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**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021**



**ANNUAL MEETING AUGUST 10, 2022**

**PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT**

## **BOARD OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES**

The Trustees meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at 857 Elmore Street, Morrisville at 5:30 PM. These meetings are open to the public but subject to change. For information contact (802) 888-3348.

## **MORRISVILLE WATER & LIGHT DEPARTMENT**

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(802) 888-3348  
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## **VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE**

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Morristown Emergency Services	(802) 888-5628
Morristown Fire Department	(802) 888-3575
Morristown Listers' Office	(802) 888-6371
Morristown Planning/Zoning Administrator	(802) 888-6373
Morristown Police Department	(802) 888-4211

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For the year ending December 31, 2021

**General Government**  
**Electric, Water & Wastewater Services**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Carl Fortune	Term Expires 2022
Tom Snipp	Term Expires 2023
Todd Deuso	Term Expires 2024
Bob Heanue	Term Expires 2025
Brad Limoge	Term Expires 2026

# John Tilton

## 34 Years of Service

### October 1987 – October 2021



John joined MW&L in October 1987 as a general laborer/maintenance man. Two months later he assumed additional duties as a Plant Operator trainee. In 1990 he joined the water department full time, and in 2003 John took over as Operations Foreman for our water, wastewater, and hydro facilities, where he spent the rest of his career. His mechanical and electrical abilities, along with some good ol' Yankee ingenuity, made him a perfect fit.

Trying to capture and highlight all of John's accomplishments over his expansive career is impossible, but some include:

- Installation of the crest control at the Morrisville dam
- Installation of a rack raker at Cady's Falls gate house
- Maintaining and rebuilding hydro-generating units at the Morrisville, Cady's Falls, and Sanders (Green River) plants
- Operating and maintaining Green River Reservoir while ensuring our compliance with FERC requirements for our hydro operation there
- Maintenance of pretty much everything else, including our sewer pump stations, both wells, both potable water reservoirs, the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF), and our office complex
- Removing the old 0.5 MG potable water reservoir and installing a high service 0.4 MG potable water reservoir, which helped greatly increase system water pressure
- Giving tours of our hydro stations and WWTF to Maple Leaf students and other tour groups
- Countless water & sewer line upgrades throughout the decades

As a certified water operator, we have John and his team to thank for the excellent water quality in the Village. Anyone who drinks it can not begin to fathom why they sell bottled water in this area.



John's good nature could usually disarm even the grumpiest of customer, whether they were dealing with frozen pipes, water leaks or a sewer backup. His jet-black hair (see below) is testament to his ability to keep calm under the most stressful situation, but if ever you heard John say, "Uh oh", it was time to prepare for the worst.

John was instrumental in our operations at the Green River Reservoir. He was responsible for power production, relicensing studies, working with divers for dam inspections, the whitewater rafting community for scheduled dam releases, and conservationists to maintain water levels for nesting loons, who have returned to the area and are thriving.

John was available to do damage control every time Mother Nature decided to make the Lamoille River jump her banks. He would readily assist the Line Department during large outages by patrolling our lines to find downed lines, trees on our lines, and open fuse points.

John's wife, Kim, is a hairdresser. This led to much office staff speculation as to whether John's hair is naturally colored or not, since he has avoided accumulating gray hair like the majority of us who work here.

John's accomplishments at MW&L extend further than the electricity generated by our power plants and deeper than the depths of our sewer manholes and waterlines. His real legacy beyond maintaining the infrastructure of our community is showing up and providing an example of hard work and dedication to the people who live and work here. He will be missed at our office potlucks, where he could always be counted on to contribute something delicious, like his maple cheesecake made with syrup from his sugaring operation. We will also miss John's ability to change the security code on our office door since he was the only one who knew how to do so for decades, right up until his retirement.

John spent decades of his life handling MW&L trouble calls at all hours of the day and night. So you would think that as hard as he has worked serving this community, he has certainly earned the right to slow down and enjoy a restful retirement. But with his grandchildren, his sugaring operation, always lending a hand to those who need it, and his new adventures in Maine he'll be busier than a one-armed paper hanger. And couldn't be happier for it!

His infectious smile and positive can-do attitude will be sorely missed at Morrisville Water & Light. We wish him all the best in the days ahead.



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**WARNING**  
**ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING**  
**VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE**  
**AUGUST 10, 2022**

The legal voters of the Village of Morrisville are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Community Meeting Room of the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Morrisville, Vermont on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to transact the following business from the floor:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Village Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all Village Officers required by law:

- Village Clerk for a term of one (1) year
- Village Treasurer for a term of one (1) year
- Village Trustee for a term of five (5) years
- Village Trustee for the two year remainder of a term of five (5) years
- Collector of Delinquent Village Taxes for a term of one (1) year

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters compensate each Village Trustee an annual salary of \$1500 to be paid \$375 from the General Village budget and the remainder from the Morrisville Water & Light Department?

ARTICLE 4 Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for the Village General Government operating expenses of \$11,872.11 all of which shall be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, approximately \$.00032 on the Village grand list, to fund the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters establish a reserve fund to be called the Village General Reserve Fund to be used for covering unanticipated revenue shortfalls and to pay unanticipated general fund expenditures, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters deposit an amount not to exceed 10% of the prior year's approved budgeted operating expenses from the Village general fund surplus to fund the Village General Reserve Fund?



ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 15, 2022 by delivery to the Village Treasurer before 4:00 pm on that date with only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks accepted as postmarked mail. Delinquent taxes and assessments will have charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty after the due date and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one-half percent (1 1/2%) per month. Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136)

ARTICLE 9: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Morrisville, Vermont this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022 by the Village Trustees:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carl Fortune

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Heanue

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Bradley Limoge

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Tom Shipp

Received, filed & recorded July 6, 2022 by the Village Clerk:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sara Allyn Haskins, Village Clerk

## NOTICE TO VOTERS

### **ANNUAL MEETING VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE**

**Floor Vote:** Monday August 10, 2022 at 6:30 PM  
*Morristown Municipal Building 43 Portland Street*

#### **BEFORE ELECTION DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED** at Clerks Office by **July 10, 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 <https://olvr.vermont.gov/>.

#### **ON ELECTION 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 on Election Day. 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)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS: Floor Vote**

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a colored piece of paper. This is your ballot.
- Show ballot if you wish to speak.
- Show ballot if a voice vote is called.
- If a paper ballot is called, deposit completed ballot in ballot box and return to checklist table to receive new colored ballot.



*Tree planted at Copley Golf Course funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund  
Photo Credit: Brant Slayton*



## **VILLAGE OFFICERS**

### **ELECTED VILLAGE OFFICERS:**

#### **MODERATOR:**

Shapleigh Smith Jr                      Term expires 2022

#### **TRUSTEES:**

Carl Fortune                              Term expires 2022

Tom Snipp                                 Term expires 2023

Todd Deuso                               Term expires 2024

Bob Heanue                              Term expires 2025

Bradley Limoge                         Term expires 2026

#### **VILLAGE CLERK:**

Sara Allyn Haskins                      Term expires 2022

#### **VILLAGE TREASURER:**

Sara Allyn Haskins                      Term expires 2022

#### **COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES:**

Sara Allyn Haskins                      Term expires 2022

### **ELECTRIC, WATER & WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS:**

Penny Jones                              General Manager

Vacant                                      Controller

Kevin Newton                             Plant Superintendent

### **BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY FOR THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE:**

Aimee Towne                              Term expires 2023                      Justices of the Peace

Shelley Nolan                             Term expires 2023                      Justices of the Peace

Urban Martin                             Term expires 2023                      Justices of the Peace

Carl Fortune                              Term expires 2022                      Trustee

Tom Snipp                                 Term expires 2023                      Trustee

Todd Deuso                               Term expires 2024                      Trustee

Bob Heanue                              Term expires 2025                      Trustee

Bradley Limoge                         Term expires 2026                      Trustee

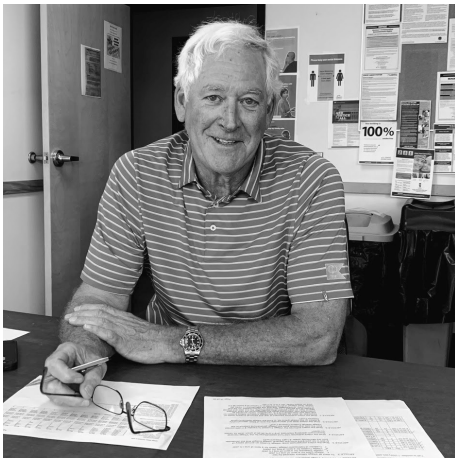
# 2021 Board of Trustees



Carl Fortune - Chair



Tom Snipp - Clerk



Robert Heanue



Brad Limoge



Todd Deuso



# MANAGER'S AND TRUSTEE'S REPORT FOR 2021

By Penny Jones, General Manager

**2021 in Review** –We started 2021 closed to the public due to Covid 19, re-opening in July. Like 2020, we maintained our operations, providing high quality service to our customers while ensuring the safety of our employees. I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to our dedicated employees for continuing to rise above the challenges we faced during the pandemic.

**2021 Employee Changes** - Late in 2021, Morrisville Water & Light (MW&L) lost its financial controller. This allowed me to move back into the role of financial controller, a role I realized was my passion after being the general manager for two years. Mid 2022, MW&L was fortunate to find Scott Johnstone to replace me as the general manager.

In 2021 we saw two employees, John Tilton and Denis Chase, retire from their positions. Both were incredible employees who are missed. We thank them both for their years of service. We also saw long-time employee Jeremy Tatro leave to pursue other opportunities.

We were fortunate to hire two apprentice linemen, Dinamerico (Dino) Fernandes and Michael LeRiche, to fill the gap in the line department. In addition, we contracted with a local municipal utility to ensure electric coverage. This collaboration is the true definition of what Public Power is about. In addition, we hired Michael Buchanan as a utility operations employee. We look forward to working with all of these employees for years to come.

**Financially**, we saw positive net positions for our electric, water and sewer departments. Our 2021 financial records were audited in 2022 by Kittell, Branagan and Sargent. We received an unqualified opinion (our financial records and statements are fairly and appropriately presented, and in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles). The audited statements will be on our website when they become available.

**Water Department** – This year there were limited construction projects; however, preparation work began for water line replacements on Fairwood Parkway West and Union Street. This work is expected to be completed in 2022. In addition, prep work began for a generator at Well 3 and we completed painting the water reservoir.

**Sewer Department** – We began work on upgrading the Bridge Street ejector station. This project was halted due to supply chain issues. We expect to complete this project in 2022.

**Electric Department** – We had another safe and productive year with minimal outages throughout the year. Major projects involved work related to the B-22 line upgrade, Substation 3 upgrade work, and the back spillway repair at Plant 2. We are also in negotiations with the vendor who will be providing us equipment for Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) along with other municipal utilities of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority (VPPSA).

**Hydro** - As noted in one of our newsletters, late last year MW&L formally asked the State of Vermont to purchase the Green River Reservoir dam. MW&L recognizes and appreciates the value of the dam; however, we cannot ask our customers to pay higher rates to operate the high hazard dam for the benefit of the State Park. We are hopeful State ownership of the dam will prevent decommissioning and preserve both the reservoir and the park. The state is in the process of performing a request for proposal for analysis to be done to help determine how they will proceed.

As has been mentioned in prior years, MW&L continues to look at a combination of efficiency and other technologies to reduce greenhouse gases. We continue to depend on Efficiency Vermont to carry out efficiency programs in our service territory. VPPSA has partnered with Efficiency Vermont to offer various electric rebates, including electric vehicle, heat pumps, and electric yard care tools. These rebates can be found at <https://vppsa.com/resources/rebate-forms/>.

Overall, it was another good year for MW&L. Thank you to all our Village residents and customers for your continued support.

Respectively Submitted by the General Manager and on behalf of the Village Trustees.

Chairman: Carl Fortune

Trustees: Todd Deuso, Robert Heanue, Brad Limoge, and Thomas Snipp

General Manager: Penny Jones

## Morrisville Water & Light Staff



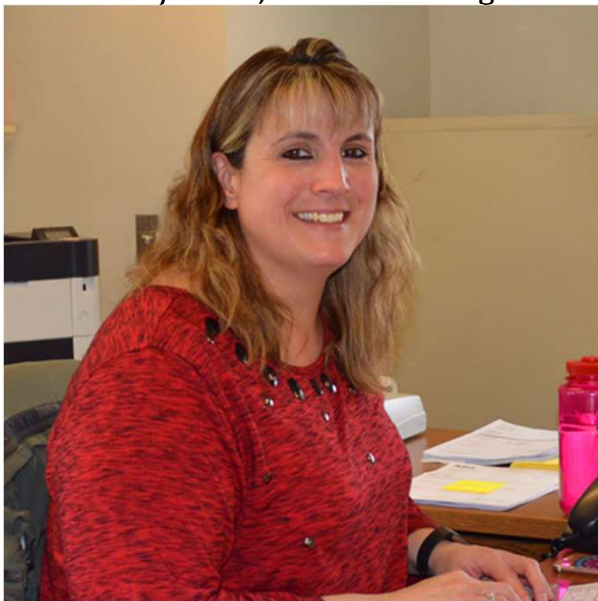




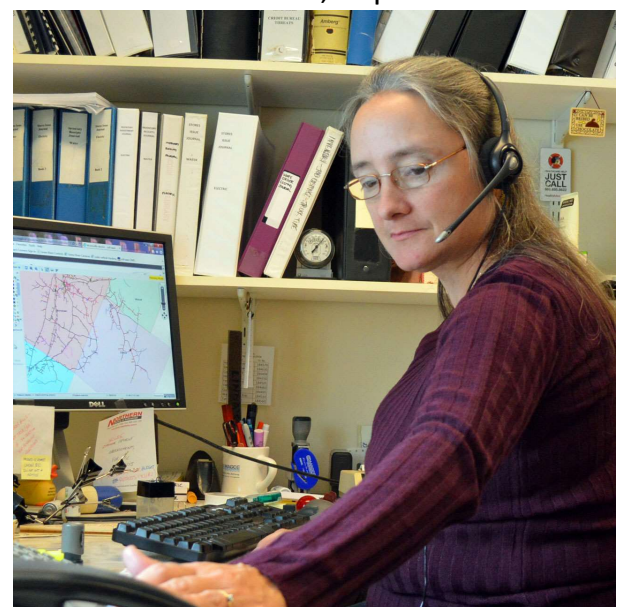
Penny Jones, General Manager



Kevin Newton, Superintendent



Misty Baker, Assistant Billing Clerk



Linda Osgood, Administrative Assistant

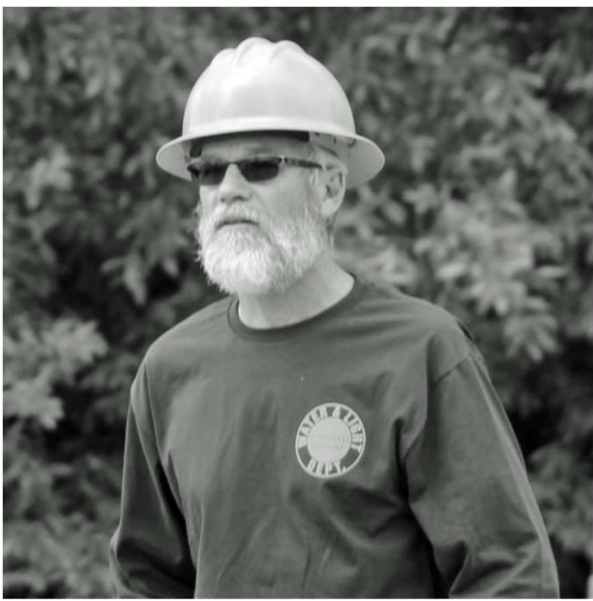


Christy Snipp, Staff Accountant



Tammy Gamble, Assistant Billing Clerk





David Heller, Line Foreman



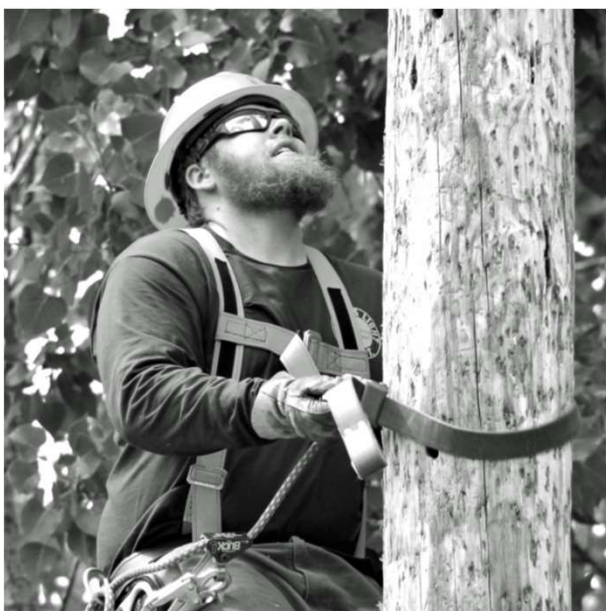
Frank Ferrante, 1<sup>st</sup> Class Lineman



Dino Fernandes, Apprentice Lineman



Patrick Sikora, Apprentice Lineman



Kyle Johnson, Apprentice Lineman



Mike LeRiche, Apprentice Lineman



Brian Quad, Water Operator



Mike Buchanan, Water Operator



Eric Waterhouse, Meter Department



Village of Morrisville  
**Water & Light Department**

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Carl Fortune, Chairman  
Tom Snipp  
Todd Deuso  
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MANAGER  
Penny Jones

Morrisville Water & Light retained the services of Kittell, Branagan & Sargent Certified Public Accountants to perform an audit of the 2021 Financial Statements. When the report is finalized, a copy of these audited statements will be posted to our website at [www.mwlvlt.com](http://www.mwlvlt.com). They will also be available by calling our office at 802-888-3348.



[www.mwlvlt.com](http://www.mwlvlt.com)

**Village of Morrisville**  
**General Government Income Statement**  
**December 31, 2021**

	General Fund			Amy Wade
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Trust
<b>Revenues</b>				
Tax revenues	\$ 11,717	\$ 11,576	\$ 141	\$ -
Donation		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Current Use		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ 46	\$ -	\$ 46	\$ 2,400
Interest	\$ 12	\$ -	\$ 12	\$ 1,610
Total revenues	<u>\$ 11,775</u>	<u>\$ 11,576</u>	<u>\$ 198</u>	<u>\$ 4,010</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Grants to Village organizations				
Insurance-Treasurer's Bond	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -
Village Reports	\$ 273	\$ 325	\$ 52	\$ -
Advertising	\$ 296	\$ 400	\$ 104	\$ -
Salary- Village Trustees	\$ 375	\$ 375	\$ -	\$ -
Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 6,196	\$ 6,196	\$ -	\$ -
Salary - Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 382	\$ 382	\$ -	\$ -
Salary- Planning/ Zoning Administrator	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -
Employee Benefits	\$ 901	\$ 943	\$ 42	\$ -
Office Supplies	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$ -	\$ -
Postage	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ -
Copier Program	\$ 80	\$ 80	\$ -	\$ -
Tax Bill Expenses	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -
Audit Expense	\$ 1,298	\$ 1,200	\$ (98)	\$ -
Beautification/Special Projects	\$ 6,155	\$ 500	\$ (5,655)	\$ -
Total expenses	<u>\$ 17,131</u>	<u>\$ 11,576</u>	<u>\$ (5,555)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Net income	\$ (5,357)	\$ -	\$ (5,357)	\$ 4,010
Inter-fund transfers	\$ -			\$ -
Net assets, 12/31/20	\$ 24,123			\$ 145,947
Net assets, 12/31/21	<u>\$ 18,766</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (5,357)</u>	<u>\$ 149,957</u>

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS December 31, 2021			
		General Fund	Amy Wade Trust
Assets			
	Money market account	\$ 18,766	
	Union Bank CD		\$ 149,957
	Accrued interest receivable		\$ -
	Due (to) from other fund		
		<u>\$ 18,766</u>	<u>\$ 149,957</u>
Liabilities & net assets			
Net assets			
	Reserved	\$ 14,040	\$ 21,487
	Unreserved	\$ 4,726	\$ 128,470
Unrestricted Fund balance		\$ -	\$ -
Total liabilities & net assets		<u>\$ 18,766</u>	<u>\$ 149,957</u>
Variance		\$ -	\$ -



*Pocket Park musical flowers funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund*

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET OVERVIEW				
	2020 Voted Budget	2021 Voted Budget	2022 Proposed Budget	Voted % of change
General Government	\$ 10,607.43	\$ 11,076.36	\$ 11,872.11	7.2%
Village Special Projects Reserve	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
<b>TOTAL WARNED</b>	<b>\$ 11,607.43</b>	<b>\$ 11,576.36</b>	<b>\$ 12,372.11</b>	<b>6.9%</b>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT- REVENUES				
	2020 Actual	2021 Voted	2021 Actual	2022 Proposed
Property Taxes	\$ 11,639.64	\$ 11,076.36	\$ 11,716.88	\$ 11,872.11
Current Use	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest	\$ 6.95	\$ -	\$ 11.68	\$ -
Pilot	\$ 63.00	\$ -	\$ 46.00	\$ -
Sale of Property	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,709.59</b>	<b>\$ 11,076.36</b>	<b>\$ 11,774.56</b>	<b>\$ 11,872.11</b>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - EXPENSES				
	2020 Actual	2021 Voted	2021 Actual	2022 Proposed
Insurance-Treasurer's Bond	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Village Reports	\$ 325.10	\$ 325.00	\$ 272.75	\$ 300.00
Advertising	\$ 398.94	\$ 400.00	\$ 295.51	\$ 400.00
Salary- Village Trustees	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00
Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 6,021.72	\$ 6,196.35	\$ 6,196.35	\$ 6,561.93
Salary - Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 371.52	\$ 382.29	\$ 382.29	\$ 410.96
Salary- Planning/ Zoning Administrator	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Employee Benefits	\$ 899.05	\$ 942.72	\$ 900.80	\$ 999.22
Meetings & Trainings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 170.00
Office Supplies	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Postage	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Copier Program	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
Tax Bill Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Audit Expense	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,298.44	\$ 1,400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,821.33</b>	<b>\$ 11,076.36</b>	<b>\$ 10,976.14</b>	<b>\$ 11,872.11</b>



## RESERVE FUNDS

<b>VILLAGE SPECIAL PROJECTS RESERVE FUNDS</b>			
January 1 - December 31, 2021			
<b>Starting Balance Jan 1, 2021</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,559.57</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
	Approved warned article	\$	500.00
	Transfer from General Fund	\$	17,000.00
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,500.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
	Trees at Copley Country Club	\$	2,000.00
	Basketball lighting at Oxbow Park	\$	4,155.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,155.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2021</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>12,904.57</b>

<b>BI-PED RESERVE FUNDS</b>			
January 1 - December 31, 2021			
<b>Starting Balance Jan 1, 2021</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,135.95</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Ending Balance December 31, 2021</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,135.95</b>

**Total Reserve balance ending December 30, 2021** **\$ 14,040.52**



*Basketball lights at Oxbow Park funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund*

# VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

<b>Policy Name:</b>	<b>Special Projects Fund</b>	<b>Department:</b>	Village Trustees
<b>Policy Number:</b>		<b>Version:</b>	
<b>Date Authorized by Village Trustees</b>	<b>February 6, 2019</b>	<b>Authorized Signature &amp; Title</b>	

**HISTORY.** At various Annual Village meetings, voters have approved Articles that, in addition to the grand list tax rates, have raised tax dollars for special projects in or for the benefit of the Village.

**POLICY.** Organizations, individuals, or the Village itself can make funding requests for proposed Special Projects. The Village Trustees are charged with evaluation of proposals and determining which are funded at their sole discretion.

**GUIDELINES.** The following serve as guidelines for the Special Projects Fund:

1. At the end of each fiscal year, but no later than the first Monday of April of the succeeding year, the Village Trustees will review the balance of the Special Projects fund.
2. At the Annual Village Meeting held the second Monday in April each year, Village voters have approved, and in the future may approve, Special Projects Fund dollars.
3. After the Annual Village Meeting, if funds are available for projects, the Manager will post a Notice in the locations listed below informing the public that funds are available and applications for projects will be accepted. If funds are not available, no communication with the general public will be made. Locations for the Notice to include at a minimum:
  - the Village Office;
  - the Town Office;
  - the local newspaper; and
  - Front Porch Forum email list-serve.
4. Request for funds shall be made to the Village Trustees in writing. Adequate detail must be provided in order for the Trustees to ascertain the suitability of providing funding for the proposed project.
5. The Trustees will approve or disapprove projects for funding as requests are received. The General Manager will respond to all requests on behalf of the Trustees on the first day following the Trustee meeting during which projects were approved or disapproved.

6. Projects are expected to be completed prior to December 31 of the current calendar year that the award is received. Projects not completed before December 15 run the risk of not being reimbursed unless there were unforeseen circumstances as determined at the sole discretion of the Village Trustees.
7. In November, The Village Clerk will collect any funds that may have been approved by Village voters under Article 5 of the Village Annual meeting.
8. Reimbursement for projects will only be made after Village Taxes have been collected in November, unless subject to (13) below.
9. Payment will be made either directly to qualified vendors, or as reimbursement to individuals or organizations, following satisfactory completion of the project and satisfactory documentation of expenses.
10. General guidelines for Special Project requests are: beautification; recreation; safety; business promotion and general environmental projects. Special Projects may be above and beyond those that can be reimbursed by the Amy Wade fund. Examples include, but are not limited to: flowers; trees; VAST trail maintenance; cross walk signs and other pedestrian improvements; downtown and business informational signs; and recycling containers.
11. The following guidelines apply to projects that consist of individual tree or shrub planting projects on residents' private property:
  - a. Each 911 address can apply every other year.
  - b. Tree planting has to be a native species of tree or shrub with a high survival rate.
  - c. The award amount will not exceed \$75 per address.
  - d. Trees cannot be planted in any electric, water, or sewer right of way.
  - e. Individuals need to provide a photo of tree in final location, including home, road or other landmark for visual verification.
  - f. Individuals must provide the Trustees with a copy of purchase invoice.
  - g. All trees or plants must be purchased from a nursery in Lamoille County.
  - h. The Trustees will consider a reasonable number of grants per year based upon number of requests received and funds available.
  - i. Projects need to be completed by December 15 of each year.
12. The Amy Wade Fund, a separate fund, is governed by a separate Policy.
13. The Village of Morrisville Water or Sewer Dept. may, at its sole discretion, provide advance reimbursement of completed projects prior to November.



However, such advance reimbursement will be on a case-by-case basis and only as authorized by the Village Trustees.

The Village Trustees will review this policy from time to time, and revise it as they deem appropriate.

<b>Special Project Fund Time Line</b>	
Jan	
Feb	
Mar	Amount of Dollars Available Determined for Amy Wade Fund for the year.
Apr	Amount of dollars (if any) determined for the Special Project fund per Village Annual Meeting Article plus rollover dollars from prior year. Warn availability of funds (if any).
May	Start to Accept Applications
Jun	Approve Project Requests starting with the First Trustees Meeting of June Continue to accept and approve project requests for unspent funds Project Work – May 15 to Dec. 15
Jul	↓
Aug	↓
Sep	↓
Oct	↓
Nov	↓ Collect tax monies. Reimburse Approved Completed Projects.
Dec	Projects complete by December 15. Close out all projects – Funds not spent returned to Fund Balance December 31.
	Approved Projects will be reimbursed only upon completion and proper documentation of costs.

**Village of Morrisville  
Balances of Amy Wade Fund  
as of December 31, 2021**

	<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b><i>Fund Balances</i></b>			
	<b><i>Assets</i></b>	<b><i>Reserved</i></b>	<b><i>Unreserved</i></b>	<b><i>Approp.</i></b>	<b><i>Total</i></b>
Balances, 12/31/2020	145,947	21,487	124,057	403	145,947
2021 Activity					
Donation-Copley Country Club				0	0
Interest earned on Union Bank CD	1,610			1,610	1,610
Verizon Wireless Lease Pymt to Village	2,400			2,400	2,400
Inflation adj added to principal <sup>[1]</sup> **			4,413	(4,413)	0
Balances, 12/31/2021	149,957	21,487	128,470	0	149,957

**Account Summary:**

Union Bank Certificate of Deposit	149,957	(invested through Electric Dept)
	<u>149,957</u>	

<sup>[1]</sup> 12 mos inflation rate as of Dec 2021      5.90%

**Definitions:**

**Reserved:** Those portion of the assets that are restricted by the donor of the original gift. This is a legal restriction that can not be changed except by a Probate Court.

**Unreserved:** Those portion of the assets that are restricted by vote of the Board of Trustees. This restriction can be changed, modified and/or removed by vote of the Board of Trustees.

**Appropriated:** Those portion of the assets set aside for a future expenditure as determined by the designated authority.

## **AMY WADE FUND**

Alexander Hamilton Copley owned a one-family home in Brockton, Massachusetts, and he provided his long-time secretary, Amy Wade, with a life lease in the residence. Following her death in 1961, and at Mr. Copley's direction, this real estate became the property of the Village of Morrisville. Village voters approved its sale which yielded proceeds totaling \$12,000. Over the next 19 years, this sum was invested and increased to \$21,487.25. Beginning in 1980, voters approved utilization of additional interest earned toward beautification of village streets and properties. In 2002, Village voters authorized the sale of .8 acres off Elmore Street, with the proceeds to be dedicated to the Amy Wade Fund. In 2004, \$80,000 was invested from the sale proceeds and interest income.

The Trustees have determined the following guiding principles for use of income earned from the Amy Wade Fund:

1. At the end of each fiscal year, but no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> of the succeeding year, the Village Trustees will review how much interest was generated but not spent on eligible projects.
2. The Trustees will then decide if unspent interest will remain classified as interest, or if it is converted to principal. In making this decision, the Trustees will be guided by their desire to ensure that the current principal increases each year by at least the rate of inflation.
3. The Trustees have full authority to spend any interest generated in a current year, as well as any unspent interest accumulated from previous years but not converted to principal.
4. Village voters must approve any expenditure that will require a reduction in principal of the Fund.
5. MWL staff has no authority to authorize expenditure of Amy Wade Funds.
6. Request for funds shall be made to the Village Trustees in writing by May 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year. Adequate detail must be provided in order for the Trustees to ascertain the suitability of the proposed project.
7. The Trustees will review, consider, and respond to all requests by June 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year.
8. Payment will be made directly to qualified vendors or as reimbursement following satisfactory completion of the project.

January 5, 2022



Asset Management Group

Richard Sargent, Co-Trustee  
PO Box 696  
Morrisville, VT 05661

Gloria Wing, Co-Trustee  
PO Box 641  
Morrisville, VT 05661

RE: Copley Fund

Dear Dick and Gloria:

The following is a listing of the Book Value and Market Value of assets held by the Copley Fund on December 31, 2021:

	<u>Book Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
Money Market Accounts	\$ 14,339.76	\$ 14,339.76
Equities	\$ 461,072.01	\$ 843,946.44
UB Shares	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 4,832,460.00
	<u>\$ 506,911.77</u>	<u>\$ 5,690,746.20</u>

Distributions were made as follows:

Lamoille Community Food Share	\$ 10,000.00
Lamoille County Civic Association	\$ 16,028.00
Lamoille Adult Day Services	\$ 2,500.00
River Arts	\$ 5,000.00
Lamoille County Meals on Wheels	\$ 5,000.00
Morristown Centennial Library	\$ 3,000.00
Lamoille Home Health & Hospice	\$ 15,000.00
Lanphear Memorial Library	\$ 3,000.00
Johnson Public Library	\$ 3,000.00
Johnson Food Shelf	\$ 3,000.00
Cambridge Food Shelf	\$ 2,750.00
Varnum Memorial	\$ 3,000.00
Glee Merritt Kelley Library	\$ 3,000.00
Stowe Free Library	\$ 3,000.00
Central Vermont Council of Aging	\$ 15,535.00
Home Share Vermont	\$ 500.00
Capstone	\$ 15,000.00
134 checks @ \$1,000.00	\$ 134,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 242,313.00

Sincerely,

*Lura L. Jacques*

Lura L. Jacques, CTFA  
Senior Vice President/Managing Director



15 MAPLEVILLE DEPOT  
ST. ALBANS, VT 05478  
802-524-9000

20 LOWER MAIN STREET  
PO BOX 667, MORRISVILLE, VT 05661  
802-888-6600

263 DELLS ROAD  
LITTLETON, NH 03561  
603-444-7136

## THE COPLEY FUND

**2021**

Account of Richard Sargent and Gloria Wing, as Trustees under agreement and letters of trust with Alexander H. Copley, dated July 8, 1942 as amended August 29, 1945, providing, in substance, for the establishment of a home for elderly ladies in Morrisville, Vermont, under the terms, conditions and circumstances in said trust letters set forth at length; and including additions to said trust purposes pursuant to the late Levi M. Munson, Esquire of said Morrisville, VT.

Trust Assets forward December 31, 2020

\$ 483,602.39

Credits:

Dividends	\$ 222,383.16
Interest on Money Market Account	\$ 17.76
Orvital Litigation Check	\$ 66.99
Realized Gain/Loss	\$ 64,093.67

\$ 286,561.58

\$ 770,163.97

Debits:

Management Fee	\$ 14,276.36
Legal/Tax Prep Fees	\$ 1,480.21
Taxes	\$ 4,341.00
Gifts	\$ 242,313.00
Misc. Expense: Stamps/Plants/Bond	\$ 841.63

\$ 263,252.20

Trust Assets December 31, 2021

\$ 506,911.77

THE COPLEY FUND

Pro Rata Share of Equities	\$ 70,967.64
Pro Rata Share of Money Market Accounts	\$ 30,414.71

\$ 101,382.35

MUNSON ESTATE

Pro Rata Share of Equities	\$ 283,870.59
Pro Rata Share of Money Market Accounts	\$ 121,658.83

\$ 405,529.42

\$ 506,911.77

We certify that the foregoing is a true accounting:

Richard Sargent  
Richard Sargent

Gloria Wing  
Gloria Wing

Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022

Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022

Melissa Bowen  
Notary Public

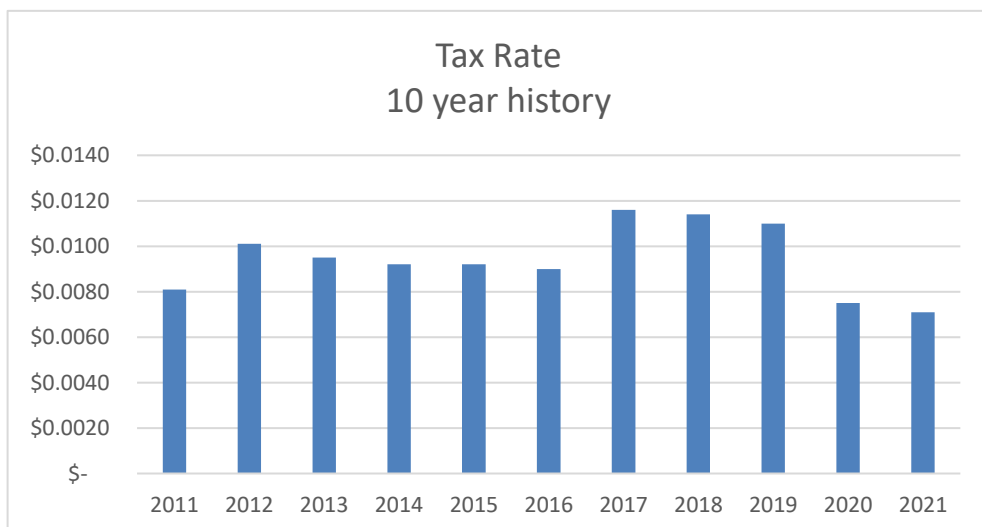
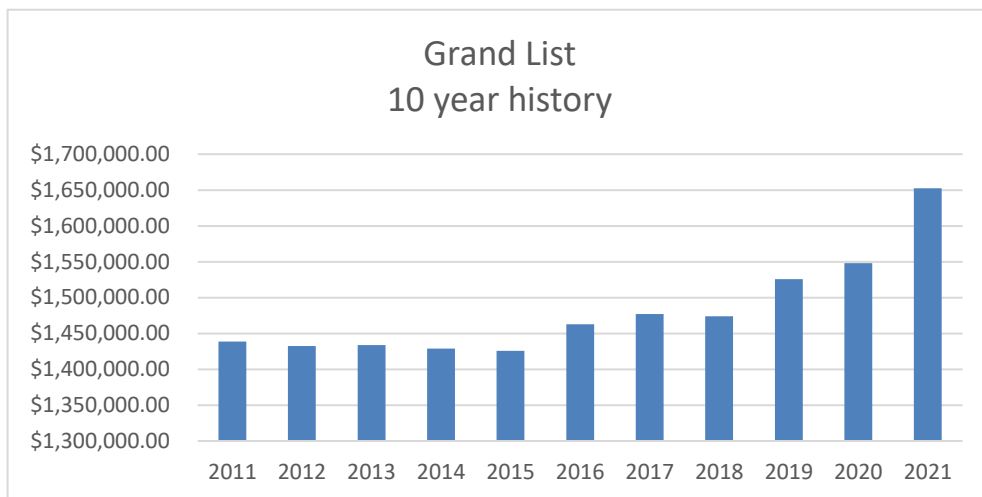
Melissa Bowen  
Notary Public

\*Union Bank Shares delivered to Broadridge to avoid impending rate increase.

Melissa A Bowen  
Notary Public, State of Vermont  
My Commission Number: 157.0012878  
My Commission Expires - 1/31/23

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VILLAGE GRAND LIST AND TAX RATE 10 Year History		
Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
2011	\$ 1,438,582.89	\$ 0.0081
2012	\$ 1,432,566.67	\$ 0.0101
2013	\$ 1,433,938.06	\$ 0.0095
2014	\$ 1,429,007.13	\$ 0.0092
2015	\$ 1,425,863.93	\$ 0.0092
2016	\$ 1,462,766.63	\$ 0.0090
2017	\$ 1,476,893.27	\$ 0.0116
2018	\$ 1,473,847.61	\$ 0.0114
2019	\$ 1,525,851.00	\$ 0.0110
2020	\$ 1,548,178.00	\$ 0.0075
2021	\$ 1,652,451.56	\$ 0.0071



**Morrisville Water & Light**  
**Municipal Utility Service Quality & Reliability Plan Reporting Form**  
**Report Period: January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021**

Performance area	4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	Annual Rolling Average	Baseline
<b>1</b> Call Answer Performance						
<b>2a</b> Percent of bills not rendered within 7 days of monthly billing cycle						
<b>A</b> Bills not rendered within 7 days of scheduled billing cycle	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>B</b> Total bills scheduled to be rendered	12,675	12,591	12,037	12,531	12,459	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=1.0%
<b>2b</b> Bills found inaccurate						
<b>A</b> Number of bills rendered inaccurate	8	1	4	7	5	
<b>B</b> Total number of bills rendered	12,675	12,591	12,037	12,531	12,459	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	<=1.0%
<b>2c</b> Payment posting complaints						
<b>A</b> Number of customers complaining about payment posting	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>B</b> Total Number of Customers	13,429	13,344	13,247	13,179	13,300	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=0.05%
<b>3</b> Percent of actual meter readings per month						
<b>A</b> Number of meter readings not read	2	-	3	1	2	
<b>B</b> Number of meter readings scheduled	13,429	13,344	13,247	13,179	13,300	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=10.0%
<b>4a</b> Percent of customer requested work not completed on or before promised delivery date						
<b>A</b> Number of jobs not completed on or before promised delivery date	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>B</b> Total number of jobs promised complete in reporting month	167	189	198	126	170	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<=5.0%
<b>4b</b> Average number of days after the missed delivery date						
<b>A</b> Total days of delay	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>B</b> Total number of delayed jobs in the reporting month	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	-	-	-	-	-	<=5 days
<b>5</b> Rates of complaints to DPS/Consumer Affairs as reported to Utility						
<b>A</b> Number of escalations to DPS/Consumer affairs	-	-	-	-	0	
<b>B</b> Total number of customers	4,476	4,448	4,416	4,393	4,433	
<b>C</b> (A/B)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.00	<=.07%, minimum 2
<b>6a</b> Lost time incidents (report annually in January)						
<b>A</b> Total incidents that cause injury to an employee, occur while employee is working for utility and result in missed work beyond day of injury					0	<=2
<b>6b</b> Lost time severity (reported annually in January)						
<b>A</b> Cumulative number of work days missed by utility employees in calendar year as a result of injuries sustained while performing work for utility					0	<=18
<b>7a</b> System average interruption frequency (reported annually in January)						
<b>A</b> SAIFI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms					1.73	3.00
<b>7b</b> Customer average interruption duration (reported annually in January)						
<b>A</b> CAIDI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms					1.41	2.50
<b>7c</b> Worst performing areas: Attach worst performing areas analysis (reported annually in January)						

**Service guarantees**

List service guarantees provided by utility and indicate number of times each guarantee was provided to customers during the month and quarter

Guarantee	4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter
<b>1a) Line Crew Appointments</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>1b) Meter Work</b>				
Customer requested Meter Readings	0	0	0	0
Meter Accuracy Verification	0	0	0	0
Final / Initial Meter Readings	0	0	0	0
<b>1c) Delay Days</b>	0	0	0	0



# **MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE**

**AUGUST 30, 2021**

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## **VILLAGE MEETING**

The inhabitants of the Village of Morrisville, who are legal voters of said Village were notified and warned to meet in Annual Village Meeting at the Community Meeting Room of the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Morrisville, Vermont on Monday, August 30, 2021 at 6:30 o'clock in the evening local time. Moderator Shap Smith called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. There were 43 Village voters in attendance. Attention was drawn to the dedication of the 2020 Annual Report to both Craig Myotte & Ed Cote. Craig was the General Manager for 14 years and Ed Cote retired as a first class lineman after 30 years of service

### **ARTICLE 1: To elect a Village Moderator for the year ensuing.**

Kristen Connelly nominated Shap Smith. Shap Smith was elected moderator of the Village Meeting for the ensuing year on a voice vote.

### **ARTICLE 2: To elect all Village Officers required by law:**

- **Village Clerk:** **one year term**  
Todd Thomas nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Village Clerk on a voice vote.
- **Village Treasurer:** **one year term**  
Todd Thomas nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Village Treasurer on a voice vote.
- **Village Trustee:** **five year term**  
Todd Thomas nominated Bradley Limoge. Kristen Connelly nominated Robert "Joe" Speers. Bradley Limoge was elected Village Trustee on a hand count vote of 25 in favor of Bradley Limoge and 11 in favor of Joe Speers.
- **Collector of Delinquent Taxes:** **one year term**  
Wallace Reeve nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Collector of Delinquent Taxes on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters compensate each Village Trustee an annual salary of \$1500 to be paid \$375 from the General Village budget and the remainder from the Morrisville Water & Light Department?**

Christopher Bartlett made a motion to accept the article. Peter Wilder seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for the Village General Government operating expenses of \$11,076.36 all of which shall be raised by taxes?**

Christopher Bartlett made a motion to accept the article. Peter Wilder seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize the Village Trustees to transfer \$17,000 earned from the sale of property from the Village general fund balance to the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?**

Jeffrey Limoge made a motion to accept the article. Christopher Bartlett seconded it. Voters asked for more information about the Village Special Projects reserve fund and about the sale of the Village property on Bridge Street. Kristen Connelly amended the motion to read **“Shall the voters redirect the \$20,000 funds earned from the sale of the Bridge Street property to be set aside for a fund dedicated to the restoration of Clark Park.”** Jessica Zehngut seconded the amendment. Voters questioned the Trustees on if there has been any interest in improving Clark Park and if they would consider any projects to improve it. Voters also asked if funds from the Village Special Project reserve fund could be used towards Clark Park if a project was submitted. Steve Leach called the question. Peter Wilder seconded it. The amendment to the motion failed on a voice vote. The motion passed as originally presented on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, approximately \$.00032 on the Village grand list, to fund the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?**

Christopher Bartlett made a motion to accept the article. Peter Wilder seconded it. Voters questioned if there was a list of current projects in the works. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 15, 2021 by delivery to the Village Treasurer before 4:00pm on that date with only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks accepted as postmarked mail. Delinquent taxes and assessments will have charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty after the due date and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one half percent (1 1/2%) per month. Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136)**

Steve Leach made a motion to accept the article. Peter Wilder seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters vote to indemnify and hold all elected and appointed officials harmless from and against all liability claims and suits of any type brought against them as a consequence of their service, except those caused by and arising out of their intentional or willful misconduct, said indemnity to include all damages, costs and attorney's fees?**

Jeffrey Limoge made a motion to accept the article. Lynda Wilder seconded it. After deliberation of the language in the article and if it was necessary to consider this article with the current insurance policy the motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 9: To do any other business that may legally come before said meeting.**

- Todd Thomas proposed meeting next year outside at the Copley Golf Course.
- Chris Ransom asked for more reports in the annual report from Water & Light.
- Wallace Reeve asked for an update on Green River and hydro relicensing issues.

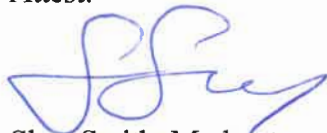
With no further business to legally come before the said meeting, the 2021 Annual Village Meeting was adjourned upon motion by Jeffrey Limoge and seconded by Christopher Bartlett at 7:16 PM.

I certify that this is a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this meeting.

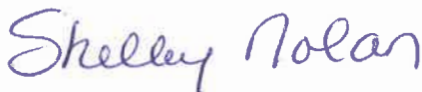


Sara Allyn Haskins, Village Clerk

Attest:



Shap Smith, Moderator



Shelley Nolan, Board of Civil Authority

# **Morrisville Scavenger Hunt Trivia**

Shared by the Morristown Historical Society

1. What is the name on the brass plate on the front door of the Noyes House?
2. Where was the printing press which sits in front of the News and Citizen building built?
3. Who is the library book depository drop box dedicated to?
4. What is the soldier on the monument on the green across from the library holding?
5. What are the two most common last names on the soldier's monument plaque?
6. The Morristown Fire Department is the "Fighting \_\_\_\_\_".
7. How many of the old style lamp posts line high school hill?
8. Did you know that the River Arts building is the original Peoples Academy? Find out when it was built.
9. Find the mural of a baseball game at Fenway park (it's near the Farm and Yard business). How many employees of River Bend Market are attending the baseball game in the mural?
10. Look near the old railroad station for the sign giving the history of the Lamoille County-St. Johnsbury railroad line. When did passenger service for the Lamoille County-St. Johnsbury train line end?

All answers can be found on buildings, signs, and/or monuments in the village.

# Morrisville or Morristown

## It's all the same, right?

## WRONG!

Morrisville is a Village, and Morristown is the Town which includes three villages, Morrisville being one of them. Some Towns may have six or seven villages, several like Baltimore and Kirby have none. Vermont has 255 Towns, Cities, Gores, and one Grant.

If you are a New Englander, the political boundaries are essentially the same. The land was surveyed and divided into Towns or Townships in the early days, and chartered for sale to large groups of prospective settlers. Most Vermont Towns were chartered to settlers from Connecticut, and Morristown is no exception. Morristown is a plot of land with about 31,000 acres, chartered in 1781 to a group of settlers from (mostly) Connecticut who hoped to settle in Morristown at some future time.

Some settlers came north, only to find their particular township, and in particular their lot of land within the township, was at a high elevation, or swampland or otherwise foreboding and untillable. The western part of Morristown, and adjacent towns of Sterling and Mansfield were just such locations, and while some of the early settlers struggled with the land for years, the large majority either joined other groups in the purchase of new Town charters, or looked for land in the west. In the 1790s that would be western New York, Pennsylvania or Ohio. Even today, some towns or Townships have no population, but are still Towns. Lewis, in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom is such a Town, high in elevation having no residents, and no roads, but plenty of forest, mountains and swamp.

A village, however, doesn't come into existence until there is at least a small number of people in one locale. A village normally has some public services available such as a store, church, and Post Office, although many are just too small. Morrisville, however, is a Village of 1,900 residents who made the decision to incorporate and establish a village government, to establish street lights, side walks, street signs, and other amenities of a modern community. The nearby villages of Cady's Falls and Morristown Corners within the town are far too small to incorporate to provide such services. The Town of Morristown has more than 5,000 residents in the census of 2000 for the first time. Morristown has the unique distinction of being the most steadily growing of all Towns in Vermont, having increased in population in every US Census from 1791, except in 1850, when the goldfields of California took many young men from the town westward. Morristown lost population of sixty one between 1840 and 1850.



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## THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

"Whereas application in writing has been made to the undersigned selectmen of the Town of Morristown in Orleans County, State of Vermont, signed by more than seven freeholders of said town requesting us to lay out and establish bounds and limits to the village near Safford's Mills in said Morristown, we hereby certify that in compliance with said application, we have layed out and established limits and bounds to said village as follows: viz. beginning at the bridge below Jedediah Safford's mills and running up the Lamoille River on the south side thereof to the east line of Jedediah Safford's land and running thence south on said Safford's line to the south east corner of the Safford's land thence west on said Safford's south line to the brook that crosses the road near Calvin Burnett's; thence down said brook to the river thence up said river to the bridge or bound begun at.

Given under our hands at Morristown the 18<sup>th</sup> of February, 1829.

Luther Brigham  
Isaac Allen  
Selectmen"

*(From Morristown Two Times.)*

The Village of Morrisville was created by Public Law No. 255 of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont in 1888. In its first meeting on June 13, 1890, the Incorporated Village of Morrisville voted to accept the act of the legislature.

LAND AREA: 3.5 square miles

POPULATION: 2,009 inhabitants in the 2000 Census  
1,958 inhabitants in the 2010 Census  
2,086 inhabitants in the 2020 Census

Village of Morrisville  
PO Box 748  
Morrisville, VT 05661

Morrisville Water and Light Dept.  
857 Elmore Street  
Morrisville, VT 05661

Please bring this Annual Report to the Village Meeting  
Wednesday, August 10, 2022