

Annual Report  
of the  
Town of Mount Tabor  
Vermont

2019 JULY 1

2020 JUNE 30



## Mount Tabor, Vermont

**Town Office Phone** 293-5282  
**Town Office Fax** 293-5287

**Town Office E-Mail** mttabor@vermontel.net

**Town Clerk**  
William Basso 293-5020

**Town Clerk Office Hours**  
Tuesday 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon  
Wednesday 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon  
Or By Appointment

**Fire Warden**  
Wendall Davison, Jr. 293-5355

**Asst. Fire Warden**  
Mark Audy 293-5628

**Selectmen's Meetings**  
Second Tuesday of each month at MT. Tabor town office at 5:00 PM

**Transfer Station Hours**  
Tuesday 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Check rates with Casella at Dorset Transfer Station for  
Disposal of tires/toxic waste/appliances/furniture/electronics

**Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Schedule**  
Gleason Road HHW Facility in Rutland  
Monday – Saturday 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM 802-775-7209 or [www.rcswd.com](http://www.rcswd.com)

May 8, 2021	Wells Transfer Station	11am-1pm
June 26, 2021	Danby Transfer Station	8am – 10am
July 24, 2021	Wells Transfer Station	11am-1pm

**EMERGENCY CALLS – Quick and Best Response**  
**911**

**Northshire Rescue Squad**  
**Danby/Mount Tabor Volunteer Fire Department**

**Vermont State Police** 773-9101  
**Poison Control Center** 658-3456  
**Rabies Hotline** 1-800-472-243

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**TOWN OF MOUNT TABOR**  
**WARNING - ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

The Mount Tabor Select Board, find that, due to the State of Emergency declared by Governor Scott as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and pursuant to Addendum 6 Executive Order 01-20 and Act 92, this public body is authorized to meet virtually for an informational meeting via Zoom o Monday March 1, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

The Legal voters in the town of Mount Tabor, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to **VOTE by Absentee Ballot by mail or at the Mount Tabor Office on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM and to transact the following business by AUSTRALIAN BALLOT:**

- ARTICLE 1.** Shall the town vote to appropriate a sum of **\$2,000** to support the **Northshire Rescue Squad**?
- ARTICLE 2.** Shall the town vote to allocate a sum of **\$2,200** to support the **Northshire Rescue Squad Ambulance Fund**?
- ARTICLE 3.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum equal to **\$100** for the support of mentor recruitment and training for **The Mentor Connector** to provide services to residents of the Town of MT Tabor?
- ARTICLE 4.** Shall the town vote a sum of money to join the **Vermont League of Cities and Towns**?
- ARTICLE 5.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$770** to support the **Southwestern VNA & Hospice of the Southwestern Region: \$330** to support **Rutland Area Hospice** and **\$440** to support **RAVNAH Home & Community Health Services**?
- ARTICLE 6.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$200** for the support of **Rutland Mental Health Services** (formerly Rutland Area Community Services) so that these services can be maintained?
- ARTICLE 7.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$250** to support of the work of the **Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging** with Mount Tabor elders?
- ARTICLE 8.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$100** to help support the **NewStory Center**? (formerly Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter)
- ARTICLE 9.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$200** to support the programs and services of **BROC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)**?
- ARTICLE 10.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$55** to support the **Vermont Center of Independent Living**?

- ARTICLE 11.** Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$500** to support the **NeighborWorks of Western Vermont?** (formerly Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.)
- ARTICLE 12.** Shall the town vote to appropriate a sum of **\$100** to support the **Rutland County Humane Society?**
- ARTICLE 13.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$400** to support the **Child First Advocacy Center?**
- ARTICLE 14.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$250** to support the **Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District?**
- ARTICLE 15.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$250** to support **American Red Cross of Vermont** and the **New Hampshire Valley?**
- ARTICLE 16.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$8,527.20** for operating funds for the **Danby-MT Tabor Volunteer Fire Dept?**
- ARTICLE 17.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$300** to support the **Rutland County Parent-Child Center?**
- ARTICLE 18.** Shall the vote to appropriate **\$500** to support **The MT Tabor-Danby Historical Society** to provide services to the residents of the Town of Mount Tabor?
- ARTICLE 19.** Shall the vote to appropriate **\$975** for dues to join the **Rutland Regional Planning Commission?**
- ARTICLE 20.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$50** to support **Green Up Vermont?**
- ARTICLE 21.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$100** to support the **Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force?**
- ARTICLE 22.** Shall the town vote to appropriate **\$250** to support **Danby-MT Tabor NOW?**
- ARTICLE 23.** Shall the Town of Mount Tabor, vote to appropriate **\$250** to support the **Vermont Family Network** to serve families in Mount Tabor and throughout the State?
- ARTICLE 24.** Shall the Town of Mount Tabor, vote to appropriate **\$250** to support the **Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region** for the purpose of helping to fund the Regional Marketing Initiative?
- ARTICLE 25.** Shall the town vote a proposed budget to meet the expenses of the town for the year 2021-2022 and authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same?

**ARTICLE 26.** Shall the town vote to print a Town Report for the year ending June 30, 2021?

**ARTICLE 27.** Shall the town vote to accept the Report of the Town Officers for the year ending June 30, 2020?

**ARTICLE 28.** To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

**ARTICLE 29.** To elect the following town officers for the ensuing term of office:

- Town Moderator for 1 year term
- Town Treasurer for 3 year term
- Select Board for 3 year term
- Auditor for 3 year term
- Lister for 3 year term

Dated the 09 day of JANUARY, 2021

Signatures of Select Board

Seth Beauregard      Mark Audy      Philip Lidstone

Received for recording this 09 day of JANUARY, 2021

Attest: William G Basso II Town Clerk  
 William G Basso II  
 Mount Tabor, VT



South End steam sawmill purchased by Emporium Lumber Co. from Silas Griffith Estate

**Town of Mount Tabor Warning Supplement  
NOTICE TO VOTERS**

**TOWN MEETING:** The Mount Tabor Select Board, find that, due to the State of Emergency declared by Governor Scott as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and pursuant to Addendum 6 Executive Order 01-20 and Act 92, this public body is authorized to meet virtually for an informational meeting via Zoom on **Monday March 1, 2021 at 7:00 PM**. Information cards with meeting instructions have been mailed separately.

**INFORMATIONAL TOWN MEETING:** Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7:00pm

**AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTING:** Tuesday, March 2, 2021 -- 10:00am - 7:00 pm

***\*\*Please place ballot in Office Door Drop Box to protect our Poll Workers\*\****

**BEFORE ELECTION DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED:** January 31, 2021

**REGISTER TO VOTE:**

**WHEN:** No later than 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 2, 2021

**WHERE:** Town Clerk's Office – 10:00am – 7:00pm

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** Upon request. No reason needed.

**WHERE:** Town Clerk's Office

**HOW:** Voters, family members, authorized persons or health care providers

**WAYS OF VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT:**

1. Vote in Town Clerk's Office or going online to [olvr.sec.state.vt.us](http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us).
2. Have ballot mailed to you, and mail it back to clerk's office or place in Door Drop Box at Town Office
3. Have two Justices of the Peace bring a ballot to you at your home before the day of Australian ballot voting

**SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED:** Saturday, February 20, 2021

**TACONIC AND GREEN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ANNUAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

**WARNING**

The legal voters of the Taconic and Green Regional School District, consisting of the towns of Danby, Dorset, Landgrove, Londonderry, Manchester, Mt. Tabor, Peru, Sunderland and Weston, are hereby notified and warned to meet for an Informational Hearing virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM to consider and act upon the following articles and to discuss the articles to be voted upon by Australian Ballot.

**Zoom Link:** <https://brsu.zoom.us/j/89525785320>

**Meeting ID:** 895 2578 5320

**Passcode:** meeting

**To be acted upon on Tuesday, February 23, 2021:**

Article 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the School District Directors and Officers.

Article 2: To discuss articles to be voted upon by Australian ballot.

Article 3: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

**To be voted by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2021:**

Article 4: Shall the voters fix the salaries of the School District Officers at \$500 for the School District Clerk and \$300 for the School District Treasurer?

Article 5: Shall the voters approve the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Taconic and Green Regional School District be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 7pm at the Currier Memorial School?

Article 6: Shall the voters authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022?

Article 7: Shall the voters approve payment of the announced tuition rate of Burr and Burton Academy in the amount of \$18,490 for the 2021-2022 school year for resident pupils in grades 9 through 12 who attend any approved Vermont independent school?

Article 8: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$33,248,629, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,889 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.02% lower than spending for the current year.

Article 9: Shall the voters authorize the School Board to transfer the unassigned General Fund surplus existing on June 30, 2021, an amount estimated to be \$401,895, to the Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund?

Article 10: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$250,000 for the Building and Grounds Reserve Fund?

Article 11: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the Bus Reserve Fund?

Article 12: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the Technology Equipment Reserve Fund?

Article 13: To elect the following Officer and School Director positions:

- Moderator to serve from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- School District Clerk to serve from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- School District Treasurer to serve from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- Danby - One (1) Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2024
- Londonderry - One (1) Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2024
- Manchester - One (1) Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2024
- Peru - One (1) Director for a two (2) year term expiring in March 2023
- Weston - One (1) Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2024
- Three (3) Directors from any of the four (4) largest towns (Danby, Dorset, Londonderry, Manchester) for one (1) year terms expiring in March 2022

**For the purpose of voting by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2021:**

Voters of the Town of Danby will vote at the Danby Town Clerk's Office at 130 Brook Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Dorset will vote at the Dorset Town Office at 112 Mad Tom Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Landgrove will vote at the Landgrove Town Hall at 88 Landgrove Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 8:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Londonderry will vote at the Londonderry Town Hall at 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Manchester will vote at the Manchester Town Hall at 6039 Main Street. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 8:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Mt. Tabor will vote at the Mt. Tabor Town Clerk's Office at 522 Brooklyn Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 10:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Peru will vote at the Peru Town Office at 402 Main Street. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 9:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Sunderland will vote at the Sunderland Municipal Office at 104 Mountain View Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 10:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Weston will vote at the Weston Town Office at 12 Lawrence Hill Road. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 8:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

The legal voters of the Taconic and Green Regional School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said meetings shall be as provided in Section 706 (d) of Title 16 and Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated

Dated this 20th day of January 2021.

On behalf of the Taconic and Green Regional School District Board of School Directors:

  
Herbert Ogden, Chair

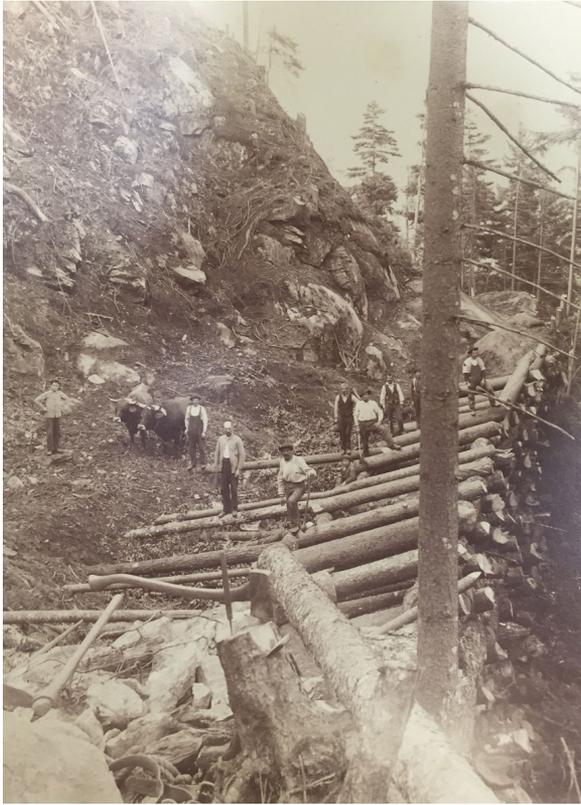
Received for the record and recorded this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2021 by:

  
Sandra Pinsonault, Clerk of the District

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**Lumber ready to ship from South End Mill**



**The road being built to Griffith Lake**



**Griffith's South End Store**

## Town Treasurer's Revenue Report July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

Balance On Hand 7/1/2019	16,113.56
Dog Licenses	328.00
Current Tax	263,015.09
Delinquent Taxes	25,953.32
Tabor School Tax & Interest	97.65
Railroad Tax	524.89
Listers Inc & Interest Trust	348.38
Reappraisal Fund	1,356.54
Natural Resources PILOT	5,975.80
USNF PILT Fund	32.74
VT Per Parcel Payment-EEG	152.00
Bromley Interest Trust	2.78
Judicial Annual Refund	10,061.23
Liquor License	70.00
Smoke Williams Lease	250.00
Civil Fines & Interest	79,571.30
Gen. Fund Interest	301.15
Dog Licenses	328.00
Current Use	3,288.20
Glebe Lot & Interest Trust	28,139.38
Highway Reserve Interest	133.52
USNF PILT payment & Inter	50,799.25
Bank Charge Reimbursement	-30.00
K. T Griffith Trust	586.20
Records Restoration	588.99
Clerk Restoration Fee	230.00
Copies	52.00
S. L. Griffith Trust	277.67
Fed. 941 Refund	3,155.69
Taconic & Green School Refund	4,291.78
Punch Card Receipts	4,671.00
PD Equip Reserve Interest	14.97
Town Mapping	6.76
Weight Permits	95.00
Highway Interest	133.52
Class 2 State Aid	12,278.38
Class 3 State Aid	2,077.26
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>498,938.75</b>
Total On Hand	<b>515,052.31</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES 06-30-20</b>	<b>254,754.87</b>

**Taconic & Green School District Expenditure**

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

\$262,582.59

**Report of Delinquent Tax Collector** Year Reporting 2019

**Tax Rates FY 2019**

Homestead tax rate school.....	\$1.3895
Non-residential school.....	\$1.5070
Municipal.....	\$0.07
Highway.....	\$0.03

**2019 Delinquent Taxes**

\$68.29
\$6.47
<u>\$860.78</u>
Total \$935.54

**Highway Expenditure Report 7/1/2019-06-30-2020**

Winter Maint.	26,131.53
Salt	697.05
Class 2 Road Exp	17,248.80
Class 3 Road Exp	3,915.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47,992.38</b>

**Other Assets Report**

Civil Fines Trust	709.74
Delos Bromley Trust	1,003.80
Glebe Lot	702.03
Highway Reserve	100,666.36
Highway Account	41,769.28
Listers/Hold Harmless	6,812.72
K.T. Griffith Trust	4,671.80
Police Dept. Reserve (P.D.)	6,231.96
Records Restoration	3,120.61
S.L. Griffith Fund	1,109.64
Reappraisal Fund	28,873.45
Town Mapping	2,817.72
USNF PILT	98,598.50
Mt. Tabor Schools	310.62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>297,398.20</b>

**Municipal Dog & Wolf-Hybrid Licenses & Fees**

**Dog Account for Year Ending December 31, 2019**

Neutered/Spayed	20	Unneutered male/female	13
<b>Total number of dogs</b>		<b>33</b>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$515.00	
Less State Fee @ \$5.00		\$165.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$350.00</b>	

**SELECT BOARD ORDERS REPORT TOTAL EXPENDITURES**  
**July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020**

**APPROPRIATIONS**

AMERICAN RED CROSS .....	250.00
BROC .....	200.00
CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY CENTER.....	400.00
DANBY MT. TABOR "NOW", Little League.....	250.00
FIRE DEPT APPROPRIATION .....	7,205.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT TRUCK PAYMENT.....	6,000.00
FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE.....	100.00
GREEN UP VERMONT.....	50.00
MENTOR CONNECTOR.....	100.00
MT. TABOR-DANBY HISTORICAL SOC.....	500.00
NEIGHHOOD WORKS OF W. VT.....	400.00
NEW STORY CTR (Women's Network).....	100.00
NORTHSHIRE AMBULANCE.....	1,922.00
NORTHSHIRE RESCUE SQUAD.....	2,107.00
RAVNA & HOSPICE.....	770.00
RUTLAND HUMANE SOCIETY.....	100.00
RUTLAND COUNTY PARENT- CHILD.....	300.00
RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH.....	200.00
RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COM.....	975.00
SOUTH WEST VT. COUNCIL ON AGING.....	250.00
VT. CENTER FOR IND. LIVING.....	55.00

**TOWN OFFICIALS**

ANIMAL CONTROL WARDEN.....	0.00
AUDITORS.....	1,363.50
ELECTION.OFFICIALS.....	620.00
LISTERS.....	2,283.60
POLICE DEPT CLERK.....	705.00
POLICE OFFICER MILEAGE/FUEL.....	5,716.62
POLICE OFFICER SERVICES .....	22,314.00
SELECT BOARD CLERK.....	2,020.00
SELECT BOARD SERVICES.....	2,100.00
SOLID WASTE ATTENDANT(S).....	6,462.00
SOLID WASTE ATTENDANT(S) HOLIDAY BONUS.....	200.00
SOLID WASTE ATTENDANT MILEAGE.....	100.00

**SELECT BOARD ORDERS REPORT TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

**July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020**

**TOWN OFFICIALS CONTINUED**

TAX COLLECTORS FEE 1%.....	3,588.58
TAX COLLECTORS FEE 8%.....	1,969.66
TAX COLLECTOR.....	59.75
TOWN CLERK.....	15,000.00
TREASURER.....	13,783.34

**GENERAL TOWN EXPENSES**

ANIMAL TAGS & FORMS.....	140.43
ATTORNEYS FEES.....	0.00
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE.....	165.34
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE.....	479.99
NEMRC SUPPORT (annual agreement).....	1,502.29
COMPUTER SOFTWARE (Apex).....	215.00
COPIER MAINTENANCE.....	324.36
ELECTRIC.....	773.42
HEAT.....	1,799.12
LAND RECORDS RESTORATION.....	0.00
LEGAL & ADVERTISING.....	0.00
MARRIAGE LIC. FEE TO CLERK.....	0.00
MARRIAGE LIC. FEE TO STATE.....	0.00
MOWING (Office/Cemetery/Roadside).....	2,705.00
BLDG MAINTENANCE.....	25,472.06
OFFICE EQUIPMENT.....	0.00
OFFICE FURNITURE & FIXTURES.....	41.67
OFFICE SUPPLIES.....	1,448.33
PETTY CASH.....	100.00
POLICE DEPT. DUES / TRAINING.....	0.00
POLICE DEPT. EXPENSES.....	37,379.93
POSTAGE.....	396.00
POSTAL BOX RENT.....	114.00
PREP. OF W2'S & 1099'S.....	142.50
PROPERTY TAX OVERPAY REFUND.....	3,480.00
RECORD BOOKS (Kofile Technologies).....	31.04

**SELECT BOARD ORDERS REPORT TOTAL EXPENDITURES**  
**July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020**

**GENERAL TOWN EXPENSES CONTINUED**

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL (Hubbard Bros.).....	2,563.30
SOLID WASTE MAINTENANCE.....	1,874.87
SOLID WASTE PUNCH CARDS.....	0.00
STORAGE VAULT (Abanaki, Inc.).....	960.00
SURETY BOND.....	100.00
TAX-PAYROLL FED/STATE (FICA) .....	8,575.41
TAX RUTLAND COUNTY, Regional Plan Comm.....	975.00
TAX VT UNEMPLOYMENT.....	600.10
TELEPHONE / INTERNET (Vtel).....	1,514.51
TOWN MAPPING.....	0.00
TOWN OFFICERS CONFERENCES.....	140.00
TOWN OFFICERS DUES / VMCTA/VCA.....	70.00
TOWN OFFICIALS MILEAGE.....	1,770.02
TOWN REPORT PRINTING & LAYOUT.....	1,460.00
TOWN REPORT POSTAGE.....	97.75
VALA DUES.....	140.00
VLCT DUES PACIF .....	543.00
VLCT INSUR.; VT League of Cities & Towns.....	1,326.00
HIGHWAY CLASS 2 EXPENSE.....	14,074.80
HIGHWAY CLASS 3 EXPENSE.....	13,911.00
HIGHWAY SALT.....	0.00
STATE.MUN..RD.GRANT.PROGRAM.....	0.00
WINTER.HIGHWAY.MAINTENANCE.....	26,828.80

**TOTAL SELECTBOARD ORDERS EXPENDITURES**

**254,754.87**

The Select Board Orders Total Expenditures Report is created annually by the Town Auditors, and provides the results of the auditing process.

The full summary of receipts and expenditures that the totals represent, and all other required report items, are available at the Town Hall Offices.

In accordance with Sections 1681-1684 of Title 24 V.S.A., we have examined the accounts and records of the Town of Fiscal Year July 31, 2019 – June 30, 2020. To the best of our knowledge, the financial statements and the reports received presented the financial position as of June 30, 2020. We note qualifying findings as outlined in our Management Letter to Select Board, which is also available at the Town Hall Offices.

In addition, we were pleased to prepare the Town Report in house this year in order to save the expense of the Town Report layout.

Margo Cebo    Town Auditor  
Susan Howard    Town Auditor

## SELECT BOARD BUDGET 2019-2022

	2019-2020	2019-2020	2020-2021	2020-2021	2021-2022
	PROPOSED	FINAL	PROPOSED	FINAL	PROPOSED
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR 8%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR 1%	3300.00	3300.00	3,300.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
TOWN CLERK	14000.00	15000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
ASST TOWN CLERK	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	750.00
TOWN TREASURER	14000.00	15000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
AUDITORS	1500.00	1800.00	1,800.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
SELECT BOARD SERVICES	1800.00	2100.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
ELECTION SERVICES	1500.00	2000.00	2,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
TOWN CONSTABLES/DUES/TRAIN	100.00	100.00	100.00	50.00	40.00
LISTER SERVICES	2500.00	2500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
POLICE OFFICER SERVICES	20000.00	20000.00	32,000.00	20,000.00	15,000.00
ASST TREASURER	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	750.00
SELECT BOARD CLERK	1500.00	2500.00	2,700.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
REAPPRAISAL FUND	1000.00	1000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
POLICE OFFICER TS RETIREMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
POLICE DEPT. EXPENSES	200.00	200.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
POLICE DEPT CLERK	350.00	500.00	780.00	700.00	700.00
ATTORNEYS FEES	1000.00	1000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
PREP OF W2'S & 1099'S	150.00	100.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
BUILDING MAINTINANCE-TOWN OFFICE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CEMETARY MAINTAINANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OFFICE / CEMETERY MOWING	1100.00	1200.00	1,000.00	800.00	800.00
COPIER MAINTENANCE	350.00	400.00	350.00	350.00	400.00
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	3000.00	3000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
COMPUTER SOFTWARE	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
NEMRC	1400.00	1500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
LEGAL ADVERTISING	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
TOWN OFFICERS CONFERENCES	500.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	700.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
POSTAGE	500.00	500.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
P. O. BOX RENT	100.00	100.00	120.00	120.00	100.00
FURN.&FIXTURES	100.00	100.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
RECORDS BOOKS	500.00	500.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
PETTY CASH	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
TELEPHONE / INTERNET	1400.00	1500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
ELECTRIC	1000.00	1000.00	900.00	800.00	800.00
HEAT	1000.00	2600.00	1,800.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
ANIMAL TAGS & FORMS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
ANIMAL CONTROL	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
TOWN WORK	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
TOWN MAPPING	1000.00	1000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
PAYROLL TAXES FED/STATE	5200.00	5200.00	10,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
VT UNEMPLOYMENT TAX	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
TOWN REPORT LAYOUT	1000.00	1000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
TOWN REPORT PRINTING	550.00	550.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
TOWN REPORT MAILING	200.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
VLCT INSURANCE	9000.00	9000.00	9,000.00	9,500.00	9,000.00
VLCT DUES	1300.00	1300.00	1,350.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
FIRE TRUCK PAYMENT	6000.00	6000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
DANBY-MT TABOR FIRE DEPT APPROPRIATION	7200.00	7200.00	9,000.00	8,527.20	8,527.20
SURETY BOND	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
RUTLAND COUNTY TAX	1800.00	1800.00	2,000.00	1,920.00	2,000.00
RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING	0.00	975.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	975.00
TOWN OFFICERS DUES / VMCTA	100.00	100.00	100.00	50.00	50.00
VALA DUES	150.00	150.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT MILEAGE	16000.00	16000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SELECT BOARD MILEAGE	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
CLERK/TREASURE MILEAGE	0.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
LISTERS MILEAGE	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
ANIMAL CONTROL MILEAGE	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

## SELECT BOARD BUDGET 2019-2022 - continued

	2019-2020	2019-2020	2020-2021	2020-2021	2021-2022
	PROPOSED	FINAL	PROPOSED	FINAL	PROPOSED
SOLID WASTE ATTENDANT	7000.00	7215.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	9,000.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	10000.00	5000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
SOLID WASTE MAINTENANCE	500.00	2000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	500.00
SOLID WASTE PUNCH CARDS	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	55.00
HIGHWAY(Winter Maint)	20000.00	4000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
HIGHWAY(Winter Maint) SALT	5000.00	4000.00	1,500.00		0.00
HIGHWAY CLASS 2 EXPENSE	5000.00	5000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
HIGHWAY CLASS 3 EXPENSE	0.00	500.00	500.00		500.00
STATE MRGP REQUIREMENT	2200.00	1000.00	500.00	500.00	240.00
NORTHSHIRE RESCUE SQUAD	2200.00	2200.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
NORTHSHIRE RESCUE AMBULANCE	2200.00	2200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
SW VT COUNCIL ON AGING	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
RAVNAH	770.00	770.00	770.00	770.00	770.00
RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
NEW STORY CENTER (WOMEN'S NETWORK)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
RUTL COUNTY HUMANE SOC.	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
BROC	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
VT CENTER FOR IND LIVING	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
NEIGHBOR WORKS OF W. VT	100.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	100.00
MT TABOR-DANBY HISTORICAL	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
RED CROSS OF VT & NH	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
THE MENTOR CONNECTOR	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
GREEN UP VERMONT	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
VT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
RUTLAND CITY PARENT CHILD	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY CENTER	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
DANBY MT TABOR NOW	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
VERMONT FAMILY NETWORK				0.00	250.00
Chamber & Eco Dev of the Rutland Region				0.00	250.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>184875.00</b>	<b>172265.00</b>	<b>193,775.00</b>	<b>152,042.20</b>	<b>154,462.21</b>
<b>\$00.00 = non budget items</b>					
<b>Grand List</b>				<b>230,881.60</b>	<b>230,881.61</b>



South End Steam sawmill purchased by Emporium Lumber Co. from Silas Griffith Estate

# Mount Tabor Police Department 2019-2020 Annual Report

P. O. Box 245 - 522 Brooklyn Road Mount Tabor, VT 05739

The end of 2019-2020 has completed the thirteenth year of operation of the Mount Tabor Police Department. With its two Police Officers participating in training offered at the Vermont Police Academy, the benefits continue to be recognized. This fall for the year ending 2019-2020, the town received from the Judiciary Court; a refund of \$13,512.59 which helps offset the cost of maintenance and purchased equipment for the Mount Tabor Police Department. In October of 2020, the Select Board hired Officer Carlton North, and with the necessary equipment will continue to provide speed enforcement through the two dangerous four corners on Route 7 in Mount Tabor.

The effectiveness of any Police Department is significantly impacted by the support of the community. Through you, the citizens of Mount Tabor, the Mount Tabor Police Department will continue to provide and improve upon the level of professional law enforcement services provided.

In case of an EMERGENCY, call 911

Respectfully submitted,  
Mount Tabor Select Board

## Mount Tabor Police Officer Services Report

July 31, 2019 – June 30, 2020

### Revenue Report

Civil Fines & Interest	79,571.30
PD Equip Reserve Interest	14.97
Judicial Annual Refund	10,061.23

**Total 89,647.50**

### Expenses Report

Police Officer Services	22,314.00
Police Department Expenses	36,903.54
Police Department Clerk	705.00
Mileage	5,652.33

**Total 65,574.87**

## **Open Burn Notice Residents of Mount Tabor**

For some of you in Town, the information here will be a reminder.  
For others, it will be new.

Open burning is the burning of materials in the open air, where smoke and byproducts do not pass through a chimney, stack, or flue. The only material that may be burned is clean, natural wood. Clean, natural wood, unpainted and untreated with any chemicals.

Plywood, chipboard, or pressure treated lumber is not natural wood.

All open burning requires a permit year round and may be obtained from the Town Fire Wardens. Burning hours are generally daylight to dark; Monday through Saturday.

All permitted fires are subject to conditions given at the time they are issued.

The burning of any solid wastes, such as papers, cardboard, or household garbage is **prohibited**; no permits will be issued for these materials. The use of approved incinerators is allowed; however only clean, natural wood may be burned in them.

The backyard practice of burning household refuse and solid waste in burning barrels is illegal in the State of Vermont and Mount Tabor.

Anyone needing more information about these issues please feel free to contact us.

Wendell O. Davison, Jr.  
Fire Warden  
293-5335

Mark Audy  
Asst. Fire Warden  
293-5628

### **Town of Mount Tabor Vital Statistics Calendar Year 2020**

Births	None
Deaths	Thomas Henry Schmelzebach
Marriages	Hunter Bovey & Leighann Willoughby David Langsett & Jacquelyn Geraghty

# **REPORT OF THE DANBY-MT. TABOR FIRE DISTRICT #1**

The Department responded to 54 calls this year. The members put in approximately 3,000 hours of labor and calls, drills, building the addition to the station and administration.

We would like to thank Med Macheski and Marge Abbott for another year of their hard work with the community calendar to raise funds for the fire department.

We have made progress on getting the addition closed up. This coming year we will be working on the inside so that it will be accessible for use. We have had help form community volunteers. We are very grateful for this help in assisting us to get this far. We thank Tom Ovitt for his help with the project.

This year's calls:

- 3 structure and chimney fires
- 2 grass fires
- 10 vehicles fires and accidents
- 4 rescue assists
- 18 alarm calls
- 8 miscellaneous
- 10 mutual aid calls

Submitted by Kenneth G. Abbott, Fire Chief

## **Report of the Fire District Clerk Tax Year 2020**

Pursuant of 32 VSA ss3461, I am herewith notifying you that the Danby/MT Tabor Fire District #1, a municipality lying within part of your town, has established a tax rate of \$0.24 for the year 2020. This rate will be levied against tax year 2020 Fire Grand List of \$27,154,171.14. This tax will raise taxes in the amount of \$65,170.01 for the Fire District.

Attest: Bradley J. Bender, Clerk/Treasurer  
Danby-MT Tabor F.D. #1

# DANBY- MT. TABOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Beginning Balance			\$133,451.17
Income			
Fund raising events			\$11,657.75
Town of Danby			\$34,108.80
Town of Danby truck payment			\$25,000.00
Town of Mt. Tabor			\$8,527.20
Town of Mt Tabor truck payment			\$6,000.00
Donations			\$8,160.00
Interest			\$1,391.66
Building Fund			\$12,795.00
Grants			\$ 2,000.00
	Total income		\$109,640.41
Expenses			
Phone/Internet			\$ 2,287.33
Electricity			\$ 1,786.08
Insurance			\$ 6,113.48
Vehicle operation			\$ 1,786.24
Equipment purchase/maint.			\$ 1,726.38
Building operations			\$ 12,422.76
Fund raising			\$ 3,393.03
FF Support, Dues, Training			\$ 1,696.00
Office supplies			\$ 990.28
Radios/communications			\$ 800.00
Note payment/pumper			\$ 31,000.00
Fire House Addition			\$ 31,125.05
	Total expenses		✓ \$ 95,126.63
Income less expenses			14,513.78
Cash on hand			
Operating Account			\$ 58,666.46
Apparatus account			\$ 31,000.00
Stafford fund			\$ 58,298.49
	The Stafford fund is a trust in which the principle must remain intact until 2020.		
	Total ending balance		✓ \$ 147,964.95

*The funding requests to the town have been formatted to allow for more uniformity in appearance. Those letters that were reduced in length are noted, and their full submission is posted at the Mount Tabor Town Office.*

### **BROC Community Action**

On behalf of BROC and the thousands of people with low-income or living in poverty that we serve throughout Rutland and Bennington counties, we want to express our thanks for supporting us over the years. Over the past year, BROC was available to the residents in the Town of Mount Tabor, with food at the Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling, resources and referrals; we are here. Your town appropriations help ease the struggle for nearly 10,000 people who seek assistance. Respectfully, our appropriation request for the upcoming fiscal year remains \$200.00. We truly value our collaboration with Mt. Tabor as we assist those most in need.

Thomas L. Donahue                      CEO

### **Burr and Burton Academy**

This letter is to announce that Burr and Burton Academy's sending town tuition will increase by 2.8%, to \$18,490, an increase driven primarily by a 10% increase in the cost of medical insurance. In considering our tuition, we share the following thoughts:

As we near Town Meeting Day 2021, we also approach the one-year anniversary of Covid disrupting our lives, shutting down our businesses, and closing our schools. On March 16, 2020, BBA made the decision to shift to remote learning. Because we had been preparing for this possibility, only two days later, we were able to reopen as an online school. We transitioned to online classes, we held virtual meetings, we gathered via zoom and other platforms; we even created an online spring musical, Hair, that was amazingly well done. We focused on what we could do rather than what we couldn't, and we culminated the school year with a senior fire truck parade, individual cap-and-gown ceremonies for each senior, and a drive-up commencement at the Bromley parking lot complete with a huge diamond vision screen.

This past fall, we opened the school year using marquee tents as outdoor classrooms, video conferencing technology for every class, enhanced ventilation and cleaning protocols, and an absolute commitment to safely bring students back on campus, in person. We recognized that the steps would be costly (we have incurred over \$500,000 in extraordinary Covid-related expenses this year), and we have met the financial challenges by increased fundraising and

tapping our cash reserves. Our entire faculty and staff accepted a salary freeze in recognition of these financial challenges and uncertainties.

We have done our absolute best to contain costs while meeting the arduous challenges of the current school year. With a Covid vaccine on the horizon, the future is bright, but there is no getting around the 10% increase in healthcare costs, an increase experienced by all schools throughout Vermont. We sincerely appreciate the tremendous support we have received throughout this school year, and we ask for your support and your vote to continue as an appreciated and valued BBA sending town.

Respectfully submitted

Mark H. Tashjian                      Headmaster

Ed Campbell                          Chair, Board of Trustees

**Chamber & Economic Development  
of the Rutland Region Annual Town Report**

It has been a year of change not only in our region, but across the world, with the COVID-19 pandemic impacting nearly every business sector and changing not only the way we do business, but how we live. There are countless reasons why we are proud to call the Rutland Region our home. Most importantly is the way we have come together as a community and supported one another. As you may have already heard, Rutland Economic Development Corporation and the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce have merged. Two strong organizations have become one to more fully serve Rutland County. The newly- minted “Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region” serves on behalf of families, communities, and businesses, which form a supportive bond. The 2019-2020 Annual Report can be found on our website at [www.RutlandVermont.com/annual-report](http://www.RutlandVermont.com/annual-report).

For a highlight of each of the towns in our County, watch our Annual Meeting movie found at <https://rutlandvermont.com/2020-annual-meeting>. You will see people that you know!

Go to [www.RealRutland.com](http://www.RealRutland.com) for highlights of the Region.

With respect,  
Lyle P. Jepson - Executive Director

## **Child First Advocacy Center Report**

The CFAC serves as a central agency through which reports of suspected child abuse can be channeled to investigation and victim recovery. We became a fully Accredited Member of the National Children's Alliance (NCA) in 2004. We are a non-profit organization serving Rutland County to assist families in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence. We provide a safe comfortable environment for the forensic quality and child appropriate interviews, training for professionals and collateral referral services for victims and their non-offending family members. Our agency serves all socio-economic levels and is committed to providing quality services regardless of the ability to pay.

As of November 1, 2020, we provided services to 190 clients and 138 of their family members. We were able to provide wrap around services and support to at least three Mount Tabor families as they began their recovery from the effects of trauma. We are requesting funds in the amount of \$400 to continue our efforts in supporting families in your community. On behalf of the Board of Directors and the CFAC Team, we want to thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Wendy Loomis, Executive Director

### **Danby-Mt. Tabor Now**

Danby-Mt. Tabor Now (DMTNow) is a non-profit organization, formed to celebrate all that is good in our towns'. It's a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization. On behalf of the Danby-Mt. Tabor NOW Board of Directors, I want to thank you for your generous donation of \$250 to our community organization. As you may recall in November 2020, in spite of the limitations afforded the community from the Coronavirus, the Board and our volunteers found creative and safe ways to honor our Veterans on both Memorial Day and Veterans' Day. The Board is looking forward to 2021 and the prospect of sponsoring more community events. All of the events will be posted on Front Porch Forum and in print media. We welcome suggestions and volunteers to assist us with the events throughout the year. If you're interested in getting involved please send an email to [ratobin@gmail.com](mailto:ratobin@gmail.com).

Your gift is important to us.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Lauren Dever  
Board Secretary

## **Danby-Mt. Tabor Volunteer Fire Department**

The Danby-Mt. Tabor Volunteer Fire Department is requesting funds for 2021 operating expenses. This year, the Department is asking from the towns of Danby and Mt. Tabor a total of \$42,636.00. Our operating costs have gone up and have made it no longer feasible to maintain the same budget that we have held since 2019.

This sum has been broken down between the two towns:

80% from the Town of Danby- \$34,108.80

20% from the Town of Mt. Tabor- \$8,527.00

Kenneth G. Abbott, Chief

## **Green Mountain National Forest**

*This report has been shortened to highlight all activities specific to the Town of Mount Tabor  
The full report is posted at the Mount Tabor Town Office*

The Green Mountain National Forest receives several million outdoor recreation enthusiast visits annually, these visitors seek enjoyment in a natural setting while providing critical benefit to the local economies. The GMNF is proud to be a part of Vermont and your town. It is truly one of Vermont's treasures and the largest contiguous public land area in the state. Forest staff work hard to achieve quality public land management under a sustainable multiple-use management concept to meet the diverse needs of the people -- people in your town as well as all of the visitors who come to Vermont every year. Following is a brief summary of what happened in your National Forest throughout the past year:

Road, Dam, & Facility Construction & Maintenance: Forest Road Improvement Projects: Improved 3.73 miles of National Forest System roads including Mount Tabor. Forest Road Maintenance: Maintained 88.68 miles of National Forest System roads in the including portions in Mount Tabor.

Local Efforts: Mount Tabor: New visitor information kiosk panels were installed on the Silver Bridge at the gateway into the White Rocks National Recreation Area. The Devils Den trail was removed from snowmobile maps and decrepit trail bridges were removed from service.

Wilderness: Mount Tabor : Visitor encounter monitoring was conducted along the Appalachian Trail / Long Trail and side trails in the Peru Peak Wilderness.

Botany Program Mount Tabor: 1.7 acres of common buckthorn, Morrow honeysuckle, multiflora rose, and wild parsnip were controlled in the Old Job sale area.

Forest Vegetation Management provided maple tapping opportunities to six permit and contract holders for almost 9,000 taps in the towns of Lincoln, Stockbridge, Pomfret, Wilmington and Mount Tabor.

Environmental Planning: Forest Road 30 -- Opening Reclamation project located in the town of Mount Tabor designed to restore an existing permanent upland opening where large trees have encroached and diminished the early successional habitat provided by this area. Again, thank you for your support of your National Forest. Together, we will continue to maintain and improve this valuable treasure for generations to come.

Martina Barnes     District Ranger, South Half - Manchester Ranger District  
John A. Sinclair     Forest Supervisor                             Rutland - Supervisor's Office

### **Green Up Vermont**

Green Up Vermont celebrated its 50th Anniversary of Green Up Day on May 30, 2020. Although 99% of all events were cancelled due to COVID-19, Green Up Day was successfully executed with social distancing by 14,000+ volunteers, cleaning up over 241 tons of litter, and 9,000 tires statewide.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on towns' support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride and engagement. Support from municipalities is essential to our program. Funds help pay for administration supplies (including 65,000 trash bags), promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, posters and writing contests, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Early awareness initiatives for the organization tripled the number of submission for art and writing contests, which had 184 applicants for our fist scholarship. We offered "Greener" bags made with 70% post-consumer waste; add a Green Scuba tam to clean Lake Champlain; and had over 100 editorial stories in the news.

Green Up Day is May 1, 2021!

## **Long Trail School**

For over four decades, Long Trail School has provided quality education in this region. Relationships- between students and teachers and among students-define the LTS experience. We here at Long Trail School, look at ourselves not only as members of a school family but as stewards of the future. Today we educate over 220 students from 46 towns and 4 countries. Families seek us out for our unparalleled creative and intellectual challenges. Our students have ambitious personal goals, ranging from first-in-family college attendee to small business owner-all assisted by our programming.

Our gifted faculty, invoke the humanities, arts, and sciences to cultivate wonder and discovery in fresh ways. Our students will develop commitments to lifelong learning and unwavering confidence in their capacity to make a difference in their communities-small and large. We are proud to be open every day for in-person learning in this unprecedented year. Our dedicated professionals have gone above and beyond to keep our campus safe. Thank you for caring about our students and school. We remain committed to the children of this region who benefit from the compelling educational experience we offer. Your investment in a Long Trail education is an investment in the future of our communities and in the children of our neighborhoods. Thank you for your consideration.

Seth Linfield	Head of School
Courtney Callo	Director of Development

### **The Mentor Connector**

Mount Tabor 2021 Allocation Request: \$100 to continue to guide the youth(s) of Mt. Tabor with caring and highly trained mentors.

Last year, your support enabled The Mentor Connector to serve over 2,435 Rutland County youths, 7 in Mount Tabor. Our volunteers gave 12,475 hours of support to mentor 152 youths and 11 families, lead 28 virtual activities and trainings, and assembled 10,000 youth activity boxes distributed across the region.

Throughout the pandemic, we have seen a 400% increase in referrals. Our youth is dramatically affected by the uncertainty of COVID-19. Our highly skilled mentors use fun, teachable moments to transform each youth's life narrative, but we can't do it alone. Help us continue to create a community where every youth has a sense PURPOSE, PASSION, and BELONGING!

Chris Hultquist	Executive Director
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## **Mt. Tabor-Danby Historical Society**

The Mt. Tabor-Danby Historical Society is once again asking each of the towns whose history we continue to make a diligent effort to preserve to place the non-profit organization on your respective 2021 ballots for appropriation. As in the past, we are requesting an appropriation from Mt. Tabor in the amount of \$500.

Bradley J. Bender      President

## **NeighborWorks of Western Vermont**

On behalf of NeighborWorks of Western Vermont, I am writing to ask that we be placed on your ballot with a repeat request for \$500.00.

In the last fiscal year, our service area of Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties comprised of:

- 152 Low-cost, comprehensive HEAT Squad Audits were completed
- 44 Home Energy Improvement Projects
- 30 Energy Loans
- 66 Down Payments Assistance Loans
- 13 Rehab Loans
- 168 homebuyers attended a Homebuyer Edu. Course; 87 became homeowners
- 154 households participated in Financial Coaching

We look forward to your continued support of our organization and our work with the residents of Mount Tabor.

Svea Howard      Communications and Outreach Coordinator

## **NewStory Center**

For 41 years NewStory Center has been the single agency in Rutland County supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence by working to end the cycle of violence through support, education, prevention, and collaboration. During FY20, NewStory Center served 734 women, men, and children through direct services such as emergency shelter, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, case management, clinical services, and the 24/7 crisis hotline. Additionally, we provide training and technical assistance to our community partners, including, local law enforcement, to ensure a more effective community response to domestic and sexual violence. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, our services remained available although they looked a little different.

We are requesting the sum of \$100, to be voted on at the town meeting in March 2021, to support victims in Rutland County. We are thankful for the help that people of Mount Tabor have given us in the past, and would be grateful for your continued support of our mission.

## **The Northshire Rescue Squad, Inc.**

The Northshire Rescue Squad has the honor of serving this community with Emergency Medical Services at the paramedic level. We do this with a mixture of dedicated volunteers and full/part time paid staff.

This past year has shown the dedication our members have to providing this service to our friends, families, neighbors, and visitors. With the growing angst that has come with the COVID-19, their commitment to this community has not waived. We would also like to acknowledge the overwhelming community support and would like to thank all that have reached out with words and gratitude. We will continue to strive to provide the highest level of care to this community.

The NRS is a non-profit organization that provides primary EMS coverage to Manchester, Dorset, Danby, Mount Tabor, and parts of Winhall as well as mutual aid coverage to neighboring EMS services. We strive to keep abreast of the ever changing medical technology needed for the pre-hospital setting. The NRS prides itself with having the most technologically advanced equipment available. In addition to providing emergency medical coverage, mutual aid, and scheduled medical transfers, the NRS also provides education to the community in the form of CPR, AED (automated External Defibrillation) and First Aid courses. While Community Education courses were affect by Covid-19, we look forward to the in person resumption of all training when this becomes possible again.

In the fiscal year 2019-2020, we responded to 15 calls in Mt. Tabor.

Michael Casey

Chief Operations Officer

## **The Rutland County Parent Child Center of Rutland County**

The Rutland County Parent Child Center (RCPCC) is a private, community based, non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and meeting the needs of children and families throughout Rutland County. RCPCC's mission is "to remove barriers that perpetuate poverty for children and families throughout Rutland County." RCPCC provides all servicers at no cost, with the exception of childcare, which is minimal for lower income families. We provide early childhood education services at childcare centers in Brandon and Rutland City. Additionally, RCPCC provides other family services to families and children, birth to 5 years. We are requesting funds in the amount of \$300.00 from Mt. Tabor in order to continue the RCPCC's efforts to support families and young children in your community. This past year has seen dramatically increased need for our food security program and our costs have risen accordingly.

Mary Feldman

Executive Director

## **The Rutland County Humane Society**

The Rutland County Humane Society provides shelter and care to companion animals, while finding loving families for those at risk or homeless, including information & referral service to people dealing with animal issues.

The RCHS shelter is the largest program of the agency, taking in 2 animals from Mt. Tabor in the past year.

Our agency is funded through fees for service, town funding, donations, and special events. No funding comes from state or federal, or national organizations. We sincerely thank those who support our operations.

## **The Rutland County Solid Waste District**

The Rutland County Solid Waste District offers a variety of solid waste, recycling, waste education, household hazardous waste, composting and administrative support programs for our seventeen member municipalities, residents, and businesses. In addition, the District operates a regional drop-off center and transfer station at Gleason Road in Rutland City.

The RCSWD is in the process of updating the Districts Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) for the 2020-2025 time frame. The State requires that all communities have a current SWIP in place that meets the requirements of the State's Material Management Plan and delineates how solid and hazardous waste will be managed in the District towns for a five year period. The community's involvement in drafting and developing this document was encouraged.

NEW this year, the District has had many new challenges amid COVID-19. Being deemed essential by Gov. Scott, we remained on the job in full force. Each of our employees raised for the occasion in implementing the guidelines from the CDC, VOSHA, and VBOH. A new annual permit can be obtained from the convenience of your home/business via [www.reswd.com/permits](http://www.reswd.com/permits). Debits and credit cards will all be accepted as an added means of payment accepted at our facilities. A small convenience fee will be charged. Watch for our updated website in 2021!

## **Rutland Mental Health Services    Community Care Network**

Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns, such as Mount Tabor, assures that services are available to the community. Service provided include: individual counseling for children, adults, & families; substance abuse treatment services; emergency/crisis services; developmental disability services. In 2020, Rutland Mental Health provided fifty five (55) hours of services for five Mt. Tabor residents. We value our partnership and thank you for your continued support.

## **Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District**

*The full report is posted at the Mount Tabor Town Office*

As in previous years, the Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District (RNRCD) is seeking a contribution from the Town of Mt. Tabor to support our many conservation programs/projects. We are a non-profit organization servicing the Upper Otter Creek watershed, dedicated to providing on-the-ground conservation assistance as well as promoting public awareness and appreciation for the value responsible use, development and conservation of our natural resources. We respectfully request a \$250.00 contribution to support our 2021 program. We would greatly appreciate your support.

## **The Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC)**

The Rutland Regional Planning Commission is a resource for towns, a platform for ideas and inspires a vision for our future. We balance local desires, best practices and regional planning for communities that are vibrant today and strong for years to come. The RRPC and the Town of Mount Tabor continued working together in 2020 on many community development initiatives. Some highlights include:

- Completed the road erosion and culvert inventory for the Category A Better Roads Grant and prepared Road Stormwater Management Plan.

- Provided MRGP technical support for Troll Hill Rd. culvert replacement.

- Worked with town officials to complete the 2020 Local Emergency Management Plan

- Assisted with completion of FY20 Grants in Aid projects and securing FY21 funding for road stormwater best practices.

- Worked to adopt Rutland Regional Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement.

- Worked to secure PPE for municipal staff in response to COVID-19

## **Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging**

On behalf of SVCOA, I want to formally express my thanks to the taxpayers of Mt. Tabor for the \$250.00 in town fund support approved for our organization for the fiscal year 2020. These funds were used to help support our work with elders in your community. Please let this letter serve as a formal request for the awarded funds again. Let me express our heartfelt thanks for this extremely vital funding for our organization!

Chris Adams      Development & Communications Director

## **The Vermont Center for Independent Living**

Requested Amount: \$55.00

For the past 41 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 live more independently. VCIL employees conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems to help promote inclusion into the community

In FY '20, 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, one-on-one counseling to 236 individuals, independent living skills, assisted 124 households with information on technical assistance, 89 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund provided 61 individuals with information on assistive technology; 36 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. 573 individuals, under 60, had meals delivered. We are also home to VTEDP, which served 41 people and provided 30 peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind individuals to communicate by telephone. VCIL was able to start a new temporary program, RISE, which served 12 people in its first few months, to provide items or services directly related to the COVID-19 epidemic.

### **Vermont Family Network**

The mission of the Vermont Family Network is to empower and support all Vermont families of children with needs. We are writing you today to ask for your support in continuing to serve families in Mt. Tabor and throughout the state, with an appropriation of \$250. Your appropriation will help ensure the work we are able to do all around the state continues to happen with the same excellence and care that it has for the past 30 years. We are proud to serve over 1400 families yearly with expert information, referral and assistance services provided by family support consultants located in Williston, Newport, and Rutland, an annual conference and much more through our Family Support Program. Each year, almost 10,000 school children benefit from one of our educational programs, such as Puppets in Education.

Thank you for your consideration. The funding received will go a long way to ensuring our ability to continue to provide the much needed services to families all across the state.

Claire Giroux-Williams

Development and Communications Manager

## **Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force**

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formally called Dry Hydrant Program. The RFP Program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. During the 23+ years of the program, over 1200 grants totaling \$2.6 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs. We have increased the maximum grant award amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project. New Rural Fire Protection systems along with repair, replacement, relocation, upgrades of existing RFP systems, and drafting site development are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2020 was \$200,432, of which \$107,524 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covers site assessments, project design, and program oversight.

Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. We are deeply grateful for this ongoing support.

Thomas Maclay                      Chair

## **VNA and Hospice of the Southwest Region**

In 2019, the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region provided Rutland County residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From infants with hi-tech needs to our most senior population facing end-of-life care, we continued to bring medically necessary healthcare wherever it is needed, location or residence, or complexity of health issues. VNAHSR has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective health care services to some of Rutland County's most vulnerable individuals. In Mt. Tabor, we provided 913 visits to 7 individuals. In closing, we would like to thank you for your past support. With your vote of confidence, we will continue to meet our mission to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home community health services.

Ronald J. Cioffi                      Executive Director  
Dan DiBattista                      President of Board of Directors

## Mount Tabor Cemetery

Although a formal ceremony could not occur due to Covid-19, a D.A.R. Marker was solely placed on the planned date of May 23, 2020 at the grave site of our Town's namesake, Gideon Tabor. Each headstone in the cemetery was also treated with a specialized product to help restore them to their original condition as much as possible. A dedication date will be planned at another future time. The restoration time and the E.C. Shaw Company bronze plaque affixed to a marble square from The Vermont Quarries Company of Danby, were all donations to the Town.

Many thanks to Brad Bender of the MT. Tabor/Danby Historical Society for the use of photos from the past in this year's Town Report, and for the great advice with the restoration project.

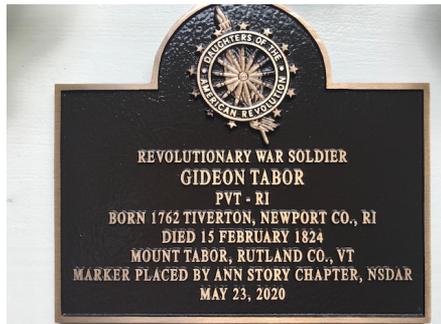
*Submitted by Susan Howard - Mount Tabor*



**After Restoration**



**Before Restoration**



**Marker Detail**

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## TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS 2020

Moderator, Town	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
Select Board	Philip Lidstone	Term Expires 2021
Select Board	Mark Audy	Term Expires 2023
Select Board	Seth Beauregard	Term Expires 2022
Town Clerk	William Basso II	Term Expires 2023
Town Treasurer	William Basso II	Term Expires 2021
Tax Collector	William Basso II	Term Expires 2022
Delinquent Tax Collector	William Basso II	Term Expires 2022
Auditor	Margot Cebo	Term Expires 2021
Auditor	Robert Haliday	Term Expires 2023
Auditor	Susan Howard	Term Expires 2022
Lister	Robert Haliday	Term Expires 2023
Lister	William Basso II	Term Expires 2022
Lister	Margot Cebo	Term Expires 2021
Town Agent	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
Trustee of Public Funds	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
Justice of the Peace	William Beauregard	Term Expires 2023
	Philippa Cully	Term Expires 2023
	William Gaiotti	Term Expires 2023
	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2023
	Herbert Ogden	Term Expires 2023
Taconic & Green School Dir.	Herbert Ogden	Term Expires 2023

### APPOINTED OFFICERS

Road Commissioners	Select Board	Term Expires 2021
Town Service Agent	Nelson Tift	Term Expires 2021
Town Health Officer	Seth Beauregard	Term Expires 2022
Fence Viewers	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
	William Gaiotti	Term Expires 2021
	Ned Crawford	Term Expires 2021
Weigher of Coal	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
Inspector of Wood, Lumber & Shingles	Robert Gasperetti	Term Expires 2021
Tree Warden	Mark Audy	Term Expires 2021
Solid Waste Advisor	Select Board	
Deputy Registrars	Mark Audy	Term Expires 2021
	Christopher Book (Aldous)	Term Expires 2021
	Jon W. French (Brewster)	Term Expires 2021
Truant Officer	William Basso II	Term Expires 2021
1st Constable	William Basso II	Term Expires 2021
2nd Constable	Nelson Tift	Term Expires 2021
Dog Warden	Seth Beauregard	Term Expires 2021
911 Coordinator	Wendell Davison Jr.	Term Expires 2021

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