

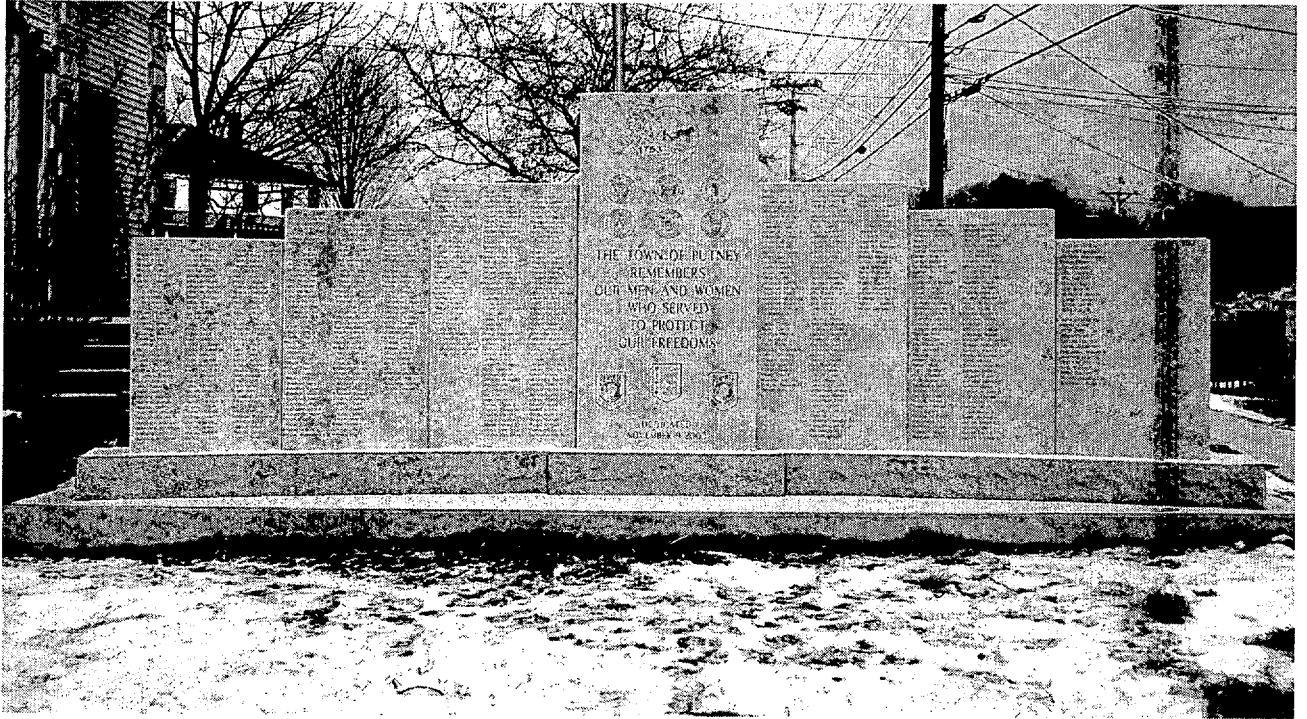
Town of Putney, Vermont



2003 Town Report

For the year ended June 30, 2003

DEDICATION - 2003 TOWN REPORT



PUTNEY VETERANS MEMORIAL

The occasion of Putney's 250th birthday was an appropriate time to create a memorial to show appreciation to all of Putney's veterans from the time of the Revolutionary War through 2003. Thanks to the help of many generous donors, the memorial was unveiled on November 9 and lists a total of 565 names.

EARLY VOTER ABSENTEE BALLOT

You don't have to wait until Town Meeting Day to vote. Stop in at the Town Clerk's office after February 12, during regular office hours, to request a ballot and vote then or you may take it home and vote. You may also call or write to the Clerk and request a ballot to be sent to you. You must return the ballot to the Clerk before the polls close on Town Meeting Day. You may request a ballot on another voter's behalf until 2 P.M. on Monday, March 1, 2004. Those applying for addition to the checklist and expect to vote by mail must request a ballot no later than 2 P.M. on Monday, February 23, 2004, when applications must also be at the office. 17 VSA 2144a; 17 VSA 2532a

FRONT COVER PHOTOGRAPH: Putney celebrated its 250th year August 14 through August 17, 2003. In the August 16th parade, the Putney Public Library entry celebrated the past, present, and future libraries. This photograph, and the others in this year's Town Report, follow the theme of Putney's 250th Celebration. Thanks to the Putney Historical Society for the photographs used.

Please consider donating or loaning images of Putney people, places, and events to the Historical Society so that this tradition may be carried into future years when scenes of today will be history. A member of the Historical Society is usually at the Museum, located in the Town Hall, on Wednesdays from 2-4 P.M. You may leave photos at the Town Offices during office hours. The Putney Historical Society's email is: putneyhs@sover.net



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TOWN OFFICERS - 2003

Town Clerk, Anita M. Coomes.....to March 2005
Treasurer, Town and School District, Anita M. Coomes.....to March 2005
Town Manager.....Larry Hyde
Town Moderator.....John Caldwell
Selectpeople:
 David B. Hannum, Jr., Chair.....to March 2004
 John Nopper.....to March 2006
 Regina Rockefeller.....to March 2005
Listers:
 Faith Martin, Chair (resigned), Mary Jones (appointed).....to March 2004
 Timothy Severance.....to March 2005
 Michael Finnell, Chair.....to March 2006
School Directors:
 R. Scott Henry, Chair, (1 year to go, unexpired).....(1 year term) to March 2004
 Rebecca Coffey.....(1 year term) to March 2004
 Virginia Scholl.....(3 year term) to March 2005
 Anne Fines.....(3 year term) to March 2006
 Peter May.....(1 year term) to March 2004
Union School Director:
 R. Scott Henry.....(3 year term) to March 2006
 Vacant.....to March 2004
Auditors:
 Vacant.....to March 2005
 Vacant.....to March 2006
 Vacant.....to March 2004
Library Trustees:
 Ruth Sessions, Chair.....to March 2006
 Bill Reser (resigned), Jane Gill (appointed).....to March 2006
 Marilyn Cassidy.....to March 2006
 Maryann Toffolon.....to March 2006
 Paul LeVasseur.....to March 2006
 Francis Witte-Holland.....to March 2006
 Lisa Chase.....to March 2006
 Dick Heminway.....to March 2006
 Sharon Bricker (resigned), Sam Bunker (appointed).....to March 2006
Cemetery Commissioners:
 Laura Heller.....to March 2004
 Alan Thurber.....to March 2005
 Shannon Gilbert (resigned), Laurel Ellis (appointed).....to March 2006
Grand Jurors:.....William Graham, Judy Hannum
Town Agent.....William Graham
Road Commissioner.....Town Manager
Public Works Superintendent.....Dennis Wilson
WTF Operator.....Archie Bricker
Collector of Delinquent Taxes, Jill Garland.....March 2006
First Constable.....William Graham
Fire Chief.....Tom Goddard
Assistant Fire Chief.....Russ Ellis
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber.....Frank Wilson
Weigher of Coal.....David B. Hannum, Jr.
Forest Fire Warden.....Russ Ellis
Putney Library Building Committee: Hester Caldwell, Dick Heminway, R. Scott Henry, Nancy Waterhouse, Bill White
Fence Viewers:.....Gene Litch, Susan Heller, (vacant)
Tree Warden.....William Harlow
Justices of the Peace: (all to February, 2005): Alan Blood, Hester Caldwell, Margaret Cassidy, Karen Gustafson, Eva Mondon, Peggy Leo, Nancy Olson, Jacquie Walker, Carol Westing, Claire Wilson
State Senators:.....Rod Gander, Jeanette White
State Representatives:.....Steven Darrow, David Deen
Representatives to Windham Regional Commission:
 Rod Francis, resigned (vacant), Arthur Westing, resigned (vacant)
Acting Zoning Administrator.....David B. Hannum, Jr.

Zoning Administrator.....Larry Hyde
Planning Commission (appointed by Selectpeople):
 Phillip Bannister, Chair.....to March 2004
 Jim McBean, resigned (vacant).....to March 2006
 Mary Heller Osgood.....to March 2005
 Rod Francis, resigned (vacant).....to March 2006
 Sidney Wolf.....to March 2004
 Kate Dodge.....to March 2004
 Jonathan Flaccus.....to March 2005
 Robert Olson.....to March 2005
 Mark Bowen.....to March 2005
Zoning Board of Adjustment (appointed by Selectpeople):
 Victor Olson, Chair.....to March 2006
 Dale Temple.....to March 2006
 vacant.....to March 2006
 Cary Carpenter.....to March 2004
 Peter Loomis.....to March 2004
 Casey Murrow.....to March 2004
 Carl Noe.....to March 2005
 Mary Heller Osgood.....to March 2005
 Hildamarie Hendricks.....to March 2005
Conservation Commission (appointed by Selectpeople):
 Pamela Cubbage, Chair.....to March 2005
 Lisa Chase.....to March 2005
 Jacquie Walker.....to March 2005
 Andrea Darrow (appointed).....to March 2006
 Tim Ragle.....to March 2006
 vacant.....to March 2006
 Roger Parrott.....to March 2004
 Jonathan Klein.....to March 2004
 Brian Howlett.....to March 2004
Town Service Officer.....Alan Scott
Health Officer.....David B. Hannum, Jr.
Representatives to Windham Solid Waste Management District
David Hannum, Dan Toomey
Representative to Council on Aging.....Elizabeth Stead
Representative to Rescue.....David Hannum
Representative to BCTV.....Pauline Baumberger
Representative to CT River Joint Commission.....vacant
Honorary Superintendent, Mabel Gray Walkway.....Robert Hindmarsh
Putney Village Water Committee: Daniel Hovis, Doris Fredericks, Corrado Paramithiotti, Dale Temple, Craig Stead, Burt Wilkins

ANIMAL RABIES/REGISTRATION CLINIC

A clinic will be held at the Fire Station on Saturday, March 6, 2004, from 9 A.M. to 12 noon. Ben Dow will administer rabies shots. There will be a fee. The Town Clerk will also register dogs. Regular fees will be charged. Rabies certificates are good for 24 months.

All dogs/wolf hybrids 6 months or older shall be licensed every year on or before April 1. The following fees apply:

Before April 1:	After April 1:
Spayed/Neutered.....\$4.00	Spayed/Neutered.....\$6.00
Female or Male.....\$8.00	Female or Male.....\$12.00
Plus State of Vermont Assessment Fee.....\$1.00	

There will be a surcharge to fund a dog control program of \$5/dog for the first dog registered to an owner and \$2.50 for each additional dog registered to the same owner.

Animal Advisory Board: Sandra Hartley.....to March 2004
 Saskia Whallon.....to March 2006
 Honey Loring, (appointed).....to March 2005



EMERGENCY INFORMATION

FIRE (MUTUAL AID)	911
MEDICAL (RESCUE, INC.)	911
POLICE (WINDHAM COUNTY SHERIFF)	911
POLICE TTD	911
STATE POLICE	911
Fire (non-emergency)	387-4372
Mutual Aid (non-emergency)	1-603-352-1291
Rescue, Inc. (non-emergency)	257-7679
Windham County Sheriff (non-emergency)	365-4942

PUTNEY TOWN INFORMATION

Selectboard	Tel. 387-5862
Meets every other Monday: 7:00 P.M. in Town Hall	
Town Clerk/Treasurer	Tel. 387-5862
<i>Anita Coomes</i>	
Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri.....	9 A.M. - 2 P.M.
Sat.....	9 A.M. - Noon
Wed.....	7 P.M. - 9 P.M.
Town Manager/Zoning Administrator	Tel. 387-5862
<i>Larry Hyde</i>	
Mon - Fri.....	8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Planning Commission	
<i>Phillip Bannister, Chair</i> Tel. 387-2457	
Meets 1st Tuesday each month: 7:00 P.M. in Town Hall	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	
<i>Victor Olson, Chair</i> Tel. 387-5963	
Meets 1st Thursday each month at 7:30 P.M. in Town Hall (as required)	
Listers	Tel. 387-5862
By appointment or Tuesdays 10:00 - Noon	
Health Officer	Tel. 387-4674
<i>David Hannum</i>	
Deputy Health Officer	Tel. 387-5862
<i>Larry Hyde</i>	
Highway Department/Town Garage	Tel. 387-5730
<i>Dennis Wilson, Public Works Superintendent</i>	
Wastewater Treatment Plant	Tel. 387-4345
<i>Arthur Bricker, Chief Operator</i>	
Putney Public Library	Tel. 387-4407
Mon, Wed, Fri.....	10:30 A.M. - 6 P.M.
Tues and Sat.....	10:00 A.M. - 1 P.M.
Thurs and Sun.....	Closed
Transfer Station	Tel. 257-0272
<i>Old Ferry Rd, Brattleboro</i>	
Mon - Fri.....	8 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Sat.....	8 A.M. - Noon

PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Putney Central School Board	Tel. 387-5521
Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 7:00 P.M., Putney Central School	
Putney Central School Principal	Tel. 387-5521
<i>Amelia Stone</i>	
Mon - Fri.....	8 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Brattleboro Union High School Board	Tel. 257-0356
Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays each month, 7:30 P.M., BUHS Learning Center (Brattleboro, VT)	

AUDITOR REPORT

The Town of Putney continues to have three vacancies for the position of Auditor. This year an independent audit firm, Mudgett Jennet & Krogh-Wisner, PC of Montpelier, has contracted to audit the town finances for fiscal years 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2004-05. The audit per Title 24 V.S.A. will cover the cash receipt statements and disbursements of the Town of Putney General Fund, Cemetery Fund, Highway/ Fire Department Capital Reserve fund, Collector of Delinquent Taxes Funds, Capital Improvement Funds (CD's), and the White/ Whitney Restricted fund.



The Putney 250 year celebration parade, August 16, 2003, included Veterans & POW Wayne Austin.



TOWN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF ASSETS - 2003

(Exclusive of Putney School District)

Town Hall

Furnishings & Equipment	18,000	
Safe & Vault	13,500	31,500

Fire Department

Engine 1 - 1975 Pemfab	56,383	
Engine 2 - 1974 E-One	214,308	
Engine 3 - 1999 E-One	204,278	
Brush Truck 1962 Dodge	3,780	
Ladder Truck - 1973 Seagrave	30,000	
Rescue Truck - 1988	55,000	
Radio Base Station	2,520	
Miscellaneous Fire Equipment	52,000	618,269

Highway Department

No.1 Dump Truck - 1998 Ford	58,684	
No. 2 Dump Truck - 1996 International	53,979	
No. 3 Dump Truck - 2002 Mack	81,560	
No. 4 Dump Truck - 2000 Sterling	73,399	
No. 6 Dump Truck - 1999 Ford	39,267	
Ford Pickup 2003	30,563	
Ford Accessories	6,650	
Loader - 2000 Kawasaki	82,210	
Grader - 1991 Cat	68,400	
Backhoe - 2002 John Deere	64,150	
Tractor/ Mower - 2001 John Deere	40,890	
Sidewalk Tractor - Trackless	19,820	
Tools, Equipment, Parts	32,000	
Screen Plant (1/2 Interest)	17,100	
Crushing Plant (1/2 Interest)	16,250	684,922

Sewage Treatment Plant

Laboratory & Maintenance Equipment	40,000	
Tractor w/ Loader - 2002	16,775	
Ariens Snowblower (used)	500	57,275

Library

Contents, Books, Equipment & Misc.	42,500	42,500
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Real Estate

Dam & Water Rights	8,000	
Town Hall	218,300	
Fire Station	214,700	
Library	105,000	
Town Garage	137,900	
Town Salt Shed	33,380	
Town Hall Storage Building	11,500	
Land on Bear Hill Road (26 acres)	30,000	
Land on Mill Street (.58 acres)	8,000	
Andrews Pastures/ Putney Mountain	50,300	
Beatrice Aiken Preserve	23,700	
Sewage Treatment Plant, Pump Station and Land	855,500	
Pool	6,500	1,702,780
Grand Total		\$3,137,246



The "Lambs" watch the parade, August 16, 2003.

TOWN OF PUTNEY CEMETERY FUNDS

Cash on hand July 1, 2002	\$9,045
Chittenden Interest	18
M.S.I.S. Interest	988
RVCU - CD Interest	317
Town General Fund	2,800
Cemetery Maintenance	(3,378)
Balance on hand June 30, 2003	\$9,791
Investments held June 20, 2003	
760 Shares Montgomery Street	
Income Securities Inc. @ \$19.65 MV	\$14,934
Certificate of Deposit - RVCU	\$5,000



TOWN OF PUTNEY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Cash on hand July 1, 2002	\$61,516
Interest Income	229
Town Meeting 2002/03	151,000
Sold Rescue Truck	2,500
2002/03 Capital Budget Expenses	(190,264)
Cash on hand June 30, 2003	\$24,981
Gen. Fund/ CD closeout	\$5,449

DOG LICENSE FEES

July 2002 - June 2003 Licenses Sold

		Cost	Total
Licenses Sold #			
7	@	3.00	21
200	@	4.00	800
99	@	6.00	594
38	@	8.00	304
30	@	12.00	360
TOTALS			\$2,079
Replacements	@	2.00	6
July 02/ June 03	Surcharge		1,603
Total Dog Registration Fees			\$3,688
Kennel Permit			60
2003 State of Vermont Assessment Fees			373
TOTAL INCOME			\$4,121

TOWN OF PUTNEY TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS

Cash on hand July 1, 2002	\$96,252
Interest Income	1,125
Cash on hand June 30, 2003	\$97,377
Late Deposit:	
2003 Railroad Tax	1,088
GF / Restoration	1,769
State of VT Re-Appraisal Funds	7,231
	\$10,087

RABIES ALERT

Rabies is a disease that can kill animals and people.



DIVISION OF TAXES

	Rate	Raises
Education Statewide	1.3817	1,485,916
Education Local	1.2385	1,331,915
Education 4th Rate	0.0108	11,567
TOTAL	2.631	2,829,398
Municipal Town	0.709	759,358
2002	3.34	3,588,756

- * Vermont law requires rabies shots for all CATS and DOGS.
- * Rabies shots help protect pets and pet owners from rabies.
- * Enjoy wildlife from a safe distance. Remember, rabid animals have been found in all Vermont counties.

Questions?

Call the Vermont Rabies Hotline:

1-800-472-2437

Local rabies vaccination information on page 2



ABSTRACT OF THE GRAND LIST OF THE TOWN OF PUTNEY: APRIL 1, 2002

Real Estate	No. of Parcels	All Corporations	Town Residents	State Residents	Non-State	Municipal Totals	Education Totals
Residential I	351	130,300	31,436,100	1,122,200	1,125,700	33,814,300	33,814,300
Residential II	268	183,900	37,904,200	1,239,600	2,037,100	41,364,800	41,364,800
Mobile Homes -U	50	0	739,800	39,600	36,500	815,900	815,900
Mobile Homes - L	51	5,700	1,870,600	0	157,700	2,034,000	2,034,000
Vacation I	30	0	0	81,600	1,644,600	1,726,200	1,726,200
Vacation II	24	0	37,100	284,400	2,145,900	2,467,400	2,467,400
Commercial	61	8,248,500	3,344,800	245,600	228,600	12,067,500	12,067,500
Commercial Apts.	14	1,931,600	1,140,700	0	316,100	3,388,400	3,388,400
Industrial	3	1,224,100	0	0	0	1,224,100	1,224,100
Utilities - E	2	1,097,700	0	0	395,700	1,493,400	1,493,400
Utilities - O	1	0	0	3,300	0	3,300	3,300
Farm	14	661,500	2,102,200	0	51,900	2,815,600	2,815,600
Woodland	93	6,900	972,200	232,400	1,610,500	2,822,000	2,822,000
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	36	62,100	441,000	144,400	174,300	821,800	821,800
Totals	998	13,552,300	79,988,700	3,393,100	9,924,600		
Total value of real estate for taxation						106,858,700	106,858,700
						Municipal	Education
Cable						244,000	244,000
Machinery and Equipment						0	N/A
Inventory						0	N/A
Total listed value of personal property						244,000	244,000
Non-approved contracts and exemptions						Municipal	Education
						N/A	439,900
Total listed value of taxable property						107,102,700	107,542,600
Total Grand List (1% of total listed value of real and personal property)						1,071,027.00	1,075,426.00

STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED - 2002

		TAX RATE	RAISE
EDUCATION GRAND LIST			
Real Property, Listed Value	106,858,700		
Cable TV, etc., Listed Value	244,000		
Sub total	107,102,700		
Town Voted Exemptions	439,900		
Total	107,542,600	x	1.3817
		x	1.2385
TOWN GRAND LIST			
Real Property, Listed Value	106,858,700		
Cable TV, etc., Listed Value	244,000		
Personal Property	0		
Sub total	107,102,700	x	.0108
		x	0.7090
Total			\$3.44
Computer Shortfall			(11,500)
TOTAL RAISED			3,577,257

TAXES BILLED:

School	2,817,893
Town	759,364
Sub total	3,577,257
Corrections	(6,787)
	3,570,470

ANTICIPATED REVENUES

Taxes Received	3,358,824
Overpaid	(7,475)
Tax Appeals	0
Total	3,351,350
Delinquent Tax Collector	219,120
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES	3,570,470

FIRE HOUSE FLYER

March, 2004

vol. 1 no.2

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Members of the Putney Fire Department who recently received Certification as Vermont Firefighter II are Chief Tom Goddard, Asst. Chief Russell Ellis, Captain Marc Fellows, Captain Christopher Fellows and Firefighter Larry Hyde. These dedicated men are the very first within the department to achieve the Vermont Firefighter II Certification after going through a series of challenging examinations.

Receiving the Vermont Firefighter I Certification, and bringing the total of certified firefighters on the force to 19, are Firefighters Eric McGowan, Dawn Hubbard, Ben Wohlford, Mark Bowen and Justin Sestak.

Putney is extremely lucky to have volunteers who are willing and able to protect us and those who suffer accident or other disasters in our area.

DID YOU KNOW?

That Captain Marc Fellows has been with the Department the longest? 28 years of service to Putney! Close behind are Asst. Chief Russell Ellis and Firefighter Bill Harlow with 25 years of answering the fire alarms here. And Firefighter Brad King has had 24 years with the Department. Wow! 102 years of service, volunteering for all of us!

Thanks, guys!!

(The Editors tried to find out, but nobody admitted to being the oldest on the force. However, Firefighters Eric McGowan and Frank Harlow, both 19, ARE the youngest).

WHAT'S IN THE FIREHOUSE NOW?

Our oldest truck is ENGINE 4, a 1962 Dodge Power Wagon, used for wildland firefighting.

The next oldest is LADDER 1, a 1973 Seagrave Custom Low-Profile Aerial Ladder truck.

And then there is ENGINE 1, the 1975 PemFab Custom Engine used primarily for water supply.

We also have RESCUE 1, a 1988 Ford Heavy Rescue vehicle used for initial response for technical rescue incidents, vehicle rescue and emergency medical incidents.

The newest pieces of equipment are ENGINE 2, a 1994 E-One Custom Engine which is the Primary response engine and ENGINE 3 a 1999 E-One Conventional Engine/Tanker for secondary response. Both No. 2 and No.3 are equipped with thermal imaging cameras and large water tanks.

REPORT OF THE FIRE HOUSE PLANNING COMMITTEE.

Members of the committee have visited other firehouses in the area - Westminster, West Dover, Wardsboro, and Brandon - all of whom have built firehouses in the last 10 years. Each department urged the committee to consider the future needs for expansion in any plan.

The committee has been meeting frequently to discuss possible locations for the new firehouse. By the March Town Meeting a decision may have been made by the selectboard. We also hope to have a preliminary design of the new building. There have been meetings with an engineer, the firemen, the committee and town officials to lay out the basic design needed to house the equipment and the special spaces required for an efficient and modern fire department. Since many of the 300 per year calls are for emergency help with accidents in town and on the highway, rescue equipment and supplies have to be included as well.

In order to accomplish a finished firehouse by the fall of 2005, a special bond issue vote will have to be held sometime later this year. The committee has been looking into the possibility of getting grant money for some of the expenses. So far it looks as if money might be available for some equipment and training but there seems to be nothing for building a new facility. We will continue to explore all the options in order to keep the costs reasonable.

In the meantime, according to the engineers who have been checking frequently, the old building continues to gingerly hold its own - but there has been a lot of snow this winter and only time will tell.

A Bit of History we'd like to know! : Where have all the fire houses in Putney been, when were they used and what are they used for now? Can anybody help? Please send your information to the Fire Department, c/o the Town Hall, Main Street, Putney.

SOME GENTLE REMINDERS FROM THE CHIEF AND HIS CREW!

1. Every family should have a home escape plan in case of an emergency, with a designated meeting place outside the home, so everyone can be counted.
2. Install smoke detectors throughout the home; at least one that is electrically powered with battery back-up on each floor.
3. Change smoke detector batteries at least annually and test them monthly.
4. Smoke detectors should be replaced every ten years.
5. Wood burning appliances should be installed by professional installation experts.
6. Chimneys should be cleaned and inspected on a regular basis, at least annually.
7. General household refuse should never be burned in a woodstove or fireplace.
8. Only dry, seasoned wood should be burned, not green wood or artificial logs.
9. Avoid the use of extension cords and overloading of electrical outlets.
10. Don't lay electric cords under floor mats, rugs or where they can be walked on.
11. Electric space heaters should be plugged directly into an electrical outlet, not extension cords.
12. Electric heaters should be placed where they cannot be knocked over easily and also kept away from curtains, furniture and other combustibles.
13. Kerosene heaters should never be used inside a home.

DON'T FORGET TO COME TO TOWN MEETING ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2004

Printing and paper courtesy of Mail Boxes Etc. and Pat McMahon

Dear Putney Residents,

We of the Putney Historical Society Board are reviewing our mission. In doing so, we are taking a long, hard look at what we can reasonably accomplish given our limited resources of time, energy, and money. A space crunch at the Town Hall is motivating us to act quickly. When we move our collection to make room for town use of our current office and parts of our museum displays, we would like to make sound decisions about what we can continue to offer. We would like to continue the community services that meet the needs and interest of townspeople and visitors.

Would you please take a minute to read the questions on the attached page. Decide whether you think each item should receive a "high" or "low" priority as we plan for our future.

To return this survey by mail, simply fold and staple the pages, showing the PHS address on the outside.

Thank you!

Fern Tavalin

Fern Tavalin, President
The Putney Historical Society

Putney Historical Society

P.O. Box 233

Putney, Vermont 05346



Read the list of activities that the Putney Historical Society has been involved with or is planning to take on in the next few years. Which of these items do you think should receive our high priority and which do you think can receive a low priority as we plan for what we can deliver? If you think that every item is essential, then mark them all as "high priority."

	High Priority	Low Priority
Help with genealogy research		
Design public exhibits on Putney history that are displayed in various locations around town		
Provide educational programming:		
to schools		
in cooperation with other groups such as the library		
as a Putney Historical Society "stand alone" activity		
Maintain a museum at Town Hall		
Create a museum in the village, located at old the Thwing Mill		
Maintain & repair the current collection under our care		
Continue to collect artifacts & documents that relate to Putney's history and maintain a safe place to store them		
Create a picture book of images from our photo collection		
Actively continue festivals such as the one last summer (on a smaller scale!)		
Own and/or preserve historic buildings		
Help with general research about the history of Putney		

(over)

Rank these nine responsibilities of the PHS in order of their importance to you:
(1 is top priority; 9 is least priority)

- _____ Help with Genealogy Research
- _____ Public Displays
- _____ Museum
- _____ Educational Programming
- _____ Periodic Newsletter
- _____ Collections Care
- _____ Acquisition of artifacts related to Putney History
- _____ Help with History Research
- _____ Maintenance of Photo Files

Additional comments you would like to make about the Putney Historical Society:

Would you be willing to serve on a task force? If so, tell us your name, phone number, and e-mail address (if available).

Possible task forces:

- _____ Maintaining Our Collection (what should we keep and properly store; what do we de-accession)
- _____ Space Committee (where should we put our stuff and how will it get moved)
- _____ Education Committee (what education programs should we offer)
- _____ Business Committee (how can we provide a revenue stream to keep the organization going)



EMPLOYEE WAGE SUMMARY

July 1, 2002 - June 30, 2002

EDWALD TRUST FUND

		Wages	Fees	Balance on hand July 1, 2002	\$31,692
Baker, Sarah	Assistant to Manager	278		Revenue 2002-2003	
Baker, Sarah	Pool Coordinator	1,136		Chittenden Bank interest	316
Barcomb, Laura	Manager	724		Disbursed 2002-2003	
Barcomb, Laura	Assistant to Town Clerk	26		Library	3,500
Cohen, Rochelle	Clerical	531		Fire Dept./ SCBA bottles	2,600
Coomes, Anita	Treasurer	15,959		Restoration of Town records	968
Coomes, Anita	Town Clerk	19,562		Town Picnic	107
Ellis, Russell	Assistant Fire Chief	2,000		Voting Booths	1,796
Finnell, Michael	Lister	1,913		Emergency Generator	1,079
Garland, Jill	Collector of Delinq. Taxes		12,283	Fire Dept./ hose test	621
Goddard, Thomas	Fire Chief	3,500		Fire Dept./ new hose	4,100
Hannum, David	Selectperson	1,200		Copier/ Town Offices	3,800
Jones, Mary	Assistant to Town Clerk	5,460		Subtotal	(\$18,571)
Jones, Mary	Assistants	31		Balance on June 30, 2003	\$13,437
Martin, Faith	Lister	5,567		Revenue January 2004	\$16,100
Mullen, Jim	Town Manager	39,686		Approved Expenses 2003-2004	
Payne-Meyer, Rodbard	Recreation	4,504		Library	3,500
Robinson, W. Andrew	Selectperson	1,200		Fire Dept. EOC	4,000
Rockefeller, Regina	Selectperson	1,200		Emergency Generator	20,000
Severance, Timothy	Lister	1,685		Restore Town Records	1,000
Taylor, Barbara A	Clerical	10,775		Town Picnic	500
Taylor, Barbara A	Assistants	103		Restore painted theater curtains	3,000
Highway Department	(7 employees)	172,902		250 Anniversary Celebration in 2003	2,500
Totals		\$289,942	\$12,283	Town Office computer	1,500
				Subtotal	(\$36,000)
				Estimated balance on June 30, 2004	(\$6,463)
				Estimated Revenue 2004-2005	10,000
				Proposed Expenses 2004-05	
				Library	3,500
				Town Picnic	350
				Subtotal	(\$3,850)
				Estimated balance on June 30, 2005	(\$313)

TOWN OF PUTNEY RESTRICTED FUNDS

	EDWALD	PATHWAY	LEGG/ MM	TOWN/ MM	TOWN/ CHECKING
BALANCE July 1, 2002	\$31,692	(\$2,223)	\$0	\$4,511	\$149
REVENUE					
Interest	316			29	
JP Morgan Interest				403	
Fleet				644	
LEGG/ TRFS					
Donations					
Chittenden Bank					
Transfer/ Checking					
DISBURSEMENTS	(18,571)			(2,953)	
BALANCE June 30, 2003	\$13,438	(\$2,223)	\$0	\$2,634	\$149
Investment Portfolio as of June 30, 2003 (White/ Whitney Funds)					
388.687 Shares Legg Mason Value Trust @ \$49.45				\$19,221	
1563.278 Shares Legg Mason American Leading Co. Trust @ \$17.34				27,107	
Total Investment Portfolio				\$46,328	



DELINQUENT TAXES - JUNE 30, 2003

	2002	2001	2000	1993-99
Abrams, Adam	4919.82	386.15		P
Al-Tawheed, Masjid	627.92	567.76	505.72	2397.00
Ali, Ishmal				
Ayotte, Patrick	578.03			F
Babbitt, David	2615.89			F
Baccei, William	149.49	263.75		
Barnett, Anne		12.45	14.80	
Barton, Sylvia	1077.71	497.30	560.87	F
Bauer, Wayne	703.41			F
Bayer, Laurie	3844.34	1459.93		
Borst, Raymond	2618.56	2367.68		F
Boston & Maine	1285.90			
Boucher, Ann	2745.95			F
Britt, Mary Ellen	2126.11			F
Brown, Janet	865.90			P
Caviola, John		1842.74	2086.05	P
CIT Technology		7.00		
Clough, Catherine	504.34	456.02	406.19	179.65 F
Crowell, Charles	1754.68			
DLL Operational		126.99		
Dort, Kate	50.10	45.30	40.35	F
Dunham, James	3136.26	1807.03		P
Feher, Kornel	1065.46			F
Fellows, Marc	748.16			
Grading, Drew	123.89			F
Hamilton, Harral	256.07			F
Hamilton, Wendall	623.47			F
Harlow, Susan	3790.55			
Hendricks, Jon	4509.24			F
Hendricks, Jon	1500.78			F
Hendricks, Nathaniel	1213.97			
Hendricks, Nathaniel	10932.61			P
Hendricks, Nathaniel	1594.29			F
Hudson, Michael	1662.36			F
Ivory, Mark	1666.66			F
Johnson, Gordon	2782.22	2515.66	2240.77	2131.73 P
Kalmring, Maria	3082.82			F
Keene Country Prop.	8872.73			P
Kennett, Richard	851.70	700.79		P
Kenzer, Steven	1219.28			
Lawlor, Mary	2608.54	2358.62	579.63	
Lott, Randi	5080.14	4451.48	2074.01	F
Madow, Neil	4044.74			F
McGowan, Chris	899.39			F
Moyer, Joseph	7.12			F
Ortlieb, William	1746.82			
Phillips, Gregory	3356.70			F
Prior, George	2745.48	1654.96		
Rayno, Raymond	1369.40			F
Rayno, Joseph	447.56	404.68	120.16	219.76
Rice, William	1265.86	230.44		
Rounds, Janice	350.70			
Schultz, Ruth	247.16			
Seward, Anna	624.58			
Siegel, Robert	644.14			
Smith, David	1523.04			
Snyder, Martha		1135.63		904.19 P
Stockwell, Paul	1957.24	1769.72	433.44	F
Tefft, Duane	1710.08	1182.81		P
Vaine, Jacqueline	1332.66	482.70		P
Walsh/Town of Putney	601.20			
Winter, Jerry	772.55			P

ACCOUNTING OF DELINQUENT TAXES

Balance Due July 1, 2002	\$97,205
New Delinquents February 2002	219,120
Rebated	(483)
Collected	
1994	
1995	
1996	
1997	56
1998	1449
1999	2604
2000	10895
2001	38096
2002	109684
Total Collected	(162,784)
Balance due June 30, 2003	\$153,058

ANNUAL TOTALS

2002	2001	2000	1993-99
\$109,435.77	\$26,727.59	\$9,061.99	\$5,832.33

"F" Paid in full as of 12/31/01

"P" Partial payment received.

ACCOUNTING OF DELINQUENT TAXES

	2002	2001	2000	1993-99
Total Due	109435.77	26727.59	9061.99	5832.33
	151057.68			



Morris Dancers in the Putney 250th Birthday parade



TOWN OF PUTNEY
COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
 As of June 30, 2003

ASSETS	2001	2002	2003
Checking Account	99,228	328,900	89,555
Savings Account	249,588	15,689	953
Money Market	51,044	51,728	52,293
Certificate of Deposit	40,500	40,500	0
Fire Station	0	0	38,773
Pool	0	0	30,080
Capital Reserve/ CD	0	0	5,449
Wardon Road Assessment	253	339	3,651
Receivables:			
Delinquent Taxes - Current Year	101,154	64,824	108,952
Delinquent Taxes - Prior Years	63,688	32,382	44,105
TOTAL ASSETS	\$605,455	\$534,362	\$373,812

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable:

UST Loan	6,030	4,020	0
Engine #3 Fire Truck	82,800	41,400	0
2000 Int'l Dump Truck #4	24,467	0	0
Wardon Road Note	60,000	52,500	45,000
1973 Ladder Truck	33,334	16,667	0
2000 Kawasaki Loader	55,368	27,684	0
F.S. Roof & Salt Shed	39,440	19,720	0
2002 #3 Mack w/ plow	0	54,500	27,250
Rescue Trk/ Bay Alterations	0	55,000	15,000
John Deere 6410 Tractor	0	25,890	12,945
John Deere 2002 Backhoe	0	0	54,150
Sub total	\$301,439	\$297,381	\$154,345
Encumbrances/ Surplus Against Tax Rate	150,000	150,000	150,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES/ FUND BALANCE	\$451,439	\$447,381	\$304,345

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Capital Funds/ CD's	133,065	33,065	0
Capital Reserve Funds	101,505	61,516	24,981
Town Hall Renovations	88,736	96,252	97,376
TOTAL	\$323,306	\$190,833	\$122,357

2001 T.M. Art #12 Pool - CD's	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
2003 T. M. Art #15 Pool	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
6/23/03 STM Fire Station	\$0	\$0	\$40,000



*The Street fair during the
 250 year celebration:
 (left) Putney Historical Society
 and
 (right) Sarkis Market booths.*





**TOWN OF PUTNEY
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003**

Balance on hand July 1, 2002	\$435,089
Surplus/ Reserve 2002-2003 Budget	(150,000)
Cashed in CD	(40,500)

RECEIPTS**BUDGET ITEMS**

Taxes	738,269	
Permits & Licenses	21,661	
Intergovernmental	162,315	
Fire & Police	2,876	
Miscellaneous	23,894	
Surplus Funds	150,000	
Landowner Penalties Current Use	104	
State of VT - 2001/02 Road Fines	1,709	
Wardon Road Funds	3,059	
Donations:		
Friends Society	550	
Landmark College	7,500	
Putney School	3,500	
Conte Refuge	574	1,116,011

OTHER

Transfer Capital Fund	190,264	
Chittenden Loan:		
Backhoe	54,150	
Sewer	7,800	
VT Municipal Bond Bank	73,565	
CD	1,884	
CD/ Interest	11,550	
State Vermont MPG	140	
Preservation Trust VT	8,887	348,240
Wardon Road		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,708,840

DISBURSEMENTS**BUDGET ITEMS**

General Government	335,798	
Public Safety	130,609	
Public Works	385,549	
Miscellaneous	367,522	
Sub total		(1,219,478)

CAPITAL ITEMS

Chittenden/ Fire Truck	41,400	
Chittenden/ #2 Ladder Truck	16,667	
Chittenden/ '01 Loader	27,684	
Chittenden/ Salt Shed & F. S. Roof	19,720	
Chittenden/ '02 Mack Dump Truck	27,250	
Chittenden/ Rescue Van & Bay Improvements	40,000	
Chittenden/ Wardon Road- P&I	8,887	
Chittenden/ John Deere Tractor	12,945	
Brewer (fire station stabilization)	1,227	
Pool (Grant application)	3,419	
Severance/ So. Vermont/ Ceiling	7,413	
Nortrak - JD Backhoe '02	64,150	
Sub total		(270,762)

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**(1,490,240)****BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2002****\$218,600**

Checking Account	167,508	
Money Market Account	953	
Other Money Market	50,000	
Difference	139	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND JUNE 30, 2002		\$218,600



TOWN OF PUTNEY SEWER FUND

Cash on hand July 1, 2002		\$21,381
Receipts		
User Fees	94,156	
General Fund Subsidy	45,205	
Interest/ Penalty	2,820	
Miscellaneous Fees	75	142,256
Disbursements		
Employee Benefits	12,118	
Office Supplies	80	
Postage	20	
Training & Travel	887	
Telephone	1,038	
Bond Payment	6,000	
Bond Interest	650	
Operation Labor	35,860	
Operation Supplies	10,645	
Capital Reserve & Sewer	895	
Insurance	133	
Maintenance	7,783	
Sludge Disposal	26,503	
Electricity & Heat	17,133	
Plant Improvement	34,756	(154,501)

Cash on hand June 30, 2003 **\$9,136**

Capital Reserve Fund - Sewer **\$5,775**

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REPLACEMENT LOAN RETIREMENT SCHEDULE \$20,100 at 0% interest

Principal Due	31-Jan	
1995	\$2,010	(pd)
1996	2,010	(pd)
1997	2,010	(pd)
1998	2,010	(pd)
1999	2,010	(pd)
2000	2,010	(pd)
2001	2,010	(pd)
2002	2,010	(pd)
2003	2,010	(pd)
2004	2,010	(pd)
Total	\$20,100	(pd)

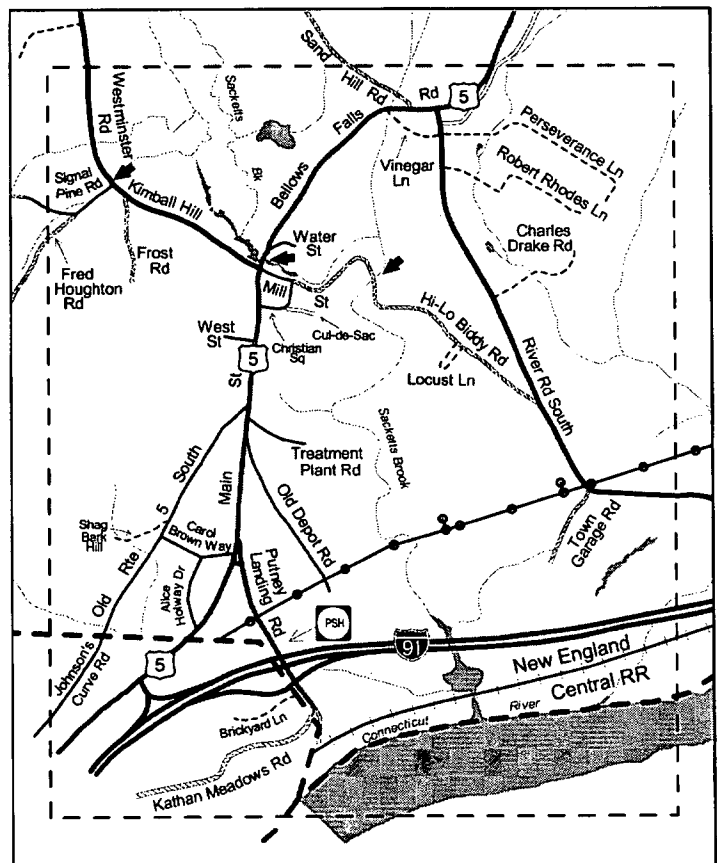
SEWER USER FEES Due June 30, 2003

User #	
128 Cross, Robert	73
47 Hendricks, Nathaniel	3,078
34 Hudson, Michael	538 *
87 Hunter, Simon & Phyllis	35 *
8 Keene Country Properties LLC	1,533 **
26 Madow, Neil	885 *
30 Madow, Neil	295 *
71 Madow, Neil	619 *
73 Madow, Neil	295 *
60 Mousel, Paul & Patricia	2,011
67 Murray, Gail	1,539 **
4 Prior, George G.	538
64 Putney Day Care Center	346 *
125 Putney Town School District	285 *
9 Rolston, Jared	287 *
12 Warner, Elizabeth & David	142 *
Miscellaneous/ Interest	9 *
Total	\$12,508

* Full Payments

** Partial Payments made by December 31, 2003

PUTNEY VILLAGE CENTER





TOWN OF PUTNEY SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION BOND RETIREMENT SCHEDULE \$160,000 AT 5% INTEREST PER ANNUM

DUE	PRINCIPAL DUE JANUARY 1	INTEREST DUE JANUARY 1	INTEREST DUE JULY 1	TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENT
1977	\$ 0	\$ 3,397.26 (pd)	\$ 4,000.00 (pd)	\$ 7,397.26 (pd)
1978	0	4,000.00 (pd)	4,000.00 (pd)	8,000.00 (pd)
1979	6,000 (pd)	4,000.00 (pd)	3,850.00 (pd)	13,850.00 (pd)
1980	6,000 (pd)	3,850.00 (pd)	3,700.00 (pd)	13,550.00 (pd)
1981	6,000 (pd)	3,700.00 (pd)	3,550.00 (pd)	13,250.00 (pd)
1982	6,000 (pd)	3,550.00 (pd)	3,400.00 (pd)	12,950.00 (pd)
1983	6,000 (pd)	3,400.00 (pd)	3,250.00 (pd)	12,650.00 (pd)
1984	6,000 (pd)	3,250.00 (pd)	3,100.00 (pd)	12,350.00 (pd)
1985	6,000 (pd)	3,100.00 (pd)	2,950.00 (pd)	12,050.00 (pd)
1986	6,000 (pd)	2,950.00 (pd)	2,800.00 (pd)	11,750.00 (pd)
1987	6,000 (pd)	2,800.00 (pd)	2,650.00 (pd)	11,450.00 (pd)
1988	6,000 (pd)	2,650.00 (pd)	2,500.00 (pd)	11,150.00 (pd)
1989	6,000 (pd)	2,500.00 (pd)	2,350.00 (pd)	10,850.00 (pd)
1990	6,000 (pd)	2,350.00 (pd)	2,200.00 (pd)	10,550.00 (pd)
1991	6,000 (pd)	2,200.00 (pd)	2,050.00 (pd)	10,250.00 (pd)
1992	6,000 (pd)	2,050.00 (pd)	1,900.00 (pd)	9,950.00 (pd)
1993	6,000 (pd)	1,900.00 (pd)	1,750.00 (pd)	9,650.00 (pd)
1994	6,000 (pd)	1,750.00 (pd)	1,600.00 (pd)	9,350.00 (pd)
1995	6,000 (pd)	1,600.00 (pd)	1,450.00 (pd)	9,050.00 (pd)
1996	6,000 (pd)	1,450.00 (pd)	1,300.00 (pd)	8,750.00 (pd)
1997	6,000 (pd)	1,300.00 (pd)	1,150.00 (pd)	8,450.00 (pd)
1998	6,000 (pd)	1,150.00 (pd)	1,000.00 (pd)	8,150.00 (pd)
1999	6,000 (pd)	1,000.00 (pd)	850.00 (pd)	7,850.00 (pd)
2000	6,000 (pd)	850.00 (pd)	700.00 (pd)	7,550.00 (pd)
2001	6,000 (pd)	700.00 (pd)	550.00 (pd)	7,250.00 (pd)
2002	6,000 (pd)	550.00 (pd)	400.00 (pd)	6,950.00 (pd)
2003	6,000 (pd)	400.00 (pd)	250.00 (pd)	6,650.00 (pd)
2004	6,000	250.00	250.00	6,650.00
2005	6,000	100.00	0.00	4,100.00





SEWER FUND BUDGET COMPARISON

- A. Statement of Actual Expenses Compared to Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003
 B. Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004
 C. Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

		2002-2003			2003-2004	2004-2005		
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
REVENUES								
2501-00	User Fees	90,546	94,156	3,610	92,092	97,000	4,908	5.3
2511-00	General Fund	45,205	45,205	0	45,977	55,247	9,270	20.2
2521-00	Penalties & Interest	0	2,820	2,820	0	1,500	1,500	0.0
2531-00	Credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2590-00	Surplus Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2591-00	Miscellaneous	0	75	75	0	0	0	0.0
TOTAL REVENUES		\$135,751	\$142,256	\$6,505	\$138,069	\$153,747	\$15,678	11.4
EXPENDITURES								
5400-15	Employee Benefits	12,012	12,118	106	10,344	10,612	268	2.6
5400-20	Office Supplies	50	80	30	50	100	50	100.0
5400-34	Postage	20	20	0	20	20	0	0.0
5400-74	Training & Travel	700	887	187	700	750	50	7.1
5400-81	Telephone	475	1,038	563	800	1,000	200	25.0
Subtotal		\$13,257	\$14,143	\$886	\$11,914	\$12,482	\$568	4.8
Payments								
5400-89	Capital Reserve Fund	6,000	0	(6,000)	5,000	7,500	2,500	50.0
5400-90	Bond Payment	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	6,000	0	0.0
5400-91	Interest Payment	1,100	650	(450)	500	100	(400)	(80.0)
Debt Repayment Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Subtotal		\$13,100	\$6,650	(\$6,450)	\$11,500	\$13,600	\$2,100	18.3
Maintenance								
5460-10	Operation Labor	34,144	35,860	1,716	35,605	35,615	10	0.0
5460-21	Operation Supplies	9,100	10,645	1,545	13,500	11,000	(2,500)	(18.5)
5460-25	Contracted Services	1,000	895	(105)	3,000	5,000	2,000	66.7
5460-48	Insurance	0	133	133	100	150	50	50.0
5460-68	Maintenance	11,000	7,783	(3,217)	15,400	15,400	0	0.0
5460-69	Sludge Disposal	25,000	26,504	1,504	16,000	25,000	9,000	56.3
5460-76	Electricity/Heat	15,200	17,133	1,933	19,000	19,000	0	0.0
5460-90	Plant Improvements	13,950	34,757	20,807	12,050	15,000	2,950	24.5
Subtotal		\$109,394	\$133,710	\$24,316	\$114,655	\$126,165	\$11,510	10.0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$135,751	\$154,503	(\$18,752)	\$138,069	\$152,247	\$14,178	10.3

PROPOSED SEWER FUND CAPITAL REPLACEMENT PLAN

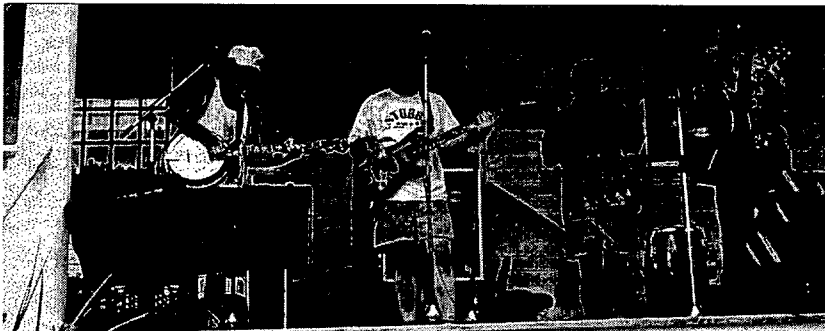
Equipment	Model	Life	Replace	Act. Cost	Fwd	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Tractor with loader	2002	30	2032	17,775		0	17,775					
Pump and pipe replace.										12,000		
Department total							\$17,775	\$0	\$0	\$12,000	\$0	\$0
Yearly Set-Aside						8,000	10,550	6,000	5,000	7,500	9,500	10,000
Yearly Payment						0	17,775	0	0	12,000	12,000	12,000
Yearly Balance						8,000	(7,225)	6,000	5,000	(4,500)	(2,500)	(2,000)
Cumulative Balance						\$5,000	\$13,000	\$5,775	\$11,775	\$16,775	\$12,275	\$9,775



GENERAL FUND BUDGET COMPARISON

- A. Statement of Actual Expenses Compared to Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003
 B. Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004
 C. Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

		2002-03			2003-04		2004-05	
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
<u>REVENUES</u>								
Taxes								
2000-00	Current Property Taxes	755,059	522,046	(233,013)	771,547	896,996	125,449	16.3
2001-00	Late Tax Interest	0	4,997	4,997	0	3,000	3,000	100.0
2002-00	Delinquent Taxes	0	162,784	162,784	0	68,400	68,400	100.0
2003-00	Current Use	31,500	31,918	418	30,600	30,000	(600)	(2.0)
2030-00	Delinquent Tax Interest	26,665	16,524	(10,141)	27,000	15,000	(12,000)	(44.4)
	Subtotal	\$813,224	\$738,269	(\$74,955)	\$829,147	\$1,013,396	\$184,249	22.2
Permits & Licenses								
2101-00	Alcoholic Beverages	650	0	(650)	675	550	(125)	(18.5)
2120-00	Dog Licenses	5,000	3,749	(1,251)	3,800	3,800	0	0.0
2121-00	Building Permits	1,600	1,403	(197)	1,600	1,500	(100)	(6.3)
2310-00	Town Clerk Fees	12,500	16,102	3,602	12,500	14,000	1,500	12.0
2350-00	Copy Machine	10	13	3	15	20	5	33.3
2360-00	Miscellaneous	800	394	(406)	800	450	(350)	(43.8)
	Subtotal	\$20,560	\$21,661	\$1,101	\$19,390	\$20,320	\$930	4.8
Intergovernmental Transfers								
2240-00	State Highway Funds	114,000	115,454	1,454	114,000	114,000	0	0.0
2241-00	State Paving/Bridge Funds	52,500	46,861	(5,639)	0	0	0	0.0
	Subtotal	\$166,500	\$162,315	(\$4,185)	\$114,000	\$114,000	\$0	0.0
Police and Fire								
2390-00	Parking Fines	5	2	(3)	5	20	15	300.0
2420-00	Fire Dept Reimbursement	0	1,330	1,330	0	4,000	4,000	100.0
2810-00	Court Fines	2,000	1,544	(456)	2,000	1,800	(200)	(10.0)
	Subtotal	\$2,005	\$2,876	\$871	\$2,005	\$5,820	\$3,815	190.3
Miscellaneous Income								
2900-00	Wardon Rd. Assessment	0	3,059	3,059	0	0	0	0.0
2910-00	Reappraisal Reserve Fund	20,000	0	(20,000)	15,000	15,000	0	0.0
2920-00	Pool	0	11,533	11,533	17,500	13,000	(4,500)	(25.7)
2930-00	Interest Income	23,000	8,796	(14,204)	12,000	9,500	(2,500)	(20.8)
2980-00	Rents/Vendors	1,000	1,110	110	1,000	1,000	0	0.0
2990-00	Refunds/Other	0	4,353	4,353	10,000	5,000	(5,000)	(50.0)
2991-00	Miscellaneous	5,000	12,038	7,038	5,000	12,000	7,000	140.0
2995-00	Surplus Funds	150,000	150,000	0	150,000	70,000	(80,000)	(53.3)
	Subtotal	\$199,000	\$190,889	(\$8,111)	\$210,500	\$125,500	(\$85,000)	(40.4)
TOTAL REVENUES		\$1,201,289	\$1,116,010	(\$85,279)	\$1,175,042	\$1,279,036	\$103,994	8.9



Putney celebrated 250 years with music from the Tavern porch.



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		2002-03			2003-04		2004-05	
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
EXPENDITURES								
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
3000-00	Salaries/Selectpeople	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$0	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$0	0.0
	Managing Municipality							
3210-10	Salary/Manager	38,099	39,686	(1,587)	39,686	43,285	3,599	9.1
3210-11	Salary/Office Assistant	8,840	1,002	7,838	8,973	7,247	(1,726)	(19.2)
3210-25	Contracted Services	4,000	45,630	(41,630)	4,000	4,000	0	0.0
3210-30	Advertising	400	848	(448)	400	400	0	0.0
3210-34	Telephone & Alarm	2,200	2,402	(202)	2,600	2,500	(100)	(3.8)
3210-40	Dues, Subscriptions	2,300	3,208	(908)	2,400	2,550	150	6.3
3210-60	Legal Fees	10,000	13,671	(3,671)	10,000	11,500	1,500	15.0
3210-62	Printing	500	330	170	500	500	0	0.0
3210-74	Travel & Meetings	1,100	1,235	(135)	1,000	1,000	0	0.0
3210-84	Office Equipment	1,500	364	1,136	2,500	1,000	(1,500)	(60.0)
	Subtotal	\$72,539	\$111,976	(\$39,437)	\$75,659	\$77,581	\$1,922	2.5
	Conducting Elections							
3310-10	Salaries	850	991	(141)	850	950	100	11.8
3310-62	Printing	200	138	62	200	200	0	0.0
	Subtotal	\$1,050	\$1,129	(\$79)	\$1,050	\$1,150	\$100	9.5
	Treasurer's Office							
3400-10	Salary/Treasurer	15,959	15,959	0	15,959	16,862	903	5.7
3400-20	Office Supplies	500	694	(194)	500	650	150	30.0
3400-34	Postage	2,800	2,810	(10)	2,900	2,900	0	0.0
3400-48	Fidelity Bond Premium	430	0	430	0	0	0	0.0
	Subtotal	\$19,689	\$19,463	\$226	\$19,359	\$20,412	\$1,053	5.4
	Employee Benefits							
3410-13	Life Ins/Disability/EAP	2,500	631	1,869	1,000	1,000	0	0.0
3410-14	Dental Plan	3,067	2,737	330	3,180	3,976	796	25.0
3410-15	FICA - Town Share	23,170	23,122	48	23,816	25,493	1,677	7.0
3410-16	Pension Plan	11,872	11,071	801	13,364	11,996	(1,368)	(10.2)
3410-17	Health Plan	41,549	44,381	(2,832)	47,628	58,752	11,124	23.4
3410-18	Workers Compensation	24,000	21,042	2,959	21,500	31,300	9,800	45.6
3410-19	Unemployment	50	5,005	(4,955)	300	2,500	2,200	733.3
	Subtotal	\$106,208	\$107,988	(\$1,780)	\$110,788	\$135,017	\$24,229	21.9



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		2002-03		2003-04	2004-05		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
Auditing							
3420-10 Salaries	600	0	600	5,600	7,000	1,400	25.0
3420-20 Office Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3420-62 Town Report	5,700	5,930	(230)	6,000	6,000	0	0.0
Subtotal	\$6,300	\$5,930	\$370	\$11,600	\$13,000	\$1,400	12.1
Tax Listing							
3430-10 Salaries	12,620	9,299	3,321	12,810	9,930	(2,880)	(22.5)
3430-15 Reappraisal	15,000	2,950	12,050	15,000	15,000	0	0.0
3430-20 Office Supplies	750	806	(56)	750	750	0	0.0
3430-56 Purchased Services	800	237	563	800	800	0	0.0
3430-74 Travel & Meetings	300	50	250	400	250	(150)	(37.5)
Subtotal	\$29,470	\$13,342	\$16,128	\$29,760	\$26,730	(\$3,030)	(10.2)
Town Clerk's Office							
3500-10 Salary/Clerk	19,564	19,562	2	19,856	20,668	812	4.1
3500-11 Assistant Clerk	8,840	5,503	3,337	8,973	13,442	4,469	49.8
3500-12 Clerical	10,300	11,310	(1,010)	7,542	9,223	1,681	22.3
3500-20 Office Supplies	1,700	2,280	(580)	1,700	1,700	0	0.0
3500-74 Travel & Meetings	200	20	180	300	250	(50)	(16.7)
3500-79 Restoration of Records	1,500	394	1,106	0	0	0	0.0
Subtotal	\$42,104	\$39,070	\$3,034	\$38,371	\$45,282	\$6,911	18.0
Municipal Boards							
3600-25 Contracted Services	1,000	1,332	(332)	500	500	0	0.0
3600-30 Advertising	750	909	(159)	500	850	350	70.0
3600-40 Windham Regional dues	3,600	3,582	18	3,700	3,700	0	0.0
3600-74 Travel & Meetings	800	140	660	400	300	(100)	(25.0)
Subtotal	\$6,150	\$5,963	\$187	\$5,100	\$5,350	\$250	4.9
3700-48 Insurance	\$23,420	\$28,364	(\$4,944)	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$0	0.0
Maintaining Town Hall							
3710-21 Supplies	100	94	6	325	300	(25)	(7.7)
3710-56 Custodial Services	1,500	319	1,181	1,200	500	(700)	(58.3)
3710-68 Repairs & Maintenance	1,600	554	1,046	1,400	1,400	0	0.0
3710-76 Sewer Use Charge	525	276	249	400	400	0	0.0
3710-77 Electricity	1,700	1,196	504	1,200	1,200	0	0.0
3710-78 Heat	2,400	1,133	1,267	2,200	2,000	(200)	(9.1)
3710-81 Building Improvements	2,500	0	2,500	2,500	1,500	(1,000)	(40.0)
Subtotal	\$10,325	\$3,572	\$6,753	\$9,225	\$7,300	(\$1,925)	(20.9)
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$317,255	\$336,798	\$19,543	\$322,912	\$353,823	\$30,911	9.6



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		2002-03			2003-04		2004-05	
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4110-00	Sheriff's Department	48,070	50,627	(2,557)	48,070	48,070	0	0.0
4110-10	Constable/Health Officer	100	0	100	100	0	(100)	(100.0)
	Subtotal	\$48,170	\$50,627	(\$2,457)	\$48,170	\$48,070	(\$100)	(0.2)
Fire Fighting and EMS								
4510-10	Fire Chief Salary	5,500	5,500	(0)	5,500	15,496	9,996	181.7
4510-15	Medical Exams	1,500	720	780	1,500	1,500	0	0.0
4510-20	EMS Equip. & Supplies	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	100.0
4510-40	Mutual Aid Dues	5,200	5,425	(225)	5,500	13,330	7,830	142.4
4510-57	Put. Vol. Firefighters Assn	19,000	19,873	(873)	20,000	22,000	2,000	10.0
4510-75	Fire Prevention Programs	500	461	39	500	500	0	0.0
4510-80	Fire Training	2,000	2,569	(569)	2,000	3,600	1,600	80.0
4510-81	Telephone & Alarm	1,700	1,371	329	1,700	1,700	0	0.0
4510-83	Radio Maintenance	1,800	1,893	(93)	1,500	1,500	0	0.0
4510-84	Cleaning Dam & Misc.	500	0	500	2,600	500	(2,100)	(80.8)
	Subtotal	\$37,700	\$37,812	(\$112)	\$40,800	\$62,126	\$21,326	52.3
Maintaining Fire Station								
4570-68	Repairs & Maintenance	2,000	2,270	(270)	2,000	2,000	0	0.0
4570-72	Licenses/Registration	225	80	145	225	225	0	0.0
4570-76	Sewer Use Charge	550	737	(187)	550	550	0	0.0
4570-77	Electricity	3,600	3,432	168	3,600	3,600	0	0.0
4570-78	Heat	4,035	3,271	764	4,035	4,035	0	0.0
4570-81	Building Improvement	1,500	1,306	194	4,500	1,500	(3,000)	(66.7)
	Subtotal	\$11,910	\$11,096	\$814	\$14,910	\$11,910	(\$3,000)	(20.1)
Maintaining Trucks & Equipment								
4580-21	Vehicle Fuel	4,165	3,385	780	4,165	4,165	0	0.0
4580-68	Repairs & Maintenance	15,000	15,409	(409)	19,660	19,660	0	0.0
4580-83	Equipment Purchase	8,500	12,280	(3,780)	8,500	8,500	0	0.0
4580-84	Capital Purchases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Subtotal	\$27,665	\$31,074	(\$3,409)	\$32,325	\$32,325	\$0	0.0
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT		\$77,275	\$79,982	(\$2,707)	\$88,035	\$106,361	\$18,326	20.8
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		\$125,445	\$130,609	(\$5,164)	\$136,205	\$154,431	\$18,226	13.4



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	2002-03			2003-04		2004-05		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT								
General Maintenance (April-Oct)								
5112-10 Salaries	90,187	91,041	(854)	93,387	98,281	4,894	5.2	
5112-21 Operating Equipment	29,000	32,171	(3,171)	22,000	23,000	1,000	4.5	
5112-22 Materials	26,000	17,841	8,159	22,000	22,000	0	0.0	
5112-25 Contracted Services	10,000	2,300	7,700	5,000	5,000	0	0.0	
Subtotal	\$155,187	\$143,353	\$11,834	\$142,387	\$148,281	\$5,894	4.1	
5130-22 Traffic Control Materials	\$1,500	\$1,025	\$475	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	0.0	
Winter Maintenance (Nov-March)								
5142-10 Salaries	77,152	81,861	(4,709)	79,756	83,775	4,019	5.0	
5142-21 Operating Equipment	25,000	26,508	(1,508)	26,000	26,000	0	0.0	
5142-22 Materials	27,000	39,003	(12,003)	29,000	29,000	0	0.0	
Subtotal	\$129,152	\$147,373	(\$18,221)	\$134,756	\$138,775	\$4,019	3.0	
Bridge/Culvert Maintenance								
5242-10 Salaries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
5242-21 Operating Equipment	0	18	(18)	0	0	0	0.0	
5242-22 Materials	10,000	2,853	7,147	15,000	12,000	(3,000)	(20.0)	
5242-25 Contracted Services	10,000	6,420	3,580	10,000	7,500	(2,500)	(25.0)	
Subtotal	\$20,000	\$9,291	\$10,709	\$25,000	\$19,500	(\$5,500)	(22.0)	
Retreatment								
5252-25 Contracted Service	75,000	66,944	8,056	50,000	50,000	0	0.0	
5252-30 Crusher/Screenner	4,000	2,656	1,344	4,000	4,000	0	0.0	
Subtotal	\$79,000	\$69,600	\$9,400	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$0	0.0	
5280-00 Street Lights	\$4,900	\$4,875	\$25	\$4,950	\$4,950	\$0	0.0	
Sidewalk Maintenance								
5290-10 Salaries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
5290-21 Operating Equipment	1,000	428	572	1,000	1,000	0	0.0	
5290-22 Materials	0	17	(17)	0	0	0	0.0	
Subtotal	\$1,000	\$445	\$555	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.0	
Town Garage								
5310-22 Repairs & Maintenance	2,050	2,504	(454)	2,500	2,500	0	0.0	
5310-23 Small Tools & Equipment	2,700	1,954	746	2,700	2,700	0	0.0	
5310-34 Telephone & Radio	1,500	1,269	231	1,500	1,500	0	0.0	
5310-58 Operator Testing	2,000	498	1,503	500	500	0	0.0	
5310-72 Licenses/Registration	250	160	90	250	250	0	0.0	
5310-77 Electricity	2,800	2,384	416	2,800	2,800	0	0.0	
5310-78 Heat	1,500	568	932	1,500	800	(700)	(46.7)	
5310-81 Building Improvement	2,500	251	2,249	2,500	2,500	0	0.0	
Subtotal	\$15,300	\$9,588	\$5,712	\$14,250	\$13,550	(\$700)	(4.9)	
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$406,039	\$385,548	\$20,491	\$377,843	\$381,557	\$3,714	1.0	



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		BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	PROPOSED	VARIANCE	%
MISCELLANEOUS								
6330-00	WSWMD Assessment	14,365	14,365	(0)	19,761	19,787	26	0.1%
6820-00	Cemetery Maintenance	2,800	2,800	0	2,800	2,500	(300)	-10.7%
7112-00	Recreation Coordinator	10,213	8,090	2,123	7,500	7,500	0	0.0%
7112-10	Pool Labor	0	7,085	(7,085)	12,000	12,000	0	0.0%
7112-21	Pool Expenses	0	8,577	(8,577)	8,000	7,500	(500)	-6.3%
7115-00	Rescue, Inc.	10,536	10,536	0	11,853	13,829	1,976	16.7%
7395-00	Memorial Day	105	272	(167)	415	415	0	0.0%
7800-20	Library Appropriation	64,325	65,790	(1,465)	68,700	77,531	8,831	12.9%
8600-00	Interest Notes	6,775	6,633	142	9,200	9,200	0	0.0%
8720-44	Social Service Agencies	26,476	26,476	0	26,806	26,806	0	0.0%
9300-70	Mabel Gray Walkway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
9300-71	Town of Brookline Taxes	1,400	1,191	209	1,400	1,500	100	7.1%
9300-72	County Taxes	13,530	14,472	(942)	15,000	15,500	500	3.3%
9300-76	Sewer Assessment	45,205	45,205	0	45,977	55,247	9,270	20.2%
9500-21	Dog Supplies	210	157	53	210	210	0	0.0%
9500-60	Dog Professional Services	2,650	100	2,550	500	750	250	50.0%
9500-68	Dog Damage Payment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
9500-72	Dog Fees	950	752	198	950	950	0	0.0%
9600-00	Capital Reserve Fund	151,000	151,000	0	105,000	138,000	33,000	31.4%
9900-00	Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
9900-80	Land Purchase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
9900-82	Principal on Improvements	2,010	4,020	(2,010)	2,010	0	(2,010)	-100.0%
9999-00	Capital Expenditures	0	12,815	(12,815)	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS		\$352,550	\$380,337	(\$27,787)	\$338,082	\$389,225	\$51,143	15.1%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$1,201,289	\$12,332,292	(\$32,003)	\$1,175,042	\$1,279,035	\$103,993	8.9%

TOWN OF PUTNEY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS

The following monies have been budgeted for social service organizations for 2004-05

Putney Community Center	4,110	Brattleboro Area Hospice	335
Community Early Learning Center	4,110	HCRS, Inc.	335
Putney Family Services	4,110	Morningside Shelter	335
SEVCA	2,781	RSVP of Windham County	335
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT/ NH	2,781	The Gathering Place	335
Youth Services	2,781	United Way - GET INFO	335
Council on Aging for SE VT	2,781	Vermont Adult Learning	335
Aids Project of So. Vermont	335	Windham County Humane Society	335
Brattleboro Area Drop In Center	335	TOTAL	\$26,804



PROPOSED GENERAL FUND CAPITAL REPLACEMENT PLAN

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	Model	Price	Life	Replace	Est. Cost	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Dump/Sterling #4	2000	73,399	10	2010	80,000								
1-TonPickUp/Ford #6	1999	39,267	10	2009	45,000								15,000
Dump/Mack #3	2002	81,560	10	2012	91,000	25,614	25,613						
Pickup/GMC #5	1993	17,550	10	2003	35,000		11,667	11,667	11,667				
Dump/Int'l #2	1996	53,980	8	2004	91,000		11,667	30,333	30,333	30,333			
Dump/Ford #1	1998	47,664	10	2008	85,000						28,333	28,334	
Loader/Kawasaki	2000	82,210	12	2012	105,000	27,404							
Backhoe/John Deere	2002	64,150	15	2017	82,000	10,000	27,075	27,075		42,000	42,000	42,000	
Grader/Cat	1991	68,400	15	2006	210,000								
Tractor/John Deere	2001	40,890	15	2016	55,000	12,945	12,945						
Leaf Vacuum				2004	16,000			16,000					
Crusher		16,250	?	?	?								
Garage Roof			20	2003	35,000		11,667	11,667	11,667				
Salt Shed	2000	33,800	50	2050	?	11,267							
Hi-Lo Biddy Bridge	1906	1,560	96	2002-04	30,991	11,000		19,991					
Sidewalk Tractor	1981	19,820	24	2005	80,000	\$98,230	\$88,967	\$116,733	\$80,334	\$98,999	\$68,666	\$70,333	\$85,334
DEPARTMENT TOTAL													

FIRE DEPT. EQUIPMENT	Model	Price	Life	Replace	Est. Cost	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Eng#3/E-One	1999	204,278	30	2029	?	40,584							
Eng#1/Pemfab	1975	56,383	30	2005	300,000								
Rescue Truck	1988	55,000	30	2018	100,000	15,000	15,000		60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
Ladder Truck	1973	50,000	47	2020	?								
Eng#2/E-One	1994	214,308	30	2024	?								
Station roof	2000	17,350	20	2020	?	5,783							
Pipe floor drains			40	2003	8,000		8,000						
Brush Truck				2007	45,000					9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
Rescue Tools				2008	12,500					6,250	6,250	6,250	
Utility Vehicle				2005	24,000			12,000	12,000				
Sheetrock ceiling				2002	7,500	3,750	3,750						
DEPARTMENT TOTAL						\$65,117	\$26,750	\$12,000	\$72,000	\$60,000	\$75,250	\$75,250	\$69,000

TOWN HALL	Date	Life	Replace	Est. Cost	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Exterior painting	1996	9	2005	10,000				10,000				
Replace roof	1917	88	2004	90,000			13,000	35,000	35,000	35,000		
1st floor remodeling	1963	42	2005	10,000				5,000	5,000			
Electric to Town Shed	1950	54	2004	20,000			1,000	0				
DEPARTMENT TOTAL							\$14,000	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$0

Total Payments for year
Yearly Set-Aside
Balance
Cumulative Balance

163,347	115,717	142,733	202,334	198,999	178,916	145,583	154,334
151,000	105,000	138,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000
(12,347)	(10,717)	(4,733)	(22,334)	(18,999)	1,084	34,417	25,666
49,169	38,452	33,719	11,385	(7,614)	(6,530)	27,887	53,553
61,516							



TOWN BOARDS AND ORGANIZATIONS

PUTNEY SELECTBOARD

This has been a very busy and challenging year for the Putney Selectboard. The major areas of concentration were: the structural problems with the fire station; developing plans for a water system; upgrade of the wastewater treatment facility; working with the Library Board on the new building and; a change in Town Managers.

Jim Mullen, our town manager of 7 years, left to take a position with the Town of Brattleboro. The Putney Selectboard reviewed the position and its requirements, advertised, interviewed selected candidates for the position. Larry Hyde, resident of Putney for 16 years was offered the position, which he accepted. Larry has been on board since early August 2003 and is doing an outstanding job.

We discovered serious structural problems with the existing fire station. With the help of engineers and exploratory drilling it was ascertained that a portion of the station was built on poor fill, allowing the building to settle causing serious cracks in the walls and floor. Temporary fixes were made but it was clear that the best solution was to build a new fire station at another location. A committee made up of town residents began a detailed analysis of the situation and confirmed the need for a new facility. Several sites were considered but a new site has yet to be selected. The committee continues to work toward a solution.

Another committee of town residents was formed to study the details of a water system for the downtown area of Putney. This work was done in conjunction with an engineer. To date they have selected a tentative route for the system, a fee structure, and a regulation for the system. The selectboard has been involved in this process and should have a recommendation from the committee in the near future.

Larry Hyde, Town Manager, Arthur Bricker, Wastewater Treatment Operator, and Dennis Wilson, Director of Public Works, have been working with an engineer to develop an upgrade to our 30-year-old waste water system. Numerous mechanical parts of the system have reached their life expectancy and need to be expanded or replaced.

The Library Board has been involved in developing plans and raising funds for the construction of a new and larger building to house the Town Library. A site across from Chittenden Bank has been purchased. The final phase of fundraising is currently underway.

The Hi-Lo-Biddy Bridge reconstruction project is moving forward. Work is expected to take place during the next construction season.

The Highway Department has been busy with maintenance of roads and replacement of many culverts.

Thanks to many residents and organizations Putney celebrated its 250th anniversary of the 1753 charter. Events were held August 14-17, 2003 culminating with a fantastic Parade. Residents used this time to gather for reunions, raise funds for area projects, and enjoy music and fellowship with neighbors and friends. The Town of Putney honored its War Veterans on November 9, 2003 by dedicating a new granite memorial in their memory. The stones stand tall on the southern section of lawn at the Town Hall. Each name is hand carved forever remembering the commitment these men and women made to our country in time of war. Thanks to the monument committee for providing time and effort so that Putney may have this wonderful tribute to our veterans.

We would like to thank all the citizens of Putney and visitors to the Town for their cooperation and support.

Dave Hannum, Chair, Regina Rockefeller, and John Nopper

PLANNING COMMISSION

In 2003, the Planning Commission reviewed and approved, usually with conditions, nine Site Plans. These included: changing a former restaurant into a four-family dwelling with offices; an office as a secondary use; a day care facility; a new library; use of a second floor for offices; modifications to an earlier permit for a theater/cultural center; a garden/farm supply use; changing a home industry to a self storage facility; and changing a single family to a three-family dwelling.

Two planning studies funded by Vermont Municipal Planning Grants were completed with the assistance of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC). The *Putney Village Inventory* examines the physical conditions of the Village, evaluates growth opportunities in light of site and zoning constraints, and provides a number of recommendations for changes and further areas of review. The *Rural Districts Analysis* inventoried the Rural Residential, Resource and Conservation Zoning districts. Development history and trends were reviewed, development projections prepared and a build-out analysis conducted. Mapping and GIS data were provided with both studies. Information is available on the web at <http://www.rpc.windham.vt.us/gis/maps/putney.htm>

The Planning Commission and WRC were awarded a Vermont Municipal Planning Grant to further investigate Village development. The study will be to help residents visualize growth in the village center, with the goal of promoting village development as an alternative to incremental development of the more rural parts of town.

The Planning Commission usually meets on the first Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall, 7:00 PM, and all interested persons are invited to attend.

Phillip Bannister, Chair



August 16, 2003, waiting for the parade to start.



REPORTS OF OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

PUTNEY ZONING BOARD

The Putney Zoning Board granted a Conditional Use Permit on January 9, 2003 to Putney Family Services under Sections 220 and 310.4 of the Putney Zoning Regulations to allow a Secondary Use (Office Use) within the existing structure (Neuman Hall) at 43 Old Depot Road, within the Village Zoning District.

On February 6, 2003 the Putney ZBA met at 7:30 p.m. and granted a conditional use approval for a public library (technically a "Community/State Owned/Operated Facility") at 55 Main Street, Putney, within the Village Zoning District.

With conditions, the Putney ZBA on May 1, 2003 granted a conditional use permit to Neil Madow under sections 220, 760 and 820C of the Putney Zoning Regulations for reconstruction of a burned building at 8 and 10 Kimball Hill, Putney, within the Village Zoning District.

On the same date the Putney ZBA granted a Conditional Use Permit to Neil Madow to permit Office Use on the second floor of the structure at 8 and 10 Kimball Hill within the Village Zoning District.

On June 5, 2003, with conditions, a Conditional Use Permit was granted to Randi Lott and Junellen Lott (lot owners) and P. Ryan Van Iderstine (applicant) for a Temporary Home during the construction of a single family dwelling behind 249 Black Locust Road, Putney, in the Rural Residential Zoning District.

On August 7, 2003 a Conditional Use Permit by the ZBA to Raymond and Donna Borst, the lot owners, and Torben and Cindy Larsen, the applicants, under Sections 220 and 320.3 of the Putney Zoning Regulations for a Garden/Farm Supply or Nursery on 839 Bellows Falls Road, Putney.

Charlie and Jill Garland received a Conditional Use Permit on September 8, 2003, with conditions, under Sections 220 and 320.3 of the Putney Zoning Regulations for a change of use from a Home Industry to a Self Storage Facility at 38 Rounds Hill Road, Putney.

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

The Board held six meetings during 2002-2003. The year began with meetings before Primary Election and General Election. At a November meeting, the entire voter checklist was reviewed by the Board. Other meetings were two in February before the annual BUHS meeting and March Town Meeting; a meeting in June before the Special School vote and before the Special Town Meeting (re: Fire Station).

Additions to the voter checklist were 130 names and deletions were 185 names. Total names on the checklist, June 30, 2003, were 1486. The BCA received no taxpayer grievance appeals on the 2003 Grand List.

All proper and necessary clerks were hired. The Board counted ballots when necessary at all meetings.

Anita M. Coomes, Town Clerk

Primary Election, September 10, 2002

Ballots Voted	Democratic	369
Ballots Voted	Republican	80
Ballots Voted	Progressive	18
Total Ballots cast		467
Registered Voters		1473

General Election, November 5, 2002

Registered Voters	1515
Total Ballots cast	1087

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Elected November 5, 2002: Alan Blood, Hester Caldwell, Margaret Cassidy, Karen Gustafson, Peggy Leo, Eva Mondon, Nancy Olson, Jacquelyn Walker, Carol Westing, Claire Wilson.

BOARD OF LISTERS

We have received the Land Table from the State to aid us in the reappraisal process that is an ongoing commitment. With the new Marshall & Swift software purchased we have begun entering into the new appraisal program information from the current listers cards.

As we get further along testing from the above is done with the new assessments relative to the current market conditions.

Also, the board is gearing up for the Act 68 Declaration of Vermont Homestead that will affect our progress in the reappraisal. If you have not sent in the one page form HS-131 that came from the State, please do so now. Your completing this form will definitely have an impact on which school property tax rate is applied to your property.

Faith Martin has tendered her resignation as a town lister to pursue her personal goals. We thank her for the many hours and commitment she gave over the years to the town people and us. Mary Jones was appointed to fill her term that expires March 2004.

For any questions that you may have please call us at 387-5862. Our new office hours are Tuesday from 10 AM to Noon or by appointment.

Listers: Mike Finnell, Tim Severance, Mary Jones

PUTNEY CEMETERY COMMISSION

Cemetery maintenance continues to be done by Jesse Amidon for Baldwin-West Hill, Eric Fogg for Old North, and Donald Strange's X-Pert Care for Maple Grove and East Putney cemeteries. Volunteers continue to care for the Dipping Hole and several family cemeteries. Thanks to all for the good work.

Work on the many broken and fallen head stones is slated to begin in the spring of 2004. Most of the downed stones are 150 or more years old. A bequest from Henry Bentley will help this effort. Additional gifts of money and labor are most welcome.

Laura Heller, Allan Thurber and Laurel Ellis, Commissioners

PUTNEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This year, the Putney Conservation Commission continued our active management of the town's conservation sites.

At the Sacketts Brook Conservation Site, we continued to clean and clear up the grounds, and work on the path to the historic mill ruins. The interpretive sign commissioned through a Connecticut River Joint Commission grant was installed at the site in time for the 250th anniversary in August. Special thanks go to former commissioner Lyssa Papazian and the Town's Highway Department for their effort to install the sign.

At the Bare Hill Site, we began work to develop a trail system. We continued maintenance of the eight trees we planted last year along Main Street. We hope these trees will continue to grow and grace the town with their beauty in years to come.

In the summer, we sponsored several hikes in interesting natural areas in the town. We hope to continue such hikes in the summer of 2004. We are continuing to collaborate with the Putney Planning Commission on their work with the next revision of the zoning regulations.

We would like to thank Laurel Ellis who retired from the Commission this year for her active participation during her years on the commission and welcome new member Andrea Darrow. Continuing members are Lisa Chase, Pamela Cubbage, Brian Howlett, Jonathan Klein, Roger Parrott, Tim Ragle, and Jacquie Walker. We currently have one open seat on the Conservation Commission. Our meetings are open to the public. We regularly meet on the third Thursday of the month at the Town Hall.



PUTNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

The past year has been extremely busy and many changes have occurred at the Putney Fire Department.

During the year, we were faced with the unfortunate loss of two of our brother firefighters: Retired Fire Chief Paul Wade, and Retired Firefighter William Lyons. Both of these individuals served the community with dignity and pride, and will be greatly missed.

The department's delivery of emergency medical services changed as of January 1, 2003 when the original Putney First Response Squad, an extension of Rescue, Inc., became an official division of the Fire Department. In conjunction with this, the Fire Department received accreditation and licensing as an official First Response Squad from the Vermont Department of Health. With this, personnel affiliated with the original organization joined the ranks of the Fire Department, and eight members of the department received State EMS certifications, allowing them to function as part of the EMS Division, in addition to their firefighting capabilities and duties.

Our members continue to donate countless hours of time dedicated to maintenance of the fire station, equipment, and apparatus, as well as education and training in an effort to deliver the best possible services to the citizens of Putney. Over 2600 hours were dedicated to maintenance, with an additional 1240 hours spent on education and training.

We once again realized a record number of requests for services amounting to 297 being answered, equating to 3476 hours of dedicated and professional emergency service.

On December 20, 2003, the department rose to one of its biggest challenges of the year when faced with a four-alarm fire at Offerings on Kimball Hill. Thanks to the superb efforts of the department's personnel and aided by the forces from ten additional area departments the property was able to rebuild and no damage was suffered by any of the surrounding buildings. This particular incident demonstrated the dedication and professionalism of the Town's emergency services.

In an effort to provide the best possible fire protection for the "village" area, during this past summer, the sole dry hydrant located behind the fire station was replaced with two hydrants that considerably increased our water flow capabilities.

Between May and September 2003, we were fortunate enough to receive from the Vermont Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security Unit, \$22,641 in grant money, which was allocated for the purchase of new firefighting, communications, and specialized rescue equipment to allow us to better serve the community.

During the summer structural ailments began to appear within the fire station. After numerous inspections by engineers, and conversations concerning possible repair options, the Selectboard appointed a volunteer committee to investigate all options concerning the facility, including repairing the existing building or constructing a new one.

The Pre-Fire Planning program instituted last year has been a great success in allowing the Fire Department to gain valuable information about commercial and industrial properties, public buildings, and rental properties throughout Town. Approximately 20% of these properties have been inspected and property owners who have yet to be contacted are encouraged to contact the Fire Chief for scheduling an inspection.

Emergency services depend upon "911" address numbers being posted and plainly visible at the roadway and from both directions of travel to allow for quicker and efficient service when called upon.

Also, burn permits are required in the Town of Putney for any type of outside burning. Any of the following people may be contacted to obtain a permit: Fire Chief Thomas Goddard (257-5499); Asst. Chief Russ Ellis (387-4448); Captain Marc Fellows (387-5947) or Key Man David Hamnum (387-4674). During weekdays

the Town Manager Larry Hyde at the Town Hall (387-5862) can issue a permit in the event any of the other individuals cannot be contacted.

The Fire Department has been active in performing fire and life safety related programs and inspections throughout Town. Smoke detectors DO SAVE LIVES! Please install and maintain one or more detectors.

Questions regarding fire safety, smoke detectors, or general safety concerns are encouraged by the Fire Chief.

The continued support provided by the Townspeople is greatly appreciated.

Thomas Goddard, Fire Chief

PUTNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

In early September the Putney Selectboard formed the Putney Fire Department Planning Committee, whose mission was "to review and discuss the present operation, requirements and duties of the Department, and then make recommendations and suggestions as to how the Department will operate in the near and long term. This review should include personnel, equipment and services. On a (45+) day time schedule the committee will present to the Selectboard its recommendation for the solution to the present building problem: do nothing, repair the existing fire station, build a new station or build a new station in conjunction with the Windham County Sheriff Department. Based on [that] decision the committee will prepare cost estimates for operation including maintenance, upkeep, capital, rent or loan payments, and personnel."

The committee vigorously tackled the charge: it met weekly and produced the following recommendations:

1. Abandon the existing firehouse at the earliest possible date.
2. Expend no additional funds for repairs to the firehouse unless absolutely required to maintain the structural integrity of the building.
3. Relocate the firehouse to a central or near-central village location.
4. Discontinue further discussion with the Windham County Sheriff Department regarding the possibility of a joint facility until, or unless, there appeared to be definitive and actual grant funding for such a combination facility.
5. The committee now meets biweekly, will produce occasional newsletters and has recommended the following for Phase II:
6. Continue the Fire Planning Committee and, with input from the Town staff, charge it with the responsibility of determining final design and costs for a new facility, and establish future costs for operation, maintenance, upkeep, loan payments and capital expenditures.
7. Allocate the \$25,000 remaining of the \$40,000 special appropriation (for fire house maintenance/repair) approved earlier by the voters for engineering and architectural fees to design and provide cost estimates for a new Putney Fire, Safety and EMS Department facility.
8. Propose the following time line:
 - January 2004: Determine final location of proposed facility
 - April 2004: Preliminary design of proposed facility
 - July 2004: Selectboard approve final design; public hearings; bond vote preparation
 - August 2004: Special Town Meeting for bond vote
 - September-October 2004: Project out to bid, begin construction.

Future:

Establish a permanent committee of citizens to be called Fire, EMS and Safety Community Advisory Committee that would meet at least quarterly with the fire department to discuss issues and assist the department with community relations.

Robert Stromberg, Chair



PUTNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Putney Public Library has had an outstanding year. Building on the groundwork laid down over the past three years, we have now firmly established a higher level of services for all our library users. Thanks to generous grants from the Freeman Foundation and with support from the select board, trustees, patrons, and many others, our library has entered a new era of services available to the public and is on the threshold of constructing a beautiful new building on Main Street.

In the past year we were successfully able to continue our increased hours, greatly expand our patron base, upgrade our infrastructure and significantly increase our collection. Further, we provided numerous wide-ranging programs for all ages which brought over 1,700 people through our doors. These included study groups, lectures and slide shows, book discussion groups, preschool story hours, concerts, and our summer reading program for kids and parents. As our visibility and popularity has increased so has our networking and collaboration with other community organizations such as the Putney Central School, The Community Early Learning Center, Putney Family Services, the Putney School, Putney Cares and the Putney Historical Society. The celebration of the town's 250th anniversary this past summer was also a major opportunity to shine a light on the library and to continue to educate and inform people about our enhanced level of services. Our giant bed float in the town parade, full of children being read to, brought great cheers and will be long remembered. Our collection has now grown to over 14,000 items and on an average week we receive 257 visits in the 28 and 1/2 hours we are open. Last year we circulated 30,296 books, audios and videos and provided over 500 interlibrary loans! We are also now connected to the Vermont Online Library, which allows patrons to search from home a vast and comprehensive electronic database for free.

Finally, and of great importance, is the response to our Capital Campaign to build our new library. In the past two and a half years we have met and surpassed our initial goal of \$700,00.00 through a successful number of events, mailings and grants, along with voter approval of a \$100,000 bridge loan to be repaid from the sale of the old building. Thanks to the tireless work of the campaign committee and generosity of too many to name at this time we continue to hold our dream of being in our new building by the end of 2004. We feel it important to note the passing of David Rothschild, who was our long time champion, visionary, and generous benefactor. Without David, the dream of a new library would still be far on the horizon instead of at our doorstep. As always the staff continue to make every effort to keep current with new technologies and ideas and we encourage and welcome your comments and suggestions.

Staff: Stephen Coronella, Library Director; Deb Stetson, Assistant Librarian; Marcy Hermansader and Art Costa, Circulation Desk.

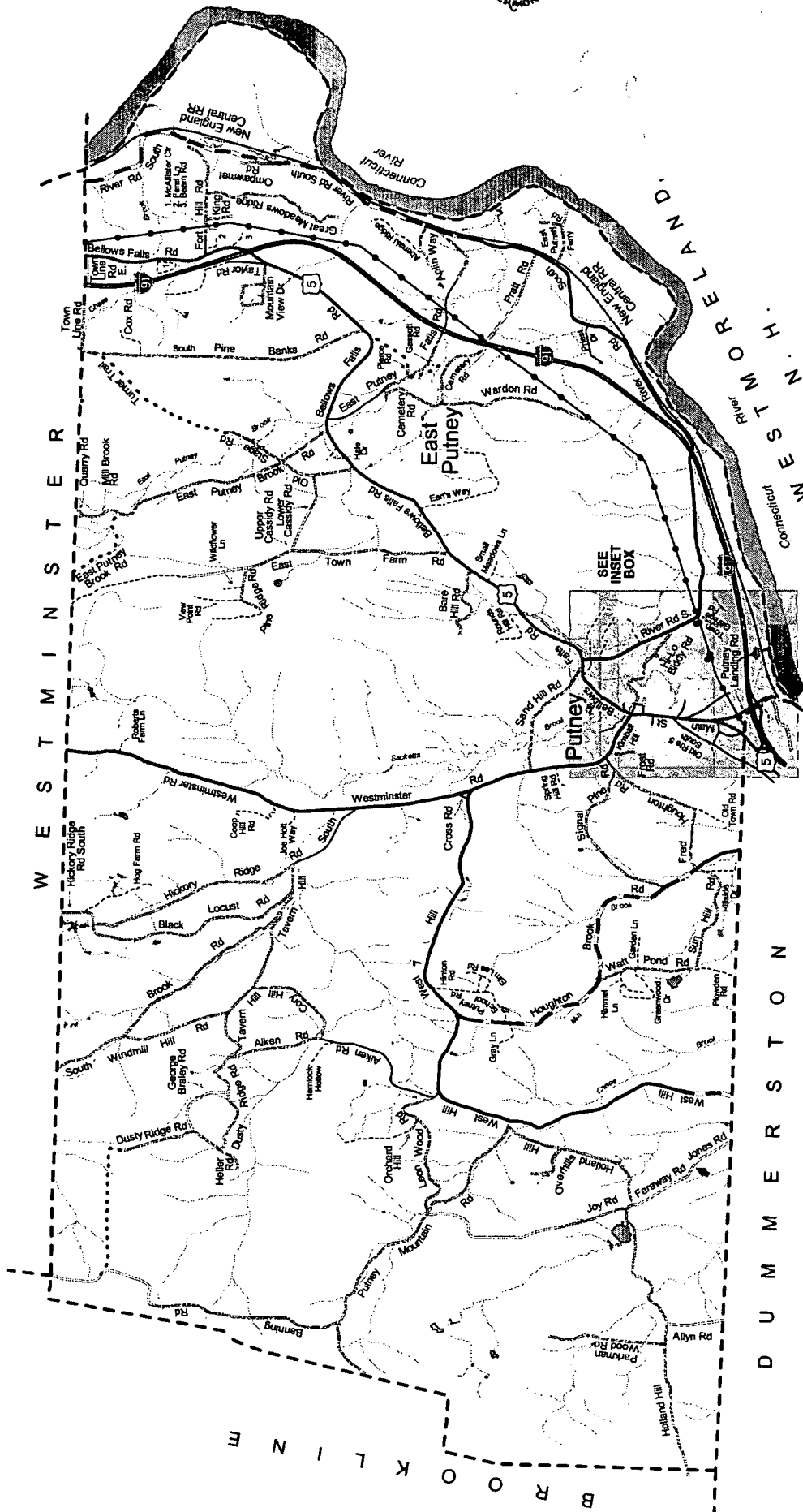
Total Collection 14,302, Adult Books: 7,677, Juvenile Books: 4,809, Audios: 885, Videos: 931.



Putney's Fortnightly Club joined the parade on Saturday, August 16, 2003.

PUTNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY-FY ending 06/30/2003

INCOME	
Edwald Fund	-
Fines	1,924
Fund Raising/Gifts	13,408
Interest	426
InterLibrary Loans	282
Out of Town Fees	1,817
Town Appropriation	64,325
Total Income	\$82,181
EXPENSES	
Library Director	23,946
Assistant Librarian	14,997
Subs	2,469
Bookkeeper	1,340
Additional Staff	3,327
Story Hour	11
Payroll Expenses	3,523
Employee Benefits	7,348
Cleaning	930
Telephone	2,825
Gas	1,083
Electricity	1,386
Sewer	369
Books: Adult	6,652
Books: Juvenile	2,454
Books: Discounts earned	(51)
Videos	232
Audiotapes	1,091
Postage	1,866
Office Supplies	643
Library Supplies	2,878
Maintenance	2,532
Travel	615
Internet Access	192
Other Expenses	169
Story Hour/Programs	11
Professional Development	90
Total Expenses	\$82,929
OPERATING CASH	
Beginning Balance	6,377
Expenses	(82,929)
add: Income	82,181
Ending Balance	\$5,629
FUNDRAISING ASSETS	
Fundraising & Gift Account	68,224
Certificates of Deposit	
Library Fund	9,000
Kimball Fund	1,636
Treasury Bills	
Investments	311,156
OPERATING CASH & FUNDRAISING ASSETS	\$395,645



PUTNEY ROAD MAP

Town of Putney Road Name Map, GIS, Windham Regional Commission, 4/2000
(Other town map, see page 11 for Village Center.)



PUTNEY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

COMMUNITY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Community Early Learning Center was founded in 1969 as Community Day Care Center, a community-run child care and early education center, open year-round for children ages two through twelve years. We offer pre-school education, kindergarten readiness, half-day Kindergarten Plus, after-school program, expressive arts, and summer day camp. Parent education is free and open to the community.

Community Early Learning Center is a Protective Services agency and a Head Start center, collaborating with Early Education Services, Early Essential Education, and the Family, Infant, and Toddler Project. The Center is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. Our 2003 enrollment was 148 children of which 78 were Putney residents that received a \$0.10 hourly rate reduction. For further information regarding our services, please call 387-4049.

PUTNEY CARES, INC.

Greetings from Putney Cares, your first stop for elderly services in Putney. We can help with housing, delivery of Meals on Wheels to shut-ins, rides to medical appointments, and are a clearinghouse for home health aids and information.

We also provide a home to the Grace Arts Program in addition to the Strong Living Exercise Program in our Community Building.

With our convenient location, consider our Community Building the next time you need a place to meet forty or so of your closest friends at a minimal expense.

If you have any questions about Putney Cares or the services we offer please call us at 387-5593. The office is open weekdays from 10 to 12 noon.

Steve Haisley, President

PUTNEY COMMUNITY CENTER

The Putney Community Center board deeply regrets the passing of one of our most dedicated and active former members, Connie St. John. Thanks to her hard work and generous support over the years, the organization is flourishing once again.

This past year has been an increasingly active one at 10 Christian Square. Many varied public and private events were held here in addition to the very popular and well attended monthly dances for area teens – 6th through 9th grade. PCC is also the home of the Village Nursery School.

For information about our reasonable rates or to reserve use of the Center for public or private events, please contact Heather Maples at 387-8551. The board may be contacted at P.O. Box 337, Putney, VT 05346.

In appreciation for the Town of Putney's generous assistance with our heating costs, the Community Center does not charge local non-profit organizations for occasional use of the space.

Laurel Ellis, Vice President

*Young ladies in the Putney parade down
Main Street on August 16, 2003.*

PUTNEY FAMILY SERVICES

Since 1989, Putney Family Services has been providing a variety of programs, which serve our town and our mission to "identify and address the factors which threaten the healthy development of children and their families".

We thank the community and all our volunteers for their support, which enable PFS to proudly serve our community by providing:

- 305 Patient visits at the Weekly Walk In Health Clinic
- 45 Vermont Health Access sign-ups and referrals
- 6100 Hours After School Child Care
- 14 Mentor/Apprenticeships
- 2000 Hours After School Tutoring
- 18 Odd Jobs placements
- 45 Students participated in Summer Programs

PFS was also thrilled to participate in the wonderful "celebration of each other – past, present and future" that the 250th celebration became. By coordinating our summer programs to include historical aspects such as "Lost Arts and Crafts" and games that our Putney predecessors participated in, Putney children were able to have some hands-on experience with our town history.

PUTNEY POOL

The Putney Pool was open this year from June 25 to August 30, 2003. It was the first full summer under the direction of the Town of Putney. Thanks to a wonderful staff of lifeguards and gate guards, the pool opened daily (11 am - 7 pm) for members and their guests. Our memberships included 64 family, 6 individual and 2 groups, up slightly from the previous summer. We were pleased to see these memberships included both resident and non-resident families from the surrounding towns. The pool was again able to provide swim lessons for area children. These classes included all levels from Toddler, Beginner I-II & Advanced, to Intermediates.

The Putney Pool not only provided services and relief from those hot summer days but also a place to gather for picnics and meet friends. We look forward to having many more area residents enjoy the new pool that is scheduled to be ready for July 1, 2004.





PUTNEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This year has been an extremely active one as the Historical Society took the lead on two major projects and co-sponsored another. The book *Putney: World's Best Known Small Town* was released in time for August's 250th celebration of our 1753 town charter. Billed as "a community autobiography," over 300 people helped by interviewing, being interviewed, writing, and critiquing the book. Students from Landmark College, Greenwood, Putney School, and the Grammar School learned more about our town as they incorporated interviewing and writing into their various programs.

Putney's 250th Celebration from August 14-17, 2003 was a highlight of the year. Four days of partying was capped by an extraordinary parade that has been preserved on video and DVD thanks to the photographers and videographers who loaned materials to the PHS and to the Putney General Store, the Vermont Community Foundation, and the WEB Project who sponsored the editing of those materials into a 38-minute story.

In November, a monument to Putney's veterans was erected in front of Town Hall. The Putney Historical Society served as the organization through which the Putney Veterans Memorial Committee raised its funds and several PHS members were active participants on the committee. The monument has attracted many people who look to find their names and the names of their loved ones.

Current PHS officers include: Fern Tavalin, President; Lyssa Papazian, Vice-president; Laurel Ellis, Treasurer; Stuart Strothman, Secretary. The Board meets every third Wednesday of the month from 4-5 pm at Town Hall. The public is welcome to attend.

The Putney Historical Society is open and staffed from 2-4 pm most Wednesday afternoons. For further information, call PHS at Town Hall (387-5862) on Wednesday afternoons; e-mail putneyhs@sover.net; write PHS, PO Box 233, Putney, VT 05346; or visit <http://www.putneyhistory.org>. Membership is open to all.

Fern Tavalin, President

PUTNEY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

During 2003 the Association focused on several new trail projects. The first was a 1.5-mile self-guided Nature Trail beginning at the Putney Mountain Road trailhead and leading to the summit and back. Under the guidance of Board Member Kristen Dawley, who teaches at the Putney School, a group of Putney School students designed the trail and wrote and illustrated the Trail Guide for their senior project. Under Roger Haydock's enthusiastic supervision, in 2003 we also completed the West Cliff Trail, a 2.8-mile wilderness footpath running from the same trailhead to the end of Banning Road, where it connects with the trail to the Pinnacle, 2.6 miles away. Roger had terrific help from Putney School work teams, both last spring and this fall. The trail is strenuous but spectacular. Finally, we set up access trails from Brookline and Westminster West. All our trails are now marked with small color-coded plastic discs, and illustrated in a brochure, which is available at the parking area kiosk. We invite the general public, and especially Putney residents, to use and enjoy the trail system.

Our total acreage stands at 368, not including the 47-acre Putney Town Forest, which we manage for the town. Negotiations are underway to acquire an additional 26-acre parcel on Banning Road in 2004. Anyone who would like to support our work by becoming a Lifetime Member, or a Conservation Steward, should contact Claire Wilson at 387-6635.

Steve Anderson, President

PUTNEY GUN CLUB

Since our last report, over 100 local seniors, parents, young adults, and children have participated in our Hunter's Safety Education classes and earned their certification cards. Each year the number of requests for Hunter Education Classes exceeds what we can provide in classroom size and student space. Non-hunters also attend the classes with their children to learn safe firearm handling.

Four new instructors have joined our team who are volunteers for the State of Vermont and Hunter Education. No fee is charged to students.

Each year we provide scholarship to send two Putney Central School students to the Green Mountain Conservation Camps at Buck Lake and Lake Bomoseen and sponsors the "Let's Go Fishing Program".

The Putney Gun Club has an indoor .22 shooting range and sponsors shooting leagues during the winter months.

One of our greatest success stories happened just this past fall. A local high school teacher used the Putney Gun Club to complete an extraordinary program and to bring together the true meaning of teaching across the curriculum. He conducted an in-school, for credit, Hunter Education course with a group of eight special needs students. The teacher brought these students to the Putney Gun Club to complete the live fire portion of the course, and to receive the final instruction from our instructors.

The impact of our tax-exempt status is less than one dollar per landowner, compared to the tremendous benefit it is to our community. Given the numbers who have used, continue to use and will use the club, the peace of mind that comes from knowing that high quality education in public safety is available, free of charge, seems a quite a bargain.

Michael Kolsun, President

PUTNEY RECREATION LEAGUE

The Putney Recreation League (PRL) provides the opportunity for local residents of all ages to develop a sense of community, skills and good sportsmanship. It is the hope of the board that all participants enjoy the programs offered and encourage all to partake in PRL activities as much as possible.

This year we again offered soccer, basketball, and baseball for local youth, grades one through six. The men's baseball team was a success, for the second year running. We were happy to help the men's league build a proper fence at the field used in Dummerston. Our heartfelt thanks to long time member Richard Bissell for his management of this league.

The PRL hosted its 17th annual soccer tournament, which is our largest fund-raiser. We were lucky to enjoy a beautiful fall weekend and a very successful event.

For the past year, Rod Payne-Meyer has been the sports coordinator for all three of the youth programs. The board is extremely thankful for Rod's continued dedication to not only the board but to the young children with whom he has fostered such wonderful sportsmanship and love of the game.

The PRL has seen many changes in our board over the past year. Long time member Randi Green has stepped down from the board and he will be greatly missed. The board would like to welcome new members Jim Heal, Norman Raymond, Nancy Gagnon, and Tammy Severance. We are looking forward to another year of fun filled sports.

Sarah Baker, President



REPORTS OF COUNTY-WIDE ORGANIZATIONS SERVING PUTNEY

AIDS PROJECT OF SOUTHERN VERMONT

The AIDS Project of Southern Vermont (APSV) is a non profit, community-based AIDS Service Organization providing direct services to people living with HIV/AIDS and their families, and HIV prevention services to those at highest risk for HIV infection. APSV serves both Windham and Bennington Counties.

With the help of the community, for the past 15 years APSV has offered case management and volunteer services to people living with HIV/AIDS, and to their families and partners. In 2002-2003 we served 71 people living with HIV in Southern Vermont.

APSV also offers HIV prevention services to youth, women at risk, gay and bisexual men, and injection drug users and their partners. We have operated a legal syringe exchange program in Brattleboro since 2000. The Dove program engages members of faith communities in gathering donations of food and household supplies for people affected by HIV. APSV also offers a new method of oral HIV counseling and testing, called OraSure, to all our communities.

Although APSV does serve Putney residents through its direct services program, we do not publish the numbers of people served in each town who are HIV-positive because of confidentiality concerns. We have served 37 Putney residents with HIV prevention services in the past year.

Please call at any time for more information at 254-8263.

BRATTLEBORO AREA HOSPICE

Brattleboro Area Hospice is an independent, community-based, non-profit volunteer hospice organization. BAH provides grassroots, volunteer-staffed programs to supplement and provide alternatives to the professional services utilized by dying and grieving community members. We also provide education and outreach to increase our community's understanding of and ability to cope with the issues of death and dying. All of our services are free of charge. Referrals to any of our programs can be made by a physician, hospital, home health care provider, nursing home, or family members.

Brattleboro Area Hospice is one of fewer than 200 volunteer hospices left in the United States. Although the hospice movement in this country was originally volunteer-focused, today many agencies offer complex medical services while overlooking the crucial role of the volunteer. Yet the compassionate assistance of neighbors helping neighbors during the difficult journey of terminal illness and grief cannot be underestimated. Given the dramatically increasing elder population in the United States, hospice volunteers are and will continue to be a vital component in maintaining quality end-of-life and bereavement care.

Many of our clients tell us that Hospice is one of the rare places where people who are dealing with death and grief are unconditionally supported. We are deeply grateful for the support of the towns we serve, which allows us to offer these free services for the dying and grieving.

Waiting for the parade to start.

COUNCIL ON AGING FOR SOUTHEASTERN VERMONT, INC.

The Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont, Inc. (COASEV, Inc.) fosters and supports successful aging of seniors in the Putney community and throughout Windham and Windsor Counties. COASEV staff, along with seniors and other community members, develop, advocate, coordinate and assure access to services, which enhance the quality of their lives in Putney. To accomplish this mission in Putney we provide direct services as those listed below, as well as work collaboratively with other organizations in Putney.

Information and Assistance – Through the Senior Helpline at 1-800-642-5119, provides resources, tips, applications for benefits, and assistance with health insurance information.

Senior Nutrition – Provides home delivered meals through a contract with Putney Cares. Congregate meals are served weekly at the Putney Meadows and each weekday at the Brattleboro Senior Center. Meals on wheels served 2309 meals in Putney for a total of 41 residents.

Transportation – Providing the senior van every Thursday to Brattleboro. Special arrangements are made for non-Medicaid seniors requiring out of town medical transportation.

Case Management – Providing one-on-one case management to those wishing to stay in their community and by managing the Medicaid Waiver program, which provides nursing home-like care. With self-neglect referrals we assist the individuals to become aware of and access services thus regaining control of their lives. We spent an estimate of \$24,211 towards the case management cost for Putney seniors this year.

Advocacy – Assisting with accessing a wide array of benefits such as VHAP pharmacy, fuel assistance, food stamps, telephone lifeline, tax rebates, and Supplemental Security Income. These services are provided through home visits.

Care Giver Respite – Through grants we are able to provide respite assistance for caregivers of those diagnosed with dementia and other chronic diseases.

Senior Companion Program – Providing friendly visiting and a stipend employment opportunity for older, limited income workers.

Planning – For seniors is accomplished by working with legislators, other agencies, and the communities we serve.

Successful Aging Initiatives – Providing a series of small community grants for groups and organizations to create and expand their programs. Two grants totaling \$1,000 were awarded to organizations in Putney for 2004.

Your town contribution of \$290 generates \$1,643 in Federal matching funds to support all of these activities. Services are provided at no cost but participants are encouraged to make anonymous, voluntary contributions. The support of Putney citizens as well as of the hundreds of volunteers and dedicated staff make these services possible.

Marie Saunders, Executive Director





BRATTLEBORO AREA DROP IN CENTER

The Brattleboro Area Drop In Center provided emergency food assistance to 81 unduplicated Putney households in 2002. These households used the Center's Food Shelf a total of 255 times. Overall, in 2002, the Center provided food to over 1470 unduplicated households, and outreach and case management services to 140 homeless individuals.

We have been serving an increasing number of working families who are unable to make ends meet in times of high costs for fuel, medicine, and childcare, as well as many elders on fixed incomes who have to choose between food, heat, or medicine. We do not anticipate this trend reversing itself in the upcoming year.

We appreciate the support Putney provides to our agency.
Melinda Bussino, Executive Director

THE GATHERING PLACE

For the past fifteen years, The Gathering Place has provided adult day services for local residents who are frail, isolated, or disabled. TGP is committed to helping participants remain respected community members by encouraging their independence, and challenging them to reach and maintain their maximum levels of physical strength and mental well-being. TGP is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing home care, and an affordable alternative to nursing home placement.

TGP offers on-site physical and occupational therapies, counseling, and a daily exercise program. Personal services include hairdressing, showers, podiatry and assistance with the activities of daily living. Our professional staff includes a full-time nurse, recreational therapist, and occupational therapist. We can also arrange transportation to and from doctors' appointments.

Scholarships are available based on an income-sensitive, flexible fee schedule; we are a Medicaid and VA provider. Our program is open Monday through Friday (8 am - 5 pm). Transportation is available via wheel-chair accessible vans.

The Gathering Place is located in downtown Brattleboro in a lovely Victorian home with a large deck and outside area for games, relaxation, and gardening. Our program includes stimulating and varied activities, entertainment, lectures, socials, field trips, and local walks to places such as the Farmers' Market and library. We serve a light breakfast, mid-day meal, and afternoon snack.

Aside from respite, TGP offers caregivers support, education, assistance with outreach, and the ability to remain employed. TGP sponsors a monthly Parkinson's Disease Support Group and facilitates a monthly Caregivers Support Group— both free and open to the public.

The Gathering Place— a good place to be! (254-6559) (fax 257-2859) tgp@sover.net or www.gatheringplaceadulthood.org
Lynn Bedell, Executive Director



HEALTH CARE AND REHABILITATION SERVICES OF SOUTHEASTERN VERMONT

In the year ending June 30, 2003, our agency provided a comprehensive range of community-based services to 4,424 residents of Windsor and Windham counties. The services that are available to the residents of your community are as follows:

Outpatient Mental Health Services: The mission is to provide caring, high quality, cost-effective mental health care for our community at every level of need. Our highly trained staff of professional therapists, social workers, and psychiatrists help individuals and families cope with stress and anxiety, develop their full potential, and maximize control of their lives. We make it our paramount goal to ensure that children, adolescents, and adults who come to us receive appropriate, timely care. We are now offering walk-in clinics to any resident having an urgent need to see a mental health counselor for support and more effective coordination of services.

Alcohol & Drug Treatment Services: For adults and family members who are adversely affected by the use of alcohol or drugs, we offer a comprehensive program of assessment, inpatient referral, outreach, outpatient treatment, and aftercare dedicated to aiding the recovery from chemical dependency and its effects.

Community Rehabilitation & Treatment Program: The CRT program provides comprehensive services to adults over the age of 18 who are suffering from a mental illness so serious that it interferes with that person's capacity to function in the community. We provide help and information to concerned family members and help clients regain stability and learn how to manage their mental illness, either in a hospital setting or as outpatients.

Community Services Division: The CSD provides services to people with developmental disabilities and their families. Services are available to people of all ages who have been found eligible, and each person being served receives an individually written program to meet his or her needs.

The Alternatives Program: A short-term alternative to hospitalization, the Alternatives Program provides crisis stabilization, respite and support to clients with psychiatric disabilities, or to any adult experiencing an acute mental health crisis. We also provide a transitional residence for those stepping down from an inpatient setting. Our program provides a very desirable alternative to hospitalization in being less costly and less structured, while at the same time providing individualized attention in a more homelike, community based setting.

Emergency Services: The Emergency Services Team has a very specific mission to act quickly in critical situations. Specially trained mental health professionals are available 24 hours a day for emergencies. Anyone may use this service when an emergency arises including individuals of any age; family; or friends of an individual in crisis; hospitals and nursing homes; police; schools; clergy; businesses; and other community agencies.

We thank the board and the citizens of Putney for your past support and for your continued interest in Health Care & Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont.

Lambs in the Putney parade.



MORNINGSIDE SHELTER

Morningside Shelter offers three programs: Emergency Shelter, Service Enriched Housing, and Outreach.

Our mission is to provide temporary shelter, service enriched housing, outreach services to prevent homelessness and other related services at no or nominal cost to families and individuals who, because of family breakup, loss of employment, eviction, mental illness, substance abuse, or other personal crisis, are without housing.

The shelter offers safe, clean, supportive temporary housing to the homeless, an emergency food shelf, advocacy, and assistance with finding employment and housing.

The Service Enriched Program (SEH) provides safe, clean and affordable long-term housing and support (30-36 mo.) to individuals and families leaving the shelter who are committed to making positive changes in their lives. Clients and advocate meet once weekly or more if needed in their homes to discuss progress and address important issues and concerns.

Outreach services provide short-term support to make the transition from Morningside to the community. Outreach services are targeted to individuals leaving the shelter and intervention services to those living in the community who have been identified as at risk of becoming homeless.

RSVP

RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) recruits people who are 55 and older who are willing to give a few hours of their time and are placed in volunteer jobs at non-profits to help them carry out their missions. Volunteers receive training, assessment, supplemental insurance coverage, and recognition for their contributions. RSVP's affiliated "Volunteer Connection" (VC) refers people under 55 who wish to volunteer.

RSVP is a part of the National Senior Service Corps, is a United Way member agency, and is sponsored by Health Care & Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont, Inc.

Last year 496 RSVP volunteers contributed 76,928 hours of service in Windham County through 129 not-for-profit community agencies. Putney residents received an estimated 4,616 hours of service through the work of those volunteers, which in dollars equates to approximately \$68,866.

Examples of how RSVP volunteers make a difference for Putney residents:

- Help improve children's reading skills, as RSVP America Reads Literacy Volunteers at Putney Central Elementary School and Putney Community Early Learning; help introduce children and their families to kindergarten through support work for Early Education Services' "Teddy Bear Teas."
- Support independent living and help to alleviate loneliness and isolation, by providing transportation to medical and other critical appointments, helping people with their tax forms, and visiting or entertaining local nursing home residents.
- Assist Putney Family Services with the mailing of a newsletter about their programs and services.
- Help people get through tough times by serving in local thrift shops and soup kitchens, and by knitting or crocheting sweaters, mittens, hats, and baby items for local children through the Reformer Christmas Stocking.

RSVP would like to thank Putney voters for their investment in our program for the past twenty years. With your renewed support, RSVP will continue to make a difference for school children, frail elders, struggling families, and those needing a helping hand to get back on their feet.

Virginia A. Milkey, Director

RESCUE INC.

Providing Rescue Inc.'s nine communities with emergency medical services is a \$1.5 million effort each year. Rescue's overall expenses reflect the costs for preparedness. They include 24-hour paramedic and volunteer staffing, communications equipment, reliable emergency vehicles, vehicle maintenance, personnel training, medical equipment and supplies, support for First Response teams, medical supervision, and maintaining a physical plant. A team of over 40 volunteers from around the area contributes over \$225,000 worth of their time to offset the agency's operating expenses. Without these dedicated volunteers we would not be able to operate as we currently do. Fees for service comes from five main sources: Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance companies, private paying clients, and special service contracts.

Last year Rescue responded to a total of 3364 emergencies and provided transport services for a total of 2523 patients, 179 of these were from Putney.

Like many other nonprofit agencies, Rescue has been hard-hit by a significant decline in the amount of monetary contributions by both individuals and corporations. At the same time, Federal rule changes, with which Rescue is required by law to comply with, have resulted in a significant increase in costs and a decrease in income.

While our income has increased at a rate of about 3% per year over the past five years, insurance and the cost of personnel benefits (e.g. health insurance, workers comp. etc.) have increased by 103%. Requisite vehicle maintenance costs and dispatch fees have risen a staggering 200%. We are in need of new vehicles, but have not purchased them due to the current financial environment.

Despite generous contributions of time and money, combined with town subsidy payments, Rescue no longer finds it possible to cover its costs. Each town was asked to increase its subsidy for the forthcoming fiscal year from \$4.50 to \$5.25 per capita. This is still a bargain as some Vermont towns are paying as much as \$21.00 per capita for emergency services. Our subscription service continues to be a source of income for us and a good value to the subscriber. Unfortunately, only about 14% of the eligible households participate in the Subscription Program.

Rescue members, both paid and volunteer, continue to upgrade their knowledge and abilities in order to make a difference in a life-threatening situation. Town residents can be assured that when they dial 911, they will receive timely, capable, and professional care.



*Putney First Response and Fire Department
march in the Putney Parade.*



UNITED WAY GET INFO

United Way GET INFO is a human services information and referral service that serves as the first point of contact for those who need help but don't know who to call - or who wish to offer help in the community by volunteering or donating goods. Our staff maintains an efficient, central database of accurate, up-to-date detailed information about more than 2,500 community services, volunteer opportunities, and other resources for health and well being. We provide this valuable information to people in Putney through our:

- Free, confidential telephone information and referral service – assisted a total of 2,349 persons from all locations calling between July 02-June 03.
- NEW user-friendly, searchable, online *Vermont Community Resource Guide* at www.vermont211.org – to locate community services needed by your clients, co-workers, friends, neighbors, or yourself.
- Wide range of community resource publications, including a guide to social and recreational services for teens developed in collaboration with Youth Services.

GET INFO referral specialists offer caring person-to-person telephone assistance that includes respectful listening, needs assessment, problem solving support, advocacy, resource information, and referrals and follow-up. NEW in 2003: Putney residents with access to the Internet and the knowledge to navigate information systems independently can now visit the above website to locate community services using the United Way GET INFO online database.

We rely on the combined support from area towns for the critical 4% of our budget not covered by United Way funds, individual contributions, grants, and special events fundraising. We appreciate the past support of the Town of Putney and ask for the continued support of this vital service for town residents.

Please call United Way GET INFO: Toll free at (866) 652-4636 or locally at (802) 257-7989 or (802) 463-2202.

Sharon Tierra, Certified Information and Referral Specialist

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC

The Visiting Nurse Alliance is like the local police and fire departments - a strategic part of the community's safety net - with services that must be continuously available to anyone in need. The need varies dramatically from month to month and year to year. The VNA provides a comprehensive range of care, requisitioned by hospital staff and physicians, for everyone, regardless of ability to pay.

We value the continued partnership with the Town of Putney to help us meet your residents' home care, hospice, and family health needs. Town funding accomplishes the following:

- Enables your family, friends, and neighbors to remain independent and at home as they receive skilled clinical care during times of injury, recovery from surgery or accidents, disability, whether for short-term and chronic illness. Many patients are addressing multiple medical, emotional, and social issues at the same time.
- Provides emotional support plus pain and symptom management during terminal illness. Hospice care extends to family members as well. More patients want to be at home during their end of life, and through hospice they have that control.
- Provides community-wellness programs and assistance to young families at risk. Clients range from fathers and/or mothers

who want to be more effective parents through learning parenting skills or providing a balanced diet; infants who require hi-tech health care; and children who grow and learn through play groups that offer interaction with other children.

The VNA provided the following services: (7/1/02 – 6/30/03)

Skilled Nursing 672

Physical Therapy 249

(Of the above, Maternal & Child Health Services were:)

(Skilled Nursing - Children 8)

(Physical Therapy - Home Visits 33)

Speech Therapy 372

Occupational Therapy 76

Medical Social Worker 33

Home Health Aide 555

Homemaker 56

Total Visits 2,013

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA, President and CEO

WINDHAM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REPORT

The Windham Solid Waste Management District Staff are pleased to report another successful year of operating the only large municipally owned and operated Material Recycling Facility in Vermont. The Staff also thanks the District residents and businesses for your continued support over the past year.

The rural drop-off recycling program continues to experience increased quantities over the previous year due to the conscientious recycling habits of the residents and area businesses. The District received approximately 7,000 tons of recyclables for the year. However, due to problems we have experienced with contamination from people putting garbage and other non-recyclable items in the drop-off containers, the District had to close yet another drop-off site this past year. Everyone's cooperation is needed to help keep these sites clean and used properly for recyclable materials.

The District has once again obtained a federal grant to provide educational assistance to residents, businesses and institutions within the District. We also provided book and textile recycling throughout the District, at various times and continue to accept textiles full time at the District Facility in Brattleboro. The thermometer exchange and hypodermic needle disposal from home use programs have also been highly successful and will continue to be available for District residents.

The permanent paint drop-off program at the District facility in Brattleboro also assists residents by providing the resources to recycle paints year round rather than waiting for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection (HHW) day each year. We have eliminated one of the HHW days due to the new paint program but have added a "rover" site that will be located in different towns during the HHW event each year.

As always, the District Convenience Center in Brattleboro is available for use by residents. We accept used crankcase oil, fluorescent tubes, batteries, ballasts and other materials on a daily basis. Call ahead for questions related to costs and a list of items that can be disposed or recycled through this program.

Please call the District at 257-0272 with any questions or to arrange a tour of the facility. Everyone is always welcome to view what happens to the recyclables once they arrive at the Materials Recycling Facility for processing.



WINDHAM COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

The Windham County Humane Society is a non-profit organization founded in 1884 for the purpose of caring for the homeless, unwanted, abused, and neglected animals of Windham County. In the past year, the Windham County Humane Society has served approximately 78 residents of the town of Putney: 38 Animal Intake, 21 Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Assistance, 3 Low-Cost Rabies Clinic, 11 Petfood Assistance Program, and 5 Cruelty Call Responses.

We have also invited the elementary school in Putney to participate in our Humane Education Program. This program promotes responsible pet care and teaches dog bite prevention to K-6th grade students.

Our plan is to increase the number of rabies clinics in Windham County by two every year and we would be happy to include a low-cost rabies clinic in Putney during 2004.

We also have a Petfood Assistance Program that people on public assistance or with a fixed income are encouraged to apply for this program at our Route 30 location in Brattleboro.

With our Behavior Counseling Program we give advice on any pet behavioral problems regardless of whether the pet was adopted from WCHS.

Since we are a non-profit organization which does not receive any state or federal funding, we need direct support from towns like Putney to help defray the costs of caring for your unwanted animals and to continue providing financial assistance for spay/neutering, humane education programs, and rabies vaccination awareness.

Tracey Tryba, Executive Director

WINDHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

As my first year as Sheriff comes to an end, I have found the position to be extremely exhilarating, and also have found that there are not enough hours in a day to accomplish all that I had set out to do. I have worked to improve the community policing done by the deputies in the field, which was done through additional training, restructuring the supervision, and constant monitoring. Although I feel that we have made some improvements there is still work to be done. We have also felt the impact of budget cuts and have continued to provide timely professional service by rearranging schedules to better cover peak times. We have obtained six additional full time positions through the Federal COPS Grant, which we are investigating the best way to utilize. The towns have been supported by two Highway Safety Grants over the year, one for seat belt enforcement and the other for Driving While Intoxicated. The Department was just awarded a Speed Grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Council. The last two grants are new to the Department this year.

We are struggling with the budget cuts we have received that have an impact in maintaining deputies so that they can be available when needed. We are working to gather the towns together so that a plan could be implemented that would meet the needs of all, at the lowest cost to the taxpayers but this will take some time. Arrests are increasing as evident by the paperwork submitted by the deputies going to court. We are looking for whatever assistance towns can provide to increase the funding which would allow for increased visibility in the town in order to prevent crimes.

Besides the increase costs of insurance, gasoline, vehicles, etc., in 2004 the county is no longer funding the dispatchers for the Sheriff's Department. *Sheila Prue, Sheriff*

WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMISSION

The Windham Regional Commission works with 27 towns in southeastern Vermont to address regional issues and help towns to provide effective local government. Each town annually appoints two representatives to the commission. Putney's current representative is Arthur Westing and one vacancy. Commissioners serve on a number of committees that mirror the concerns of the region, including both standing committees and ones that are formed on an ad hoc basis to address specific issues.

2003 brought with it some new and extensive work for the WRC. Fitting those tasks into our already full schedule has not been easy, but we have nonetheless worked to address those important issues, and we will continue those efforts in the coming year. Examples of new and unanticipated tasks have included:

Energy issues:

- Catamount Energy, Inc.—a Central Vermont Public Service subsidiary—is seeking to develop up to 50 megawatts of wind power on Glebe Mountain in Londonderry and Windham, which may mean construction of up to twenty-seven wind turbines. To date, the WRC has convened a series of public meetings to review and discuss major issues and worked with state and other regional organizations to better understand the potential impacts involved. We currently are participating in a series of community-based discussions, led by others, that are aimed at resolving some of the difficult conflicts that such a development presents.

- On a later schedule and therefore consuming less WRC staff time at present, is an anticipated proposal by Green Mountain Power to significantly expand the Searsburg wind farm, currently consisting of eleven turbines rated at about 6 megawatts, potentially adding up to 19 new turbines and 34 additional megawatts of rated power.

- Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee filed an application for Vermont Public Service Board approval to increase its power output by approximately 20%, from 540 to about 650 megawatts. The WRC is participating in this proceeding, which began in January 2003 and is expected to continue into spring 2004. At the same time, we anticipate that Entergy will apply in 2004 for approval of dry cask, on-site storage of spent nuclear fuel, which will extend this higher level of involvement well into 2005 or 2006.

Public Transportation:

- This region, along with most of Windsor County, received public transportation services from Town and Village Transportation Services (TVTS) for several years. Also known as "Town & Village Bus," TVTS experienced severe financial difficulties and ceased to exist as a non-profit transit provider at the end of 2003. Throughout the fiscal year, the WRC and our counterpart to the north worked with the Vermont Agency of Transportation, at the Agency's request, to try and save the troubled transit provider, which efforts were not successful. Since that time, we have helped to form a new corporate entity, Connecticut River Transit, Inc. which is filling the important role of providing transportation for human services, medical needs, and travel to work.

Other on-going work has included:

- Regional transportation efforts, which included work with many towns to conduct Road Surface Management System inventories; identification of bridge and culvert issues; helping the Vermont Agency of Transportation to develop and implement its highway access management system; continued work on the West River Trail project; continued management of the Route 121 reconstruction project in Rockingham and Grafton (with phase 1 being completed in 2003 and phase 2 to follow with bids in December 2003); help to towns on lower-scale but important projects like sidewalks and other bicycle/pedestrian improvements; and others.
- Natural resource planning, which is at the core of the WRC's mission and has included work with the West River Watershed



WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMISSION, continued

Alliance and other "basin planning" groups, review of state programs and policies aimed at improving energy efficiency in Vermont; work to improve local and regional programs and policies that affect water quality, such as stormwater management and wastewater disposal rules; and others.

- Community development and related planning work, which included major efforts like the WRC's Brownfields Reuse Initiative which now has completed assessments on 14 of over 20 nominated sites (the Brownfield program received its 3rd block of funding from the USEPA this year) and will continue through 2004; municipal planning and land use regulation assistance, which included help with municipal planning and land use regulation projects in eleven towns; increased work to provide education and information for local officials, including five "Cross-Town Talks" educational sessions, four Zoning Administrator Workshops, sponsorship and participation in three state-wide sessions over Vermont Interactive Television; help to the Vermont Environmental Board as it considered changes to its rules and procedures; the "Livable Communities" education program which wrapped up later in calendar year 2003 with a highly successful two-day course for forty-six participants; continued help on Connecticut River Scenic Byway projects, including the now completed Bellows Falls Waypoint Interpretive Center; and others.

- Support of regional emergency planning and preparation efforts, which included continued work with towns and support of the Local Emergency Planning Committee; increased efforts to assist local governments to coordinate their responses to ever-increasing federal and state-sponsored security and emergency preparedness programs; efforts to continually improve homeland security and pre-disaster mitigation planning, which aim to minimize damage or disruption from reasonably predictable events, such as floods and severe storms; and others.

The WRC's core budget is partially funded by member town assessments, which are essential to receiving other state and federal support. The \$1.39 per resident rate for 2004, based on 2000 population estimates, results in a total assessment of \$3,661.00 from Putney for the new fiscal year. For information on the WRC and its programs, contact your Town Representative or the WRC office at 139 Main Street, Suite 505, Brattleboro, (802) 257-4547; e-mail wrc@sover.net. Visit our website at www.rpc.windham.vt.us.

SOUTHEASTERN VERMONT COMMUNITY ACTION

Southeastern Vermont Community Action is an anti-poverty, community based, nonprofit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965.

Our mission is to work in collaboration to foster sustainable self-sufficiency, to strengthen our communities and to eliminate the root causes of poverty. SEVCA has a multitude of programs and services to meet this end which includes: Transportation, weatherization, emergency services (i.e., fuel/utility assistance, food, shelter), crisis intervention, Parent Education, Micro-Business Development, Head Start, Individual Development Accounts (IDA), and thrift stores.

In the community of Putney we have provided the following services during FY03: Weatherization (6 homes @ \$29,009), Individual Development Accounts (4 residents), Outreach services (39 families; 250 services including crisis intervention, financial counseling and management, referral to needed services, food/

S.E. VT. COMMUNITY ACTION, continued

nutrition assistance), Micro Business Development services (9 residents) and Fuel Assistance (63 families @ \$7,419).

Community support, through town funding, helps to build a strong partnership. The combination of community action funds and town funds allows us to not only increase, but also improve service. We thank the residents of Putney for their ongoing support.

Deborah M. Osienski, Executive Director

VERMONT ADULT LEARNING

In the past fiscal year, Vermont Adult Learning provided instruction for 468 students in Windham County; 25 of whom resided in Putney. Many more were helped with information and educational planning.

Vermont Adult Learning provides literacy assessment and instruction for all people ages 16 and over who are not enrolled in school. Our services include English language and civics classes for immigrants and other people whose first language is not English. We also provide programs for developing job readiness and workplace literacy skills.

Vermont Adult Learning now serves large numbers of young people ages 16-19 in Windham County. Increasingly, we are collaborating with high schools to develop appropriate services which allow students to complete a high school credential rather than dropping out. Beginning January 6, 2004, Vermont Adult Learning will become the county GED testing site.

YOUTH SERVICES

For over thirty years, Youth Services has helped Windham County area youth and families overcome life's challenges and learn healthy new ways to live. Our organization's staff of professionals helps youth and families find solutions for problems such as substance abuse, family crisis, or general issues of growing up. Equally important, Youth Services works in partnership with other local service providers, schools, private and public funding sources as well as with community and state groups to deliver services regardless of their ability to pay.

Some of the services our agency provides include Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, Youth and Family Counseling, Home-Based Family Services and mentoring through our Big Brothers Big Sisters Program. In addition, we offer crisis intervention through our Youth Outreach, Transitional Living Services, Runaway Programs and alternatives to the court system through our Juvenile and Adult Court Diversion and Restorative Programs.

This past year, Youth Services' programs assisted over 2,019 local youths and family members, of which 115 of those individuals were from the Town of Putney. Support from communities such as yours helps make it possible for Youth Services to be responsive to the ever-changing needs of our area's residents.

Your ongoing support will help make it possible for Youth Services' programs to have a significant, positive impact on the lives of youths and families in the Town of Putney and throughout the Windham County area.

Leitha Cipriano, Executive Director

**NOTES:**

PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL**National Standards Reference (NSRE) Exams in Language Arts and Mathematics****Putney Central results, Spring 2003**

(see paragraph 5 Principal's report page 35 opposite)

NSRE	4 th Grade Results	8th Grade Results
Reading: Basic Understanding	96%	88%
Reading: Analysis & Interpretation	91%	69%
Writing Effectiveness	70%	91%
Writing Conventions	65%	78%
Mathematical Skills	87%	88%
Mathematical Concepts	65%	69%
Mathematical Problem Solving	57%	75%



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our tradition of beginning the year with "First Day, Hooray!" continued with more than 80% of enrolled students and their families attending. This open house is a great way for the entire school community to get reacquainted, view many wonderful student projects and celebrate the beginning of a new year. We have much to celebrate including the installation of a gorgeous clay mural depicting 10 historic buildings in honor of Putney's 250th birthday. The mural was created by the class of 2005 under the guidance of Gerry Gatz and Doris Fredricks.

We welcome back returning teachers and staff members and our new employees: Maureen Ward (paraprofessional) and Yuan Hsiu Lien and Gao Ping, who offer Chinese language instruction once a week to students in fifth through eighth grade through the generosity of the Freeman Foundation. In addition, we are fortunate to have five outstanding interns with us: Elizabeth Henry (1/2/3 multiage), Wendy Mozdzer, (kindergarten), Dana Schreiber (6th grade), David Gregal (5/6 multiage) and Johanna Harkness (counseling).

With a smaller than usual kindergarten class (16) and a larger than usual graduating class (34) our school experienced a 10 % decrease in enrollment. Our current enrollment stands at 217 students including three tuitioned students from Westminster in our middle school. As a result, one elementary classroom position was eliminated.

We are pleased to offer a rich array of programs and student support services including Title I, 504 accommodations, special education, therapy and counseling. Putney Family Services offers O.A.S.I.S., an after-school child care program, tutoring and homework support and an Apprenticeship/Mentoring program. Cami Elliot-Knaggs, our early education outreach coordinator, continues to identify the needs of families with preschool children and has planned and implemented many activities to help prepare children for school.

Our students continue to make excellent progress on state-mandated assessments. Second graders took the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) last spring, and 83% of the students met or exceeded the standard. Fourth and eighth graders took the National Standards Reference (NSRE) Exams in Language Arts and Mathematics. The table on the previous page (34) shows the percentage of students meeting or exceeding these standards.

On behalf of the school, I want to extend my thanks to the parents and community members who contribute to our school through E.L.F. volunteers, the School Forest Committee (and the many children who have forged new trails in the school forest), Destination Imagination, the annual Holiday Bazaar and Dinner, the Winter Sports program, the Putney childcare providers, and the Putney Rec League. Our After-School Sports program is flourishing, thanks to the leadership of the co-athletic directors: Patty Green and Patty Fortier. This fall the girls' soccer team won the Westmoreland Tournament, the first time since 1991. A special thanks to the area businesses who sponsor our 7/8 sports teams: Basketville, Dave Brewer Excavating, BAST Corp., Derrig Excavating, Ray Fortier Auto Body, Harlow's Sugar House, and Mailrite.

The job of schooling is complex and is best achieved when we all work together. I deeply appreciate the support and warm welcoming I've received from the teachers and staff, parents, children, and community members.

Amelia Stone

PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

Every year brings new challenges as well as enduring considerations for the Putney Central School Board. We are developing the FY 2005 budget. As always, our town's recognition of the values of education is to be commended as we seek to provide the best possible education and services to our children at costs acceptable and sustainable by the community. This enduring consideration has been and, hopefully, will continue to be strongly supported by the voters of Putney. Thank you.

PCS has had a considerable drop in enrollment this past year from 243 as of 1/7/03 to 217 as of 12/7/03. The next couple of years look to be fairly level at these numbers. As a result we are looking at staffing numbers for the coming year as part of our budget process.

Staff reduction is a difficult process in any circumstance and not to be driven singularly by budgetary consideration. The quality of our staff indicated in part by Putney students' high scoring in state and national testing and individual achievements, and the fact that Putney sustains the highest special education population outside of Brattleboro is a testament to the dedication and quality of our faculty.

We are fortunate to have an excellent working relationship with our principal Amelia Stone and our WSESU superintendent Ron Stahley. Both have been invaluable in guiding our school through a period of change.

The board is pleased to welcome two new members this year. Beckie Coffey, this year's board clerk, has brought a passion for transparency and involvement that is welcome. Peter May has quickly grasped an astute understanding of the complexities of the board's job. Virginia Scholl has another year to serve in her current term and will share her thoughtful insights and input with new board members. Anne Fines has two more years on her current term. Anne is no longer on the Advisory Council of the Early Education Program but will continue her brilliant work on the school forest committee. Both these committees and the work they have accomplished would not be without Anne's unflagging commitment. Scott Henry will be leaving the board after 5 years, 3 of them as chair. Scott will continue to serve Putney's educational interests as Putney's BUHS board member.

Every year the board grants the Darrow Scholarship to graduating high school (public, home school, or private) students from Putney. This year's recipients are Lara Darrow, Abby Fletcher, and Sarah Tuff. The board reminds all Putney seniors that the deadline for applications is May 1. Applications are available at the BUHS guidance office or the WSESU central office.

In closing the board wishes to thank all those individuals and organizations such as the P.T.O., Putney Recreation League, Winter Sports Program volunteers and organizers and others who give so much to enrich our children's lives and experience at PCS.

R. Scott Henry, Chair, Virginia Scholl, Vice Chair, Beckie Coffey, Clerk, Anne Fines and Peter May



REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

This has been an exciting time in the Windham Southeast Supervisory Union. There have been many changes and program improvements; our teachers and staff members are each committing themselves to the cause of excellence; and, from my observations in the schools, it is evident that our students are working hard and discovering new challenges.

Due to the efforts of our teachers and administrators, the scores on Vermont's Statewide Assessment Program continue to show positive results. There is much more to education than test scores, but these benchmarks indicate that our students are mastering the basic skills. In addition, our teachers and administrators are developing training programs in support of these activities. These initiatives, when linked with strong parent and community support, will help ensure that we achieve our district mission: The WSESU mission is to develop students capable of thoughtful engagement in their own civic, economic, and personal development, who will be successful members of society.

In order to fulfill our mission, the following district goals have been established to support school action plans, administrative team goals, and individual professional goals.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Safe and Healthy Schools

- Ensure equal access of students to educational opportunities by promoting a safe school environment and healthy climate conducive to learning.

- Allocate resources to close the gap of academic achievement of students from lower socioeconomic status and those from higher income families.

Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

- Support implementation of WSESU Framework of Learning guided by the Vermont Framework of Standards and Learning Opportunities.

- Provide teachers with opportunities to support student learning through effective instructional practices.

- Ensure that teachers' individual professional development goals are aligned with schools' action plans and the district professional development plan.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION

- Promote public engagement and family involvement as well as providing sufficient information to parents, school board members, and the community.

- Support consistent and systematic grade level transitions, i.e. from pre-school to elementary, elementary to middle school, high school to post-secondary opportunities.

- Communicate the requirements and implications of *No Child Left Behind Act* and align provisions to state and district policies.

LEADERSHIP

- Establish a clear definition of the roles and responsibilities of the school board, superintendent, principals, and school staff in carrying out the schools' missions.

- Promote positive, respectful, and supportive behaviors that are characteristic of a climate that nurtures a sense of pride and ownership of the school.

- Collect and analyze student data and other indicators of student success to guide our programs.

You can learn more about our schools by visiting the following web sites: <http://www.wssu.k12.vt.us> and <http://crs.uvm.edu/schlrpt/>. Please remember that our schools remain a community resource, and we welcome involvement in programs and activities that will enhance learning for our students. Plan to join us at our schools as we continue to build a tradition that promotes *An Education of Excellence*. Stop by for a visit, attend a concert or a play, or offer to provide a workshop in an area of expertise. See first hand why we are proud of our schools, and help us plan for the future. *Ron Stahley, Superintendent*.

GRADE BY GRADE ENROLLMENT AT PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL (as of January 8, 2004)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Kindergarten	8	8	16
Grade 1	12	9	21
Grade 2	13	10	23
Grade 3	12	11	23
Grade 4	9	17	26
Grade 5	10	17	27
Grade 6	14	13	27
Grade 7	10	14	24
Grade 8	13	14	27

NOTICE FOR ALL PARENTS

All children need, deserve, and have a right to an education. Federal law states that this right to a free education should be available to all handicapped children, too.

The Windham Southeast Supervisory Union, including the school districts of Dummerston, Guilford, Putney, Vernon, Brattleboro, and the Brattleboro Union High School District #6, needs to know if there are children or youths between the ages of three (3) years and twenty-one (21) years old who are disabled, or are out of school, or are not receiving services.

In addition, the WSESU needs to locate infants who may be disabled, between birth (0) and two (2) years of age for evaluation and service under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. If you have or know of such a child in your school, home, or neighborhood, please write or phone: Superintendent of Schools, 53 Green Street, Brattleboro, 254-3731.



PUTNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL STAFF

Amelia Stone.....	Principal	Karen Saunders.....	Grade 5/6
Judy Hannum.....	Administrative Assistant	Jane Sbardella.....	School Nurse
Cliff Adler.....	7/8 Mathematics	Daniel Seiden.....	Music
Kathleen Bartlett.....	School Counselor	Cory Stark.....	Grade 5
Michael Beardsley.....	Grade 4	Francine Swanson.....	Speech/Language Pathologist
Jan Blanchard.....	Kindergarten	Lynn Thrasher.....	Grade 1
Lynne Borofsky.....	Special Educator	Henny Walsh.....	Title I (K-2)
Connie Bresnahan.....	7/8 Social Studies/Literature	Angela Walton.....	Grade 1/2/3
Linda Cassidy.....	Grade 1/2/3	Sherry Ames.....	Paraeducator
Deborah Coombs.....	ESL/Literacy	Edward Anderson.....	Custodian
Mary Anne M. Deer.....	7/8 Language Arts	Richard Anderson.....	Paraeducator
K. Lilly Durborow.....	Title I (3-5)	Sandra Anschutz.....	Paraeducator
Gerry Gatz.....	Art	Kimberly Basinger.....	Paraeducator
Rosemary Gerbino.....	Grade 4	Art Benedict.....	Paraeducator
Dorothy Grout.....	Grade 3	Jean Bombicino.....	Speech/Language Assistant
Marcia Hansen.....	Grade 6	Tony Coven.....	Head Custodian
Kathy Ingram.....	Title I (6-8)	Cameron Elliott-Knaggs.....	Early Education Outreach Coordinator
Kay Kloppenburg.....	Special Educator	Patti Fortier.....	Paraeducator
Don Linden.....	7/8 Science/Technology	Melissa Lowe.....	Paraeducator
Nancy Mackler.....	Librarian	Rebecca Morgan.....	Paraeducator
Pat Mousel.....	Grade 2	Ruth Schultz.....	Paraeducator
Kirk Nims.....	Physical Education	Maureen Ward.....	Paraeducator
Mary Beth Porter.....	Special Educator		

BUHS DISTRICT #6 SCHOOL BOARD ATTENDANCE

In accordance with BUHS District #6 Board Procedures Local Board Policy LBP-5—Attendance at Board Meetings, below is a report of director attendance at regular and special board meetings. January 1, 2003 to June 10, 2003 - Past Board Member: Gregory Wilson attended 5 of 8 meetings. Elected June 10, 2003 to November 3, 2003 - Current Board Member: Scott Henry attended 7 of 8 meetings.



Putney Central School, 8th Grade class, Fall 2003.



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT Fiscal Year 2002-03

Balance on hand July 1, 2002 **\$107,235**

REVENUE

Town of Putney Taxes		
Elementary School/ WSESU	1,727,972	
BUHS District	1,101,333	
State of Vermont	988,898	
Hot Lunch to General Fund Expense	70,000	
Chapter 1	30,637	
I D E A	90,759	
Credits - Budget Accts	50,268	
Student Activities Accts	17,451	
Tuition Students	68,346	
Winter Activities	14,480	
Interest	1,614	
GAPS/ 21st Century Grant	103,535	
Sub total	4,265,293	4,265,293

DISBURSED

Elementary School & WSESU	1,521,847	
Elementary Payroll	1,537,981	
BUHS	1,101,333	
Bond #2 Payment	35,000	
Bond #2 Interest	21,555	
Sub total	4,217,715	(4,217,715)
Balance on hand June 30, 2003		\$154,812

Checking Account	69,624
Money Market Account	85,188
Balance on hand	\$154,812

PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND Fiscal Year 2002-2003

Balance on hand July 1, 2002	\$40,876
Dividends earned	385
Balance on hand June 30, 2003	\$41,261



*Reunion weekend at Putney Central School,
Summer 2003.*

PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BREAKFAST AND HOT LUNCH Fiscal Year 2002-03

Balance on hand July 1, 2002	\$9,528
Income	64,412
Transf to General Fund expenses	(70,000)
Balance on hand June 30, 2002	\$3,940





**PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2004-2005 Appropriation Summary**

	2001-02 BUDGET	2002-03 BUDGET	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF	% DIFF
BUDGET AREA						
General Operating Fund	2,745,105	2,846,193	2,954,640	3,047,350	92,710	3.14%
Voc Education Block Spending	0	0	0	64,960	64,960	
Special Article -Capital Fund	0	0	0	15,000	15,000	
Total Putney Central	\$2,745,105	\$2,846,193	\$2,954,640	\$3,127,310	\$172,670	5.84%
ASSESSMENTS & VOCATIONAL EXPENSE:						
B.U.H.S. #6 (a)	921,632	1,101,333	1,202,579	1,295,219	92,640	7.70%
WSESU	153,130	169,119	156,010	149,911	(6,099)	-3.91%
Total Assessments	\$1,074,762	\$1,270,452	\$1,358,589	\$1,445,130	\$86,541	6.37%
COMBINED TOTAL	\$3,819,867	\$4,116,645	\$4,313,229	\$4,572,440	\$259,211	6.01%
(a) Preliminary						

**PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2004-2005 Proposed Revenue Budget**

	2002-2003 BUDGET	2002-2003 ACTUAL	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005 PROPOSED
LOCAL				
Taxes	1,331,898	1,343,424	1,354,370	0
Local Taxes Education Fund	0	0	0	1,225,625
Tuition	32,000	68,346	50,000	0
Interest	6,000	1,614	4,000	1,600
Rentals	200	0	200	0
Other Revenue	0	9,846	0	0
EPSDT Sub-Grant	19,000	21,206	20,600	21,206
Medicaid Sub-Grants	28,000	28,900	28,000	28,000
TOTAL LOCAL	\$1,417,098	\$1,473,336	\$1,457,170	\$1,276,431
STATE				
Gen State Support Grant	1,942,646	1,942,646	1,989,322	0
Aid From The Education Fund	11,927	11,927	69,399	2,300,168
Vocational Ed. Block Grant	0	0	0	64,960
Special Education	581,600	566,583	541,407	573,140
E.E.E. Program	14,477	14,506	14,506	18,306
Transportation Grant	52,000	48,942	49,000	52,375
TOTAL STATE	\$2,602,650	\$2,584,604	\$2,663,634	\$3,008,949
FEDERAL				
Special Education I.D.E.A.	35,937	35,654	35,654	35,060
Title I	60,960	63,022	103,407	92,000
TOTAL FEDERAL	\$96,897	\$98,676	\$139,061	\$127,060
OTHER				
Fund Balance	0	0	40,000	160,000
TOTAL OTHER	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$160,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,116,645	\$4,156,616	\$4,299,865	\$4,572,440



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
OTHER PROGRAMS						
ESL Salary	0	0	0	11,197	11,197	
Health Ins	0	0	0	2,113	2,113	
Dental Ins	0	0	0	216	216	
FICA	0	0	0	857	857	
Life Insurance	0	0	0	16	16	
Course Reimbursement	0	0	0	125	125	
403 (b) Benefit	0	0	0	112	112	
Disability Insurance	0	0	0	28	28	
Travel	0	0	0	300	300	
Long Term Disability Ins.-Certified	3,058	see budgets	3,294	0	(3,294)	(100.0)
Other Expense Voc. Ed.	0	624	0	0	0	
On-Behalf Of Payment Retirement	0	56,826	0	0	0	
403 B Benefit	0	0	10,503	0	(10,503)	
403 B Benefit Social Security	0	0	796	0	(796)	
TOTAL	\$3,058	\$57,450	\$14,593	\$14,964	\$371	2.5
LANGUAGE						
Salary	11,948	0	0	0	0	
FICA	915	0	0	0	0	
Books	500	0	0	0	0	
Supplies	240	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	\$13,603	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
TITLE I						
Salary	77,627	90,845	104,068	123,557	19,489	18.7
Health Insurance	13,577	13,863	20,951	31,109	10,158	48.5
Dental Insurance	1,047	2,033	1,660	4,101	2,441	147.0
FICA	5,939	6,663	7,962	9,547	1,585	19.9
Life Insurance	96	93	118	133	15	12.7
125 Plan	0	0	0	0	0	
Course Reimbursement	1,394	1,410	1,767	1,500	(267)	(15.1)
Disability Insurance	0	273	0	309	309	
403 (b) Benefit	0	667	0	1,235	1,235	
Repairs	0	0	0	0	0	
Supplies	200	190	200	400	200	100.0
Books	660	146	660	600	(60)	(9.1)
Manipulative	120	0	120	120	0	
Test Materials	200	0	200	200	0	
Periodicals	120	0	120	0	(120)	(100.0)
Equipment	140	0	140	0	(140)	(100.0)
Software	120	0	120	0	(120)	(100.0)
TOTAL	101,240	116,183	138,086	172,811	34,725	25.1
CO-CURRICULAR						
Salaries	5,000	3,080	5,000	5,000	0	
FICA	383	206	383	383	0	
Purchased Services	375	0	375	2,300	1,925	513.3
Supplies	160	2,269	160	160	0	
Winter Activities Program	0	9,416	0	0	0	
TOTAL	\$5,918	\$14,971	\$5,918	\$7,843	\$1,925	32.5
JUVENILE OFFICE						
Contracted Services	200	0	200	9	(191)	(95.5)
TOTAL	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$9	(\$191)	(95.5)



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
SCHOOL COUNSELOR						
Salaries	53,111	54,532	55,446	57,525	2,079	3.7
Health Insurance	3,560	1,335	500	500	0	0.0
Dental Insurance	726	712	740	862	122	16.5
FICA	4,063	4,086	4,242	4,445	203	4.8
Life Insurance	66	56	51	61	10	19.6
125 Plan	70	60	70	70	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	1,056	285	600	600	0	0.0
403 (b) Benefit	0	538	0	575	575	
Professional Services	2,000	600	2,000	1,000	(1,000)	(50.0)
Psych. Services	1,800	942	2,000	1,000	(1,000)	(50.0)
Travel	450	712	720	500	(220)	(30.6)
Achievement Tests	250	0	50	0	(50)	(100.0)
Disability Insurance	0	152	0	144	144	0.0
Supplies	200	66	0	100	100	
Books	80	0	200	100	(100)	(50.0)
Equipment	80	0	100	0	(100)	(100.0)
Replacement Equipment	80	0	182	0	(182)	(100.0)
Dues & Fees	0	0	135	150	15	
TOTAL	\$67,592	\$64,076	\$67,036	\$67,482	\$446	0.7
SCHOOL NURSE						
Salary	39,112	40,169	41,167	42,711	1,544	3.8
School Doctor	200	200	200	200	0	0.0
FICA Nurse	2,993	3,043	3,150	3,300	150	4.8
Health Insurance	9,379	8,789	10,602	11,329	727	6.9
Dental Insurance	1,152	1,129	1,173	862	(311)	(26.5)
Life Insurance	48	41	46	46	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	634	505	600	600	0	0.0
403 (b) Benefit	0	399	0	427	427	
Disability Insurance	0	113	0	107	107	
Repairs/Maintenance	200	0	200	200	0	0.0
Travel	200	43	0	0	0	
Supplies	280	210	250	250	0	0.0
Equipment	200	0	200	200	0	0.0
Books	160	0	150	150	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$54,558	\$54,641	\$57,738	\$60,382	\$2,644	4.6
PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT						
One Percent Fund	7,861	4,078	8,102	8,690	588	7.3
Travel & Conference	400	983	1,400	1,400	0	0.0
Other Special Programs VINS	0	1,600	0	1,600	1,600	
TOTAL	\$8,261	\$6,661	\$9,502	\$11,690	\$2,188	23.0
PRE-SCHOOL OUTREACH. OUTREACH						
Pre-School. Outreach Coord	16,720	15,494	16,720	16,720	0	0.0
FICA	1,280	1,185	1,280	1,280	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$18,000	\$16,679	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$0	0.0



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
MAINTENANCE						
Salaries	54,590	59,035	58,111	664	1,553	2.7
Health Insurance	18,758	19,154	22,320	384	(936)	(4.2)
Dental Insurance	1,507	1,477	722	842	120	16.6
FICA	4,285	4,429	4,445	4,764	319	7.2
Life Insurance	66	56	62	62	0	0.0
Tax Sheltered Annuity	1,410	0	2,324	2,319	(5)	(0.2)
Contracted Services	5,000	3,698	10,000	7,500	(2,500)	(25.0)
Water & Sewer	3,750	1,078	2,000	1,500	(500)	(25.0)
Water Testing	550	188	550	550	0	0.0
Repairs /Maintenance - Grounds	2,750	75	2,750	3,000	250	9.1
Travel	350	578	5	500	(50)	(9.1)
Property & Liability Insurance	8,750	11,890	11,005	13,000	1,995	18.1
Telephone & Postage	8,460	8,394	6,000	9,000	3,000	50.0
Supplies	6,000	4,309	6,600	6,000	(600)	(9.1)
Electricity	26,000	23,309	26,000	26,000	0	0.0
Gas	800	174	1,500	750	(750)	(50.0)
Fuel Oil	18,000	13,643	14,750	14,750	0	0.0
Planned Building Improvements	7,500	4,428	12,500	8,000	(4,500)	(36.0)
Equipment	1,700	915	0	0	0	0.0
Replacement Equipment	2,000	0	2,000	1,500	(500)	(25.0)
Hazmat Comp Expense	400	0	250	250	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$172,626	\$145,910	\$184,439	\$181,335	(\$3,104)	(1.7)
TRANSPORTATION						
Transportation	87,048	86,708	90,176	93,783	3,607	4.0
Field Trips	2,500	2,305	2,500	2,500	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$89,548	\$89,013	\$92,676	\$96,283	\$3,607	3.9
FOOD SERVICES						
Breakfast Program Subsidy	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0
Hot Lunch Program Subsidy	3,000	3,906	3,000	4,000	1,000	33.3
TOTAL	\$3,000	\$5,906	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$1,000	20.0
DEBT						
Interest on Bond Debt	21,556	21,555	19,826	18,062	(1,764)	(8.9)
Principal on Bond Debt	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$56,556	\$56,555	\$54,826	\$53,062	(\$1,764)	(3.2)
K-6 INSTRUCTION						
Teacher Salaries	498,182	512,535	491,905	487,877	(4,028)	(0.8)
Paraprofessional Salaries	33,043	50,117	56,769	44,838	(11,931)	(21.0)
Substitute Salaries	20,500	24,382	29,000	22,000	(7,000)	(24.1)
Health Insurance	78,562	91,053	97,502	86,277	(11,225)	(11.5)
Dental Insurance	10,932	10,810	10,943	12,336	1,393	12.7
FICA	42,518	44,359	44,191	41,278	(2,913)	(6.6)
Life Insurance	609	593	566	616	50	8.8
125 Plan	280	239	350	350	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	7,604	6,245	7,250	6,750	(500)	(6.9)
403 (b) Benefit	0	3,674	0	4,880	4,880	
Disability Insurance	0	1,710	0	1,344	1,344	
Tax Sheltered Annuity	1,061	0	2,023	1,994	(29)	(1.4)
Repairs	250	0	500	500	0	0.0
Supplies	10,056	11,301	12,150	12,000	(150)	(1.2)
Books & Periodicals	3,920	4,874	4,000	4,200	200	5.0



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
LIBRARY						
Salaries	50,572	51,317	52,856	54,839	1,983	3.8
Health Insurance	6,996	6,704	7,842	8,451	609	7.8
Dental Insurance	726	712	740	862	122	16.5
FICA	3,869	3,887	4,051	4,237	186	4.6
Life Insurance	66	54	57	56	(1)	(1.8)
Course Reimbursement	634	963	600	600	0	0.0
Disability Insurance	0	145	0	138	138	
403 (b) Benefit	0	513	0	548	548	
Repairs/Maintenance	240	0	240	240	0	0.0
Audio Visual Supplies	500	244	500	500	0	0.0
Library Supplies	150	232	150	150	0	0.0
Books	2,000	1,947	2,000	2,000	0	0.0
Periodicals	720	690	720	720	0	0.0
Equipment	120	131	120	120	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$66,593	\$67,539	\$69,876	\$73,461	\$3,585	5.1
SCHOOL BOARD						
Salaries	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.0
FICA	268	268	268	268	0	0.0
Advertising/Printing	3,500	1,088	2,500	2,500	0	0.0
Supplies	1,000	0	1,150	500	(650)	(56.5)
Dues & Fees	4,000	1,240	2,000	1,500	(500)	(25.0)
Windham Partnership	200	0	200	0	(200)	(100.0)
TOTAL	\$12,468	\$6,096	\$9,618	\$8,268	(\$1,350)	(14.0)
TREASURER /LEGAL /AUDIT						
Salary	500	500	500	500	0	0.0
FICA	39	38	39	39	0	0.0
Legal /Audit	10,000	375	10,000	14,000	4,000	40.0
TOTAL	\$10,539	\$913	\$10,539	\$14,539	\$4,000	38.0
PRINCIPAL						
Principal Salary	60,000	71,250	68,000	71,663	3,663	5.4
Admin Adjustment	12,293	0	0	0	0	
Secretary Salary	27,912	27,775	28,968	30,059	1,091	3.8
Health Insurance	10,557	14,516	16,648	18,272	1,624	9.8
Dental Insurance	710	1,060	1,101	1,283	182	16.5
FICA	6,811	7,540	7,622	7,989	367	4.8
Life Insurance	224	194	207	219	12	5.8
Disability Insurance	210	189	252	259	7	2.8
Tax-Sheltered Annuity	1,117	0	2,659	2,702	43	1.6
125 Plan	70	0	70	70	0	0.0
Professional Development	1,056	1,757	1,120	1,500	380	33.9
CPC Program	10,000	6,210	11,750	10,000	(1,750)	(14.9)
Repairs /Maintenance	250	0	250	250	0	0.0
Travel & Conference	1,200	1,390	1,200	1,500	300	25.0
Supplies	3,500	2,159	2,500	2,500	0	0.0
Books & Periodicals	150	129	150	250	100	66.7
Equipment	600	0	600	300	(300)	(50.0)
Dues & Fees	200	165	200	200	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$136,860	\$134,334	\$143,297	\$149,016	\$5,719	4.0
OTHER BENEFITS						
EAP Program	900	827	1,250	1,250	0	0.0
Unemployment Compensation	600	3,077	0	1,500	1,500	
TOTAL	\$1,500	\$3,904	\$1,250	\$2,750	\$1,500	120.0



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
MAINTENANCE						
Salaries	54,590	59,035	58,111	59,664	1,553	2.7
Health Insurance	18,758	19,154	22,320	21,384	(936)	(4.2)
Dental Insurance	1,507	1,477	722	842	120	16.6
FICA	4,285	4,429	4,445	4,764	319	7.2
Life Insurance	66	56	62	62	0	0.0
Tax Sheltered Annuity	1,410	0	2,324	2,319	(5)	(0.2)
Contracted Services	5,000	3,698	10,000	7,500	(2,500)	(25.0)
Water & Sewer	3,750	1,078	2,000	1,500	(500)	(25.0)
Water Testing	550	188	550	550	0	0.0
Repairs /Maintenance - Grounds	2,750	75	2,750	3,000	250	9.1
Travel	350	578	550	500	(50)	(9.1)
Property & Liability Insurance	8,750	11,890	11,005	13,000	1,995	18.1
Telephone & Postage	8,460	8,394	6,000	9,000	3,000	50.0
Supplies	6,000	4,309	6,600	6,000	(600)	(9.1)
Electricity	26,000	23,309	26,000	26,000	0	0.0
Gas	800	174	1,500	750	(750)	(50.0)
Fuel Oil	18,000	13,643	14,750	14,750	0	0.0
Planned Building Improvements	7,500	4,428	12,500	8,000	(4,500)	(36.0)
Equipment	1,700	915	0	0	0	0.0
Replacement Equipment	2,000	0	2,000	1,500	(500)	(25.0)
Hazmat Comp Expense	400	0	250	250	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$172,626	\$156,830	\$184,439	\$181,335	(\$3,104)	(1.7)
TRANSPORTATION						
Transportation	87,048	86,708	90,176	93,783	3,607	4.0
Field Trips	2,500	2,305	2,500	2,500	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$89,548	\$89,013	\$92,676	\$96,283	\$3,607	3.9
FOOD SERVICES						
Breakfast Program Subsidy	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0
Hot Lunch Program Subsidy	3,000	3,906	3,000	4,000	1,000	33.3
TOTAL	\$5,000	\$5,906	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$1,000	20.0
DEBT						
Interest on Bond Debt	21,556	21,555	19,826	18,062	(1,764)	(8.9)
Principal on Bond Debt	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$56,556	\$56,555	\$54,826	\$53,062	(\$1,764)	(3.2)
K-6 INSTRUCTION						
Teacher Salaries	498,182	512,535	491,905	487,877	(4,028)	(0.8)
Paraprofessional Salaries	33,043	50,117	56,769	44,838	(11,931)	(21.0)
Substitute Salaries	20,500	24,382	29,000	22,000	(7,000)	(24.1)
Health Insurance	78,562	91,053	97,502	86,277	(11,225)	(11.5)
Dental Insurance	10,932	10,810	10,943	12,336	1,393	12.7
FICA	42,518	44,359	44,191	41,278	(2,913)	(6.6)
Life Insurance	609	593	566	616	50	8.8
125 Plan	280	239	350	350	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	7,604	6,245	7,250	6,750	(500)	(6.9)
403 (b) Benefit	0	3,674	0	4,880	4,880	
Disability Insurance	0	1,710	0	1,344	1,344	
Tax Sheltered Annuity	1,061	0	2,023	1,994	(29)	(1.4)
Repairs	250	0	500	500	0	0.0
Supplies	10,056	11,301	12,150	12,000	(150)	(1.2)
Books & Periodicals	3,920	4,874	4,000	4,200	200	5.0



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
K-6 INSTRUCTION CONTINUED						
Manipulative	1,900	990	1,000	1,000	0	0.0
New Equipment	1,320	36	2,000	750	(1,250)	(62.5)
Replacement Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Scamp Salary	2,800	2,800	2,800	1,708	(1,092)	(39.0)
Scamp FICA	214	214	214	131	(83)	(38.8)
Paraprofessional Training	750	420	1,500	1,500	0	0.0
Non Instructional Equipment	480	0	500	500	0	0.0
Class Course Reimbursement	0	0	750	750	0	0.0
Non Instruct. Replacement Equipment	692	0	0	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$15,673	\$766,352	\$765,913	\$733,579	(\$32,334)	(4.2)
K-8 INSTRUCTION						
Teacher Salaries	131,349	125,779	130,826	137,053	6,227	4.8
Health Insurance	22,318	18,712	22,533	21,201	(1,332)	(5.9)
Dental Insurance	2,659	2,070	2,274	2,650	376	16.5
Life Insurance	168	119	143	143	0	0.0
FICA	10,049	9,496	10,008	10,589	581	5.8
125 Plan	70	60	70	70	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	1,901	585	1,800	800	(1,000)	(55.6)
Disability Insurance	0	74	0	343	343	
403 (b) Benefit	0	513	0	1,370	1,370	
Asian Studies Program	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	
Repairs /Maintenance.	160	188	200	200	0	0.0
Supplies	1,220	2,671	1,625	2,350	725	44.6
Books /Periodicals	280	0	150	150	0	0.0
Equipment	540	842	1,825	1,300	(525)	(28.8)
Replacement Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	
Band & Chorus Music	700	0	700	700	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$171,414	\$161,109	\$172,154	\$180,419	\$8,265	4.8
SECONDARY INSTRUCTION						
Teacher Salaries	128,214	133,872	173,948	187,076	13,128	7.5
Substitute Salaries	1,500	0	1,500	1,500	0	0.0
Health Insurance	25,754	24,679	29,612	31,609	1,997	6.7
Dental Insurance	3,030	2,971	3,086	3,596	510	16.5
Life Insurance	168	137	189	199	10	5.3
FICA	9,809	9,886	13,422	14,455	1,033	7.7
125 Plan	140	119	140	140	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	1,901	1,813	2,400	2,000	(400)	(16.7)
Disability Insurance	0	372	0	468	468	
403 (b) Benefit	0	1,318	0	1,872	1,872	
Repairs /Maintenance.	75	0	160	160	0	0.0
Supplies	1,020	2,398	590	1,250	660	111.9
Graduation	550	255	550	300	(250)	(45.5)
Books & Periodicals	2,440	2,989	2,100	1,000	(1,100)	(52.4)
Manipulative	120	165	100	250	150	150.0
Equipment	60	0	300	500	200	66.7
Replacement Equipment	0	0	100	100	0	0.0
Math Club	0	92	250	250	0	0.0
Tuition	23,000	4,439	23,000	32,000	9,000	39.1
TOTAL	\$197,781	\$185,505	\$251,447	\$278,725	\$27,278	10.8
K-8 COMPUTERS						
Repairs /Maintenance.	300	55	1,500	1,500	0	0.0
Supplies	750	473	1,500	1,000	(500)	(33.3)
Software	500	0	1,600	1,000	(600)	(37.5)
Equipment	2,250	3,524	7,200	7,200	0	0.0
On -Line Fees	4,200	2,223	4,200	3,500	(700)	(16.7)
TOTAL	\$8,000	\$6,275	\$16,000	\$14,200	(\$1,800)	(11.3)



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2002-03 BUDGET	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	%
SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12)						
Teacher Salaries	84,643	88,744	91,976	117,843	25,867	28.1
Paraprofessional Salaries	198,574	152,781	127,415	155,199	27,784	21.8
Summer Programs	0	0	0	2,500	2,500	
403 B Benefit	0	409	920	1,178	258	28.0
Health Insurance	118,356	62,275	76,064	88,000	11,936	15.7
Dental Insurance	6,910	5,037	5,415	6,008	593	11.0
FICA	22,065	18,084	17,173	21,459	4,286	25.0
403 B Benefit Soc. Security	0	0	71	0	(71)	(100.0)
Life Insurance	397	259	250	303	53	21.2
Worker's Compensation	1,003	723	840	982	142	16.9
125 Plan	70	46	70	70	0	0.0
Course Reimbursement	1,268	1,299	1,200	1,250	50	4.2
Retirement	5,214	0	5,097	4,973	(124)	(2.4)
Disability Insurance	300	247	341	702	361	105.9
Contracted Services	0	163	0	0	0	0.0
Repairs	200	0	200	0	(200)	(100.0)
OT /PT C/S	3,820	3,448	2,613	5,953	3,340	127.8
Behavior Consult C/S	2,000	1,760	2,800	2,000	(800)	(28.6)
Repairs	200	0	200	0	(200)	(100.0)
Psych. Services C/S	11,000	13,731	14,000	9,000	(5,000)	(35.7)
Transportation	12,010	33,984	17,483	24,500	7,017	40.1
Tuition	371,123	417,039	459,204	414,047	(45,157)	(9.8)
Travel	300	296	300	300	0	0.0
Field Trips	100	0	0	100	100	0.0
Supplies	300	477	300	800	500	166.7
Testing Materials	100	0	100	0	(100)	(100.0)
Books & Periodicals	560	462	500	300	(200)	(40.0)
Equipment	300	253	300	300	0	0.0
Replacement Equipment	100	0	0	0	0	0.0
Class Course Reimbursement	0	0	500	1,200	700	140.0
TOTAL	\$840,913	\$801,517	\$825,332	\$858,967	\$33,635	4.1
EARLY ESSENTIAL ED.						
EEE Program	33,292	32,385	41,200	43,415	2,215	5.4
TOTAL	\$33,292	\$32,385	\$41,200	\$43,415	\$2,215	5.4
TOTAL	\$2,954,640	\$3,047,350	\$2,954,640	\$3,047,350	\$92,710	3.1
Other Expense						
Vocational Block Spending	0	0	0	64,960	64,960	
Special Article	0	9	0	15,000	15,000	
Deficit	55,000	0	0	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	55,000	9	0	79,960	79,960	0.0
Total Adjusted Operating Budget	\$3,009,640	\$3,047,359	\$2,954,640	\$3,127,310	\$172,670	5.8
ASSESSMENT						
B.U.H.S. Assessment (A)	1,101,333	1,105,846	1,202,579	1,295,219	92,640	7.7
W.S.E.S.U. Assessment	169,119	169,119	156,010	149,911	(6,099)	(3.9)
TOTAL	\$1,270,452	\$1,274,965	\$1,358,589	\$1,445,130	\$86,541	6.4
TOTAL BUDGET	\$4,280,092	\$4,322,324	\$4,313,229	\$4,572,440	\$259,211	6.0



TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT CAPITAL PLAN

ITEM	LIFE YEARS	2004 - 2005	2005 - 2006	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009 - 2010	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	2012 - 2013	2013 - 2014
BUILDING EXTERIOR											
Doors	10		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000		2,000		2,000
Roof	15		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	8,000	5,000	5,000	15,000
Exterior Painting	20		2,500	2,500	2,500						1,500
BUILDING INTERIOR											
Doors and closers	15			1,500	1,500	1,500					
Painting	7			1,500	1,500	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	3,000
Windows /window shades	20		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000				
Gym Floor	15		7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000					
Gym Wall Padding	20		2,500								
SYSTEMS											
Boilers	20		5,000	6,000	6,000	8,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	
Phone System	7	6,000									8,000
Library Automation	7	9,000							5,000		
GROUNDS											
Paving-Parking	12		3,000	3,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000			
KITCHEN											
Refrigerator (walk-in)	10		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Oven	10										2,500
Additional Capital Costs		15,000	30,000	31,500	33,500	33,500	35,000	33,000	32,000	25,000	32,000
Estimated Yearly Spending		15,000	10,000	10,000	8,000	30,000	10,000	28,000	11,000	102,000	50,000
Taxes Raises		15,000	30,000	31,500	33,500	33,500	35,000	33,000	32,000	25,000	32,000
Estimated Cash-on-hand		5,616	25,672	47,429	73,403	77,637	103,414	109,448	131,542	55,858	38,416
Est. Int. Earnings @ 1%		56	257	474	734	776	1,034	1,094	1,315	559	384
Estimated Balance Forward	5,616	5,672	25,929	47,903	74,137	78,414	104,448	110,542	132,858	56,416	38,800
Interest Rate (estimated)	1%										

The total to be expended for FY05 is \$15,000, which includes \$6,000 for upgrading the telephone system and \$ 9,000 for automating the library.

ACT 68 THREE YEAR COMPARISON - PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005
EXPENDITURES				
Budget (approved)	3,819,867	4,116,645	4,313,229	3,277,221
State Vocational Block Grant (82% FY05)				64,960
Supervisory Union Assessment				149,911
Block Grant State Voc. Ed.Prior Yrs.	41,459	44,138	52,290	
Separately Warned Article -approved				15,000
Act 144 Expenditures				
Act 68 Local Adopted Budget	\$3,861,326	\$4,160,783	\$4,365,519	\$3,277,221
Union school assessment				1,295,219
Deficit if not included in the budget or revenue				
Special Programs (not included in local budget)				
Gross Act 68 Budget	\$3,861,326	\$4,160,783	\$4,365,519	\$4,572,440
REVENUES				
Local Revenues	699,054	830,174	886,774	981,687
Capital Debt Aid				0
Special Programs (not included in local budget)				
Deficit if not included in local budget				
Act 144 Revenues				
Total Revenues	\$699,054	\$830,174	\$886,774	\$981,687
Fund raising (if any)				
Adjusted Local Revenues	\$699,054	\$830,174	\$886,774	\$981,687
Education Spending (Act 68)	\$3,162,272	\$3,330,609	\$3,478,745	\$3,590,753
Equalized Pupils	354.61	356.95	361.38	349.91
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$8,918	\$9,331	\$9,626	\$10,262
Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil (if any)	NA	NA	NA	\$0
Per Pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	NA	NA	NA	\$10,262
District Spending Adjustment	NA	NA	NA	150.9%
Estimated Homestead tax rate (equalized)	NA	NA	NA	\$1.6600
Household Income % for Income Sensitivity	NA	NA	NA	3.02%



PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT DEBT RETIREMENT SCHEDULE #2 **VERMONT MUNICIPAL BOND BANK**

	PRINCIPAL DUE DECEMBER 1	INTEREST DUE DECEMBER 1	INTEREST DUE JUNE 1	TOTAL FISCAL PAYMENT
1993/4		12,879.84 (pd)	17,046.85 (pd)	29,926.69 (pd)
1994/5	35,000 (pd)	17,046.85 (pd)	16,523.43 (pd)	68,570.28 (pd)
1995/6	35,000 (pd)	16,523.43 (pd)	15,886.25 (pd)	67,409.68 (pd)
1996/7	35,000 (pd)	15,886.25 (pd)	15,187.83 (pd)	66,074.08 (pd)
1997/8	35,000 (pd)	15,187.83 (pd)	14,445.65 (pd)	64,633.48 (pd)
1998/9	35,000 (pd)	14,445.65 (pd)	13,668.48 (pd)	63,114.13 (pd)
1999/0	35,000 (pd)	13,668.48 (pd)	12,865.05 (pd)	61,533.53 (pd)
2000/1	35,000 (pd)	12,865.05 (pd)	12,044.13 (pd)	59,909.18 (pd)
2001/2	35,000 (pd)	12,044.13 (pd)	11,205.70 (pd)	58,249.83 (pd)
2002/3	35,000 (pd)	11,205.70 (pd)	10,349.78 (pd)	56,555.48 (pd)
2003/4	35,000	10,349.78	9,476.35	54,826.13
2004/5	35,000	9,476.35	8,585.43	53,061.78
2005/6	35,000	8,585.43	7,677.00	51,262.43
2006/7	35,000	7,677.00	6,751.08	49,428.08
2007/8	35,000	6,751.08	5,807.65	47,558.73
2008/9	35,000	5,807.65	4,816.10	45,623.75
2009/10	35,000	4,816.10	3,824.55	43,640.65
2010/11	35,000	3,824.55	2,833.00	41,657.55
2011/12	35,000	2,833.00	1,841.45	39,674.45
2012/13	35,000	1,841.45	849.90	37,691.35
2013/14	30,000	849.90	0.00	30,849.90
TOTAL	\$ 695,000	\$ 204,565.50	\$ 191,685.66	\$1,091,251.16



Putney parade agriculture representatives: Goodell Farms and oxen from Glen Litledale.





**WINDHAM SOUTHEAST SUPERISORY UNION
REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY**

	2002-03 ACTUAL	2003-04 BUDGET	2004-05 BUDGET
REVENUE/Assessments			(a)
Brattleboro	555,055	572,989	579,950
B.U.H.S. #6	480,016	505,063	508,908
Dummerston	103,314	115,501	122,917
Guilford	111,242	105,482	109,413
Putney	169,119	156,010	149,265
Vernon	137,573	145,699	153,525
Tuition	1,777,836	1,927,067	2,454,654
Intergovernmental	2,581,438	2,146,998	2,800,000
Interest	7,721	12,000	8,000
Sather Fund	5,657	0	0
Other Local	1,932	3,250	3,250
On-Behalf of Revenue (Retirement)	72,003	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$6,002,906	\$5,690,059	\$6,889,882
EXPENDITURES			
Special Education	258,635	296,521	283,724
Title I/Special Services	1,687	23,692	15,047
Speech	133,758	143,157	150,383
Administrative Support	224,774	193,765	187,122
Superintendent	117,497	108,988	117,347
School Improvement	120,510	143,711	158,426
Admin. Secretary/Personnel	148,567	164,256	176,659
Business Administrator	106,985	108,407	113,858
Other Fiscal Services	318,517	312,380	346,722
District Wide	102	7,992	2,500
Technology Coordinator	70,470	98,951	79,747
Operations & Maintenance	69,211	72,172	75,972
Special Projects (Grants)	2,567,912	2,089,000	2,925,000
Special Class Programs	1,777,859	1,927,067	2,454,654
Sather Fund	4,410	0	0
On-Behalf of Expense (Retirement)	72,003	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,992,897	\$5,690,059	\$7,087,161

(a) Please note that the excess of revenue over expenditures relates to activity for restricted programs and grants. These funds are used for future restricted program and grant expenditures.

SPECIAL EDUCATION AID, DISTRIBUTION FY03

District	Block Grant	Intensive Aid	Extraordinary Aid	State Placed	E.E.E. State	IDEA Federal	Total Aid
Brattleboro	435,012	2,191,255	38,755	82,235	64,353	218,135	3,029,745
Dummerston	73,609	193,836	62,996	0	11,834	20,044	362,319
Guilford	93,385	164,714	4,774	0	14,407	23,306	300,586
Putney	91,015	441,428	34,577	0	14,506	35,654	617,180
Vernon	102,885	266,492	26,977	44,833	18,758	31,116	491,061
B.U.H.S. #6	0	0	0	0	0	109,980	109,980
Total	\$795,906	\$3,257,725	\$168,079	\$127,068	\$123,858	\$438,235	\$4,910,871

WSESU SUB GRANTS FY03

	FEDERAL IDEA SPEC ED	FEDERAL TITLE I	SUPPLEMENTAL FEDERAL TITLE I	EPSDT MEDICAID	SE IEP MEDICAID	TOTAL
DISTRICT						
BRATTLEBORO	218,135	284,465	0	18,556	131,921	653,077
BRATT. EES PRE-SCHOOL	0	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
BUHS #6	109,980	203,250	29,691	24,994	0	367,915
DUMMERSTON	20,044	0	0	34,353	28,900	83,297
GUILFORD	23,306	0	0	25,112	10,000	58,418
PUTNEY	35,654	63,022	0	21,206	28,900	148,782
VERNON	31,116	0	0	29,515	10,000	70,631
TOTAL	\$438,235	\$570,737	\$29,691	\$153,736	\$209,721	\$1,402,120



VITAL STATISTICS

2003 MARRIAGES

Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence	Date	Place
Anthony Joseph Guerriero	Groveland, MA	Beatriz Mora	Groveland, MA	01/17/03	Putney
Edward Charles Graves	Putney, VT	Julieanna Yvonne Berry	Putney, VT	01/18/03	Putney
Imad Said Zubi	South Hadley, MA	Joni Lee Haas	South Hadley, MA	02/01/03	Putney
Kenneth Joseph LeBel	Westfield, MA	Susan Rae Crum	Westfield, MA	02/21/03	Putney
Leslie Irving Rogers	Winsted, CT	Catherine Arlene Patrick	Winsted, CT	03/07/03	Putney
Bruce Raymond Stockwell	Putney, VT	Kelly Ann Snowdon	Putney, VT	03/21/03	Putney
Lee Andrade DeBarros	Scituate, MA	Jennifer Julia Ellis	Scituate, MA	03/29/03	Fairlee
William Irvin Whitley	Worthington, MA	Cheryl Ann Wood	Worthington, MA	04/05/03	Putney
Andrew Eugene Mathis	New Haven, CT	Lisa Ann Wilczynski	New Haven, CT	04/26/03	Brattleboro
Colin Gordon Butler	Putney, VT	Eileen Frances Riess	Walpole, MA	05/10/03	Putney
Jessie David Costa	Westfield, MA	Melissa Ray Stout	Chicopee, MA	05/17/03	Putney
Mark Steven Tarmy	Putney, VT	Camilla Elizabeth Denning	Putney, VT	05/24/03	Putney
Marc Charles Hymovitz	Boston, MA	Suleyken Diotima Walker	Boston, MA	05/25/03	Putney
Matthew Ayres Hartley	Putney, VT	Nyoakla Lynn Conley	Putney, VT	05/25/03	Brattleboro
Joseph Michael Johnson	Billerica, MA	Janet Lafontaine Hooten	Billerica, MA	05/30/03	Putney
Shannon Bergin Ridgeway	E.Dover, VT	Laura Marie Magallanes	Brattleboro, VT	06/15/03	Brattleboro
Dwayne Arthur Montminy	Monson, MA	Terrylee Ann Lawrence	Monson, MA	06/18/03	Putney
Scott Richard Worland	Putney, VT	Iris Renee Larson	Putney, VT	06/28/03	Putney
Todd Richard Miller	Putney, VT	Cathy Anne Collins	Putney, VT	06/28/03	Reading
Mark Edward Stolgitis	Rutland, MA	Deborah Lynn Wooldridge	Rutland, MA	06/28/03	Putney
Brian David McHugh	Springfield, MA	Heidi Ann Pichette	Springfield, MA	07/04/03	Putney
Walter Franklin Williams, Jr	Saugus, MA	Tonia Leigh Cromack	Saugus, MA	07/12/03	Putney
Chad Dennison Bacon	Putney, VT	Melissa Claire Wilson	Putney, VT	07/19/03	Putney
Benjamin Alan Yeo	Putney, VT	Kathryn Irene Morgan	Putney, VT	07/22/03	Putney
John P. Serra	Plymouth, CT	Jane M. Vincenzi	Plymouth, CT	07/24/03	Putney
Jon Gregory Cartin	Putney, VT	Sylvia Ann Webster	Putney, VT	08/02/03	Dummerston
Soren deNiord	Falmouth, MA	Tobin Alexis Scipione	Falmouth, MA	08/23/03	Putney
Christopher Kester Karp	Putney, VT	Heather Chaffee	Putney, VT	08/23/03	Brattleboro
Evan Foster Myers	Putney, VT	Cybil Yvette Housh	Putney, VT	09/09/03	Newfane
James Patrick Dwyer, Jr	Jamaica Plain, MA	Eva Margarita Castro	Jamaica Plain, MA	09/13/03	Chittenden
John Howard Myerson	Greenfield, MA	Barbara Joan Boisjolie	Greenfield, MA	09/14/03	Putney
Benjamin Warren Lord	Putney, VT	Laura Michelle Casey	Putney, VT	10/03/03	Putney
Nathaniel Jason Woodward	Putney, VT	Elizabeth Lynn Button	Putney, VT	10/09/03	Putney
Thomas Richard Quackenbush	The Netherlands	Titia Vietor	Holland	10/23/03	Putney
Christian Esteban Delgado	Worcester, MA	Rebeca Karina Ordonez	Worcester, MA	11/01/03	Putney



*Activities during
the 250th
Celebration
and
musicians in
the parade down
Main Street.*





2003 CIVIL UNIONS

Party A	Residence	Party B	Residence	Date	Place
Scott Allen Adams	Saginaw, MI	Aaron Joseph Eastling	Saginaw, MI	01/03/03	Putney
Darcy Lynn Bacall	Sullivan, NH	Priscilla Ann Hardy	Sullivan, NH	01/05/03	Putney
Scott Lee Strahle	Burlington, NJ	Lawrence Edward Walton	Burlington, NJ	03/15/03	Putney
Kelly Suzanne Oldfield	Gloucester Point, VA	Tammy Gayle Robyn Carls	Gloucester Point, VA	03/29/03	Putney
Sandi Lynn Evans	Atlanta, GA	Christa Joan Trombly	Atlanta, GA	05/09/03	Putney
Robbie Gayle Scarborough	Alpharetta, GA	Beverly Anne Benfield	Alpharetta, GA	05/09/03	Putney
Erika Ann Von Heiland	Norcross, GA	Wendy Jo Moore	Norcross, GA	05/10/03	Putney
Jonelle Joy Lang	Rochester, NY	Amy Marie Stutz	Rochester, NY	05/24/03	Putney
Kristine E. Pollard	Deerfield, MA	Abigail L. Shallcross	Deerfield, MA	06/07/03	Putney
Carol Jo Helliar	Rochester, NY	Judy Louise Cramer	Rochester, NY	06/12/03	Newfane
Diana Jehanne Brewer	W.Somerville, MA	Sara Anne Auerbach	W.Somerville, MA	06/15/03	Westminster
Sara Beth Atkinson	Guthrie, OK	Sheryl Nann Darrow	Guthrie, Ok	06/21/03	Brattleboro
David Brian Klingenberg	Chicago, IL	Daniel Victor Weisberg	Chicago, IL	06/22/03	Bennington
Ashley Ann Kurlansk	Whitehouse Station, NJ	Ruth Evelyn Stagg	Whitehouse Station, NJ	07/03/03	Putney
Michele Roberta Figueira	Natick, MA	Carole Anne Lobach	Natick, MA	07/11/03	Putney
Martha Ann Michaels	O'Fallon, MO	Linda Lou Lewis	O'Fallon, MO	07/19/03	Westminster
Brian Ralph Hull	Astoria, NY	Alejandro Garcia Taylor	Astoria, NY	07/19/03	Putney
Darcy Marian Hull	Oak Hill, NY	Audrey Lorene Buisson	Ville D'Avray, France	07/19/03	Putney
Linda Mary Donohue	Metuchen, NJ	Wendy Marie Groves	Metuchen, NJ	08/08/03	Putney
Tara Martin	Enfield, CT	Lyn Garson	Enfield, CT	08/14/03	Putney
Mark Anthony Perkins	New Haven, CT	Leonard Donald R. Courtemanche	New Haven, Ct	09/20/03	Putney
Keith Donald Luttenbacher	Belfair, WA	Greg Douglas Oldham	Belfair, WA	09/22/03	Putney
Catherine Impastato	Tully, NY	Barbara Ann Reese	Tully, NY	10/04/03	Marlboro
Julie Anne Seiler	Fredericksburg, VA	Karen Lee Richardson	Fredericksburg, VA	10/10/03	Putney
Jessica Nicole Robinson	Jacksonville, FL	Ranae Nicole Thurston	Jacksonville, FL	10/17/03	Putney
Carrie Ann Ales	Wakefield, MA	Kristine Faye Rich	Wakefield, MA	10/25/03	Putney
Tracy Marie Gamble	East Hampstead, NH	Melanie Dae Keith	East Hampstead, NH	11/10/03	Putney
Valerie Elizabeth Hebert	Putney, VT	Mary Beth Hebert	Putney, VT	11/12/03	Putney



*In front of Town Hall
waiting for the
parade to start
Saturday, August
16, 2003.*



2003 BIRTHS

Child's Name	Birth Date	Sex	Place of Birth	Mother's Maiden Name	Father's Name
Christopher Michael Wilson	01/14/03	M	Brattleboro	Kelly Diane Redfield	Edward John Wilson, Jr.
Lauren Wolf Stockwell	04/11/03	F	Brattleboro	Jorika Kruse	Barry Alan Stockwell
Louise Juliette LaFantano Goldenberg	04/14/03	F	Brattleboro	Eve Lisa Goldenberg	Michel William LaFantano
Oliver William Field	05/15/03	M	Putney	Rebecca Ileen Davis	Robert Stephenson Field
Tabitha Marie Loomis	05/20/03	F	Brattleboro	Lisa Margaret Belanger	Darren Arthur Loomis
Spencer Douglas Beekman	06/17/03	M	Brattleboro	Anne Jones	Douglas Lee Beekman
Cyrus Burt	06/26/03	M	Brattleboro	Sara Rachael Kazemi	Jeffrey N. Burt
Rio Skye Priest Coursen	07/14/03	M	Putney	Aleta Kai Alcorn	Joshua Priest Coursen
Elijah Sky Boucher	07/27/03	M	Putney	Shauna Jeanne Wall	Christopher Paul Boucher
Stephen Robert Mecheski	08/07/03	M	Brattleboro	Brenda Jean Fitts	Michael Edward Mecheski
Haylie Anne Clark	09/19/03	F	Brattleboro	Kristy Ann Clark	
Elias Dov Prodan-Gradinger	09/20/03	M	Brattleboro	Angela Jean Prodan	Drew Benjamin Gradinger
Jason Edward Kennedy	09/26/03	M	Brattleboro	Kristin Ann Kennedy	
Noah Benjamin Hed	10/06/03	M	Brattleboro	Jennifer Jo Markley	Stephen Walter Hed
Fen Jasien Jagoda	10/16/03	M	Putney	Moriah Brooks Brown-Tirrell	Marek Jagoda
Madeline Rose Harlow Martel	11/02/03	F	Brattleboro	Heather D. Harlow	Christopher K. Martel
Alexander Michael Hrabchak	11/13/03	M	Brattleboro	Julie Rebecca Robinson	Michael Peter William Hrabchak
Darius Estrin Parker	11/17/03	M	Brattleboro	Zoe Wells Parker	Hans David Estrin
Jenna Michele Powers	12/22/03	F	Brattleboro	Michele C. Brennan-Becker	Jared Michael Powers

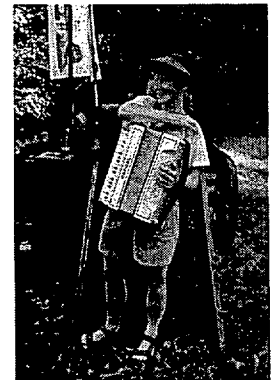
2003 DEATHS

Name	Date	Sex	Age	Place of Death	Residence
Karl P. Schroeder	6/24/77	M	70	Livingston, NJ	Bloomfield, NJ
Stanley Celan Place	1/11/03	M	79	Brattleboro	Putney
William Roger Lyons	2/22/03	M	80	Brattleboro	Putney
Morris C. Glidden	2/24/03	M	77	Brattleboro	Putney
Ralph E. Patterson, Jr	3/8/03	M	75	Putney	Putney
Dinah Stix Breunig	3/10/03	F	53	Putney	Putney
Harral L. Hamilton	5/9/03	M	80	Brattleboro	Putney
Cleon J. Winter	8/26/03	M	76	Brattleboro	Putney
Janice Carol Stockwell	9/1/03	F	60	Putney	Putney
Dennis Lee Hamilton	9/5/03	M	39	Brattleboro	Putney
Francis Gordon Ellis	9/13/03	M	70	Brattleboro	Putney
David Goodfriend Rothschild	10/23/03	M	59	Putney	Putney
Lois Genevieve Mech	11/26/03	F	55	Brattleboro	Putney
Benjamin Stewart Virkstis	12/20/03	M	28	Putney	Putney



*Kathan
descendants
joined the
Putney
celebration.*

*Music at the
250th Putney
Celebration.*





MINUTES AND WARNINGS

RESULTS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 5, 2002

Article 1: Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Putney in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000), subject to reduction from the receipts of available state and federal grants-in-aid, be issued for the purpose of financing the Town's share of the cost of making certain public water system improvements, at an estimated cost of Two Million Four Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,471,400)?

Results: 547 YES
 491 NO

Attest: Anita M. Coomes, Town Clerk

Selectboard: Regina A. Rockefeller, David B. Hannum, Jr., W. Andrew Robinson, Jr.

MINUTES for 2003 PUTNEY TOWN and PUTNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Moderator, John Caldwell at Putney Central School on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, with 225 voters present. Polls were open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for Australian ballot voting.

Article 1: To choose all Town School District Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual School District Meeting. (voting by Australian ballot)

Town School District Officers Elected:

Director for three years	Anne Fines
Director for one-year	R. Scott Henry
Director for one-year	Rebecca Coffey
Director for one-year	Peter F. May

Article 2: To choose all Town Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual Town Meeting. (voting by Australian ballot)

Town Officers Elected:

Moderator	John Caldwell
Selectperson for three years	John K. Nopper
Lister for three years	Timothy Severance
Collector of Delinquent Taxes for three years	Jill Garland
Town Agent	William Graham
Town Grand Juror	William Graham
Town Grand Juror	Judy I. Hannum

Article 3: Shall the make-up of the Board of School Directors of the Brattleboro Union High School District, as approved by the voters at the time the Brattleboro Union High School District was formed, be amended to provide that each member town school district is entitled to one board representative per 3,000 citizens (or fraction thereof) as measured by the U.S. decennial census (which initially creates a nine member board); and to further provide that to produce staggered terms, one Brattleboro director will be elected to a one-year term (to be replaced by a director with a three-year term), two Brattleboro directors will be elected to two-year terms (to be replaced by directors with three-year terms), and all other directors will be elected to three-year terms. By Australian ballot 412 Yes and 56 No.

Article 4: To see if the Town will accept the report of the last Town Meeting. Jacquie Walker made the motion to accept the 2002 report.

David Hannum seconded. By voice vote the article was ACCEPTED.

Article 5: To see if the Town will accept the Auditors' report. The report was passed over/abled by voice vote. After lunch article was moved by Larry Hyde and seconded by E. Gassett to remove from table. ACCEPTED.

Article 6: To elect Trustees to the Putney Public Library. Dick Heminway advised no new trustees to be elected. Moved to next article.

Article 7: To determine what salaries the Town School District will pay its officers and directors. Anne Fines moved to pay \$700 to each, seconded by Mary Zabriski. By voice vote the article was ACCEPTED.

Article 8: To see if the Town School District will authorize its School Board to accept and expend categorical grants and aid received from the State of Vermont, the United States government, and private sources. Virginia Scholl moved the article. Beth Muskat seconded. By voice vote the article was ACCEPTED.

Article 9: To see if the Town School District will vote to raise and appropriate an amount of money necessary to defray its expenses and liabilities for the ensuing fiscal year (July 1, 2003-June 30, 2004) and if so, in what amount. R. Scott Henry moved the article and Alan Blood seconded to appropriate \$3,097,286. Article was ACCEPTED. Cynthia Payne-Meyer made amendment to add \$13,364 to the school budget and was seconded by Laura Casey. A raised hand vote was needed and amendment was ACCEPTED. The article with the amendment was PASSED by voice vote.

Article 10: To see if the Town School District will authorize the School Board to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Carol Westing moved the article and Alan Blood seconded. By voice vote the article was ACCEPTED.

Article 11: To transact any other school business that may legally come before the Annual School District Meeting. Ron Stahley presented certificates to Doug Harlow and Carol Westing.

Article 12: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard, after considering the recommendations of the Putney Library Building Committee, to expend a sum not to exceed \$800,000 from the Library Reserve Fund to construct a new building for the Putney Public Library on Lot 30-50-56, 55 Main Street, Putney, subject to such terms and conditions as the Selectboard may deem necessary to protect the Town's interests, and further subject to construction of the new building being completed by December 31, 2005. Article was moved by Dick Heminway and Larry Hyde seconded. Richard Robinson made amendment to add two words in next to last line "...contracting for...". Alan Blood seconded. PASSED by voice vote.

Article 13: To see if the Town will provide interim funding for construction of a new building for the Putney Public Library in anticipation of the sale of the property where the Putney Public Library currently is located (being Lot 30-50-46 at 90 Old Route 5 South) by borrowing an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years, subject to such terms and conditions as the Selectboard may deem necessary to protect the Town's interests, and then depositing those funds in the Library Reserve Fund. Article moved by Dick Heminway and seconded by Scott Henry. PASSED by voice vote.

Article 14: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard, when construction of a new building for the Putney



Public Library is complete, to sell Lot 30-50-46 at 90 Old Route 5 South and all improvements on that land, subject to such terms and conditions as the Selectboard may deem necessary to protect the Town's interests, and then to use the proceeds of that sale to reimburse the Town for the principal and interest on interim funding used to construct a new building for the Putney Public Library, with any remaining proceeds to be used for library purposes. Article was moved by Dick Heminway and seconded by Eva Mondon. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 15: To see if the Town will appropriate \$30,000 from the Town's Certificates of Deposit (which originated from disposition of the former Windham College properties) and to deposit this money into the Putney Pool Reserve Fund established under Article 10 of the March 5, 2002, Town Meeting. Article was moved by Steve Ingram and seconded by Pam Cubbage. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 16: To see if the Town will exempt the Putney Community Center from municipal and educational taxation on the land and all improvements and appurtenances at Lot 07-03-40 on Sand Hill Road (site of recreational fields) and at Lot 30-51-23 at 10 Christian Square, for a period of five years from April 1, 2003. Article was moved by Dave Hannum and seconded by Sarah Baker. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 17: To see if the Town will exempt the Putney Friends Trust from municipal and educational taxation on the land and all improvements and appurtenances at Lots 07-04-14 and 07-04-14.1 at 15 and 17 Bellows Falls Road, for a period of five years from April 1, 2003. Article was moved by Andy Robinson and seconded by Eva Mondon. Alan Blood amended to insert "except the rental apartment " after ... "Lots 07-04-14" and before "and 07-04-14.1 at". Hattie Reeves Forsythe seconded. By voice vote the amendment was APPROVED. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 18: To see if the Town will exempt the Putney Historical Society from municipal and educational taxation on the land and all improvements and appurtenances at Lots 07-04-13.1.1 off Water Street (site of Thwings Mill) and 30-51-13 off Mill Street, for a period of five years from April 1, 2003. Dave Hannum moved the article and seconded by Jacquie Walker. Dave Hannum advised that this would reduce the taxes by \$1075. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 19: To see if the Town will authorize the 2003-2004 Sewer Fund budget as outlined in the 2002 Town Report. Article moved by Andy Robinson and seconded by Larry Hyde. Article amended by Dave Hannum to include the dollar amount to be \$138,609. Seconded by Pam Cubbage. The amendment was APPROVED. The amended article PASSED by voice vote.

Article 20: To see if the Town will authorize the 2003-2004 General Fund Capital Expenditures as shown in the Proposed General Fund Capital Replacement Plan, and will authorize the Putney Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to purchase a new pickup truck to be repaid over three years, and to borrow an amount not to exceed Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to replace the roof on the Town Highway Garage to be repaid over three years. Article was moved by Dave Hannum and seconded by Jill Garland. Article was PASSED by voice vote.

Article 21: To see if the Town will appropriate \$4,428.00 in addition to the \$330.00 approved for non-Putney organizations for Health Care & Rehabilitation Services, Inc. Article was moved by Michael O'Sullivan and seconded by Paul LeVasseur. Michael O'Sullivan amended that article to read \$3371 and seconded by G. Nowakowski. The article was then again amended by Jim Olivier and seconded by Mary Zabriski to read \$330. Larry Hyde called the question and seconded by Eva Mondon. The \$330 amended article was PASSED.

Article 22: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate an amount of money necessary to defray its expenses and liabilities for the ensuing fiscal year (July 1, 2003-June 30, 2004) and if so, how much. Dave Hannum moved the article and Alan Blood seconded. The amount APPROVED was \$1,174,712.

Article 23: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard to seek out and/or accept funds available from non-property tax revenue sources and to spend those funds in appropriate ways after required public input. Andy Robinson moved the article and Alan Blood seconded. By voice vote the article PASSED.

Article 24: To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to deposit the interest accrued during the fiscal year 2002-2003 from the Town's Certificates of Deposit (those CD's originating from the disposition of former Windham College properties) into the Capital Reserve fund. Article moved by Dave Hannum and seconded by Bill Aiken. Article was PASSED by voice vote.

Article 25: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay current expenses. Andy Robinson moved the article and Alan Blood seconded. By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 26: To see if the voters of Putney will adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, we the voters of the Town of Putney, Vermont, who by our elected representatives had originally agreed to a single license term for the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station; and

Whereas there is no solution to the problem of disposal of the radioactive waste the Vermont Yankee reactor generates; and

Whereas we support the transition to renewable energy resources;

Therefore, be it resolved that the voters request the Legislature of the State of Vermont to take action immediately to bar relicensing of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station whose current license expires in 2012; to bar the licensing of any other nuclear generating station in the State of Vermont; and to proceed forthwith implementing a state energy plan that relies upon renewable energy sources to supply Vermont's energy needs. Claire Wilson moved the article and Alan Blood seconded. The article was PASSED by voice vote.

Article 27: To see if the voters of Putney will adopt the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the citizens of the town of Putney urgently call upon our municipal leaders, state legislators, governor, and Congressional delegation to put Vermont in the forefront of a sustainable energy future. Specifically, we request immediate and ongoing action on legislative initiatives designed to promote energy efficiency in Vermont's homes, businesses, public buildings, and transportation systems, and to encourage expansion of the renewable energy industry in the state of Vermont. Jacquie Walker moved the article and Eva Mondon seconded. Arthur Westing moved to amend the article to read "... to encourage expansion of a medically and environmentally sound renewable energy....". Janet Wells seconded. The amendment was PASSED by voice vote. The amended article by voice vote was PASSED.

Article 28: To see if the voters of Putney will adopt the following resolution:

Resolution calling on local government to defend state and federal Constitutions from threats imposed by the USA PATRIOT Act, the Homeland Security Act, and orders and rules of the executive branch:

We call on our local government to act in the spirit of our state and federal Constitutions by asking local and state police, the local U.S. Attorney's office, and the FBI to:



1. Report to citizens regularly and publicly the extent to and manner in which they have acted under the USA PATRIOT Act, the Homeland Security Act, and orders and rules of the executive branch, or COINTELPRO-type regulations, including disclosing the names of any detainees;

2. Not participate, to the extent legally permissible, in law enforcement activities that threaten civil rights and civil liberties such as surveillance, wiretaps, and securing of private information, which the Acts and Orders authorize;

3. End racial profiling in law enforcement and detentions without charges; and

We call on our local government to:

4. Openly work for the repeal of the parts of the Acts and Orders that violate civil rights and civil liberties.

5. Ask the Town Clerk to notify the above authorities of our action in this regard.

Paul LeVasseur moved the article and Roger Parrott seconded.

By voice vote the article was PASSED.

Article 29: To transact any other Town business that may legally come before the Annual Town Meeting.

Jacque Walker congratulated new citizens John Adams and Renu Ladd.

Eva Mondon congratulated Henry Farnum and Peter Shumlin for their community services.

Honey Loring advised of watching the waste and recycling.

Alan Blood thanked past Selectboard member Andy Robinson.

Eva Mondon thanked the Selectboard, the library trustees and special project committees.

Hattie Forsythe mentioned 250 Putney celebration; Fern Tavalin reminded of insert in Town Report of daily activities and the volunteers needed to help.

Marion Daley inquired on voting procedures: voice, Australian, etc. Jim Mullen advised state statute and some adjustments per town.

Emily Patton asked to have more road shoulder on the "s" curve on Route 5 before Landmark College. Dave Hannum advised this is a state highway and Putney would have to petition for improvements and also request a crosswalk at the Post Office.

Scott Henry requested to continue for the Selectboard and the School Board to meet.

Dave Hannum moved to adjourn at 3:25 PM and Dan Hovis seconded.

Attest: Anita M. Coomes, Town Clerk, for March 4, 2003

Putney Board of Selectpeople: David B. Hannum, Jr., W. Andrews Robinson Jr., Regina A. Rockefeller

Putney Board of School Directors: Anne Fines, Douglas Harlow, R. Scott Henry, Virginia Scholl, Carol Westing

PUTNEY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING, JUNE 10, 2003

ARTICLE 1: To elect one (1) director to the Brattleboro Union High School District No. 6 Board for a term of three (3) years to begin on the 10th day of June 2003 and end on the 1st Tuesday of March 2006.

R. Scott Henry	51
Total Registered Voters	1,395

Attest: Anita M. Coomes, Town Clerk

Board of School Directors: R. Scott Henry, Peter F. May, Anne Fines, Virginia Scholl, Rebecca Coffey

MINUTES SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 23, 2003

A Special Town Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 23, 2003, in the Putney Central School.

Putney Voters present: David Hannum, Regina Rockefeller, John Nopper, Larry Hyde, Anita Coomes, Laura Heller, Susan Heller, Marc Fellows, Shirley Ellis, Holly Ellis, Robert Germon, Mary Jones, Mac Jones, Eva Mondon, Jacque Walker, Steven Anderson, Judy Hannum, and Mark Noland.

Others present: Derek Gladding, Patrick Armstrong, Jim Mullen, David Gartenstein, and Tom Goddard.

Putney Selectboard Vice-Chair Regina Rockefeller called the Special Town Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She announced that Town Moderator John Caldwell was not able to make tonight's meeting. Pursuant to the provisions of 17 VSA 2657, she asked for nominations for a moderator pro tempore.

John Nopper nominated David Hannum as Moderator Pro Tempore. Larry Hyde seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous to elect David Hannum as Moderator Pro Tempore.

Article 1: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to expend a sum not to exceed \$40,000 from the Town's Certificates of Deposit to stabilize the Putney Fire Station.

Larry Hyde moved the article. Marc Fellows seconded the article.

Marc Fellows immediately moved to amend the article by adding the words "and to study alternatives to stabilizing the Putney Fire Station" to the end of the article. Seconded by Steve Anderson.

Putney Fire Chief Tom Goddard said, "there is an exterior block wall on the Fire Station that parallels Sacketts Brook. This winter we found some movement of that wall and some stress cracking. It is starting to show separation from interior partitions and also from the floor slabs.

"We asked our engineers to determine what was happening with the building. The engineers first suspected that 'piping' was occurring under the building which means that ground water is moving from the front of the station underneath the building floor slabs to Sacketts Brook. This would cause soils to be pulled out from under the building. They did test boring and found that piping was not incurring. Instead, they found that the ground that the station is built on is unstable. The building is dropping vertically. The engineers said to fix the problem we should consider three courses of action. One is to finish riprapping the embankment of the brook adjacent to the back wall of the fire station. A second recommendation is to underpin the footing of the back wall to ledge with pins that act like screw jacks. A third option is compaction grouting where grout is forced underneath the slab at high pressure to fill any voids in the loose soils. There are no guarantees that any of these three options will work. They are 'bandaids'.

Tom said, "the Selectboard decided that instead of spending a large amount of money to take care of the instability (and on top of those expenses also need to pay for upgrades to the building), it would make sense to look at alternatives. The back end of the building was built in 1958-1959 with a lot of work done over the years to add various additions."

David Hannum said, "the front portion of the building goes back probably to the 1800's. It was once a blacksmith shop."



Steve Anderson asked how much of the \$40,000 would be spent looking at alternatives to using the existing building.

Tom Goddard responded that he did not know but would anticipate spending some money on plans.

Regina Rockefeller said that we have already spent about \$7,300 to find out what we can do to stabilize the station. There will be another \$1,000 needed to finish the riprap to stabilize the bank. We are probably going to spend \$10,000 to \$11,000 just to finish up on what we have done so far. If we choose to pin the building to ledge, we will be spending another \$20,000 to \$25,000. The \$40,000 could easily be used up.

Tom Goddard said that the building is not only moving vertically but horizontally as well. These two types of movement have had a minor effect already on the ceiling joists, which support the floor of the second floor.

Mac Jones said that instead of putting \$40,000 into the building to stabilize it, it would be prudent to explore other sites such as down by the Putney Coop, or out by the Town Garage, as well as exploring other land and drawing up plans for a new station. "If we banded the station now, next year you will be back to say we need another \$40,000 to \$50,000 to bandaid it again. We will be banded to death. We are better off going with a new site," he said.

Regina Rockefeller said that the Selectboard agrees. "The Selectboard would like to be authorized by voters to spend up to \$40,000 in case we had to pin the building but would really like to use some of the money to explore options", she added.

Eva Mondon suggested looking at the Basketville Factory Site for a new station or adding onto the Fire Station by sweeping it around the back of Mountain Paul's General Store.

Regina Rockefeller said that the Town will be looking at all potential options.

Jacquie Walker asked if the building could still be retained by the Town to use for some Fire Department uses (other than parking of trucks) such as a meeting room. Tom Goddard responded that "If we have separate buildings we would still be locked into maintaining the existing building."

Jacquie Walker asked if the Town would tear the building down and use it as a green space. Tom Goddard said that possibility will be explored.

John Nopper said, "Tonight we are interested in having the voters authorize us to spend up to \$40,000 on the building in case it suddenly begins to move rapidly. We would like to just stabilize the situation for now. The Town probably doesn't presently own any land suitable for a new station. We need to have the voters tell us tonight to look at alternatives."

Steve Anderson asked if the \$40,000 would come from new taxes or the release of available funds. Town Treasurer Anita Coomes said that the money came from the sale of the "Art Shack" of Windham College, thus there are available funds.

Eva Mondon said that she is glad that there is discussion about what to do because the building was added onto at least four times in the past with little discussion.

John Nopper said, "There are four things we can do: (1) We could do nothing; (2) We could stabilize the building now but we are not sure that investment will pay off over the long haul; (3) We can build a new fire house in another location; or (4) We could build the larger concept of a public safety and emergency services center in Putney, which might allow us to co-locate a number of

different emergency services to serve Putney and an expanded service area." He read a letter from the Windham County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department would like to participate in any committee that will be looking at co-locating.

Jacquie Walker said, "The concept sounds exciting but the motion before us tonight doesn't allow us to proceed with anything like that. It is very specific about stabilizing and looking at other options to stabilize."

Moderator Pro Tempore David Hannum read the proposed amendment to the motion.

John Nopper reads that the amendment says that instead of stabilizing the station we will look at alternatives to stabilizing the fire station.

Mac Jones called the question. By voice vote, the amendment was APPROVED unanimously.

Moderator Pro Tempore David Hannum then read the motion as amended.

Laura Heller asked if the Town attorney had read the proposed amendment. David Hannum responded that he had. Regina Rockefeller said that the Vermont Secretary of State had also reviewed the proposed amendment and found it to be legal.

Mark Noland said that he had arrived late. He asked a few questions including whether the Town had looked into grant funds yet. Regina said that we plan to look into grants.

Moderator Pro Tempore David Hannum read the motion as amended:

"Article 1: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to expend a sum not to exceed \$40,000 from the Town's Certificates of Deposit to stabilize the Putney Fire Station and to study alternatives to stabilizing the Putney Fire Station."

By voice vote, the amended motion PASSED unanimously.

Article 2: To transact any other Town business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

Jacquie Walker suggested, "We bat around ideas. If the existing building can be used by someone else that will be fine but if it gets torn down, the land on which the fire station sits (which is owned by the Town) could become a park by the brook." She asked if the Selectboard would be forming a committee to discuss these issues. The Selectboard members said they would be.

Mac Jones moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Attest: Anita M. Coomes, Town Clerk for June 23, 2003
Putney Board of Selectpeople: David B. Hannum, Jr.,
W. Andrew Robinson, Jr., Regina A. Rockefeller

WARNINGS FOR 2004 PUTNEY TOWN AND PUTNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Putney and the Town of Putney School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Putney Central School in Putney at 10:00 AM on Tuesday the 2nd day of March, 2004, to act upon the following Articles. Polls will be open from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM at the Putney Central School.



WARNING FOR 2004 PUTNEY TOWN AND PUTNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING, continued

Article 1: To choose all Town School District Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual School District Meeting. (voting to be by Australian ballot)

Article 2: To choose all Town Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual Town Meeting. (voting by Australian ballot)

Article 3: To see if the Town will accept the report of the last Town Meeting.

Article 4: To see if the Town will accept the Auditor's report.

Article 5: To elect Trustees to the Putney Public Library.

Article 6: To see if the Town will authorize the 2004-2005 Sewer Fund budget as outlined in the 2003 Town Report.

Article 7: To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to deposit the remaining balance and all interest accrued from the Town's Certificates of Deposit (those CD's originating from the disposition of the former Windham College properties) into the Capital Reserve Fund.

Article 8: To see if the Town will authorize the 2004-2005 General Fund Capital Expenditures as shown in the proposed General Fund Capital Replacement Plan, and will authorize the Putney Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed Ninety One Thousand Dollars (\$91,000.00) to purchase a new dump truck/plow to be repaid over three years.

Article 9: Shall the Town of Putney raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to support Windham County Reads programs.

Article 10: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate an amount of money necessary to defray its expenses and liabilities for the ensuing fiscal year (July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005), and if so how much.

Article 11: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard to seek out and/or accept funds available from non-property tax revenue sources and to spend those funds in appropriate ways after required public input.

Article 12: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay current expenses.

Article 13: To see if the Town will authorize the Putney Selectboard to borrow money in an amount, not to exceed \$45,000.00, to complete the second five year cycle of the Warden Road improvement project as previously approved by the voters at the March 4, 1997 Town Meeting.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to exempt from municipal and educational taxation for a period of five years the real and personal property on the building and land off Sand Hill Road (Tax Lot # 07-03-39) owned and operated by the Putney Gun Club.

Article 15: Shall the voters of the Town of Putney advise the Selectboard, the Governor and our State Legislators of the following: "Whereas the rising cost of health insurance is placing an increasingly unsupportable burden on town and school budgets, the voters of the town of Putney call upon the Selectboard, the Governor and our State Legislators to support and actively work for the creation of a UNIVERSAL AND COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE SYSTEM which is publicly financed and accountable to the citizens of Vermont, and which will reduce the cost by eliminating most current administrative expenses"?

Article 16: To transact any other Town Business that may legally come before the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 16: To determine what salaries the Town School District will pay its officers and directors.

Article 17: To see if the Town School District will authorize its School Board to accept and expend categorical grants and aid received from the State of Vermont, and the United States government, and private sources.

Article 18: To see if the Putney Town School District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 and to deposit such sum into the "Putney Town School District Capital Improvement Fund."

Article 19: To see if the Town School District will authorize the 2004-2005 Putney Town Scholl District Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures as shown in the Putney Town School District Capital Improvement Plan.

Article 20: To see if the Town School District will vote to raise and appropriate an amount of money necessary to defray its expenses and liabilities for the ensuing fiscal year (July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005) and if so, in what amount.

Article 21: To see if the Town School District will authorize the School Board to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay current expenses.

Article 22: To transact any other school business that may legally come before the Annual School District Meeting.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2004, at Putney, Windham County, Vermont

Putney Selectboard: David B. Hannum, Jr., Regina Rockefeller, John Nopper

Putney Board of School Directors: R. Scott Henry, Virginia Scholl, Rebecca Coffey, Anne Fines, Peter May



Putney celebrated 250 years with a parade on Saturday, August 16, 2003.



*Parade entries included
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and
(right) Putney Day Care.*

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Town Meeting is Tuesday, March 2, 2004, starting at 10:00 AM.

Come and participate! Please bring this report with you!