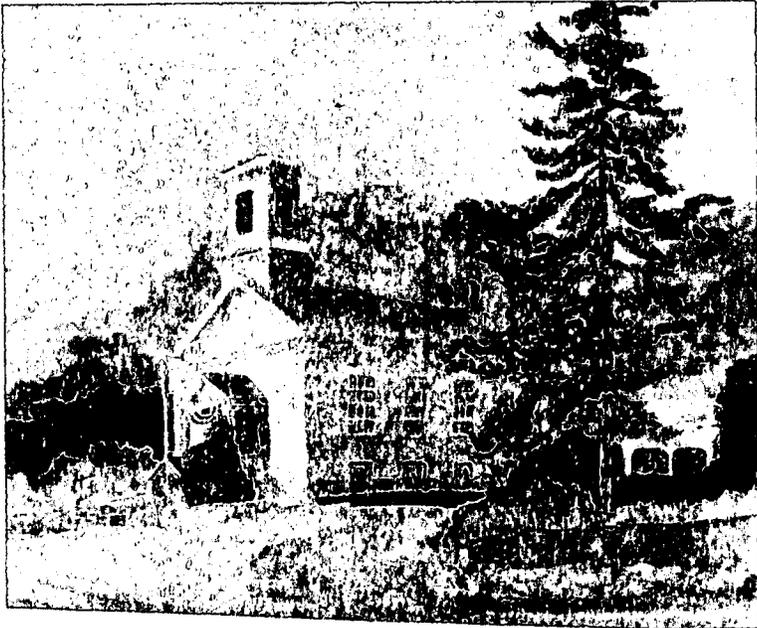


*Annual Report*  
*For the*  
*Town Of Panton*  
*Ending June 30, 2003*



*Please bring this report to Town Meeting*  
*Tuesday, March 1, 2004*  
*10:00 a.m.*

# Town of Panton

## Hours of Town Offices and Meetings Schedules:

- ❖ Town Clerk's Office hours are as follows:
  - Mondays and Thursdays.....9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
  - Tuesdays and Fridays.....9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
  - Wednesdays .....4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
  - (Closed all State Observed Holidays)
- ❖ The Selectboard meet on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.
- ❖ The Town Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.

***All meetings are open to the public. Any postponed, cancelled, or special meetings will be posted and warned in the Addison Independent.***

## Phone Numbers:

Town Clerk .....	475-2333	Zoning Administrator.....	475-2496
Fire Permits.....	475-4863	Constable/Dog Warden.....	475-2978
Health Officer.....	475-2496		

## State Legislators for the Town of Panton

Rep. Connie Houston – Ferrisburgh	Sen. Gerry Gossens - Salisbury
Rep. Greg Clark – Vergennes	Sen. Claire Ayer – Weybridge

To contact your Representatives or Senators leave a message with the Sergeant at Arms at **1-800-322-5616**

**The Governor's Action Line is 1-800-642-3131**

For help or information regarding Town Meeting procedures call the Secretary of State's office at **1-800-439-8683**

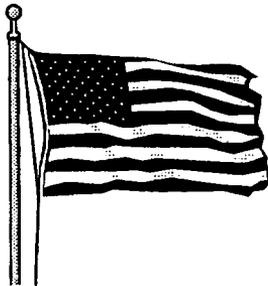
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*Town of Pantton*

*Chartered 1761*

*Population 2000 census - 682*

*Registered Voters - 12/31/03 - 403*



***Pledge of Allegiance***

***I pledge allegiance to the flag  
Of the United States of America  
And to the Republic for which it stands;  
One nation under God, indivisible,  
With liberty and justice for all.***

## Our Flag...things you should know

### When to fly the U.S. Flag

The Flag should especially be flown on the following days:

New Year's Day, Jan. 1; Inauguration Day, Jan. 20; Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday, 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in Jan.; Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12; Washington's Birthday, third Monday in February; Easter Sunday, varies yearly; Mother's Day, second Sunday in May; Armed Forces Day, third Sunday in May; Memorial Day (half-staff until noon), last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Constitution Day, Sept. 17; Columbus Day, second Monday in October; Navy Day, Oct. 27; Veteran's Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; Christmas Day, Dec. 25; and any other days proclaimed by the President.

The flag is half-staffed (sunrise to sunset) on the following days:

Peace Officers Memorial Day, May 15; National Korean War Armistice Day, July 27; Patriot Day, Sept. 11; and National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Dec. 7.

### Caring for the Flag

- If soiled, the flag may be washed or dry cleaned.
- When torn or frayed but not faded, the flag may be mended.
- A worn or faded flag should be retired with respect. Fold the flag and place it on a fire. The ashes should then be buried.
- Some VFW Posts and other community groups collect worn flags and conduct a retirement ceremony. Check in your community for who conducts the ceremony.

### Flag Etiquette

Here are some of the rules for proper display and use of the U.S. flag, as established by generally accepted custom and by Public Law 94-344 approved by Congress and signed by the President in 1976.

#### From a Building



When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a windowsill, balcony or building front, the union of the flag should always be at the peak of the staff unless the flag is half-staff.

#### On a Wall



When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right, that is, to the observer's left. In a window the union should be to the flag's right when viewed from the outside.



#### Memorial Day



The flag should be briskly raised in the morning to the top, then lowered slowly to half-staff. At noon, the flag should be raised to the top again.

#### Showing Respect

When the flag is raised, lowered or is passing in a parade or review, everyone present, except military personnel, should face the flag and place his or her hand over their heart.



Men remove their hats.  
Military personnel salute.

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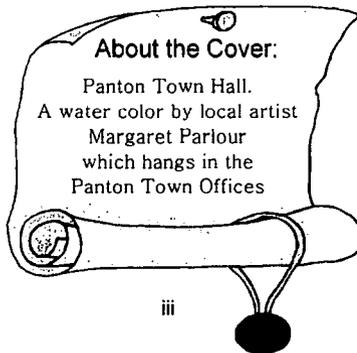
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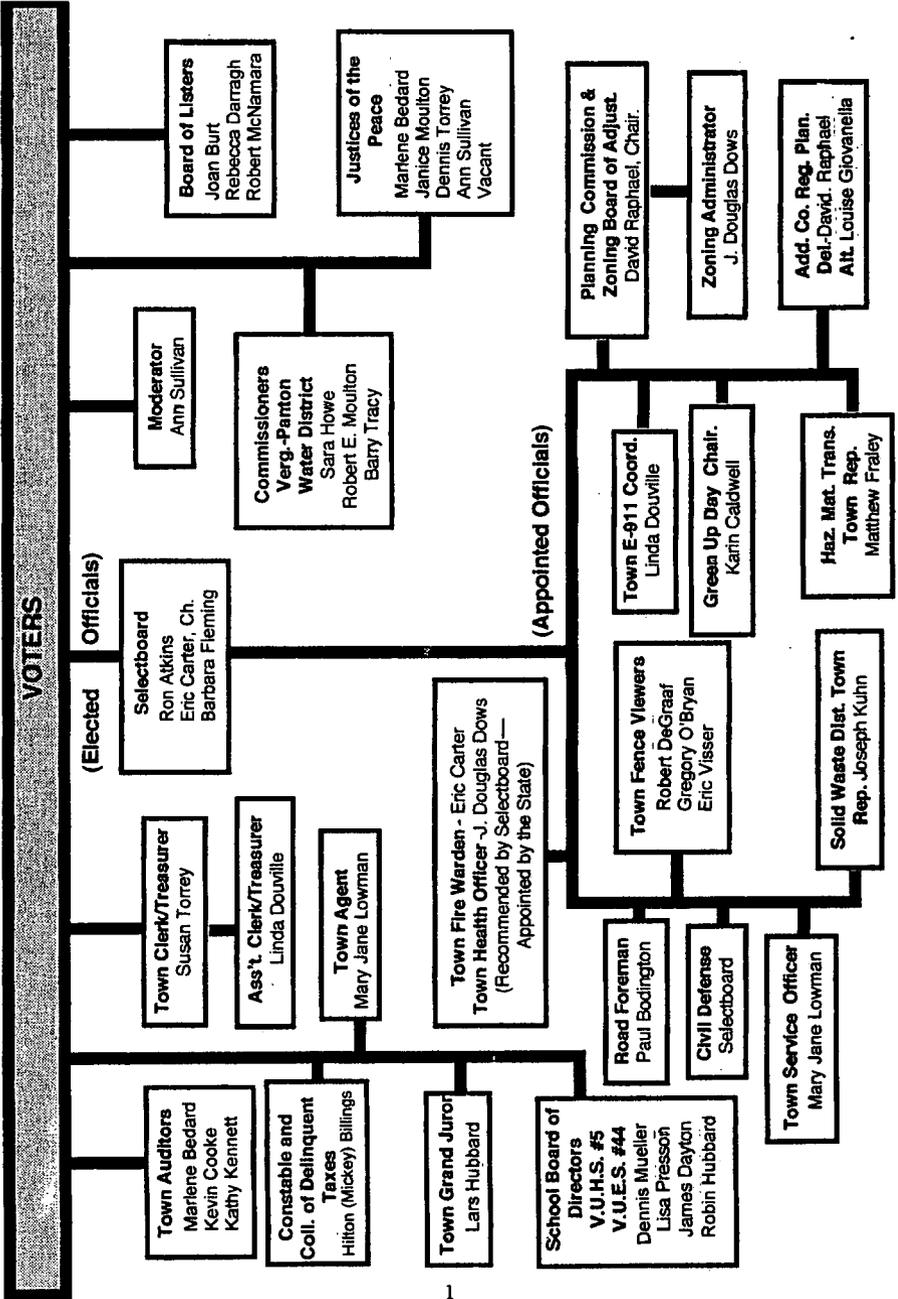
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Town of Pantton Officials - 2003  
Organizational Chart



**Panton Town Officers  
Elected and Appointed  
Calendar Year 2003**

<u>Elected</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Moderator	Ann Sullivan	475-2979	One year
Town Clerk/Treasurer	Susan Torrey	475-2335	2006
Selectboard	Eric Carter	475-2656	2004
	Barbara Fleming	475-2346	2005
	Ron Atkins	475-2132	2006
Board of Listers	Joan Burt	475-2297	2004
	Bob McNamara	475-2408	2004
	Becky Darragh	475-2749	2005
Board of Auditors	Marlene Bedard	475-2228	2006
	Kevin Cooke	759-2686	2005
	Kathy Kennett	759-2015	2004
Constable	Hilton (Mickey) Billings	475-2978	2004
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	Ella Hoague	475-2470	2004
Town Grand Juror	Lars Hubbard	759-6820	One Year
Town Agent	Mary Jane Lowman	475-2417	One Year
Commissioners, Vergennes -Panton Water District	Barry Tracy	759-2600	2006
	Sara Howe	759-2141	2004
	Robert Moulton	759-2097	2005
Justices of the Peace	Marlene Bedard	475-2228	2/1/05
	Janice Moulton	759-2097	2/1/05
	Ann Sullivan	475-2979	2/1/05
	Dennis Torrey	475-2335	2/1/05
Town School Directors	James Dayton	759-2168	2004
	Lisa Presson	759-2148	2005
	Robin Hubbard	759-6820	2006
Vergennes Union Elementary District #44 Director	Lisa Presson	759-2148	2005
Vergennes Union High School District #5 Director	Dennis Mueller	475-2928	2006

**Panton Town Officers - Calendar Year 2003**  
**Page 2**

<b><u>Appointed Officers</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Phone</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires</u></b>
Planning/Board of Adjustment:	Kim Bingham	475-2669	2004
	Louise Giovanella – Clerk	759-2529	2004
	Rick Klein	475-2623	2004
	Michael Hermann	475-3425	2004
	Geraldine Marshall	475-2214	2004
	Albert Tisbert	475-2576	2004
	Stephen Hofmann	475-6101	2005
	David Raphael – Chair	475-2411	2005
	Robert Moulton	759-2097	2007
Addison County Regional Planning Delegate:	Louise Giovanella	759-2529	One Year
Alternate Delegate:	David Raphael	475-2411	One Year
Town Zoning Administrator:	J. Douglas Dows	475-2496	2005
Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer:	Linda Douville	475-2536	One Year
Road Foreman:	Paul Bodington	877-3840	One Year
Town Service Officer:	Mary Jane Lowman	475-2417	One Year
Solid Waste District Town Representative:	Joseph Kuhn	475-2937	One Year
Town Fence Viewers:	Robert DeGraaf	475-2492	One Year
	Gregory O'Bryan	759-2072	One Year
	Eric Visser	475-3026	One Year
Hazard Waste Representative:	Matthew Fraley	759-2601	One Year
Civil Defense Town Chair:	Selectboard		
Town 911 Coordinator:	Linda Douville	475-2536	One Year
Green-Up Day Chair:	Karin Caldwell		One Year
<b><u>Appointed by the State</u></b>			
Town Fire Warden: (Appointed by the State)	Eric Carter	475-2656	One Year
Town Health Officer:	J. Douglas Dows	475-2496	One Year

**WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING  
TOWN OF PANTON**

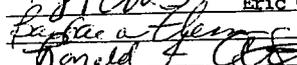
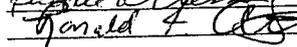
The legal voters of the Town of Panton are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Panton Town Hall on Tuesday, March 1, 2004 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business:

- ARTICLE I. To elect all officers provided by law.
- ARTICLE II. To elect a Water Commissioner for three years to the Board of the Vergennes-Panton Water District.
- ARTICLE III. To see if the Town of Panton will accept and adopt the Town Officers report.
- ARTICLE IV. To approve a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town of Panton for the 12 month fiscal year and to authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide same.
- ARTICLE V. To see if the Town of Panton will vote to collect the taxes through the Treasurer as provided by law.
- ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town of Panton will authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes.
- ARTICLE VII. To see what sum the voters will appropriate for the following:

	Donations <u>2003</u>	Requested <u>2004</u>
Addison County Community Action	\$500.00	\$ 500.00
Addison County Counseling Service	425.00	450.00
Addison County Home Health	773.00	773.00
Addison County Parent Child	800.00	800.00
Addison County Transit Resources	0	250.00
American Legion	80.00	80.00
Bixby Memorial Library	6300.00	6300.00
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes	650.00	450.00
Champlain Valley Area on Aging	300.00	400.00
Elderly Services	400.00	400.00
George D. Aiken Resource	0	50.00
Graham Emergency Shelter	450.00	450.00
Green-Up Vermont	0	50.00
Hospice Volunteer Services	200.00	225.00
Open Door Clinic	200.00	200.00
Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	0	66.44
Vergennes Rescue Squad	1560.00	1600.00
Vermont Adult Learning	210.00	210.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	75.00	0.00
Women Safe	<u>200.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
	\$12,923.00	\$13,704.44

ARTICLE VIII. To transact any other business which may legally come before the Town.

Dated: January 28, 2004  
Selectboard of Panton

 Eric Carter, Chairman  
 Barbara Fleming  
 Ronald Atkins



**1976 Panton Town Meeting**

L to R Selectboard – Elinor Adams, George Jackson and Allen Clark; Moderator – Dean Jackson; Town Clerk – Hazel Stagg, and Constable – Lester Fleming, Sr.

**Did you know---** during the early years the Panton town meetings were held in the residents' homes, alternating every other year on the East and West sides of the town. As the population increased over the years, the meetings were then held in the school buildings. As the need was getting greater for a larger building for public meetings, in 1931 the town purchased the Methodist Church from the Methodist-Episcopal Association. The association kept the memorial windows, pews and other furnishings and the town removed the balcony and added a higher stage over the original one. On March 1, 1932, the first town meeting in the Panton Town Hall was held.

**Town of Panton  
Minutes of Annual Meeting  
March 4, 2003**

Ann Sullivan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The Flag was saluted and the names of the townspeople who had died during the past year were read followed by a moment of silence. Ann Russett was thanked again for her contribution to the town over the years.

Ann Sullivan introduced Senator Claire Ayer who spoke about current issues affecting the towns such as agriculture crises facing Vermont, Transportation and Act 60.

**ARTICLE I. To elect all officers provided by law.**

**Moderator for a term of one year** – Marlene Bedard nominated Ann Sullivan. Dean Jackson made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Ann Sullivan. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Town Clerk for a term of one year** – Marlene Bedard nominated Susan Torrey. Dr. Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Susan Torrey. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Town Treasurer for a term of one year** – Dean Jackson nominated Susan Torrey. Dr. Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Susan Torrey. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Selectperson for a term of three years** – George Jackson was nominated by Ann Russett. Mike Donnelly nominated Ron Atkins. Results were given by paper ballot: Ron Atkins 50 and George Jackson 21. Ron Atkins was elected Selectperson for a term of three years.

**Lister for a term of three years** – Dean Jackson nominated Charles Keeley who declined the nomination. There being no other nominations, the office remains vacant.

**Auditor for a term of three years** – Elizabeth Keeley nominated Marlene Bedard. Dean Jackson made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Marlene Bedard. Motion passed on a voice vote. Marlene Bedard nominated Kevin Cooke to replace Bill Polk's three-year term. Dr. Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Kevin Cooke. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Constable** – Doug Dows nominated Hilton Billings. Vi Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Hilton Billings. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Delinquent Tax Collector** – Doug Dows nominated Susan Torrey who declined the nomination. Doug Dows then nominated Linda Douville who also declined the nomination. Guy Hoague nominated Ella Hoague. Bill Polk made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Ella Hoague. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE I. (Cont'd)**

**Grand Juror** – Incumbent Dennis Torrey declined any nominations. Lynn Donnelly nominated Lars Hubbard. Vi Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Lars Hubbard. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Town Agent** – Dr. Luginbuhl nominated Mary Jane Lowman. Vi Luginbuhl made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Mary Jane Lowman. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE II. To elect a Water Commissioner for three years to the Board of the Vergennes-Panton Water District.**

Marlene Bedard nominated Barry Tracy. Bill Polk made the motion for the Clerk to cast one ballot for Barry Tracy. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE III. To see if the Town of Panton will accept and adopt the Town Officer's Report.**

Motion was made by Vi Luginbuhl and seconded Dr. Luginbuhl to accept and adopt the Town Officer's Report.

**ARTICLE IV. To approve a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town of Panton for the 12-month fiscal year and to authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide same.**

The motion was made by Patti Santenello to move the Article. Louise Giovannella seconded the motion.

Selectboard Chairman Eric Carter gave a presentation of the 2002-2003 General and Highway budget, actual expense and estimated expense.

The fiscal year 2003-2004 Budget for \$203,307.83 was passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE V. To see if the Town of Panton will vote to collect the taxes through the Treasurer as provided by law.**

Motion was made by Dean Jackson, seconded by Louise Giovannella to approve the Article as written. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Moderator Ann Sullivan introduced Representatives Connie Houston and Greg Clark who spoke to the meeting about Act 60, health care issues and school choice.

**ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town of Panton will authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes.**

Bill Polk made the motion to authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes, seconded by Marlene Bedard. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE VII. To see if the Town of Panton will vote to change the term of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer from a one year term to a three year term as per V.S.A. 2646(3) beginning in March 2003.**

Marlene Bedard made the motion to change the term of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer to a three-year term beginning March 2003. Dean Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE VIII. To see if the Town of Panton will vote to allow the Town Clerk to add names to the checklist per V.S.A. 17, 2144b.**

Becky Darragh made the motion to allow the Town Clerk to add names to the checklist. Vi Luginbuhl seconded the motion and the motion passed by voice vote.

Town Clerk Susan Torrey explained that she would approve the names to add to the checklist. If the applicant does not meet the requirements of V.S.A. 17, 2121, the clerk will then forward the application to the Board of Civil Authority for further determination.

**ARTICLE IX. Shall the voters of the town authorize the Selectboard to spend capital equipment money on the construction of a new garage for the highway department and borrow any additional funds necessary to complete the construction?**

Alberta Jackson made the motion to move the Article for discussion. Steve Hofmann seconded the motion.

Selectboard Chairman Eric Carter spoke about the inadequacies of the current Town Garage. He also explained that due to Federal Regulation, our current salt pile must be covered within the next five years and the plan is to utilize the old garage to achieve this. Various means of financing this project was discussed.

Moderator Ann Sullivan called for a vote and the Article passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE X. Shall the voters of Panton support the following resolution calling on the State Administration and Legislature to increase education fund payments to school districts to reduce property taxes.**

Dean Jackson made the motion to move the Article and David Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE XI. Shall the voters of Panton support the following resolution to support environmental protection?**

David Raphael made the motion to move the Article and Jane Vorsteveld seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE XII. To see what sum the voters will appropriate for the following:**

Voted as follows:

	<u>2003</u>
Addison County Community Action	\$500.00
Addison County Counseling Service	425.00
Addison County Home Health	773.00
Addison County Parent Child	800.00
American Legion	80.00
Bixby Memorial Library	6300.00
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes	450.00
Champlain Valley Area on Aging	300.00
Elderly Services	400.00
George D. Aiken Resource	0.00
Graham Emergency Shelter	450.00
Green-Up Vermont	0.00
Hospice Volunteer Services	200.00
Open Door Clinic	200.00
O.C. Conservation District	0.00
Vergennes Rescue Squad	1560.00
Vermont Adult Learning	210.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	75.00
Women Safe	<u>200.00</u>
	<b>\$12,923.00</b>

**ARTICLE XIII. To transact any other business which may legally come before the Town**

Selectboard Chairman Eric Carter asked that voters how they felt about changing Town Meeting to an evening meeting, or to a weekend meeting and how they feel about changing to Australian ballot. Show of hands indicated that the voters prefer to keep it the way it is.

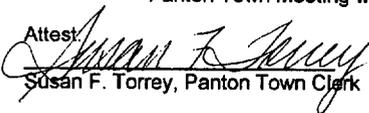
The townspeople expressed their appreciation to George Jackson for his many years of service on the Selectboard.

A Straw Vote was conducted not to use Capital Funds for funding of the new Town of Panton garage. The vote was affirmative not to use the existing Capital Funds.

Selectboard Chairman Eric Carter mentioned that the Selectboard meetings are not well attended. He welcomed voters to attend future meetings.

The motion was made to adjourn by Dr. Luginbuhl, seconded by Vi Luginbuhl. Panton Town Meeting was adjourned by voice vote at 12:55 p.m.

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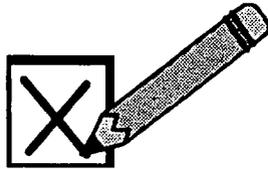
  
Susan F. Torrey, Panton Town Clerk

A True Record:

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Ann Sullivan, Moderator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Carter, Selectboard Chairman

# VOTER INFORMATION



- \* Qualification of Voters
- \* "Who's Who in Local Government"
- \* Important Dates – Year 2004
- \* Help America Vote Act

**Town of Panton  
Information for Voters**

**Qualifications of Voters (Chapter II, Section 42):**

Every person of the full age of eighteen years who is a citizen of the United States, having resided in this State for the period established by the General Assembly and who is of a quiet and peaceable behavior, and will take the following oath or affirmation, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a voter of this state.



**VOTER'S OATH:**

You solemnly swear (or affirm) that whenever you give your vote or Suffrage, touching any matter that concerns the State of Vermont, you will do it so as in your conscience you shall judge will most conduce to the best good of the same, as established by the Constitution without fear or favor of any person.

**Register to Vote!**

Go to your Town Clerk's office. If you are homebound, call your Town Clerk for assistance. You must apply by NOON on Saturday, February 28, 2004 if you want to vote at Town Meeting. The Warning and checklist will be posted by February 3, 2004. You can see the ballots ahead of time. Sample ballots will be posted no later than February 28, 2004 in three public places in town.

**Absent Voter Ballot!**

A voter who expects to be an absent voter may apply for an absent voter ballot until 5:00 P.M. or the closing of the Town Clerk's office on the day preceding the election, or an authorized person on behalf of the absent voter may apply for an absent voter ballot no later than 12:00 noon on the day preceding the election (Monday, March 4, 2004).

An absent voter or an authorized family member acting in the voter's behalf, may apply for an absent voter ballot by telephone, in person or in writing. Any other authorized person may apply in writing or in person.

An absent voter may, if he or she chooses, apply in person to the Town Clerk for the absentee ballots and envelopes rather than have them mailed. In this case, the clerk shall furnish the absentee ballots and envelopes when a valid application has been made. The applicant shall take his or her ballots, seal them in the envelope, sign the certificate and return the ballots in the sealed envelope to the town clerk or his/her assistant, without leaving the office of the town clerk.

**Excerpts from "Who's Who in Local Government"**  
**By Deborah L. Markowitz, Vermont Secretary of State**

President Teddy Roosevelt said, almost a century ago that *"Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing."* When he included these words in his speech at the State Fair in Syracuse, New York in 1903 he could have been speaking of Vermont's many hardworking local officials. Nearly 5000 municipal officials in our 237 towns, nine cities and 45 villages, devote their free time to everything from hearing zoning disputes and writing land use plans to assessing the value of property in the town and collecting delinquent taxes. They serve for the chance to "work hard at work worth doing." Without them, our communities would not function and our system of self government would come to a standstill.

Serving in local office is a great way to give something back to your community. So why don't you take a turn? Here are the offices you can choose to from:

**The Following Officials Are Elected At Town Meeting:**

**Moderator** – Runs the Annual and Special Town/School Meeting. Should have a good sense of humor, be good at group process, and have experience following Roberts Rules of Order.

**Town Clerk** – Records, preserves and certifies the public records of the town, issues dog, marriage, civil union and hunting and fishing licenses and motor vehicle renewals. Runs the local elections, serves as clerk of the Board of Civil Authority, and hears tax abatement requests and tax appeals. Should have the patience of a saint and be a good ambassador for the town.

**Town Treasurer** – Keeps the town and school's accounts (unless a separate school treasurer is elected), invests money (with the approval of the legislative body,) keeps a record of the taxes voted and pays orders drawn on him or her. Should be very precise, detail oriented and good at math.

**Town Administrator** – Hired by the selectboard, the town administrator, sometimes called the administrative assistant to the selectboard, assists the selectboard in managing the business of the town. The town administrator has no independent statutory authority. The scope of his or her duties is determined by the selectboard.

**Selectboard members** – General supervision and control over town, enacts ordinances, regulations and policies for town, oversees town property and personnel, prepares, presents and manages budget, oversees roads, including laying out, discontinuing and reclassifying roads, sits as local board of health, liquor control commission and sewer commission. Should know the town well, be able to understand all sides of complex issues, and have very thick skin.

**Listers** – Appraise property within the town for the purpose of property tax assessment. Should be able to be polite, yet firm, and not oversensitive to criticism.

**Auditor** – Review and audit all town accounts and prepare the annual town report. Should be very detail oriented. Good, clear writers are a plus.

**Excepts (cont'd)**

**Constable** – In some towns the constable is the town's local law enforcement officer, with all powers of search, seizure and arrest within the town. In other towns the constable only has the power to serve civil process, assist the health officer in the discharge of his or her duties, destroy unlicensed dogs, kill injured deer, remove disorderly people from town meeting, and, if the First Constable, to collect taxes, if no tax collector is elected. Should be good at de-escalating and resolving conflicts.

**Collector of Current Taxes** – Collects the taxes for the town. In many towns this function is performed by the Treasurer or Town Manager. Should be detail oriented and good with numbers.

**Collector of Delinquent Taxes** – Collects delinquent taxes for the town. Should be good with numbers and also able to work with people who are in difficult circumstances. Should also have thick skin.

**Grand Juror** – Helps to prosecute criminal offenses that occur in the town by giving information to state and local law enforcement. (Generally not a very active position.)

**Town Agent** – The town agent used to prosecute and defend suits. The selectboard now have that authority. Thus, the Town Agent's duty consists merely of assisting when litigation is in progress at the request of the selectboard. (Generally not a very active position.)

**Cemetery Commissioner** – Responsible for the care and management of the town's cemeteries. If no cemetery commissioners are elected the Selectboard fulfills this role.

**Road Commissioners** – Can be elected or appointed. Has no independent authority, but can assist the selectboard in overseeing town highways at the request of the board. Should have experience with town highways and be a good communicator.

**Water Commissioners** – Water commissioners supervise the town's water department by establishing water rates and all the rules and regulations for the control and operation of the department. Should be a good manager and detail oriented.

**Planning Commissioners** – Appointed unless town votes to elect. Duties include preparing a municipal plan, making recommendations on matters of land development, conservation, and preservation, and to participate in a regional planning program. Makes site plan and subdivision permit decisions unless there is a Development Review Board in town. Should have a good working knowledge of all aspects of the town and be able to listen to many sides of an issue.

**Excepts (cont'd)**

**The Following Local Officials are Appointed by the Legislative Body:**

**Municipal manager** – If the manager system has been adopted by the electorate, the town manager is the official administrator of the local government and general supervisor of the affairs of the town.

**Zoning administrator** – Appointed by the planning commission with the approval of the selectboard. Approves or denies applications for zoning permits. Administers the municipal bylaws literally. Enforces regulations pertaining to the zoning ordinance.

**Zoning board of adjustment or development review board members**—Holds hearings and makes decisions on land use permit applications and appeals from decisions of the zoning administrator.

**Regional Planning Commission Representative** – Helps develop the regional plan and assess municipal land use plans.

**Health Officer** –Appointed by the selectboard with the permission of the Commissioner of Health. Enforces the rules and regulations for the prevention and abatement of public health hazards.

**Town Services Officer** – Appointed on or before April 15th of each year. Assists individuals within the town who require emergency food, fuel or shelter assistance when the Vermont Department of Social Welfare is not available.

**Town Forest Fire Warden** – Appointed by the fire commissioner with the approval of the selectboard. Prevents forest fires in the town by enforcing the laws designed to prevent forest fires.

**Chairperson for Civil Defense** – responsible for the organization, administration and operation of the local committee that is formed for emergency management in the town or city. The emergency management chairperson is under the direct control of the selectboard but may coordinate his or her emergency management efforts with neighboring towns and cities and with the state emergency management division, and with the federal government.

**Fence Viewers** – Three viewers are appointed by the selectboard each year. When called up they examine fences and other boundaries within the town.

**Inspectors of Lumber** – Appointed upon request to examine, measure, and classify the quality of lumber, shingles and wood sold within the town.

**Weighers of Coal** – Serves as a referee over weights of contested loads of coal.

**Inspector of Wiring** – Inspects electrical wiring in buildings on request of the selectboard.

## **General Information about Voter Registration and Voter Checklists in Vermont**

### Voter Registration

In Vermont, there are four requirements to become a legally qualified voter. You must be :

1. A United States Citizen. You must have either been born a United States Citizen or have become a citizen through the naturalization process in order to register to vote in Vermont. You cannot register to vote with a "green card" or any other visa.
2. A resident of Vermont. You must register in the town where your principal dwelling place is located. This is not your mailing address, but is the town or city in which your principal dwelling is physically located. (If you reside in a gore or unorganized town, you may register to vote in the primary and general elections in a neighboring town that is within the same representative district and probate district. -- see 17 V.S.A. § 2123. You will not be allowed to vote in their town or school district elections.)
3. Eighteen years old, or will be 18 by election day.
4. Taken the voter's oath, or will take the oath on or before election day. (If you have not voted before in Vermont, you must take the voter's oath and have a notary public, justice of the peace, or board of civil authority member administer and witness the oath. The oath simply states that you will vote your conscience and not be directed by another.)

After you complete your application to the checklist swearing or affirming that you meet the four requirements above, the local board of civil authority, or town clerks in towns that have authorized the town clerk by vote at town meeting, will review your application and make a decision to add you to the checklist or to deny your application. You will be informed of the decision, and if denied, you can appeal to a court in your county. If you are denied, you can also call our office and we can review the legal requirements and process with you.

There is NO PARTY REGISTRATION in Vermont. Names are added to the checklist alphabetically with addresses but with no party affiliation noted.

### Voter checklists in Vermont

Each town or city in Vermont prepares a "checklist" of voters who are registered to vote within the town or city. The checklist contains the names and addresses of each resident who has been found to be a legally qualified voter in the town or city. Checklists in Vermont do not contain any political party information because there is no party registration in Vermont.

There is no statewide voter file in Vermont. The Office of the Secretary of State does not have any specific voter checklist with names and addresses.

If you are interested in obtaining voter checklists in Vermont, you must contact the town or city clerk for each municipality. You can view *The Guide to Town and City Clerks* on our website or we can mail you a paper copy. Checklists are public records in Vermont. The custodian of the list can charge either 4 cents per page one-sided, 6 cents double-sided, or 88 cents for a disk.

## Help American Vote Act (HAVA)

Last November the United States Congress passed election reform legislation, the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA). This new law requires broad changes to the way Vermont conducts its elections. Most notably HAVA mandates the adoption of a statewide voter checklist, the acceptance of provisional ballots, the purchase of voting machines for every community that allow individuals with visual disabilities to vote privately and independently. It mandates extensive poll worker and voter education programs, and requires new voters to show identification when they register or vote. Vermont will be receiving five million dollars to assist the state and municipalities in meeting the new federal mandates.



## Town of Panton

### Important Dates - Year 2004



- February 24, 2004** Union High School District #5 Annual Meeting at 8:00 P.M. at the Vergennes Union High School. This school district meeting is held annually on the fourth Tuesday of February.
- February 25, 2004** Union Elementary School District #44 Annual Meeting at 8:00 P.M. at the Vergennes Union Elementary School. This school district meeting is held annually on the last Wednesday of February.
- February 26, 2004** Last day to apply for addition to the Checklist for the Annual Town Meeting.
- March 2, 2004** Annual Town Meeting at 10:00 P.M. at the Panton Town Hall. Vote by Australian ballot on budgets of both the Union Elementary School District #44 and the Union High School District #5. Presidential Primary for major party candidates.
- April 1, 2004** All dogs must be licensed by this date.
- May 1, 2004** Property taxes are due on or before May 1.
- September 7, 2004** Last day to register to vote for the Primary Election. (Extended to the next business day due to Monday being a holiday.)
- September 14, 2004** Primary Election Day. Polls open from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.
- October 25, 2004** Last day to register to vote for the General Election.
- November 1, 2004** Property taxes are due on or before November 1.
- November 2, 2004** General Election Day. Polls open from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Town Clerk's Office.



## Town of Panton

### How to Understand the Tax Appropriation Process

The taxes to be raised are broken down into the following categories:

- ✓ General and Highway Fund Budgets
- ✓ District and Union Elementary School District #44
- ✓ Union High School District #5

The General and Highway Fund Budgets are developed by the Selectboard. Voters attending the annual town meeting will vote on this budget according to the Article listed in the Warning.

The Addison Northwest District Budget is developed by the district staff and administration, and is reviewed, revised, and approved by the Supervisory Union School Board of Directors. The budgeted amount is voted on at town meeting and is funded by property taxes. The approved amount is assessed to each of the five towns in the supervisory union (Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Vergennes and Waltham).

The Vergennes Union Elementary School Budget is developed by the elementary school staff and administration, and reviewed, revised, and approved by the Union Elementary School Board of Directors. Voters will vote, in each of the three member towns, on March 2, 2004 by Australian ballot, on the Grand Total Budget. The Grand Total less revenues and surplus (deficit) is then assessed to the three member towns (Vergennes, Panton and Waltham) based on each town's average daily membership. The Panton assessment is reduced by state aid and the resulting number is funded by property taxes.

The Vergennes Union High School Budget is developed by the staff and administration and reviewed, revised, and approved by the Union High School Board of Directors. Voters will vote, in each of the five member towns, on March 2, 2004 by Australian ballot, on the Grand Total Budget. The Grand Total Budget less revenues and surplus (deficit) is then assessed to the five member towns based on each town's average daily membership (ADM) from the beginning of the school year until the last school day in December. The resulting figure is funded by property taxes.

Before the tax rate can be set the Listers must complete their assessments as of April 1, 2004, which determines the Grand List for tax purposes. The state must finalize the state aid for Panton as the numbers shown are based on preliminary estimates of state aid. When this is completed the Selectboard meet and determine a tax rate by dividing the Grand Total (Tax Appropriations) by the Grand List for Tax Purposes. This is usually completed by June, after which the tax bills are prepared and mailed.

#### As a Guide

On a Grand List of \$437,377.91 every \$4,373.78  
voted at Town Meeting means about a one-cent rise in the Tax Rate.

## Town of Panton

### *Town Wide Re-Appraisal Update*

I would like to thank the people of Panton for their kindness and understanding during the reappraisal. As of the last week in January there are less than ten properties to be inspected. These will be done as soon as the weather breaks. The inspection data for the properties that have been visited will be entered into the computer by the first week of February.

The next task will be to use the data collected to estimate market value. Assessments are based on market value. Value is not something you can put a tape measure on. It is not something you can weigh on a scale. It is not something you can count. Value is something you can only estimate.

People in the business of estimating value such as Assessors or appraisers never say that a property is worth X dollars. They say that they think that the property is worth X dollars. Worth or value is subjective. Value is an opinion. Appraisers say "It is my opinion that the market value of this property as of April 1, 2004, is X dollars".

If two individuals were to look at the same house and one stated that the dimensions of the house were 28 feet by 34 feet and the other stated that the dimensions were 25 feet by 32 feet, the two individuals could take out a tape measure and come to a consensus. Two individuals can look at the same property and one may say that they think it is worth \$185,000 while the other may say that they think it is worth \$215,000. There is no tape measure that the two individuals can bring out and use to come to a consensus on value. One individual has one opinion of value while the other individual has a different opinion of value.

In the spring I will send out a booklet with all of the proposed new assessments. The property owners will be invited in to review their files. If we have data incorrect we would like to know. If property owners have information about market value such as appraisals we would like to know. After corrections have been made formal "Change of Appraisal" notices will be mailed. This will start the formal grievance process.

In addition to the reappraisal, this year will see changes to the grand list mandated by Act 68. The Legislature has required towns to split the grand list between declared homestead properties and non-homestead properties. This split will take substantial work to complete. The data to make the split will not be available until the last half of May. This split may delay the reappraisal until the early summer.

I look forward to meeting with many of you to review your files and to discuss the market value of your property.

Spencer B. Potter  
Vermont Municipal Assessors

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**Town of Panton Officers Reports  
for the year 2003**



**Town of Panton  
Selectboard Report – 2003**

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The year 2003 brought a new person to our Selectboard. Ron Atkins was elected on Town Meeting day. He replaced George Jackson who with capability and faith fully served the town for some 35 years. Thanks George!

Early summer brought with it a toxic mold/mildew problem at our town offices. This has been a problem in the past but not as severe as this past year. One reason this problem occurred is that our offices are below grade in a basement and surrounded by stone wall, and lack of adequate drainage around the perimeter of the Town Hall. The problem was very severe in the vault and most of the land records were affected. Also and more importantly, our employees were becoming ill and to protect them, and the public, the town offices were closed. Specialists were then called in to evaluate the situation and suggest a remedy. Based on their recommendation, all affected items in the vault were sent to Montreal for ozone treatment and cleaning. An environmental firm specializing in hazardous cleaning, thoroughly cleaned and treated the vault and offices and a permanent de-humidifier was installed in the vault. Our road foreman, Paul Bodington, installed drainage around the perimeter of the town hall and a vapor barrier. We are hopeful now that this toxic mold/mildew will not reoccur. We thank the citizens of Panton for their patience and understanding during the weeks in which the town offices were closed.

Construction of the new town garage is scheduled to start this spring as soon as weather permits. A sketch and construction overview has been provided in the Town Report.

A new culvert was installed in front of the Panton general store. It was a sizeable job at a very busy intersection therefore we employed contracted labor to expedite the job. The finish coat of paving was put down on Jersey Street South. Plans are to pave some of our Class II roads this year.

Paul was busy doing the usual ditch cleaning, brush cutting, mowing roadsides and installing new culverts on Panton flats and Pease Road. Good job Paul!

The two applications of liquid calcium chloride at separate intervals during the summer seem to manage the dust on the Class III roads more efficiently.

We need volunteers for Green Up Day this spring. Please let us know if you would like to chair this worthwhile endeavor.

Again we thank the citizens of Panton, Town Officers and Volunteers for their support and dedication. That's what makes Panton such a wonderful place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Atkins  
Eric Carter  
Barbara Fleming

## **Town of Panton Highway Garage Status**

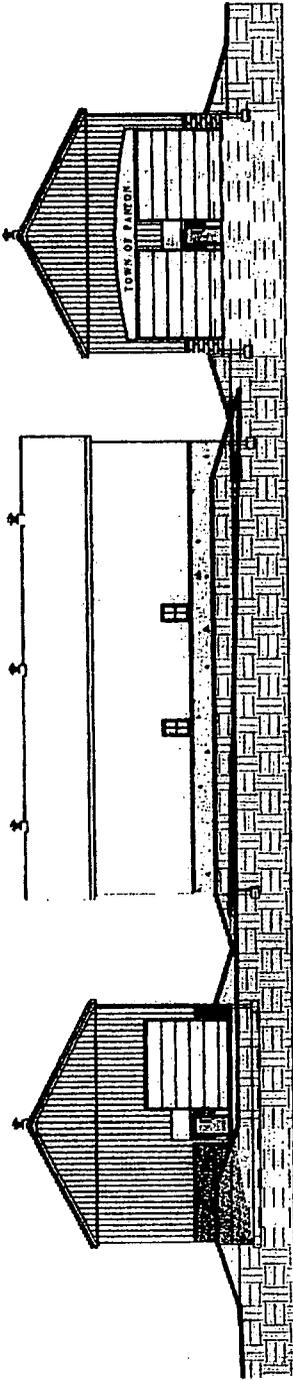
At last year's town meeting, the voter's approved an Article authorizing the Selectboard to spend funds for a new Town Garage. Ahead of us was much work to specify the Garage, draft plans, solicit bids, select a contractor, obtain the necessary permits, and then build the garage itself. Our plan was to complete all this in 2003, but we found it to be way too ambitious. Our original plans were reviewed by several branches of the State Government, and we had to make a number of alterations and add certain safety features. We also found that the water table and the soil structure at the site would not support the "pole barn" building that we had originally planned to use. By late summer, we came to the realization that actual construction would have to be postponed until 2004.

We have hired an experienced architect, Susan Randall Davis of Monkton, and she has been invaluable guiding us through the process. With her help, we have settled on an all-steel building design that will be constructed on the Panton Road site, and will meet all state requirements, and provide a safe work environment. A sketch of our new building is provided.

From a schedule standpoint, the final drawing package will be completed in the January-February timeframe. This drawing package will then be let out for bid to experienced contractors and we hope to have a contractor selected in March. Site work will begin in the May-June timeframe with completion by August. We are very excited about this project and appreciate the Town of Panton's support.

Eric Carter  
Chairman, Panton Selectboard

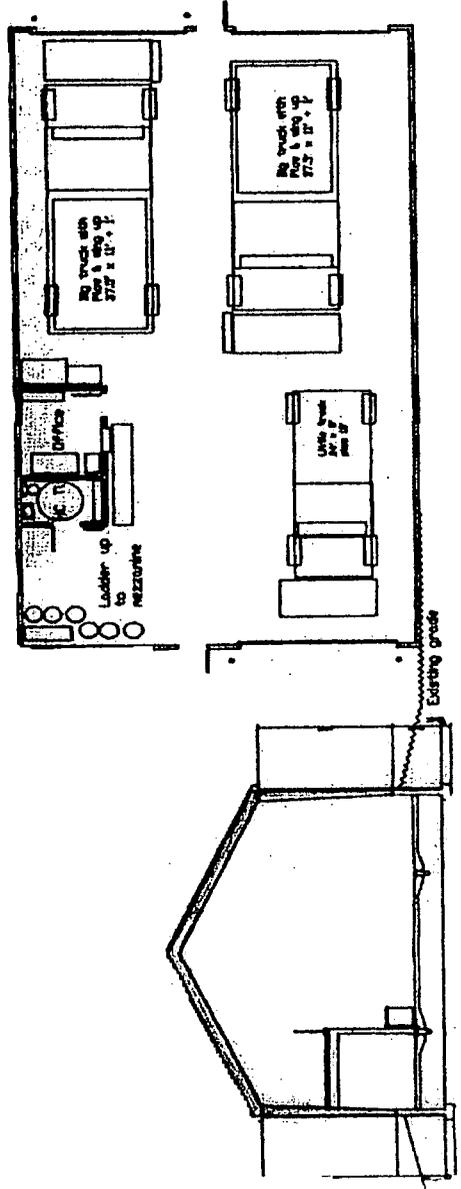
# Panton Town Highway Garage



North Elevation

East Elevation

South Elevation



**Town of Panton  
Fire Warden's Report - 2003**

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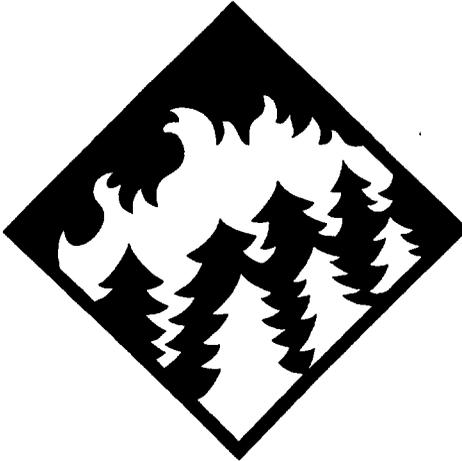
The 2003 fire season proved to be a wet one keeping statewide forest fires low. The statewide total number of forest/grass fires reported was 101 with approximately 95 acres burned. This is below the statewide 10-year average of 142 fires and 243 total acres destroyed per year.

As usual, humans are the overwhelming cause for these fires. Of the 101 fires statewide, 81 were caused by burning brush, yard waste, and grass. I therefore ask you to be extremely cautious when undertaking a burn, no matter how small it is. Have a source of water such as a hose or buckets and do watch the wind.

Burn permits are issued in accordance with State Law VSA, Title 10, and Section 2645, which allows burning of approved materials such as unpainted wood, brush, hay, and other yard waste. Please be advised that the burning of household garbage or waste is not permitted. No permits are required when there is snow cover on the ground. Permits may be obtained at my residence, 3566 Jersey Street, phone number.475-2656, and will be issued with advance notice of a day or two for a controlled period.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Carter  
Panton Fire Warden



***Remember – only YOU can prevent forest fires!***

**Town of Panton  
Zoning Administrator's Report - 2003**

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Submitted by J. Douglas Dows

*"No land development shall commence without a zoning permit issued by the Administrative Officer."*

*"Land development means the division of a parcel into two or more parcels; the construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation, or enlargement of any building or other structure including above and in-ground pools, any prefabricated structures or of any mining, excavation, or landfill; and any change in the use of any building or other structure or land, or extension of use of land."*

-Panton Zoning Regulations  
Adopted March 5, 2001

The Board of Selectman has approved a new zoning permit fee schedule to help recoup some of the costs associated with zoning. The current fee schedule and the new fees are some of the lowest fees in the area. The new fees will go into effect on April 1, 2004.

**New Fee Schedule as of 4/1/2004**

<b>Health/ Septic</b>	<b>Subdivision Major</b>	<b>Subdivision Minor</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Cert. of Occup.</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Auxillary</b>
\$50.00	\$200.00 + \$50. per lot every lot over 2 lots	\$50.00 per lot or \$100.00 min.	\$75.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$30.00

- In addition:
- a) If the board requires technical expert to review plans, the cost will be borne by the Applicant.
  - b) If work has commenced before any permits have been obtained, the fees will be doubled.

Town residents may take advantage of the old fees by filing a completed application prior to 4/1/04. A complete application minimally includes the building permit application, the fee, and two copies of any plot plans, building plans, etc. A complete list of required documents can be found in the Panton Zoning Regulations which can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Zoning Administrator's Report – 2003 (Cont'd)

2003 Zoning/Building Permits Issued

DATE	APPLICANT	TYPE OF PERMIT	FEE PAID
3/6/03	Robert E. Moulton	Accessory building	10.00
3/19/03	Paul and Mary Anne Larocca	Extension	10.00
3/19/03	Paul and Mary Anne Larocca	Accessory building	10.00
4/20/03	Timothy and Sandra Taylor	Accessory building	10.00
4/27/03	Gerald and Patricia Santenello	Accessory building	10.00
5/22/03	Ned and Geraldine Fleming	Residence	25.00
5/31/03	Joe Kuhn	Drainage Ditch	10.00
6/5/03	Danny Clark and Laurie Barrett	Accessory building	10.00
6/5/03	Brian and Colleen Curler	Accessory building	10.00
7/12/03	Jason E. Moulton	Residence amendment	10.00
7/12/03	Jason E. Moulton	Accessory building	10.00
7/12/03	James and Kathleen Cannon	Patio	10.00
7/12/03	Rejean Lafleche	Septic System	25.00
7/20/03	Marlene Bedard	Accessory building	10.00
7/20/03	David and Diana Raphael	Accessory building relocation, drainage	10.00
7/26/03	William Gahagan	Extension	10.00
7/28/03	Peter Danyow	Residence	25.00
8/27/03	Joe Perrotto and Sarah Bunker	Septic repair	10.00
9/7/03	Jo Ann Sullivan	Accessory building	10.00
9/7/03	Kevin Sullivan	Septic plan amendment	10.00
9/7/03	Ken Sullivan	Septic for mobile home	25.00
9/7/03	Andrew and Teresa Smith	Accessory building	10.00
10/21/03	Bruce Many	Accessory building	10.00
10/22/03	Charla D. Helton-Higgins	Residence	25.00
10/22/03	Valerie I. Congdon	Sign	10.00
10/22/03	Bradley Dewey	Extension	10.00
10/25/03	Jerry and Joyce Rule	Residence (replace building #4)	25.00
11/7/03	Hans Vorsteveld	Accessory building	10.00
11/22/03	Paul Tippett	Extension	10.00

Town of Panton  
Health Officer's Report - 2003

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By J. Douglas Dows

*"Any person who intends to **build, replace or alter** a sewage disposal system shall submit an application for a construction permit to the Health Officer or his authorized agent."*

-Panton Town Health Ordinance  
Effective July 1, 1983

This section of the town health ordinance applies to all septic systems, ***including those in existence at the time the ordinance went into effect.***

This was a typical year for the Town Health Office. There were several cases of suspected rabies; a few suspected West Nile Virus cases in dead birds; two permits granted for repair or replacement of existing septic systems; and two permits for new residential septic systems.

If you are concerned about the behavior of wild or stray animals, feel free to call me at 475-2496.

**Town of Panton  
Annual Report – 2003  
Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment**

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The Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment met on a monthly basis throughout 2003 to consider ongoing planning issues and to review permit requests and other matters related to the town's zoning ordinance and the Town Plan.

The Planning Commission has continued the work begun with the Municipal Planning and Development Grant that we received from the State of Vermont Department of Housing and Community Affairs in 2002. Our primary goal is now to update and readopt the Panton Town Plan in 2004 with a completely new format, comprehensive mapping and citizen input. To that end the Planning Commission hopes to have a questionnaire available for town residents to answer at Town Meeting and/or soon thereafter.

The Planning Commission also addressed this year a protocol to deal with Zoning violations and permit violations. We have counseled the Zoning Administrator and The Selectboard on adopting new permit fees which will be going into affect in 2004. These fees are more in line with what other communities have in place and better reflect the nature of the different permit requests and the time it takes to administer the permits. We have also welcomed Robert Moulton to the Planning Commission this year.

The Zoning Board has also had to address some challenging permit applications. Any residents or property owners planning to build structures or undertake site work on their land need to check with the Town Zoning Administrator as to whether the work requires a permit. The Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment meets at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of every month in the Town Hall unless otherwise posted or officially warned in the *Addison Independent*. The public is always welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted by David Raphael, Chairman  
Town of Panton Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment

**Town of Panton  
Dog Warden's Report - 2003**

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Four barking dog complaints during the past year were quietly resolved. There were three nuisance dog complaints, one of which was carefully resolved.

Additional dog concerns include; 1 found dog, 1 lost dog, 2 loose dogs, 1 chicken chaser dog, 3 deer chaser dogs, 1 road-kill dog call and 1 lying in the middle of the road dog call.

One jogger knock down and one person bitten by a dog calls were determined to be the result of friendly dogs looking for attention and play.

A few Panton residents should be a little more diligent about knowing where their pet is at all times. Most Panton dog owners deserve thanks for the care and respect they provide their pet(s).

At the end of April 2003, there were about two dozen un-registered dogs in Panton. All those dogs, and a few dogs new to Panton, are now registered.

The Vergennes Animal Hospital is sponsoring a rabies clinic on Wednesday, March 3, 2004 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. in Vergennes at the Vergennes Rescue Squad building on Panton Road. The cost will be \$12.00 per pet. The Panton Town Clerk or Assistant Town Clerk will be present at the clinic to register Panton dogs.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilton (Mickey) Billings  
Panton Dog Warden



**Town of Panton  
Licensed Dogs as of 12/31/2003**

<u>Tag#</u>	<u>OWNER NAME</u>	<u>DOG NAME</u>	<u>BREED</u>	<u>COLOR</u>
1	Thurber, Lois	Teddy	Norwegian Elkhound	Grey
2	Kipp, Mary	Button	Lab/X	Black
3	Minns, Joy	Emily	Beagle	Tri
4	Douville, Linda	Dristen	Gold Retriever	Gold
5	Douville, Linda	Jade	Husky	Brown/White
6	Hofmann, Stephen	Sandy	Golden Retriever	Buff
7	Hofmann, Stephen	Lucky	Mix	Black/White
8	Munson, Nancy	Kesha	German Shepard	White
9	Vorsteveld, Kirsten	Turd Bailer	Shepard X	Black/Tan
10	Dows, Doug	Cody	Rottweiler X	Black/Brown
11	Dows, Doug	Laka	Lab X	White
12	Wildasin, Paul	Butterball	Sheep	Gray/White
13	Adams, Mark	Kodiak	Lab	Black
14	Myers, Lois	Tika	Wolf Hybrid	Black/Tan
15	Myers, Lois	Conan	Wolf Hybrid	Tri
16	Huff, Marjorie	Conute	Border Collie	Black/White
17	Torrey, Susan	Tootsie	Chinese Sharpei	Chocolate
18	Burt, Ralph	Emily	Toy Poodle	Cream
19	Burt, Ralph	Liza	Lab	Yellow
20	Burt, Ralph	Ula	Lab	Black
21	Goward, Mitzi	Ki-Ki	Chihauha	Fawn
22	Smith, Earlene	Kira	Springer Spaniel	Black/White
23	Billings, Hilton	Dakota	SamoyedX	White
24	Billings, Hilton	Ranger	Husky	Black/White
25	White, Wendy	Casey	Mixed	Cream
26	White, Wendy	Molly	Mixed	Yellow
27	Thompson, Helene	Sam	Spaniel/Lab	Blonde
28	Thompson, Helene	Amos	Spaniel/Lab	Drk Brown
29	Metcalf, Mary	Chatty	Foxhound	White
30	Garrison, Larry	Pippi Longstocking	Whippet	Brown
31	Darragh, Becky	Rocky	Bermese Mtn.	Tri
32	Hatch, Daryl	Queenie	Beagle	Tri
33	Sweatland, Ron	Tuffy	Lab/Chow	Black
34	Urfer, Luanne	Hersey	Lab	Chocolate
35	Urfer, Luanne	Godiva	Lab	Chocolate
36	Urfer, Luanne	Max	Lab	Yellow
37	Urfer, Luanne	Ghiradelli	Lab	Chocolate
38	Urfer, Luanne	Reese	Lab	Chocolate
39	Urfer, Luanne	Nestle	Lab	Chocolate
40	Spear, Karen	Simba	Bernese Mtn.	Tri

**Town of Panton****Licensed Dogs as of 12/31/2003 (Cont'd)**

<u>Tag#</u>	<u>OWNER NAME</u>	<u>DOG NAME</u>	<u>BREED</u>	<u>COLOR</u>
41	Spear, Karen	Nala	Retriever	Gold
42	Moulton, Robert	Tasha	Retriever	Gold
43	Polk, Nancy	Poppy	Std. Poodle	White
44	Tisbert, Al	Theodore	Lab/Mastiff	Yellow
45	Darragh, Becky	Cedar	LabX	Black/White
46	Fallon, Laurie	Jackie	Lab/Chesapeake	Black
47	Sullivan, Joe	Bert	Lab	Black
48	Morgan, Nancy	Casey	Retriever	Gold
49	Huff, Marjorie	Docy	Lab	Black
50	Allen, Claudia	Cait	Lab	Black
51	Allen, Claudia	Brit	Lab	Black
52	Allen, Claudia	Anthi	Lab	Chocolate
53	Rheume, Dan	Tipper	Lab/Husky	Brown/White
54	Fleming, Gerry	Cuddles	Springer X	Brown/White
55	Fleming, Gerry	Lady	Jack Russell	Black/White
56	Presson, Lisa	Walker	Golden Retriever	Gold
57	Chase, Marsha	Pooh Bear	Chow Mix	Black
58	McNamara, Bob	Brittany	Pekinese/Dash.	Red/Brown
59	Stetson, David	Addison	Retriever	Gold
60	John, Carol	Bailey	Cockapoo	Buff
61	Tarallo, Beth	Buster	Lab	Yellow
62	Rheume, Julie	Harvey	Lab	Yellow
63	Cavolick, Ayumi	Zinna	Jack Russell	Tri
64	Corbett, Tracy	Frannie	Basset Hound	Tri
65	Corbett, Tracy	Prudence	St. Bernard	Tri
66	Corbett, Tracy	Ivan	Border Collie X	Black/Tan
67	Norris, Lisa	Sierra	Lab	Chocolate
68	LaFleche, Rejean	Shelby	Beagle	Tri
69	LaFleche, Rejean	Peetie	Collie X	Black/White
70	Jackson, Joy	Chelsey	Lab	Black
71	Raphael, David	Saska	Husky	White/Gray
72	Vorsteveld, M.	Heidi	Mix	Black/White
73	Beach, Melanie	Cooper	Golden Retriever	Gold
74	Jackson, David	T-Bear	German Shepard	Black/Tan
75	Shepard, Marjorie	Smokey	LabX	Black/White
76	Rougier, Michael	Michelob	Rottweiler	Black/Brown
77	Ciociolla, Cathy	MacMurphy	Greyhound	Brindle

**Town of Pantton  
Licensed Dogs as of 12/31/2003 (Cont'd)**

<u>Tag#</u>	<u>OWNER NAME</u>	<u>DOG NAME</u>	<u>BREED</u>	<u>COLOR</u>
78	McNamara, J.	Star	Golden Retriever	Gold
79	Philbrook, Dave	Nike	Lab/Dalmatian	Black
80	Miller, Jean	Thor	Terrier	Tan
81	Miller, Jean	Cody	Sheltie	Tri
82	Bushey, LauraLee	Pearl	Pug	Fawn
83	Bushey, LauraLee	Yoda	Pug	Black
84	Mitchell, Kathy	Chester	Collie X	Black/White
85	Mitchell, Kathy	Freddie	Daschund	Black/Brown
86	Congdon, Valerie	Ralph	Beagle	Tri
87	Clark, Melanie	Colby	Retriever	Gold
88	Rathbun, Karen	Jasmine	Beagle	Blk/Wh
89	Curler, Colleen	Tasha	Terrier X	Black
90	Curler, Colleen	Reese	Lab	Chocolate
91	Childers, Ron Jr	Easter	Hound	Brindle
92	Kroupa, Zane	Clowie	Lab	Chocolate
93	Smith, Theresa	Sadie	Lab/X	Red
94	Kass, Susan	Nellie	Ret/X	Red

**Don't forget to contact the Addison County Humane Society Shelter for lost pets  
at 388-1100.**

**Dog Warden for Pantton is Mickey Billings – 475-2978**



Town of Pantton  
Selectboard's Proposed Budget  
GENERAL FUND

	Budgeted		Spent		Over		Jul 04 - Jun 05	
	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	6/30/03	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	6/30/03	Under ( )	Under ( )	Proposed	
Town Clerk/Treasurer	35,139.17	-	37,549.05	-	2,409.88	-	28,446.00	
Planning Clerk	-	-	1,571.03	-	1,571.03	-	1,900.00	
Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	8,414.49	-	9,139.15	-	724.66	-	6,300.00	
Ballot Clerk	500.00	-	796.00	-	296.00	-	1,000.00	
Selectboard	2,250.00	-	2,250.00	-	-	-	2,250.00	
Listers	750.00	-	-	-	(750.00)	-	1,000.00	
Auditors	150.00	-	587.50	-	437.50	-	50.00	
Zoning Administrator	675.00	-	630.00	-	(45.00)	-	200.00	
Solid Waste Representative	100.00	-	-	-	(100.00)	-	100.00	
Planning Comm Members	900.00	-	900.00	-	-	-	900.00	
Health Officer	200.00	-	200.00	-	-	-	200.00	
FICA/MEDI	3,754.52	-	4,443.14	-	688.62	-	3,654.00	
Municipal Retirement-Office	1,405.57	-	1,312.04	-	(93.53)	-	1,138.00	
<b>Total Office Salaries Expense</b>	<b>52,833.18</b>	-	<b>59,377.91</b>	-	<b>6,544.73</b>	-	<b>47,338.00</b>	
Fire Protection Agreement	23,854.39	-	25,309.55	-	1,455.16	-	23,000.00	
Fire Protection/Manhours	-	-	5,707.52	-	5,707.52	-	3,500.00	
Errors & Omission	1,459.00	-	1,803.00	-	344.00	-	1,110.00	
Property & Casualty	3,657.00	-	5,312.00	-	1,655.00	-	3,138.00	
Legal & Professional	1,500.00	-	4,336.30	-	2,836.30	-	3,000.00	
CPA Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,500.00	
Zoning/Permits/CO Share	750.00	-	465.00	-	(285.00)	-	750.00	
Zoning/Planning Expense	100.00	-	398.31	-	298.31	-	4,000.00	
Planning Grant Expense	2,700.00	-	7,256.08	-	4,556.08	-	-	
Mileage - Staff	75.00	-	199.06	-	124.06	-	250.00	
Education - Staff	150.00	-	240.00	-	90.00	-	300.00	
VLCT Expense	850.00	-	467.00	-	(383.00)	-	750.00	
Expense/Supplies - Office	2,500.00	-	3,254.85	-	754.85	-	2,000.00	
Printing	1,000.00	-	1,801.15	-	801.15	-	1,000.00	
Postage & Shipping	1,350.00	-	1,846.69	-	496.69	-	1,300.00	
Lister/Computer Expenses	35,258.00	-	10,079.80	-	(25,178.20)	-	6,200.00	
Software License Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	600.00	
Town Hall Repairs/Maint.	5,000.00	-	2,384.79	-	(2,615.21)	-	10,000.00	
Utilities	6,045.00	-	4,339.86	-	(1,705.14)	-	4,250.00	

**Town of Panton**  
**Selectboard's Proposed Budget**  
**GENERAL FUND**

	Budgeted		Spent		Over		Jul 04 - Jun 05	
	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	Under ( )	Under ( )	Proposed	Proposed	
Telephone/Internet	1,848.00	2,680.65	832.65	1,900.00				
Hawley Cemetery Mowing	700.00	350.00	(350.00)	450.00				
Rubbish/Recycling	200.00	262.93	62.93	150.00				
Recycling Fee - Vergennes	7,500.00	8,019.06	519.06	4,200.00				
Dog Licensing Expense	350.00	1,038.39	688.39	300.00				
Book Restoration	900.00	895.00	(5.00)	1,000.00				
Dues and Assessments	9,424.00	6,158.10	(3,265.90)	5,650.00				
Hunting/Fishing State Fees	-	2,574.00	2,574.00	-				
Miscellaneous	-	9.00	9.00	-				
Marriage Licenses State Fee		135.00	135.00	-				
<b>Total Town Office Expense</b>	<b>107,370.39</b>	<b>97,323.09</b>	<b>(10,047.30)</b>	<b>81,298.00</b>				
<b>Subtotal Office &amp; Salary Expense</b>	<b>160,203.57</b>	<b>158,701.00</b>	<b>(3,502.57)</b>	<b>128,636.00</b>				
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	2,114.00	996.47	(1,117.53)	825.00				
Subtotal	162,317.57	157,697.47	(4,620.10)	129,461.00				
Contributions (voted)	8,683.00	8,683.00	-	13,704.44				
Office Equipment (voted)	3,000.00	7,476.03	4,476.03	2,500.00				
<b>Grand Total Office Expense</b>	<b>174,000.57</b>	<b>173,858.50</b>	<b>(144.07)</b>	<b>145,665.44</b>				

**Town of Pantton  
Selectboard's Proposed Budget  
HIGHWAY FUND**

	Budgeted		Spent		Over		Jul 04 - Jun 05	
	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	6/30/03	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	6/30/03	Under ( )	Over ( )	Proposed	
Road Foreman Salary	50,437.57		49,230.71		(1,206.86)		38,000.00	
Highway Helper	6,750.00		4,071.50		(2,678.50)		4,500.00	
Contracted Services	3,000.00		100.00		(2,900.00)		2,000.00	
Mileage	300.00		87.32		(212.68)		200.00	
FICA	3,127.13		3,165.12		37.99		2,635.00	
MEDI	843.75		704.67		(139.08)		616.00	
Retirement	2,017.50		1,620.68		(396.82)		1,200.00	
Unemployment Insurance	191.40		440.88		249.48		258.00	
Health Insurance	7,829.76		8,808.57		978.81		6,300.00	
Dental Insurance	423.24		659.96		236.72		510.00	
Worker's Compensation	3,700.00		4,397.00		697.00		3,000.00	
<b>Total Employee Related Expense</b>	<b>78,620.35</b>		<b>73,286.41</b>		<b>(5,333.94)</b>		<b>59,219.00</b>	
Snow Fence	1,000.00		877.69		(122.31)		1,000.00	
Miscellaneous	300.00		247.68		(52.32)		300.00	
1994 Truck Repairs	3,000.00		1,454.13		(1,545.87)		2,500.00	
1999 Truck Repairs	1,200.00		885.15		(314.85)		1,200.00	
Tractor/Mower Repair	300.00		162.05		(137.95)		300.00	
Plow/Sander Repair	1,500.00		1,172.71		(327.29)		1,000.00	
Grader Repair	1,250.00		1,324.96		74.96		1,700.00	
Loader/Backhoe Repair	450.00		84.23		(365.77)		450.00	
Miscellaneous Repairs	-		136.55		136.55		100.00	
1994 Truck Expense	150.00		377.58		227.58		500.00	
1999 Truck Expense	500.00		932.62		432.62		1,000.00	
Backhoe Expense	150.00		89.64		(60.36)		450.00	
Gas	37.50		20.06		(17.44)		40.00	

**Town of Pantton  
Selectboard's Proposed Budget  
HIGHWAY FUND**

	Budgeted	Spent	Over	Jul 04 - Jun 05
	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	1/1/02 - 6/30/03	Under ( )	Proposed
Diesel	8,250.00	5,882.32	(2,367.68)	4,300.00
Lubricants	300.00	212.50	(87.50)	300.00
Guard Rail	5,000.00	4,876.00	(124.00)	-
Chloride	10,000.00	7,965.84	(2,034.16)	8,000.00
Cold Patch	1,800.00	621.87	(978.13)	500.00
Culverts	1,500.00	1,194.76	(305.24)	1,000.00
Road Topping (Gravel)	7,500.00	5,923.96	(1,576.04)	5,000.00
Retreatment	44,000.00	41,069.73	(2,930.27)	50,000.00
Salt	14,000.00	19,585.87	5,585.87	14,000.00
Sand	3,000.00	2,179.00	(821.00)	3,000.00
Stone	3,000.00	304.55	(2,695.45)	1,000.00
Road Signs	750.00	691.85	(58.15)	500.00
Electricity	1,500.00	1,077.85	(422.15)	800.00
Garage Repair	750.00	1,056.93	306.93	-
Supplies/Uniforms	1,650.00	1,435.00	(215.00)	1,400.00
Tools/Equipment Purchases	900.00	1,215.95	315.95	600.00
Fuel/Heat	2,250.00	1,680.00	(570.00)	2,500.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,042.28	(457.72)	800.00
Rubbish/Recycling	200.00	127.86	(72.14)	200.00
School House Repair	750.00	-	(750.00)	-
Capital Purchase Fund	5,000.00	-	(5,000.00)	5,000.00
Jersey Street Project	6,000.00	8,113.61	2,113.61	-
<b>Total - Highway Expense</b>	<b>129,237.50</b>	<b>114,022.78</b>	<b>(15,214.72)</b>	<b>109,440.00</b>
<b>Subtotal Hwy Salary &amp; Expense</b>	<b>207,857.85</b>	<b>187,309.19</b>	<b>(20,548.66)</b>	<b>168,859.00</b>
Backhoe Payment	13,334.00	-	(13,334.00)	-
Interest	266.00	266.67	0.67	-
<b>Grand Total Highway</b>	<b>221,457.85</b>	<b>187,575.86</b>	<b>(33,881.99)</b>	<b>168,659.00</b>

Town of Panton  
Statement of Proposed Taxes to be Raised

Balance Forward:

Checkbook	\$ 14,838.51	
Money Market	<u>\$ 112,568.03</u>	\$ 127,404.54
Property Taxes to be collected		\$ 529,339.15
School Assessment Payable		\$ (559,704.00)
Accounts Payable		\$ (7,066.24)
Estimated Income (Jan-June 2003)		
State Aid Highway	\$ 23,655.16	
Interest	\$ 1,000.00	
Permits & Fees	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	\$ 29,655.16
Estimated Expenses (Jan-June 2003)		
General Fund	\$ (50,803.00)	
Highway Fund	<u>\$ (59,416.00)</u>	\$ (110,219.00)
Estimated Income Less Taxes (Jul 2003 - Jun 2004)		
State Aid Highway	\$ 50,000.00	
Interest	\$ 2,000.00	
Permits & Fees	<u>\$ 36,275.00</u>	\$ 88,275.00
Estimated Expenses (Jul 2003 - Jun 2004)		
General Fund	\$ (132,084.44)	
Highway Fund	<u>\$ (168,908.00)</u>	\$ (300,992.44)
Amount to be raised by taxes:		<u>\$ (203,307.83)</u>

On a Grant List of \$437,377.91 (2002), a tax rate of \$.4648 will be needed.

Note: This proposed budget is subject to adjustment based on the Town Voters' approval and/or revisions of the budget and Warranted Articles.

**TOWN OF PANTON  
TAX ACCOUNT  
JANUARY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003**

**Grand List**

True Market Value entered at 100% (excluding market values on Land Use, Veteran's, and State fish & game properties)	\$ 43,737,791.00
1% of Grand List	437,377.91
Tax Rate:	3.0014
2002/2003 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 1,312,746.11

**Appropriation of Real Estate Taxes**

	<u>Rate</u>	
General and Highway Fund	0.4421	193,364.86
School Tax - State of Vermont	1.2298	537,887.20
School Tax - Local Share	1.3295	581,494.04
	\$ 3.0014	\$ 1,312,746.11

**Reconciliation of Real Estate Taxes**

2002/2003 Taxes Collected	\$ 1,296,258.31
Add: 2002/2003 Delinquent Real Estate Taxes Receivable	14,630.67
Abatement of taxes	1,857.13
	\$ 1,312,746.11

**Auditors' Statement**

In accordance with Section 3539V.S., as amended, we have verified the existence of The stated cash balances, audited the reports and records of the town officers, verified The Grand List, and to the best of our knowledge this report presents the true financial Position of the Town of Pantton as of the year ending June 30, 2003.

Marlene Bedard  
Kevin Cooke  
Kathy Kennett

**TOWN OF PANTON  
BALANCE SHEETS  
AS OF JUNE 2003**

**ASSETS**

General & Highway Fund	
Checking Acct#401-005323-4	1,428.26
Charter One Bank	
 General & Highway Fund	 67,754.38
Money Market Acct#491-005675-5	
Charter One Bank	
 Capital Purchase Account	 43,045.70
Money Market Acct#491-005685-2	
Charter One Bank	
 Planning Account	 -
Money Market Acct#491-006365-4	
Charter One Bank	
 Reappraisal Account	 26,861.90
Money Market Acct#491-006833-9	
Charter One Bank	
 Petty Cash	 100.00
 Total cash	 <u>139,190.24</u>
 Real estate taxes receivable	 -
Real estate taxes receivable - delinquent	14,630.87
Due from capital purchase fund	16,547.79
	<u>                    </u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 170,368.70</u></u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES**

Accrued and withheld payroll & benefit expenses	\$ 2,269.90
Accounts payable	-
Equipment note - backhoe	-
Tax anticipation note	70,000.00
School assessment payable	-
Due to general fund-capital purchase account error	16,547.79
Total liabilities	<u>88,817.69</u>
 Fund Balances:	
Reserved for encumbrances	-
Unreserved	
General Fund	28,191.20
Capital Equipment	26,497.91
Reappraisal	26,861.90
Total Fund Balances	<u>81,551.01</u>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	 <b><u><u>\$ 170,368.70</u></u></b>

**TOWN OF PANTON**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**JANUARY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003**

**Revenues**

Real estate taxes - 2003/2004	\$ 150.00
Real estate taxes - 2002/2003	1,296,258.31
Uncollected real estate taxes - 2002/2003	14,630.67
Real estate taxes, contra (write-offs)	(968.16)
Current use tax - 2002/2003	24,329.40
Reappraisal payment	4,368.00
Tax penalties	1,344.15
Certificates of occupancy	360.00
State aid - highway	66,966.54
Retreatment grant	12,972.28
State reimbursement	2,355.00
Building Permits	745.00
Dog taxes	909.50
Permits, licenses and fees	3,408.00
Interest earned	3,120.12
Recording fees	12,325.50
Copies	1,264.98
Culverts	-
Speeding fines	1,383.70
Miscellaneous	738.52
Fire reimbursement	576.00
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Total revenues	1,447,237.51

**Expenditures**

General Fund	(1,293,264.50)
Highway Fund	(187,575.86)
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Total expenditures	(1,480,840.36) -

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures \$ (33,602.85) \$ -

**Transfers:**

From planning fund to general fund & highway fund	-
From general fund & highway fund to reappraisal fund	-
From capital purchase fund to general & highway fund	-
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Excess (deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses \$ (33,602.85)

Fund balance, beginning of period	115,153.86
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Fund balance, end of period	\$ 81,551.01

**TOWN OF PANTON  
GENERAL & HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003**

**General Fund**

**Salaries and related expenses:**

Town clerk/treasurer	\$ 37,549.05
Assistant clerk/treasurer	9,139.15
Misc/Ballot clerk	796.00
Planning clerk	1,571.03
Listers	2,250.00
Auditors	587.50
Zoning administrator	630.00
Health officer	200.00
Planning commission members	900.00
Planning commission grant expenses	-

**Employee benefits:**

Social security	4,443.14
Retirement	1,312.04

**Total employee related expenses**

59,377.91

Contributions 8,683.00

**Fire department:**

Protection agreement	25,309.55
Misc. fires	5,707.52

Errors & omissions insurance 1,803.00

Property & casualty insurance 5,312.00

Legal & professional 4,336.30

Zoning permits 465.00

Zoning/planning 398.31

Planning grant expense 7,256.08

Mileage 199.06

Education 240.00

V.C.L.T. 467.00

Office supplies & expenses 3,254.85

Office equipment 7,476.03

Listers/computer license 10,079.80

Postage & shipping 1,846.69

Printing 1,801.15

Repairs & maintenance - town hall 2,384.79

Utilities - town hall 4,339.86

Telephone 2,680.65

Hawley cemetery 350.00

Hunting/fishing fees 2,574.00

Rubbish/recycling 262.83

Recycling fees 8,019.06

Dog expenses 1,038.39

Marriage licenses 135.00

Book restoration 895.00

Miscellaneous 9.00

Due and assessments 6,158.10

Interest on Tax anticipation note 996.47

**Total General Fund Expenditures before**

173,856.50

**School Assessments**

School assessments:

Union High School District #5 and District & Elementary School District #44	1,119,408.00
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**Total general fund expenditures**

\$ 1,293,264.50

**TOWN OF PANTON**  
**GENERAL & HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES**  
**FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003**

**Highway Fund**

**Salaries and related expenses:**

Road commissioner	\$ 49,230.71
Other salaries	4,071.50
Contracted services	100.00
Mileage	87.32
Employee benefits:	-
Social security	3,165.12
Medical insurance	704.67
Municipal retirement	1,620.68
Unemployment insurance	440.88
Health insurance	8,808.57
Dental insurance	659.96
Workers' compensation insurance	4,397.00
<b>Total employee related expenses</b>	<u>73,286.41</u>

Miscellaneous	247.88
Snow fence	877.69

**Equipment repairs:**

Truck, 1994	1,454.13
Truck, 1999	885.15
Tractor/mower	162.05
Plow/sander	1,172.71
Grader	1,324.96
Loader/backhoe	84.23
Miscellaneous repairs	136.55
<b>Total equipment repairs</b>	<u>5,219.78</u>

Truck, equipment, vehicle expenses	1,399.84
Gas, oil, diesel fuel, lubricants	5,902.38

**Road materials:**

Chloride	7,965.84
Cold patch	621.87
Culverts	1,194.76
Gravel	5,039.96
Retreatment	41,069.73
Salt	19,585.87
Sand	3,063.00
Stone	304.55
<b>Total road materials</b>	<u>76,845.58</u>

Guard rail posts	4,876.00
Road signs	691.85

**Town garage and shed:**

Repairs	1,056.93
Supplies/uniforms	1,647.30
Misc. equip and tools	1,215.95
Fuel/heat	1,680.00
Telephone	1,042.28
Electricity	1,077.85
<b>Total town garage</b>	<u>7,720.31</u>

Rubbish/recycling	127.86
Jersey street project	8,113.61
Interest	266.67

**Total highway fund expenditures** 187,575.86

**Total general and highway fund expenditures** \$ 1,480,840.36

**TOWN OF PANTON  
OTHER FUND ACCOUNTS  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2003**

**Capital Purchase Account**

Balance, December 31, 2002	\$ 30,344.71
Interest Eamed	153.20
Transfer to general fund	(4,000.00)
Transfer from general fund in error	12,153.25
Deposit made in error (s/be general fund)	<u>4,394.54</u>
Balance, June 30, 2003	<u>\$ 43,045.70</u>

**Planning Account**

Balance, December 31, 2002	\$ 2.83
Interest Eamed	-
Transfer from General Fund	-
Transfer to General Fund	<u>(2.83)</u>
Balance, June 30, 2003	<u>\$ -</u>

**Reappraisal Account**

Balance, December 31, 2002	\$ 24,587.27
Interest Eamed	83.63
Deposit Reappraisal payment received	2,191.00
Transfer to General Fund	<u>-</u>
Balance, June 30, 2003	<u>\$ 26,861.90</u>

**TOWN OF PANTON**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003**

Excess (deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	
General & Highway Fund	\$ (52,281.86)
Capital Purchase	\$ (3,676.08)
Planning	\$ (4,506.81)
Reappraisal	<u>\$ 26,861.90</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ (33,602.85)</u></u>
Adjustments to reconcile excess of revenues and other other sources over expenditures and other uses:	
Write-off of uncollectable real estate taxes	968.16
Accrued and withheld payroll expenses	2,269.90
Accounts payable	-
School assessment payable	-
Uncollected current year real estate taxes receivable	(14,630.67)
Prior years delinquent real estate taxes collected	17,573.55
Repayment of backhoe note payment	(13,333.34)
Proceeds from tax anticipation note	145,000.00
Repayment of tax anticipation note	(75,000.00)
Due to/from fund accounts	<u>(16,547.79)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	29,244.75
Cash, beginning of period:	
General Fund	75,264.69
Capital Purchase	30,173.99
Planning	4,506.81
Total Cash beginning of period	<u>\$ 109,945.49</u>
Cash, end of period	<u><u>139,190.24</u></u>

**TOWN OF PANTON  
REPORT OF DELINQUENT TAXES  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2003**

**2002/2003 Delinquent Taxes**

Susan Baltz	93.04
Brian Blacklock	1,770.83
Ronald Childers, Jr.	2,599.21
Asima Chowdry	2,131.69
Brian Curler	849.39
Jackie McNamara	1,916.06
Gary Norton	1,932.90
Lillian Redwood	51.02
Alexander Smith	1,121.02
Ronald Vayer	1,378.14
John Wassenback	789.37

**Total Delinquent Taxes**

**\$ 14,630.87**



## Adams-Kent Cemetery Association

### Financial Report – 2003

Trust Money Market	\$15,820.51	
Certificate of Deposit	5,780.06	
Alberta Kent-Cummings Trust	1,222.07	
Savings Account #911492230	<u>539.55</u>	
Savings Account #1106706 Closed		
		\$23,362.19

#### Receipts

Checkbook Balance 1/1/03		5.70
Transfer Funds		1,428.35
Cash Deposits		<u>2.01</u>
Total Cash Available		\$1,436.06

#### Expenditures

Lawn Care		<u>\$1,400.00</u>
Checkbook Balance 12/31/03		<u><u>36.06</u></u>

#### Present Officers:

President	Claudia Allen	
Sec-Clerk	Lois K. Thurber	
Treasurer	Marlene Bedard	
Trustee	Gary Norton	

**Town of Panton  
Property and Equipment Inventory  
As of January 1, 2004**

**Town Property:**

Four rod (66 feet) right-of-way to Lake Champlain on Turkey Lane.  
Right-of-way to Arnold's Bay approximately 3 acres around the Vergennes-Panton Pumping Station.

Town Garage, Salt Shed, Schoolhouse and six (6) acres.

Town Hall (Town Clerk's Office) and ½ acre.

**Contents of Town Hall/Town Clerk's Office:**

- |                                                                   |                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (1) Backup Battery Power Protection, ATC                          | (7) Ballot Boxes                  |
| (2) Casio MS80TE calculator                                       | (2) Computer Desks                |
| (1) Casio HR-150TE calculator                                     | (1) GE Digital Answering Machine  |
| (1) Panasonic KX-FP250 Fax Machine                                | (9) File Cabinets                 |
| (1) Optimus CTR-117 Voice Recorder                                | (1) Mr. Coffee 8 cup coffee maker |
| (1) Hewlett Packard Pavillion X86 computer                        | (7) Office Chairs                 |
| (1) M70 monitor, keyboard & speakers                              | (141) Folding Chairs              |
| (1) Dell GX240, P/4 computer with monitor,<br>keyboard & speakers | (2) Steel vault bookcases         |
| (1) Gateway 2000 E3000 200Mhz<br>with monitor & keyboard          | (2) Computer Chairs               |
| (1) Hewlett Packard Laser JetIII printer                          | (2) Small folding tables          |
| (3) Flags - 2 American, 1 Vermont                                 | (1) Mosler 1883 safe              |
| (1) Avanti 3.7 cu ft refrigerator                                 | (1) Shredex paper shredder        |
| (1) Steel case 5-shelf book unit                                  | (2) Black, PVC 3-drawer files     |
| (1) IBM Selectric Typewriter                                      | (2) Steel case 4-shelf book unit  |
| (1) Brother ML500 Electric Typewriter                             | (1) Royal EX2 postal scale        |
| (4) Wooden tables (small)                                         | (1) Air King High Velocity Fan    |
| (1) Emerson Microwave                                             | (1) Metal Coat/Umbrella/Boot Rack |
| (1) Crosely Dehumidifier Model DH15J4                             | (7) Modular wall units            |
| (1) Laminated computer desk                                       | (1) CTR-117 Voice Recorder        |
| (1) Panasonic 900 MHz Cordless phone                              | (1) Duracraft electric heater     |
| (1) Eureka hand held vacuum Model 59                              | (1) Duracraft electric heater     |
| (1) Hewlett Packard Scanjet 4400c scanner                         | (1) AT&T 825 Corded phone         |
| (1) Bissell CleanView Vacuum Model 6590                           | (1) Boston 2612 Paper Cutter      |
| (6) Laminated folding conference tables                           |                                   |
| (2) Desk top Notary Stamps                                        |                                   |
| (1) Whirlpool Dehumidifier Model AD50USL4                         |                                   |
| (1) Hewlett Packard Deskjet 5650 color printer                    |                                   |
| (1) Cannon Image Runner 2200 Copier Model 1VN45/9314              |                                   |
| (1) Framed original of signed Panton Charter                      |                                   |

**Town of Panton  
Property and Equipment Inventory  
As of January 1, 2004 (Cont'd)**

**Town Equipment – Town Garage**

1994 International 4700 Diesel Truck and Snowplow  
1999 International 2574 Diesel Truck, Snowplow, Wing and V-Plow  
1975 Caterpillar Grader, Wing and V-Plow  
1987 Case International 4-Wheel Drive Tractor and Bucket  
1999 John Deere 3105E Backhoe  
1994 Sluice Thawer  
Coleman 6-1/2 hp Air Compressor  
EFCO-952 Chainsaw s/n 0572213395  
Poulan Lawn mower  
Pressure Washer  
Air Over Hydraulic Jack 20 T  
Airco Welder 250 amp mig  
Craftsman 13 Drawer Tool Chest  
Sharp EL-2197 Calculator  
Motorola 2-way Radio GM300, 8 Channel (2)  
Solar 660 Fleet Battery Charger/Starter  
Nokia Cellular Phone Microtac Profile 300 Estar-Series  
Refrigerator  
Miscellaneous Small Tools and Equipment

Town of Panton

Vital Statistics  
2003

Marriages

<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
Stephen Paul Bagley	Massachusetts	Jessica Lee Forsythe	Massachusetts	8/29/03	Panton
Lucian Ellis Pickett	Panton	Sharon Sue Roberts	Panton	10/04/03	West Addison
Zane Attely Kroupa Jr.	Panton	Kelly Ann Garrison	Panton	11/18/03	Panton

Births

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
Jordan Elizabeth Norris	F	Paul Norris	Lisa Norris	4/07/03	Middlebury
Amanda Leigh Cook	F	Christopher Cook	Kristina Cook	5/20/03	Burlington
Ryan Andrew Baringer	M	Gregory Baringer	Deborah Baringer	6/17/03	Middlebury
William John Danis	M	Brett Danis	Jessica Churchill-Danis	6/26/03	Panton
Victor Ethan Lynk	M	Gregory Lynk	Lori Ann Lynk	8/05/03	Middlebury

Deaths

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
Robert L. Taylor	68	Panton	1/05/03	Panton
Donald Eben Sargent Jr.	64	Panton	2/02/03	Panton
Robert Taylor	82	Panton	2/05/03	Panton
Daniel Jacob Rheaume	29	Panton	8/28/03	Burlington
James S. Rowe	42	New York	9/24/03	Panton
Geraldine White	76	Panton	10/15/03	Middlebury



***Town of Panton  
Ordinances***

**Town of Panton  
Street Naming & Street Addressing Ordinance**

**Section I: Statement of Purpose**

In accordance with 24 V.S.A. 2291(16) and V.S.A. 24-4421, The Selectboard of the Town of Panton hereby establish the following ordinance in order to establish a more uniform road naming and road addressing system throughout the Town of Panton to enable people to locate addresses effectively for providing emergency services and deliveries.

**Section II: Street Naming**

Each street or road both public and private shall be assigned a name that is separate and distinct from any previously assigned road name in the Town of Panton.

This will be first be done by the E-911 Committee and after public input with final approval by the Panton Selectboard.

In the future, all new development must conform to the guidelines established in the ordinance.

**Section III: General Numbering System Guidelines**

All roads, public and private shall be measured in increments of 5.28 feet from a designated starting point, usually that end of the road nearest the intersection of a larger (traffic volume) road. Odd numbers (addresses) shall be assigned to the left side of all roads and even numbers to the right side.

All numbers shall be assigned in relation to the center of the driveway. In some instances, the center of the structure could be used as the point of numbering. All numbers shall be properly affixed on or near the front entrance visible from the street. The numbers must be legible figures not less than 2 inches high, and in a color contrasting to the background. If the house/structure is not visible from the road, it will require a number placed at the driveway, which is visible from the road. If it is necessary to place the house number beside the driveway, it must be at least 5 feet above ground level to ensure visibility in winter.

**Section V: Street Signs**

The Selectboard, upon adoption of this ordinance, shall institute a program for the installation and maintenance of street signs in accordance with the names established by this ordinance.

All signs shall conform to the standards set forth in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for streets and highways.

**Section VI: Public Notice and Implementation**

The Selectboard of the Town of Panton shall make reasonable effort to ensure that the public is notified of the existence of the Ordinance for Street Naming and Street Addressing.

The Town shall ensure through cooperative efforts with the Post Office, that each property owner is notified of their new address.

This Ordinance is hereby adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Panton on this day of , 1997 and shall, unless a petition is filed as provided by law, become effective upon expiration of sixty (60) days after said date.

**Section VII: Severability**

If any portion of this Ordinance and Amendments is held unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.

**Town of Panton  
Traffic Ordinance**

Pursuant to the provision of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007 and 1008, and Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated Sections 1971 and 2291 (1)(4) and (5), and such other general enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Panton that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of Panton, Vermont.

**ARTICLE I. Definitions**

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

**ARTICLE II. Scope**

The ordinance established special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Panton.

**ARTICLE III. Traffic Control Devices**

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device except in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter or tamper with any traffic control device.
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to install any sign or device, which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device, without prior approval of the Town of Panton Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE IV. Speed Regulations**

Based on traffic studies, the following speed limits are hereby established:

- T.H.#3 Panton Road: A maximum speed of 45 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#4 Jersey Street: A maximum speed of 40 M.P.H. from the intersection of Jersey Street and Button Bay Road, southwesterly to the intersection of Pease Road, then a maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. for the remainder of the length of Jersey Street.
- T.H.#5 Hopkins Road: A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. southwesterly 1.51 miles to the intersection of East Road, then 45 M.P.H. easterly 1.09 miles.
- T.H.#6 Arnolds Bay Road: A maximum speed of 25 M.P.H. from the northern end of Arnolds Bay Road extending a distance of 0.60 miles to the intersection of Adams Ferry Road, then 35 M.P.H. southerly to the intersection of Lake Road and Pease Road.
- T.H.#7 Arnolds Point Road: A maximum speed of 10 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#8 Adams Ferry Road: A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#9 Jersey Street (North): A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. southwesterly

**Town of Panton  
Traffic Ordinance (Cont'd)**

- T.H.#10 Stove Pipe City Road; A maximum speed of 25 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#12 Spaulding Road; A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#13 West Road; A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#14 Slang Road; A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. to the intersection of West Road and easterly to the intersection of VT Route 22A.
- T.H.#15 Allen Road; A maximum speed of 25 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#17 East Road; A maximum speed of 45 M.P.H. for its entire length.
- T.H.#18 Jackson Road; A maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. for its entire length.

**ARTICLE VI. General Provisions**

- A. Offenses: Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.
- B. Penalties: The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative to the fullest extent permitted by law with respect to all other statutes or ordinances now or hereafter adopted regardless of their order of passage or enactment.
- C. Severability: The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provision hereof be adjudged invalid such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provision.
- D. Designation: This ordinance may be referred to as the Panton Traffic Ordinance and in a prosecution hereunder, a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk shall be prima facie evidence thereof. An allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision of this ordinance shall be sufficient reference hereto.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen, Town of Panton at its meeting held on October 12, 2000.

**Town of Panton  
Health Ordinance  
Relating to Individual Sewage Disposal Systems**

**Section I. Purpose**

This ordinance is promulgated under V.S.A. Title 18, Section 613 (Powers of Local Board of Health). The purpose of this ordinance is to:

1. Prevent the creation of health hazards;
2. Prevent surfacing sewage; the contamination of drinking water, groundwater, and surface water;
3. Insure adequate drainage related to the proper functioning of sewage disposal; and
4. Insure that facilities are designed, constructed, operated, and maintained in a manner, which will promote sanitary and healthful conditions.

**Section II. Applicability of Ordinance**

No individual sewage disposal system shall be built or used except in accordance with this ordinance, and only after a permit has been issued by the Health Officer. When a minor modification to an existing system is proposed, the Local Board of Health may waive the permit requirement on a case-by-case basis. Existing domestic sewage disposal systems in operation at the time of adoption of this ordinance shall be considered approved, provided, that such systems do not create a health hazard or nuisance.

Where a municipal sewer is available for connection from a building, a building sewer handling domestic sewage shall be connected to the municipal sewer. In the case of any other applicable regulation, bylaw, ordinance or statute, which differs from this ordinance, the stricter shall apply.

**Section III. Application Procedure**

**1. Construction Permit**

Any person who intends to build, replace or alter a sewage disposal system shall submit an application for a Construction Permit to the Health Officer or his authorized agent. The application shall contain soil and site information as required by Vermont Health Regulations, Chapter 5, Subchapter 10, Wastewater Treatment and Disposal--Individual On-Site Systems (incorporated herein by reference and hereafter referred to as "Vermont Health Regulations"). Individual sewage disposal systems shall be designed in accord with the design specifications in the Vermont Health Regulations

**2. Occupancy Permit**

The applicant shall notify the Local Health Officer or his authorized agent at least 48 hours in advance of the date the sewage disposal system is to be installed so that the Health Officer or his authorized agent can make an inspection during construction. The sewage disposal facilities shall not be used until such facilities have been certified by the Local Health Officer or his authorized agent as being in compliance with this ordinance.

## **Health Ordinance (Cont'd)**

### **Section IV. Alternative Systems**

1. Chemical toilets, privys, composting toilets, and incineration toilets may be approved on a case-by-case basis by the Local Health Officer or his duly appointed agent. If one of the above toilets is used and soil conditions allow, the absorption area of the associated subsurface sewage disposal system may be reduced provided sufficient area is available to add to the leach field in the event that conventional toilets are used to replace the waterless toilets. Full replacement area for a subsurface disposal field is also required. Reduction in the size of any mound system will not be permitted. In allowing a reduction of a subsurface disposal field, the Local Board of Health shall insure that subsequent owners of the property are aware of the limitations of the reduced disposal field and that said disposal area is increased to normal size prior to installation of water-type toilets.
2. At the discretion of the Local Board of Health, and authorized in writing, deviations from the design specifications may be allowed. Such deviations will only be allowed if the minimum soil and site requirements and the performance standards of the Vermont Health Regulations will be met.
3. If a person wishes to use a sewage disposal system not in accord with this ordinance, the Local Board of Health may present the proposed system to the State Board of Health for approval. If a proposed alternative system is approved by the State Board of Health, the Local Board of Health may permit use of the system.

### **Section V. Administrative Procedure**

This procedure is adopted by the authority granted in 18 V.S.A. Section 613 with approval of the State Board of Health, and in accordance with Section 5-909 of the Vermont Health Regulations, Chapter 5, Subchapter 10.

**Technical Information.** Technical information required in the application for Construction and Occupancy Permits shall be prepared by a Sanitary Site Technician of the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts, Inc., or a licensed, professional civil or sanitation engineer.

**Permit Granting Authority.** Technical information shall be reviewed and Construction and Occupancy Permits shall be granted or denied by the Town Health Officer or his authorized agent.

**Appeals.** Applicants may appeal decisions of the Permit Granting Authority to the Local Board of Health. Decision of the Local Board of Health may be appealed to the Superior Court.

### **Written Orders**

1. If the Health Officer or his authorized agent finds a person failing to comply with this ordinance he may, in writing, order the person to comply within a specified period of time (18 V.S.A. Section 614).
2. A person who neglects or refuses to comply with a written order of the Local Board of Health, the Health Officer, or his authorized agent may be fined not more than \$500 for each offense. Each week that a violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense (24 V.S.A. Section 1974).
3. Upon such neglect or refusal, the Local Board of Health may prevent, remove or destroy any unhealthful conditions or causes of sickness. Expenses incurred by such action shall be recovered from the person whose legal duty it was to comply with such order (18 V.S.A. Section 610).

**Section VI. Enforcement (Cont'd)**

**Hindrance**

Any person who attempts to hinder the work of the Health Officer or his authorized agent, or the Local Board of Health shall be fined not more than \$500 for each offense (18 V.S.A. Section 616).-

**Section VII. Definitions**

**Applicant** -- the person who owns the premises on which the sewage disposal system will be constructed.

**Local Board of Health** -- the Local Health Officer, with the Selectmen of the town or city council.

**Local Health Officer** --the legally designated health authority of the town.

**On-Site Sewage System** -- system for disposal of domestic waste using soil as a disposal medium, including a tank for collection of solids and a leach area for liquids.

**Permit** -- a written permit issued by the Local Board of Health or other authorized person. Said permit shall become void if not used within two years after the date it is issued.

**Person** -- any institution, public or private corporation, individual, partnership, or other entity.

**Subsurface Sewage Disposal System** -- any system which treats and disposes of domestic sewage underground.

Submitted by Local Board of Health:

Approved by the Vermont Board of Health June 7, 1983

**Town of Panton  
Zoning Regulations  
(Adopted March 3, 1987) Amended October 11, 2000**

This ordinance regulates development. Full text of the ordinance is available for review at the Town Clerk's office and/or you may purchase a copy for \$10.00 (covers printing fees).

**Town of Panton  
Flood Hazard Ordinance  
(Adopted March 3, 1987) Amended October 11, 2000**

Part of the Zoning Ordinance it protects public health and safety from the hazards of flooding and is required for the town to obtain federal flood insurance.

**Town of Panton**  
**Ordinance for the Control of Dogs**  
**(Adopted April 25, 1989) Amended November 12, 2001**

**Section 1. Purpose**

- A. Pursuant to the authority of Title 20 VSA 3549, the Town of Panton Selectboard hereby enact the following ordinance for the control of dogs within the town of Panton.

**Section 2. Restrictions**

- A. No person shall allow a dog to run at large in an "uncontrolled manner" within the limits of the Town of Panton. An "uncontrolled manner" shall mean a dog, which is not (1) on a leash, (2) on or within a vehicle, (3) on the property of the owner.
- B. All dogs within the town limits of Panton shall be registered and have valid tags attached by a collar indicating such.
- C. All dogs within the town limits of Panton shall have received rabies vaccination prior to registration, and upon registration a certificate from the veterinarian shall be presented to the Town Clerk stating such.
- D. Any dog(s) causing a disturbance such as excessive barking as to the disturb the public peace will be considered a public nuisance, and the owner will be liable for prosecution under the penalties prescribed in this ordinance.

**Section 3. Enforcement**

- A. The Panton Selectboard or Constable shall have overall responsibility to see that the ordinance is enforced.
- B. The Panton Selectboard shall have the authority to appoint a dog warden, and such assistance as the Selectboard feel necessary.

The Panton Selectboard or Dog Warden and assistant, when appointed shall be responsible for the enforcement of the ordinance.

**Section 4. Impounding Procedure**

- A. The Selectboard, Dog Warden and assistants, or the Town Constable may impound any dog found in violation of this ordinance at the most accessible pound, and shall also upon complaint, impound any dogs found in violation of this ordinance at the most accessible pound.
- B. Upon delivery to the pound, the pound will notify the dog's owner if the dog is licensed. The dog shall be held for three (3) days after the owner is notified.
- C. If the dog is unlicensed; the pound will still hold the dog for three (3) days.
- D. If the owner does not claim the dog; the dog shall be given to whoever pays the fees, the rabies shots and licensing fees. If no one shall desire the dog, the dog shall be humanely destroyed and the owner, if known, shall pay the fees.

**Section 5. Fees**

- A. Each person claiming a dog from the pound shall pay to the Town of Panton the sum of \$50.00 for the first offense, \$100.00 for the second offense and \$200.00 for each offense thereafter to a maximum of \$500. Any dog owner having at least 24 months pass since the last offense shall be assessed fees as having no prior violation under this ordinance. In addition to the aforementioned fines, the owner shall also pay all pound keeper's charges before the dog is released.



## VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns' mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. Most government services used by Vermonters on a daily basis are those provided by its cities and towns. These include highways, police, fire, recreation, sewer and water. Vermont municipal officials are responsible for raising and expending nearly one-half of the non-federal taxes raised in the state.

In large part, volunteer elected and appointed municipal officials lead these governments. VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns, to strengthen the ability of these officials to provide quality services at affordable levels of taxation:

- Advocacy representation before the State Legislature, administration and judiciary, ensuring that municipalities have the resources and authority to serve their citizens. VLCT is a leader in the education finance debate and in securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs.
- Training, technical assistance and publications to strengthen the ability of municipal officials to serve their communities. In the past year, we have responded to almost 50,000 telephone calls, 21,200 of them from local officials on the toll-free telephone line available to them. Our Municipal Assistance Center and Group Services staffs provided over 750 workshops and small group training sessions attended by over 4,000 municipal officials and answered over 2,300 legal questions posed by municipal officials. VLCT distributed over 575 copies of local government publications and distributed over 3,200 hard copies or electronic mail versions of VLCT's Weekly Legislative Report to municipal officials each week during the legislative session.
- Purchasing opportunities to provide needed services at the lowest cost. These include an array of municipal insurance programs, among many others. Examples of how this saves local taxpayers dollars are the securing of municipal employee health insurance and liability coverage for town operations. The VLCT Health Trust represents the most affordable option available to provide health insurance to municipal employees. The value of VLCT PACIF to all our members was made painfully clear last year when the major re-insurer for the largest private sector option available for municipal property and casualty insurance was declared insolvent by the State of Pennsylvania, threatening the payment of claims made under those policies.

All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 140 other municipal entities including villages and fire districts. Membership dues are \$.72 per capita plus a \$250 service fee per year. VLCT maintains its offices in Montpelier and employs 42 staff members. It has an annual operating budget of approximately \$3.0 million.

Individuals interested in finding out more about Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including reviewing its audited financial statements can visit its Web site at [www.vlct.org](http://www.vlct.org).

**Vermont Department of Health  
Middlebury District Office  
2003 Report**

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**Food and Lodging Inspections:**

National surveys show that more people are eating out more often. Public health sanitarians inspect eating establishments (restaurants, schools, fairs) to decrease the risk of food borne disease outbreaks. The five greatest risks for food borne outbreaks are: keeping food too long at improper temperatures, inadequate cooking, contaminated equipment, food from an unsafe source, and poor personal hygiene among food handlers. Inspections include review of a 44-item check list to evaluate food storage, preparation and handling as well as to identify where there is a high likelihood of practices contributing to illness if left uncorrected. At the 1 establishment in Pantton, 1 inspection was completed by a sanitarian during 2002.

**Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC):**

One of the most effective ways to improve the health of the overall population is to improve nutrition and physical activity. WIC improves the health of pregnant and postpartum women, infants, and young children by assuring access to health care, teaching families about good nutritional practices, and providing an individually designed package of nutritious food to eligible individuals. During 2002, 20 women, infants, and children living in Pantton received foods as well as health screening and individualized nutrition education through this program. The average value of foods provided is \$35.00 per person per month.

**Vaccine – Preventable Diseases:**

Proper vaccination protects children and adults against many diseases, saves health care dollars, and minimizes sick leave from school or work. Immunization has reduced reportable cases of preventable diseases in Vermont to record low levels. Still, total annual hospital charges from vaccine-preventable disease in Vermont is \$2.6M, and each year 150 to 200 Vermonters die of pneumonia or influenza. During 2002, the Health Department distributed 9206 doses of vaccine to health care providers in Addison County. This represents a value of \$119,335.80 to Addison County.

**ADDISON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
ANNUAL REPORT - 2003 ADAM LOUGEE, DIRECTOR**

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) was pleased to provide the following technical assistance and planning support to its member municipalities during its 2003 fiscal year:

**Planning and Mapping**

- Provided assistance to Bristol, Lincoln, Weybridge, Waltham and Leicester resulting in new Town Plans that were municipally adopted and regionally reviewed and confirmed.

- Provided assistance on town plans, zoning, and subdivision to Cornwall, Starksboro, New Haven, Panton, Shoreham, Salisbury, Monkton, Bristol, Lincoln, Orwell, Leicester and Vergennes

- Provided data and mapping products to support on-going town planning activities in Middlebury, Bridport, Bristol, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, New Haven, Monkton, Orwell, Shoreham, Vergennes, Waltham and Whiting.

- Presented County Data Profile of demographic, economic, and statistical town information to municipalities in the region.

- Began work on the Economic Development, the Utilities and Facilities and the Energy sections of the Regional Plan.

- Assisted the Lewis Creek Association with watershed mapping and stream morphology analysis and the Middlebury River Partnership with an assessment of the watershed and buffer zones of the river.

- Updated and provided new road name maps to all towns in the county.

- Coordinated a statewide outreach program to present community build out software and developed a manual to accompany software.

- Helped write and presented the Zoning Administrator's Handbook.

- Provided support to the Towns of Orwell, Bridport, Leicester, Ferrisburgh, Waltham, Cornwall, Bristol, Salisbury, New Haven, Ripton and Middlebury in securing Municipal planning grants.

- Helped write or provided information and support to a several other communities or organizations to allow them to secure other grant funding.

**Emergency Planning:**

- Worked with Addison County's Emergency Planning Committee and Vermont Emergency Management staff to assist towns with municipal emergency planning efforts. Currently, all Addison municipalities have Rapid Response Plans in place.

- Continued work as Vermont's Project Impact Community for 2001—a \$300,000 effort designed to further the goals of mitigation in the region.

- Began bringing a Countywide All - Hazards Mitigation Plan with annexes for each municipality out to town selectboards for adoption.

**Transportation Planning**

- Completed a Traffic and Parking Study for downtown Bristol.

- Supported Addison County Transit Resources by administering the 5310 program and chairing its Board

- Completed a Strategic Plan for Addison County Transit Resources ("ACTR").

- Began the last stage of a study of a multi-modal transportation center located in Middlebury at the old station to accommodate a proposed commuter train and other multimodal uses.

- Continued Lake Champlain Byways work on the Strategic Plan for Celebration Champlain and marketing work for the region.

- Funded Bridport, Middlebury, Shoreham in producing highway structures inventories of their roads.

- Performed traffic counts and safety inventories on unsignalized intersections for several towns.

- Began work on a sidewalk study for the Town of New Haven.

**Educational Meetings and Grants:**

- Hosted seminar/workshop series in conjunction with VLCT, and MOMs and TOEs.

- Held public meetings on a wide variety of planning topics, including Onsite Sewage Disposal and VELCOs transmission upgrade.

- Continued to work with local watershed groups and the Watershed Collaborative.

- Assisted local fire Departments in applying for FIRE grants.

## ENHANCED 911 BOARD REPORT

### Statewide System Operations - Jan 1 2003 to Nov 30 2003

Total Calls Handled System-wide	Wire Line	113,763	Wireless	60,374
Total Abandoned Calls System-wide	Wire Line	15,464	Wireless	3,656
Average Call Answer Time System-wide	5 seconds			
Average Call Duration System-wide	1 minute 54 seconds			

The Vermont E-911 system continues to perform within established benchmarks.

The Enhanced 911 Board operates ten 9-1-1 call answering points, known as Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP). They are located at the Springfield Police Department, the Hartford Police Department, the Montpelier Police Department, the Lamoille County Sheriff's Office, the Saint Albans Police Department, the Shelburne Police Department, and the State Police Barracks at Williston, Rutland, Rockingham and Derby to be operational by Jan 2004.

#### E 9-1-1 Address Confidentiality

In 1996, the General Assembly passed a law requiring Towns that created new street addresses for enhanced 9-1-1 to provide a confidentiality option to residents.

This option allows residents to prevent their names from being linked with their new street addresses in municipal public records, such as the Grand List. If you choose to exercise this option, you are required by law to provide the Town Clerk with an alternate mailing address, such as a Post Office box. Copies of the "Confidentiality Option Form" and instructions are available at your Town Office or on the internet @ [www.state.vt.gov/e911](http://www.state.vt.gov/e911). Your Confidentiality Option Form is not a public record and is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Law. Town officials are required to preserve your privacy.

**Total 9-1-1 calls from Panton in 2003 were 80. This figure includes ambulance, police, fire and false/misdialed calls.**

#### Tips for Cellular Callers

Did you know that cellular and other wireless phone users use different technology from home and business phones? This means 9-1-1 call-takers do not automatically know your location or telephone number when you make a 9-1-1 call from your cellular phone.

Immediately say you are calling from a cellular phone.

Give your name and cellular phone number in case the call is disconnected.

Describe the nature of emergency: fire, automobile accident, road hazard, suspicious activity or other emergency.

Give the location of the emergency: street name and address, city, major cross streets, freeway/highway name or number, nearest freeway ramp/exit, direction of traffic, landmarks.

Provide a description of the vehicle or individual (but don't risk your personal safety to obtain these facts): license number, make, model, color or special markings, and/or description of the driver or suspect.

## Addison County Solid Waste Management District



*Teri Kuczynski, District Manager*

The District reached a milestone this year with the Resolution to hold a District-wide bond vote on Town Meeting Day, March 2, 2004. This decision concludes a two-year planning process reviewing potential improvements to the District's Transfer Station on Route 7 South, in Middlebury. The Transfer Station is the central conduit for the majority of solid waste collected in our member towns by the commercial waste haulers. For the past 10 years, this Transfer Station has allowed for competition to flourish in Addison County, thereby saving the residents and businesses money and providing a facility that all of the hauling companies can access.

By redesigning the Transfer Station, we intend to:

- Improve the traffic flow in and out of the Transfer Station;
- Make the Transfer Station a safer place for all staff and customers;
- Save the commercial haulers time and money by increasing the speed at which they drop off their waste and get back on the road;
- Expand the facility to keep up with continued growth for the next 20 years; and
- Comply with pending storm water runoff and other regulations in the State.

The District has just retired its original bond that paid for the construction of the existing facility, so bonding for these improvements is timely. As with the original bond, the District will pay for the costs of the bond **through the tipping fees charged at the District's Transfer Station, not through member town assessments.**

The District also completed its Solid Waste Implementation Plan, which was submitted to the Agency of Natural Resources for review and comment. The District will be soliciting public input on the essential elements of the Plan and holding public hearings in the near future. Please take advantage of the opportunity to comment by attending one of the hearings or by accessing the Executive Summary on our web page at [www.acswmd.org](http://www.acswmd.org). Your opinion counts with us!

On January 1, 2004, the District entered into a three-year contract with Casella Waste Management to haul and dispose of waste from the Transfer Station to an out-of-district landfill. Landfill fees have increased, but, once again, the rate we will receive is very competitive.

The 2004 tipping fee for waste and construction & demolition debris will be increased by \$3.50/ton in 2004. All other rates will remain the same. The rate increase will cover the higher landfill disposal fees and will begin to finance the capital improvements and replacement equipment necessary to continue transfer station operation. This amounts to an average increase of \$1.68/person per year, or about 4 cents per bag. Although the District does not control the price charged by local haulers, the above information can be used as a guide in determining what percentage of a hauler's increase, if any, is attributed to the District's rate increase.

## 2003 Summary of Programs

### Recycling and Diversion

The District continues to provide for the recycling and diversion of special wastes at its transfer station in Middlebury.

**2003 Recycling and Diversion Tonnages**

Material	Amount
Scrap Metal and Appliances	623 tons
Tires	53 tons
Electronics	57 tons
Hard and Soft Cover Books	17 tons
Cardboard	16 tons
Lead Acid Batteries	1,336 batteries
Waste Oil	4,000 gallons
Antifreeze	271 gallons
Oil Filters	11,000 filters
Fluorescent Lightbulbs	34,000 linear feet
Clean Wood	125 tons

### Household and Small Business Hazardous Waste Management

During the 2003 season, 20 hazardous waste collection events were offered, with 949 households and 29 small businesses participating. Residents were able to safely dispose of their unwanted paints, solvents, pesticides, and other chemicals through this important program.

### Composting

Through the District's annual backyard compost bin sale, over 120 households in 2003 joined the thousands of Addison County families already composting their vegetable scraps and yard waste.

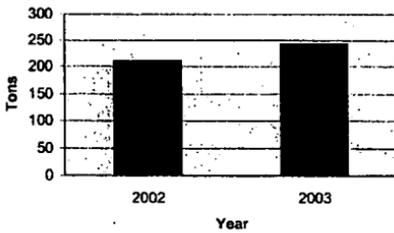


# Panton Analysis

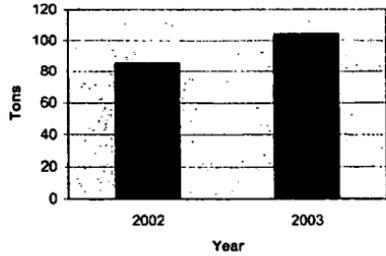
	MSW	
	2002	2003
January	9.99	16.07
February	14.36	11.55
March	15.24	18.50
April	18.11	17.70
May	25.08	19.12
June	18.15	26.17
July	17.46	24.95
August	21.36	24.68
September	18.82	24.88
October	20.76	21.74
November	14.91	20.54
December	15.4	16.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>209.64</b>	<b>242.54</b>

	C&D	
	2002	2003
January	2.2	1.86
February	1.16	2.32
March	2.24	1.16
April	4.5	4.00
May	6.95	5.71
June	17.44	6.39
July	8.42	10.85
August	6.7	10.99
September	10.26	37.17
October	1.85	9.38
November	20.56	7.64
December	2.96	6.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>85.24</b>	<b>104.37</b>

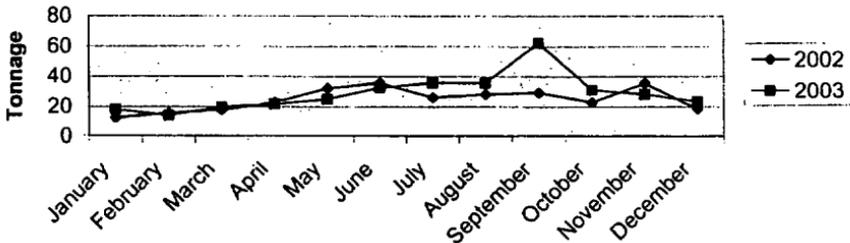
Tonnage To Date -- MSW



Tonnage To Date -- C&D



Total Tonnage per Month -- MSW & C&D



In the ACSWMD, the average rate increase impact per person on MSW (trash) is \$1.68/year.  
 $(14,585.67 \text{ tons} \times 3.50/\text{ton increase} - \$51,049.85 / 30,411 \text{ (population)}) = \$1.68/\text{person/year}$

**ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
TRANSFER STATION RATE SCHEDULE**

**Effective: January 1, 2004**

**Hours**

**Monday - Friday – 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00**

Closed Sundays and Holidays

<b>Trash, Construction &amp; Demolition</b>	<b>\$100.50/ton</b>
<b>Minimum Fee</b> Minimum Load Size - 5 Cubic Yards or 1/2 ton for <b>regular trash only</b>	<b>\$50.25</b>
<b>Minimum Fee -- 100 lbs. or less -- all other material</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>Non-Friable Asbestos</b>	<b>\$125.00/ton</b>
<b>Clean Wood/ Raw Lumber</b>	<b>\$20.00/ton</b>
<b>Bulky Wastes</b> Full, queen, & king mattresses or boxsprings and couches	<b>\$5.00/ea.</b>
<b>Smaller Bulky Wastes</b> Mattress or box spring (twin or smaller), Chairs, Sinks or Toilets	<b>\$3.00/ea.</b>
<b>Appliances w/ Freon</b> Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, water fountains, etc.	<b>\$10.00/ea.</b>
<b>Appliances—no freon</b> , furnaces, Washers, dryers, hot water heaters, stoves, dish washers, microwaves, etc.	<b>\$5.00/ea.</b>
<b>Computers</b> (System consists of monitor, CPU and accessories)	<b>\$11.00 per system</b>
Per Pc.	<b>\$6.00 per pc.</b>
Per Lb.	<b>\$0.227/lb.</b>
<b>Televisions</b>	<b>\$0.257/lb</b>
Regular	<b>\$7.00/ea.</b>
Console	<b>\$15.00/ea.</b>
<b>Light Ballasts With PCB's</b>	<b>\$5.00/ea.</b>
<b>Scrap Metal - Friday and Saturdays Only</b> (includes electrical wire, all metals, etc.)	<b>\$1.00/cy</b>
<b>Tires</b>	<b>\$0.0565/lb.</b>
Passenger Tires	<b>\$2.00/ea.</b>
Large Truck Tires	<b>\$6.00/ea.</b>
Off-road Vehicle & Heavy Equip. Tires	<b>\$20.00/ea.</b>
<b>Fluorescent Light Bulbs</b>	
Smaller than 4'	<b>\$.25/ea.</b>
4' Bulbs	<b>\$.50/ea.</b>
8' Bulbs	<b>\$1.00/ea.</b>
<b>Lead Acid Batteries – (Auto, Motorcycle, etc. All sizes of wet cell)</b>	<b>\$1.00/ea.</b>
<b>Antifreeze</b>	<b>\$1.00/gal.</b>
<b>Corrugated Cardboard</b> (Minimum \$2.00)	<b>\$2.00/cy.</b>
<b>Used Motor Oil</b> (In containers of 5 gallons or less)	<b>No Charge</b>
<b>Oil Filters</b>	
3 or less	<b>No Charge</b>
4 or more	<b>\$.25/ea.</b>
55 gallon drum of filters	<b>\$35.00/drum</b>
<b>Propane Cylinders</b>	
1lb. Cylinder (small camping and torch size)	<b>No Charge</b>
20lb. Cylinder (Grill size)	<b>\$3.00/ea.</b>
<b>District Fee</b> (Charged On Waste Not Delivered To The Transfer Station)	<b>\$33.40/ton</b>

District surcharges for violations of the Waste Management Ordinance separation requirements

**Recyclables, Metal, Yard Waste**      **10% Of Tipping Fee**

**Hazardous Waste**      **20% Of Tipping Fee** plus handling and disposal

Contact the District Office (388-2333) for disposal locations and times for items not listed here.

## Town of Panton Recycling

### Why should you recycle?

- Recycling reduces the amount of potentially harmful trash that is buried in a landfill.
- Recycling reuses the materials you collected into the same or different products.
- Recycling reduces the dependence on disposable products.
- Recycling reduces household hazardous waste (through proper disposal) from harming our health and community.
- Recycling saves natural resources in the remanufacturing process.
- Recycling creates jobs.
- Recycling creates new products made from collected materials.

### Where?

The Vergennes Recycling Center. Located at the intersection of West and Canal Street in Vergennes and operated by JR's Rubbish and Recycling.

### Who Can Use It?

Residents from Panton, Vergennes, Ferrisburgh, Addison and Waltham.

### Hours of Operation?

Wednesday 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. and Saturday 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

### Cost?

The cost of this service is paid through the taxes of each city/town.

### What?

**Paper** – OCC, newspaper, inserts, flyers, magazines, paper bags, office paper, box board Gabletop

**Not accepted** – Coffee cups, waxed cardboard, very wet, oily, or dirty papers, Paper with plastic attached, pizza boxes.

**Plastics #1-7** – Bottles and containers, small pails (no metal handles)

**Not accepted** – Laundry baskets, large pails or drums, plastic household items, Plastic packaging, other types of film that is not a grocery sack.



**Town of Panton  
Recycling (Cont'd)**

**Metal** – Steel or aluminum cans

**Not accepted** – Scrap metal or any kind that is not a can

**Glass** – Clean and colored container glass

**Not accepted** – Household glassware, plate glass, mirrors, ceramics

**How?**

Place **ALL** your recyclables into **one box or bag!** NO MORE SORTING! State of the art recycling plant (Haycore, Canada) automates the sorting of glass, plastics, cans, cardboard, etc. so you don't have to.

Not sure about an item? – E-mail: [lynne@jrrecycle.com](mailto:lynne@jrrecycle.com).

*Note: You may also recycle at JR's Rubbish and Recycling in New Haven Junction, Vermont on Route 7 (old White Pigment building). Hours are Saturday 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.*



**R**emember that reducing waste is the *key* to saving money - the less you have to get rid of, the less you pay!

Try to:

- ✓ bring your own grocery bag shopping;
- ✓ avoid disposable or single-use items;
- ✓ package lunches in reusable plastic containers rather than disposable baggies;
- ✓ borrow or rent infrequently used items, such as specialty tools, moving equipment, or party decorations and supplies;
- ✓ use the blank side of scrap paper for phone memos or notes;
- ✓ reuse gift wrap or buy pretty cloth to wrap gifts; and
- ✓ get off junk mail lists (call the Solid Waste District for details)

*Reports and Activities  
of Addison County  
and State Organizations  
Who Provide Services  
to the  
Town of Panton  
Calendar Year 2003*



**(financials are on file with Town Clerk)**



## *Vergennes Area Rescue Squad, Inc.*

P.O. BOX 11, VERGENNES, VERMONT 05491

### ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 2003

The Vergennes Area Rescue Squad, Inc. would like to thank the individuals, other emergency organizations, towns and businesses that have given us valuable support over the years. Serving seven towns and responding to several others for mutual aid, we responded to 658 emergency calls in 2003.

We have undergone some very positive changes over the course of the past year. In September Chuck Welch joined Vergennes Rescue as our full time staff EMT. In addition to responding to emergency calls and managing operations and facilities, Chuck also devotes a portion of his time to community outreach and agency development. We are also in the process of transitioning our EMT -intermediates to a new curriculum and updated protocols. Consequently, we are now able to administer additional lifesaving drugs such as nitroglycerin, glucagon and albuterol.

As always, we take pride in working with and for our community. Collaboration with the local first response groups, Ferrisburgh, Town Line, Monkton and New Haven, who initiate and provide care until the ambulance arrives, facilitates efficient treatment. These dedicated individuals are a vital link in our chain of care. Rescue members continue to volunteer their time to standby at community events in case of an emergency. And, our ongoing annual subscription program is available to families or individuals without medical insurance, in the event they need emergency assistance.

Vergennes Rescue strives not only to facilitate exceptional internal training, but also to promote health awareness within the larger community. This year Vergennes Rescue awarded four scholarships to local high school seniors pursuing training and education in emergency services fields. We offered several CPR courses and an Emergency Care Attendant course to further medical training within the community. In addition, five Vergennes members recently became American Heart Association CPR instructors and we now have the resources to offer ongoing CPR courses more frequently. A Healthy Homes grant we received from the Vermont State Health Department funds home visits in the community to raise awareness about issues like radon gas, second hand smoke and lead exposure.

Vergennes Rescue is a non-profit, volunteer organization. We do bill for service to support our continued operations. These bills are primarily covered through insurance payments and the Vergennes Rescue subscription program. However, financial or insurance situations have no bearing on our response or the level of care provided; we respond to every call for assistance. Please remember to properly identify residences with correct street addresses, so that we may locate you in an emergency.

In closing, the members of Vergennes Rescue encourage citizens to become involved in local emergency service organizations. Volunteers are the backbone of our local agencies; excellent care and service depends on the commitment of many dedicated individuals.

Vergennes Rescue wishes everyone a safe and happy new year. Thank you for your support.

Jennifer Sisemoore President

**Bixby Memorial Library Annual Report 2002-2003**  
258 Main Street, Vergennes, VT 05491

During the year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, 1024 new titles were added to the collection. This included books, magazines, cassettes and videos for both adults and children. 1118 books were discarded either because of age or condition, leaving the present collection at 28,573 titles. Our circulation was 34,079, evenly divided between adult and children. Talking books continue to increase in popularity. Of the books circulated, Addison residents check out 13%, Ferrisburgh 34%, Pantton 8%, Vergennes 32%, Waltham 5%, and other communities 8%. We added 253 new adult patrons and 113 children. Through interlibrary loan we borrowed 391 from other libraries and 156 were borrowed from the Bixby. To supplement our collection, we borrowed 600 from the Regional Library. We received a couple of major gifts during the last fiscal year including two bequests totaling over \$35,000, and Freeman Foundation grant money for much needed capital improvements.

In June we hosted an art show in which school children in the five town school district participated, and in July we held our Annual Addison County Art Show which opened with a Tea and Mini Flower Show sponsored by the Vergennes Garden Club. The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron #14, gave financial backing for several programs for the summer reading program enabling us to bring wonderful speakers and widen the horizons of children of the area. Included was a trip to the Owlery, which drew 60 children, a visit with Harry Potter (100 children). A large dome was erected in the reference room and 65 children enjoyed a program about the night sky by Sky Shows of Vermont. The young people traveled to Poland for folk songs, to the arctic with live sled dogs and to Africa with a former Peace Corps volunteer. During the year the Wednesday morning story hours were well attended and in April the children's Librarian started a program of songs, fingerplays and dancing for very small children birth to 3 years which has proved very popular. All children are welcome to these programs. For older children, the American Red Cross gave a two day baby sitter class, a local artist shared adventures in drawing, and especially for home schoolers, their was a series of talks about famous artists. For adults the third Thursday brought several interesting programs; a panel on agriculture in the Addison County area, a lecture on historical buildings in Vermont and Howard Coffin spoke about the Civil War. J. Parini read from his poetry and Jan Albers read from her book Hands on the Land.

The annual supper for our wonderful volunteers was a success, as was our annual fund raising Gaia and our annual book sale.

A Friends of the Library was formed with many members who are interested in helping the Bixby Library become a greater part of the community. They helped with several events such as our 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and purchased several items we wanted but couldn't include in our budget. On the last day of the fiscal year, the Board and staff members hosted a retirement party for retiring Librarian Lois Noonan who has served the library 46 years. It was a joyful occasion attended by almost 200 people who came to wish her farewell. I am very appreciative of the occasion. I am indebted to the board members over the years for their support and guidance. They include: Barbara Carson and Dick Wright from Addison, Dave Tatlock, Treasurer, and Marilla Sorrell from Ferrisburgh, Brad Howe, Chairman and Ed Smith from Pantton, Kitty Oxholm and Jane Gardner, Vice Chairman from Vergennes and Glenn Fay, Secretary from Addison.

The staff includes Lois Noonan, Director, retiring July 1<sup>st</sup>, Linda Braginton, Assistant Librarian, Dennielle Brinkman, Children's Librarian, Paula Bean, Mary Cheney, Jean Chester, Doris Hayden, Theresa McBride, Lenore Morse and Mary Ellen Toczeko.

## Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds in 2004

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### Addison County Community Action Group, Inc.

PO Box 165 • 282 Boardman Street • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-3608

The mission of the Addison County Community Action Group is "to end poverty in Addison County and enable all persons to fully participate in a just society." We strive to provide Addison County residents with emergency services, and we also work to provide people with the tools and resources they can use to become economically empowered.

ACCAG' services include, but are not limited to: Development and management of affordable housing, Emergency Food Shelf, rent, utility and fuel assistance, emergency firewood, emergency medical and dental assistance, and transportation to medical appointments, Wheels for Jobs (low-cost autos, money for fuel and car repairs for persons who need a vehicle to get to work), Transitional Supported Housing Program for chronically homeless persons with serious mental illness, low-cost and free clothing and essential household goods from Retro Works and the MMM Thrift Shop, job training programs, financial assistance with emergency home repairs.

This year, ACCAG served 24 Pantton residents in 8 families.

### Addison County Home Health & Hospice, Inc.

PO Box 754 • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-6126

Addison County Home Health & Hospice was founded in 1968 by a group of Addison County residents, it has been providing high quality, comprehensive community health care services to Addison County individuals and their families since March of 1970. Starting with two part-time nurses and an operating budget of \$12,000, today the Agency's budget is \$6 million and we employ over 160 staff to meet the home care needs of the community. From 291 visits in our first year, this year we provided nearly 60,000 visits. In the past year we provide almost \$100,000 in free care.

The nature and complexity of home health care has changed greatly and the challenges have been many. Changing expectations about growing older, advances in technology, impending staff shortages and reductions in reimbursement are just a few of the challenges ahead. Through it all, our mission remains the same!

Thanks to the towns we serve and their commitment to that mission, we are able to continue with our ongoing philosophy of providing care to all clients regardless of their ability to pay. We are available to address the needs of our clients 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year.

Statistical data, in visits, for FYE 6/30/03 is as follows:

Skilled Nursing	195	Medical Social Worker	2
Physical Therapy	63	Licensed Nurse Assistant	166
Speech Therapy	0	Hospice Services	351
Occupational Therapy	0	Homemaker	0
		Waiver Services	<u>173</u>
		Total Visits	634

## **Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds in 2004 (continued)**

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### **Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District 88 Catamount Park • Suite B • Middlebury, VT 05753**

The Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District is a non-profit organization. The mission of the district is to enhance conservation awareness in all citizens so they understand and act on basic principles of rational use and care for Addison County's environment.

#### **Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program**

USDA'S Farm Service Agency (FSA) and the State of Vermont have launched a Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) to protect the 490-square mile Lake Champlain and its tributaries. CREP uses federal and state resources to safeguard environmentally sensitive land through the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). Producers enrolled in CRP remove lands from agricultural production and plant native grasses, trees, and other vegetation to reduce sediment runoff and improve the quality of water and wildlife habitat. The goals of the Vermont CREP are to reduce phosphorus loading to Lake Champlain by 48.3 tons per year and enhance wildlife and aquatic habitat.

The Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District (OCNRCD) supplied 29,565 trees, tubes, mats and stakes to 14 area farmers to plant on 152 CREP contract acres in 2003.

### **Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, Inc. PO Box 158 • Winooski VT 05404-0158 • 1-800-639-2084 Senior Help Line: (800) 642-5119 (Voice/TTY) Web: [www.cva.org](http://www.cva.org)**

Helping people age with independence and dignity for 30 years. CV AA is grateful to the citizens of Pantton for their ongoing support of services for area seniors. The services available to residents of Pantton include:

**MEALS ON WHEELS** - Provides hot wholesome meals to seniors age 60 or over. Volunteers deliver Meals on Wheels to homebound individuals who are ill, frail, or recuperating after a hospital stay and unable to prepare their own meal.

**SENIOR COMMUNITY MEALS** - In Pantton, these meals are served at the Eagles Club in Vergennes and at many area restaurants. In addition to a nutritious meal, the community meal provides socialization and companionship for older people who may be isolated or live alone.

**CASE MANAGEMENT** - CVAA Case Managers make in-home visits and connect individuals with the services and resources they need in order to remain independent and in their own home. Jennifer Brisson, the CVAA Case Manager for Pantton, works with seniors in your town. Jennifer may be reached through the CVAA office at 865-0360 or 1-800-642-5119.

**SENIOR HELPLINE** - A toll-free service that provides answers to any question or concern regarding services for older people.

## Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds in 2004 (continued)

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### Vermont Adult Learning

282 Boardman Street • Suite 2 • Middlebury VT 05753 • (802) 388-4392

*Adult Education and Literacy* - Free service for students who are over 16, not enrolled in high school, or lacking basic skills. These students may study subject areas covered in the GED test and Vermont Adult Diploma program, basic reading, writing, math, driver's permit, balancing a checkbook, using a computer, English as a second language. Teachers meet students individually, in groups and in classes at the Vermont Adult Learning Center, in their homes, in libraries, at the Parent/Child Center, the Probation and Parole office, Hannaford Career Center, area churches, and other locations.

*Career and Personal Development* - Classes are funded primarily through a Getting Ready to Work grant from the Department of Prevention, Assistance, Transition and Health Access (PATH). They consist of goal setting, career exploration, and job readiness workshop and classes.

*Bridge to College* - A brush up class for those with a diploma or GED who want to attend college but need additional skills. Tuition is through VSAC non-degree grants and other scholarships.

*Workplace Education* - Vermont Adult Learning contracts with employers to provide skill assessments and instruction related to workplace needs.

*Computer Instruction* - Vermont Adult Learning offers a free Computer Fundamentals class monthly, as well as tuition courses in Microsoft Office applications.

### John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Services, Inc.

Mailing: PO Box 165 • Middlebury VT 05753 • (802) 388-3608

Location: 69 Main Street • Vergennes VT 05491 • (802) 877-2677

The John W. Graham Emergency Shelter provides temporary shelter to people who find themselves without housing. The Shelter has a seventeen-bed capacity, with separate bunkrooms for men and women, a family room, and a handicap accessible room with a bath. People residing at the Shelter must meet with staff to discuss the causes of their homelessness and to form a work plan to end their homelessness. As people work on their plans, they are assisted with referrals, transportation, and other services. Once an initial three week stay is ended, those who have been working diligently on their plans and who show that they will be able to achieve positive results, may have their case reviewed by the Extension Committee to determine if their stay can be extended. Others may have their stay extended under certain circumstances, depending on whether there are others on the waiting list for the Shelter. This year, the Shelter has provided Pantton residents with 26 bed nights of emergency shelter.

### American Legion - Vergennes Post #14

100 Armory Lane • Vergennes VT 05491

Assumes responsibility for decorating the graves of all veterans buried in cemeteries in the town of Pantton in observance of Memorial Day.

## **Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds in 2004 (continued)**

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### **ACTR**

Addison County Transit Resources  
PO Box 532 • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-1946

ACTR provides door-to-door transportation to people who cannot drive or do not have access to a vehicle, people who are unable to use public transit or do not have access to public transit, people who have no other transportation resources, and people who are Medicaid eligible.

ACTR provides significant service to dozens of "transportation-disadvantaged" Pantown residents, furnishing almost 1,500 free rides in the last two years through out volunteer driver and other transportation programs.

### **Hospice Volunteer Services**

PO Box 772 • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-4111

Hospice Volunteer Services primary commitment is to provide support of trained hospice volunteers to people with terminal illness and their families. Hospice volunteers offer both practical and emotional support tailored to the individual needs of each patient and family mostly provided in a home setting but we also provide care in nursing homes, in community care homes and in the hospital. Our second area of focus, grief support, offered to all residents of Addison County. We offer regular grief support groups, consultation, one-to-one volunteer outreach, special supportive and educational events, and the Phoenix Group (a monthly pot-luck supper gathering of widowed people for the purpose of social and community connection). In 2004, we plan to increase our grief group offerings to adults and children, as well as expand our public education and outreach efforts to grieving children and families in Addison County. Lastly, Hospice Volunteer Services has a commitment to serving as a resource and leader in providing education and support throughout Addison County around the issues of end of life care, death and bereavement. In this effort we have offered educational opportunities, national teleconferences, publications and acted as a resource to schools, agencies and churches. Each November more than 150 people attend our Service of Remembrance where hospice patient's and loved ones in our community are remembered with a candle lighting ceremony.

### **Green Up Vermont**

PO Box 1191 • Montpelier, VT 05601-1191 • (802) 229-4586 or 1-800-974-3259

Email: [greenup@greenupvermont.com](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.com) Web: [www.greenupvermont.com](http://www.greenupvermont.com)

Thirty-three years strong, "Green Up Day" is a special day when Vermonters clean and spruce up their communities. We were the first state in our nation to designate a day for such cleaning of the entire state. Working together, we can keep our unique Green Up spirit growing for Vermont. Over 13,000 Vermonters participated in Green Up Day 2003, using over 33,000 Green Up bags, collecting over 200 tons of trash, piles of mixed metals and tires. Green Up Vermont arranged widespread promotional support in excess of \$25,000.

The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont

## Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds in 2004 (continued)

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### Addison County Parent/Child Center

PO Box 646 • Middlebury VT 05753 • (802) 388-3171

The Parent/Child Center provides a broad array of services including: parent education, home visiting, food services and nutrition education for adults and children, child care, play groups, academic classes, driver' education, prevention services, counseling, and community development. The most intensive service is our "Learning Together" program, a training program that serves as the model for the other Parent Child Centers in the state.

A variety of parenting classes and workshops are offered at the Center throughout the year, in both series and on-time formats.

Due to recent interpretations of the new federal privacy protection law ("HIPAA") regulations, we are unable to release information that would reveal exact numbers of individuals served in any town. However, our history shows that, on average, we serve slightly more than 5% of the population of the towns in Addison County.

### Counseling Service of Addison County, Inc.

61 Court Street • Middlebury VT 05753 • (802) 388-4021

[www.csac-vt.org](http://www.csac-vt.org)

Provides a broad array of vitally needed services to children, adolescents, adults and families who have severe and persistent mental health issues, substance abuse needs, developmental disabilities or facing challenges and crises in their lives. Emergency service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week (802) 388-7841.

During our fiscal year 2003 the Counseling Service provided 11, 190 hours of service to residents from the town of Panton, who had mental health, substance abuse or developmental disability needs.

### Open Door Clinic

PO Box 95 • Middlebury VT 05753 • (802) 388-0137

e-mail: [opendoor@sover.net](mailto:opendoor@sover.net)

Tuesday evenings, 6:00 to 9:00 PM at 99 Court Street, Middlebury (In the Cedar Ledge Family Practice Office)  
Thursday evenings, 6:00 to 9:00 PM at 6 South Street, Bristol (in the office of David Henderson, MD)

The Open Door clinic is a free clinic\* sponsored by Community Health Services of Addison County, a local non-profit agency dedicated to insurance access health care for all, regardless of financial circumstances. Care at the Open Door Clinic is provided by a rotating staff of volunteer health care providers and other from our community who generously donate their time because they believe in what we are doing. Volunteers include physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, EMT's, physical therapists, HIV counselors, registered dieticians, a laboratory technician, medical transcriptionists, and administrative assistants. *If you are interested in volunteering, please call (802) 388-0137.*

The Open Door Clinic receives support from the local United Way, local small foundations and individuals, the State of Vermont, and Porter Medical Center.

\*\$5 donation suggested

**Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations  
Requesting Town Funds in 2004 (continued)**

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**Elderly Services, Inc.**

27 No. Pleasant Street • P.O. Box 581 • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-3983

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

*Project Independence* is an adult day program for elders providing safe, medically oriented daytime care that includes: Fun social activities, specialized van transportation to and from home, hot, delicious meals tailored to the dietary needs of our participants, individualized nursing care, personal care including toileting assistance and hygiene, as well as foot and hair care, educational programs and entertainment, coordination with other health care providers and social service agencies, and daytime respite for family caregivers.

In addition to daytime care services, our staff also provides care giving education and emotional support to family members whose elderly relative attends our center. Our monthly Caregiver Support Group is open to all Pantton residents and takes place on the second Wednesday and third Friday of each month.

In the past year 170 elders from Addison County and nearby towns were served at *Project Independence* Adult Day Center, five of whom were residents of Pantton. Pantton residents received a total of 3,109 hours of care, 1,277 meals, and approximately 1,138 van rides. These 3,109 hours of care cost the agency \$34,199 for direct services to Pantton residents.

**WomenSafe, Inc.**

PO Box 67 • Middlebury, VT 05753 • (802) 388-9180

e-mail: [info@womensafe.net](mailto:info@womensafe.net) • web: [www.womensafe.net](http://www.womensafe.net)

*WomenSafe works: toward the elimination of physical, sexual and emotional violence against women and their children through direct service, education and social change.*

WomenSafe has been providing services to Pantton families since 1980. We are dedicated to providing services to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence and their children. Our 24- hour hotline, staffed by trained volunteers and staff offers crisis advocacy, safety planning, information, referrals, emotional support, social service advocacy and safe housing for victims and their children. We assist victims of domestic and sexual violence in accessing Relief From Abuse Orders and provide support and advocacy throughout the medical procedures that might follow an act of sexual or domestic violence. We offer supervised visitation in a safe, neutral, child-friendly environment to ensure children's safety. For the year ending June 30, 2003 we provided at least 29 units of service to more than 4 Pantton residents through our hotline, advocacy programs and in-person meetings. Included in this number are parents of 1 child who were exposed to domestic violence. Our office is located in Middlebury and our services are free and confidential. We believe that all women and children should be safe in their homes and their communities. We are committed to providing quality services that offer a positive support system to all victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Contact Information:

**24-hour Hotline: 388-4205 or (In-State-Only) 800-388-4205 TTY: 802-388-9181**



*Annual Report*  
*Of the*  
*Town of Pantton*  
*School District*



West Pantton School, taken in 1957, grades 1 through 8

## WARNING

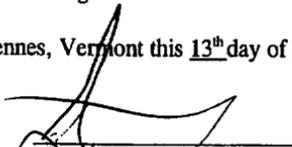
### PANTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal voters of the Panton Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at 1:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at the Panton Town Hall to transact the following business:

- ARTICLE 1. To elect the following officers:  
a) Moderator  
b) Clerk
- ARTICLE 2. To hear the report of the Panton Town School District officers and take action thereon.
- ARTICLE 3. To elect one director to the Panton Town School District Board for a term of three (3) years.
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the voters of the Panton Town School District approve the sum of **\$56,736.00** to defray current expenses for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding orders and obligations?
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the Panton Town School District authorize the Board of Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, by the issuance of its notes and orders payable not later than one (1) year from date for the purpose of paying the sum approved by the voters?
- ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of Panton Town School District appropriate **\$ 640.00** as the share of the district in order to finance the study of the advisability of forming a union school district with some or all of the following school districts: Addison Town School District, Ferrisburgh Town School District, Waltham Town School District, Vergennes I.D. School District, Vergennes Union Elementary School District No. 44, and Vergennes Union High School District No. 5, and the school directors be authorized to appoint a planning committee for that purpose?
- ARTICLE 7. To transact any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Dated at Vergennes, Vermont this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2004.

  
Lisa Presson, Vice-Chair

  
James Dayton, Chair

  
Robin Hubbard, Clerk

Panton Board of School Directors

## TO THE CITIZENS OF PANTON:

For the 2003-04 school year, Panton student enrollment at Vergennes Union Elementary School is 56. A breakdown of grades is as follows: Kindergarten, (7); Grade 1, (7); Grade 2, (8); Grade 3, (13); Grade 4, (9); Grade 5, (5); and Grade 6, (8). There are (4) students enrolled elsewhere.

There are 48 students enrolled at Vergennes Union High School. A breakdown of grades is as follows: Grade 7, (12); Grade 8, (9); Grade 9, (10); Grade 10, (7); Grade 11, (7); and Grade 12, (4).

2003-04 VUES enrollment has decreased by 6 students and Panton's portion of the student assessment decreased from 18.2% for 2003-04 to 17.1 % for 2004-05. Similarly, Panton's VUHS enrollment has decreased by 3 students between 2002-03 and 2003-04. Enrolled Panton students now represent 7.7% of the middle and high school student body, down from 7.8% for 2002-03.

Both the VUES and VUHS schools are proposing minimal budget increases for the 2004-05 school year. The VUES proposed budget increase is 1.54%, while VUHS budget is 2.21%.

Please refer to the professionally audited report of the school district's financial results for the fiscal 2003 year end (the 2002-2003) school year. Pages of this report can be found herein.

Article 6 in this year's school district warning is asking the voters to approve \$640.00 to help finance a study of the supervisory union structure in Addison Northwest. If funded, a committee will investigate the possibility of creating a single unified school district comprising the five communities of Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Vergennes, and Waltham. This change could provide an efficiency of operations that would have both financial and educational benefits. Any such change would require voter approval at a future date. The requested funding is for a study only.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Panton's students. We look forward to seeing you at Town and School meetings in March.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dayton, Chair  
Lisa Presson, Vice-Chair  
Robin Hubbard, Clerk

Board of School Directors

**PANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
School Year 2004 - 2005

**SUMMARY**

<b>EDUCATION EXPENSES (K-12)</b>					
Town School Board Accounts	\$51,070	\$53,463	\$52,795	\$50,685	\$56,736
Vergennes Union High School	583,174	583,174	501,695	501,695	506,060
Union Elementary School	568,783	568,783	511,669	511,669	506,044
Union Elem. School - Capital Fund	3,918	3,918	3,636	3,636	3,409
<b>TOTAL EDUCATIONAL EXP.</b>	<b>\$1,206,945</b>	<b>\$1,209,338</b>	<b>\$1,069,795</b>	<b>\$1,067,685</b>	<b>\$1,072,249</b>

**REVENUES**

<b>CODE DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>INCOME 2002-2003</b>	<b>ACTUAL INCOME 06/30/2003</b>	<b>BUDGETED INCOME 2003-2004</b>	<b>PROJECTED INCOME 06/30/2004</b>	<b>PROPOSED INCOME 2004-2005</b>
1510 Investment Interest	\$3,500	\$740	\$1,500	\$750	\$750
3150 Transportation Grant	16,400	17,112	16,000	17,590	20,000
3160 Hold Harmless Debt Aid	0	4,013	2,402	2,402	0
3201 Block Grant	29,699	29,699	30,979	30,979	32,885
3202 Intensive Reimbursement	66,356	61,396	70,000	60,000	60,000
3214 Essential Early Education	4,120	4,129	4,784	4,794	6,098
Audited surplus (deficit) from prior year	19,518	(18,655)	(18,655)	(27,876)	(27,876)*
Projected surplus (deficit) current year	(19,663)		(2,280)		13,895
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES</b>	<b>\$119,930</b>	<b>\$98,434</b>	<b>\$104,730</b>	<b>\$88,639</b>	<b>\$105,752</b>

<b>EDUCATION SPENDING</b>	<b>\$1,087,015</b>	<b>\$985,065</b>
(Budgeted expenditures minus local revenues & categorical grants)		
<b>GENERAL STATE SUPPORT GRANT</b>	<b>592,445</b>	<b>632,360</b>
<b>LOCAL SPENDING ABOVE GSSG</b>	<b>\$494,570</b>	<b>\$372,620</b>
<b>LOCAL TAXES RAISED</b>	<b>505,838</b>	<b>\$369,823</b>
<b>PAYMENT (TO)/FROM THE ED FUND</b>	<b>(15,256)</b>	<b>(57,118)</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>1,206,945</b>	<b>1,053,704</b>
		<b>1,072,249</b>

\* The Panton Board of Directors anticipated a deficit of \$20,935 at the end of FY03 and included that deficit in the Budgeted Income for 2003-04, in order to raise taxes to retire it. The balance of the FY03 deficit plus any anticipated shortfall for FY04 are included in the Budgeted Income for 2004-05.

**PANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Proposed Budget  
School Year 2004-2005

CODE DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2002-2003	ACTUAL EXPENSES 06/30/2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	PROJECTED EXPENSES 06/30/2004	PROPOSED BUDGET 2004-2005
<b>VOCATIONAL EDUCATION - 1300</b>					
Paid by State to Voc. Center	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,628
569 Direct Tuition to Voc. Center	11,200	13,337	11,000	8,859	8,447
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,200</b>	<b>\$13,337</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$8,859</b>	<b>\$13,075 a)</b>
<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS -2310</b>					
110 Stipend (Board Of Directors)	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
220 Social Security	95	92	95	95	95
360 Legal Fees (Warnings)	50	0	50	0	50
370 Professional Audit	2,000	2,690	1,805	2,750	2,750
690 Miscellaneous Expenses	300	305	300	300	300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,645</b>	<b>\$4,287</b>	<b>\$3,450</b>	<b>\$4,345</b>	<b>\$4,395</b>
<b>DISTRICT SERVICES - 2321</b>					
331 A.N.W.S.U. Assessment	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75
331 Essential Early Education	9,435	9,435	10,800	10,561	11,696
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,510</b>	<b>\$9,510</b>	<b>\$10,875</b>	<b>\$10,636</b>	<b>\$11,771</b>
<b>FISCAL SERVICES - 2520</b>					
110 Stipend (Treasurer)	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
220 Social Security	15	15	15	15	15
830 Interest (T.A.N.)	3,000	374	1,000	375	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,215</b>	<b>\$589</b>	<b>\$1,215</b>	<b>\$580</b>	<b>\$715</b>
<b>STUDENT TRANSPORTATION - 2711</b>					
330 Contracted Bus Service	\$23,500	\$25,740	\$26,255	\$26,255	\$26,780
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,500</b>	<b>\$25,740</b>	<b>\$26,255</b>	<b>\$26,255</b>	<b>\$26,780</b>
<b>TOTAL (School Board Accounts)</b>	<b>\$51,070</b>	<b>\$53,463</b>	<b>\$52,785</b>	<b>\$50,685</b>	<b>\$56,736</b>

a) Previous budgets showed only the net cost for vocational tuition because the State sent a portion of our General State Support Grant directly to the technical center on our behalf. New State rules require that we now show the full cost in our budget, while the offsetting revenue is included in the Education Funding dollars provided by the State.

District: **Pantton**  
 County: **Addison**

LEA: **149**  
 S.U.: **Addison Northwest**

**Expenditures**

Budget (local budget approved in prior years)  
 8% of base payment per FTE paid to local centers by the State on behalf of the district in FY2005  
 S.U. assessment (included in local budget)  
 Deficit (if included in local budget)  
 + Block grant paid by State to tech center in prior years  
 + 1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting  
 + 2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting  
 + 3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting  
 - Act 144 Expenditures, (excluded from "Education Spending")

**Act 68 local adopted budget**  
 + Local school or joint school district assessment  
 + Deficit if not included in budget or revenues  
 + Special programs expenditures (if not included in local budget)  
**Gross Act 68 Budget**

**Act 144 expenditures (if any - excluded from "Education Spending")**

**Revenues**  
 + Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuition, surplus, etc., including Act 144 revenues)  
 + Capital debt aid  
 + Special program revenues (if not included in local budget)  
 - Deficit if not included in budget or expenditures  
 - Act 144 revenues  
**Total revenues**  
 - Fund raising (if any)  
**Adjusted local revenues**

**Education Spending (Act 68 definition)**  
 Equalized Pupils

**Education Spending per Equalized Pupil**  
 Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil (if any)  
 Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment

**District spending adjustment**  
 Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized  
 Household Income Percentage for Income sensitivity

	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005
1.	50,820	51,070	52,795	56,736
2.	75	75	75	4,098
3.	75	75	75	75
4.	13,457	8,908	6,798	not applicable
5.	-	-	-	not applicable
6.	-	-	-	not applicable
7.	-	-	-	not applicable
8.	-	-	-	not applicable
9.	-	-	-	not applicable
10.	64,277	59,976	59,693	56,736
11.	1,003,188	1,155,875	1,017,000	1,015,613
12.	-	-	-	-
13.	-	-	-	-
14.	1,067,465	1,215,851	1,076,693	1,072,249
15.	-	-	-	-
16.	147,326	119,830	102,328	133,628
17.	3,603	4,073	2,402	-
18.	-	-	-	-
19.	-	-	-	27,876
20.	151,128	123,943	104,730	105,752
21.	-	-	-	-
22.	151,129	123,943	104,730	105,752
23.	-	-	-	-
24.	916,336	1,091,908	971,863	966,497
25.	110.49	108.04	110.01	110.23
26.	8,293	10,107	8,834	8,768
27.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable
28.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable
29.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	128,941%
30.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	\$1,418
31.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	2.58%

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON  
THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

To the Board of School Directors  
Panton Town School District  
Panton, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of Panton Town School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, as listed in the Contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of Panton Town School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Panton Town School District as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 15, 2003 on our consideration of Panton Town School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

*A.M. Peisch, Company LLP*

October 15, 2003  
Rutland, Vermont  
VT Reg. No. 92-0000102

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**PANTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS**  
**June 30, 2003**

	Governmental --Fund Type--
	General Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	<u>\$ 981</u>
	<u>\$ 981</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	
Due to member school	<u>\$ 28,857</u>
<b>COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES</b>	
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>	
Fund deficit, unreserved	<u>( 27,876)</u>
	<u>\$ 981</u>

**PANTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS) - GENERAL FUND  
Year Ended June 30, 2003**

	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Variance
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property taxes - Local	\$ 505,709	\$ 490,582	(\$ 15,127)
General state support grant	588,602	592,445	3,843
Other state aid	116,575	116,349	( 226)
Interest income	<u>3,500</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>( 2,760)</u>
 Total revenues	 <u>1,214,386</u>	 <u>1,200,116</u>	 <u>( 14,270)</u>
 <b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Supervisory union assessments	9,510	9,510	-0-
Board of education services	3,645	4,286	( 641)
Fiscal services	3,215	589	2,626
Transportation	23,500	25,740	( 2,240)
Vocational education	<u>11,200</u>	<u>13,337</u>	<u>( 2,137)</u>
	51,070	53,462	( 2,392)
 Union school assessments	 <u>1,155,875</u>	 <u>1,155,875</u>	 <u>-0-</u>
 Total expenditures	 <u>1,206,945</u>	 <u>1,209,337</u>	 <u>( 2,392)</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	  <u>\$ 7,441</u>	  <u>(\$ 9,221)</u>	  <u>(\$ 16,662)</u>

\*\* A complete audit report is available at the superintendent's office for review.

**ADDISON NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
TOWNS AND DIRECTORS**

<b>Addison</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Robert Hunt *	2006
Steven Torrey	2005
Alison Paquin Martin *	2004
Samantha Kayhart *	2004
Catherine Ingwersen	2005
C. William Webb - U.H.S.D. #5	2005
<b>Ferrisburgh</b>	
Richard Kerschner *	2005
Allison Vigne *	2005
Adela Langrock	2006
Gregory Hamilton	2004
Diane Cousino *	2004
Laurie Gutowski - U.H.S.D. #5	2006
G. Lee Phelan - U.H.S.D. #5 *	2005
<b>Panton</b>	
James Dayton *	2004
Lisa Presson	2005
Robin Hubbard	2006
Dennis Mueller - U.H.S.D. #5	2006
<b>Vergennes</b>	
Linda Hawley *	2005
Paula Pettis	2004
Ann McGrath	2006
Linda Hawley - U.H.S.D. #5	2004
April Jin - U.H.S.D.#5 *	2005
<b>Waltham</b>	
Donald Ross *	2005
Jeffry Glassberg	2004
Kristin Bristow	2006
Kristin Bristow - V.U.H.S.D. #5*	2004
<b>Vergennes Union Elementary #44</b>	
Ann McGrath *	2004
Denis Barton	2005
Sidney Bosworth	2006
Lizbeth Ryan *	2004
Lisa Presson *	2005

\* Voting Members

**OFFICERS**

Donald Ross, Chair  
Linda Hawley, Vice-Chair  
April Jin, Clerk  
Barbara McDonald, Treasurer

## From the Superintendent

Although the debate about governance in Vermont's public education system is not a new one, little has occurred to date that has actually changed the structure in any appreciable fashion. For the most part, the lack of change has been largely due to general disagreement as to what change is needed and, more important, the absence of any consensus that a need to change exists. Typically, the subject of governance takes center stage in difficult economic times as it did in the late 80's and the mid-90's. Proposals have run the gamut - from fewer school boards to fewer school districts to fewer supervisory unions to a single statewide board. In most cases, the motivation for these proposals has been largely, if not solely, based on economics and/or politics. Unfortunately, *the quality of the educational program for students* is most often of elementary interest and of secondary concern.

This past year was no exception. Statewide, over 50 school district budgets were voted down on Town meeting day. Many of those budgets required a series of revotes before finally being approved; all of them reflected reduced operating expenditures. At the same time, the Legislature was laboring to devise a funding mechanism aimed primarily at providing some degree of property tax relief. They succeeded, if only for the short term. However, the resulting legislation also included several "study" components intended to identify strategies that would promote long-term cost containment. It was no surprise that "governance consolidation" was among them. Clearly, a primary factor leading to the passage of Act 68 in the 2003 Legislative Session was a widespread interest in bringing greater clarity to the school funding and budgeting process in order to address concerns about increasing school budgets and the associated per pupil costs.

Well before the advent of Act 68, this supervisory union was engaged in discussions regarding its governance structure. The focus, however, was directed more toward creating a commonality in the educational program than it was on cost containment, although efficiencies in expenditures were and are a byproduct of our efforts to work together. Curriculum and staff development, student assessment and board policies have been organized to promote continuity in operations and common expectations for the students of ANWSU. Additionally, uniform contracts for teachers and, most recently, support staff have served to promote equity and clarity for employees.

Clearly, ANWSU has made significant progress in this respect. Yet with the increasing demands on schools at the federal and state levels and the decreasing resources available to meet those demands, the school boards of ANWSU have determined that the need exists to study the advisability of further governance restructuring and the possible formation of a K-12 unified union school district, i.e., a single school district comprised of the towns of Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Waltham and the City of Vergennes.

The purpose of the proposed study is to look at the effectiveness of our existing governance structure and to consider possible alternatives that might improve learning opportunities and increase efficiencies throughout the supervisory union.

Some students need even more adjustments, and some need more time. We have after school programs and summer programs to help with this. However, the bottom line is that we will have to continue create new ways to educate children in our public schools, if we are serious about leaving no child behind.

As a long time resident of the District, it has been a privilege to work with our District's administrators, teachers, paraeducators and other staff members. Their dedication to the children is powerful. Their willingness to develop new ways to help students learn is exciting and challenging, as we work to become a 21<sup>st</sup> century education system.

### **From the Literacy Coordinator**

As Literacy Coordinator, I work closely with Carol Spencer, our Director of Curriculum; to plan for literacy related professional development for Preschool-grade 8 teachers. The various curriculum related professional development activities take place on a monthly basis and involve all teachers.

The focus of the literacy sessions has been to develop a further understanding and implementation of the literacy profile objectives that are linked to *Vermont's Framework of Standards and Learning Opportunities*, and analysis of data related to student achievement.

We had great cause for celebration when we saw our second grade scores from the State Department of Education this fall, 90% of our second graders are reading "on grade level". This is true for all individuals regardless of disabilities or family income level. For four years our teachers have studied literacy in depth. We believe this professional learning has been key to our success with so many different kinds of learners.

The overall goal for the regular professional development opportunities is to ensure more continuity of literacy curriculum among the three elementary schools and the middle school. Carol is also working closely with the VUHS English Department for that same purpose. The goal of these sessions is to build a strong professional learning community where ongoing learning and reflection on teaching helps us to move ahead with student achievement in all areas.

As a supervisory union, we have grown tremendously in the area of literacy instruction over the past several years. We have learned how to use the data provided through the literacy profile and other assessments to further inform our instruction. We are learning more ways to share our instructional practices with others to promote more continuity of instruction.

### **From the Prevention Council**

The ANWSU Prevention Council is a broad-based group of representatives from community organizations and individuals who are interested in the safety and positive development of the youth in our community.

The boards view the study as necessary in light of the state focus on cost containment, declining student enrollments, increasing per pupil costs and the ongoing tension between the desire to enhance learning opportunities for all of our students and the ability of our local communities to support that desire.

State law requires that such a study and funds to support it be approved by the voters. To that end, each town will be asked to consider a special article at their respective annual school district meeting to be held on or prior to Town Meeting Day. In the days preceding those meetings, board members will be making themselves available to provide their constituents with further information regarding this important initiative. Your support of their efforts is encouraged and sincerely appreciated.

### **From the Director of Curriculum and Staff Development**

The job of Director of Curriculum and Staff Development is a complicated job that consists of providing specific support to teachers in the area of curriculum development. There are five parts of curriculum development work:

- Planning, implementation and evaluation of specific programs,
- Assessment and evaluation of students' progress from the classroom level to the federal level,
- Best practices in teaching and learning,
- Workshops and courses for all employees of our supervisory union, and
- New teacher coaching to help our first and second year teachers obtain their permanent licenses.

Since coming to work as the Director of Curriculum for the Addison Northwest family of schools in July, my focus has been to pick up where my predecessor, John Everitt, left off. John has left the Supervisory Union to become Superintendent of the Montpelier Schools. He left a wealth of curriculum projects well started. Most of all he left a vision that he helped to create.

Our vision for your children, the young citizens of all of our towns, is that each and every one of them will be successful during their 13 years in our communities' schools. Bob Owens, our Technology Coordinator, and John Everitt, created an electronic database. Every student in our K - 8 schools has a personal file on the database. Eventually this will be true PreK - 12. Other supervisory unions have asked to use our Profile database with their own students. Overall, our test results tell us that our students are achieving well. That being said, the Profile will help even more of our students to achieve their standards.

The hope is that most of this Profile work will be completed by late spring, or end of summer. The Profile clearly defines what we want students to learn. At some point in the future, these Profiles will be available to parents on-line. Together, parents and teachers use the Profile to plan for each child's progress. Each child learns in a way that is unique. Teachers work incredibly hard to create many, many pathways to the same information and skills, so that each child can learn everything we want them to learn.

Some of the programs and supports which help ANWSU students achieve success are: Reading Recovery (grade 1), Title I, School-based Clinicians, Student Assistance Program, Health Services, Guidance Services, and Special Education. Many of these services are funded through state and Federal grants. Further information regarding the Educational Support System and Educational Support Teams can be found on the Supervisory Union web site, [www.anwsu.org](http://www.anwsu.org) under Resources; from individual schools; or by contacting the Director of Instructional Support Services at 877-2880.

### **From the Business Manager**

The ANWSU Business Office has enjoyed one full year of processing payroll and accounts payable with our updated accounting system. We are now focusing on expanding our use of the personnel module to streamline the recording and tracking of employee leave time, employee continuing education, and substitute teachers availability. In addition, the Business Office acts as the Human Resources department for ANWSU, assisting the Superintendent in ensuring compliance with State and Federal tax and employment law, as well as management of employee benefits. Support for our principals and school boards in the sound fiscal management of school budgets remains our primary responsibility.

### **From the Technology Coordinator**

Since moving to our Green Street location, we have set up remote access to the learning profiles. This allows teachers and administrators to access the profiles anywhere an Internet connection is available. It also allows us to maintain all of the data in one location. This means better security, fast reporting, and the ability to upgrade the system in one location. We currently have literacy, math, and science profiles on-line for grades PreK-8. Our next major project will be to post summary results to the district web page and also work toward parents accessing their children's results on-line.

On behalf of the ANWSU Board, we appreciate your continued support and involvement.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas O'Brien, Superintendent of Schools  
Carol Spencer, Director of Curriculum & Staff Development  
Elizabeth Lewis, Literacy Coordinator  
Thelma Oxholm, Director of Instructional Support Services  
Robert Owens, Educational Technology Coordinator  
Donna Corcoran, Business Manager  
Alyson Cota, Prevention Council

The Prevention Council is led by two co-facilitators, one of whom is high school student, Allison Burlock and the other, a 22-year veteran employee, Alyson Cota. The Council meets bi-monthly at the High School. We teach each other what each of us knows about preventing young people from taking drugs, drinking alcohol, using tobacco, and being violent. We collaborate in creating programs across agencies. A key part of our work is to develop community wide prevention efforts. At this time we have 26 adults and 15 students as Council members. Some of our projects are:

- The Community Awareness Project

*Funded by a grant award from the Department of Health, Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs*

- New Directions Community Grant

*Funded by a grant award from the Department of Health, Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs*

- Assets and Resilience

- Students raised awareness in the community during the month of December.

Cheerleaders opened basketball season wearing red ribbons as a reminder to drive safely during the holidays. Scary statistics were read to the audience with a plea to "think before you drink." Youth handed out lollipops at the Holiday Stroll with assets and prevention message attached. They also handed out red ribbons and asked community members to tie these to their cars as another reminder to be safe.

As I think about this past year, it is apparent that our Council is moving forward and gaining momentum. Families face greater pressures to both support their children and at the same time spend quality time. As a community we need to recognize that youth today still possess empathy for those around them, but with fewer positive role models in their lives, it is increasingly important that we all take the time to just say hello, or have a nice day, as we pass through town. It's not just the parents' job, or the schools' job to raise our children. It takes a whole community.

If you would like more information about our coalition efforts please contact Alyson Cota at [acota@anwsu.org](mailto:acota@anwsu.org) or call 877-3332.

## **From the Director of Instructional Support Services**

The Educational Support System (ESS) of each school provides a range of services with the purpose of supporting school success for all students. The school's Educational Support Team (EST) works with teachers and parents to identify appropriate techniques, programs, and/or supports necessary for individual students. Although each school's EST is organized and operates differently, all are composed of staff from a variety of teaching and support services positions.

ADDISON NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 2003

REVENUES:

Assessments	\$ 560,555
Interest	<u>2,646</u>

**TOTAL REVENUES** **563,201**

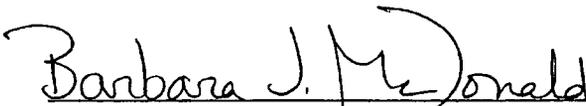
EXPENSES:

Curriculum/Staff Dev.	\$ 113,722
Educational Technology	20,635
Administrative Services	215,272
Instructional Support Services	20,543
Operations & Maintenance	46,349
Fiscal Services	<u>140,875</u>

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **557,396**

<b>BALANCE AS OF July 1, 2002</b>	<b>(5,571)</b>
Revenues Less Expenses	5,805
Fund Transfer	<u>2,452</u>

**BALANCE AS OF June 30, 2003** **2,686**

  
Barbara J. McDonald, Treasurer

**ADDISON NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
PROPOSED BUDGET - 2004-2005**

	<b>BUDGET 2002-2003</b>	<b>ACTUAL EXPENSE 2002-2003</b>	<b>BUDGET 2003-2004</b>	<b>PROPOSED BUDGET 2004-2005</b>
<b>2321 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>				
110 Salaries	252,446	242,595	264,033	267,763
210 Group Health Insurance	40,580	36,703	45,497	49,822
220 Social Security	25,823	22,503	27,180	28,634
230 Term Life Insurance	719	419	644	1,408
240 Municipal Retirement	5,376	4,916	5,591	5,787
250 Workers Compensation	1,570	422	1,849	2,059
260 Unemployment Insurance	290	59	80	80
270 Course Reimbursement	2,500	6,297	3,500	5,000
280 Disability Insurance	1,627	2,364	1,700	1,945
290 Dental Insurance	2,656	4,354	2,944	3,430
320 Inservice	2,000	2,653	2,500	2,500
330 Contracted Health Services	0	700	1,400	1,400
360 Legal Fees	500	80	500	500
330 Super. Search - Consultant	0	0	0	0
Super. Search - Expenses	2,500	2,500	0	0
390 Local Standards Board	3,800	2,677	3,500	3,500
430 Equipment Repair	1,000	371	1,000	1,000
442 Equipment Rental	8,000	8,113	8,620	8,620
522 Errors & Omissions Ins.	500	300	500	500
530 Postage	3,700	2,985	4,000	4,000
540 Advertising	850	522	500	500
550 Printing	0	0	0	0
580 Travel/Conference	7,500	6,740	8,500	8,500
610 Supplies	7,000	7,671	6,500	7,000
690 Superintendent's Account	100	28	100	100
730 Equipment	3,000	20,522	3,000	3,000
810 Membership Dues	4,600	4,047	5,000	4,500
<b>TOTAL 2321</b>	<b>\$378,637</b>	<b>\$380,543</b>	<b>\$398,638</b>	<b>\$411,546</b>

	BUDGET 2002-2003	ACTUAL EXPENSE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	PROPOSED BUDGET 2004-2005	
<b>2520 FISCAL SERVICES</b>					
110	Salaries	86,330	79,741	79,553	79,131
210	Group Health Insurance	13,020	13,011	15,480	12,680
220	Social Security	6,650	6,029	6,132	6,054
230	Term Life Insurance	119	113	119	352
240	Municipal Retirement	2,923	3,574	3,040	3,165
250	Workers Compensation	406	247	398	435
260	Unemployment Insurance	120	10	30	20
270	Course Reimbursement	500	0	500	500
280	Disability Insurance	351	314	365	411
290	Dental Insurance	830	882	920	980
290	Benefit Tracking Expense	830	825	900	900
330	Treasurer's Stipend	600	600	600	600
333	Auditor Fees	2,800	6,500	6,695	6,900
430	Maintenance Contracts	5,700	7,446	5,500	8,000
580	Travel/Conference	1,000	3,399	1,000	1,000
610	Supplies	1,000	3,307	800	1,500
670	Accounting Software	6,500	10,227	7,915	7,915
730	Equipment	2,000	4,416	1,000	1,500
810	Membership Dues	300	235	300	300
	<b>TOTAL 2520</b>	<b>\$131,979</b>	<b>\$140,875</b>	<b>\$131,246</b>	<b>\$132,343</b>
<b>2540 OPERATIONS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>					
110	Custodian	6,300	6,278	6,500	0
220	Social Security	482	480	497	0
250	Workers Compensation	323	231	328	0
260	Unemployment Insurance	30	5	10	0
330	Office Relocation Expense	0	0	2,000	0
411	Water & Sewerage	450	333	0	300
421	Trash Removal	950	925	0	0
423	Contracted Custodial	300	0	0	3,600
430	Equip. Repair/Maint.	500	1,283	1,000	2,000
441	Building Lease	29,335	28,929	33,000	34,650
442	Telephone System Upgrade	0	0	3,000	2,850
521	Property Insurance	600	687	600	600
530	Telephone	5,000	2,146	3,000	3,000
622	Electricity	4,000	3,446	2,500	2,500
624	Oil (Heating)	1,200	1,305	800	800
	<b>TOTAL 2540</b>	<b>\$49,470</b>	<b>\$46,048</b>	<b>\$53,235</b>	<b>\$50,300</b>
<b>TOTAL SUPERVISORY UNION</b>		<b>\$560,086</b>	<b>\$567,466</b>	<b>\$583,120</b>	<b>\$594,190</b>
			Total increase	\$11,070	1.9%

**EARLY ESSENTIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM  
2004-2005 BUDGET**

	BUDGET 2002-2003	ACTUAL EXPENSE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	PROJECTED 2003-2004	PROPOSED BUDGET 2004-2005
<b>1200 INSTRUCTION</b>					
110 Teacher	22,275	22,272	23,500	23,023	23,773
110 Classroom Aide/Subs	32,700	30,359	41,705	38,880	39,305
210 Group Health Insurance	25,850	23,072	25,950	25,908	29,142
220 Social Security	4,205	4,078	4,988	4,736	4,825
230 Term Life Insurance	85	65	88	80	96
240 Municipal Retirement	1,305	806	1,177	1,188	1,232
250 Workers Compensation	265	161	300	250	271
260 Unemployment Insurance	100	15	90	90	90
270 Tuition Reimbursement	1,200	278	1,200	1,200	1,200
290 Dental Insurance	210	307	1,125	1,174	1,225
300 Screening	200	209	750	400	400
530 Telephone	200	108	100	125	125
530 Postage	100	110	100	150	150
580 Travel - Inservice	200	507	0	200	200
610 Supplies	6,000	5,205	6,000	6,000	6,000
<b>TOTAL 1200</b>	<b>\$94,895</b>	<b>\$87,552</b>	<b>107,073</b>	<b>\$103,402</b>	<b>108,034</b>
<b>2130 PRESCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES</b>					
330 Purchased Prof. Svcs (O/T P/T)	\$1,500	\$1,608	2,000	\$2,000	2,000
330 Other Purchased Prof. Services	0	0	2,000	3,000	3,000
330 Consultation & Evaluation	1,000	1,086	3,000	2,000	1,000
<b>TOTAL 2130</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$2,694</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>
<b>2150 PRESCHOOL SPEECH &amp; LANGUAGE SERVICES</b>					
110 Salary	\$20,800	\$20,798	21,965	\$21,548	22,298
210 Group Health Insurance	1,750	1,707	1,970	1,953	2,197
220 Social Security	1,590	1,591	1,680	1,648	1,706
230 Term Life Insurance	15	18	18	16	16
250 Workers Compensation	100	100	110	112	123
260 Unemployment Insurance	30	3	30	30	30
290 Dental Insurance	210	223	225	240	245
<b>TOTAL 2150</b>	<b>\$24,495</b>	<b>\$24,440</b>	<b>25,998</b>	<b>\$25,547</b>	<b>26,614</b>
<b>2540 PRESCHOOL OPERATIONS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>					
423 Custodial Services	\$100	\$300	100	\$400	300
440 Rent	2,500	3,135	2,500	3,500	3,500
622 Electricity	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL 2540</b>	<b>\$4,600</b>	<b>\$3,435</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>\$5,900</b>	<b>5,800</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$126,490</b>	<b>\$118,121</b>	<b>\$144,671</b>	<b>\$141,850</b>	<b>\$146,448</b>
<b>Carryover</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>15,356</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,725</b>	<b>16,546</b>
<b>ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>\$116,490</b>	<b>\$116,490</b>	<b>\$144,671</b>	<b>\$144,671</b>	<b>\$128,902</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL ASSESSMENTS</b>					
Addison	22.2%	\$28,814			
Ferrisburgh	31.4%	40,847			
Panton	9.0%	11,696			
Vergennes	31.7%	41,218			
Waltham	5.6%	7,327			
			\$129,902		

**ADDISON NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION  
ASSESSMENTS  
2004-2005**

Proposed FY2005 Budget	\$ 594,190
Estimate Interest Revenue	3,000
Estimated carryover	<u>(8,334)</u>
Projected Assessment	<b>\$ 599,524</b>

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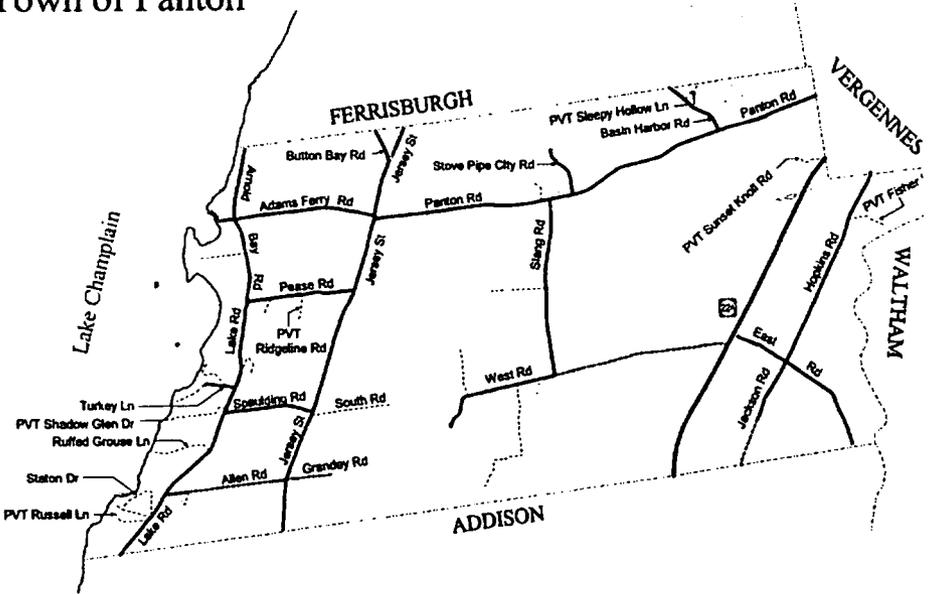
<u>District</u>	<u>Prof. Staff F.T.E.</u>	<u>Assess. %</u>	<u>FY05 Assess.</u>
ADDISON	14.70	11.3%	\$ 67,941
FERRISBURGH	25.30	19.5%	116,932
PANTON			75
VERGENNES			75
WALTHAM			75
VUES	36.00	27.8%	166,386
VUHS	<u>53.67</u>	<u>41.4%</u>	<u>248,040</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129.67</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 599,524</b>

Addison Northwest Supervisory Union  
**Education Grants**  
 2002-2003

GRANT	ALLOCATION	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM
Title IIA - Teacher Quality (Federal)	\$ 181,028	Funds continuing professional development for teachers K-12 in science, math & technology. To ensure teacher to student ratio is maintained at an optimum level - K-3.
Title IID - Enhancing education through technology (Federal)	\$ 22,405	New teacher induction & Educational Technology Coordinator support.
Title IV - Drug Free Schools (Federal)	\$ 24,731	Funds substance abuse prevention curriculum & related activities K-12. Supports Responsive Classroom initiatives.
Title I (Federal)	\$ 286,905	Funds compensatory early program and remedial reading services for district students K-8.
Title V (Federal)	\$ 20,729	Funds innovative and effective instructional programs K-12. Curriculum, IA training, & Educational Technology Coordinator support.
Special Education Flow-Through (Federal)	\$ 205,540	Funds special mainstreaming and additional evaluations.
Local Standards Board (State)	\$ 600	To support operating expenses associated with teacher re-licensure.
Act 230/BEST (State)	\$ 7,500	Funds training, program development, & capacity building to meet the needs of students with emotional-behavioral problems. Improving school climate & Responsive Classroom training.

Special Education Pre-School Incentive (Federal)	\$ 7,395	Funds the education of handicapped children ages 3-5.
Tobacco Settlement Grant (Federal)	\$ 8,256	Awarded to ANWSU on behalf of the tobacco cessation programs at all grades, K-12.
VKAT	\$ 1,200	"VT Kids Against Tobacco" - Youth-led activities at the middle school level.
OVX	\$ 5,000	"Our Voices Exposed" - Youth-led anti-tobacco activities at the high school level.

# Town of Panton



## Town of Panton

Governor Benning Wentworth of New Hampshire chartered Panton November 3, 1761. A pleasant lake town, it is in the northwest part of Addison County. It is bounded on the north by Ferrisburgh and Vergennes; on the south by Addison; on the east by Waltham and Vergennes and on the west by beautiful Lake Champlain. It was always thought that the town was named for British nobleman, Lord Panton. However, there was never a nobleman by that name so it either comes from Panton in Lincolnshire, England - where the name means "the place is on a ridge" - or from Francis Panton, a grantee of other Wentworth towns, but not of Panton.

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