. Surplus)	602,348.35	657,498.13
Current Operating Surplus or (Deficit)	255,149.78	261,721.53
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>857,498.13</b>	<b>919,219.66</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>1,171,649.84</b>	<b>1,224,106.91</b>

**Town of Barnet  
Statement of Taxes Raised  
Year Ended December 31, 2021**

**Grand List Computation:**

Real Estate	290,228,500.00
Add:	
Personal Property*	80,500.00
Less:	
Veterans Exemptions	(600,000.00)
Land Use	(12,851,400.00)
Voted Exemptions	(655,500.00)

<b>Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property</b>	<b>276,202,100.00</b>
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<b>Net Grand List (1% of Net Real Estate &amp; Personal Property)</b>	<b>2,762,021.00</b>
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<u>Department</u>	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Homestead Rate</u>	<u>Non-Residential Rate</u>	<u>Taxes Raised</u>
<b>Town:</b>				
Town General	2,762,021.00	0.5887	0.5887	1,626,001.27
<b>Total Town</b>		<b>0.5887</b>	<b>0.5887</b>	<b>1,626,001.27</b>
<b>School:</b>				
Homestead	1,049,260.00	1.7041		1,788,044.01
Non-Homestead	1,712,297.00		1.6186	2,771,523.99
Local Agreement	2,762,021.00	0.0030	0.0030	8,286.63
<b>Total Schools</b>		<b>1.7071</b>	<b>1.6216</b>	<b>4,567,854.63</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>2.2958</b>	<b>2.2103</b>	<b>6,193,855.90</b>

Penalty added for late filing of Homestead Declarations: 3,888.90

\*Personal property taxed at non-residential rate.

**Town of Barnet**  
**Estimation of 2022 Town Tax Rate**

The following estimation of 2022 Town tax rate is based on the 2021 Grand List valuations and proposed budget. School District tax rates are excluded.

	<u>Grand List</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
<b>2021 Actual</b>	<b>2,762,021.00</b>	<b>1,626,001.27</b>	<b>0.5887</b>
<b>2022 Projected</b>	<b>2,762,021.00</b>	<b>1,673,637.04</b>	<b>0.6059</b>

**Town of Barnet**  
**General Fund - Statement of Loan Transactions**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2021**

**Tax Anticipation Loans:**

**Borrowed during 2021:**

Union Bank tax anticipation note (0.75%) 721,208.77

Repaid during 2021: 721,208.77

Balance as of December 31, 2021 0.00

**General Fund - Surplus or (Deficit)**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2021**

**2021 Surplus or (Deficit):**

Income 2,400,276.79

Expenditures 2,138,555.26

General Fund Budget Surplus or (Deficit) 261,721.53

**Statement of Changes - Accumulated Surplus Account (total of years prior to 2021)**

Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2019 602,348.35

Add: 2020 Operating Surplus 255,149.78

Subtract: Transfer from Accumulated Surplus to 2021 Income (200,000.00)

Total Accumulated Surplus as of December 31, 2020 657,498.13

**Reserve Fund Reports**

**Town of Barnet**  
**2021 Reserve Fund Activities**  
(See following pages for Income and Expense Schedules)

<u>Account</u>	<u>Beginning</u> <u>Balance</u>	<u>Add</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Add Other</u> <u>Income</u>	<u>Add Interest</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31,</u> <u>2021</u>
● Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	60,024.80		9,868.50	716.70		70,610.00
● Harvey's Lake Dam Renovation	41,992.48	5,000.00		454.38		47,446.86
● Homeland Security Grants	199.79			2.01		201.80
● Land Record Restoration Fees	10,183.21		6,345.00	150.87		16,679.08
● Lister Education Funds	2,425.23			24.66		2,449.89
● Municipal Planning Grant Fund	(6,845.05)			(54.55)		(6,899.60)
● 92 Surplus	82,635.61			840.69		83,476.30
● Highway Maintenance Fund	40,614.91	25,000.00		549.01		66,163.92
● Municipal Buildings Fund	458,977.19	225,000.00		5,626.05	52,212.48	637,390.76
● Bridge Fund	323,021.62	50,000.00		3,353.36	39,262.80	337,112.18
● Equipment Account	123,229.54	75,000.00	4,400.00	1,661.08	5,500.00	198,790.62
● Fire Department Account	112,933.29	10,000.00		1,203.24		124,136.53
● Fire District Grant Acct.	15,118.82	10,000.00		208.14		25,326.96
● Harvey's Lake Beach Fund	8,088.01		28,284.65	140.17	11,039.00	25,473.83
● Health Reimb. Acct. Fund	(1,534.83)	8,000.00	22.75	0.04	5,909.10	578.86
● Highway Construction Account	488,289.44	60,000.00	350,000.00	4,208.09	305,148.25	597,349.28
● Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,644.44			16.70		1,661.14
● Truck Account	89,616.30	90,000.00	48,381.00	(285.08)	193,722.00	33,990.22
● ARPA Funds	0.00		243,923.65	1,289.70	1,058.94	244,154.41
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,850,614.80</b>	<b>558,000.00</b>	<b>691,225.55</b>	<b>20,105.26</b>	<b>613,852.57</b>	<b>2,506,093.04</b>

**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

**Schedule A - Other Income**

**Act 60/Reappraisal Funds**

State of Vermont - Reappraisal funds & Grand List Study (EEGL)	9,868.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,868.50</b>

**Equipment Fund**

State of Vermont - Grant for purchase of leaf blower	4,400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,400.00</b>

**Harvey's Lake Beach Fund**

Fundraisers and donations	13,284.65
Transfer from Esden Fund	15,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,284.65</b>

**Health Reimbursement Account Fund**

Funds remaining from 2020 plan	22.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>22.75</b>

**Highway Construction Account**

State of Vermont - 2021 Class 2 Roadway Grant for Roy Mountain Road project	175,000.00
State of Vermont - 2021 Structures Grant for Roy Mountain Road project	175,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>350,000.00</b>

**Land Record Restoration Fees**

Recording fee surcharge	6,345.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,345.00</b>

**Truck Account**

State of Vermont - Diesel Emissions Reduction grant for purchase of dump truck	48,381.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,381.00</b>

**ARPA Funds**

State of Vermont - Federal funding to municipalities and counties from American Rescue Plan Act	243,923.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>243,923.65</b>

<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>691,225.55</b>
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**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

**Schedule B - Expenditures**

**Bridge Fund**

Roy Mountain Road culvert replacement project	39,262.80
<b>Total Bridge Fund</b>	<b>39,262.80</b>

**Equipment Account**

Leaf blower purchase	5,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>

**Harvey's Lake Beach Fund**

Playground equipment	11,039.00
<b>Total Harvey's Lake Beach Fund</b>	<b>11,039.00</b>

**Health Reimbursement Account Fund**

Employee qualified health care expenses paid through HRAs	5,909.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,909.10</b>

**Highway Construction Account**

Roy Mountain Road re-construction, culverts, and resurfacing project (State of Vermont grant)	305,148.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>305,148.25</b>

**Municipal Buildings Fund**

Town Hall property - Renovation:	
Legal services - property lines	7,340.00
Surveying - property lines	2,592.04
Consulting - RFP for feasibility work	600.00
Asbestos abatement	17,500.00
<i>Total Town Hall</i>	<i>28,032.04</i>

Library:

Exterior painting	23,900.00
Electrical work	280.44
<i>Total Library</i>	<i>24,180.44</i>

<b>Total</b>	<b>52,212.48</b>
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**Truck Fund**

Western Star dump truck purchase	193,722.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>193,722.00</b>

**ARPA Funds**

Owl Pro remote meeting camera and microphone equipment purchase	1,058.94
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,058.94</b>

<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>613,852.57</b>
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**Town of Barnet**  
**Schedules for Reserve Accounts**

**Town of Barnet**  
**Statement of Reserve Fund Loan Transactions**  
**For Year Ended December 31, 2021**

**No Reserve Fund loans or loan transactions in 2021**

## Town of Barnet Reserve Fund Balance Sheet

<u>Assets:</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2020</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2021</u>
Money Market Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	48,742.80	26,105.97
ICS Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	1,420,452.67	1,801,271.30
Passumpsic Financial Advisors - Cash	19,635.92	23,061.92
Passumpsic Financial Advisors - Investments	286,236.15	299,246.86
HRA Account - Passumpsic Savings Bank	29.43	1,788.24
Due from Other Funds	22,260.00	500.00
Due from State of Vermont - Class 2 Roadway Grant	63,921.71	175,305.71
Due from State of Vermont - Structures Grants	(1,554.09)	173,445.91
Due from State of Vermont - Diesel Emissions Grant		48,381.00
Due from State of Vermont - Equipment Grant		4,400.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,859,724.59</b>	<b>2,553,506.91</b>
<u>Liabilities:</u>		
Due to Other Funds	7,895.17	46,199.25
Accounts Payable	1,214.62	1,214.62
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>9,109.79</b>	<b>47,413.87</b>
<u>Fund Equity:</u>		
<u>Restricted Fund Balances:</u>		
Act 60/Reappraisal Funds	60,024.80	70,610.00
Harvey's Lake Dam Renovations	41,992.48	47,446.86
Homeland Security Grants	199.79	201.80
Land Record Restoration	10,183.21	16,679.08
Lister Education Funds	2,425.23	2,449.89
Municipal Planning Grant Fund	(6,845.05)	(6,899.60)
ARPA Funds		244,154.41
<b>Total Restricted Fund Balance</b>	<b>107,980.46</b>	<b>374,642.44</b>
<u>Committed Fund Balances</u>		
92 Surplus	82,635.61	83,476.30
Highway Maintenance Fund	40,614.91	66,163.92
Municipal Buildings Fund	458,977.19	637,390.76
Fire District Grant Fund	15,118.82	25,326.96
<b>Total Committed Fund Balance</b>	<b>597,346.53</b>	<b>812,357.94</b>
<u>Assigned Fund Balances</u>		
Bridge Fund	323,021.62	337,112.18
Equipment Account	123,229.54	198,790.62
Fire Department Account	112,933.29	124,136.53
Harvey's Lake Beach Account	8,088.01	25,473.83
Health Reimbursement Account Fund	(1,534.83)	578.86
Highway Construction Account	488,289.44	597,349.28
Town Clerk's Office Paving Account	1,644.44	1,661.14
Truck Account	89,616.30	33,990.22
<b>Total Assigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,145,287.81</b>	<b>1,319,092.66</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>1,850,614.80</b>	<b>2,506,093.04</b>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>1,859,724.59</b>	<b>2,553,506.91</b>

## Trust Fund Reports

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### Town of Barnet Trust Funds

#### Transactions Detail

#### Esden Fund

(See separate report with Trustees of Public Funds' Report)

#### Steven's Cemetery Fund

Balance in account Dec. 31, 2020	1,271.49
Add: Interest on savings account	4.72
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2021</b>	<b>1,276.21</b>

#### Palmer Cemetery Fund

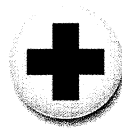
Balance in Account Dec. 31, 2020	753.15
Add: Interest on savings account	0.65
<b>Balance in Acct. Dec. 31, 2021</b>	<b>753.80</b>

#### Balance Sheet

	<u>Dec. 31, 2020</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2021</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Esden Fund Investments (Edward Jones)	177,082.04	221,583.69
Esden Fund Cash (Edward Jones)	34,519.33	5,514.45
Stevens Cemetery Fund - Savings	1,271.49	1,276.21
Palmer Cemetery Fund - Savings	753.15	753.80
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>213,626.01</b>	<b>229,128.15</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>		
<u>Non-spendable Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	53,168.58	53,168.58
Stevens Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Palmer Cemetery Fund	350.00	350.00
<b>Total Non-spendable Fund Balance</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>	<b>54,518.58</b>
<u>Unassigned Fund Balances</u>		
Esden Fund	158,432.79	173,929.56
Stevens Cemetery Fund	271.49	276.21
Palmer Cemetery Fund	403.15	403.80
<b>Total Unassigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>159,107.43</b>	<b>174,609.57</b>
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>213,626.01</b>	<b>229,128.15</b>

## **Section 5**

### **Reports for Articles Appearing on Town Meeting Warning**



**American Red Cross**  
Northern New England Region

August 27, 2021

Town of Barnet  
Attn: Benjamin Heisholt Town Treasurer  
PO Box 15  
Barnet, VT 5821

Dear Benjamin,

As we look ahead to the new year, we take a moment to reflect on our profound gratitude to the municipal partners who help us deliver our lifesaving mission in our community. With your support, we are able to ensure the health, safety, and preparedness of our friends and neighbors throughout Northern New England.

Last year, our volunteer workforce provided an array of services throughout the region:

- We assisted a local family in the face of disaster, on average, **once every 18 hours**, helping more than **2,000 individuals**.
- We made over **500 homes safer** by installing smoke detectors and educating families about fire safety and prevention through our Home Fire Campaign.
- Trained **26,957 people** in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills.
- We collected over **153,000 units of blood**. Hospitals throughout Northern New England depend on the American Red Cross for these collections.
- In our region, **850** service members, veterans, and their families received supportive services through our Service to the Armed Forces department.

Your American Red Cross remains committed to providing relief and support. We do this with the help of our incredible volunteers and donors, including you, our friends in Barnet. *This year, we respectfully request a municipal appropriation of **\$250.00**.* These funds will directly benefit individuals and families right here in our region, who benefit from our unique services at no cost.

For more information about the work we've been doing in your area, please refer to the attached Impact Sheet for Caledonia County. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-800-464-6692 or [supportnne@redcross.org](mailto:supportnne@redcross.org).

Warmly,

Rachel Zellem  
Development Specialist

American Red Cross of Northern New England  
[www.redcross.org/nne](http://www.redcross.org/nne)

## Barnet Historical Society

This year we plan to go back to have various activities. The Goodwillie House Museum will be open about once a month through Barnet's Fall Foliage Day. The first open house will be on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

Last year we were open only on the Barnet Fall Foliage Day – in spite of Fall Foliage Day being canceled. Had a large number of people show up.

The last Saturday of June we plan an exhibit of dairy equipment and butter making at McIndoes Academy. Other events will be brain-stormed.

We need some volunteers to help on various projects--- including help with guiding people at Goodwillie House; --sewing cloth identifying tags on antique clothing and bedding; --putty windows at Goodwillie - And various other projects.

**Caledonia Home Health & Hospice**  
**Visit Statistics for 2022 Town Appropriations**

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

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

In the last year, Caledonia Home Health and Hospice was honored to provide 217 visits to the town residents of Barnet, VT.

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

**2022 Town Appropriation Visit Statistics Barnet, VT**

- Home Care (Therapy, Nursing, MSW) = **98 visits**
- Maternal Child Health= **22 visits**
- Long Term Care (Case Management, Personal Care, Respite) = **97 visits**

**Total Visits in Barnet, VT = 217 visits**

**Testimonials**

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

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

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

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



## Catamount Arts

The residents and voters of Barnet have consistently played a very important role in the success of Catamount Arts. Through your support at Town Meeting and by attending many of the films and performances offered throughout the year, the citizens of Barnet help to keep the Arts vital and available to all of the residents of the Northeast Kingdom.

After 15 months long months, Catamount Arts opened its doors once again! We spent 2020 exploring our capacity to adapt, and in 2021 we were excited to invite and encourage the residents of Barnet to participate in many of our community offerings. New offerings that began during the pandemic such as StJ Art on the Street and our Hey St. J! #GetDownTown events continued in 2021, and we welcomed back some old favorites like the Tap into Film Student Film Slam, PoemTown St. Johnsbury, Open Stage at the Cavern, the Levitt AMP St. Johnsbury Music Series at Dog Mountain, and North Country Youth Chorus Camps. These free events were funded in large measure through appropriations from communities in our area.

Catamount Arts produced over 50 community events this past year, events that allowed us all to reconnect with the world we missed so much during isolation. Our KCP Presents season is well into its most ambitious season yet, and by the time you read this request, we will have successfully brought to you eight hours of comedy, magic, storytelling, music and more via First Night North with 200 performers in 60+ shows in 12 venues across St. Johnsbury.

In 2021, Catamount Arts resumed indoor arts center programming including films, opera, ballet, and theater screenings as well as gallery shows, also in large measure due to the generosity of the voters of Barnet. Your appropriations helped to underwrite the costs of these presentations as well as helping Catamount pay for such general operating expenses as heating and electricity.

We repurposed 20,000 square feet of empty retail space in the Green Mountain Mall to bring live in-person shows, including Kingdom All Stars, comedian Bob Marley, and our first heavy metal show, safely back indoors. We are excited to announce that this space is now the new site of Catamount Bluegrass Night, a long standing event loved by all communities we serve.

As part of our mission to promote lifelong community engagement in the arts, Catamount Arts is back on track to offer a wide range of classes, workshops and camps for people of all ages, including partnerships with local elementary, middle and high schools to provide in-school and out-of-school creative learning activities. Inspired by El Sistema, Catamount Arts once again partnered with Northeast Kingdom Community Orchestra, Northeast Kingdom Classical Series, and the St. Johnsbury School District to continue our EPIC Music program, which provides stringed instrument instruction to students in grades 4-9, now in its fifth year.

The safer, flexible programming strategies we developed to get through the pandemic will play key roles in re-establishing and sustaining the vibrancy of Catamount Arts and the entire Northeast Kingdom. With the continuing growth of its many cultural offerings and Arts Education program, Catamount and its patrons directly and indirectly contribute more than \$1,500,000 each year to the local economy while also securing a meeting space for local Masons for generations to come. Thanks so much for your patience, engagement and encouragement, and continued support! We look forward to continuing to grow with you, and hope to have your special appropriation support in 2022!

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Susan A. Cherry, Executive Director  
Neil Favreau, RJ Program Director  
Susan Russell, Reentry Coordinator  
Tune Faulkner, RJ Panel Coordinator  
Stephanie Rowe, Victim Outreach Liaison  
Alexis Eickleberry, Housing Coordinator  
Kathleen Hunter, Front Office

Programs: \*Community Development; Neighborhoods  
\*Mediation; Circles  
\*School Training and Support  
\*Free Legal Clinic/Information and Referral  
\*Restorative Justice Panels  
\*Restorative Reentry and CoSA  
\*Victim Outreach and Victim Services  
\*DOC Housing



December 14, 2021

Select Board, Town of Barnet  
c/o Benjamin P. Heisholt, Town Clerk  
PO Box 15  
Barnet, VT 05821

Dear Select Board of Barnet:

The Community Restorative Justice Center respectfully requests that the following special appropriation article appear on the 2022 warning for the Barnet Town Meeting:

**Shall the Town vote the sum of \$500 to support the operation of The Community Restorative Justice Center during the ensuing year? The CRJC believes in preventing and resolving conflict in the community using victim and community needs as guiding information in repairing harm and restoring right relations. We work with schools, neighborhoods, and the criminal justice system to respond to community needs as it relates to justice being served and attending to the needs of victims and community. In this process, we use community members to work with their neighbors to resolve conflict and repair harm.**

The Community Restorative Justice Center holds restorative justice panel meetings for cases referred directly from law enforcement as well as cases referred from the Department of Corrections. Cases that go through the CRJC have a 32% reduction in recidivism. Appropriations from the Town of Barnet would also give technical support to neighborhood associations and mediation referrals as requested. The CRJC mission states that we are *committed to providing a safe environment for neighbors and parties to resolve conflict in our communities, to restore relationships, and to take responsibility to repair harms caused. We promote the principles of victim-informed restorative justice that transforms practices in workplace, school, institution, and living spaces throughout Caledonia and southern Essex Counties.*

Thank you for your kind attention to this request. Petition signatures will be sent to your office in early January.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Cherry, Executive Director  
The Community Restorative Justice Center, Inc.

December 3, 2021

Benjamin Heisholt, Town Clerk  
Town of Barnet  
PO Box 15  
Barnet VT 05821



Dear Mr. Heisholt:

The Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium respectfully requests that the following special appropriation article appear on the 2022 warning for Barnet Town Meeting:

**"Shall the Town vote the sum of \$1,700 to support the operation of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium during the ensuing year, in exchange for free unlimited general admission to the Museum for all Barnet residents?"**

The Fairbanks Museum invites Barnet residents to take full advantage of their unlimited free general admission to the Museum to explore the nature, beauty, and wonders of our world. Your municipal appropriation provides essential support for the care of the Museum's historic building and the maintenance and exhibition of the most extraordinary educational collections in northern New England. These are among our region's most prized assets. Each year the Museum offers new opportunities for exploration and discovery, so do come for a visit!

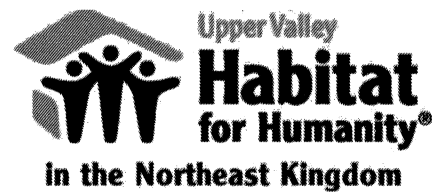
In 2021, we brought in more visitors and campers to the museum than ever before. Our outdoor classroom transformed into a butterfly house for the summer, and Franklin's guides led the way to further discovery for our visitors. Campers learned about animals, drones, and DNA. We hosted a brewfest celebrating local flavors, welcomed new eye-opening shows to the planetarium, and reinvented exhibits on North American birds and arctic mammals. With community support, the Museum is fully engaged in community economic, educational, and cultural development initiatives and contributes significantly to the attraction of visitors to our region.

The Board of Trustees, staff, and volunteers of the Museum are tremendously grateful for the support, encouragement, and collaborative planning that keep our programs relevant and vital. We aim to ensure the Museum delivers services, programs, and a commitment to community development that benefit your town's residents and visitors, and contribute to a remarkable quality of life.

Sincerely yours,

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

Adam Kane, Executive Director



December 23, 2021

Ben Heisholt  
Town Clerk's Office  
PO Box 15  
Barnet, VT 05821

Good Morning Ben,

We are very grateful to the citizens of Barnet voting to allow an appropriation of \$500 to NEK Habitat in 2021. Here is our report on the work we did in 2021:

This last spring, after pausing in our Critical Home Repair work for more than 18 months, we reopened our program. We began with those projects we'd had to put on hold, and also accepted new applications. Following Vermont state-mandated COVID-19 protocols for both homeowners and volunteers, we are proud to share that we successfully completed six projects in Danville, East Hardwick, Greensboro Bend, Lyndonville, Newport Center and St Johnsbury. Other milestones this year included the welcoming of 10 new volunteers who have enthusiastically joined our work, and offering the craftsmanship of some of our dedicated and skilled volunteers as a new way to raise funds. In 2022, our theme will be "We Are Habitat: Together We Build Communities". We are ready to move into a new year with new hopes and plans for helping our NEK neighbors and for strengthening our communities. On behalf of the Board and Staff, as well as the current and future families of NEK Habitat, we thank you for your support.

We respectfully request to be on the 2022 Town Meeting ballot for a \$500 appropriation; please let me know if there is anything else you need from us. Thank you very much!

Habitat Strong,  
Patricia Janssen, General Manager

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*Shall the Town of Barnet vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Kingdom Animal Shelter to provide services to residents of the Town?*

**KINGDOM ANIMAL SHELTER MISSION STATEMENT:** Kingdom Animal Shelter is a limited access, **all volunteer, non-profit certified 501(c) (3), animal rescue organization**. Our mission is to facilitate the placement of rescued, abandoned, abused or neglected animals in safe, life-long homes. We respect the inherent value of every animal in our care and we strive to prevent overpopulation and cruelty to animals.

We provide many services to the area, including accepting stray and unwanted cats to our shelter, rescues from abusive and hoarding situations, and trap/neuter/release (TNR) of feral and barn cats, a serious and ongoing problem in the communities we serve. We take in cats from Barnet, St. Johnsbury, Lyndon, Danville, Passumpsic, Peacham, Groton, Waterford, Concord, Kirby, Cabot, Walden, Hardwick, Sheffield, Sutton, Wheelock, Burke and Ryegate. From November 2020 through October 2021, we took in 91 cats and adopted out 80 cats. We work with the community to raise awareness of the importance of spay/neuter programs and the responsibilities of pet ownership. **Each cat that comes to the shelter costs roughly \$300-\$500 for vaccinations, testing, spay/neuter, other medical treatment, food, and lodging.**

The cats in our care are with us until they are adopted. During their stay they are lovingly cared for, played with and socialized by our many volunteers. Any medical needs are tended to promptly and the cats are provided with vaccinations as appropriate. They are spayed or neutered before they go home with their forever family. We welcome cats of a wide variety of ages, colors, and personality types.

Our volunteers work tirelessly to raise the funds necessary to meet our annual operating expenses of approximately \$85,000 (excluding depreciation) which pays for veterinary bills, food, rent, utilities, and supplies. In 2021, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we still weren't able to have as many fundraisers nor participate in as many community events as we typically do. However, we did attend Danville Autumn on the Green, have socially distanced yard sales with masks in the spring, summer, and fall; sold many calendars online and at local businesses as a part of our calendar fundraiser in the fall; and had our Memorial Tree and Giving Tuesday fundraisers in the winter.

We operate with no federal or state funding, which means we depend on the generosity of towns and individuals to meet our operating expenses. We're asking for an appropriation of \$500 (**unchanged from last year's request**) to assist us in our mission of finding homes for unwanted or abandoned cats, and providing quality care and a safe, clean shelter for our cats until they are adopted. We welcome any assistance given to help our animals in need. We greatly appreciate your interest and support.

Kingdom Animal Shelter Board of Directors:  
Helen Morrison--President, Nancy Rivet, Rod Lauman,  
Jennifer Smith, Kathy Bouffard, Caleb Stone, Julia Persch

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March 2022

For over 42 years, the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging has been a valued and trusted resource for older Vermonters to age independently, their way. Our mission is to deliver the person-centered support necessary for our older Vermonters to sustain their independence and live well in their communities.

Our valuable services include a Helpline, Medicare counseling and Bootcamp, specially-trained staff who help people develop long-range planning as they age, exercise and mobility programs, family and caregiver support programs and grants, case management for those who need a bit more support with aging in place, as well as assistance in applying for fuel, food, and pharmacy programs.

Our nutrition programs partially fund meal sites and home delivered meals under the guidance of our registered dietitian. Working with RCT and Legal Aid, we provide solutions for the complex challenges people face while living in a rural community. In addition, our work is supplemented by over 370 volunteers who serve as home-delivered meal drivers, wellness program leaders, friends who make neighborly check-in phone calls, and home-based caregivers.

Our service area extends across the entire Northeast Kingdom. During this past year, 148 residents of Barnet used the services of our organization to meet their needs. People called our Helpline for assistance with caregiving and programs such as 3SquaresVT, Medicaid and Medicare, fuel assistance, and transportation, among other services. Our website [www.nekcouncil.org](http://www.nekcouncil.org) provides information on many of our programs and services.

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

If you have a friend or family member who may benefit from our services, please contact us. We're just a phone call away at the Helpline: 800-642-5119.

In gratitude,

Meg Burmeister  
Executive Director

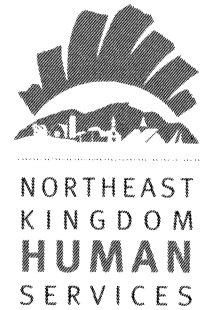
The staff at the NEK Council on Aging wish to extend a special note of thanks to all the residents of the towns that supported us with an appropriation or donation during the COVID-19 pandemic. Requests for our services increased substantially and we remain grateful for the support of all our friends in the Northeast Kingdom as we continue to help our elders to remain healthy and safe.

## Town of Barnet ~ 2021 Annual Report

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[www.nkhs.org](http://www.nkhs.org)



Serving the NEK  
since 1960

### **Town of Barnet Annual Summary Report Fiscal Year 2021 (July 2020 – June 2021)**

Good mental health is important for everyone. The Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. (NKHS) mission is to empower individuals, families, and communities by promoting hope, healing, and support. Your town's \$1775 appropriation helped support your neighbors facing challenges who could not otherwise afford care. Thank you for helping 45 neighbors, family members, and friends in your town access the supports they needed to live happy, fulfilling lives and be contributing members in your community. The appropriation was based on 2010 Census data at \$1.05 per person in your town and level funded from the prior year.

NKHS's 464 professional employees, 8 from your town, worked diligently to maintain service delivery for 2945 individuals of all ages. We offered support to the communities of the NEK while rising to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, a transition to interim leadership, conducting a comprehensive and inclusive search for a new executive director, responding to a corrective action plan from the Department of Mental Health, and acknowledging our staff for their extraordinary efforts, professional skills, and their dedication to providing quality care to those we serve in our offices and in the community. NKHS Emergency Services employees responded 24/7 to mental health crisis. Requests for services were triaged. Our first priority is to serve the vulnerable populations of mental health, addiction, and/or developmental/intellectual disabilities challenges, where the "worried well" may need to wait for services such as outpatient therapy. NKHS shares the challenge of attracting qualified personnel to the region and offering more competitive wages.

NKHS offered over 219 community consultation hours for parenting and suicide prevention trainings. The agency initiated warm support phone lines to assist those struggling through the pandemic:

Parent Support Line 802-749-1111 (7 days a week/6 AM – midnight)

Recovery Support Line 802-749-1112 (M-F, 8:30 AM – 5 PM)

Emotional Support Line 802-749-1113 (M-F, 8:30 AM – 5 PM)

In June 2021, Northeast Kingdom Human Services worked with Vermont Department of Mental Health to implement the second National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Call Center in the state. Anyone calling the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) with an 802 area code phone number will first be connected to a Vermont call center.

The volunteer Board of Directors provide oversight and believes human services should be cost effective and responsive to local community needs. Volunteer Program Standing Committee members support the agency and programs. Your vote at the Town of Barnet's Town Meeting means a lot to us and your community.

Thank you!

Northeast Kingdom Human Services Board of Directors and Leadership Team

*We're all about being human.*

## Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.

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www.NEKLSVT.org



*"Every success story is a tale of constant adaptation, revision, and change."*

*Richard Branson*

December 2021

Dear Valued and Appreciated Voters of Barnet,

Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. (NEKLS), like many non-profits, has been impacted by the COVID pandemic. We are seeing a reduction in the number of referrals leading to fewer students. This has had an impact on staffing levels. Remaining staff has had to deal with their children's schools closing and switching to remote learning, with COVID positive cases, and with close contact identifications resulting in quarantining. All of these factors have lead to fewer funds coming into NEKLS to support operations and program delivery while operational costs remain steady.

NEKLS is adapting, revisioning and changing in response to COVID 19 and other programmatic changes outside of NEKLS's control. We are implementing more distance learning opportunities via Zoom and video chats with our students and families. We have hired an Outreach Specialist who is working to spread the word about us in all of the communities throughout the tri-county region, and we have begun to see the positive impact of this work.

The services that NEKLS delivers as the NEK's Adult Education and Literacy provider are critical to achieving Vermont's stated goals for individuals and families:

- We provide learners with educational services of the scope and rigor needed for the attainment of a high school diploma.
- We prepare Vermonters for good paying jobs available from many diversified employers, and for work in a variety of sectors.
- We help Vermont's children and young people achieve their potential.
- We help Vermonters with disabilities and elders live with dignity and in the setting they prefer.
- Our programs and services support Vermont in achieving a "Prosperous Economy".

The need for literacy and adult education programs leading to career and college readiness is higher than ever as Vermonters of the NEK recover from the COVID -19 pandemic. When people have the literacy skills they need, they can pursue further education or careers. They will also have better health outcomes and more stable employment and housing.

As seen first hand during the COVID 19 pandemic, childcare is a critical component of a "Prosperous Economy". Without access to affordable, high quality, sustainable childcare, Vermonters cannot access or retain employment. NEKLS opened up the *Ready, Set, Grow Childcare Center* in late 2019, just months before the COVID-19 pandemic erupted. NEKLS supports the work of *Let's Grow Kids* and the Vermont

***Our mission is to inspire and empower learners, birth and beyond.***



legislators who are working diligently to improve access to and affordability of high quality early education and childcare. It takes a village to raise a child, and our village is a community of providers addressing challenges in education, workforce development, childcare, mental health, housing, food insecurity, substance misuse, and business development. Our village also includes people like you who, by voting to support appropriations to the non-profit providers of these services, including NEKLS, make a crucial difference in the lives of our children, our grandchildren, our friends and our neighbors.

NEKLS is committed to providing the highest quality of services, and our success is measured by the success of the Vermonters we serve. Thank you for your past support of NEKLS. We look forward to your continued support and respectfully requests a town appropriation of \$300.00 this year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Faust". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michelle Faust, M.S.  
Executive Director

**Town Report Summary**

2021 NEKYS Served 17 in Barnet

***NEKYS has been offering vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975  
In 2020 NEKYS served 503 individuals throughout Caledonia and Essex Counties***

**NEKYS Family Programs Provide:**

- Staff is available 24 hours/7days a week to support youth, families, and individuals.
- Supportive counseling for youth and families, case management, support for youth and families within their schools, and family mediation.
- Outdoor adventure opportunities that include kayaking, canoeing, hiking, swimming, and mountain climbing. The group works on learning coping skills and self-care strategies.
- Summer Central Scholarship program offering scholarships for children to attend summer activities they otherwise could not afford.

**NEKYS Youth Program Include:**

- Staff is available 24 hours/7days a week to support youth, families, and individuals.
- Support to local young people ages 15-22 that are homeless or at risk of homelessness; have current or past involvement with foster care; are pregnant and/or parenting; experiencing mental health issues; struggling with substance abuse; have current or past involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Programs that utilize a positive youth development, trauma-informed approach that is tailored to meet the needs of young people. Encouragement for each young person is to identify their strengths and achieve goals related to housing, education, employment, and life skills.
- Access to short-term and long-term housing support that addresses the complex needs of young adults who are 18-22 years old. Young adults receive support which include in-home case management, rental assistance, landlord mediation, job skill development, and educational advancement support.

**NEKYS Restorative Justice Programs Include:**

- A voluntary and confidential alternative to court proceedings for individuals ages 10 through adult.
- Programs based on restorative justice practices that give the person who violates the law the opportunity to identify and repair the harm done to the victim, the community, and themselves.
- Opportunity for the individual who completes the requirements of the program to have his or her case closed in the legal system.
- Help for individuals to regain their driver's license while they pay off their fines and fees.
- Support for 16 to 21 year old youth who are referred to the program after receiving a notice to report from a police officer for possession and/or consumption of alcohol or marijuana.
- Assistance for youth ages 10 through 22 who have been adjudicated in Family Court, are on probation and require additional support by the Department for Children and Families.
- Pretrial Services – a new program involving risk assessment and needs screening.
- Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) – works with adjudicated youth to reduce/eliminate repeat offenses; works with at-risk youth using prevention techniques to keep them out of the juvenile justice system; truancy work with school systems.

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services is a private, non-profit agency governed by a community-based, volunteer Board of Directors. We rely on grants, contracts, and appropriations from the towns we serve to continue our mission. Thank you for supporting families in our community. Please call our office at 748-8732 if you have any questions or concerns.



## Rural Community Transportation, Inc.

1677 Industrial Parkway • Lyndonville, Vermont 05851

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*"COMMUNITY IS OUR MIDDLE NAME"*

### Special Appropriation Recipient Report

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT), is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which has provided public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex Counties since 1991, and now serves Lamoille County. RCT operates fare-free shuttle and commuter bus routes, allowing connections between towns in our region and the ability to travel throughout Vermont and beyond. RCT also provides demand-response transportation services under several programs, such as Medicaid, the Elderly & Disabled program, and Rides 2 Wellness.

RCT runs four commuter routes to enhance access to employment, connecting Morrisville to the towns of Barre and Waterbury, and St. Johnsbury to Montpelier and to Littleton. We operate three shuttle routes tying Morrisville, Newport/Derby, and St. Johnsbury/Lyndonville residents and nearby Vermonters to essential locations, from grocery stores to medical centers. Shopping routes provide similar service spanning Morrisville and Stowe in the west, Newport and surrounding towns in the north, and Lyndon to New Hampshire in the east. A number of our 9,000 riders utilizing 74,000 trips in FY2021 have expressed their gratitude and noted their dependence on our services.

Though the COVID-19 pandemic and RCT's practices of social distancing, mask requirement, and vehicle sanitization have had an impact on its passenger load, we have continued to operate uninterrupted and strive to provide safe, reliable, accessible, and affordable transportation. In FY2019, we provided over 300,000 rides; in FY2021, ridership decreased by about half. RCT continues to be greatly impacted by the pandemic; however, we are now operating at 100% capacity and do our part to keep healthy and safe those who may not have another means of pandemic-sensitive transportation.

RCT gratefully benefits from a robust volunteer program, with fifty-five volunteers providing rides to neighbors and those needing non-shuttle transportation to access vital services. We depend on our volunteers to help meet the needs of their neighbors near and far.

RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, our funding sources typically require between 20% and 50% locally matched dollars. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required local match, and are therefore crucial to RCT's operations. Your generosity allows RCT to transform your funding into the ability to thrive, grow, and provide your community with reliable quality transportation service.



Since 1976, Umbrella has ensured that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties have access to services that cultivate a Northeast Kingdom where all people thrive free from abuse and oppression. Umbrella operates 4 multi-faceted, client-centered programs and plays a crucial role in decreasing the incidence and impact of domestic and sexual violence. Services offered include:

- ***Social Change*** focuses on prevention education and initiatives in schools and in the community that aim towards preventing gender-based violence, and creating a community where abuse and oppression are acknowledged and addressed. One of our strategies is to provide pathways for girls to work within this social change and prevention field through the Youth in Power Program. In FY21, we provided 1,780 youth with educational workshops throughout our 15 school partners. We provided 197 adults with educational programs through 18 workshops.
- ***Advocacy Program*** serves survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, teen dating violence, as well as violence related to gender or sexual orientation - which in total we characterize as gender-based violence. In our work, the client leads and we support them in any way they need us to including legal advocacy, housing advocacy, support with parenting after trauma and more. In FY21, 451 individuals received direct advocacy, 65 people were housed in our emergency shelters as a result of fleeing domestic or sexual violence and 25 were housed in our Transitional Housing program.
- ***Family Based Services*** focuses on child-care and strengthening family relationships. *Kingdom Child Care Connection (KCCC)* assists families in the St. Johnsbury district to receive subsidized childcare, appropriate child care referrals and specialized childcare placement support. *The Family Room* offers supervised visitation for families throughout the Northeast Kingdom. In FY21, KCCC served 620 families and the Family Room worked with 44 families, serving 79 children.
- ***Economic Empowerment*** serves women with significant barriers to employment in Orleans and Northern Essex Counties. Our *Cornucopia* program, and our social enterprise, *Dolcetti* each wrap around women to support them in building job readiness skills while helping them to address challenges in their lives so they are able to move towards financial self-sufficiency. In FY21 6 of our graduates received ongoing support and we had 1 new graduate from the program who also gained employment post-graduation. In addition, as part of the skill-building program, participants packaged and prepared 35,823 meals for homebound seniors through Meals on Wheels.

Given that some services are provided anonymously, it is difficult to provide each town with a precise number of people served by Umbrella. However, at least 14 households in Barnet were served by Umbrella in FY 2021 and the community as a whole benefited from prevention and outreach programs in schools, as well as training and consultation for human service and law enforcement professionals.

Community support is critical to sustain our programming and to discover innovative approaches to the work Umbrella does. We are deeply grateful for Barnet's support.

**THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING #03-0271000  
TOWN OF BARNET  
SUMMARY REPORT**

**Request Amount: \$280.00**

For the last 42 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'21 (10/2020-9/2021) VCIL responded to thousands of requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **186** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **4** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **141** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **65** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **74** individuals with information on assistive technology; **42** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **497** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **35** people and provided **24** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone. Due to the pandemic VCIL was able to start a new (temporary) program, Resilience and Independence in a State of Emergency (RISE) which served 418 people in its first few months. The Rise Program can help provide an array of items or services if the needs are directly related to the Covid-19 epidemic (computers for tele-med appointments, cleaning supplies, etc.).

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During FY'21, **1** resident of **Barnet** received services from the following program:

- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)

## **Section 6**

### **Reports of Other Extra-Municipal Organizations & Representatives**

## **A Message from Caledonia-1 District Representative Marcia Martel**

Hello to all..looks like we will not be able to meet in person again this year, so I just wanted to touch base with you.

Another year has gone bye, and we are still doing some zoom and some in person meetings at the State House.

Unfortunately for the people of the State of Vermont zoom is definitely not a very good way to do legislative business. as probably many of you know, having to zoom with you children for school or your own work.

The only good thing was that as everything is livestreamed all could see what is happening in each committee and on the house floor. This will continue ..i believe, even when we are able to go back completely in person.

As usual there have been many bills already introduced, starting the second half of the biennium.

Some are quite interesting:

Legalizing prostitution

Reinstating of an operator's license after a lifetime suspension or revocation

Working on a secure facility for justice-involved youth

Informed consent for the administration of immunizations

Creating a Vermont child tax credit

Establish the Vermont Nursing Scholarship

A lot of the bills that have been introduced for this two-year biennium, seem more of a personal conflict than for the good of Vermonters. (That is just a personal opinion from me), but there also are some the state would truly benefit from.

Proposal 5 (abortion rights) will be coming to the floor soon, please be advised that if the proposal is passed you will be voting on it at your general election in

November. The bill number was H57, reading this bill will give you a clearer idea of what the Proposal is, if passes in November it will become a part of the Constitution of the State of Vermont.

There is a lot of money that has come to the state because of COVID, let's just hope we can all benefit in worthwhile ways for our towns and the state.

Thank you all for letting me serve as your representative. If you have any questions, you can email at: [mmartel@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:mmartel@leg.state.vt.us) or call me at 802-748-9134.

Rep. Marcia Martel



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***ANNUAL REPORT***

For 2021

Good bye 2021, it looked a lot like 2020. We completed another audit for our office in 2021 and it resulted in no findings or problems of any kind. The state of the Caledonia County Sheriff's Department is very good. We have kept our rates for service the same for the past few years and have a slight increase with construction and traffic. This increase is do to the fuel prices. We continue to add vehicles to our fleet, 3 new cars coming in the spring, replacing cars that have served us well. We have 6 marked cars, a 2014 van for prisoner transports, one unmarked car being used for civil process service. The radar cart is working well and in many towns. That purchase was with the use of Governors Highway Safety Grant funds. We have a large enclosed trailer that we use as an office at the fair and other security details. This trailer may be utilized as a command post at a mass casualty incident as well. We have an ATV and two golf carts. With project (ROAD), Responsible Operators Against Distractions, we want to continue to educate operators about phone use and texting while driving. We continue to do town patrols and we feel that the towns that we patrol are a safer place to live & drive in because of our presence. The patrols are community based. Which means each town is different, so the patrols may be different. We are taking a proactive response instead of a reactive response. This effort has helped with both fighting crime and communications with the towns. The Sheriff's Department has 11 Law Enforcement Officers to start the new year, with hopes to send a couple new hires to the academy in the spring. Our goal is to have 20 to 25 deputies to cover all details. We have become more active with local schools to ensure the safety of students and staff. We have been involved with drills and evacuation plans and will continue to assist as needed. We continue to look at 24 hour dispatching for the county, but are unable to do that right now. Our new location is wonderful and working as it should. We've had a lot of visitors and people stopping by with question. We are more visible and easier to reach. Plus the savings on the tax payers went from \$62,000, down to \$30,000. In 9 years, that expense will go away and the county will own the building.

If anyone has questions or concerns, please call me or stop by the office. My door is always open. I look forward to serving this county as the Sheriff. We will again do snowmobile patrols throughout the county. Doing our best to keep the trails as safe as possible, and we will again answer snowmobile related complaints.

Please check out our facebook page. Thank You and stay safe.

Sincerely,  
Sheriff Dean Shatney



Compassionate professionals delivering the highest quality emergency medicine, specialty care, and training to our providers and communities.

2021 continues to be very busy, after our 2020 decrease in responses related to the pandemic lockdown, 2021 has proven to bounce back and be very busy. Our team of Emergency Medical Service providers have been crucial frontline healthcare providers continuing to provide pandemic support during this difficult time on top of our day-to-day EMS operations.

Our agency continues to step up in a big way, not only to meet the medical needs of the community with regard to medical response and inter-facility transport in the face a pandemic, but our agency also continues to work alongside the Vermont Department of Health providing COVID pop up testing clinics, community at-home testing, and community homebound vaccine both first, second and booster doses. Our COVID response team has traveled thousands of miles and delivered thousands of vaccines to the residents of Caledonia-Essex Counties and beyond. I can't express the gratitude I have with our staff stepping up additionally to meet these needs and offer this support to our communities. Our agency has played a tremendous role in providing pandemic support through this challenging time to keep everyone as healthy as possible.

Our 911 responses and inter-facility transfer requests have been higher than normal this year. Our service and providers have transported patients to hospitals that we have never been to within the state and many out of state that we have never experience due to regional bed/staffing availability. We have transported patients this year to VT, NH, Maine, MA and CT, some of these transports by ground over 3-3.5 hours in duration one-way.

The workforce remains a top priority for all of us in Public Safety and beyond. Our staffing has stepped up in a big way to meet the needs to fill the current openings. We have teamed up locally to partner with St. Johnsbury Academy Adult Education program to offer our very first EMT course out of the newly renovated space on Eastern Ave. We hope this local adult education program with bring some new interest in the career of EMS. Our staff has been here 24/7/365 meeting the medical needs of our communities and a big "thank you" should be given to all the frontline medical staff and responders as well as all the other essentials workers who have been here assuring everyone is safe. If you see a healthcare provider/medical responder, please thank them!

CALEX continues to provide the highest quality of pre hospital care to all the towns we serve providing 911 coverage at the Paramedic level 24/7/365. Serving 9 towns – Saint Johnsbury, Waterford, Barnet, Concord, Kirby, Victory, Danville, Walden and Peacham. Our volumes were down this year due to the pandemic. CALEX responded to 2,327 911 responses and 593 being Interfacility Transfers and Medical transports. Our average response time to the scene for our entire service area 8 minutes 32 secs. Overall, our agency responded to 2,920 requests for service. These interfacility transports are a critical part of our service, reducing any delays of getting our patients to definitive care whether it be trauma services, cardiac care or other specialty services at a higher-level care facility such as DHMC or UVMHC and other hospitals across the New England. CALEX also continues to provide Paramedic intercept services to Lyndon Rescue and other services that may be transporting critical ill patients into NVRH. Our Paramedics respond rapidly with our intercept vehicle to meet on scene or enroute to the hospital to provide the highest level of care. Our crews experienced many life-saving emergencies and very successful stories with great outcomes again this year. We provided numerous training opportunities with both internal and external training as well as various simulation opportunities to focus on high quality training for our staff.

In 2021, we remounted our 2011 Dodge Ambulance, and replaced with a 2021 Ford F-450. This remount process which is completed by Osage Ambulance, Linn MO – removes the old box from the chassis, installs new LED lightning, new flooring, reinspects all the electrical systems, and completely sandblast the box and repaint/letter. This remount process has been successful for us while saving thousands versus purchasing new for a minimum of two remounts. This year we ended our relationship with NH, to focus on our growing needs locally. We reduced our fleet of 5 Ambulances to 4 Ambulances, one Paramedic intercept vehicle, one off-road UTV.

As we end 2021, I look forward to safe and successful year of providing the very best of pre hospital care to our communities. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and experienced team providing care for when it is needed to anyone who may need our service in the communities we serve. We hope you will continue to support us and approve our funding requests so we can continue providing the very best Emergency Medical Care to the region.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our staff, their families, and the CALEX Board of Directors and our dedicated dispatchers for their continued support and dedication to the Agency's mission.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Wright, NRP  
Chief Executive Officer



## Communications Union District Annual Report for 2021

We are excited to share the progress we've made towards bringing high-speed internet to the 50 member towns of NEK Broadband. Our pilot project in Concord, Waterford and Lunenburg will offer 100 Mbps symmetrical service or higher to 342 addresses in late 2021 and early 2022. We've received additional state and federal grant funding and are finalizing plans for a full-length construction season beginning the spring of 2022.

The organization has matured with the addition of three key partners. The National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC) is experienced in design, construction management, and materials procurement. Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT) will be our network operator and internet service provider. WCVT brings over a century of experience in telecommunications and provides all the modern services customers expect. Mission Broadband serves as an advisor and adjunct staff.

### Who We Are:

A Communications Union District (CUD) is a municipal entity made up of multiple towns. Our district is building fiber-optic based internet access that has a capacity far beyond most current services available. Each town appoints at least one representative to our Governing Board, which has chosen to develop a publicly-owned network.

**Member Towns:** All but these five towns in the Northeast Kingdom (Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties) have joined the district: Granby, Jay, Lemington, Norton, Victory. Wolcott in Lamoille county is also a member.

**Project Plans:** The overall project will require roughly \$140 million and take at least five years to complete. Funding will be through grants and municipal revenue bonds, as well as income from subscribers. The team is establishing technical standards as well as analysis of all locations and their current internet access. Utility pole surveys are in progress, fiber optic cable has been ordered, and we will be ready to continue construction in the spring of 2022.

**Grants Received:** NEK Broadband has received three different federal grants totalling \$1,045,000 for the Concord-Lunenburg-Waterford project, which began construction in November, 2021. We have been awarded almost \$7 million for designing the entire network, hiring additional staff and preparing for the 2022 construction season. Smaller grants were received from Vermont Community Foundation, Northeastern Vermont Development Association, Northern Community Investment Corporation, and Northern Enterprises.

**Obligations:** Community National Bank Letter of Credit (\$3.5 million); Northern Enterprises loan (\$80,000)

Respectfully,

Evan Carlson, Board Chair, Sutton Representative  
NEK Broadband

*Residents can sign up to receive regular general updates and, in the future, information about when service will be available at specific locations at:*

**[get.nekbroadband.org](http://get.nekbroadband.org)**

## Budget Summary

### 2021 Budget to Actual (Projected)

	Budget	Actual
Total Income	\$93,700	\$3,087,767
Total Expenses	\$90,350	\$1,353,932
Total Capital Investment	\$5,360,000	\$945,000
Annual Net Cash Flow		\$788,835

### 2022 Proposed Budget

Projected Surplus from 2021	\$788,835
Grants	\$25,000,000
Net Operations Revenue	-\$52,900
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$25,735,935</b>
Administrative Costs	\$495,000
(Pre) Construction Costs	\$25,000,000
<b>Total Spending</b>	<b>\$25,495,000</b>

## Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2021 by processing slightly more recycling compared to 2020 – 2,952 tons in 2021 compared to 2,882 tons in 2020. Significant increases in organics, cardboard, and scrap metal offset decreases in mixed paper. Most other material tonnages were at or slightly above 2020 amounts. Recycling markets were very strong for nearly all of 2021.

The District ended 2021 with a surplus of \$74,405.44. Revenues in 2021 were 22% above projections, while expenses were 13% above projections. The COVID19 pandemic did not disrupt our work schedule to any large degree in 2021. In fact, the main impact of the pandemic on District operations was to drive commodity prices to near record levels. Revenues for the sale of recyclables, the surcharge, grants, and recycling pick-up fees were the primary drivers for above average revenues in 2021. Fees used to generate revenues will remain mostly unchanged or decrease in 2022. The per capita assessment will decrease from \$0.94/person to \$0.84/person, the surcharge will remain the same at \$24.99, and hauling fees will remain unchanged at \$49 and \$33/stop for facilities and schools, respectively.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District membership in 2021. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The NEKWMD is entering 2022 with a proposed budget of \$846,615.50 – an increase of 4.6% compared to 2021.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and three part-time employees in 2021. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly with the District's Executive Director to set the direction of NEKWMD policy.

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

We would like to express our appreciation to our able staff for their continuing commitment to our mission. The 47,600 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

***NEKWMD Executive Committee***



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February 7, 2022

NEKWMD  
Member Towns

**RE: NEKWMD PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET**

Dear Member:

Due to the impacts of the COVID19 pandemic on Town Meeting Day and recently passed legislation, the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) has petitioned the legislature again to allow the NEKWMD Board of Supervisors to approve the proposed 2022 budget. The bill, H693 - passed by both the Vermont house and senate, allows the NEKWMD Board of Supervisors to approve the 2022 budget as they did in 2021. The change is considered necessary for two reasons.

- (1) House Bill H172, signed by the Governor in early January, allows towns to move the date of their Town Meeting. This is problematic for the District because it could potentially delay our budget vote until the end of May. We have already been notified by two towns that they are moving their town meeting dates. If Towns move the date of Town Meeting, they risk disenfranchising their voters by holding our budget vote when the outcome may already be predetermined.
- (2) The same bill will also allow towns the ability to mail ballots directly to all of their registered voters. While we support this idea, the District is in no position to be able to mail ballots and/or receive them. We have always relied on our member towns to include the ballots as part of their Australian Ballot process. Coordinating mailed ballots with 49 members towns would be a daunting task. We understand that most towns will probably not do this, but even if we miss one town, we run the risk of disenfranchising the electorate in that one town.

H693 contains a provision that allows the NEKWMD Board of Supervisors to approve the 2022 budget. This provision would only apply to the budget for 2022. The legislature considered this proposal because all of the other Waste Districts in Vermont allow their Board of Supervisors to approve their budgets. The NEKWMD Board will consider adoption of this action at their February 8, 2022 meeting.

Once H693 becomes law this week, you should make any necessary adjustments to your tabulator for the Australian Ballot process. There will be no need for your Town to include our Budget Article on your Ballots or Warning and/or to have us send you ballots if you do not use a tabulator. Towns will not be responsible for legally posting the any warning or ballot for the NEKWMD 2022 budget.

In order to allow greater public participation in the NEKWMD budget approval process for 2022, the NEKWMD Board has initiated the following procedures for 2022:

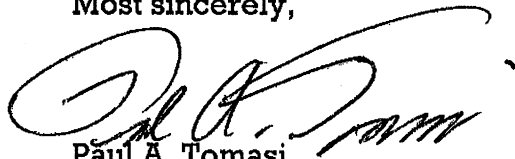
- (1) There will be an additional public hearing regarding the 2022 proposed budget. Those hearings will be held via ZOOM on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6pm.
- (2) The NEKWMD Board will move our Annual Meeting to Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. That date is the regularly scheduled meeting of the NEKWMD Board for the month of March. At this meeting, the NEKWMD will take action on the 2022 budget.

The NEKWMD does not anticipate any changes to the proposed 2022 budget that towns received in December of 2021.

We hope our member towns understand the reasons for this action. I would like to emphasize that this action is only for 2022. We will resume the budget process outlined in our charter for subsequent years.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Most sincerely,



Paul A. Tomasi  
Executive Director

## 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2021 BUDGET	2021 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2021	2022 PROPOSED BUDGET
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>			
Advertising	\$700.00	\$960.63	\$1,100.00
Audit -- Financial	\$6,595.00	\$7,845.00	\$6,845.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$900.00	\$329.40	\$1,000.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cleaning	\$1,920.00	\$1,810.00	\$1,920.00
Copier	\$1,500.00	\$1,274.20	\$1,500.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$5,050.00	\$6,516.58	\$6,500.00
Heating Fuel	\$1,000.00	\$1,087.18	\$1,000.00
Liability & Casualty Ins.	\$13,000.00	\$15,971.00	\$14,000.00
Legal Fees	\$2,000.00	\$7,828.26	\$4,000.00
Postage	\$2,000.00	\$2,016.62	\$2,500.00
Office Supplies	\$3,200.00	\$5,457.91	\$4,000.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,000.00	\$3,324.07	\$3,300.00
Miscellaneous	\$1,000.00	\$1,623.01	\$500.00
Water/Sewer	\$900.00	\$1,005.82	\$1,000.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$42,765.00</b>	<b>\$57,049.68</b>	<b>\$49,165.00</b>
Gross Wages	\$402,925.00	\$387,638.16	\$417,500.00
OT Wages--Warehouse	\$3,500.00	\$747.32	\$3,000.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$25,300.00	\$24,079.90	\$25,900.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$5,900.00	\$5,631.69	\$6,100.00
Unemployment/HCP Insurance	\$3,500.00	\$4,618.56	\$5,000.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$21,000.00	\$21,830.36	\$23,500.00
Workman's Comp. Insurance	\$53,000.00	\$30,412.00	\$53,000.00
Mileage - Employee	\$4,000.00	\$2,876.21	\$3,000.00
Supervisor Secretary Payments	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Personnel Equipment	\$500.00	\$406.97	\$500.00
Training	\$500.00	\$73.84	\$500.00
Travel	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$520,675.00</b>	<b>\$478,315.01</b>	<b>\$538,050.00</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>			
Baler Loan Payment	\$40,537.00	\$39,056.17	\$39,056.17
Baler Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$1,095.25	\$2,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$7,000.00	\$7,281.45	\$5,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$1,800.00	\$2,403.75	\$2,000.00
Forklift Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$6,411.50	\$4,000.00
Misc. Equipment Repairs	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$4,000.00	\$1,022.15	\$3,000.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,342.44	\$1,500.00
Mack Truck Loan Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,694.33
Truck Down Payment-Grant Funded	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$17,000.00	\$20,412.32	\$17,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$10,000.00	\$29,115.39	\$15,000.00
<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$89,837.00</b>	<b>\$169,140.42</b>	<b>\$102,750.50</b>

## 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	2021 BUDGET	2021 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2021	2022 PROPOSED BUDGET
<b>BUILDING EXPENSES</b>			
Electricity	\$6,500.00	\$4,951.06	\$5,000.00
Maintenance	\$1,200.00	\$1,022.79	\$1,500.00
Trash Removal	\$3,000.00	\$3,517.90	\$3,500.00
<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>	<b>\$10,700.00</b>	<b>\$9,491.75</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>PROGRAMS EXPENSES</b>			
Composting	\$24,000.00	\$43,400.50	\$29,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$5,000.00	\$1,756.80	\$4,000.00
Consulting Services-Grant Funded	\$4,000.00	\$21,408.21	\$0.00
Education Outreach	\$6,000.00	\$8,533.86	\$7,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$33,000.00	\$44,149.67	\$35,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$3,145.68	\$4,000.00
Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$30,000.00	\$29,314.80	\$25,000.00
Special Collections	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Supplies	\$300.00	\$231.56	\$400.00
Tire Disposal	\$15,000.00	\$21,515.00	\$18,000.00
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$121,550.00</b>	<b>\$173,456.08</b>	<b>\$122,650.00</b>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$785,527.00</b>	<b>\$887,452.94</b>	<b>\$822,615.50</b>
Capital Improvement Fund	\$24,000.00	\$26,500.00	\$24,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>	<b>\$26,500.00</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL NEK EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$809,527.00</b>	<b>\$913,952.94</b>	<b>\$846,615.50</b>
Grants--St of VT	\$92,000.00	\$128,673.12	\$92,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$54,630.00	\$63,613.00	\$54,000.00
Haz Mat/Paint Care	\$6,000.00	\$5,978.66	\$5,000.00
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$28.04	\$20.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$500.00	\$3,016.24	\$1,500.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$4,000.00	\$1,329.00	\$2,000.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$85,000.00	\$154,154.51	\$121,888.50
Compost Income	\$22,000.00	\$35,113.61	\$29,000.00
Electronics Income	\$20,000.00	\$22,676.73	\$18,000.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$15,000.00	\$23,863.00	\$17,500.00
Battery Income	\$6,000.00	\$5,091.25	\$4,000.00
Tire Income	\$15,000.00	\$13,472.84	\$18,000.00
Per Capita Assessment	\$44,800.00	\$44,681.96	\$39,057.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$444,447.00	\$486,516.42	\$444,500.00
<b>TOTAL NEK REVENUES</b>	<b>\$809,527.00</b>	<b>\$988,358.38</b>	<b>\$846,615.50</b>





To the Voters of Barnet:

The Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) has long been a regional advocate for stronger communities and vibrant local economies. As the state's only combined regional planning and economic development organization, we are uniquely suited to effectively serve the municipalities and businesses of the Northeast Kingdom.

This year, we are once more requesting dues from our member communities. These funds are critical as they allow our team of professionals to provide direct technical assistance to the 50+ municipalities and the many businesses in our region. Municipal contributions also allow us to leverage other state and federal funds for our region.

While local governance becomes more complex, our talented team staff is there to assist our member communities. Throughout 2021, we remained focused on the challenges presented by COVID while seeking opportunities to aid in regional recovery. We quickly mobilized to help all local governments secure ARPA funding and connected businesses and communities to other state and federal recovery resources. Our regular services continued as well, including:

- Land use planning & regulation – town plans and bylaws, and technical assistance for local officials;
- Transportation studies, Infrastructure inventories, and Project planning;
- Digital mapping and GIS services;
- Grant writing and administration for community and regional projects;
- Direct business support, referral services, and lending to employers in our region;
- Energy planning and water quality planning to help communities meet evolving statutory requirements;
- Local emergency planning and hazard mitigation planning;
- Brownfield assessments and planning;
- Economic development activities to grow and strengthen businesses in our region;
- Municipal education and training opportunities for local officials.

How have we served your community?

- Assisted with grant writing for McIndoes Academy, including a successful 1772 grant from the Preservation Trust.
- Emergency Planning and Preparation.
- Provided COVID 19 information.
- Road Erosion Inventory Assistance.
- Grants In Aid Technical Assistance.

NVDA's municipal dues have remained level *since 2016* at \$0.75 per capita rate, with a maximum of \$3,500 and a minimum of \$500. We take great pride in providing professional services to the communities and businesses of the NEK, but next year an increase is expected so we may continue providing a high level of service. We take pride in keeping communities aware of new opportunities through our e-newsletter and social media. Contact us at [tgonyaw@nvda.net](mailto:tgonyaw@nvda.net) to receive our e-newsletter and like us on Facebook.

Sincerely,  
David Snedeker  
Executive Director

## **Section 7**

# **Real Estate Transactions & Vital Records Reports**

## Real Estate Transactions

Date	Grantor	Grantee	Description
1/2/2021	Perkins, Jennifer	O' Shana, Rod & Tracia	MHU Hillside Lane
1/21/2021	Slayton, Cheryl Etal	Camber, Daniel & Cynthia	MH & land Stevenson Rd
2/1/2021	Thibaud, Bruce J Trust	Roper, Guy & Clapp Sydney	Land only County Hill Rd
2/1/2021	Slayton, Cheryl etal	Stevenson, Norman & Penelope	Land only Stevenson Road
2/8/2021	Gilmour, Kathryne A Trust	Tillotson, Keith & Burns, Katelyn	Land only Garland Hill
2/16/2021	Coster, John & Dawn	Mierzwicki, Leo A II	Dwl & land Pavilion Lane
2/25/2021	Guthrie-Baker, Inc	Clark, Shane & Sarah	Land only Symns Pond Rd
3/1/2021	Harvey, Howard & Bernadine	Stropkai, Frank & Monica	Dwl & land US Rte 5 North
3/3/2021	Root, Jonathan & Leigh Ann	Knights, Kevin	Land only Little France Rd
3/6/2021	Knights, Gregory	Knights, Kevin	Dwl & land Little France Rd
3/13/2021	Keenan, Paul Estate	Bradley-Ward, Delia	Store & land
3/19/2021	Davis, Scott & Tammi	Haworth, Jonathan & Shelby	Land only Ferguson Rd
4/19/2021	Swartz, Cynthia	Banbury, Lorraine	Land only Old West Rd
4/20/2021	Baker, James & Lacey	Evans, David & Brynn	Dwl & land Kitchel Hill
4/26/2021	Machell, Paul	Mason, Yvette	MHU Shoreline Drive
5/14/2021	O'Shana, Michael	Ladd, Christopher & Julie	MHU Meadow Lane
5/17/2021	Choate, Matthew & Alexander	Linabury, Laura Ann	Land only Garland Hill
5/20/2021	Carpenter, Jessa & Emmons, Peter	Strand, Kasey & Dylan	Dwl & land Bridge St
5/21/2021	Carolan, John & Stephanie	Imburgio, Mandy & McKinstry, Stephen	Land only Gadley Hill
6/18/2021	NorthCountry Federal Union	Locke, Bradford	Dwl & land Old Silo Rd
6/30/2021	Trombly, Raette	Lopes, Paul & Redman, Mary	Dwl & land Old Silo Rd
7/14/2021	Cable, Thomas & Amanda	Shank, Steven & Anne	Camp & land Stetson Lane
7/19/2021	Grigg, William	Stephens, Jennifer & Scott	Land only West Main St
7/23/2021	Achilles, Andrew	McConnon, George Jr	Dwl & land Groton Rd
7/28/2021	Holliday, Samuel & Carolyn	Cochrane, Paul & Linda	Dwl & land US Rte 5 South
8/2/2021	Darling, Joshua	Kent, William & Leah	Land only Gadley Hill
8/3/2021	Locke, Raymond III & Janet	McAlpine, Maureen & Jeffrey	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain Rd
8/4/2021	Santorello, Jeffrey & Beverly	Yancey Revoc Trust	Land only Harvey Mountain Road
8/13/2021	Gadapee, Edward	Rowden, Ryan & Alison	Land only McLaren Hill Road
8/16/2021	Bunnell, Betty U Trust	Nutter, Nicholas & Kirsten	Dwl & land Bunnell Lane
8/16/2021	Riley, Jeffrey	Bones, Martin & Caroline	Dwl & land Church St
8/23/2021	Miller, Francis & Betty Jane	Lang, Thomas & Sandra	Camp & land Bailey Farm Lane
8/30/2021	Rivers, Jacob & Leah	Eastman, Warren J	Dwl & land Little France Rd

<b>Date</b>	<b>Grantor</b>	<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Description</b>
9/3/2021	Swanson, Candace	Cornelius, Karla M Rev trust	Dwl & land Mosquitoville Rd
9/13/2021	Jones, Sandra & Pogue, Suzannah	Goldberg, Eric & Schoeberl, Birgit	Dwl & land Bailey Farm Lane
9/27/2021	Drown, Marilyn	Stevens, Robert	Dwl & land Barnet Center Rd
10/4/2021	Drown, Zachary	Northrop, Randall & Masumi	Dwl & land US Rte 5 North
10/4/2021	Stetson, Barclay & Tina	Johnson, JH Pourover Trust	Dwl & land Slayton Lane
10/7/2021	Nutter, Raymond G Jr	Heaney, Jeb A	Dwl & land Nutter Lane
10/14/2021	Clough, Joseph	Pilner, Melinda & Christopher	Dwl & land County Hill Road
10/27/2021	Wilmoth, Ashley	Wagner, Jamie	Dwl & land Garland Hill
11/12/2021	Hoelzer, Bryon & Walsh, Juanita	Johnston, Brianna & Andrew	Dwl & land Town Forest Road
11/15/2021	Bearce, Wayne & Sherri	Bearce, Justin & Tina	Dwl & land Mosquitoville Road
11/17/2021	Cook, Charles W Jr & Nancy	Clark, Shane & Sarah	Land only off Brook Circle
11/17/2021	Burnell, Marc & Kathryn	Leclerc, Tyler & Sarah Lee Charde	Dwl & land US Rte 5 South
11/22/2021	Lorr, Holly	Glassman, Neil & Sinclair, Susan	Dwl & land Pineapple Place
12/16/2021	Berry, Derrick & Russell	Babcock, Heather	Land only Warden Road
12/22/2021	Alizeo, Mary Estate	Shattuck, Stephen	Land only Goss Hill Road
12/27/2021	Williams, Lassiter	Greenleaf, Michael & Jeanine	Dwl & land Harvey Mountain Road
12/27/2021	Zindel-Lauterbach, Laura & Zindel, William	Lauterbach, Thorsten, & Zindel-Lauterbach, Laura	Dwl & land Pavilion Lane

## **MARRIAGES**

Helen Bowles Detra & Shira Nechama Wolf  
Laura Ashley Nelson & Tyler Robert McGill  
Jade Ellen Cote & Jonathan Paul Roy  
Alicia Leah Leach & Connor Michael Langley  
Aminta Martha Conant & James Kenneth Dumont  
Kara Marie Choate & Christopher James Gooden  
Rebecca Anne Bordanaro & Richard Preston Gallagher II  
Lauren Alexander Travis & Edwin Brandon Nason III

## **BIRTHS**

Paisley Rose Norrie to Renee Noelle Bly & William Charles Norrie  
Charlotte Elizabeth Lemieux to Kathryn Elizabeth & Lincoln Lionel Lemieux  
Henry Wilder Cohen to Hillary Ann & Tomas Alfredo Cohen  
Raymond Franklyn Locke to Aimee Lynn & Raymond Frederick Locke  
Melody Esmeralda Hernandez Bustamante to Rocio Bustamante Chavez & Eduardo Bustamante  
Chloe Esther Morrison to Robyn Lillian & Greg Anthony Morrison  
Elliana Sophia Shaw to Teanna Kayleigh Liberty & Theodore John Shaw II

## **DEATHS**

Pearl Houghton age 95  
Joseph E Desrosiers Jr age 97  
Letha Marilyn Sawyer age 81  
Betty Jean Bunnell age 90  
Kenneth Earl Butson Jr age 70  
Jennifer Gile age 69  
Bernice Lillian Quimby age 93  
Esther A Cuthbertson age 89  
Russell Elmer Pearl age 91  
Adam Montgomery Wright age 36  
Michael J Counter age 62  
Jean Murray McPhee age 94