

Annual Report

**Town of Irasburg, Vermont
Town & School Report**



**For the Year Ending
December 31, 2003**

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This photo was taken in 1967. We have been told that the girl on the left is Rijeane Cotnoir and the girl on the right is Lois Moreau.
Thank you for your help in identifying these children!

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS

(754-2242)

Monday - Wednesday - Thursday
9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 21	Last day town clerk can accept checklist application for town meeting Last day town clerk can accept checklist application for school meeting
March 2	Town Meeting ----- Town Hall ----- 7:00 P.M. Annual School Meeting ----- Town Hall ----- 8:30 P.M.
April 1	Last day to license dogs without penalty
October 31	Last day to pay taxes without penalty

Irasburg's town clerk's office can process vehicle, snowmobile and motorboat registration renewals. Renewals must be paid by check or money order payable to Motor Vehicle Department. A \$3.00 processing fee is charged for this service. Registration renewals for vehicles must have a current or 2 previous months expirations. The only change that can be accepted by the town clerk is an address change on the renewal form.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator		David Turner
Town Clerk		Vickie Hall
*Assistant Town Clerks		Betsy Inkel & Barbara Lawson
Treasurer		Barbara Lawson
Selectman	Roy Ingalls	Term expires 2004
	David Turner	Term expires 2005
	Charles Jaquish	Term expires 2006
First Constable		Dave Laramée
Second Constable		Milton Woodard
Collector of Delinquent Taxes		Alan Butler
Listers	Vickie Hall	Term expires 2004
	*Ron Holland	Term expires 2004
	Catherine Clark	Term expires 2005
	Shirley Crouch	Term expires 2005
	Milton Woodard	Term expires 2005
Auditors	Suzanne Cartee	Term expires 2004
	Catherine Clark	Term expires 2005
	Cassie Eldridge-resigned 1/04	Term expires 2006
Town Grand Juror		Conrad Grims
Town Agent	Gordon Chadburn	Term expires 2004
Library Trustees	Virginia Grimes	Term expires 2004
	Laurie Green Holland	Term expires 2005
	James Morley	Term expires 2006
Trustee of Public Money		Roy Ingalls
*Health Officer		Rolinda Chase
*Sexton		Eugene Webster
*Fence Viewers		Philip C. Royer
		Charles Jaquish
		Guy Robillard
*Town Fire Warden		Roy Ingalls
*Tree Warden		Roy Ingalls
*Town Service Officer		Roy Ingalls
*Inspector of lumber, wood and weigher of coal		Roy Ingalls
Pound Keeper		Every farmer in town
School Directors	Denis Piette	Term expires 2004
	Amy Turner	Term expires 2005
	Robert Plante	Term expires 2006
LRUHS	Louis Piette	Term expires 2004
	Gary Bennett	Term expires 2005
Justices of the Peace		Rolinda Chase
		Ray Decelles
		William Lawson
		Douglas Lawson

*Appointed to Office

Election of School Directors will be held following the Town Meeting

AUDITORS' REPORT

Assets:

Checking Account Balance, 12/31/03	\$42,487.94
Money Market	\$99,804.07
Uncollected real estate taxes	\$19,644.50
Notes Receivables (Clayton Butler Loan)	\$8,000.00
Real Estate Owned	
Land	
Common	\$7,500.00
Partlow Lot	\$5,000.00
Buildings	
Town Hall	\$450,000.00
Town Hall Shed	\$2,500.00
Library	\$150,000.00
Band Stand	\$1,400.00
Town Clerk's Office	\$43,500.00
Town Shed	\$70,200.00
Elementary School	\$750,000.00
Machinery & Equipment	
Grader (Caterpillar Grader)	\$57,000.00
Loader (2001 Case Loader)	\$35,000.00
Truck (1999 International Truck)	\$32,922.00
Fire Trucks	
Pumper (1997 International 4900)	\$100,000.00
Van (1995 Freightliner)	\$12,000.00
Total Assets:	\$1,886,958.51

Liabilities:

David Turner	\$500.00
Roy Ingalls	\$500.00
Charles Jaquish	\$500.00
Total Liabilities:	\$1,500.00

Net Worth: \$1,886,958.51

Total Liabilities & Net Worth: \$1,886,958.51

Irasburg School District:

Cash on hand, 12/31/03 \$22,657.08

In accordance with Section 1881 of Title 24, V.S.A., we have examined the accounts and records of the Town of Irasburg. To the best of our knowledge, the Financial Statements and reports show the financial position of the Town for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2003.

Auditors:

Suzanne Cartee

Catherine Clark

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING – MARCH 4, 2003

Meeting opened at 7:02 p.m.

Warning read by David Turner

Art 1. To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year. David Turner was elected.

Art. 2. To elect a Town Clerk for a term of one year. Vickie Hall was elected Town Clerk for a one-year term.

Art. 3. To elect a Town Treasurer for a term of one year. Barb Lawson was elected to serve as Treasurer for one year.

Art. 4. To receive and act upon the report of Town Officers. The report was accepted as printed with attached notations.

Art. 5. To elect all other officers required by law to be elected at annual meeting:

Selectman for a three year term: Charlie Jaquish was elected.

Lister for a three year term: Bill Lawson was elected.

First Constable for a one year term: David Laramee was elected.

Second Constable for a one year term: Milton Woodard was elected.

Delinquent Tax Collector for a one year term: Alan Butler was elected.

Auditor for a three year term: Casey Eldridge was elected.

Auditor for a one year term: Becky Boulanger was elected.

Grand Juror for a one year term: Conrad Grims was elected.

Town Agent for a one year term: Gordon Chadburn was elected.

Library Trustee for a three year term: Jim Morley was elected.

Trustee of Public Money for a one year term: Roy Ingalls was elected.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to **raise** money to pay the current and incidental charges against the town for the ensuing year. It was voted to raise \$65,000.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will **raise** money to maintain the roads within the town. It was voted to raise \$45,000.

Art. 8. To see in what manner the Town will vote to collect its taxes. It was voted to do the same as in the past (taxes due on Oct. 31st, after due date, 8% penalty added plus 1% interest the first months and 1 ½ % per month thereafter.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will **appropriate** for the maintenance and support of the Leach Public Library. The Town voted to appropriate \$6,000.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will **raise** to maintain the Fire Department. The Town voted to raise \$20,000.

Art. 11. To ask the own to vote on a style of backstop to be used on the common for the new ball field. (options are: chain link-galvanized, chain link- vinyl coated fencing or wood post with chicken wire fencing.) The motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules and go to article 12 before acting on article 11. The motion did not receive a 2/3 majority. The motion was made and seconded to use a green chain link-vinyl coated fencing. Motion was defeated.

Art 12. To see what amount the Town will raise for the purpose of rebuilding the ball field and backstop on the common. The article was passed over by a show of hands.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will move forward with the sidewalk proposed to be built on Rt. 58 from the Irasburg Village School & connecting to the existing sidewalk to the library. The Town voted to move forward with the sidewalk.

Art. 14. Shall the Town authorize the selectmen to enter into an agreement with the North East Kingdom Solid Waste District so as to be in compliance with the State of Vermont's Regulations. The Town voted to enter into an agreement with the NEKSWD.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$300, as requested by Orleans County Citizen Advocacy for the purpose of creating and supporting one-to-one relationships between people with disabilities and community volunteers. Appropriation of \$300 passed.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$300 to help support the Lake Region Senior Citizens' Center. Appropriation of \$300 passed.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$200 to the Orleans County Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House and its educational programs. Appropriation of \$200 passed.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$375 to STEP O.N.E. for the purpose of serving victims of family and sexual violence in Orleans and Northern Essex Counties. Appropriation of \$375 passed.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$650 to the Orleans/Essex Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice, Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical, Speech, and Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurses Aide, Homemaker, Personal Care Attendant, Hospice, and Maternal Child Health Programs provided by the Agency. Appropriation of \$650 passed.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$1,131 to Northeast Kingdom Human Service, Inc. to assist in providing mental health and developmental services to adults and children, substance abuse services to adolescents and adults and 24-hour crisis intervention to the general public. Appropriation of \$1,131 passed.

Art. 21. Shall the Town vote to **appropriate** a sum of money not to exceed \$362.40 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association for planning, development, promoting and publicizing the resources of Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties with other towns in the three counties? Appropriation of \$362.40 passed

Art. 22. To see what time Town Meeting will be held in the year 2004. Motion was made and seconded to hold the Annual Town Meeting in the Town Hall on the 2th day of March 2004 at 7:00 PM. Motion passed.

Art. 23. To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the Town. There was no other business.

Art. 24. To adjourn. Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 9:59 PM.

C.B.A. members present were: Roy Ingalls, Charlie Jaquish, David Turner, Bill Lawson, Doug Lawson, Rolinda Chase, Vickie Hall, Ray Decelles, Gordon Chadburn.

Approved: Roy W Ingalls
David M Turner
Board of Selectmen

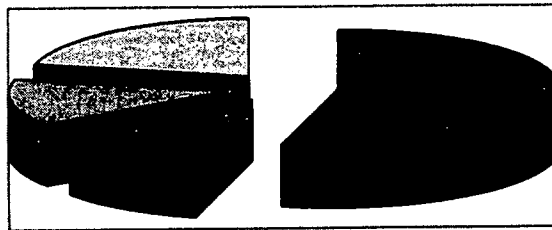
Attest: Vickie Hall, Town Clerk

COMPARISON BUDGET

	ACTUAL 2001	ACTUAL 2002	BUDGETED 2003	ACTUAL 2003	BUDGETED 2004
General Fund:					
Officers Salaries	\$25,684.30	\$30,064.37	\$30,000.00	\$27,875.95	\$30,000.00
Reimbursements	\$329.53	\$794.05	\$500.00	\$374.84	\$500.00
Asses. & Approp.	\$10,157.79	\$5,296.99	\$5,000.00	\$5,959.39	\$5,000.00
Fuel & Utilities	\$5,293.96	\$4,596.93	\$5,000.00	\$3,976.10	\$5,000.00
Taxes, Ins., Etc.	\$40,263.39	\$51,111.29	\$50,000.00	\$43,320.83	\$50,000.00
Labor	\$1,135.50	\$3,587.80	\$1,500.00	\$2,458.25	\$1,500.00
Office Supplies	\$4,301.61	\$4,367.97	\$3,500.00	\$5,032.07	\$3,500.00
Advertising	\$79.72	\$264.15	\$250.00	\$253.88	\$250.00
Education	\$1,860.50	\$1,433.00	\$1,500.00	\$190.00	\$1,500.00
Repairs	\$2,813.80	\$2,229.36	\$4,000.00	\$1,236.92	\$4,000.00
Total	\$91,920.10	\$103,745.91	\$101,250.00	\$90,678.23	\$101,250.00
Less Non-Tax Inc.	<u>-\$1,031.24</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Taxpayers' Share	\$90,888.86	\$103,745.91	\$101,250.00	\$90,678.23	\$101,250.00
 Highway:					
Fire Department	\$19,618.14	\$14,524.49	\$20,000.00	\$19,048.44	\$20,000.00
Fire Truck Pay't	\$11,890.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1999 Int. Truck	\$20,731.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town Truck				\$6,089.58	\$6,000.00
Town Grader				\$3,805.57	\$3,500.00
Town Loader				\$450.39	\$500.00
Town Hall	\$1,886.03	\$2,776.86	\$2,500.00	\$4,107.61	\$2,500.00
Town Shed	\$11,550.61	\$4,325.43	\$5,000.00	\$7,133.08	\$5,000.00
Library	\$6,434.67	\$7,058.40	\$6,000.00	\$8,524.66	\$6,500.00
E-911	\$133.86	\$453.90	\$250.00	\$235.70	\$250.00
Landfill	\$1,388.06	\$1,982.44	\$2,000.00	\$1,197.97	\$2,000.00
Recycling	\$3,176.27	\$4,140.61	\$4,000.00	\$4,358.16	\$4,000.00
Taxpayers' Share	\$76,810.18	\$35,262.13	\$39,750.00	\$54,951.16	\$50,250.00
 Winter Roads	\$64,465.73	\$44,288.44	\$60,000.00	\$36,666.71	\$60,000.00
Summer Roads	\$58,433.59	\$118,505.38	\$60,000.00	\$60,975.09	\$60,000.00
Total	\$122,899.32	\$162,793.82	\$120,000.00	\$97,641.80	\$120,000.00
Less State Money	<u>-\$93,901.27</u>	<u>-\$109,414.16</u>	<u>-\$70,000.00</u>	<u>-\$75,561.50</u>	<u>-\$70,000.00</u>
Taxpayers' Share	\$28,998.05	\$53,379.66	\$50,000.00	\$22,080.30	\$50,000.00
 Total Town Share	\$196,697.09	\$192,387.70	\$191,000.00	\$167,709.69	\$201,500.00

2003 ACTUAL BUDGET

• General Fund	54.1%
• Fire Department	11.4%
• Roads	13.1%
• Town	21.4%



■	General Fund
■	Fire Dept
■	Roads
■	Town

WARNING

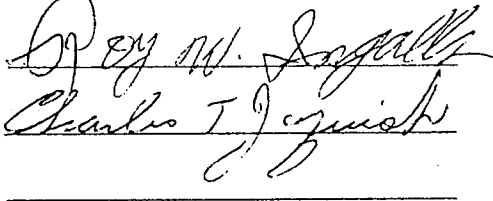
The legal voters of the Town of Irasburg are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Irasburg Village on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, 2004 at 7:00 PM in the evening to transact the following business:

1. To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To elect a Town Clerk for a term of one year.
3. To elect a Town Treasurer for a term of one year.
4. To receive and act upon the report of Town Officers.
5. To elect all other officers required by law to be elected at annual meeting: (see pg. 1)
 - Selectman for a three-year term
 - Lister for a two-year term
 - Lister for a three-year term
 - First Constable for a one-year term
 - Second Constable for a one-year term
 - Delinquent Tax Collector for a one-year term
 - Auditor for a two-year term
 - Auditor for a three-year term
 - Grand Juror for a one-year term
 - Town Agent for a one-year term
 - Library Trustee for a three-year term
 - Trustee of Public Money for a one-year term
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17. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$300 to assist the Northeastern Vermont Area Agency on Aging in providing services to senior citizens.
18. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate** the sum of \$131 for Rural Community Transportation (RCT) services.
19. To see what time Town Meeting will be held in the year 2005.
20. To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the Town.
21. To adjourn.

Dated at Irasburg, Vermont this 28th day of January 2004.

Board of Selectmen



Received and recorded the 28th day of January 2004.

Attest: Vickie Hall, Town Clerk

SELECTBOARD MESSAGE

It has been a cold and snowy winter, but we have some good help and our roads have been kept in good shape.

We will have to build a sand and salt shed in the near future which will be expensive. The law requires this.

If we reappraise, that will be expensive, so our General Fund taxes will have to go up.

The selectmen will meet February 2 in the Town Clerk's Office at 7:00 pm and every other Monday after that. Everybody is welcome!

SELETMEN'S RATES

GRADER & MAN

In Town	\$48.00 per hr.
Out of Town	\$60.00 per hr.

DELINQUENT TAXES

	2001	2002	2003	TOTAL
Braun, Michael & Penny	0.00	0.00	515.91	515.91
Corkins, Harold & Carmen	0.00	0.00	263.96	263.96
Cross, Paul & Jennifer	0.00	0.00	668.46	668.46
Desautels, Roger	944.81	916.56	815.86	2,677.23
Donahue, Jane	0.00	1,241.46	0.00	1,241.46
Downs, Mel/Choquette, Anne	0.00	0.00	1,640.30	1,640.30
Downs, Melvin	0.00	0.00	344.51	344.51
Gomez, Steven	428.34	415.53	0.00	843.87
Grace, Terry	0.00	258.21	258.81	517.02
Guyette, David	55.33	1,154.25	1,156.95	2,366.53
Hamel, Aristide	0.00	0.00	361.65	361.65
Harris III, John & Mary	0.00	0.00	807.29	807.29
Holland, Lynn	0.00	0.00	1,537.46	1,537.46
*Letourneau, Gaetan & Cynthia	0.00	1,178.19	1,338.63	2,516.82
Maneggia, Thomas & Janice	0.00	0.00	800.44	800.44
Mason, Paul	0.00	90.63	0.00	90.63
*Mazzotta, Glenn & Pauline	0.00	0.00	917.31	917.31
McMahon, Roger	0.00	0.00	236.99	236.99
Morrill, Peter/etc.	0.00	210.33	210.82	421.15
Mosher, Colin & Cleo	0.00	0.00	939.27	939.27
Paquette/Powers	0.00	230.85	231.39	462.24
Petri, Hans Ulrich	0.00	0.00	2,415.03	2,415.03
Pray, Ronald & Norma	0.00	376.20	377.08	753.28
Riendeau, Reginald	0.00	342.00	342.80	684.80
Rushlow, Todd & Tracy	0.00	0.00	1,283.79	1,283.79
Rungren, Ernest & Kathy	0.00	0.00	452.50	452.50
Miscellaneous Delinquent	0.00	0.00	874.14	874.14
Vezina, Debbie	509.42	494.19	495.35	1,498.96
Villeneuve, David	0.00	0.00	90.17	90.17
<u>Wheeler, James & Marion</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>516.42</u>	<u>267.63</u>	<u>784.05</u>
Sub-Total Delinquent Taxes	1,937.90	7,424.82	19,644.50	29,007.22
<u>Lister's Errors</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,403.67</u>	<u>5,403.67</u>
Total Delinquent Taxes	1,937.90	7,424.82	25,048.17	34,410.89

*Whole or partial payments have been made since 12/31/03

TREASURER'S REPORT
SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Cash on Hand, July 1, 2002 \$134,052.31

RECEIPTS:

Investments & Interest	\$1,379,248.82
2002 Property Taxes	\$679,811.00
State Aid	\$1,014,769.98
Hot Lunch/Breakfast Deposits	\$63,085.61
EPSDT	\$4,335.00
Tuition	\$3,224.13
Insurance Refunds	\$1,165.00
Voided Checks	\$1,939.45
Miscellaneous	\$1,668.00

Total Cash & Receipts: \$3,283,299.30

DISBURSEMENTS:

School Directors' Orders	\$3,192,308.45
Cash on Hand, July 1, 2003	\$90,990.85

Total Cash & Disbursements: \$3,283,299.30

Cash on Hand, July 1, 2003	\$90,990.85
Receipts July 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003	\$2,872,390.32

Total Cash & Receipts: \$2,963,381.17

School Directors' Orders	\$2,940,724.09
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2003	\$22,657.08

Total Cash & Disbursements: \$2,963,381.17

Barbara Lawson, Treasurer

The Irasburg School District Town Meeting will be held March 2, 2003 at 8:30 P.M. in the Irasburg Town Hall. The report School business will be issued in the back of the Town Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT
1/1/03-12/31/03

2003 Taxable Valuation	\$48,709,927.00
2003 Taxes	
General Fund	\$65,408.00
Roads	\$44,907.00
Fire Department	\$20,013.00
State Education	\$527,662.00
Local Education	\$178,654.00
Grand List	\$836,644.00
Lister's adjustment to G.L.	<u>-\$1,756.03</u>
Total Taxes to be collected	\$834,887.97
Tax Deposits	\$799,881.01
Delinquent as of 10/31/03	\$30,476.88
Listers' Errors	\$5,403.67
Refunds	-\$530.69
CBA Refunds	-\$354.80
Credits & Computer Adjustment	<u>\$11.90</u>
Total taxes collected	\$834,887.97
Collected by treas as of 10/31/03	\$799,881.01
Collected by tax collector as of 12/31/03	\$10,832.38
Listers' errors	\$5,403.67
Delinquent as of 12/31/03	\$19,644.50
Less Tax Refund	-\$885.49
Less Credits & Computer adjustment	<u>\$11.90</u>
Total Taxes	\$834,887.97

Submitted:
Barbara Lawson, Treasurer

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance Jan 1, 2003	\$88,124.55
Transfer from General Fund	\$39,500.00
Clayton Butler's Payment on Mac Truck	\$1,500.00
Interest on Account	\$687.32
Total Money Market Receipts	\$129,811.87
Transfer to General Fund for general expense	\$30,000.00
Bank Checks	\$7.80
Balance on Hand 12/31/03	\$99,804.07
Total Disbursements and Cash on Hand	\$129,811.87

2003 RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand 1/1/03	\$51,067.20
St. of Vt. Highway	\$69,841.26
St. of Vt. Road Reimbursement	\$5,720.24
St. of Vt. Appraisal Reimbursement	\$4,382.00
St. of Vt. Pilot Program	\$1,096.00
St. of Vt. Current Use Release Tax	\$13,870.00
Library Book Sale	\$651.50
Library Bond Interest	\$80.00
Money Market Transfer to General Fund	\$30,000.00
2003 Property Taxes	\$799,881.01
2003 Delinquent Taxes	\$10,833.38
2002 Delinquent Taxes	\$11,948.52
2001 Delinquent Taxes	\$4,998.09
Fees on Delinquent Taxes	\$2,286.95
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$1,957.97
Town Clerk Fees	\$10,273.80
Beverage Licenses	\$200.00
Dog Licenses	\$2,063.00
Town of Albany Recycling Reimbursement	\$4,441.49
Town of Lowell Recycling Reimbursement	\$4,441.49
Fire Department Grant	\$27,829.00
Fire Department Grant Loan	\$27,829.00
Fire Dept. Insurance Claim Reimbursement	\$4,282.50
Recycling Refund	\$323.75
Town Truck/Town Shed Reimbursement	\$182.12
Insurance Refund	\$668.00
Mac Truck Payment (C. Butler)	\$500.00
Orne Covered Bridge Repayment (Brunelle)	\$1,907.40
Orne Covered Bridge Repayment (Wilson)	\$1,907.40
Taxpayer Current Use Penalty	\$58.20
Town of Irasburg History Books	\$15.00
Voided Checks	\$636.48
Minus Bank Fees (returned checks)	\$10.00
Total Cash on Hand & Receipts:	\$1,096,182.75

2003 DISBURSEMENTS

General Fund	\$90,678.23
(less S.S./Fed./St./Ch. Sup. With.)	-\$7,659.73
2003 School Property Taxes	\$706,271.00
Town Winter Roads	\$36,666.71
Summer Roads	\$60,975.09
Town Shed	\$7,133.08
Truck Expense	\$6,089.58
Grader Expense	\$3,805.57
Loader Expense	\$450.39
Transfer to Money Market Account	\$40,000.00
Town Hall Expense	\$4,107.61
Fire Department	\$23,330.94
Fire Department Grant	\$27,829.00
Fire Department Grant Loan	\$27,829.00
Recycling	\$13,241.14
Landfill	\$1,197.97
2003 Tax Refunds	\$530.69
911 System	\$235.70
Sidewalk Construction (Common)	\$1,684.80
Library Expense	\$8,524.66
Library Freeman Foundation	\$294.99
Civil Board Appeals Decisions Refunds	\$354.80
Bookkeeping Adjustment	\$19.99
Bank Checks	<u>\$103.60</u>
Total Disbursements	\$1,053,694.81
Total Cash on Hand 12/31/03	<u>\$42,487.94</u>
Total Disbursements & Cash on Hand	\$1,096,182.75

SUMMARY OF TOWN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Butler, Alan	\$2,675.86
Butler, Clayton	\$9,237.50
Cartee, Suzanne L.	\$578.00
Chase, Rolinda	\$601.00
Clark, Catherine E.	\$3,658.00
Hall, Vickie	\$7,416.00
Ingalls, Roy W.	\$500.00
Inkel, Betsy S.	\$4,892.00
Jaquish, Charles J.	\$8,211.47
Lawson, Barbara I.	\$6,720.00
Lawson, Bill	\$348.00
Moreau, Normand N.	\$607.09
Sanville, Marguerite L.	\$2,613.75
Sheltra, Michael	\$20,550.00
Turner, David M.	<u>\$500.00</u>

Total Salaries: \$69,108.67

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

OFFICERS SALARIES

Town Clerk's Office:

Vickie Hall, Town Clerk	\$5,160.00
Betsy Inkel, Assistant Town Clerk	\$4,892.00
Barbara Lawson, Treasurer	\$6,720.00
Rolinda Chase, Health Officer	\$365.00
Normand Moreau, Tax Collector	\$607.09
Alan Butler, Tax Collector	<u>\$1,555.86</u>
Sub-Total:	\$19,299.95

Selectmen:

Roy Ingalls	\$500.00
Charles Jaquish	\$500.00
David Turner	<u>\$500.00</u>
Sub-Total:	\$1,500.00

Listers:

Catherine Clark	\$3,176.00
Vickie Hall	\$2,256.00
Bill Lawson	<u>\$348.00</u>
Sub-Total:	\$5,780.00

Auditors:

Suzanne Cartee	\$578.00
Catherine Clark	<u>\$482.00</u>
Sub-Total:	\$1,060.00

Civil Board (Tax Appeal):

Rolinda Chase	<u>\$236.00</u>
Total Salaries:	\$27,875.95

REIMBURSEMENT OF OFFICERS

Mileage, supplies, etc.	\$374.84
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FUEL & UTILITIES

AT&T & Verizon	\$769.47
Citizens Utilities	
Town Clerks Office	\$616.80
Skating Rink	\$217.41
Street Lights	\$1,546.84
Common	\$209.48
Green Mtn Electric	\$150.18
Irasburg Water Corp	\$85.00
Blanchard Oil, TCO	<u>\$380.92</u>
Total:	\$3,976.10

EDUCATION

Municipal Officers Training Seminars, etc.	\$190.00
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ADVERTISING

Chronicle, Newport Daily	\$253.88
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REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & LABOR

Diamond Rubbish, NE Business, Front Desk, etc.	\$1,236.92
Mowing, Bruce Wilson	\$1,570.00
Office Cleaning	\$485.00
Solid Waste Election	\$209.00
Elections 2003	<u>\$194.25</u>
Total:	\$3,695.17

OFFICE SUPPLIES

Ray's, Front Desk, Reliable, Joseph Marotti, etc.	\$2,699.46
Postal	\$1,129.18
Town Report	<u>\$1,203.43</u>
Total:	\$5,032.07

ASSESSMENTS & APPROPRIATIONS

PTC	\$250.00
Orleans Citizens Advocacy	\$300.00
NEK Human Services	\$1,131.00
Orleans Essex VNA	\$2,600.00
Lake Region Senior Center	\$300.00
Step O.N.E.	\$275.00
Northern VT Area Agency of Aging	\$300.00
NVDA	\$362.40
Orleans County Historical Society	\$200.00
Cemetery Tax	
Irasburg	\$100.00
Catholic	\$50.00
Gospel Fund	
Irasburg United Church	\$48.66
Catholic	\$24.33
Trustee of Public Money	\$18.00
Total:	\$5,959.39

TAXES, INSURANCES, ETC.

County Tax	\$7,782.00
Federal & S.S. Tax	\$12,844.54
Poulos Ins, Zurich, One Beacon	\$11,172.64
State Tax	\$330.00
Health Insurance	\$6,660.00
VLCT Dues, Unemployment	\$3,263.52
Vt. State Treasurer (Rabies & Marriage)	\$438.00
Dogs	\$118.80
Miscellaneous	\$711.33
Total:	\$43,320.83

SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND

Officers Salaries	\$27,875.95
Reimbursement of Officers	\$374.84
Fuel & Utilities	\$3,976.10
Education	\$190.00
Advertising	\$253.88
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,695.17
Office Supplies	\$5,032.07
Assessments and Appropriations	\$5,959.39
Taxes, Insurance, Etc.	\$43,320.83
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:	\$90,678.23

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT & OTHER

TOWN GRADER

Diesel Fuel		\$1,499.20
Repairs & Maintenance		<u>\$2,306.37</u>
	Total	\$3,805.57
	**Credits	<u>-\$11,955.00</u>
	Credit to Town	<u>-\$8,149.43</u>

** 398 1/2 hrs @ \$30/hr which would have cost the town \$11,955.00 if hired

TOWN LOADER

Repairs & Maintenance	Total	\$450.39
	**Credits	<u>-\$8,610.00</u>
	Credit to Town	<u>-\$8,159.61</u>

** 287 hrs @ \$30/hr which would have cost the town \$8,610.00 if hired

TOWN TRUCK

Fuel		\$3,952.39
Repairs & Maintenance		<u>\$2,137.19</u>
	Total	\$6,089.58
	**Credits	<u>-\$14,310.00</u>
	Credit to Town	<u>-\$8,220.42</u>

** 477 hrs @ \$30/hr which would have cost the town \$14,310.00 if hired

TOWN SHED

Fuel Oil & Fire Wood		\$1,330.28
Utilities		\$745.63
Repairs & Maintenance		\$2,868.79
Supplies		\$2,173.38
Misc.		<u>\$15.00</u>
	Total	\$7,133.08

WINTER ROADS

Labor	\$21,248.97
Hired Truck	\$5,397.50
Gravel/Sand	\$5,278.15
Repairs & Maintenance-Town Truck	\$795.47
Repairs & Maintenance-Hired Truck	\$700.40
Salt	<u>\$3,246.22</u>
Total	\$36,666.71

SUMMER ROADS

Labor	\$19,222.00
Concrete	\$206.00
Gravel	\$17,586.27
Chloride	\$15,106.15
Culvert	\$3,426.45
Equipment Hired	\$2,010.00
Mowing roadside	\$1,350.00
Misc.	<u>\$2,068.22</u>
Total	\$60,975.09

RECYCLING

Labor	\$2,613.75
Trucking	\$2,350.00
Waste Disposal	<u>\$8,277.39</u>
Total	\$13,241.14
Albany Credit	-\$4,441.49
Lowell Credit	<u>-\$4,441.49</u>
Cost to Town	\$4,358.16

In actuality, all three towns pay equal shares, but because of billing it appears differently.
The Recycling Center is open every Saturday 8:30 - 1:00.

LANDFILL

Testing Charges	\$905.29
Misc.	<u>\$292.68</u>
Total	\$1,197.97

911

Signs	Total	\$235.70
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TAX REFUNDS

Tax Refunds	Total	\$885.49
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TOWN COMMON

Sidewalk Construction	Total	\$1,684.80
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TOWN HALL

Fuel		\$1,272.42
Utilities		<u>\$2,835.19</u>
	Total	\$4,107.61

2003 Irasburg Town Hall Report

The Irasburg Town Hall is a very special and irreplaceable landmark in our town. It has a beautiful theatre and dance hall on the second floor, a fine meeting hall on the first floor, and it is a building with great potential to focus and celebrate our community.

In order to continue to maintain this beautiful structure the Irasburg community needs to consider having the outside of the building painted as well as the foyer. It has been recommended that a heat source be placed in the foyer to better maintain the alarm function. If anyone has any kitchen utensils or cookware that they would like to donate to the kitchen, please contact Bev Johnson at 754-2087.

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2003	\$1,569.83
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RECEIPTS:

Anniversaries	\$175.00
Baby Showers	\$200.00
Birthdays	\$425.00
Bridal Showers	\$200.00
Butler's Bus Service	\$175.00
Christmas Bazaar	\$175.00
Community Groups	\$650.00
Family Christmas Parties	\$40.75
Funeral	\$50.00
Graduation Party	\$350.00
Orleans County Farm Bureau	\$50.00
Rental Deposits	\$500.00
St. Albans Coop	\$50.00
United Church Fair	\$17.50
Weddings	\$875.00

Total: \$3,933.25

DISBURSEMENTS:

Advertising	\$35.00
Bank Service Charge	\$72.00
Cleaning	
Amber Peters	\$30.00
Angela Allard	\$22.50
Marie Beaudry	\$903.75
Marjorie Morley	\$82.50
Cleaning Supplies	\$63.69
Elevator Servicing	\$700.50
General Maintenance	\$872.48
New Equipment	\$118.64
Other Supplies	\$136.52
Outside Labor	\$731.28
Return Rental Deposit	\$450.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$18.75

Total: \$4,237.61

Cash on Hand, December 31, 2003	\$1,265.47
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LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Cash on hand, January 1, 2003		\$3,401.62
Receipts:	Appropriation	\$6,000.00
	Leach Bond Interest	\$80.00
	Library Book Sale	<u>\$651.50</u>
	Total Cash & Receipts	\$10,133.12
Disbursements:	Librarian's Salaries	\$4,441.01
	Reimbursements	\$139.71
	Books & Magazines	\$706.97
	Fuel Oil	\$872.36
	Water, Rent & Utilities	\$1,091.37
	Repairs & Maintenance	<u>\$1,273.24</u>
	Total	\$8,524.66
Cash on hand, December 31, 2003		\$1,608.46

FREEMAN'S FOUNDATION

Cash on hand, January 1, 2003		\$294.99
Disbursements:	Salaries	<u>\$294.99</u>
	Total	\$0.00
Cash on hand, December 31, 2003		\$0.00

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

A public library serves all age groups and serves a broad range of individual needs, including self-education, hobbies, reference, research, local history and provides a facility to browse, to meet and to learn from one another. The Leach Public Library continues to serve our community with our patrons needs and wishes fore-most in its operation.

A story hour is held every Monday from 10:00 to 11:00 am for pre-school children. We serve from eight to twelve children ranging in age from 1 1/2 years to age 4, it is so rewarding to see a shy, timid child start participating. The library sponsors this program with Carmen Tarbox from "Success by Six" as our coordinator. Carmen presents a lively hour filled with songs, stories, games, a craft and a snack, come join us some Monday!

In March for four Saturdays the library offered an "American Girls" program. Each child had an American girl or boy doll to borrow and learn about. This is a non-fiction early American series where children read through diary entries, letters about home life and living conditions of the brave acts of men, women and children in the 1800's. Stories were read concerning the different dolls and an appropriate craft was provided each week. For example the girls learned how to do embroidery and each embroidered a handkerchief.

Every other Monday during the school year from 1:00 to 2:30 twenty-four third graders from school visit the library. They learn a library skill, borrow books and are read a story by the librarian. This gives the children the opportunity to become acquainted and aware of what books and resources their town library has available for them. When these students were

studying Vermont history, the librarian arranged for the students to interview two life long residents of Irasburg. Roy Ingalls and Dean Kennison delighted the students with many interesting and fascinating stories of their lives in Irasburg. Also the class was taken on a walking tour of Irasburg village with Ron Holland providing a most enjoyable and educational history lesson of their town including finding the only remaining cannon ball boundary marker on the common. This December, the third grade donated several children's books to the library with money they had earned at their December yard sale. We thank these children for these donations and enjoy their visits very much.

We are very fortunate to have many new adult fiction and non-fiction novels donated to the library by several friends and patrons, our own author Howard Mosher is most generous with book donations throughout the year as well as Judy Zaverson, Barb Edwards, Carla Riendeau, Shirley Crouch, Houle family success by Six, Peter and Barbara Bell, Bill and Barb Koptis, Grims family Norman Locke, Poginy family and other friends of the library who wish to remain anonymous, thank you to every one of you.

This summer the family of Jane Donohue allowed the librarian to browse Jane's library. We were able to acquire well over 400 useful books and materials for your library. Jane's love for books will continue through these books which now grace our collection.

This fall, with regrets, the library accepted the resignation of library trustee Virginia Grims. Ginni had served the library for over twenty-five years and her support and help will be greatly missed.

Avis Harper donated a very nice picture of the Rt 14 Lord's Creek covered bridge which is now a fitting part of our Vermont section in the library.

The librarian applied for and received year 2 grant money in the amount of \$3,900.00 which was made possible by the "Vermont Public Library Foundation funded by the Freeman Foundation". We were awarded the money December 24, 2003 which will be used for a new inside entry door, improved lighting, storm windows for the side windows and more shelving. This will provide our patrons with an easier and more pleasant access to the library which will be brighter and more comfortable for all.

Circulation of adult and children's books and periodicals for 2003 was 4,992 with 979 videos loaned to patrons. \$12.65 was collected in fines which was used for postage, 56 inter-library loans were made through the library.

We are asking for your support in an appropriation of \$6,500.00 for the operation and maintenance of your town library.

Thank you,
Rolinda Chase, Librarian

Trustees:

Laurie Green
James Morley

Library Aides:

Norma Locke
Colette Houle

Library Telephone: 754-2526
Librarian's Home: 754-6593

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday (1:30 - 4:00) & (6:00 - 8:00)
Wednesday (1:00 - 5:00)
Saturday (9:30 - 12:30)

FIRE DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS:

2003 Vote	\$20,000.00
Grant	\$27,829.00
Insurance Claim Reimbursement	<u>\$4,282.50</u>
Total Receipts:	\$52,111.50

DISBURSEMENTS:

EXPENSES

Insurance	\$4,750.00
Loan Payment - Van	\$3,090.09
Radio North	\$2,490.00
Reynolds & Son Safety	\$25,339.00
Repairs	\$5,146.08
Supplies & Maintenance	\$5,346.77
Education	\$75.00
Mutual Aid School	<u>\$690.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$46,926.94

LABOR

Beaton, Robin	\$210.00
Bousquet, Omer	\$15.00
Butler, Allen	\$184.50
Chaffee, Arte	\$184.50
Cota, Tim	\$358.50
Curtis, Shawn	\$322.50
Descelles, Raymond	\$24.00
Ferrin, Jeff	\$328.50
Geoffrey, Leo	\$135.00
Goodridge, Doug	\$165.00
Johanson, Jeff	\$226.50
Laramie, David	\$154.50
Laramie, Jason	\$162.00
Lefebvre, Jason	\$73.50
McCoy, Paul	\$201.00
Palmer, Jessie	\$268.50
Pray, Ron	\$265.50
Royer, Randy	\$102.00
Royer, Richie	\$190.50
Sanville, Dustin	\$18.00
Sylvester, Wayne	\$142.50
Webster, Mark	\$6.00
Wells, Lance	\$214.50
Wells, Randy	<u>\$280.50</u>
Total Labor:	\$4,233.00

Total Disbursements: \$51,159.94

SUMMARY

Receipts	\$52,111.50
Less Disbursements	<u>-\$51,159.94</u>
Credit to Town	\$951.56
2002 Cost to Town	<u>-\$142.63</u>
2003 Credit to Town	\$808.93

FIREMAN'S REPORT

The Irasburg Fire Department responded to 37 calls. 21 calls were in town and 16 were mutual aid calls. They consisted of structure fires, chimney fires, grass fires, car accidents and an emergency plane landing outside of the village. We have a good roster of volunteers well equipped and trained.

Many members attended the regional fire school in West Charleston this year. We had a busy year fundraising. We raised \$3,200.00 at our 4th annual camper raffle dinner and dance, \$2,400.00 on the annual coin drop on Church Fair day, \$500.00 on the Sweetheart dance and \$772.00 on a hunting rifle raffle. This \$6872.00 was used to purchase and maintain existing equipment. We purchased a 1976 Middlesex Pumper from Williston in good condition for \$2,500.00. This is a good second Pumper truck to have on hand in the event of a large fire or to use on mutual aid calls leaving a fire truck in our town at all times. Fund raising moneys are also used for the matching portion of grants that we receive.

In 2003, we applied for 4 grants and received 3! We received a grant for \$2,500.00 for Dry Hydrants. Two sites have been selected, but not yet approved. Two Dry Hydrants will be installed this summer.

Early in 2003 we were awarded a grant from Home Land Security for \$27,829.00. This was for 2 new air packs with the latest light weight construction and heads up display to monitor air quantity and all the alarms to locate a motionless downed firefighter. This grant includes a Thermal Imaging Camera for seeing a source that gives off heat. It could be used to find fire hidden in a wall or ceiling or to find a person in a smoke filled building. At \$15,000.00 value this is a luxury item that a small fire department would only be able to have with grants. On this grant we were able to purchase a gas detector to monitor carbon monoxide levels.

Our 3rd grant that was awarded in January of this year was from FEMA for \$150,000.00 to be used to purchase a new tanker! This will replace our 1985 Ford LTL 9000. This was timely news because our tanker was at a point of needing costly repairs. The truck is in pretty good shape; however, the tank has been patched many times and the body is badly corroded.

We have worked very hard to obtain as many grant funds as possible. Writing grants is very time consuming and the funds always have strings attached. All grants require a matching portion from the Fire Department. This is where a major portion of our fund-raising funds are spent. Grant money cannot be used to maintain or take the place of money raised by taxes to fund a Fire Department. It is crucial that our community supports the Fire Department as it always has. Our town can be very proud of its Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted by the
IRASBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY & OTHER TOWN EXPENDITURES

2003 School Property Taxes	\$706,271.00
Tax Refunds	\$885.49
Money Market Account	\$40,000.00
911 System	\$235.70
Recycling Center	\$4,358.16
Fire Department	\$19,048.44
Landfill	\$1,197.97
Town Hall	\$4,107.61
Town Shed	\$7,133.08
Town Common	\$1,684.80
Winter Roads	\$36,666.71
Summer Roads	\$60,975.09
Town Truck	\$6,089.58
Town Loader	\$450.39
Town Grader	\$3,805.57
Library	\$8,524.66
Freeman's Foundation	<u>\$294.99</u>
Total:	\$901,729.24
Withholdings:	-\$7,659.73
General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$90,678.23</u>
TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES:	\$984,747.74

**Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District
2003 Report for the Town of Irasburg**

The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District provides many services for the town of Irasburg. Most people know us as the recycling center on Church Street in Lyndonville, but we are much more than that. Materials such as used motor oil, fluorescent bulbs, hazardous waste, electronics, scrap metal, and lead-acid batteries are also accepted year round, and hazardous waste is collected during the summer.

Irasburg Joined the NEKWMD during 2003. The NEKWMD did the paperwork to certify the Irasburg recycling center. From September to December 2003 13.5 tons of recycling were brought to the NEKWMD from the Irasburg recycling center. Trash reported from Irasburg totaled 26.73 tons. Every ton of trash costs approximately \$100, while recycling costs the town \$65 per trailer load delivered to our site.

A household hazardous waste collection will be held in Irasburg this next summer. The NEKWMD also runs a household hazardous waste collection through the summer months at the Lyndonville recycling center. This is open to residents and conditionally exempt generator businesses from all NEKWMD towns. Please call ahead to make an appointment for hazardous waste disposal.

The money for the NEKWMD budget comes from the sale of recyclables (20%), State grants (3.5%), hauling fees (7.7%), miscellaneous fees and income (8.8%), and a surcharge on every ton of trash disposed of from NEKWMD towns (60%). This surcharge is dropping from \$21.50 to \$21.00 for 2004 – this is the fourth year in a row that the surcharge has dropped. Residents of the Town of Irasburg paid \$574 for surcharge during 2003.

We are looking forward to a full slate of events during 2004. The hazardous waste depot will be open from June 1 to October 1 by appointment. A hazardous waste collection is planned in Irasburg on Friday, July 30 from 3 to 6 pm. Clothing drop and swaps are scheduled for April 9 - 10 and September 10 - 11 at the Fenton Chester arena in Lyndonville and spring and fall in Derby – these events have grown in popularity over the last two years, and we now regularly send 2/3 of the clothing collected back into the community for reuse!

Please give us a call at 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602 with any questions, comments, or waste management issues that you have. We can also be reached by e-mail at progmgr@nekwmd.org or on the web at www.nekwmd.org.

Thank you and happy recycling!

NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET
2004

BUDGET ITEM	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 PROPOSED
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$1,300.00	\$1,082.50	\$1,000.00
Audit -- Financial	\$2,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$2,200.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$2,600.00	\$3,347.14	\$2,900.00
Bank Charges	\$700.00	\$950.57	\$900.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$200.00	\$209.00	\$200.00
Cleaning	\$200.00		\$200.00
Copier	\$1,600.00	\$1,493.25	\$1,600.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$1,400.00	\$1,382.00	\$1,000.00
Heating Fuel	\$615.00	\$648.50	\$650.00
Insurance:			
Employment & Practices	\$770.00	\$669.00	\$700.00
Liability & Casualty	\$5,275.00	\$4,488.00	\$5,000.00
Public Officials	\$1,850.00	\$1,633.00	\$1,700.00
Legal Fees	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Postage	\$1,700.00	\$2,274.77	\$2,500.00
Supplies:			
Office	\$1,500.00	\$2,137.29	\$2,000.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,300.00	\$3,172.08	\$3,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$850.00	\$983.90	\$950.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$27,060.00	\$27,671.00	\$27,500.00
BUILDING EXPENSES			
Improvements	\$5,000.00	\$7,991.87	\$5,000.00
Electricity	\$6,300.00	\$6,110.86	\$6,500.00
Maintenance	\$1,000.00	\$956.78	\$1,500.00
Misc. Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,222.58	\$1,500.00
Trash Removal	\$1,200.00	\$1,175.13	\$1,200.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$15,000.00	\$17,457.22	\$15,700.00
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES			
Replacement Fund	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Purchases	\$1,000.00	\$1,597.89	\$1,000.00
Baler Repairs	\$2,500.00	\$588.21	\$3,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$3,600.00	\$3,314.75	\$3,600.00
Forklift Fuel	\$850.00	\$898.90	\$850.00
Forklift Repairs	\$3,000.00	\$4,122.81	\$3,500.00
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$2,167.35	\$2,000.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$500.00	\$440.84	\$500.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$2,500.00	\$4,851.89	\$1,000.00
Trucks			
GM--Gas	\$650.00	\$688.36	\$700.00
GM--Repairs	\$1,500.00	\$1,165.01	\$1,000.00
INTL.--Diesel	\$1,700.00	\$2,657.38	\$2,500.00
INTL.--Repairs	\$2,500.00	\$3,385.23	\$2,500.00
INTL.--CDL & Drug Testing	\$150.00	\$298.00	\$200.00
INTL.--Insurance	\$3,000.00	\$2,935.00	\$0.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$30,450.00	\$34,111.62	\$27,350.00
PERSONNEL EXPENSES			
Gross Wages	\$193,308.00	\$197,466.06	\$203,832.89
Overtime Wages--District Operations	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Overtime Wages--Warehouse	\$4,000.00	\$2,045.34	\$3,500.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$12,265.00	\$12,023.41	\$12,916.50

NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET
2004

BUDGET ITEM	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 PROPOSED
Medi (Employer Match)	\$2,870.00	\$2,811.88	\$3,020.78
State Unemployment Insurance	\$2,700.00	\$2,814.92	\$2,500.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$7,913.00	\$7,347.99	\$8,333.22
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$9,330.00	\$9,177.00	\$9,330.00
Health Insurance/Flex Spending	\$52,000.00	\$42,356.98	\$48,000.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$2,500.00	\$3,527.40	\$3,500.00
Training	\$1,200.00	\$785.00	\$1,000.00
Travel	\$300.00		\$300.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$288,886.00	\$280,355.98	\$296,483.39
PROGRAMS EXPENSES			
Advertising	\$3,500.00	\$5,495.29	\$4,500.00
Permits & Fees	\$100.00	\$357.00	\$300.00
Supplies & Postage	\$1,000.00	\$1,124.35	\$1,000.00
Composting	\$2,000.00	\$783.73	\$2,500.00
Composter/Bin	\$0.00	\$1,180.00	\$1,200.00
Education Outreach	\$5,000.00	\$5,243.07	\$6,000.00
Electronics Recycling	\$4,000.00	\$5,054.88	\$5,000.00
Hauler Rebates	\$10,000.00	\$18,852.47	\$15,000.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$17,500.00	\$19,714.83	\$19,000.00
Hazmat Operations	\$1,750.00	\$3,059.61	\$2,500.00
Special Collections	\$1,200.00	\$866.19	\$1,200.00
Tire Disposal	\$7,000.00	\$9,442.75	\$8,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$53,050.00	\$71,174.17	\$66,200.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$414,446.00	\$430,769.99	\$433,233.39
DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS			
Interest	\$2,244.42	\$1,314.11	\$633.33
Principal	\$44,785.58	\$45,715.57	\$30,741.67
TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION	\$47,030.00	\$47,029.68	\$31,375.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$461,476.00	\$477,799.67	\$464,608.39
NEKWMD REVENUES			
Grants--St of VT	\$17,326.00	\$28,057.53	\$16,000.00
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$35,000.00	\$39,521.86	\$36,300.00
Hazardous Waste (CEG Fees)	\$1,000.00	\$3,322.68	\$2,000.00
Interest Income	\$500.00	\$299.09	\$250.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,000.00	\$838.55	\$500.00
Processing Fees	\$24,000.00	\$24,825.24	\$24,000.00
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$0.00	\$1,310.00	\$0.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$650.00	\$600.00	\$650.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$89,500.00	\$98,879.57	\$93,133.39
Electronics Recycling	\$3,000.00	\$3,618.61	\$3,000.00
Scrap Metal & Batteries & CFC Fees & Tires	\$10,000.00	\$13,093.00	\$10,000.00
Insurance Refund		\$1,902.00	
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$279,500.00	\$307,100.01	\$278,775.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$461,476.00	\$523,368.14	\$464,608.39

MARRIAGES

Hans-Ulrich Petri	January 18, 2003	April Michelle Frank
Robert Leo Landry	January 25, 2003	Laurie Ann Conley
David Paul Lahar	June 21, 2003	Mary Ellen Frizzell
Matthew Dean McDonough	July 5, 2003	Susan marie Dennison
Steven L Jewett	July 19, 2003	Tammy L Bapp
Tracey Addam Blackwood	August 16, 2003	Sarah Michelle Cook
Rock N Desroches	December 27, 2003	Judith Greta Royer

BIRTHS

Connor Michael Glass	March 19, 2003	Corinne Michelle Royer Dale Mitchell Glass
Cameron Michael Poutre	June 1, 2003	Amy Elizabeth Poutre James Michael Putre
Riddick Louis Shumard	June 17, 2003	Shatonya Ann Shumard Jonathan Tyler Shumard
Ryan Hunter Moulton	September 10, 2003	Juanita Lin Moulton Shane Anthony Moulton
Nicole Olivia Dutton	October 6, 2003	Erin Eileen Clarke David Lee Dutton
Joseph Rae Mead	October 29, 2003	Maranda Rae Mead Joseph Roderick Mead

Joshua George Lawson	November 7, 2003	Christine Ruth Lawson George Robert Lawson
Isaiah Edward Brochu	November 14, 2003	Lynn Marie Brochu Philip Edward Brochu
Joseph Shamus Annis	November 20, 2003	Barbara-Ann Annis Robert Lee Annis, Sr
Jason Timothy Clark	December 1, 2003	Christina Sabrina Clark Timothy Brett Clark
Lindsay Ann Carroll	December 10, 2003	Melody Sue Carroll Brian Eugene Carroll
Jazmyn Nicole Dingee	December 23, 2003	Nicole Lynn Stevens Michael Alan Dingee

DEATHS

Eva E Coderre	July 23, 2003	Age 68
Robert E Shepard Sr	August 16, 2003	Age 78
Lorraine V Carbonneau	September 13, 2003	Age 66
Leo P Pepin	September 28, 2003	Age 63
Marlene M Phillips	October 9, 2003	Age 67
Gustav T Pederson	October 16, 2003	Age 75
Omer J Bousquet	October 20, 2003	Age 84
Adrienne Mason	December 13, 2003	Age 71

DOG REPORT

2003

301 Licensed Dogs

Number of Dogs	Fee	Total
156	\$5.00	\$780.00
46	\$7.00	\$322.00
71	\$9.00	\$639.00
22	\$13.00	\$286.00
1	\$30.00	\$30.00
6	\$1.00	\$6.00
Total Fees:		\$2,063.00
State's Share for Rabies Control:		\$118.80
Town's Share:		\$1,944.20

Reminder: Dog licenses are due April 1st.

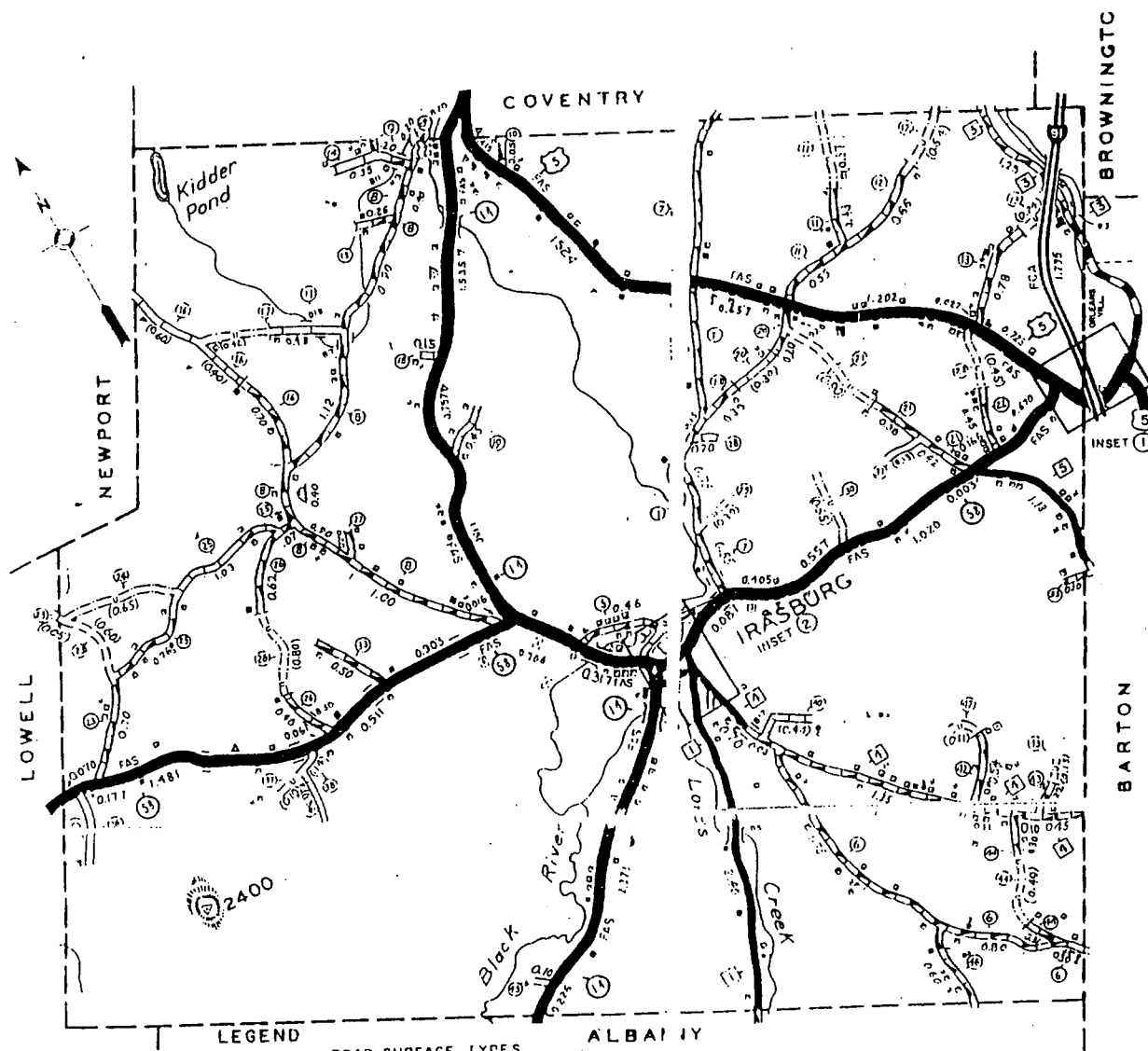
Requirements to license:

Dogs 6 months to 1 year of age must have been vaccinated for rabies. 1 to 2 year olds must have been vaccinated within the last 12 months. Adult dogs 2 years old or older must have been vaccinated within the last two years.

Fees:	Neutered male dog or wolf hybrid	\$4.00
	Spayed female dog or wolf hybrid	\$4.00
	Male dog or wolf hybrid	\$8.00
	Female dog or wolf hybrid	\$8.00

Plus \$1.00 for State of Vermont Rabies control program, bringing total fees to \$5.00 and \$9.00. All wolf hybrids are to be licensed.

After April 1st, these fees increase by a 50% penalty. A valid rabies certificate must be presented for all dogs. Neutered & spayed certificates must be shown if applicable. Please



SUMMARY OF TOWN HIGHWAYS

CLASS	LENGTH IN MILES	CLASS
1	0.81	
2	2.85	
3	3.81	
4	4.62	
5	0.36	
6	0.05	
7	0.98 (0.57)	
8	0.65 (0.54)	
9	0.78 (0.74)	
10	0.15	
11	0.26	
12	0.70 (1.00)	
13	0.48 (0.42)	
14	0.15	
15	0.45	
16	0.70 (2.30)	
17	1.80 (0.90)	
18	0.45 (0.45)	
19	0.70 (0.65)	
20	1.86	
21	1.02 (0.80)	
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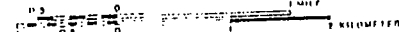
- LEGEND**
- HIGHWAYS**
- 1 DIVIDED HWY, INTERSTATE OR STATE INTERCHANGE NUMBER
 - 2 2-LANE STATE HIGHWAY
 - 3 END OF STATE HIGHWAY
 - 4 TOWN HIGHWAY
 - 5 UNTRAVELLED ROAD
 - 6 PRIVATE ROAD AND NUMBER
 - 7 DISCONTINUED HIGHWAY
 - 8 LEGAL TRAIL (FORMER TOWN HWY)
 - 9 FOOT TRAIL
 - 10 INTERSTATE NUMBERED ROUTE
 - 11 U.S. NUMBERED ROUTE
 - 12 STATE NUMBERED ROUTE
 - 13 CLASS 1 TOWN HIGHWAY
 - 14 CLASS 2 TOWN HIGHWAY
 - 15 CLASS 3 TOWN HIGHWAY
 - 16 CLASS 4 TOWN HIGHWAY
 - 17 FULLY CONTROLLED ACCESS
 - 18 FAP FEDERAL AID PRIMARY HIGHWAY
 - 19 FAS FEDERAL AID SECONDARY HWY
 - 20 FAS FEDERAL AID SECONDARY HWY
 - 21 NATIONAL FOREST HIGHWAY
 - 22 SFH STATE FOREST HIGHWAY
- ROAD SURFACE TYPES**
- 1 BITUMINOUS W/ MACADAM W/
 - 2 BITUMINOUS PENETRATION, CONCRETE
 - 3 BITUMINOUS CONCRETE, BRICK OR PAVEMENT
 - 4 SURFACE TREATED GRAVEL
 - 5 GRAVEL
 - 6 SOIL SURFACE (2ND CLASS GRAVEL)
 - 7 GRADED AND DRAINED EARTH
 - 8 IMPROVED EARTH
 - 9 PRIMITIVE
- BRIDGES**
- 1 BRIDGE OR CULVERT (LESS THAN 25 SPAN)
 - 2 BRIDGE OR CULVERT (25 TO 50 SPAN)
 - 3 BRIDGE (OVER 50 SPAN)
 - 4 HIGHWAY UNDERPASS
 - 5 HIGHWAY OVERPASS
 - 6 COVERED BRIDGE
 - 7 BRIDGE NUMBER
- MISCELLANEOUS**
- 1 RAILROAD AND GRADE CROSSING
 - 2 VILLAGE CENTER
- CULTURAL FEATURES**
- 1 FARM UNIT
 - 2 CATTLE (Other than farm)
 - 3 SEASONAL DWELLING
 - 4 WORKER DWELLING
 - 5 TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
 - 6 BUSINESS
 - 7 SCHOOL
 - 8 CHURCH
 - 9 POST OFFICE
 - 10 FIRE STATION
 - 11 CEMETERY
 - 12 SANITARY LANDFILL
 - 13 GRAVEYARD
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP TOWN OF IRASBURG

1980 POPULATION: 870

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STATE OF TRANSPORTATION
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SCALE



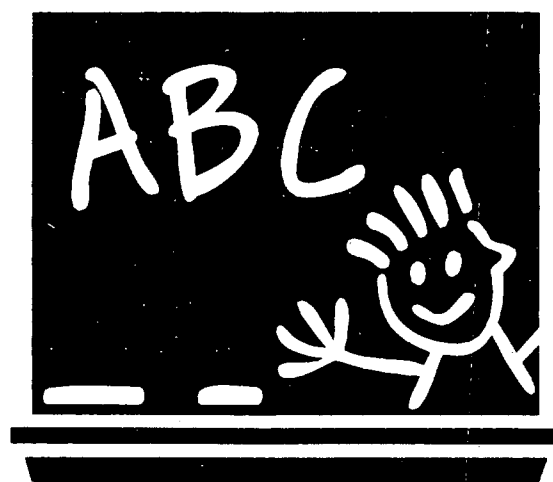
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IRASBURG

SCHOOL

REPORT

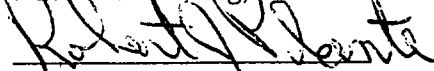


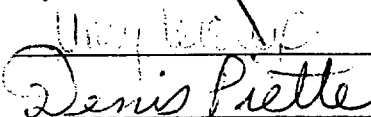
TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARNING

The legal voters of the Town School District of Irasburg are hereby notified to meet at the Irasburg Graded School in Irasburg Village on Tuesday the 2nd day of March, 2004 at 8:30 p.m. to transact the following business namely:

1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To receive and act upon the reports of the district officers.
3. To elect the following district officers as provided by statute:
 - a. one school director for a term of three years to succeed Denis Piette whose term expires.
 - b. one union school director for the Lake Region Union High School district for a term of three-years (vice Louise Piette, whose term expires).
4. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money to pay indebtedness and current expenses of the District.
5. To see if the legal voters will authorize the school district to continue its present practice, authorized by special district meeting held November 1, 1971, of providing transportation for students residing in the Irasburg Town School District to St. Paul's School, The cost of said transportation to be set at Two Hundred (\$200.00) per student.
6. To see if the legal voters will authorize the school district to provide the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per student to help defray the cost for parents to provide transportation home for the Kindergarten students.
7. Shall the electorate allow the school district to retain the unanticipated aid received during the 1995-96 school year. Such aid, in the amount of \$30,743 to be maintained in an interest bearing account and to be used, by permission of the electorate, in future years pursuant to the provision of 16 V.S.A. Section 431.
8. To see what sum of money the electorate shall appropriate for the support of schools for the fiscal year ensuing. The electorate shall express in its vote the specific amounts voted for deficit, if any, for current expenses, for capital improvements or other lawful purposes, such vote being in accordance with Section 428 of Title 16, Vermont Statutes Annotated.
9. To see what time the Annual School District meeting will be held in 2005.
10. To act on any other business which may legally come before said meeting.
11. To adjourn.

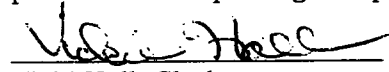
Dated at Irasburg, Vermont, this 22nd day of January, 2004.


Robert Piette


Denis Piette

IRASBURG SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I hereby certify the above warning was duly recorded in the records of the Irasburg School District previous to the posting and publication thereof.


Vicki Hall, Clerk
Irasburg School District

PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons

ESTIMATES
ONLYDistrict: **Irasburg**
County: **Orleans**LEA: **102**
S.U.: **Orleans Central**

Expenditures

Budget (local budget approved in prior years)

82% of base payment per FTE paid to tech centers by the State on behalf of the district in FY2005

S.U. assessment (included in local budget)

Deficit (if included in budget)

+ Block grant paid by State to tech center in prior years

+ 1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

+ 2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

+ 3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

- Act 144 Expenditures, (excluded from "Education Spending")

Act 68 local adopted budget

+ Union school or joint school district assessment

+ Deficit if not included in budget or revenues

+ Special programs expenditures (if not included in local budget)

Gross Act 68 Budget

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

Revenues

+ Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including Act 144 revenues)

+ Capital debt aid

+ Special program revenues (if not included in local budget)

- Deficit if not included in budget or expenditures

- Act 144 revenues

Total revenues

- Fund raising (if any)

Adjusted local revenues

Education Spending (Act 68 definition)

Equalized Pupils

Education Spending per Equalized Pupil

Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil (if any)

Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment

District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)
(\$8,040 / \$6,800)Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized
(118.235% x \$1.10)Household Income Percentage for income sensitivity
(118.235% x 2.0%)

	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	
1.	1,123,190	1,196,759	1,266,738	1,407,570	1.
2.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	3,067	2.
3.	35,236	39,681	50,521	59,474	3.
4.				not applicable	4.
5.	3,814	3,896	2,092	not applicable	5.
6.					6.
7.					7.
8.					8.
9.					9.
10.	1,123,190	1,196,759	1,266,738	1,407,570	10.
11.	595,234	579,834	678,138	643,499	11.
12.					12.
13.					13.
14.	1,718,424	1,776,593	1,944,876	2,051,069	14.
15.					15.
16.	171,489	207,375	268,774	160,801	16.
17.	4,453	3,793	3,341	804	17.
18.					18.
19.					19.
20.					20.
21.	175,942	211,168	272,115	161,605	21.
22.					22.
23.	175,942	211,168	272,115	161,605	23.
24.	1,542,482	1,565,425	1,672,761	1,889,464	24.
25.	216,14	218,24	228,37	235,01	25.
26.	7,136	7,173	7,325	8,040	26.
27.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	-	27.
28.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	8,040	28.
29.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	118.235%	29.
30.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	\$1,301	30.
31.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	2.36%	31.

IRASBURG STAFF
2003-2004

	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YEARS EXPERIENCE</u>
KENNETH HAYES, Principal New England College Worcester State College Anna Maria College	M.B.A.+60	37
SHIRLEY PERRY, Admin. Assistant Community College of Vermont	Assoc. +15	25
SHELLY LANOU, Kindergarten Lyndon State College	B	4
JANET DELANEY, Grade One Salem State College	M+60	29
ROSE STONE, Grade Two Lyndon State College	B.S.+15	15
BEVERLY DAVIS, Grade Three Keene State College	B+30	16
KAREN HAMELIN-BRITCH, Grade Four Lyndon State College	B+15	12
ALICIA F. WALKER, Grade Five Lyndon State College	B.S.+30	37
WALLY ROGERS, Language Arts, Gr. 6-8 Rhode Island College	M	25
PAUL SIMMONS, Science, Gr.6-8 Fitchburg State College University of Massachusetts	M+15	23.5
DAN MCMASTER, Social Studies/Math, Gr. 6-8 Johnson State College	B.S.	3
ANDREA MIESNER, School Nurse St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing	R.N.	19
DONNA DUROCHER, Guidance Counselor Stonehill College	M30	16
BRAD DUDLEY, Career Counselor Castleton State College	B.S.	3
CAROLYN PETELL, Student Assistance Program, K-8 Fanny Allen, VT. Dept. of Health	LPN,ASAC	5
PATRICIA DIPIETRO, Physical Education, Gr. K-8 Eastern Kentucky University	M+31	9.5
BARBARA WILLETT, Vocal Music, Gr. K-8 Castleton State College	M+30	19
GARY MATTHEWS, Instrumental Music, Gr. 4-8 Johnson State College	B.S.	25
DEBORAH JOHNSON, Art Gr. K-8 Keene State College	B.S.	24
CASSANDRA ADAMS, Library Aide		3
DANIELLE BLANCHARD, Instructional Aide		4
GERALD CADY, Assistant Custodian		5
JOANNE CASAVANT, Agent/Cook		36
JOANNE CLEVELAND, Instructional Aide		3
JANE FISHER, Assistant Cook		29
LOUISE MCCORMICK, Instructional Aide		37
MARYANNE SANVILLE, Instructional Aide		8
JAY ARTHUR VANHOUWE, Custodian		27

OFFICERS

DENIS PIETTE, CLERK	TERM EXPIRES, 2004
AMY LEROUX	TERM EXPIRES, 2005
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**LAKE REGION UNION HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

LOUIS PIETTE	TERM EXPIRES, 2004
GARY BENNETT	TERM EXPIRES, 2005

**IRASBURG VILLAGE SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT
2003-2004
JANUARY 20, 2004**

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
K	10	7	17
1	11	6	17
2	9	6	15
3	11	14	25
4	12	9	21
5	9	8	17
6	11	5	16
7	7	11	18
8	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>16</u>
TOTALS	91	71	162

LAKE REGION ENROLLMENT 2003-2004

Grade 9	16
Grade 10	17
Grade 11	14
Grade 12	<u>20</u>
	67

IRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
EMPLOYEE SALARIES AND BENEFITS
2003-04

EMPLOYEE	FTE	SALARY	DISTRICT FICA	DISTRICT BCBS	DISTRICT DENTAL	WORKERS COMP	DISABILITY	BENEFIT TOTAL	TOTAL
ADAMS	1.00	\$10,462	\$800	\$0	\$0	\$45	\$37	\$882	\$11,344
BLANCHARD	1.00	\$10,829	\$828	\$0	\$0	\$46	\$38	\$913	\$11,742
BRITCH	1.00	\$36,014	\$2,755	\$8,928	\$242	\$161	\$128	\$12,214	\$48,228
CADY	0.75	\$9,085	\$695	\$0	\$0	\$635	\$32	\$1,362	\$10,447
CASAVANT	1.00	\$15,944	\$1,220	\$1,000	\$0	\$69	\$57	\$2,345	\$18,289
CLEVELAND	1.00	\$10,829	\$828	\$0	\$0	\$46	\$38	\$913	\$11,742
DAVIS	1.00	\$40,653	\$3,110	\$500	\$242	\$184	\$144	\$4,180	\$44,833
DELANEY	1.00	\$50,246	\$3,844	\$6,660	\$242	\$230	\$178	\$11,154	\$61,400
DIPIETRO	0.50	\$19,159	\$1,466	\$1,694	\$121	\$92	\$68	\$3,441	\$22,600
DUROCHER	0.80	\$35,693	\$2,731	\$5,328	\$194	\$159	\$127	\$8,538	\$44,231
FISHER	1.00	\$10,878	\$832	\$6,660	\$0	\$446	\$39	\$6,145	\$18,855
HAYES	1.00	\$59,445	\$4,548	\$8,324	\$242	\$276	\$211	\$13,601	\$73,046
JOHNSON	0.30	\$13,065	\$999	\$0	\$72	\$60	\$46	\$1,178	\$14,243
LANOU	0.50	\$15,688	\$1,200	\$4,464	\$121	\$69	\$56	\$5,910	\$21,598
McCORMICK	0.74	\$7,356	\$563	\$0	\$0	\$32	\$0	\$595	\$7,951
McMASTER	1.00	\$28,057	\$2,146	\$3,388	\$242	\$120	\$100	\$5,996	\$34,053
PERRY	1.00	\$16,257	\$1,244	\$6,660	\$0	\$70	\$58	\$8,031	\$24,288
ROGERS	1.00	\$46,546	\$3,561	\$8,928	\$242	\$212	\$165	\$13,108	\$59,654
SANVILLE	0.67	\$7,735	\$592	\$0	\$0	\$32	\$27	\$651	\$8,386
SIMMONS	1.00	\$45,507	\$3,481	\$8,928	\$242	\$207	\$162	\$13,020	\$58,527
STONE	1.00	\$38,226	\$2,924	\$8,928	\$242	\$177	\$136	\$12,407	\$50,633
VANHOUWE	1.00	\$26,431	\$2,022	\$8,928	\$0	\$1,300	\$94	\$12,344	\$38,775
WALKER	1.00	\$46,092	\$3,526	\$6,660	\$242	\$209	\$164	\$10,801	\$56,893
TOTAL		\$600,197	\$45,915	\$95,978	\$2,686	\$4,876	\$2,105	\$149,728	\$751,756

IRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 2003

MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS

ASSETS:

CASH	\$	90,097
PETTY CASH	\$	100
RESERVES	\$	48,865
 TOTAL ASSETS	 \$	 139,062

LIABILITIES:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	2,261
DUE OTHER FUNDS	\$	19,000
RESTRICTED FUNDS	\$	48,865
 TOTAL LIABILITIES	 \$	 70,126

FUND EQUITY:

FUND BALANCE	\$	68,936
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NOTES:

In 1996 Irasburg voted to borrow \$170,000 to make the school more energy efficient.
At June 30, 2003 the balance of the borrowing was \$51,000.

IRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT					
BUDGET 2004-05					
Explanation of columnar headings:					
Actual 2002-03 represents income and expenses last year.					
Budget 2003-04 represents the current budget.					
Estimated 2003-04 is expected income and expenses this year.					
Proposed 2004-05 is our budget for next year.					
Deficits are reconciled by next year revenues and taxes.					
BUDGET RECEIPTS					
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATED	PROPOSED	
	2002-03	2003-04	2003-04	2004-05	
Carry Forward	\$65,325	\$55,357	\$20,621	(\$56,199)	
Property Taxes	679,829	744,282	706,271	765,182	8.34%
Interest Earned	29,961	35,671	26,014	26,000	
Prior Year Exp. Refunds	0	0	0	0	
Tuition	3,224	0	2,500	0	
State Aid	965,606	1,008,566	1,055,549	1,200,087	
Special Ed Aid	98,346	98,000	128,870	116,000	
Federal Title II Funds	0	0	8,497	0	
EPSDT Assistance	4,335	3,000	3,891	0	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,846,626	\$1,944,876	\$1,952,213	\$2,051,069	5.46%
BUDGET EXPENSES					
Direct Instruction					
Salaries	\$410,538	\$419,348	\$422,451	\$431,309	
Substitutes	8,555	6,000	7,000	7,000	
Health Insurances	71,320	65,115	66,400	70,256	
Social Security	31,399	32,339	32,853	33,331	
Workers Comp	1,589	1,700	2,200	2,500	
Unemployment	0	1,000	400	400	
Section 125 Costs	63	200	100	100	
Conferences/Tuition	6,680	6,000	5,500	6,000	
Summer School	600	600	0	600	
Music Assessment	24,982	24,640	22,745	18,669	
Technology Services	5,848	7,000	7,395	7,617	
Repairs	45	1,000	600	600	
Field Trips/Travel	5,495	5,000	5,500	5,500	
Supplies	23,030	20,300	22,000	21,000	
Books	8,990	7,500	7,500	10,000	
Equipment	1,757	2,500	2,800	2,900	
Technology Materials	8,415	12,000	6,882	7,000	
TOTAL DIRECT	\$609,306	\$612,242	\$612,326	\$624,782	
Secondary					
Lake Region Assess.	\$571,792	\$678,138	\$672,132	\$643,499	

	ACTUAL 2002-03	BUDGET 2003-04	ESTIMATED 2003-04	PROPOSED 2004-05
Special Education				
OCSU Services	\$112,574	\$133,420	\$139,476	\$149,450
Individual Aides	25,711	15,950	59,751	65,129
Transportation	5,702	5,000	2,813	3,000
Tuition	43,055	19,000	8,000	23,000
TOTAL SPECIAL ED	\$187,042	\$173,370	\$210,040	\$240,579
Co-Curricular Activities				
Salaries/Benefits	\$6,522	\$6,250	\$6,250	\$6,500
Officials	664	850	850	1,000
Supplies/ Equipment	1,135	500	800	1,000
Dues and Fees	181	200	200	200
TOTAL CO-CURRICULAR	\$8,502	\$7,800	\$8,100	\$8,700
Guidance Services				
Salaries and Benefits	\$20,908	\$27,400	\$44,780	\$45,600
Health Services				
Nursing Service	\$16,655	\$18,387	\$26,000	\$36,000
Education Media				
Salaries/Benefits	\$18,193	\$16,346	\$15,978	\$16,423
Books and Materials	3,633	3,850	3,100	4,150
TOTAL MEDIA	\$21,826	\$20,196	\$19,078	\$20,573
Board of Ed Services				
Salaries/Benefits	\$1,884	\$1,884	\$1,884	\$1,884
OCSU Assessment	39,681	50,521	50,385	59,474
Legal/Accounting	2,229	1,000	800	2,500
Liability Insurance	828	700	1,544	1,600
Communications	495	400	400	400
Advertising	1,885	600	1,500	1,500
Supplies	3,423	2,500	3,500	3,500
Dues & Fees	1,087	1,100	1,050	1,100
TOTAL BOARD	\$51,512	\$58,705	\$61,063	\$71,958

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATED	PROPOSED	
	2002-03	2003-04	2003-04	2004-05	
Local Administration					
Salaries	\$64,922	\$67,569	\$70,587	\$71,417	
Benefits	5,096	5,372	5,750	5,863	
Health Insurances	11,594	13,026	12,147	13,494	
Conferences/Tuition	592	1,500	1,500	1,500	
Repairs	2,754	4,400	4,600	4,600	
Communications	3,263	5,700	3,568	4,000	
Supplies	1,843	1,500	1,600	1,600	
Equipment	3,141	3,400	3,100	3,400	
Dues and Fees	0	0	200	200	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$93,205	\$102,467	\$103,051	\$106,074	
Fiscal Services					
Revenue Note	\$23,904	\$23,970	\$16,624	\$17,000	
Operation of Plant					
Salaries	\$31,600	\$34,031	\$36,116	\$37,272	
Benefits	3,686	3,903	5,363	5,451	
Health Insurances	8,231	9,051	9,056	9,882	
Travel/Conferences	72	200	200	200	
Trash Collection	2,402	2,400	2,400	2,400	
Care of Grounds	825	1,400	1,800	1,400	
Repairs/Maintenance	13,860	14,000	16,000	14,500	
Property Insurance	2,477	2,500	2,416	2,600	
Supplies	11,252	12,000	17,000	15,000	
Utilities	23,425	22,800	24,000	25,000	
Equipment	11,747	1,000	1,151	3,000	
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$109,577	\$103,285	\$115,502	\$116,706	
Student Transportation					
Bus Contract	\$87,929	\$92,791	\$93,416	\$88,500	
Kindergarten	1,600	1,600	1,800	1,800	
St. Paul's	0	600	600	600	
TOTAL TRANSPORT.	\$89,529	\$94,991	\$95,816	\$90,900	
Food Services					
Program Support	\$3,473	\$4,000	\$5,200	\$10,000	
Debt Service					
Principal Payment	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$17,000	
Interest	1,774	2,925	1,700	1,700	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$18,774	\$19,925	\$18,700	\$18,700	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,826,005	\$1,944,876	\$2,008,412	\$2,051,069	5.46%

A JOINT MESSAGE FROM THE IRASBURG SCHOOL BOARD AND PRINCIPAL

To the Parents and Community Members of Irasburg,

As usual, this year has been another year of changes, adjustments, and progress. I am certain you are well aware of President Bush's mandates for education called "No Child Left Behind" (NCLB). On the state level, among the tasks of the NCLB mandate were to set goals for the academic expectations, adopt the state standards, and measure student performance with state-wide assessments. We now have five years of data reflecting the state standards, vis-a-vis, Irasburg School outcomes. I am pleased to announce we have maintained a five-year average that is high compared with state standards. The process is very time consuming and very difficult to orchestrate; however, there is no question in the minds of our faculty and staff that again, without your help, our school would not be at this level. For the past five years, our students have been very cooperative and have worked very hard to achieve high scores in the assessment testing. Because of many changes in the testing and reporting, our faculty has attended many courses and conferences designed to help them become better educators.

The school board and principal thanks you for your encouragement by providing the necessary tools needed to achieve high scores. The community members, as always, work together for the good of our school, and we thank you for this. We guarantee that we will not sit on our accomplishments, but we will work hard to take action on the areas we feel are necessary to increase our scores. As you are well aware, assessment scores are not the only indicator of a quality education and a quality school. School climate is a very important aspect of a quality school. At Irasburg School, we use the responsive classroom technique. We have monthly themes usually based on an area in which we need to improve, such as, respect, kindness, understanding, love, compassion, honesty, truthfulness, forgiveness, etc. Every Monday morning, we have a 15 minute assembly that reflects the monthly theme. Having Monday morning meetings weekly and classroom meetings every day help increase healthy social skills among the students and reduces negative behaviors which take place in many other schools. Experiential education is another aspect of a good quality education and schools where students experience a lot of hands-on, eyes-on knowledge.

To do this takes money. Most of the money for this comes from grants, ranging from \$1,000 through several thousand dollars. These allow us to do things financially that are not related to the budget. For example, a grant made it possible for the After School Program (Century 21). This is the sunset year, or the last year, for this grant; however, we are in the process of writing another grant with hopes of continuing the After School Program. We have grants that will bring the 5 - 8 grade students to the

Cheney House for intensive Alcohol, Drug, & Tobacco Education Programs, the Ropes Course, etc. helping the students with skill development, conflict resolution, mediation, and self-esteem building. A grant also helped us to bring our 6th grade on a 3-day educational field trip/whalewatch to Gloucester, Massachusetts, tying in to their science curriculum on whales. With the help of another grant, our seventh grade enjoyed the Space Camp in Montreal where students experience what it is like to be an astronaut in a space capsule. We have received a grant that will allow us to develop the new nature trail and to purchase more cross-country skis and snow shoes for the students at Irasburg School and the community. Through grants, we have been able to enhance our school's technology department with the purchase of many new computers and software. We have just received a grant (very few were given in Vermont) that within three years will allow students in grades 6-8 to have their own computer to be used within the school setting. This is a multi-thousand dollar grant which we are very fortunate to receive. This grant will make it possible for the teachers to reeducate themselves in the summer on how to utilize these computers in their teaching process. We were lucky to have received many other grants this year, such as the \$60,000. grant from the state of Vermont which covered the entire cost of our new roof, and I must say the contractors did a great job. At this time, we have many grant proposals in progress, and we will continue to apply for as many grants as possible. We hope we receive as many as we apply for.

We do fundraisers which help supplement the grants for activities. Our biggest fundraisers are the school dances. These dances are not only a fund raiser, but they provide our students and other area school students with social drug-free, alcohol-free, adult supervised entertainment, and exercise. We personally want to thank Bob Plante for heading up and chaperoning all the dances as well as all the parents/chaperones who have assisted him. This is true dedication to the students of Irasburg School.

We personally would like to thank the Irasburg students, their parents, and all the members of the community for their positive, committed attitude towards education. We thank all the many volunteers so devoted to the Irasburg School, especially Nancy Piette, Marguerite Sanville, and Shirley Crouch. We would like to thank with deep appreciation everyone who worked on the new playground and raised money to fund the project. We've kept a list of all the names and we will never forget their devotion and hard work. You all make a big difference in our children's lives! We would like to thank the PTC for their continuous support. We also give a very special thanks to our exceptional professional and paraprofessional staff for their combined efforts and continued support to our school. We would like to thank the central administration office, Superintendent Ronald Paquette, Business Manager Wayne Shepard, and Director of Special Services Holly Preston, and their support staff within the office.

Our thanks to the select board and road commissioner who keeps our school driveway and parking lots plowed, sanded, and safe.

Plato once said in 427 B.C, "Knowledge is the food of all the soul." At Irasburg School, we take this very seriously.

Respectfully submitted,

Irassburg School Board
Robert Plante
Amy Leroux
Denis Piette

Kenneth D. Hayes, Principal

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