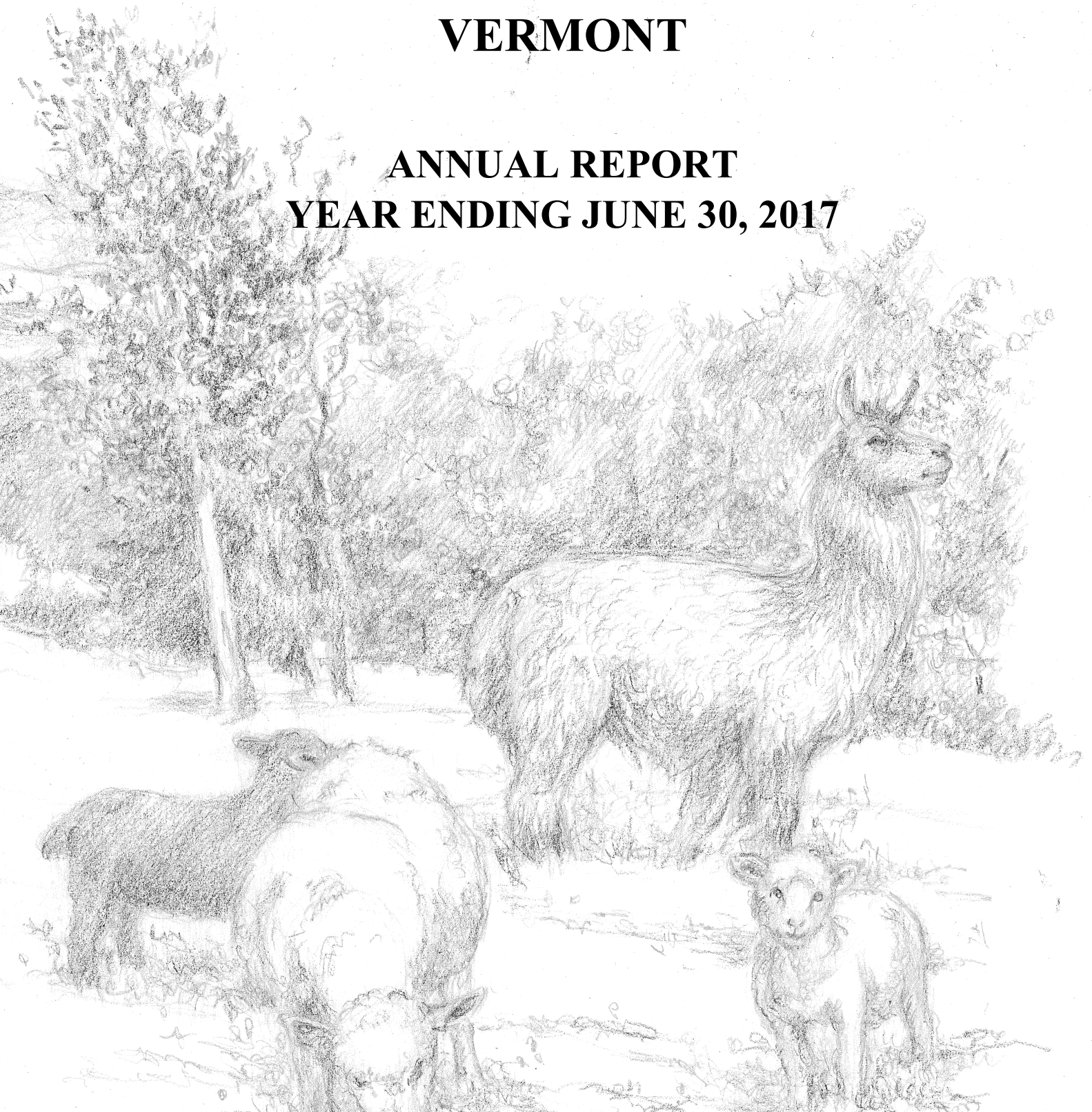


TOWN OF
BRAINTREE
VERMONT

ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Due Dates:

FY2018 Taxes – March 15th, 2018 (Thursday). **Do not be late or you will be delinquent.** We do accept postmarks, we do have a drop box, I do make appointments and the office will be open March 15th from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

FY2019 Taxes – If Article 7 is approved, FY2019's due dates will be October 15, 2018 and March 15, 2019.

Dog Licenses – Dogs must be licensed on or before April 1st of every year. We must have proof of their current rabies vaccination.

Town Meeting – Town meeting will be held at the Town Hall again this year and there will be a potluck lunch. Please bring a dish to share. There will be a donation bucket for coffee and paper products with all remaining proceeds to go to the Town Hall Fund. There will also be school district budget voting by Australian ballot all day. Voting hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

If you have questions on anything or would like to make an appointment, please call the Town Office at 802-728-9787.

FY 2018 GRAND LIST

\$ 1,016,561.40

TAX RATE FY2018

	<u>RESIDENTIAL</u>	<u>NON-RESIDENTIAL</u>
TOWN GENERAL	\$ 0.3613	\$ 0.3613
TOWN HIGHWAY	0.5513	0.5513
HOMESTEAD EDUCATION	1.3323	
<u>NON-RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION</u>		<u>1.4573</u>
TOTAL	\$2.2449	\$ 2.3699

1 ¢ OF 2017/18 TAX RATE RAISED	\$ 10,165.61
5 ¢ OF 2017/18 TAX RATE RAISED	50,828.07
10 ¢ OF 2017/18 TAX RATE RAISED	101,656.14
20 ¢ OF 2017/18 TAX RATE RAISED	203,312.28

Thank you Barbara Carter for the cover drawing!

Tuthill (Tut) and Linda Doane

This year's Town Report is dedicated to Tut and Linda Doane. Since moving to Braintree and for 35 years starting in 1982, they have devoted much of their time to serving the Town of Braintree. Tut has served in the following elected and appointed positions: 11 years on the Braintree Elementary School Board; Braintree's representative to the Fire Advisory Committee for 12 years; for 12 years and during Tropical Storm Irene, served as the Town's Emergency Management Director. He was also a lister for 4 years, moderator for 6 years, a member of Two Rivers Planning Commission for 13 years and on Braintree's Planning Commission for 16 years. For many years Tut spent one day a week transcribing old hand-written town records and cross referencing deeded property transfers so that if necessary one can now trace the ownership of their property back to the earliest days of Braintree

Meanwhile, Linda served 3 years as a member of the Select Board, 9 years on the Development Review Board, 8 years on the Planning Commission and 3 years on the Connectivity Committee.

Tut served as mentor for students at Randolph Union High School, assisting them in their Senior Physics class project, preparing them for the UVM competition, and was a founder of the sixth grade challenge. Together they opened up their sheep farm to elementary school children so that the children could learn about raising sheep.

We wish to "Thank You" you both for all that you have done for the Town of Braintree.



Office Hours

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or by Appointment

Admin. Assistant/Zoning Administrator's Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Meeting Schedules

Selectboard Meetings:

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office

Cemetery Commission

1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office

(Except in the off-season – 1st Thursday in November – 1st Wednesday in April)

Conservation Commission

4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. – Town Office

Planning Commission Meeting

2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office

Development Review Board – as needed.

4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office

Town Contact Information (Website: braintreevt.com)

Town Office: Phone 728-9787, Fax 728-9742 Town Garage: 728-9380

Town Clerk braintreetownclerk@gmail.com

Selectboard:

Richard Bowen 728-9797 braintreesb.richardbowen@gmail.com

Megan O'Toole 565-8284 braintreesb.motoole@gmail.com

Keegan Haupt 279-5141 braintreesb.khaupt@gmail.com

Loren Bent 728-9475

Daniel Burson 728-3879 braintreesb.dburson@gmail.com

Listers braintreelisters@gmail.com

Fire Warden..... 728-9475

Treasurer braintreetreasurer@gmail.com

Zoning Administrator braintreadm@gmail.com

Highway Foremanbraintreehighway@gmail.com

Braintree Elementary School 728-9373

Randolph Union High School..... 728-3397

Randolph Technical Career Center..... 728-9595

Superintendent's Office 728-5022

Emergency – Dial 911

Fire Department 728-3322

Ambulance 234-6800

State Police..... 234-9933

Fire Warden..... 728-9475

Constable/Dog Warden 728-3157

Legislators

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..... mmacdonald@leg.state.vt.us

Rep. Ben Jickling..... 802-565-5285

..... BJickling@leg.state.vt.us

Rep. Jay Hooper H-728-6659 W-802-299-6371

..... JHooper@leg.state.vt.us

**TOWN OF BRAINTREE
WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018**

The legal voters of the Town of Braintree in the County of Orange are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Braintree Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business from the floor:

Article 1. To elect a moderator for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the town officers for the past year.

Article 3. To elect the following town officers:

- a) A Selectperson for a three year term;
- b) A Town Clerk for a three year term;
- c) A Treasurer for a three year term;
- d) A Lister for a three year term;
- e) An Auditor for a three year term;
- f) A Delinquent Tax Collector for a one year term;
- g) A First Constable for a one year term;
- h) A Cemetery Commissioner for a five year term;
- i) Two Grand Jurors, each for a one year term;
- j) A Town Agent for a one year term;
- k) A Trustee of Public Funds for a one year term.

Article 4. Shall the voters authorize the purchase of a new dump truck for \$170,000 with not more than \$145,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years?

Article 5. Shall the voters authorize financing for capital plan expenses which would include town highway improvements in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years?

Article 6. Shall the voters approve total fund expenditures of \$1,212,301.00, of which \$956,621.00 shall be raised by taxes and \$255,680.00 by non-tax revenues?

Article 7. Shall the town collect its real property taxes in two installments, with the due dates being October 15, 2018 and March 15, 2019?

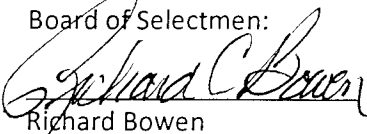
Article 8. In lieu of hand delivering the annual Auditors' report, otherwise known as the Town Report, shall notice of availability of the report be posted in at least two public places in the town and in or near the town clerk's office, and published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town at least 30 days before the annual town meeting, pursuant to 24 V.S.A § 1682(a)?

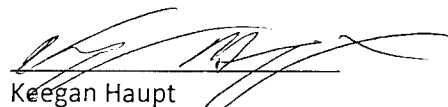
Article 9. Shall the town vote to change Town Meeting day to the third day preceding the first Tuesday in March pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2640(b)?

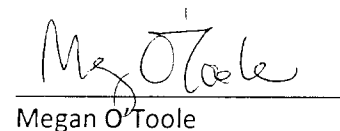
Article 10. To transact any other business not of a binding nature.

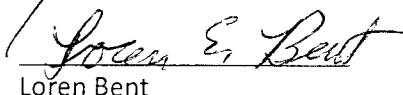
Dated at Braintree, County of Orange, and the State of Vermont this 24th day of January 2018.

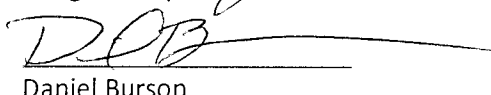
Board of Selectmen:


Richard Bowen


Keegan Haupt


Megan O'Toole


Loren Bent


Daniel Burson

2017 APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

Agent to Deed Land	Kris Haupt
Assistant Town Clerk.....	Lori Keene
Assistant Town Treasurer	Lori Keene
Development Review Board	
Term Expires 2018 (Chair)	Robert Moyer
Term Expires 2018.....	Jennifer L. Phipps
Term Expires 2019.....	Malcolm FitzPatrick
Term Expires 2020.....	Linda Doane
Term Expires 2020	Joan Richmond-Hall
Alternate Member.....	Steve Zind
Conservation Commission	
Term Expires 2018.....	Joan Richmond-Hall
Term Expires 2018.....	Paul Shriver
Term Expires 2019	Linda Morse
Term Expires 2020.....	Sanders Stephen
Term Expires 2021.....	Tom Cooch
Planning Commission	
Term Expires 2018 (Chair)	(resigned) Robert Moyer
.....	(appointed) Jackson Evans
Term Expires 2018.....	Joan Richmond-Hall
Term Expires 2019.....	Nathan Cleveland
Term Expires 2020.....	Malcolm FitzPatrick
Term Expires 2020.....	Jennifer L. Phipps
E-911 Coordinator.....	Holly Jarvis
ECFiber Representative	Jackson Evans
Alternate ECFiber Representative	Timothy Caulfield
Emergency Management Director.....	Timothy Caulfield
Fire Advisory Committee Representative	Timothy Caulfield
Fire Warden	Loren Bent
Green Mountain Alliance Representative.....	Timothy Caulfield
Health Officer.....	Lindsay Haupt
Stagecoach Transportation Services, Inc. Representative	Paul Kendall
Town Service Officer	Jennifer L. Phipps
Tree Warden	Larry Benoir
Truant Officer.....	(vacant)
Two Rivers Ottawaquechee Regional Planning and	
Development Commission Representative	(vacant)
Transportation Advisory Committee	Robert Moyer
White River Valley Ambulance Representative	Linda Lubold

2017 ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator	Jackson Evans
Town Clerk (Term Expires 2018)	Jessica Brassard
Town Treasurer (Term Expires 2018).....	Jessica Brassard
Selectboard	
Three-Year Term Expires 2018	Keegan Haupt
Three-Year Term Expires 2019 (Chair)	Richard Bowen
Two-Year Term Expires 2019.....	Loren Bent
Two-Year Term Expires 2019.....	Daniel Burson
Three-Year Term Expires 2020	Megan O'Toole
Listers	
Term Expires 2018 (Chair)	Jackson Evans
Term Expires 2019	Heather Fernandes
Term Expires 2020	Derek O'Toole
Auditors	
Term Expires 2018	Linfield Brown
Term Expires 2019 (Chair)	Tom Cooch
Term Expires 2020	Stephanie Barrett
Collector of Delinquent Taxes.....	Jessica Brassard
First Constable	Stephen Brassard
Town Grand Juror	Angelo Odato
Town Grand Juror	James H. Eddy III
Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits	Nancy Gray
Trustee of Public Funds.....	Jessica Brassard
Cemetery Commission	
Term Expires 2018	Norman Illsley
Term Expires 2019	Kris Haupt
Term Expires 2020	Linda Morse
Term Expires 2021	Ed Smith
Term Expires 2022 (Chair)	Jason Kuhn
Orange Southwest School District Board:	
Term Expires 2018 (Chair)	Angelo Odato
Term Expires 2018	Laura Roachat
Term Expires 2018	Paul Putney
Term Expires 2019	Kate Forrer
Term Expires 2019	Brooke Dingleline
Term Expires 2019	Jennifer Messier
Term Expires 2020	Ann Howard
Term Expires 2020	Anne Black Cone
Justices of the Peace	Elected at the General Election
Terms Expire February 1, 2019.....	Anna Dustin
.....	Sanders Stephen
.....	Janice Thresher
.....	Robert Moyer
.....	Richard Bowen

TOWN OF BRAINTREE WARNING: ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

The annual meeting of the legal voters of the Town of Braintree, in the County of Orange, was held at the Braintree Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. with approximately 70 voters in attendance. Richard Bowen announced that due to the consolidation of the school district into one board, that school budget voting was going on by Australian ballot and would continue until 7:00 P.M. Also discussed was the Doyle Survey, which is put out by Senator Bill Doyle each year. We thanked the highway crew and then got things started. Mr. Bowen welcomed everyone to the 229th Braintree Town Meeting. It was noted that this would be the first time in 229 years that there would be no school meeting following Town Meeting. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Bowen then announced the Townspeople that had died the previous year. Janice and Carl Thresher, who the town report was dedicated to, were presented with a plant. Mr. Bowen then read the usual excerpt from the book "All Those in Favor" by Susan Clark and Robert's Rules. The warning was read and the non-residents recognized.

Article 1. The first article was to elect a moderator for the year ensuing. Richard Bowen usually would turn the meeting over to the Selectboard chair but as a member of the Selectboard, decided to step down as Moderator this year, and thus carried on with nominations. Jessica Brassard, seconded by Linda Doane, nominated Jackson Evans. There were no other nominations. The motion passed by voice vote.

Article 2. Mr. Evans moved to Article 2, which was to hear the reports of the town officers for the past year. Mr. Evans then went through the reports. As he did, Tim Caulfield mentioned the EC Fiber portion of the Selectboard report, Mr. Evans also mentioned additional information on EC Fiber in the Connectivity Report. On motion of Keegan Haupt, seconded by Nathan Cleveland, the reports were accepted by voice vote.

Article 3. To elect the following town officers:

- a) A Selectperson for a three year term; Megan O'Toole was up for election, after being appointed earlier in the year. Jessica Brassard nominated Ms. O'Toole, Richard Bowen seconded the motion and Ms. O'Toole was elected by voice vote with no other nominations. At this point our newest State Representatives stopped in to discuss the current goings-on in Montpelier. The two biggest items currently are the budget and water quality, mostly having to do with Lake Champlain and the Connecticut River. About 20 minutes later they concluded and we moved on.
- b) Two Selectpersons, each for a two year term; Steve Brassard, seconded by Terry Rose, nominated Loren Bent. There were no other nominations for the first seat. Mr. Bent was nominated by voice vote. Tim Caulfield was currently holding the second seat, but upon nomination, announced that he would not be seeking re-election. Jessica Brassard, seconded by Steve Brassard, nominated newcomer, Daniel Burson, for the second seat. There were no other nominations. Mr. Burson gave a brief description of himself and his qualifications. Mr. Burson was elected by voice vote.
- c) A Selectperson for one year of a three year term; Keegan Haupt was currently holding the seat vacated by Paul Kendall and needed to be elected to the remainder of the term. Paul Kendall, seconded by Steve Brassard, nominated Keegan Haupt. There were no other nominations. Mr. Haupt was elected by voice vote.
- d) A Lister for a three year term; Derek O'Toole was nominated by Thomas Cooch, seconded by Sanders Stephen for re-election. Mr. O'Toole was re-elected by voice vote.
- e) An Auditor for a three year term; Stephanie Barrett was nominated by Tom Cooch, seconded by Nancy Gray for re-election to the seat of Auditor. There were no other nominations. Ms. Barrett was re-elected by voice vote.

- f) A Delinquent Tax Collector for a one year term; Linda Doane, seconded by Terry Rose, nominated Jessica Brassard. There were no other nominations. Ms. Brassard was re-elected by voice vote.
- g) A First Constable for a one year term; Nancy Gray, seconded by Paul Kendall, nominated Stephen Brassard. There were no other nominations. Mr. Brassard was re-elected by voice vote.
- h) A Cemetery Commissioner for one year of a five year term; Keegan Haupt resigned due to his involvement on the Selectboard and the seat had been open. Ed Smith, seconded by Steve Brassard, nominated Norman Illsley to fill the remainder of the five year term. There were no other nominations. Mr. Illsley was elected by voice vote.
- i) A Cemetery Commissioner for a five year term; Steve Brassard, seconded by Keegan Haupt, nominated Jason Kuhn for re-election. There were no other nominations. Mr. Kuhn was re-elected by voice vote.
- j) Two Grand Jurors, each for a one year term; Keegan Haupt, seconded by Tim Caulfield nominated Angelo Odatto for re-election. Paul Kendall, seconded by Linda Doane, nominated James Eddy, III for re-election. There were no other nominations and Mr. Odatto and Mr. Eddy were both re-elected.
- k) A Town Agent for a one year term; Keegan Haupt, seconded by Richard Bowen, nominated Nancy Gray for re-election. There were no other nominations. Ms. Gray was re-elected by voice vote.
- l) A Trustee of Public Funds for a one year term; Linda Doane, seconded by Nancy Gray, nominated Jessica Brassard. There were no other nominations and Ms. Brassard was re-elected by voice vote.

Article 4. The motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Paul Kendall on whether the voters shall authorize the purchase of a new loader for \$165,000 with not more than \$140,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years? There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

Article 5. The motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Malcolm Fitzpatrick on whether the voters shall authorize financing for capital plan expenses which would include town highway improvements in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years? There was discussion on the Capital Plan itself, where it was located in the town report, how it is being financed and how it was developed. The new state mandates on road run-off were also discussed. The fund was created to support the maintenance of the town roads. Paul Kendall was thanked for all the work he had done on the Capital Plan before leaving the board for other commitments. Upon completion of the discussion the motion passed by voice vote.

Article 6. The motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Keegan Haupt on whether the voters shall approve total fund expenditures of \$1,186,248.00, of which \$927,734 shall be raised by taxes and \$258,514 by non-tax revenues? The Vehicle Equipment Fund was discussed, how it works and will be working, and if the money for that fund was included in the budget – which it is. The motion then passed by voice vote.

Article 7. The motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Richard Bowen on whether the voters of the town shall vote to collect its real property taxes in two installments, with the due dates being October 16, 2017 and March 15, 2018? There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

Article 8. The motion was made by Linda Doane and seconded by Richard Bowen on whether the voters shall authorize the relocation of the WWII monument from the junction of VT Route 12A and North Road to the town property at the Braintree Town Hall? There was extensive discussion that was started by Carl Thresher. The monument was presented to the town on Memorial Day, 1924. Mr. Thresher's father and two uncles had paid for the stone itself, while the rest of the cost was raised by the local Red Cross. There had been quite a gathering, in what was then the town square, for the dedication of the stone. There was a band, poems were read, and ex-servicemen stood guard, all leading up to the unveiling. Mr. Thresher felt that the monument should stay in place. It was explained by Jessica Brassard that over the years, instead of the road coming up to the center of the town, Route 12A had widened and become a paved road that simply runs through town. The current location for the monument makes it dangerous

and difficult to visit as Route 12A has been widened since 1924. The monument now sits at the crotch of a Y of a single lane road. Paul Kendall asked if it was the site or the monument that was more important. Mary Merusi had spoken with Green Valley Memorials about having it professionally moved. Green Valley Memorials thought it would be about \$1000 to move. It would sit in front of the town hall where any one entering the town hall would be able to see it. Quite a few people mentioned that they had no idea where the monument currently resided or that Braintree even had one, even though it was directly across the road from the town hall. Mary Merusi and Nathan Cleveland commented to honoring the people in more recent wars. Keegan Haupt would gladly donate a piece of rock from his quarry to place a plaque on for that purpose. The stability of the current monument was brought up, as well. The townspeople were assured that professionals would be used to move the monument and that being made of granite, there should not be any issues with it falling apart. Kathy Eddy thought it might be appropriate to put up a bronze plaque that honored Mr. Thresher's family and anyone else that had to do with the original dedication. An amendment to the motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Paul Kendall to change the wording of the article as the monument is actually a WWI monument. The amendment passed and the question was called. The motion to move the WWI monument to the Town Hall site passed by voice vote with a few voting nay.

Article 9. To transact any other business not of a binding nature. Paul Kendall mentioned how quickly we were able to move through the warning today. He felt that that was due to the level of confidence that the town has in its' elected officials and all the hard work that they put in and he wanted to thank all of them for that hard work. Richard Bowen thanked Paul Kendall for his work while on the board, as well. Linda Morse talked about invasive species and how to get rid of them, especially common buckthorn. Tom Cooch gave a quick demonstration on how to remove buckthorn with a special tool. It was noted that buckthorn is classified as a tree and falls under the tree warden's jurisdiction if in the right-of-way. Loren Bent, the tree warden, gave permission to cut all buckthorn. Amanda Ferris discussed her oxen, helping with the Brownington School House move, and trying to raise money for their 4-H group. Dan Brown wanted to discuss the day that town meeting falls on. He felt that if we changed the day more people would be able to attend. The general consensus is that no matter when you have town meeting you would have the same number of people, just different people. It is has a lot to do with tradition, as well. Australian ballot was brought up by Nathan Cleveland. Bob Eddy mentioned that he had just been to Randolph's town meeting that was very boring, they don't have good pie and they don't know their neighbors. Megan O'Toole thanked Tim Caulfield for all of his hard work and dedication to the town while serving on the Selectboard. Nick Sargent from Lost Nation ATV Club had stopped in to answer any questions that residents might have with their trail system and the one-year ATV Ordinance that Braintree currently has in place.

This concluded the business of the Town of Braintree, a motion was made by Loren Bent and seconded by Richard Bowen to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:54 A.M.

Respectfully submitted: Jessica Brassard
Jessica Brassard, Town Clerk

Approved:

Timothy Caulfield
Timothy Caulfield-SB Chair
Richard Bowen
Richard Bowen-Selectboard

Keegan Haupt
Keegan Haupt-Selectboard

Loren Bent
Loren Bent-Selectboard

Megan O'Toole
Megan O'Toole-Selectboard

Jackson Evans
Jackson Evans-Moderator

BRAINTREE SELECTBOARD REPORT

Once again this has been a good and busy year for the folks elected and appointed to serve as well the various committees, some of which will be mentioned further in this Report.

Stage Coach Road dispute resolved: Through mediation, an agreement between the appellant abutting property owners and the Town was obtained. The Stage Coach Road will remain open to foot, horse and bicycle traffic. With the exception of the abutting property owners, no motorized vehicular traffic will be allowed.

Class 4 Road Policy updated: Due to concerns of local citizens who own property abutting Class 4 Town Roads, the Policy was updated to clarify the responsibilities of the Town and established the parameters that the abutting property owners may take if they wish to improve the road.

John Deere Loader purchased: In accordance with the Capital Management Plan a new loader was purchased. Hopefully this machine will give us service for the next 20 years.

New Holland Tractor purchased: The Town has purchased a used New Holland Tractor which is a larger and heavier commercial grade of machine than the current New Holland tractor. Included with this purchase is a roadside mower and several other attachments which will be useful. We have advertised selling the smaller current New Holland tractor and with that money, plus what we save in renting a roadside mower for the annual roadside mowing, it is expected to pay for itself in 2 years. We plan to eliminate the FY 2024 planned purchase of a new tractor.

Road Grants: Through the efforts of Jeff Masterson, our Road Commissioner, and Holly Jarvis, the Town's Administrative Assistant, we continue to take advantage of the grants offered by the State and the Regional Planning Commission. With these grants, in which we pay 25% of the total cost, we are able to improve our road structure and drainage. (See next article)

Act 64: In 2014, the Vermont Legislature enacted Act 64, which includes the Municipal Roads General Permit program. This Act requires all towns regardless of population size or miles of roads to pay an annual fee of \$2,000 to help administer this program. Act 64 will be in effect for several years. Under this program, towns are required to log and identify sections of roads where the grade is 8% or higher. Once identified, the next step will be to develop a program whereby ditches in these areas are stone lined and water runoff from roads and ditches are mitigated to reduce flowing into streams. There will be grants available to help fund this program.

Muddy Spring Roads: The past two years, more rain and freezing and thawing conditions have produced more muddy roads. It has been a challenge for our Highway Department to remedy these areas. Grading the roads many times can make the condition worse. In many locations gravel has been put down, which helps alleviate the situation in the short term. The Town is concentrating on these areas, as time allows to excavate and replace the sub-base and improve drainage.

Office Projects: This past year some work has been completed to improve the town office for improved convenience and energy efficiency. Last year we were notified that our heating oil fuel tank needed to be excavated and replaced with an above ground system. Since the furnace was due for replacement and given the old heating system's uneven heating of the entire office space, it was decided to replace the old system with 2 new more efficient propane heaters, one at each end of the building,. This summer we will remove the old in-ground tank.

The Town also plans to insulate the air space above the office. Before the insulation can be done, conduits were laid in this area to organize the existing telephone, electrical, computer and radio antenna cables. This will also help installing the new telephone system and then insulation can be installed later. New doors and windows will be installed soon to improve heating efficiency.

Since the town office will become the primary Emergency Operation Center in case of an emergency, with the assistance of our Emergency Management Director, Tim Caulfield, the town was able to secure a grant, funded in part by the state, to update and improve our telephone system (see Emergency Management Director's Report for more information.



TOWN STATISTICS

Marriages

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>
Burdick, Scott	to	Reed, Lindsey
Fahnestock, Joshua	to	Skinner, Crystal
Lowery, Keith	to	Trevino, Tiffany
Lane, Jeffrey	to	Myers, Hannah

Births

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Parents</u>
Fitts, Nevaeh Rose	F	Fitts, Michael & Jenkins, Shelby
Huntley, Bailey Elizabeth	F	Huntley, Gregory & Mongeur, Kelli
Daigneault, Nyah Page	F	Daigneault, Donovan & Lake, Alyssa
Huff, James William	M	Huff Jr, James & Emily
Blaisdell, Ana Marie	F	Blaisdell-Smith, Nicholas & Coleman, Katelyn
Blandin, Evelyn Rose	F	Blandin, Forrest & Swanson, Melinda
Deyette, Luna Lee	F	Deyette, Amanda
Deyette, Levi Marie	F	Deyette, Amanda

Deaths

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
Barrett, Marie	82
Concannon, Sylvia	83
Davis, Archie	85
Boutwell, Frank	88
Grant, Celestia	81
Graham, Laurie	55
Rumazza, Robin	69
Chase, Dorothy	68
Carter, Deborah	60
Preston, Brenda	69

Burials

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>
Bedell, Gloria	78	Mountain View
Hawley, Phyllis	84	Braintree Hill
Lund, Camilla	52	Lower Branch
Barrett, Susanne	82	East Braintree
Simpson, Evelyn	92	East Braintree
Kellogg Buck, Marlene	80	Lower Branch
Moore, Priscilla	82	Lower Branch

This page is created from information that is received and recorded by the Town Clerk. If a community member is born or dies out of state that information is not recorded in the town records. At Town Meeting we will have a moment of silence for Braintree residents who have passed away this year. The list above will be read. If your family member or friend is not listed, and you would like them included in the moment of silence on Town Meeting Day please provide the Town Clerk with their full name or be sure to mention it at that time.

TOWN CLERK REPORT – FY17

The building improvement projects have continued. We started with the new roof and painting the exterior of the building a few years back. In FY17 we painted the interior walls and had new flooring installed. In FY18 we will have new heating installed, exterior doors replaced and a new phone system. Hopefully in FY19 we will have a more efficient, user friendly cooling system installed. This is essential to keep the temperature and humidity level consistent in the vault for proper preservation of permanent records. There will be Australian ballot voting on school issues on Town Meeting day again this year, with no regular school meeting.

The New Vital Records Law (Act 46) and What It Means for You

The Vermont Legislature passed Act 46 in May 2017, which significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records –namely, birth and death certificates. The new law and rules will enhance the safety and security of birth and death certificates, provide better protection against misuse of these legal documents, and reduce the potential for identity theft. Additionally, the changes streamline the entire statewide system for creation, storage and tracking of birth and death certificates. Act 46 will impact anyone who seeks a copy of a Vermont birth or death certificate. **The changes go into effect on July 1, 2018.**

The most notable changes are:

- Only family members (as defined in Act 46), legal guardians, certain court-appointed parties or legal representatives of any of these parties can apply to obtain a certified copy of a birth or death certificate. In the case of a death certificate only, the funeral home or crematorium handling disposition may apply for a certified copy.
- An individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for a certified copy of a birth or death certificate.
- An individual who refuses to complete the application or cannot provide valid identification will be ineligible and referred to the Vital Records Office.
- Certified copies of birth and death certificates can be ordered from any town, not just where the birth or death occurred or where the person was a resident.
- Certified copies will be issued on anti-fraud paper.
- Access to noncertified copies (previously called “informational” copies) is not significantly changed by the new law or rules.
- Marriage, civil union, divorce or dissolution certificate copies and processes are not affected by the new law or rules.

We would also like to mention again the State’s creation of the My Voter Page. If you are a registered voter, by accessing this page you can change any personal information, request or track an absentee ballot, view sample ballots, view election and polling place information. If you are not yet registered to vote you can do this as well. Please see the access information below:

Registered Voters can log in at: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>

Online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>

DOG REGISTRATION INFORMATION – FY17

As always, dogs need to be re-registered every year. It is the law, as stated below, and does help return your beloved family member to you, if they should happen to slip away. The laws are the same from one town to the next. We do require a copy of your current rabies certificate. If you are unsure if we have a current copy or if your dog is due for a booster, please give us a call.

There are several ways to get your dogs registered. You may drop your info with a check in the drop box, you can mail it in or you can call and make an appointment and we will gladly meet you after hours if you are unable to make it during normal business hours.

A dog or wolf-hybrid more than six months old must be registered, numbered, described, and licensed annually before April 1st in the office of the clerk of the municipality wherein the dog or wolf-hybrid is kept pursuant to Vermont Statute Title 20/3581.

Registration Fees before April 1, 2018:

Spayed/Neutered dogs & wolf-hybrids \$4.00(town) + \$5.00(state) = \$9.00

Unaltered dogs & wolf-hybrids \$8.00(town) + \$5.00(state) = \$13.00

Registration Fees after April 1, 2018:

Spayed/Neutered dogs & wolf-hybrids \$6.00(town) + \$5.00(state) = \$11.00

Unaltered dogs & wolf-hybrids \$12.00(town) + \$5.00(state) = \$17.00

251 Dog Registrations	\$2,533.00
State Regulated Programs	<u>-\$1,211.00</u>
Total	\$1,322.00

TREASURER REPORT – FY17

Current taxes are due March 15, 2018. We will have extended hours that day only – 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. You can drop your payment in the drop box, you can mail it or you can call and make an appointment for a time that is more convenient for you. If you would like a receipt, please remember to send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment.

Our yearly outside audit finished up without a hitch. Things are looking pretty good on the financial side of things. We do have a few places to work on in the coming years – the Cemetery Fund and Capital Fund being the two biggest areas at this point. I feel that the Cemetery Fund has been underfunded over the past few years. When the budget needed cutting it was the Cemetery Fund that usually took the biggest hit. While it looks like they have plenty of money, most of that money is bequest money and cannot be spent. We will be taking half of the interest money available to get the Fund even. I am confident that going forward the Selectboard will understand that it is the Town's responsibility to fund the upkeep of our cemeteries and will budget accordingly. The Capital Fund will probably take a few more years to really work properly. This is a newer fund that was established to more easily financially take care of the maintenance of our roads. All in all, things are working well.

Braintree Emergency Management 2017

During 2017 the Braintree Emergency Management effort monitored several potentially dangerous situations (flooding and wind storms) but did not find it necessary to declare an emergency.

The Town emergency preparedness effort has done the following during 2017:

- Appointed a new Emergency Management Director and completed the delegation of authority authorizing the Emergency Management Director to act during emergencies.
- The Emergency Management Director has completed the Vermont Emergency Management training for Emergency Management Directors.
- The Town applied for and received a Vermont Emergency Management grant for install a new telephone system in the Town Emergency Operations Center (which is the Town Office). This new system will have redundant copper wire and Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) calling capability, and expanded voice mail capability so that affected citizens can either reach or leave messages for the correct person. This system was installed and is operational as of January 16, 2018.
- Identified and appointed three new Emergency Zone Coordinators (one subsequently resigned). The Town is still looking for two people to act as Emergency Zone Coordinators, one for the Mobile Acres/Able Mountain Campground zone and one for the Riford Brook/Thresher Road zone.
- The radios have been commissioned, tested and handed out to Emergency Zone Coordinators and the Selectboard Chair. These radios, in conjunction with the Emergency Repeater installed about four years ago under another grant, allow Town wide communication amongst the Emergency Management Director, the Emergency Zone Coordinators and the Selectboard Chair. The radios are set up so they can be operated independent of power company power.
- Tested the Emergency Generator at the Town Hall to make sure it is in working condition.

The Braintree Emergency Director and the Emergency Zone Coordinators are working to fill the remaining positions, and in the future will take training courses, and conduct training exercises to enhance Town response capabilities. Anyone wishing to help with the Town emergency response efforts should contact Tim Caulfield at 728-2587.

LISTERS REPORT

This past year has been a busy one for the listers as we prepare for the upcoming town-wide reappraisal and continue to keep up to date on changes made to properties. Sales of real property over the course of the year were moderate but steady with prices on an upward trend. This upward trend in prices is reflected in the improved numbers of the COD and CLA as calculated through the State's Annual Equalization Study. Additionally the listers continue to stay up to date on state legislative changes that effect property valuation, current use and general day to day lister activities.

Town Wide Re-Appraisal Update

As was noted in last year's Town Report, we are required to carry-out a town wide reappraisal. In the last year the listers circulated a request for proposal from qualified reappraisal firms in Vermont and, working with the selectboard, chose Vermont Appraisal Company to conduct the reappraisal. Their bid was the lowest of the two bids received at \$59,995. The cost of this reappraisal is paid entirely from a reserve fund paid into by the State of Vermont. The listers are expecting to work additional hours over the course of the reappraisal and have accounted for this increase in our budget.

The reappraisal will begin in the summer of 2019. Property owners will receive a letter prior to their property being visited for a reappraisal. This will be a lengthy process but will result in a more equitable assessment of property throughout the town. Anyone with questions about the upcoming reappraisal should contact the listers.

Equalization Study

Each year the Vermont State Department of Property Valuation & Review (PVR) works with the listers to calculate two figures: the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) and the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD).

The CLA measures how the town's assessed values compare to the prices property sold for. A CLA of 100% means that all properties sold at exactly their listed value. A CLA of 100% is nearly impossible to achieve. The town's CLA is used by the state to equalize the education taxes statewide in order to ensure that properties of equal value pay equal taxes. The CLA is applied to the town's grand list in order to create an "equalized education property value". This year, our CLA decreased from 105.33% to 101.82%.

The COD is a measure of equity that shows how fairly property taxes are distributed within town. A high COD (above 20%) indicates that some tax payers are paying more than their share of taxes and some are paying less. A COD above 20% triggers a reappraisal order from the State. Two years ago, our COD rose to 21.05% at which time PVR ordered a reappraisal. This year our COD decreased to 16.21%. Despite this decrease, the town is still required by law to conduct a reappraisal.

Homestead Declarations

A reminder to all residents in town who own property: In order to have your property taxed at the lower residential rate, you must file a Homestead Declaration Form even if you do not pay income tax. Failure to do so may result in a penalty and being taxed at the non-residential educational tax rate. This is a requirement even if you have no income to report on the State Income Tax Form.

The form to be watchful for in your 2017 Vermont Income Tax Booklet is HS 122 for residential filers or HS 122W if you have sold your property and are no longer a resident of Braintree at that address.

As always, the Board of Listers is here to serve the community. If you have any questions or concerns about your property please contact the listers through any of the following ways:

Respectfully submitted: Jackson Evans, Derek O'Toole, Heather Fernandes

Office Hours: Tuesday 8:00am – 12:00. Phone: 728-9787. Email: braintreelisters@gmail.com

BRAINTREE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The membership of the Conservation Commission has remained the same over the past year. Last March Linda Morse stepped down as the chair, a position she had held since the inception of the commission 5 years ago. Tom Cooch became the chair, and Linda took the role of secretary.

During the past year the commission's efforts have been concentrated in three areas.

We have worked to increase our ability to publicize conservation-related events, advice, and articles of general interest. To this end we began to publish an email newsletter, of which there have been five issues to date. The newsletters have included articles about invasive species, workshops offered by various state agencies, recreational opportunities in Braintree, water-quality efforts, as well as photographs by Braintree residents.

A separate page and email address for the Conservation Commission was established on the Town's website and a bulletin board and table set up in the Town Office.

A second focus of the Commission has been on invasive species. We purchased two tools for use by Braintree residents: a weed wrench that can be used to pull up buckthorn and a battery-driven brush cutter for use against knotweed. There has been some limited use of both tools so far, but this may increase in the future.

Japanese Knotweed is perceived at this time to be the most problematic of our invasives, although wild chervil, wild parsnip, and common buckthorn have occupied us as well.

A third area of focus has been the State's Renewable Energy and Clean Water Initiatives. The Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) has prepared maps of Braintree showing areas that might be preferred sites for developing solar and wind power to meet the Town's goals. These recommendations, however, need to be refined by the Town to protect resources of which TRORC may not be aware. The refining of the siting recommendations falls more to the Planning Commission than to the Conservation Commission, but the two groups met jointly once this summer and will likely consult again.

Members of the commission have also attended meetings at TRORC headquarters in Woodstock to discuss water-related projects for the White River Basin, and we have had representatives from the White River Partnership and the Department of Environmental Conservation attend our meetings in Braintree. Goals for our area include the development of wetlands and riparian borders and the upgrading of culverts to mitigate storm water runoff. The removal of the Randolph dam presents opportunities to improve fish passage up through the Third Branch and Ayers Brook.

We are grateful to the Braintree Road Crew for all their efforts in replacing culverts and combatting invasive species.

Other activities of the Conservation Commission have included the following:

- Attending workshops on trees and forest pests, black bears, and water-quality initiatives.
- Online mapping of Japanese Knotweed infestations
- Obtaining Tree Warden's blanket authorization for property owners to cut Common Buckthorn in the Town's right of way
- Organized Earthwalk (animal tracking) day
- Participating in White River Partnership work parties and recreational events.
- Hiking the Bover Road (TH 8) currently authorized for use by ATVs.
- Monitoring water-quality of the swimming hole at the junction of the Third Branch and Riford Brook.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Cooch
Linda Morse
Joan Richmond-Hall
Paul Shriver
Sandy Stephen

BRAINTREE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

There were 21 permits issued in 2017, 16 of which were accessory structures, 3 were lot line adjustments or minor subdivisions, there was also one residence, and one home occupation.

I am looking forward to talking with those of you who plan to improve your properties this coming year.

I encourage anyone who has questions to call, email, or stop by the office. Even if you think you know the answer it doesn't hurt to ask! I am normally at the office Monday-Friday from 8:00am - 3:30pm. If you think your project or question might be a challenging one and we are going to need to chat for a bit, please either try to have that happen on a Thursday (I try to reserve that day for zoning work) or schedule a time to talk with me.

Holly Jarvis
Zoning Administrator

REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION & DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Planning Commission has had a busy year. As we prepared to move into the final stages of a required Town Plan update, the State issued a set of Flood Resiliency standards. We also began work with the Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission as one of three towns selected to develop comprehensive alternative energy plans, to govern siting of large utility projects.

Since the existing Town Plan was set to expire in late August, we determined to seek re-approval for that Plan to allow time to incorporate other changes we have been discussing. Our goal is to improve and clarify existing sections, including setback dimensions and Town Highway procedures. Consequently, the Commission and Selectboard held Public Hearings and the existing Plan, with flood resiliency and energy siting plans, was extended.

We hope to have a completely revised Plan ready for adoption by the end of this year. Townspeople are encouraged to look at the existing plan, particularly the added flood resiliency and energy siting provisions, and provide comments or suggestions to the Commission. Of particular concern would be the areas designated as preferred sites for alternative energy development – primarily solar – and the areas designated as “off limits” due to scenic or other concerns. Under new State regulations, developers will be required to pay substantial deference to these provisions.

Linda Doane retired from the Commission last spring, after about ten years of contributing to a complete set of Town Plan and Zoning Regulation updates. Nathan Cleveland has replaced her.

All Town residents are welcome at meetings of the Planning Commission, generally held on the second Thursday each month at 7 pm at the Town Office.

The Development Review Board has enjoyed a quiet year, thanks in part to the work of Zoning Administrator Holly Jarvis. This suggests to us that our current Zoning Regulations are serving the Town well. We have had an occasional situation where work has begun on a project prior to securing the necessary Permit or DRB approval. If in doubt as to the necessity of a Permit or approval, please contact Holly before beginning construction – this makes it easier for everyone, and eliminates the possibility of later removal of a non-permitted structure.

DRB Hearings and/or meetings are usually held when required on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 pm at the Town Office, although we can usually reschedule a monthly meeting or schedule an extra session upon request if the regular date is inconvenient.

Respectfully submitted: Bob Moyer

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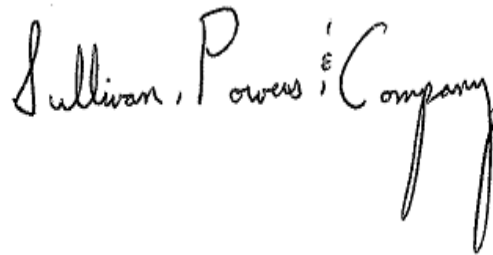
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January 17, 2018

Selectboard
Town of Braintree, Vermont
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Braintree, VT 05060

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Braintree, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017. Our opinion on the governmental activities, each major fund and aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Town of Braintree, Vermont, was unqualified.

The financial statements and our report thereon will be available for public inspection at the Town Office.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sullivan, Powers & Company". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, stylized "S" at the beginning and a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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AUDITORS REPORT

The Auditors continued this year to enjoy continuity in our makeup, which greatly facilitated our work. We continue to refine our procedures, however, as we receive recommendations from Sullivan, Powers & Co. and as our banking methods with Mascoma Savings Bank evolve. Documentation of these procedures is thus an ongoing effort. This year we completed manuals for monitoring General Journal entries and for changes to the Grand List.

We continued to review all the components of the Town's finances and reporting as recommended by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT), and believe that the financial situation presented in the current Town Report for Fiscal Year 2017 is accurate.

Sullivan, Powers & Co. conducted the professional audit of the Town's finances in August. Their draft report has been received and it again indicates that our reporting for Fiscal Year 2017 is essentially correct and accurately reflects the financial condition of the Town. This evaluation was "unqualified," also known as a "clean opinion" – the highest you can get.

Stephanie Barrett
Lin Brown
Tom Cooch

SCHEDULE OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS - FY17

Notes Payable Date Issued	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Balance 7/1/2016	New Borrowing	Loan Repayments	Balance 6/30/2016
Gravel Pit - Loan						
3/10/2010	12/31/2016	3.75%	\$10,986.85	\$0.00	\$10,986.85	\$0.00
Gravel Pit - Brian Jones						
6/1/2011	12/1/2016	3.00%	\$14,903.65	\$0.00	\$14,903.65	\$0.00
2013 Mack Truck						
8/7/2012	8/7/2017	2.00%	\$40,284.74	\$0.00	\$34,483.27	\$5,801.47
2013 Backhoe						
7/16/2013	4/30/2018	2.50%	\$41,268.41	\$0.00	\$20,384.85	\$20,883.56
2016 Mack Truck						
10/16/2015	9/15/2020	2.60%	\$123,381.71	\$0.00	\$27,895.91	\$95,485.80
Capital Budget						
6/2/2015	6/2/2018	2.70%	\$61,442.11	\$0.00	\$30,364.63	\$31,077.48
Capital Budget - #2						
6/23/2017	6/20/2020	2.75%	\$0.00	\$80,000.00	\$0.00	\$80,000.00
		Totals	\$292,267.47	\$80,000.00	\$139,019.16	\$233,248.31
Irene Flood LOC						
	12/1/2016	1.25%	\$316,643.70	\$0.00	\$316,643.70	\$0.00

BALANCE SHEET - GENERAL FUND

ASSETS		June 30, 2017
10-1011-00.00	RNB Checking	9,788.53
10-1012-00.00	LSB-Tax Sale Escrow	10,277.29
10-1015-00.00	MSB Sweep-Gen'l Fund	390,268.96
10-1100-00.00	Petty Cash	150.00
10-1101-00.00	Taxpayer Change Fund	100.00
10-1201-00.00	2007 Property Taxes	403.96
10-1202-00.00	2006 Property Taxes	425.97
10-1210-00.00	2010 Property Taxes	477.48
10-1212-00.00	FY2012 Property Taxes	148.00
10-1213-00.00	FY2013 Property Taxes	3,397.79
10-1214-00.00	FY2014 Property Taxes	1,468.55
10-1215-00.00	FY2015 Property Taxes	9,022.08
10-1216-00.00	FY2016 Property Taxes	27,934.61
10-1217-00.00	FY2017 Property Taxes	92,799.61
10-1220-00.00	Del Tax Interest Rec	9,303.70
10-1230-00.00	Del Tax Penalty Rec	10,886.35
10-1245-00.00	Allowance for Del Taxes	(5,600.00)
10-1249-00.00	A/R - Other	3,998.66
10-1290-00.00	Tax Other Receivable	297.14
10-1300-00.00	Due To/From Other Funds	(225,324.71)
Total Assets		340,223.97
LIABILITIES		
10-2000-00.00	Accounts Payable	3,368.87
10-2000-00.05	Accounts Payable -- Audit	1,517.00
10-2001-00.00	Deferred Tax Revenue	107,000.00
10-2005-00.00	Prop Tax Overpayments	2,182.47
10-2006-00.00	Deferred Revenue - 60 Day	3,423.66
10-2015-00.00	Due To Delinquent Tax Col	10,886.35
10-2020-00.00	Escrow-Tax Sale Properts	10,277.29
10-2100-15.00	FICA/MEDI Payable	(73.05)
10-2100-25.00	Health Ins Payable	(3,571.00)
10-2100-30.00	Short Term Dis Payable	(0.96)
10-2110-00.00	Accrued Payroll & Taxes	5,225.29
10-2200-00.00	Town Hall Rent Deposits	152.00
10-2320-00.00	Due To State - Marriage	50.00
10-2320-05.00	Due To State - Dogs	120.00
10-2320-10.00	Due to State - Rabies	30.00
Total Liabilities		140,587.92
FUND BALANCE		
10-2998-00.00	Fund Balance	(127,889.96)
Total Prior Years Fund Balance		(127,889.96)
Fund Balance Current Year		327,526.01
Total Fund Balance		199,636.05
Total Liabilities,Reserves,Fund Balance		340,223.97

FY2017 ACTUALS AND FY2019 BUDGET

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY - 2017	Budget FY - 2018	Projected FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
10-3000- Taxes					
10-3001-00.00 Current Taxes	912,455.00	914,509.42	927,734.00	850,000.00	-
10-3054-00.00 Delinquent Tax Interest	10,000.00	12,964.80	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
10-3056-00.00 Delinquent Tax Penalty	9,000.00	10,363.34	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
10-3057-00.00 Other Tax Revenue	-	40.00	-	-	-
10-3061-00.00 PILOT	119.00	105.86	119.00	92.37	105.00
10-3064-00.00 Education Billing Fee	-	2,836.81	-	2,836.81	-
10-3065-00.00 1% Late File	-	933.13	-	933.13	-
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	931,574.00	941,753.36	946,853.00	871,929.18	19,105.00
10-3200- State of Vermont					
10-3205-00.00 Hold Harmless	108,400.00	123,760.00	122,000.00	129,304.00	125,000.00
10-3210-00.00 Railroad Tax	1,300.00	3,343.24	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
10-3215-00.00 AOT	88,000.00	88,191.59	88,000.00	88,000.00	88,000.00
10-3217-00.00 Land Use Change Tax			-	1,557.02	-
10-3220-00.00 EEGL Reappraisal	390.00	-	-	-	-
10-3223-00.00 EQUALIZATION STUDY	-	721.00	-	721.00	700.00
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	198,090.00	216,015.83	212,000.00	221,582.02	216,700.00
10-3300- Restricted Grants					
10-3330-85.00 Grant Income - Misc	-	6,336.00	-	-	-
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	-	6,336.00	-	-	-
10-3600- Fees & Permits					
10-3605-00.00 Liquor Licenses	70.00	70.00	70.00	-	-
10-3610-00.00 Junkyard Licenses	-	-	-	-	-
10-3615-00.00 Clerk Fees	9,000.00	7,889.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
10-3618-00.00 Tire Recycling Fees	-	271.00	-	250.00	-
10-3620-00.00 Dog Licenses	1,200.00	1,368.00	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,200.00
10-3625-00.00 Marriage Licenses	100.00	30.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
10-3630-00.00 DMV	105.00	60.00	75.00	60.00	75.00
10-3635-00.00 Over Weight Permts	230.00	275.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
10-3655-00.00 Zoning Permits	800.00	1,120.00	1,000.00	950.00	1,000.00
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	11,505.00	11,083.00	11,595.00	11,810.00	11,525.00
10-3700- Other GF Revenue					
10-3705-00.00 Rochester Hollow	6,000.00	4,012.47	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
10-3706-00.00 School Fuel	7,800.00	4,033.16	7,800.00	-	-
10-3708-00.00 Town Report	750.00	636.00	750.00	700.00	750.00
10-3710-00.00 Town Hall Rentals	400.00	1,100.00	900.00	900.00	1,000.00
10-3735-00.00 Sweep Interest	-	331.67	350.00	1,200.00	600.00
10-3750-00.00 Misc Income	-	60.76	-	-	-
10-9355-00.00 Irene Flood Damage Income	-	283,650.65	-	-	-
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	14,950.00	293,824.71	15,800.00	8,800.00	8,350.00
Total Revenues	1,156,119.00	1,469,012.90	1,186,248.00	1,114,121.20	255,680.00

FY2017 ACTUALS AND FY2019 BUDGET

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY - 2017	Budget FY - 2018	Projected FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
10-4000- Executive					
10-4000-10.00 Selectboard Salaries	7,100.00	7,041.71	7,100.00	7,100.00	7,100.00
10-4000-10.05 Admin. Assistant Wages	14,063.00	12,687.21	27,564.00	26,500.00	26,863.00
10-4000-10.10 Admin Asst & Hghwy Merit	6,000.00	-	6,400.00	-	8,700.00
10-4000-20.00 FICA/Medicare	1,619.00	1,498.03	2,651.00	2,570.40	2,598.00
10-4000-22.00 Admin. Asst. Retirement	563.00	639.26	1,103.00	1,060.00	1,075.00
10-4000-24.00 Health Insurance	7,580.00	7,854.24	15,217.00	15,340.00	16,531.00
10-4000-25.00 Transfer to Health Benefit	1,120.00	1,120.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	3,110.00
10-4000-30.00 Transfer To Capital Res	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
10-4000-70.00 Dues, Subscripts & Misc	-	-	4,157.00	4,157.00	4,259.00
10-4000-80.00 Mileage	75.00	45.90	75.00	75.00	450.00
10-4000-81.00 Training	400.00	272.50	500.00	300.00	500.00
10-4000-82.00 Town Report	1,350.00	1,272.00	1,350.00	1,222.00	1,350.00
10-4000-83.00 Loan Interest	400.00	-	-	-	-
10-4000-83.05 Flood Loan Interest	4,000.00	1,994.96	-	-	-
10-4000-84.00 Green Up Day	1,400.00	574.00	1,400.00	600.00	1,100.00
10-4000-87.00 Property Tax Abatements	500.00	3,318.58	-	3,500.00	3,500.00
10-4000-88.00 Tax Sale Property Expense	800.00	-	-	-	800.00
	54,970.00	46,318.39	77,267.00	72,174.40	85,936.00
10-4200- Town Clerk					
10-4200-10.00 Town Clerk Salary	16,857.00	16,918.39	17,734.00	17,734.00	18,798.00
10-4200-10.05 Assist Town Clerk Wages	4,000.00	3,652.90	4,500.00	2,960.49	4,500.00
10-4200-10.10 Ballot Clerk Wages	150.00	-	150.00	-	150.00
10-4200-20.00 FICA/Medicare	1,607.00	1,492.73	1,701.00	1,580.00	1,782.00
10-4200-22.00 Town Clerk Retirement	674.00	674.19	709.00	709.00	775.00
10-4200-24.00 Health Insurance	7,580.00	7,854.24	8,695.00	8,765.00	9,446.00
10-4200-25.00 Transfer to Health Benefit	1,120.00	1,120.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,775.00
10-4200-68.00 Vault Supplies	900.00	1,094.31	1,200.00	1,100.00	1,200.00
10-4200-70.00 Dues & Subscriptions	65.00	27.50	65.00	27.50	65.00
10-4200-72.00 Elections/Town Meeting	50.00	-	50.00	-	50.00
10-4200-81.00 Training	260.00	30.00	260.00	100.00	260.00
	33,263.00	32,864.26	36,064.00	33,975.99	38,801.00
10-4400- Auditing					
10-4400-10.00 Auditors Salaries	500.00	-	500.00	-	500.00
10-4400-20.00 FICA/Medicare	38.00	-	38.00	-	38.00
10-4400-35.00 Professional Audit	15,000.00	13,810.00	15,000.00	14,500.00	15,000.00
10-4400-36.00 Contracted Services	3,000.00	506.00	3,000.00	-	1,500.00
10-4400-81.00 Training	130.00	-	130.00	-	130.00
	18,668.00	14,316.00	18,668.00	14,500.00	17,168.00
10-4500- Delinquent Tax Collecting					
10-4500-10.00 Wages	9,000.00	10,836.72	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
10-4500-20.00 FICA/Medicare	689.00	829.03	689.00	689.00	689.00
10-4500-81.00 Training	65.00	-	65.00	-	65.00
	9,754.00	11,665.75	9,754.00	9,689.00	9,754.00

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10-4700- Treasurer					
10-4700-10.00 Treasurer Salary	17,435.00	17,496.65	18,342.00	18,342.00	19,443.00
10-4700-10.05 Asst. Treasurer Salary	2,500.00	2,286.37	2,750.00	1,752.81	2,750.00
10-4700-20.00 FICA/Medicare	1,525.00	1,429.72	1,613.00	1,540.00	1,698.00
10-4700-22.00 Retirement	697.00	697.32	734.00	734.00	802.00
10-4700-24.00 Health Insurance	7,580.00	7,854.24	8,695.00	8,765.00	9,447.00
10-4700-25.00 Transfer to Health Benefit	1,120.00	1,120.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,775.00
10-4700-37.00 Bank Service Charges	700.00	746.40	700.00	450.00	700.00
10-4700-70.00 Dues & Subscriptions	50.00	27.50	50.00	27.50	50.00
10-4700-81.00 Training	260.00	30.00	260.00	180.00	260.00
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	31,867.00	31,688.20	34,144.00	32,791.31	36,925.00
10-4800- Planning & Zoning					
10-4800-10.00 Zoning Admin Wages	4,000.00	3,513.72	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
10-4800-20.00 FICA/Medicare	306.00	255.40	306.00	306.00	306.00
10-4800-22.00 Retirement	-	-	160.00	160.00	165.00
10-4800-24.00 Health Insurance	-	-	2,174.00	2,191.15	2,362.00
10-4800-25.00 Transfer to Health Benefit	-	-	250.00	250.00	445.00
10-4800-32.00 Advertising	100.00	31.26	100.00	125.00	100.00
10-4800-68.00 Supplies	25.00	-	25.00	-	25.00
10-4800-80.00 Mileage	50.00	-	50.00	50.00	100.00
10-4800-81.00 Training	260.00	60.00	260.00	120.00	260.00
10-4800-85.90 Zoning & Planning Grants	-	32.50	-	-	1,000.00
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	4,741.00	3,892.88	7,325.00	7,202.15	8,763.00
10-4900- Listers					
10-4900-10.00 Lister's Wages	12,440.00	3,483.50	9,500.00	5,000.00	7,000.00
10-4900-20.00 FICA/Medicare	952.00	266.51	727.00	380.00	536.00
10-4900-36.00 Contracted Services	1,500.00	1,355.00	1,500.00	1,355.00	1,500.00
10-4900-70.00 VT Marshall Swift Tables	300.00	-	300.00	300.00	300.00
10-4900-80.00 Mileage	200.00	71.43	350.00	100.00	150.00
10-4900-81.00 Training	350.00	165.00	300.00	180.00	250.00
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	15,742.00	5,341.44	12,677.00	7,315.00	9,736.00
10-5000- Town Office					
10-5000-30.00 Transfer to Cemetery Fund	8,000.00	8,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,500.00
10-5000-32.00 Adv & Public Notices	400.00	397.91	400.00	500.00	400.00
10-5000-35.00 Professional Services	7,000.00	19,175.88	7,000.00	8,000.00	9,000.00
10-5000-36.00 Service Contracts	280.00	294.37	460.00	400.00	600.00
10-5000-40.00 Electricity	1,250.00	1,283.24	1,250.00	1,100.00	1,250.00
10-5000-41.00 Heat	1,600.00	1,030.44	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
10-5000-42.00 Office Equipment	1,500.00	1,045.59	1,500.00	1,200.00	3,500.00
10-5000-43.00 Telephone	890.00	941.31	890.00	950.00	950.00
10-5000-44.00 Postage	1,200.00	1,251.26	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,600.00
10-5000-50.00 Building Maintenance	6,350.00	7,941.03	14,700.00	14,700.00	-
10-5000-51.00 Solid Waste	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	1,470.00	2,000.00
10-5000-68.00 Office Supplies	3,000.00	2,214.26	3,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
10-5000-68.05 Custodial Supplies	150.00	181.82	150.00	150.00	150.00
10-5000-69.00 IT Software & Support	4,420.00	3,586.26	4,420.00	4,000.00	4,420.00
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	38,040.00	47,343.37	50,570.00	49,770.00	40,970.00

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10-5200- Town Hall					
10-5200-10.00 Custodian	400.00	325.00	400.00	300.00	400.00
10-5200-30.00 Transfer to Town Hall Res	-	4,000.00	-	-	-
10-5200-40.00 Electricity	700.00	718.49	700.00	700.00	700.00
10-5200-41.00 Heat	1,800.00	1,152.16	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
10-5200-43.00 Telephone	460.00	470.64	460.00	470.00	470.00
10-5200-52.00 Grounds Maintenance	600.00	432.90	600.00	600.00	600.00
10-5200-67.00 Repairs & Maintenance	4,000.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
10-5200-68.00 Cleaning Supplies	25.00	143.36	25.00	25.00	25.00
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	7,985.00	7,242.55	8,185.00	8,095.00	8,395.00
10-5300- Tree Warden					
10-5300-10.00 Tree Warden Wages	-	-	500.00	300.00	500.00
10-5300-20.00 FICA/Medicare	-	-	-	23.00	38.00
10-5300-76.00 Tree Trimming/Removal	-	300.00	500.00	-	500.00
10-5300-80.00 Mileage	-	-	-	75.00	100.00
10-5300-81.00 Training	-	40.00	-	-	40.00
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	-	340.00	1,000.00	398.00	1,178.00
10-5400- Conservation Commission					
10-5400-68.00 Supplies	250.00	159.99	675.00	400.00	-
10-5400-81.00 Training & Workshops	250.00	238.00	75.00	75.00	250.00
10-5400-81.20 Presentations & Events	-	-	-	-	250.00
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	500.00	397.99	750.00	475.00	500.00
10-5500- Health Officer					
10-5500-10.00 Health Officer's Wages	300.00	-	300.00	-	300.00
10-5500-20.00 FICA/Medicare	23.00	-	23.00	-	23.00
10-5500-68.00 Supplies	150.00	-	150.00	-	150.00
10-5500-80.00 Mileage	20.00	-	20.00	-	100.00
10-5500-81.00 Training	65.00	-	65.00	-	60.00
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	558.00	-	558.00	-	633.00
10-5600- Town Insurance					
10-5600-46.15 Property & Liability	9,914.00	9,668.78	10,000.00	9,500.00	9,800.00
10-5600-46.20 Worker's Compensation	308.00	281.65	300.00	275.00	300.00
10-5600-46.25 Unemployment Insurance	324.00	412.00	340.00	516.00	600.00
10-5600-46.30 Short Term Disability Ins	40.00	38.88	40.00	40.00	40.00
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	10,586.00	10,401.31	10,680.00	10,331.00	10,740.00
10-5700- Emergency Services					
10-5700-10.00 Ambulance	77,000.00	74,735.04	77,000.00	74,784.96	82,211.00
10-5700-10.05 Fire Department	62,324.00	58,752.00	62,324.00	62,000.00	61,914.00
10-5700-10.10 Constable Wages	500.00	-	500.00	-	500.00
10-5700-20.00 FICA/Medicare	38.00	-	38.00	-	38.00
10-5700-53.00 Dry Hydrant	500.00	69.12	700.00	-	700.00
10-5700-54.05 Emergency Generator	385.00	-	400.00	400.00	800.00
10-5700-55.00 Dog Impoundment Fees	200.00	-	200.00	-	200.00
10-5700-67.00 Emergency Radio & Mainten	100.00	1,775.00	600.00	-	2,100.00
10-5700-68.00 Supplies	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
10-5700-80.00 Mileage	50.00	-	50.00	-	50.00
10-5700-81.00 Training	400.00	-	400.00	-	800.00
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	142,497.00	135,331.16	143,212.00	137,184.96	150,313.00

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10-5800- Special Appropriations					
10-5800-90.05 Arts Bus	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
10-5800-90.10 CVCOA	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
10-5800-90.15 Capstone (CVCAC)	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
10-5800-90.20 Clara Martin Center	2,054.00	2,054.00	2,054.00	2,054.00	2,054.00
10-5800-90.25 Greater Randolph Senior	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
10-5800-90.35 Kimball Public Library	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	9,000.00
10-5800-90.40 Orange County Court Div	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
10-5800-90.45 Orange County Parent Ch	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
10-5800-90.55 Randolph Area Food Shlf	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
10-5800-90.60 Safeline	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
10-5800-90.65 Stagecoach	1,560.00	1,560.00	1,560.00	1,560.00	1,560.00
10-5800-90.70 Visiting Nurse Assoc	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
	20,464.00	20,464.00	20,964.00	20,964.00	21,464.00
10-5900- County Expense					
10-5900-33.00 County Tax	25,000.00	24,578.95	25,000.00	23,345.99	25,000.00
	25,000.00	24,578.95	25,000.00	23,345.99	25,000.00
10-6000- Highway					
10-6000-10.00 Full-time Wages	149,971.00	154,689.17	150,259.00	153,000.00	150,900.00
10-6000-10.05 Part-time Wages	8,550.00	9,647.90	9,000.00	12,000.00	10,000.00
10-6000-10.10 Stand-by Wages	4,000.00	3,660.00	4,334.00	3,740.00	4,000.00
10-6000-10.15 Adm. Assistant Wages	14,824.00	13,008.79	-	-	-
10-6000-10.30 Overtime	16,016.00	27,377.63	17,000.00	20,000.00	22,000.00
10-6000-20.00 FICA/Medicare	14,792.00	15,627.27	13,815.00	14,438.61	14,298.00
10-6000-22.00 Retirement	7,392.00	7,897.34	6,864.00	7,069.60	7,297.00
10-6000-24.00 Health Insurance	34,053.00	28,333.83	15,548.00	17,155.94	20,170.00
10-6000-25.00 Transfer To Health Benefit	6,440.00	6,440.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,400.00
10-6000-34.00 Uniforms	2,950.00	3,299.76	2,950.00	3,095.00	2,950.00
10-6000-80.00 Mileage	-	-	-	-	500.00
10-6000-81.00 Training	500.00	319.41	500.00	500.00	500.00
	259,488.00	270,301.10	225,270.00	235,999.15	238,015.00
10-6150- Highway Insurance					
10-6150-46.00 Property & Liability	12,985.00	12,688.67	13,000.00	12,600.00	12,500.00
10-6150-46.20 Worker's Compensation	14,551.00	13,247.90	13,500.00	13,080.00	14,500.00
10-6150-46.30 Short Term Disability Ins	360.00	350.40	360.00	360.00	360.00
	27,896.00	26,286.97	26,860.00	26,040.00	27,360.00
10-6200- Highway Operations					
10-6200-30.00 Transfer to Gravel Pit Res	62,000.00	62,000.00	62,000.00	62,000.00	-
10-6200-30.05 Transfer to Capital Res	47,000.00	47,000.00	53,000.00	53,000.00	127,000.00
10-6200-35.00 Permit Fee	-	-	-	-	2,500.00
10-6200-36.00 Contracted Services	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
10-6200-56.00 Gravel	40,000.00	46,335.10	40,000.00	60,000.00	40,000.00
10-6200-57.00 Crusher	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	-
10-6200-58.00 Sand	-	-	-	-	41,000.00
10-6200-59.00 Screener	19,000.00	12,998.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	-
10-6200-60.00 Salt	5,000.00	1,727.88	5,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
10-6200-61.00 Chloride	6,000.00	3,640.00	6,000.00	7,700.00	6,000.00
10-6200-62.00 Rental Equipment	13,500.00	8,821.37	15,000.00	15,000.00	10,000.00
10-6200-63.00 Culverts	3,000.00	2,618.40	3,000.00	6,000.00	4,000.00
10-6200-65.00 Paving	500.00	-	200.00	2,300.00	500.00
10-6200-71.00 Signs & Posts	3,000.00	3,421.57	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	222,000.00	210,562.32	230,200.00	254,000.00	240,000.00

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Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY - 2017	Budget FY - 2018	Projected FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
10-6400- Bridges					
10-6400-61.00 Maintenance	-	8,600.00	-	-	500.00
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	-	8,600.00	-	-	500.00
10-6500- Fuel					
10-6500-75.05 Fuel & Oil Diesel	48,000.00	33,309.25	48,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
10-6500-75.10 Fuel & Oil Gasoline	150.00	69.10	150.00	150.00	200.00
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	48,150.00	33,378.35	48,150.00	40,150.00	40,200.00
10-6600- Garage					
10-6600-40.00 Electricity	1,250.00	823.07	1,250.00	1,100.00	1,250.00
10-6600-41.00 Heat	4,000.00	3,351.06	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
10-6600-43.00 Telephone/Pagers	1,000.00	954.48	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
10-6600-67.00 Maintenance	4,000.00	4,206.33	9,000.00	9,000.00	5,000.00
10-6600-67.05 Radio Maintenance	1,000.00	427.50	500.00	400.00	1,000.00
10-6600-67.10 Salt Shed Maint/Repairs	-	2,100.00	-	-	-
10-6600-68.00 Supplies	2,500.00	2,151.03	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,600.00
10-6600-76.00 Rubbish Removal	1,000.00	568.35	1,000.00	600.00	600.00
10-6600-78.00 Safety Budget	1,000.00	2,999.20	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,500.00
10-6600-79.00 Small Equipment/Tools	2,500.00	2,525.18	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
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	18,250.00	20,106.20	23,250.00	22,600.00	20,450.00
10-6700- Vehicle/Equip Maintenance					
10-6700-67.01 Heavy Equipment Maintenance	50,000.00	63,530.09	55,700.00	55,700.00	60,000.00
10-6700-67.55 Communication Equipment	700.00	61.95	-	-	-
10-6700-67.95 Other Equipment	2,000.00	1,170.07	-	-	-
10-6700-68.00 Vehicle/Equip. Supplies	3,000.00	5,033.94	-	-	-
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	55,700.00	69,796.05	55,700.00	55,700.00	60,000.00
10-6800-30.00 Transfer to Veh Eq Cap Res	110,000.00	110,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00
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	110,000.00	110,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00
10-7020-99.00 Late Filing Fee	-	269.64	-	666.71	-
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	-	269.64	-	666.71	-
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	1,156,119.00	1,141,486.88	1,186,248.00	1,183,367.66	1,212,301.00
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Less Anticipated Income					255,680.00
Taxes to be Raised					956,621.00

PROPOSED BUDGET: Vehicles/Equipment – 2017-2030

Activity	FY2017 Actual	FY2018 FY Forecast	FY2019 Plan	FY2020 Plan	FY2021 Plan	FY2022 Plan	FY2023 Plan	FY2024 Plan	FY2025 Plan
Beginning Equipment Fund Balance (July 1, 2016)	50,027.67	34,109.11	2,299.20	73,184.05	142,580.45	242,818.06	350,748.86	288,679.66	428,714.66
Income									
Interest Earned	45.62	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
Borrowed Funds	-	75,000.00	145,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sale of Tractor			20,000.00						
G.F. Contribution	110,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	130,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00
Total Income	110,045.62	195,035.00	285,035.00	130,035.00	140,035.00	140,035.00	140,035.00	140,035.00	140,035.00
Expenses									
2006 Truck Replacement - 10 yrs (FY2016)									
2009 1 Ton Pick-up/Plow Replacement - 8 yrs (FY2017)	38,922.00								
1999 Loader Replacement - 19 yrs (FY2018)		125,935.00							
2009 Truck Replacement - 10 yrs (FY2019)			170,000.00						
2013 Truck Replacement - 10 yrs (FY2023)							170,000.00		
2004 New Holland Tractor - 20 yrs (FY2024)		40,000.00							
2017 1 Ton Pick-up/Plow Replacement - 8 yrs (FY2025)									45,000.00
2006 Grader Replacement - 20 yrs (FY2026)									
2016 Truck Replacement - 10 yrs (FY2026)									
Emergency Generator - 30 yrs (FY2039)									
2005 Truck - Spare									
2013 Backhoe - 20 yrs (FY2033)									
Principal on Borrowed Funds	82,764.03	58,346.27	41,117.03	56,633.93	37,170.20	30,316.94	31,145.68	-	-
Interest on Borrowed Funds	4,278.15	2,563.64	3,033.12	4,004.67	2,627.19	1,787.26	958.52	-	-
Total Expenses	125,964.18	226,844.91	214,150.15	60,638.60	39,797.39	32,104.20	202,104.20	-	45,000.00
Balance on Hand (June 30, 2017)	34,109.11	2,299.20	73,184.05	142,580.45	242,818.06	350,748.86	288,679.66	428,714.66	523,749.66

5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN & BUDGET: Other Projects - 2017-2021

Activity	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
	Actual	Actual	FY Forecast	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Capital Plan Fund Balance	87,632.58	89,518.71	23,910.33	42,602.21	64,340.05	75,281.42
Income						
Interest Earned	71.21	23.91	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Better Back Roads Grant - Conn Corners		10,000.00				
Better Back Roads Grant - Thayer Brook Road			37,103.00			
State Structure Grants - Tannenburg				186,202.00		
State Class 2 Road Grants - Braintree Hill			155,393.00			
Better Roads Grant - Bowen				36,237.00		
Better Roads Grant - Bowen				18,834.00		
Better Roads Grant - Farnsworth Road				26,559.00		
Better Roads Grant - Walker/Peth Culvert				26,469.00		
Income - Screener Sale **	15,000.00					
Borrowed Funds	0.00	80,000.00	0.00	70,000.00		
G.F. Contribution - Gravel Pit \$ - Reappropriated				62,000.00	62,000.00	62,000.00
G.F. Contribution - Highway (6200.30.05)	42,000.00	47,000.00	53,000.00	65,000.00	75,000.00	85,000.00
G.F. Contribution - Executive (4000.30.00)	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Total Income	65,071.21	145,023.91	253,546.00	499,351.00	145,050.00	93,000.00
Expense						
Large Structure Replacements - Tannenburg Bridge				250,000.00		
Class 2 Roads - Braintree Hill		41,011.58	114,381.42			
Bent Hill Road Project		523.18	15,145.38			
Bowen Road - BR Grant				45,296.00		
Bowen Road - BR Grant				23,543.00		
Farnsworth Brook Road - BR Grant	21,974.40					
Farnsworth Brook Road - BR Grant				33,199.00		
Connecticut Corners - BBR Grant **	9,039.76					
Connecticut Corners - BBR Grant		13,478.07				
Better Roads Grant - Walker/Peth Culvert				33,086.00		
Peth Road - Start/Finish		1,064.50	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	
Mobile Acres Paving		70,000.00				
Misc Road Expenses	1,036.87			1,000.00		
Thayer Brook Road - BBR Grant		20,523.52	45,887.28			
Town Hall Park & Ride - Paving				16,000.00		
Riford Brook Road Bridge Approach Paving				12,000.00		
Riford Brook Road Railroad Apron Paving				5,000.00		
Thresher Road Bridge Paving				7,203.00		
Thresher Road Paving				17,500.00		
Highway Garage Floor					32,000.00	
Temporary Bridge - (Tannenburg)		31,000.00				
Bothner Property - adding on town property		1,380.00				
Town Office - Wall AC/Heat Pump Units				6,000.00		
Building Upgrades						
Loan Principal Repayment	29,662.89	30,364.63	57,141.58	26,660.13	50,096.05	23,327.64
Interest on Borrowed Funds	1,988.55	1,286.81	2,298.46	1,126.03	2,012.58	989.64
Total Expenses	63,702.47	210,632.29	234,854.12	477,613.16	134,108.63	24,317.28
Total New Expenses	32,051.03	178,980.85	175,414.08	449,827.00	82,000.00	0.00
Adjustments needed - SP Audit **	517.39					
Balance on Hand	89,518.71	23,910.33	42,602.21	64,340.05	75,281.42	143,964.14

HEALTH BENEFIT RESERVE FUND

Purpose: contingency funding of the annual health plan deductible obligation.

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	16,221.83			16,221.83
Town Funding: Executive		3,000.00		19,221.83
Town Funding: Highway		6,800.00		26,021.83
Interest Income		14.56		26,036.39
Expenses Paid			10,362.39	15,674.00
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				15,674.00

REAPPRAISAL RESERVE FUND

Purpose: to set aside funds each year for state required reappraisals.

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Ending Balance (July 1, 2016)	61,250.46			61,250.46
Interest Income		67.53		61,317.99
EEGL Funds Rec'd		6,129.00		67,446.99
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				67,446.99

TOWN CLERK RESTORATION FUND

Purpose: to restore and preserve the old town records.

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	6,781.07			6,781.07
Restoration Fee*		686.50		7,467.57
Interest Income		7.65		7,475.22
Record Restoration			-	7,475.22
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				7,475.22

* 10% of land record recording fees (one dollar per page), collected by the Town Clerk.

TOWN HALL RESERVE FUND

Purpose: to assist in the maintenance and upkeep of the Town Hall.

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	6,393.32			6,393.32
Town Funding		4,000.00		10,393.32
Income		210.00		10,603.32
Interest Income		7.34		10,610.66
Expense			-	10,610.66
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				10,610.66

*Town Funding comes from unexpended funds in the Building Maint. & Grounds Maint. lines.

GRAVEL PIT RESERVE FUND

Purpose: to set aside funds each year for the gravel pit debt services and expenses and build reserve funds for pit closure with any excess going to the purchase of a new gravel pit.

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	38,646.94			38,646.94
Town Funding		62,000.00		100,646.94
Interest Income		60.48		100,707.42
Expense			205.00	100,502.42
Loan Expenses - Principal			25,890.50	74,611.92
Loan Expenses - Interest			373.47	74,238.45
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				74,238.45

Braintree Cemetery Commission

Commission Members: Jason Kuhn, Chair; Linda Morse, Secretary; Kris Haupt, Ed Smith, Norm Illsley

The Cemetery Commission Budgets: For FY 2017 - \$9,860, including added cost of Workers Compensation for the mowing contract of \$1,100. For FY 2018 – budget of \$10,100, including a cost for Jason's Handworks, LLC mowing, and slightly higher cost for spring cleanup.

Cemetery Contract with Jason Handiworks – This includes mowings for 7 cemeteries (four big and three small ones). The mowing contract runs from May 1 to Nov. 1 (from Mothers Day through Labor Day and includes mowing before Memorial Day and July 4th).

Remaining space in Braintree Cemeteries – It was noted that only two of Braintree cemeteries have burial plots left for sale. They are East Braintree and Mountain View.

Stone Repair: There was discussion about damaged cemetery stones. The estimated cost for first phase of this year for Green Mountain Memorials stone repair of gravestones was \$3000 per year.

Various repairs and tree removals – Ash tree in Braintree cemetery removed; cleanup on Mountain View completed after the road construction; headstone repair at Lower Branch completed; fence repair at East Braintree Cemetery completed.

Resident Prices:

2 grave lot deed (100) & perpetual care bequest (500)	\$600.00
4 grave lot deed (200) & perpetual care bequest (800)	1,000.00
8 grave lot deed (400) & perpetual care bequest (1600)	2,000.00
Corner posts for all lots	185.50

Non-Resident Prices

2 grave lot deed (300) & perpetual care bequest (1500)	\$1,800.00
4 grave lot deed (600) & perpetual care bequest (2400)	3,000.00
8 grave lot deed 91200) & perpetual care bequest (4800)	6,000.00
Corner posts for all lots	185.50

Commission meetings are on 1st Wednesday of the months April through November at 7pm at the Braintree Town Offices.

CEMETERY FUNDS - GENERAL FUND

Purpose: to maintain the town cemeteries

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	\$(44.40)			\$(44.40)
Town Funding		\$ 8,000.00		\$7,955.60
Lot Sales		\$ -		\$7,955.60
Income		\$10.00		\$7,965.60
Cemetery Mowing/Maintenance			\$ 12,540.65	\$ (4,575.05)
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				\$(4,575.05)

CEMETERY FUNDS - 7 DAY CD

Purpose: interest to maintain the town cemeteries

Description	Beg. Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance (July 1, 2016)	\$ 80,682.36			\$ 80,682.36
7 Day CD - Nonspendable	\$ 71,363.17			
7 Day CD - Available Interst	\$9,479.71			
Interest Income		\$160.52		\$ 80,842.88
Ending Balance (June 30, 2017)				\$ 80,842.88

DELINQUENT TAXES - FY17

Bent, Joseph	Duclos, Trajon	Leonard, Dwight	Osgood, Kelly
Berg, Michael	Ernst, Richard	MacAdams, Paul	Payette, Peter
Bianco, Gene	Farrington, Darrin	Mackey, Kathleen	Preston, Brenda
Blake, Michael Jr.	Ferranti, Tabitha	Marks/Cliver Stephen	Sargent/Colby
Borcuk, Roy	Flint, Fred	Maxham, Daniel	Seip, Charles *
Boutwell, Howard *	Foley, Wendy	McCauley, Paul *	Shepard, Ernest
Boyce, Jessica	Gerstenmaier, Douglas	McHugh, Matthew	Silloway, Donald
Bradley, Corey	Giard, Antoinette	Merriam, Frederick	Simpson, Robert
Chase, Robert	Gilman, Teddy	Messer, JoEllen	Starck, Herbert
Clifford, Stanley	Howe, Deborah	Miller, Edward *	Stockwell, Howard Jr.
Cowden, John Jr.	Howe, Michael Jr.	Miller, Richard	Stockwell, Howard III
Daigneault, Greg	Laplante, Patricia	Moore, James	Sutherin, Gaylen *
Davis, Bonnie	Larocque, Andrew	Osgood, Jeffrey	Sysling, Robert *
			Williams, Mark

* Paid off taxes by 12/31/2017

Year	Balance as of 12/31/2016	Collected	Balance as of 6/30/2017	Collected	Abated	Balance as of 12/31/2017
2006	\$ 513.58	\$ 87.61	\$ 425.97	\$ 30.52		\$ 395.45
2007	\$ 403.96	\$ -	\$ 403.96	\$ -		\$ 403.96
2010	\$ 526.63	\$ 49.15	\$ 477.48	\$ 28.63		\$ 448.85
FY2012	\$ 148.00	\$ -	\$ 148.00	\$ -		\$ 148.00
FY2013	\$ 3,798.55	\$ 400.76	\$ 3,397.79	\$ 400.14		\$ 2,997.65
FY2014	\$ 8,147.30	\$ 6,678.75	\$ 1,468.55	\$ 927.16		\$ 541.39
FY2015	\$ 18,570.51	\$ 9,548.43	\$ 9,022.08	\$ 4,886.33		\$ 4,135.75
FY2016	\$ 54,013.53	\$ 26,078.92	\$ 27,934.61	\$ 14,792.16	\$ 121.47	\$ 13,142.45
FY2017	\$ -		\$ 92,799.61	\$ 31,281.69	\$ 2,855.06	\$ 61,517.92
TOTALS	\$ 86,122.06	\$ 42,843.62	\$ 136,078.05	\$ 52,346.63	\$ 2,976.53	\$ 83,731.42

The policy of the delinquent tax collector is to send properties to tax sale that have 2 years in arrears and no payment plan in place. The Town will buy any property that has no bidder. Our Achilles heel is becoming abandoned mobile homes in the park. We had one tax sale property in FY17 that has yet to be redeemed. We will be starting the next tax sale process in April 2018.



Mountain Alliance & Casella Waste Management, Inc.

This year's HHW Collection Events will be held on

Saturday, May 5, 2018

From 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

At the Closed Landfill past the Randolph Transfer Station

Saturday, July 28, 2018

From 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

In Northfield at a location to be announced

Saturday, November 3, 2018

From 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

At the Closed Landfill past the Randolph Transfer Station

This event is for the residents of:

Randolph, Braintree, Brookfield & Northfield

Materials Accepted at the Event:

Acids, Adhesives, Aerosols, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Cements, Charcoal Lighters, Chlorine, Cleaning Fluid, Degreasers, Disinfectants, Drain Cleaners, Dry Gas, Epoxies, Dyes, Fiberglass Resins, Flea Powders, Furniture Strippers, Hair Removers, Herbicides, Insect Repellents, Lacquers, Lubricants, Mothballs or Flakes, Nail Polish Removers, Oven Cleaners, Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Permanent Solutions, Pesticides, Photo chemicals, Rat Poisons, Rug & Upholstery Cleaners, Rust Solvents, Wood Preservatives, Spot Removers, Toilet Bowl Cleaners, Tub and Tile Cleaners, Turpentine, Varnish, Weed Killers, Wood Polishes, Wood Stains, Mercury containing products.

Materials NOT Accepted at the Event:

Asbestos, Automotive Paint, Automotive and Marine Batteries, Tires, Used Oil, Explosives or Shock-Sensitive Materials, Ammunition, Radio-Active Wastes, Pathological Wastes, Infectious Waste, Medicines, Dioxins, Compressed Gas Cylinders, Fluorescent Light tubes, Electronic equipment, TV's, Computers.

If you have any questions about the event or acceptable materials please call Denise King at Casella 802-356-9094 or 802-888-2797

Check out website: www.mtalliance.org

If you want to register with CESQG please call Krista Gloden at **Clean Harbors (860)583-8917 Ext 351**

Recycle all other materials check out VTrecycles.org

If you qualify as a small quantity (CESQG) business, and wish to dispose of your hazardous waste, arrangements for disposal and payment must be made with Clean Harbors at least seven days in advance.



WHITE RIVER VALLEY

AMBULANCE, INC

White River Valley Ambulance (WRVA) serves the towns of Barnard, Bethel, Braintree, Brookfield, Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Randolph, Rochester, and Stockbridge as a non-profit licensed provider of Critical Care Paramedic service. This is the highest level of pre-hospital emergency medical care available in the state. In 2017, we responded to 1,173 calls for help within our nearly 500 square mile area of operations. This includes transporting 290 patients from Gifford Medical Center to other healthcare facilities, at times providing Critical Care level transport services for those patients. We thank you for continuing to entrust us with providing compassionate care to you and your families in your time of greatest need.

After holding our per capita funding request constant for 4 years in a row, we now find it necessary to request a 5% increase this year, going from \$60 to \$63. This is due to several factors. Following a review of response times to northern Brookfield, we concluded that the distance from WRVA Base was such that those residents would be better served by Barre Town Ambulance. A plan was developed in collaboration with Barre Town and the Brookfield Select Board to transfer the north Brookfield service area to Barre Town effective January 1, 2018. However, this meant a loss of \$36,000 in annual per capita revenue. Another factor is that the number of billable ambulance runs in 2017 was 19% below budget, which led us to project fewer billable runs in 2018. Ambulance services in other rural areas of Vermont experienced a similar decrease in call volume. ER visit volumes at some hospitals around Vermont were also below expectations last year. Though the cost to staff and support 2 ambulances 24/7 is largely fixed, we reduced the 2018 expense budget 4.6% below the 2017 budget. Our staff have absorbed a significant portion of the 2018 cost pressure by covering a greater portion of their health insurance premiums and no budgeted raises for the second consecutive year. Another way to think of this per capita increase is a 5% increase spread over 5 years, or 1% each year.

In 2018, we will continue to provide outstanding pre-hospital medical care focused on quality and economy. As always, our service to our member communities will be guided by our core values of caring, compassion, honesty, and integrity.

- We operate 2 fully staffed ambulances 24/7 out of our Bethel station
- We have 10 full-time and 20 part-time clinical employees
- We have a full-time Executive Director who splits time 50/50 between ambulance duty and office time
- We have a part-time administrative assistant who works 4 days a week in the office
- We are an American Heart Association Regional Training Center, facilitating the instruction of CPR and First Aid courses throughout central Vermont
- We offer EMS education programs, including no-cost EMT classes and many advanced programs

2017 Call Summary

Randolph	371	31.6%
Gifford Medical Ctr.	290	24.7%
Bethel	130	11.1%
Rochester	90	7.7%
Other Towns	65	5.5%
Stockbridge	48	4.1%
Barnard	45	3.8%
Brookfield	38	3.2%
Braintree	35	3.0%
Pittsfield	27	2.3%
Hancock	24	2.1%
Granville	10	0.9%
Total	1173	

Vermont League of Cities and Towns 2017 Overview

Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state.

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 138 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts.

Local governments in Vermont provide essential services to residents and visitors alike. From maintaining roads to providing safety services, recreational programs, water and sewer infrastructure, street lighting, and libraries, the work carried out by appointed and elected officials and community volunteers is both critical and challenging. The demands on local government are complex and require resources that are not always available in every city, town or village in the state.

VLCT is the only statewide organization devoted solely to delivering a wide range of services to local officials who serve municipalities of varying populations and geographic regions but face similar requirements with disparate resources. The organization provides legal, consulting, and education services to its members, offering important advice and responses to direct inquiries, as well as training programs on specific topics of concern to officials as they carry out the duties required by statute or directed by town meeting voters. VLCT represents cities and towns before the state legislature and state agencies, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and loudly, and also advocates at the federal level, primarily through its partner, the National League of Cities.

VLCT offers opportunities to purchase risk management products and services that directly meet the specific and specialized needs of local government through the VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust and the VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF).

During the 2017 calendar year, in addition to providing responses to more than 3,700 telephone inquiries, holding 16 training sessions, and following approximately 300 separate pieces of legislation, 13 summer study committees, and developing VLCT's legislative platform with five municipal policy committees, VLCT celebrated its 50th anniversary. Throughout the year, VLCT recognized local officials and employees who have served a number of communities for 50 years, and highlighted some of the many successes of the organization and local government during the last 50 years. It was also an important year to look ahead, to consider new ideas, and to think about new programs and ways of delivering services to members that will address their changing needs in the coming years. VLCT launched a new website in June 2017 that, despite a few initial glitches, has functioned well and serves as a better connection point for members, thanks to consistent updates, new information, and easier navigation tools. VLCT has also moved the majority of its mission-critical IT systems to the "cloud" in an effort to provide more security for member information, greater protection against hacking attempts, and greater redundancy of access that will help the organization remain operational following a disaster scenario. The move to the cloud also reduces the need to acquire, maintain, and replace costly capital equipment.

At the heart of all these activities is VLCT's commitment to serving as a good steward of member assets, and we are proud of the continued progress being made in that effort. Members are welcome to visit the VLCT office anytime to review the operations of the organization, to ask questions, and to access resources that can help each individual official and employee carry out the important work of local government.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at www.vlct.org.

ECFIBER

Braintree is a member of ECFiber, the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District, Vermont's first Communications Union District. ECFiber is owned by its 24 member towns, and is self-sustaining. Local taxpayer funds cannot be used to subsidize the District's operations.

In April 2017 the District completed a \$14.5 million offering of Series 2017A Bonds to refinance the remaining original debt, cover 2017 capital expenditures, and complete the design work for 250 miles of construction in 2018. As of December 2017, 529 miles of fiber-optic network had been built and "lit" in parts of 21 member towns, serving about 2300 customers. ECFiber plans to continue to raise capital through the municipal bond market in 2018, 2019, and 2020, and to complete 1400 miles of network covering all underserved locations in its 24 towns by 2020.

Braintree currently has 13 miles of fiber-optic cable serving 69 customers.

After a competitive process of signing up future potential customer, thanks in no small part to the tireless efforts of former ECFiber Delegate Tim Caulfield, Braintree was selected as one of six towns to be substantially built out in 2018.

Construction in various parts of town will begin in the spring 2018 with service anticipated to be available in the fall/winter of 2018. To get on the list to receive service when it becomes available please go to www.ecfiber.net and click "sign up" today.

ECFiber offers:

- Reliable high Internet speeds, which are symmetrical (same upload and download speed) and are not "up to" as offered by other providers.
- Simple, stable pricing with no contracts, fine print, or data caps. Over the last two years ECFiber has increased its speeds but not its prices.
- Local and personable customer service. Phones are answered by an employee during business hours without an automated queue.
- Local ownership and control - governing board members meet monthly to set policy and are actively involved in promoting ECFiber within the community.
- Valued community services. For example, ECFiber offers over 25 community anchor institutions (schools, town facilities, and libraries) its highest level of service for its lowest monthly fee.

Braintree is looking for a second delegate to the ECFiber governing board. No technology experience required! Just a willingness to help bring high speed internet to Braintree. Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at the Vermont Law School. For more information contact Braintree's ECFiber Delegate, Jackson Evans at jacksontevans@gmail.com or 728-6170

TRORC 2017 YEAR-END REPORT

The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is an association of thirty municipalities in east-central Vermont that is governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our member towns. As advocates for our member towns, we seek to articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while enhancing the region's quality of life. Our staff provides technical services to local, state and federal levels of government and to the Region's citizens, non-profits, and businesses. The following are highlights from 2017:

Technical Assistance

In 2017, TRORC staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, ranging from minor updates to comprehensive, substantive overhauls and assisted towns with Municipal Planning Grant applications.

Emergency Management & Preparedness

TRORC helped coordinate the Hazardous Materials Statewide Commodity Flow Study to inform and update emergency response plans, hazard analysis and response procedures. Our LEPC #12 efforts with local emergency responders and town officials continue across the region. TRORC assisted all member towns with their Local Emergency Operations Plans and have been working with the final towns to complete the updates to municipal Hazard Mitigation Plans. Following the flooding event of July 1, TRORC worked with the majority of towns in our region on flood assistance and FEMA coordination. TRORC continues to work on closing out buyout properties and re-use park projects from the 2011 Irene flooding. To date, we have coordinated the purchasing of 142 homes damaged in Irene, helping to avoid future flood damage to structures on those sites.

Regional Energy Plan

The Vermont Department of Public Service has approved TRORC's Regional Energy Implementation Plan and Regional Plan and awarded a "Determination of Energy Compliance." The Plans outline a pathway to implement the goals and policies of the Vermont Comprehensive Energy Plan at the regional level by setting regional targets for specific energy conservation, generation and fuel switching strategies, helping the state meet 90% of energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. TRORC is currently working with a number of towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to meet the new state standards and recommendations so that Town Plans can be given greater weight in Section 248 proceedings.

Transportation

TRORC is administering the Grants-In-Aid program in our region to provide funding for towns to implement best management practices on municipal roads ahead of the state's forthcoming Municipal Roads General Permit provisions. Some of the projects include grass and stone-lined ditches, improvement and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets. TRORC staff have also been busy with Road Erosion and Culvert Inventory projects with many municipalities, and we have continued sponsoring Transportation Advisory Committee meetings and facilitating meetings with our region's road foremen.

Specifically in Braintree this past year, we prepared applications for a town plan update Municipal Planning Grant and seven Better Roads applications. TRORC also assisted Braintree with a Grants-In-Aid municipal road ditching project on Bent Hill Road, and drafted an enhanced energy plan.

We are committed to serving you, and welcome opportunities to assist you in the future.

Respectfully submitted, Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director

William B. Emmons, III, Chairperson, Pomfret



REPORT TO BRAINTREE ON STAGECOACH SERVICES

November 2017

Thank you for your support of community transportation services. **In the past year, Stagecoach's Dial-A-Ride System directly provided 15 door-to-door rides for Braintree residents** either by volunteer drivers or on wheelchair accessible vehicles. Stagecoach's Bus, Dial-a-Ride, and Partners Systems provided a total of **89,000** rides. All of Stagecoach's transportation programs enable community members to maintain their independence, gain and keep employment and access critical healthcare services. Thank you for your past support of community transportation services.

Dial-A-Ride System –Focuses on specialized populations including elders, persons with disabilities and low-income families/individuals who are unable to access the bus system. **In Braintree, Dial-A-Ride offers direct access from home to medical treatments, social services, radiation & dialysis and substance abuse treatment.**

Bus System – Promotes economic development, energy conservation, mobility independence and quality of life. **Braintree residents can access bus services** to employment and shopping centers in Montpelier, Randolph, White River Junction, and the Hanover-Lebanon NH. **Braintree residents can utilize the Maxi Taxi Monday-Friday between 9:00 and 3:00 to access to local destinations including meal site/senior programs, adult day care services, pharmacies, and food shopping.**

Volunteer Driver Program – Stagecoach uses an extensive network of Volunteer Drivers to provide coordinated and caring rides throughout our rural service area. Volunteer Drivers are essential in providing cost effective and community driven services, and are the foundation of our Dial-A-Ride Program. *Volunteer Drivers connect friends, support independence and promote healthy living.*

If you are interested in becoming a Stagecoach Volunteer Driver, please contact our office.

Information-- Please feel free to contact us with questions or to request additional information on Stagecoach services at 802-728-3773.

County of Orange Annual Report 2017

This report highlights the activities and expenses of Orange County during the county's 2017 fiscal year which began February 1, 2017 and ended January 31, 2018.

County Support for the Sheriff's Department

The Orange County budget supports basic civilian operations at the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's department budget accounts for about 63% of the total county budget. We support the Sheriff's department at a higher level than many surrounding counties due to the fact that there are no other 24/7 staffed law enforcement agencies in Orange County. This 24/7 capability is most vital as it applies to domestic violence cases. We attempt to level fund the department's portion of the county budget where appropriate. The 2018 fiscal year budget includes increases in wages for civilian dispatchers in order to remain competitive and retain good workers. The training budget is also increased mostly due to constant changes in mandatory law enforcement training.

You can call the Sheriff's department directly for assistance at all hours--685-4875.

County Courthouse

Good News! The 1997 bond has finally been paid off and in fiscal year 2018 Orange County will receive the first of ten annual interest rebate payments as the result of a debt restructuring by the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank.

During the past year the south side of the courthouse was scraped and repainted. All the shutters on that side were removed, repaired and also repainted. This work involved lead paint remediation and was hampered by many weather delays, but was finally completed in August.

The other significant project of 2017 involved replacing the sewer line from the courthouse to the connection to the town sewer line on Court Street. This line had backed up a few times during the year and it was best to replace the entire line.

Projects planned for fiscal year 2018 include installing a generator. In the past year we had several power outages that completely disrupted court operations including a day on which over 60 potential jurors had to be sent home. The funds for the generator will come from our Capital Reserve Fund. We will also be painting the north side of the courthouse, attending to those shutters and also beginning some interior painting. The interior of the courthouse has not been painted in over 10 years and we'll be working to complete that work in due course.

As always, we encourage more interest and participation in the budgeting process. The preliminary budget hearing is always held in mid December and the annual meeting in the last week of January. As per statute, we send notices of these meetings and copies of the proposed budget to town clerks and selectboards and publish notices in *The Journal Opinion* and *The Herald of Randolph*.

Please contact us with questions or comments at the courthouse 685-4610.

Orange County Assistant Judges: Joyce McKeeman, Corinth and Vickie Weiss, Tunbridge.

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Agency of Human Services

Vermont Department of Health Report for Braintree

Your local health district office is in Barre City at the address and phone number above. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With twelve district offices around the state, and state office and laboratory in Chittenden County, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. By partnering with community groups, we also address the many social determinants that impact health. These factors are: education, transportation, housing, poverty, public safety, community engagement, and health care. Some examples of our work in 2017 include:

Supported healthy communities: The Health Department's 3-4-50 initiative aims to engage multiple sectors – business, education, municipalities – in implementing policies and strategies that will reduce the three (3) behaviors of tobacco use, physical inactivity, and poor diet that lead to four (4) chronic diseases of cancer, heart disease and stroke, diabetes, and lung disease that result in more than 50% of deaths in Washington County. Some local examples include, awards of Worksite Wellness grants and school Wellness Policy development that promote healthy eating and physical activity. VDH has also partnered with Community Connections for tobacco prevention education with adolescents.

Work continues to be done to build trauma-informed communities that understand Adverse Childhood Events (ACEs) and how they impact the health of our community. One in every four of Vermont's children have experienced a significant adverse childhood event. That is important data as we work with schools, clinics, and providers in creating a prevention model of mental and physical health across the life-span. The Childhood Trauma Education Initiative has provided collaboration and technical assistance to organizations and schools working on becoming trauma-informed and we have seen these efforts expand to many of our area schools and into the surrounding communities through the Building Flourishing Communities initiative.

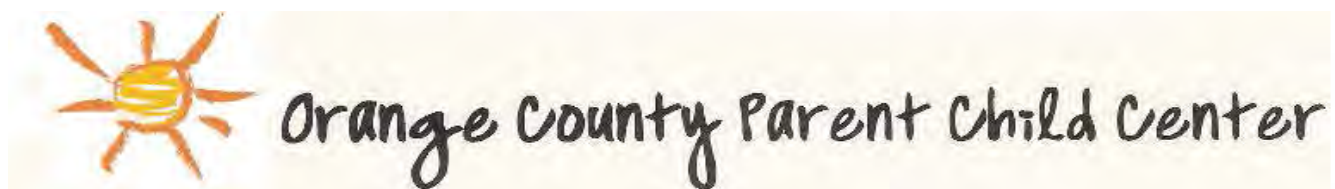
Provided WIC nutrition services and healthy foods to families: We served 1640 pregnant women and children to age five in the Barre district with WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children). WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling and breastfeeding support. We partner with employers, grocery stores, and farmers markets across the state to enable women and children in our community to use a debit-like card to access nutritious foods. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month. Brain development depends on healthy food, and WIC support during pregnancy and early childhood benefits the growth of our families. Together with WIC, our Public Health Nurses refer families to the Family Center, Nurse Family Partnership, and Children's Integrated Services to promote healthy family development.



For more information, news, alerts and resources: Visit us on the web at www.healthvermont.gov.
Join us on www.facebook.com/vdhbarre and follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: In 2017, \$15,014,203 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases was distributed to healthcare providers statewide. Community education on the prevention of mosquito and tick-borne illness was provided at a variety of venues through collaboration with the Central Vermont Medical Reserve Corp (MRC at oncallforvt.org).

Aided communities in addressing substance abuse and misuse: Regional Prevention Partnerships statewide worked to increase state and community capacity to prevent underage and binge drinking, and reduce prescription drug misuse and marijuana use. In Washington County, we assisted grantees with creating educational documents for municipalities on the benefits of limiting alcohol advertising and retail locations, educating the community on the safe storage and disposal of prescription medications, expanding prescription drug drop off locations, promoting federal drug takeback days, and hosting parenting classes.



One of 15 parent child centers in Vermont, the Orange County Parent Child Center strengthens families with young children and connects them to their communities. We accomplish this through home visiting, supervised visitation, weekly playgroups, case management, onsite programming, and community outreach events. Some of our programs serve all families while others require income eligibility or place an emphasis on pregnant and parenting teens and families lacking support due to social isolation, poverty, insecure housing, or lack of other vital community resources.

OCPCC's programs include: Children's Integrated Services Family Support and Family Support Nursing, Welcome Baby visits, six free community playgroups, Kids Place supervised visitation and exchanges, Reach Up case management, Families Learning Together program, Early Care & Education, parent education, kinship care support groups, and resource & referral services. You can learn more at www.orangecountypcc.org.

Last year, with the continued support of your community, we were able to serve 17 families from Braintree including 28 adults and 43 children.

Mary Ellen Otis
Executive Director

Randolph Area Food Shelf

The Randolph Area Food Shelf has been serving the local community since 1977, providing food to people in need in the towns of Randolph, Braintree, Brookfield, and East Granville.

In 2017 we provided food to 492 households in our service area, representing 1,371 individuals. Of these 492 households, 89 are in Braintree, representing 255 individuals. Food Shelf clients made a total of 2,340 visits in 2017.

In addition to our regular food pantry, the Food Shelf administers two USDA federal nutrition programs: The Commodity Supplemental Food Program and the Emergency Food Assistance Program. Also in 2017, the Food Shelf's School Kids Program (SKiP) served over 5,640 lunchtime meals to kids over 10 weeks in June, July, and August and during the February and April school breaks. Finally, during the 2017 holiday season, we prepared and distributed 128 Christmas Boxes, which contained all the ingredients for a complete and healthy holiday meal.

The Randolph Area Food Shelf is overseen by a 9-member Board of Trustees and operates solely with the help of over 80 dedicated volunteers; there is no paid staff. Money appropriated from the Town of Braintree by vote at town meeting will help us continue our mission as we strive to create a community in which every individual has access to sufficient food.

Many thanks to the Braintree community for your support! For more information, or if you are interested in volunteering, please visit us on the web at www.randolphareafoodshelf.org or call us at 802-431-0144.

Arts Bus

The Arts Bus has been on the road since 2010, providing children, ages 1 – 14, with opportunities to explore their individual creativity and develop their innovative abilities through the arts. A diverse curriculum of performing, visual and literary arts instruction and related projects and activities is offered by a talented and committed staff of artist-mentors, all of whom live and work in the communities we serve. When a child, or adult, walks on to the the bus, they will find any number of activities prepared for them to enjoy: ceramics, music and movement, painting, mask making, visual arts, writing and storytelling, paper arts, theater and drama, clowning and mime. . . the list goes on and on, limited only by the boundless imaginations of our artists. There is no charge to participants to come on board the bus and enjoy our art activities; Arts Bus funds its programming through local donations, grants and fundraisers. Arts Bus thanks all those who have contributed to our organization, which has kept the bus rolling, as well as our wonderful volunteers! Working together on this locally developed, grassroots organization has made it possible to not only arrive at our 8 year milestone, but to grow and expand along the way (our original route in 2010 included 4 towns, and we are now up to 13 towns, with 100+ stops a year.)

The Arts Bus is requesting \$500 in town appropriations monies for the 2018 fiscal year. In the past year the Arts Bus has made a public stop at Abel Mountain Campground and is scheduling a visit to the Braintree school in the fall or early winter. Braintree residents have also been served by the bus at day care centers, PreK programs, the Kimball Library and public events in Randolph. Want to learn more? Visit our website: www.artsbusvt.org.

Central Vermont Council on Aging Annual Report of Services to Braintree (FY17)

Central Vermont Council on Aging is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting elders and family caregivers in leading self-determined, healthy, interdependent, meaningful and dignified lives in their homes and communities.

For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent for as long as possible. We connect the elders in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income or resources.

Some of the options we make available include:

- Senior Help Line - (800) 642-5119 - has the answers to hundreds of common questions from elders, families and caregivers.
- Information & Assistance staff counsel elders and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, and more.
- Case Managers work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement and coordinate individualized long-term care plans.
- Nutrition Services oversees the menu development for home-delivered and community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals.
- State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, group training, and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans.
- Family Caregiver Support promotes the well-being of the family members who help to make it possible for seniors to remain in their home.

During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 35 Braintree residents. Case Manager, Brenda Traegde is designated to work directly with the seniors in Braintree. Central Vermont Council on Aging devoted a total of 192 hours of service to Braintree seniors.

All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of Braintree for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of those who have contributed to making the Central Vermont communities what they are today.

Capstone Community Action

Fall 2017 Report to the Citizens of Braintree

Since 1965, Capstone Community Action (formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council) has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington Counties and nine communities in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland Counties. We help people build better lives for themselves, their families and their communities. This year, Capstone Community Action served 14,460 people in 8,162 Vermont households through Head Start and Early Head Start, business development, financial education, food shelves and nutrition resources, housing counseling, tax preparation, teen parent education, emergency heating assistance, home weatherization, workforce training, healthcare navigation, and more.

Programs and services accessed by 82 Braintree households representing 126 individuals this past year included:

- 14 individuals in 6 households accessed nutritious meals and/ or meal equivalents at the food shelf.
- 18 households with 47 family members were able to keep heating their homes with help from our Crisis & Supplemental fuel programs as well as other utility costs.
- 10 individuals in 3 households worked with housing counselors to find and retain affordable, safe, secure housing.
- 7 homeless individuals worked with housing counselors to find and retain affordable, safe, secure housing.
- 1 household received an emergency furnace repair and 2 household furnaces were replaced at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient for residents.
- 1 household was weatherized at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient.
- 1 person found and maintained reliable transportation with support from the Capstone Transportation Project, including car purchases.
- 1 person attended classes or met one-on-one with a financial counselor to be better able to manage and grow family finances.
- 20 residents had their taxes prepared at no charge by Capstone's IRS certified volunteers ensuring them all the refunds and credits they were due.
- 1 childcare provider received nutrition education and were reimbursed for the cost of serving nutritious meals and snacks to the 7 children in their care.
- 14 people received information and assistance for signing up for Vermont Health Connect.
- 1 resident received a referral for the Jobs for Independence program.

Capstone thanks the residents of Braintree for their generous support this year!

Child and Family Services
Ayers Brook., Randolph, VT 05060
(802) 728-4466

Community Support Services
24 South Main St., Randolph, VT 05060
(802) 728-6000

Adult and Children Outpatient Services
1483 Lower Plain Rd., Bradford, VT 05033
(802) 222-4477

Farmhouse
P O Box 278, Bradford, VT 05033
(802) 222-4477

East Valley Academy
579 VT Rte. 14 So., East Randolph, VT 05041
(802) 728-3896

Central VT Substance Abuse Services (CVSAS)
100 Hospitality Drive, Berlin, VT 05601
(802) 223-4156

Safe Haven
4 Highland Ave., Randolph, VT 05060
(802) 728-5233

Regional Alternative Program
Norwich Avenue, Wilder, VT 05088
(802) 295-8628

Wilder
PO Box 816, Wilder VT 05088
(802) 295-1311

Clara Martin Center provides a multitude of services throughout greater Orange County to best meet the needs of community members in a holistic approach. These include individual, couples, and group therapy and services for co-occurring mental health and substance abuse. We also offer psychiatric consultations and evaluations and medication management services. Services are confidential and include:

- Outpatient Counseling
- Hospital Diversion
- Psychiatric Services
- Walk-in Clinic
- Short-term crisis intervention
- Vocational Services
- School and Home-based services
- Alcohol and other drug treatment
- Education for families
- Respite Care
- Community resource assistance
- 24-hour emergency system

Clara Martin Center is your local community mental health agency, providing behavioral health and substance abuse services to the greater Orange County area for the last 50 years.

Clara Martin Center's broad range of programs serve children, families, couples and individuals. Services are confidential and include counseling, psychiatric services, consultations, short term crisis intervention, school and home-based services, education for families related to emotional and behavioral challenges, community resource assistance, hospital diversion, respite care, housing, vocational services, alcohol and other drug treatment, a walk-in clinic and 24 hour emergency services.

With 50 years of experience and leadership under our belt, Clara Martin Center remains positioned to rise to meet the needs and challenges of the communities we serve. Recent events in our communities have spotlighted opiate use, where Clara Martin Center is at the forefront of this epidemic, providing help to those in the community dealing with this problem. Anyone can get help through our Substance Abuse programming by simply walking through our doors, or calling 728-4466.

Prevention programming for at-risk teens through Clara Martin Center's TAY (Transition Age Youth) puts clinicians out on the street to engage and connect with youth in order to intervene and/or treat substance abuse and mental health issues that impact their ability to thrive in the world. This program aims to reduce the risk factors for youth by helping them to obtain and keep stable housing, jobs, and build skills to achieve long term success in their lives for themselves and others.

For more information about Clara Martin Center services, visit our website at www.claramartin.org.

FY16 TOTAL SERVED AT CMC		TOTAL SERVED Braintree	
Children & Family Services	556	Children & Family Services	24
School Services	87	School Services	1
JOBS	130	JOBS	1
Adult Services	594	Adult Services	14
CSP Services	180	CSP Services	3
Supportive & Transitional Housing	45	Supportive & Transitional Housing	1
Substance Abuse Services	572	Substance Abuse Services	9
Corrections Services	55	Corrections Services	2
Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	476	Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic	7
Access	1106	Access	19
Total Served - unduplicated	2234	Total seen:	53
CVSAS	1286	CVSAS	1

The Greater Randolph Senior Center

The Greater Randolph Senior Center serves the adult populations of Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph and is open 9 am – 2 pm, Monday-Thursday. We serve lunch at Noon and no reservation is needed. Ongoing activities are exercise classes, cribbage, card games, bingo, book club, mahjongg, foot clinics, flu shot clinic, crafts, live music, wellness speakers and trips. The Meals on Wheels program is available for people 60 years and older, and who may be temporarily or permanently unable to prepare meals for themselves or their spouses. We also deliver Meals on Wheels to people under 60 years, who submit an application that is approved through the VT Center for Independent Living. The Center is available to Braintree residents for family parties/dinners/meetings and memorial services.

Volunteers help with various duties, such as serve on the Board of Directors, help in the kitchen, serve lunch, set and bus tables, deliver Meals on Wheels, bake goods for fundraisers, fold and label monthly newsletters, provide computer and AARP tax assistance, host educational programs, and generally make the Center a welcoming place to visit.

The Center has been serving Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph since 1973, and the continued support of these communities will ensure we are here for the future. Revenues come from participants in our meals programs; from community members, from municipal contributions, fundraising activities, Bequests, gifts made “In Memory of” and from the Central VT Council on Aging and VT Ctr for Independent Living.

We are your local senior center and welcome adults of all ages. Last year we delivered 8,416 meals to homebound residents and served 6,518 meals at the Center. Please drop in for lunch one day!

Report for Braintree, VT. Emilie P. Daniel, Executive Director, Dec. 29, 2017

Kimball Public Library

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www.KimballLibrary.org • info@KimballLibrary.org

What is a public library for? To many people, the most obvious answer is, “to lend books.” And this is true: public libraries do lend books. Your public library – Kimball Library – also lends DVDs, magazines, and audiobooks.¹ And two iPads and a Kindle. And passes to museums.² The staff members at your public library help families help their kids learn how to read, and play together, and use scissors and glue and paint.³ We also help people of all ages navigate the wild world of the digital age: job applications, IRS forms, Facebook, and Minecraft are all part of a regular day.⁴ Your public library is by no means confined to the building. At KimballLibrary.org, you can borrow ebooks and audiobooks,⁵ take a continuing education class – just about anything from dog training to accounting⁶ – or learn how to repair your car, start a new business, or speak a new language.⁷ Not only can you partake of library services anytime and anywhere you have internet access, the library can come to you if you are housebound or provide childcare services in your home.⁸ Kimball Public Library: books and beyond!

¹ Choose from the 19,000 books, 950 DVDs, 37 subscriptions, and 1,600 audiobooks in the collection, or request materials from other libraries.

² 8, to be exact.

³ 146 programs for kids and 38 for adults, with a total attendance of 3,800 in FY17.

⁴ Use one of the Library’s 4 computers, or access the wifi with your own device. We have a 100mbps fiber connection.

⁵ 8,700 and 4,700 respectively, from Overdrive.

⁶ Universal Class.

⁷ Vermont Online Library.

⁸ We made 130 deliveries to residences and childcare providers in FY17.

Braintree by the numbers:

354 residents representing 219 households are active Kimball Library patrons.

2 in-home childcares receive twice monthly deliveries of books to support early literacy.

Staff

Courtney Bowen, youth services librarian

Lynne Gately, adult services librarian

Amy C. Grasmick, director

Debra Marckres, Jane Bennett, assistant librarians

Trustees

Robin Goodall

Kelly Green (chair)

Tamara Morgan

Sally Penrod

Paulette Staats

ORANGE COUNTY COURT DIVERSION

Orange County Court Diversion (OCCD) is a community based restorative justice program, offering cost effective alternatives to the criminal and civil court system. Our primary focus is the Court Diversion program for eligible adult and juvenile offenders referred by the State's Attorney. Other programs include the:

- **Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program (YSASP)** for youth receiving civil complaints for underage alcohol or marijuana possession;
- **Driver's License Suspension Program**, helping Vermonters reinstate their licenses through income-sensitive fine repayment plans;
- **Pre-Trial Services Program**, providing support and services related to mental health and substance abuse for adults facing charges in criminal court.

The heart of our organization is Court Diversion. A Restorative Panel, comprised of volunteers from Orange County, works with clients to address the harm they caused to victims and the community while working on underlying factors that contributed to the criminal act. Clients must take responsibility for their actions and be accountable for completing a contract that they develop with the Restorative Panel. Approximately 90% of the clients successfully complete our Court Diversion program. Those who fail have their cases returned to court for prosecution.

During the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2017, 183 clients were referred for services. Of those, 85 were referred from juvenile and adult court for criminal offenses, and 98 were referred for YSASP. With few exceptions, all cases involved offenses that occurred in Orange County. During FY17, OCCDP processed 3 cases in which the offender either resided in Braintree, and/or the offense occurred in Braintree. OCCDP's FY17 operating budget was \$110,930.00

For a number of years we have been proud to be supported by appropriations from every town in Orange County. Braintree appropriated \$ 200.00 for FY17 to support OCCDP. Our program is requesting the same appropriation request for FY18. Questions and additional information concerning the program should be directed to Jessica Schmidt, Executive Director, Orange County Court Diversion, P.O. Box 58, Chelsea, VT 05038. (802-685-3172)

SAFELINE, INC.
P.O. Box 368, Chelsea, VT 05038
safelineinfo@safelinevt.org
(802) 685-7900 office
(800) 639-7933 24/7 hotline

Safeline, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides free and confidential services for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking in Orange County and northern Windsor County.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, Safeline's staff and volunteers provided 2,251 services for 362 victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking. **37 services were provided for 6 victims who identified themselves as residents of Braintree.** It is likely that these statistics are understated, as victims often choose not to give any identifying information out of fear for their own safety. Most of the victims have children within their family.

A trained advocate is always available to provide crisis support, safety planning, resources, information and referrals through Safeline's 24 hours a day/7days a week Hotline (1-800-639-7233). Survivors can also choose from a wide array of additional services including legal advocacy, day shelter services, job readiness skills development, and financial management education.

In addition to providing direct services, Safeline is a resource for the community at large and is committed to changing the culture of violence. As part of this work, Safeline offers a full range of prevention education for community organizations, schools, medical centers, faith communities, youth groups, and anyone who is seeking information about domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking. Safeline's staff offered "How Domestic Violence Effects Children and What You Can Do to Help" for local school staff.

We thank the voters of Braintree for your support as we strive to end domestic violence and sexual abuse.

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH
Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Braintree, VT

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 VNH made 1,748 homecare visits to 29 Braintree residents. This included approximately \$24,592 in unreimbursed care to Braintree residents.

- Home Health Care: 200 home visits to 20 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- Long-Term Care: 35 home visits to 3 residents with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.
- Hospice Services: 1,512 home visits to 5 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- Skilled Pediatric Care: 1 home visits to 1 resident for well baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Braintree's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,


Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

WARNING

Orange Southwest Unified Union District (Orange Southwest School District) For Braintree, Brookfield, and Randolph ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING Monday, March 5, 2018

TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF RANDOLPH, BRAINTREE, and BROOKFIELD:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the voters of Randolph, Braintree & Brookfield will be held in the Murray Auditorium at the Randolph Union High School in the Town of Randolph on Monday, March 5, 2018, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

NOTICE TO VOTERS: ARTICLES I, II, III, IV, V and VI will be voted on the Floor.

Polls for voting on Articles VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV & XV will be open on Town Meeting Day, Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the following locations and at the following times in each town:

Braintree: Braintree Town Hall from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

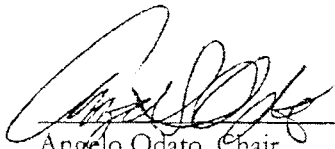
Brookfield: Brookfield Elementary School from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

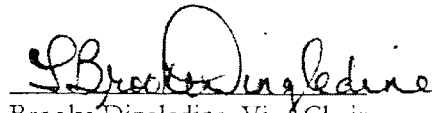
Randolph: Randolph Town Hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

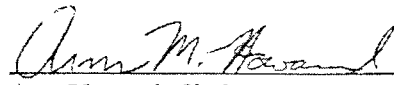
- ARTICLE I: To elect a Moderator for a one year term beginning July 1, 2018.
- ARTICLE II: To elect a Clerk for a one year term beginning July 1, 2018.
- ARTICLE III: To elect a School District Treasurer for a one year term beginning July 1, 2018.
- ARTICLE IV: To fill any vacancies existing or occurring on March 5, 2018.
- ARTICLE V: To hear and act upon the reports of the officers of the school district.
- ARTICLE VI: To see whether the school district will authorize the School Board to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the member towns, by the issuance of notes or orders payable not later than one year from the date thereof.
- ARTICLE VII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:
1. - One School Director from the residents of Randolph, VT for a term of three years.
- ARTICLE VIII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:
1. - One School Director from the residents of Braintree, VT for a term of three years.
- ARTICLE IX: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:
1. - One School Director from the residents of Brookfield, VT for a term of three years.
- ARTICLE X: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:
1. - One School Director from the residents of Randolph, VT to complete two years of a three year term.

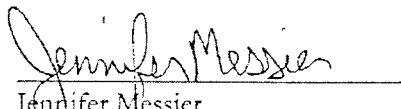
- ARTICLE XI: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:
1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the school board to expend **\$16,659,923**, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of **\$15,616.71** per equalized pupil.
- ARTICLE XII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:
1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of **\$769,599** in surplus funds from the 2016-2017 school year to the Facility Maintenance Reserve Fund?
- ARTICLE XIII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:
1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of **\$242,000** in surplus funds from the 2016-2017 school year to the Transportation Reserve Fund?
- ARTICLE XIV: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:
1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of **\$30,000** in surplus funds from the 2016-2017 school year to the Financial Systems Upgrade Reserve Fund?
- ARTICLE XV: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:
1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of **\$12,000** in surplus funds from the 2016-2017 school year to the Legal Services Fund?

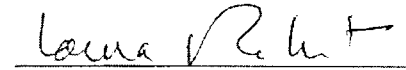
DATED at Randolph in the County of Orange and State of Vermont, this 8th day of January, 2018.

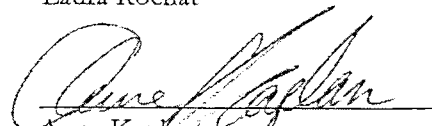

Angelo Odato, Chair

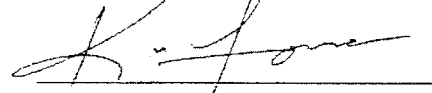

Brooke Dingledine, Vice Chair


Ann Howard, Clerk


Jennifer Messier


Laura Rochat


Anne Kaplan


Kate Forrer


Paul Putney
OSSD School Board Directors

Received and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Orange Southwest School District, in Randolph on
January 25, 2018 before being posted.

ATTEST: 
Clerk

NOTICE TO VOTERS

Attached is some basic information about the Orange Southwest School District meeting warned. If you have any questions, please contact your Town Clerk.

Braintree Town Clerk - 728-9787
Brookfield Town Clerk - 276-3352
Randolph Town Clerk - 728-5682

MINUTES

**Orange Southwest Unified Union District
(Orange Southwest School District)
For Braintree, Brookfield, and Randolph
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
Monday, March 6, 2017
Randolph Union High School @ 6 p.m.**

Minutes to be approved at the OSSD Meeting on April 10, 2017

NOTICE TO VOTERS: ARTICLES I, II, III, IV, V and VI will be voted on the Floor.

Board Members present: Angelo Odatto, Brooke Dingleline, Laura Rochat, Ann Howard & Kate Forrer

Administrators present: Brent Kay & Pat Miller

Moderator: Peter Nowlan Treasurer: Joyce Mazzucco Clerk: Linda Lubold

Guests: Brenda Flint, Jessica Brassard, William Strickland, Sherri Strickland, Amy Ferris, Paul Kendall, Patsy French, Mary Lou Maeder, Dylan Kelley from The Herald

The meeting was called to order by Peter Nowlan at 6:01p.m.

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance. Board member introductions were made.

ARTICLE I: To elect a Moderator for a one year term beginning July 1, 2017.

Paul Kendall nominated Peter Nowlan for Moderator which was seconded by Joyce Mazzucco. The motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE II: To elect a Clerk for a one year term beginning July 1, 2017.

Joyce Mazzucco nominated Linda Lubold for Clerk which was seconded by Patsy French. The motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE III: To elect a School District Treasurer for a one year term beginning July 1, 2017.

Paul Kendall nominated Joyce Mazzucco for School District Treasurer which was seconded by Patsy French. The motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE IV: To fill any vacancies existing or occurring on March 6, 2017.

No vacancies were existing or occurring.

ARTICLE V: To hear and act upon the reports of the officers of the school district.

Patsy French made the motion to accept the reports of the officers of the school district which was seconded by Joyce Mazzucco. The motion passed by voice vote.

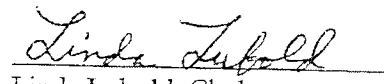
Brief discussions were held regarding pre-school, staff changes for next year, and tax rates for the three towns. Peter Nowlan reminded folks of the Australian ballot vote tomorrow with polling places and times.

ARTICLE VI: To see whether the school district will authorize the School Board to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the member towns, by the issuance of notes or orders payable not later than one year from the date thereof.

Ann Howard made the motion which was seconded by Patsy French to authorize the School Board to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the member towns, by the issuance of notes or orders payable not later than one year from the date thereof. The motion passed by voice vote.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m. was made by Joyce Mazzucco and seconded by Mary Lou Maeder.


Peter Nowlan, Moderator


Linda Lubold, Clerk

ORANGE SOUTHWEST UNIFIED UNION DISTRICT
(ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT)
RESULTS OF
BUDGET VOTE - TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

ARTICLE VII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:

1. - One School Director from the residents of Randolph, VT for a term of three years.

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Write In:

James Sault	1	George Gray	1	Jim Tucker	1
Ed Koren	1	Andra Mills	1	Joel Tillberg	1
Jacklyn Angell	1	Paul Putney	1	Anne Kaplan	1
William Morgan	1	Gerry Tallman	1	Kirstin Quick	1

ARTICLE VIII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following Orange Southwest School District Officer:

1. - One School Director from the residents of Braintree, VT for a term of three years.

ANN M. HOWARD 773 Blank 147

Write In:

Marcia Dustin	1	Cathy Ingalls	1	Kate Kennedy	1
Jon Joy	1				

ARTICLE IX: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:

1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the school board to expend \$16,307,278, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$15,070.06 per equalized pupil.

YES 615 NO 291 Blank 18

ARTICLE X: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:

1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of \$200,000 in surplus funds from the 2015-2016 school year to the Facility Maintenance Reserve Fund?

YES 692 NO 208 Blank 24

ARTICLE XI: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:

1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of \$160,336 in surplus funds from the 2015-2016 school year to the Transportation Reserve Fund?

YES 707 NO 200 Blank 17

ARTICLE XII: To vote by Australian ballot on the following monetary item:

1. Shall the voters of the Orange Southwest School District approve the transfer of \$100,000 in surplus funds from the 2015-2016 school year to the Financial Systems Upgrade Reserve Fund?

YES 635 NO 264 Blank 25

Attest:

Linda S. Lubold
Linda S. Lubold, Clerk

Superintendent's Annual Report 2017-18

As we reflect on the past year and plan the future of the OSSD and its schools, it is important to provide the communities we serve with the context of the current environment in which we operate so that they can judge how effectively we have handled the sacred trusts they have given to our care: educating their children and applying public funds to that task in a manner that is justifiably appropriate. All organizations face pressures that influence their ability to achieve their goals; successful organizations adapt by finding ways to mitigate the impact of those pressures and the OSSD is no exception. We face two external pressures that we must adapt to or risk falling far short of our vision that all students are able to achieve their fullest potentials in terms of knowledge, adaptability, and the ability to critically evaluate any situation in order to solve problems and make informed decisions.

The first is an elevated uncertainty in the budgetary landscape across Vermont as it pertains to education. The state has predicted a budget shortfall of forty-to-fifty million dollars going into the current budget season that it must compensate for. In terms of tax rates, this alone equates to a six-to-nine cent increase per hundred dollars of assessed property value across the state to address. This landscape is further complicated by a declining population, decreasing school enrollments and negligible increases in Vermonters' incomes. Because of this, the OSSD has done its part by creating a budget for FY 2019 that only increases funding in very specific areas where required by mandate or where it is imperative to do so to reach clearly defined district goals. Significant cuts have also been made in areas that would not affect the overall quality or diversity of the programming we offer to students. The budget we have developed for FY 2019 is reasonable, allows us to achieve our mission, and comes in below the state average in terms of per pupil expenditures.

The only true increase in next year's budget is focused on providing the required services to our growing special needs population. It is a fact, that the number of students who have suffered significant trauma in their lives has been on the rise across the state of Vermont, and that our district has not avoided this trend. This trauma not only impacts an individual student's ability to engage in school, it also affects the school's ability to engage its remaining population as the behaviors students of trauma learn to compensate for the emotions they feel are often incompatible with an academic environment. Next year, the district will spend nearly four-hundred-thousand dollars more to tuition students out whose needs are too severe to be handled in-house to ensure they have the opportunity to advance academically as is their right. The district has also added a full-time adjustment counselor to the budget to support the high school's efforts to provide students of moderate trauma the skills to overcome the impact it has on their ability to succeed socially and academically. The proposed budget for FY 2019 will leave us well poised to adapt to this outside pressure that constrains our efforts on behalf of all students.

Other additions to the budget include an additional first-grade teacher to Randolph Elementary to ensure optimal class sizes in that grade given a predicted increase of more than ten students next year. We have also added minimal funding to the athletic budget to ensure the availability of an athletic trainer at all events for increased student safety.

To balance out these additions, we have also made cuts. The slow decline in student enrollments over time have left the high school overstaffed. The elementary schools were able to achieve reasonable student-to-staff ratios through natural attrition over the past few years. The intent was to allow the same process to play out at the high school, but the circumstances given the state's budget shortfall have forced us to accelerate this process. There will be a reduction at RUHS of four full-time staff members next year. This reduction will have a minimal impact of the level and diversity of programming we are able to offer our students.

Lastly, I would be very remiss if I did not point out that the OSSD has fantastic teachers who are more talented than any I have worked with across the entirety of my career. Every day they deliver high quality instruction, they connect with students on a positive and personal level, and they maintain a relentless dedication to student success. I invite the community to visit our schools to bear witness to the exceptional things that happen in our classrooms every day.

Sincerely,

Layne Millington



Cuxhaven kids

2017 Randolph, Braintree, Brookfield Elementary Town Report

The OSSD Elementary Administrators are pleased to report that Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph Elementary Schools continue to provide the children of our towns with an outstanding educational experience. The Orange Southwest District's three elementary schools continue to work together effectively to capitalize on our shared resources and expertise to insure that each student is prepared for the next stage of his or her educational life. This district is extremely fortunate to attract and maintain a community of highly skilled and dedicated teachers and support staff who educate, inspire and support our students in each school every day. On behalf of all of the staff and families comprising Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph Elementary, we express our gratitude to you, our neighbors, for your continuous positive support of our outstanding schools!

Our goal is always to provide a high-quality education to all of our students to justify the resources invested by the community. We strive to provide the best learning opportunities possible through our continued content and trauma-focused professional development, curriculum coordination across grade levels and schools, refinement of our local assessments and use of that data to explicitly support and enhance the learning of all our students. In addition to our locally identified needs, there are many unfunded federal and state mandates put on the shoulders of schools. Our district has effectively met those requirements and still continues to improve and address student learning needs within budget parameters. Like most school systems across Vermont, we continue to be affected by declining or fluctuating enrollments and have seen an increase in student needs. We have intentionally and thoughtfully responded to this challenge through fiscally responsible reductions or reassignments in staffing while continuing to be responsive to student needs.

In addition to the issue of declining enrollment, our schools are also affected by other community and societal challenges, including: a significant increase in poverty over the last decade; the current opioid crisis; a high percentage of our children having had significant trauma in their life; and an overwhelmed mental health system struggling to support families across the county and state. In recent years, we have seen growing numbers of our young elementary students who are coping with extremely difficult life situations, hunger, homelessness, abuse, and emotional trauma. For many children in our community, school is a safe haven in addition to a place of education. In order for many of our students to be available to learn, they need emotional and physical security, which our schools work hard to provide. Despite these real and daily challenges, we are committed to effectively educating and nurturing each individual child to prepare them for the next stages of their lives and beyond.

While the challenges we face can sometimes be difficult, they also lead us to positive and effective problem-solving and intentional changes to our practices. All three of our district elementary schools have been and continue to engage in implementing a research-based PBIS framework (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports). We are working with outside consultants to increase our knowledge and our capacity of skills for working with students who

have endured much trauma in their lives. We continue to build the infrastructure for fully implementing a Multi-Tiered System of Supports. This is an approach to instruction and intervention that is comprehensive and systematic. It is a process for assessing and maximizing the opportunities to learn for all students within any content area. It emphasizes the importance of effective, culturally responsive and differentiated first teaching and effective early intervention supports for both academics and behavior for all students. This is important work to best meet the needs of all of our students.

One of the great gifts of any school is the many volunteers who support us throughout the year. We are indebted to our PAWS Reading Program volunteers, our library volunteers, Four Winds Parent Volunteers and the chaperones or helpers for all sorts of school events across the grade levels that lend a hand. They are so very much appreciated.

As we look to the future and consider the path ahead for our three elementary schools, we are committed to a long-term vision of a high-quality education for each child. With your ongoing support, we believe that our schools will continue to successfully prepare our youngest citizens to pursue their dreams and become contributing members of society well into the future. We invite you to visit us, share your ideas or ask questions, and become a part of the investment we are making in our town's most precious resource -- our children.



Dear Communities of Randolph, Brookfield and Braintree:

As we reach the midpoint of the school year, we are always glad for the opportunity to share an update with the wider community. We have much to be excited about, much still to work on - and we have the passionate, professional faculty to get the job done - in collaboration with you!

This year, in addition to our three towns, there are 11 other towns where families choose to send their children to our school: Barnard, Bethel, Stockbridge, Roxbury, Rochester, Granville, Hancock, Tunbridge, Chelsea, Waitsfield and Woodstock. We are proud to be a school that supports such a large central Vermont region!

Recent Data Paint a Positive Picture

The Agency of Education just recently confirmed that our four-year graduation rate for 2017 was above 90%. This was true for the previous year, and we anticipate the same for this year. This trend is an improvement over the past, when our 4 year rate was persistently below VT average. What accounts for this improvement? Rigor, Relevance and Relationships have something to do with it. We know the importance of Relationships in teaching and learning, Relevance in the curriculum, and Rigorous academic expectations. We can see our community's commitment to high academic standards in other recent data:

- **IRCs:** 95% of RU/RTCC juniors earned one or more Industry Recognized Credential last year.
- **SATs:** In 2016-2017, our students achieved on par with other VT schools and outscored the national average. RU students have outscored national averages in 1 or more area 4 of the last 5 years.
- **AP Exam Scores:** Last year, 52% of students taking AP exams earned a passing score, which is the highest percentage in the last four years. Noteworthy scores came in AP Bio, with half of students earning 4s.
- **College Acceptances:** RU students are accepted to an array of colleges every year, including, in the last three years, some of the nation's most competitive schools: University of Chicago, Columbia, Pratt School of Design, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Hamilton College, Hampshire College, Macalester College, Middlebury College, St. Lawrence University.

When a high school is able to see improvements in graduation rates coupled with strong external measures, such as AP scores, SAT scores, and our college enrollment portfolio, it paints a school picture of which we can be proud.

Community Needs and Feedback Inform Our Priorities

Our work is informed by the short and long terms goals of our students, their academic and social-emotional needs, and by the needs of our towns and broader society. Here are some of the ways our work connects to these needs and goals, from new courses, traditional offerings and much more:

- **Monthly parent-school-community meetings hosted by RU Principals:** These are valuable forums for face-to-face feedback from the people of the towns we serve.

- **Community-connections in the curriculum:** From our Project Based Learning electives, to “deployed classrooms” designed by our Director of Career & Workforce Development, to Senior Project, our students and teachers work in partnership with - literally - hundreds of community members each year.
- **Increased AP course opportunities:** In response to alumni and other stakeholders, we have expanded our offerings this year to include new courses in English and History.
- **Improved performance on mandated state tests:** We heard from the community that it is important that our scores on state SBAC tests be improved. Last year we saw improvements of: 23% in 8th gr Math, 21% in 8th gr English, and 25% in 11th gr English scores.
- **Better proficiency-based grading and reporting:** Students and families have noted that our current gradebook software is not adequate to the task of communicating clearly about student achievement to students and parents. We are actively pursuing an alternative for next year.
- **New student leadership opportunities:** Student leadership at RU takes various forms. Our National Honor Society Chapter has been active in many different service projects this year; our new Campus Life Committee is mobilizing grade/class leaders in new ways with positive impacts on school spirit; our leadership group called YATST (Youth & Adults Transforming Schools Together) is advocating for student voice at the teacher table when it comes to proficiency-based learning. And on Captains Council our varsity team leaders meet regularly to consider matters of school spirit, fair play, and even academic eligibility for extra-curriculars.
- **Augmented Student Services:** From our college exposure field trips at every grade level, to individualized counseling, to school counselors that co-teach psychology classes and abuse-prevention curriculum, the RU Student Services team does great work. The team has expanded to include a behavior intervention specialist and a clinical social worker who are already making a positive impact on individuals and the wider school climate.
- **36 Athletic Teams!** Our athletic director and coaching staff maintain an amazing array of opportunities, which build on the important youth sports programs of our towns. And if RU can’t field a particular team, we strive to meet the aspirations of student athletes through school-to-school agreements with nearby high schools.
- **Visual Arts, Music, and Drama:** At RU we recognize that the relevance of the arts spills across disciplines: as Richard Riley, former secretary of the Department of Education puts it “the arts play a vital role in learning how to learn.” Classes such as Construction Art have done great work in recent years. This fall, the class again won recognition in the Rutland Halloween Parade, a wonderful collaboration with the RU Music Department. The Music program has a reinvigorated sense of accomplishment this year: from concerts, to coffee houses, to a new digital music class in the PBL Lab. In the extra-curricular realm, the RU theater program performed two one act plays this fall, ensuring tremendous opportunities for young actors and technicians. March brings the premiere of a new play about Rosemary Kennedy, JFK's developmentally disabled sister.
- **International Travel & Exchange: 4 Continents!** In addition to rich offerings in two languages, we offer a special array of foreign exchange opportunities. Middle school students

have the opportunity to host students from our sister school in Japan, as well as travel abroad. In the high school, students in the Spanish program are preparing to travel to Nicaragua in March, in partnership with Planting Hope, a nonprofit based in Montpelier. (For more info you can visit “RUHS Nicaragua Service Learning” on the Go Fund Me website or Facebook.) In other opportunities, our French program anticipates continuing travel to Quebec and the Caribbean, and our exchange with our sister school in Germany is having another successful year.

- **The Media Center: Books, Chromebooks, AudioBooks & More!** The RU Media Center supports literacy initiatives and technology integration. We have added 258 new books, and our collection also now offers over 100 audio titles. We have seen an 11% increase in circulation so far this year. We have added a GoPro to our variety of 29 cameras and a green screen. For the second year we have supported Vermont’s Hr of Code during X-block, and we also help the OSSD Tech Team monitor our new 1-to-1 Chromebook initiative, which has put a laptop in the hands of every student in the school this year!
- **ILOs and Flexible Pathways:** Independent Learning Initiatives are one way for students to pursue proficiency in graduation standards outside of our normal offerings. This year, students are pursuing ILOs in many domains, from dance, personal fitness, weightlifting, and yoga, to the biology of life on a goat farm, the molecular structure of metalsmithing, and the reliability of GMOs as a means for addressing food sources and scarcities in a world of climate change.
- **Community-Based Learning:** An emerging partnership with RACDC will enable our students to directly impact the quality of life and address needs in the community. Our GW Plastics partnership is going strong, and in the spring semester of this school year, the second “Intro to Water Management” course will be offered. Looking ahead to next year, another “deployed classroom” is in the works: our Director of Workforce Development has gathered key personnel from Vermont Sustainable Jobs, UVM Ag Extension, Farm 2 Plate, Vermont Fresh Network, St. Michael’s College, and VT Rural to brainstorm and cross pollinate in advance of a course we’re tentatively calling “Survey of Vermont’s Food Systems.”

Rising - With You - to the Challenge

We relish the task of creating a vibrant school environment that supports all students through the careful allocation of resources and the creation of opportunity. The faculty and staff of RU come to work dedicated to supporting and nurturing the children of this community. We know that this is only possible with your support - and we know that your support comes in so many forms. And we thank you.

For the RU faculty, staff, and administrative team, sincerely,

T. Elijah Hawkes & David Barnett
Co-Principals

Randolph Technical Career Center

Annual Report January 2018

Budget Highlight

For the 2018 2019 school year, we are asking voters to approve a budget of \$3,006,968. The RTCC budget will be increasing by \$23,643 or 0.79%. To achieve this, we carefully use a state equipment grant and other grant funds and make careful decisions on every purchase. Much of the credit for this budget can be passed directly to our program instructors for their careful and frugal use of your tax dollars.

So What Do You Get From RTCC?

- ✓ A school whose teachers care deeply about our students and in helping them connect with what's important to them and to gain skills (technical, academic, personal) so students are able to 1) make the most of their education and 2) start on a path toward college, career and beyond.
- ✓ Students receive an extremely high quality technical education program. Every program is organized around industry-approved competencies so that students learn exactly what is "prescribed" by our state and national business leaders. Programs then benefit from the review and advice of nearly 65 local program advisory board members.
- ✓ Students leave our programs truly "College and Career Ready" and earn college credit upon successful completion of their technical programs and by taking college courses outside of their programs as well.
- ✓ Every program provides opportunities for students to learn and apply state-of-the-art skills that are important components of their field of study. Students get to use current software and equipment that is exactly what they will experience when they go on to college and career.
- ✓ Programs also provide students a way to earn valuable industry-recognized certifications (IRCs) putting them well ahead of students who don't participate in technical education. This past year, our student body of over 125 students earned over 300 individual "IRCs."
- ✓ Every year almost all of our students participate in some kind of business-based experience from business tours to guest speakers. More than half of our students participate in formal internships or multiple job shadows of varying intensities with over 90 business partners throughout the region. These "co-ops" may be paid or unpaid, long or short-term but they all help our students to clarify their college and career plans, gain experience, and often propel them into a paid position. Businesses from across our region welcome RTCC students and often celebrate how prepared they are for working in the real world.

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Community Service

Do you realize the community service our programs contribute out into the area? Randolph Technical Career Center students have organized and donated a sock drive for cancer patients and the homeless, thank you Education Social Services class. Students in our Automotive Technology program service automobiles for the elderly and our Public Safety students hung wreaths for the downtown Randolph community. Education Social Services students volunteer at the RES preschool, senior center and read to children, play bingo, and learn about the socialization of different generations. Agriculture Technology students have grown vegetables for the food shelf and the OSSD food service so students can eat local greens. Environmental Resource Management students have cleared forests and milled trees for local community members. RTCC is a proud member of your community and we are happy to give back. Through the service learning our students are engaged in the professional skills they will take out in the real world to network, communicate, and foster development.

Professional Development

RTCC is facing the pressure of student trauma which in turn will provide our staff training and development opportunities. This includes an in-service day with David Melnick an expert on Trauma Informed Schools, four early release days to continue our professional development, a guidance coordinator on site, a SAP counselor on site, and a dedication to the students of the region.

State-approved Program Assessments

Eight of our thirteen programs participate in state-approved overall program assessments. All of these programs pass the required passing rate and three of them lead the state! The assessments are used as evidence of student learning and to provide feedback to program instructors on areas of strength and where to focus additional instruction. It is important to note that RTCC tests 100% of our students whereas some schools only test seniors or other select groups of students. Given this, our test scores are even more impressive.

Industry Recognized Certifications (“IRC”)

Of our 12 technical programs, 10 offer students the chance to earn valuable industry-recognized certifications. In addition to being requested and accepted by business and industry, these “IRCs” are another way our students and programs demonstrate competence. These certifications include Licensed Nursing Assistant, FEMA Emergency Responder, the premier international forestry certification (Game of Logging), OSHA 10 safety training, Vermont Department of Motor Vehicle Inspection License and many more. As always, we are looking to expand the IRC opportunities throughout all programs.

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College Courses & Dual Enrollment Credit

This year there is a Concurrent Enrollment course in our Health Careers program that provides three credits in Medical Terminology through the NH Community College system. RTCC has long been working to provide college credit aligned with the successful completion of our courses. Students can take two free courses at over 20 Vermont Colleges via their sending school and are able to access additional “Fast Forward” college credits for such courses as Digital Filmmaking and Environmental Science, through the Community College of Vermont and Vermont Technical College. Taking college classes and earning college credit while still enrolled in high school helps our students understand the demands of college and helps them make the “leap” from high school to post-secondary education. RTCC has worked with a variety of colleges and universities to connect our programs to theirs.

Other “dual enrollment” & Articulation options available at RTCC include, but not limited to:

- ✓ Students who complete Automotive Technology receive 3 credits at New Hampshire Manchester Community College.
- ✓ Students in the Education and Social Services program have access to up to 12 credits at CCV.
- ✓ Graphic Arts students can opt for up to 9 credits at Lyndon State for their work and are taking Graphic Arts I at CCV.
- ✓ Environmental Resource Management students earn 3 credits at Paul Smith’s college for completing our program.
- ✓ Our Digital Film program through RTCC, students can earn credit for Introduction to Digital Film at CCV
- ✓ RTCC Health Careers can take Medical Terminology at River Valley Community College of New Hampshire for college credit.
- ✓ Every year a select group of students in our Culinary Arts students take advantage of collaboration with NECI (New England Culinary Institute) in which they can enroll in a 3 credit course at NECI that is a combination of on-line and on-campus lessons.
- ✓ Students in Diesel Technology can earn college credit and advanced placement at Ohio Technical College.

I could go on and on with what feels like an endless number and variety of tremendous experiences that our teachers and staff provide and our students take advantage of, but space simply does not allow. To the voters of Randolph, Brookfield & Braintree thank you for your ongoing support. We take seriously the public’s trust that we are making the best use of your very hard earned dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Gingold
Director

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A Message From the Board...

Greetings. It is our pleasure to provide you with the first Annual Report of the Orange Southwest School District. A great deal of time and effort has been spent over the past year to ensure that students from Braintree, Brookfield, and Randolph are receiving the best education possible as they prepare for the next stages of their lives. We are profoundly grateful for the professionalism and dedication of our administration, faculty, and staff; and for the support we receive from individuals, families, and businesses throughout our three communities.

In August of this year, we said goodbye to Superintendent Brent Kay, who served our district faithfully and well for more than 15 years, leaving us financially sound and well-positioned for success in the years ahead. In that same month we welcomed new Superintendent Layne Millington to the OSSD. A native Vermonter, Millington was a former high school principal at Swampscott and Marblehead, Massachusetts. Among his first initiatives was to schedule a series of community forums to better understand the concerns, goals, and objectives of families within our district. We encourage you to make time to attend one of these listening sessions.

Our work as a board this year centered on several key areas, including finalizing our transition to a unified district. While the communities of Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph have been partners in education for many years, moving forward as a single unified board not only allows us to serve all of our students more equitably, but also more economically and efficiently. We are grateful to everyone who served on all five of our supervisory union boards for helping to make the transition to a single board so seamless.

It is no secret that public education in Vermont is changing...and changing fast. Communities throughout the state have been struggling to comply with Act 46 (consolidation of districts) as enrollments have continued to decline. While the challenges are no different here at OSSD, we have been able to maintain a strong curriculum, including honors and AP courses, while keeping our student-to-teacher ratios in line with state recommendations. At the same time, we have been able to increase our work-based learning opportunities and dual enrollment agreements, giving students the flexibility to design a program of study that aligns with their strengths and interests.

Over the past year we have also spent considerable time planning and implementing Act 77 as the state moves to a proficiency-based learning and assessment education model. Students are now required to show proficiency in a wide range of both “core knowledge” skills such as math, reading, and writing; as well as in “transferable” skills such as problem solving, working independently, and self-awareness. A great deal of work has gone in to the transition to this new system of teaching and grading, and we are pleased with the work being done by our administrators, teachers, and staff to carry out this state mandate.

Finally, we launched a new website this fall to feature the work (and play!) that's going on at our three elementary schools, at Randolph Union High School, and at the Randolph Technical Career Center. Take a few minutes and check it out at www.orangesouthwest.org. All the latest news and updates are there, including our upcoming meeting schedule and minutes from our past meetings.

We're proud of the work going on at OSSD, and we hope you are, too. From academic excellence to opportunities to travel internationally; from extra-curricular activities to athletics; and from pre-k to graduation; our students are indeed being given ***the knowledge, skills, and tools they need to be prepared for the next stages of their lives; which justify the resources invested by the community.*** That's our mission, and we are pleased to report another successful year.

Gratefully, The OSSD School Board

Angelo Odatto, Brooke Dingleline, Ann Howard, Paul Putney,

Jennifer Messier, Anne Kaplan, Laura Rochat, & Kate Forrer



Drama kids

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To the Board of School Directors

Orange Southwest Supervisory Union

We are engaged to audit the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Orange Southwest Supervisory Union and related school district listed below, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017.

- Braintree School District
- Brookfield School District
- Randolph School District
- Randolph Union High School
- Randolph Technical Career Center

The audited financial statements will be available for public inspection at the office of Windham Northeast Supervisory Union located at 24 Central Street, Randolph, Vermont when they are completed.

Sincerely,

Fothergill Segale & Valley, CPAs

**BRAINTREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016-17 SUMMARY**

	2015-16 ACTUAL	2016-17 BUDGET	2016-17 ACTUAL
1 GENERAL FUND			
<u>REVENUE:</u>			
A. LOCAL TAXES	0	0	0
B. STATE REVENUES	1,197,429	1,230,125	1,203,885
C. SPECIAL PROGRAMS	128,014	124,609	119,819
D. OTHER REVENUES	68,635	46,183	64,332
E. SURPLUS/DEFICIT	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	1,394,078	1,400,917	1,388,036
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>			
F. INSTRUCTION	545,193	598,944	609,288
G. SPECIAL PROGRAMS	207,126	200,266	187,264
H. ADMINISTRATION	131,073	145,712	133,991
I. SUPPORT SERVICES	77,849	87,353	71,206
J. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	181,541	131,400	143,671
K. TRANSPORTATION	63,608	65,208	32,748
L. BUILDING MAINT FUND	0	0	0
SCHOOL TOTAL:	1,206,391	1,228,883	1,178,168
M. OTHER EXPENDITURES	93,483	141,669	123,395
N. DEBT SERVICE	20,982	20,365	19,579
O. FOOD SERVICE	10,856	10,000	10,782
P. SURPLUS/DEFICIT	62,365	0	56,111
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,394,078	1,400,917	1,388,036

The 2016-17 financials as presented are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge:


 Jessica Brassard, Braintree School Treasurer

BRAINTREE SCHOOL DISTRICT - REVENUE

Account Name	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual
<u>LOCAL TAXES:</u>			
Educational Above Block	0	0	0
<u>STATE REVENUES:</u>			
Homestead Property Tax	0	0	0
Non-Residential Property Tax	0	0	0
State Grant for Tech Centers	0	0	0
State Education Fund	1,077,518	0	1,116,625
Education Jobs Fund	0	1,116,625	0
State Transportation	30,050	29,500	0
Emergency Construction	0	0	0
Small Schools Grant	89,861	84,000	87,260
Total State Revenues	1,197,429	1,230,125	1,203,885
<u>SPECIAL ED:</u>			
Core Block Grant	32,489	30,535	30,535
Special Ed Reimbursement	79,351	78,447	73,146
Extraordinary Reimb	10,763	0	4,652
Care and Custody	0	3,487	-654
Essential Early Ed	5,411	12,140	12,140
Special Ed Aide Reimb	0	0	0
Total Special Ed	128,014	124,609	119,819
<u>OTHER REVENUES:</u>			
Tuition	28,433	12,700	25,890
Transportation	2,806	1,000	2,901
Interest	9,811	7,483	10,918
Rental Income	0	0	0
Title I - Salary Reimb	27,000	25,000	26,002
Title II - Salary Reimb	0	0	0
Prior Year Refunds	585	0	-1,379
Total Other Revenues:	68,635	46,183	64,332
BEGINNING BALANCE:	0	0	0
TOTAL	1,394,078	1,400,917	1,388,036

BRAINTREE SCHOOL DISTRICT - EXPENDITURES

Account Name	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual
<u>INSTRUCTION:</u>			
Salaries	345,178	347,250	348,862
Benefits	106,616	141,829	135,014
School Wide Program	69,747	58,740	44,455
Testing/Tutorial/OT-PT Svcs	250	675	0
Contracted Services	273	0	237
Staff Training	4,112	6,000	4,449
Travel/Field Trips	2,819	5,900	3,033
Supplies/Textbooks/Equip	16,198	38,550	73,239
Total Instruction	545,193	598,944	609,288
<u>SPECIAL PROGRAMS:</u>			
Salaries	0	0	0
Benefits	0	0	0
OSSU Assessment	207,126	200,266	187,264
Transportation	0	0	0
Supplies/Textbooks	0	0	0
Tuition	0	0	0
Testing/Tutorial/OT-PT Svcs	0	0	0
Speech Services	0	0	0
Total Special Programs	207,126	200,266	187,264
<u>ADMINISTRATION:</u>			
Salaries	24,181	23,925	22,752
Benefits	2,939	11,090	3,386
OSSU Assessment	99,802	103,297	103,297
Postage/Telephone	1,885	3,700	2,415
Travel	1,768	2,500	1,341
Supplies/Equipment	497	1,200	799
Total Administration	131,073	145,712	133,991
<u>SUPPORT SERVICES:</u>			
Guidance	27,243	28,498	28,365
School Nurse	15,575	16,369	7,543
Media Services	14,671	16,366	14,608
Board of Education	6,366	9,425	5,945
Legal Fees	798	2,000	0
Fiscal Services	13,196	14,695	14,744
Total Support Services	77,849	87,353	71,206
<u>MAINTENANCE OF PLANT:</u>			
Salaries	0	0	0
Benefits	0	0	0
Contracted Svcs	60,587	0	23,837
General Liability Insurance	4,571	5,200	4,651
Utilities	25,184	35,000	23,983
Maintenance Assessment	91,200	91,200	91,200
Supplies/Equipment	0	0	0
Total Maintenance	181,541	131,400	143,671
<u>TRANSPORTATION:</u>			
Salaries	2,730	3,500	2,727
Benefits	426	515	442
Contracted Svcs/Rent	0	0	0
Insurance	0	0	0
Repairs/Supplies/Equip	0	0	0
Diesel Fuel	0	0	0
Transportation Assessment	60,452	61,193	29,579
Total Transportation	63,608	65,208	32,748
<u>BUILDING MAINT FUND</u>	0	0	0
<u>SCHOOL TOTAL</u>	1,206,391	1,228,883	1,178,168
<u>OTHER EXPENDITURES:</u>			
OSSU Admin/Sp Ed/EEE	60,483	65,049	64,395
OSSU Technology Assess	33,000	33,000	33,000
Technical Ed - Act 68 State	0	43,620	26,000
Technical Ed - Local	0	0	0
Adult Ed Tuition	0	0	0
Total High School	93,483	141,669	123,395
<u>DEBT SERVICE:</u>	20,982	20,365	19,579
<u>FOOD SERVICE</u>	10,856	10,000	10,782
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	1,331,712	1,400,917	1,331,924
<u>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</u>	62,365	0	56,111
<u>TOTAL</u>	1,394,078	1,400,917	1,388,036

**ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET SUMMARY**

	2016-17 BUDGET	2017-18 BUDGET	2018-19 PROPOSED	DIFFERENCE
1 GENERAL FUND				
<u>REVENUE:</u>				
A. LOCAL REVENUE	855,328	879,445 2.82%	883,613 0.47%	4,168
B. SPECIAL PROGRAMS	1,421,524	1,479,897 4.11%	1,816,597 22.75%	336,700
C. STATE REVENUES	13,648,518	13,947,936 2.19%	13,959,713 0.08%	11,777
D. BEGINNING BALANCE:	84,840	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	16,010,210	16,307,278 1.86%	16,659,923 2.16%	297,068
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
E. INSTRUCTION	6,844,947	7,020,587 2.57%	6,760,058	-260,529
F. SPECIAL EDUCATION	2,303,076	2,379,625 3.32%	2,805,007	425,382
G. ADMINISTRATION	1,058,501	1,063,519 0.47%	1,103,928	40,409
H. CENTRAL OFFICE	683,027	682,541 -0.07%	625,817	-56,724
I. SUPPORT SERVICES	1,043,710	1,126,266 7.91%	1,307,233	180,967
J. MAINTENANCE	1,767,208	1,771,411 0.24%	1,771,411	0
K. TECHNOLOGY	451,266	458,610 1.63%	480,925	22,315
L. TRANSPORTATION	528,238	539,418 2.12%	534,951	-4,467
M. OTHER EXPENSES	321,385	307,240 -4.40%	298,576	-8,664
N. TECHNICAL EDUCATION	790,750	790,750 0.00%	800,250	9,500
O. PRE-SCHOOL	218,102	167,311 -23.29%	171,767	4,456
TOTAL:	16,010,210	16,307,278	16,659,923	338,689
P. SURPLUS/DEFICIT	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	16,010,210	16,307,278 1.86%	16,659,923 2.16%	297,068

ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT - REVENUE

Account Name	2016-17 Budget	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Proposed	Under (Over)
<u>LOCAL REVENUES:</u>				
Tuition	127,700	103,700	125,000	21,300
Overhead Tuition	90,000	98,000	40,000	-58,000
Transportation	50,200	62,000	60,000	-2,000
Interest	58,333	63,250	60,000	-3,250
Athletic Fees	3,000	4,000	0	-4,000
Contracted Services	25,458	24,490	24,640	150
OSSU - Maint & Tech Contracted Svc	30,701	0	0	0
RTCC - Shared Services	416,886	437,765	441,623	3,858
Admin Svcs - EPSDT	900	1,000	1,000	0
Admin Svcs - VIP	14,000	0	0	0
Admin Svcs - RAVEN	12,000	14,500	44,200	29,700
Rental Income	1,150	650	650	0
SWP - Salary Reimb	25,000	70,090	86,500	16,410
Prior Year Refunds	0	0	0	0
Total Other Revenues:	855,328	879,445	883,613	4,168
<u>SPECIAL ED:</u>				
Core Block Grant	347,965	357,647	343,550	-14,097
Special Ed Reimbursement	855,368	908,000	1,038,200	130,200
State Placed Students	0	0	180,454	180,454
Extraordinary Reimbursement	38,087	0	60,750	60,750
Essential Early Ed	64,550	65,695	68,301	2,606
IDEA-B - Pre-School	20,769	57,650	58,730	1,080
IDEA-B	86,030	63,310	66,612	3,302
Excess Costs Reimbursement	8,755	27,595	0	-27,595
Total Special Ed	1,421,524	1,479,897	1,816,597	336,700
<u>STATE REVENUES:</u>				
State Technical Centers	425,250	425,250	412,250	-13,000
State Education Fund	12,836,118	13,121,980	13,202,240	80,260
Health Care Recapture	0	0	-46,443	-46,443
State Transportation	215,650	220,000	210,960	-9,040
Small Schools Grant	167,000	177,706	177,706	0
Driver Education	4,500	3,000	3,000	0
Total State Revenues	13,648,518	13,947,936	13,959,713	11,777
 <u>BEGINNING BALANCE:</u>	 84,840	 0	 0	 0
 TOTAL	 16,010,210	 16,307,278	 16,659,923	 352,645

**ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT -
EXPENDITURES**

Account Name	2016-17 Budget	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Proposed	Balance Under (Over)	Percent Inc/Dec
<u>INSTRUCTION:</u>					
Salaries	4,361,540	4,513,150	4,233,760	-279,390	-6.41%
Benefits	1,606,957	1,614,608	1,593,085	-21,523	-1.34%
Drivers Education	2,700	2,700	2,700	0	0.00%
Remedial Services	58,740	118,569	108,473	-10,096	-17.19%
Testing/Tutorial/OT-PT Svcs	3,675	3,675	6,525	2,850	77.55%
Contracted Services	19,000	19,000	9,000	-10,000	-52.63%
Staff Training	46,441	46,441	57,195	10,754	23.16%
Co/Extra Curricular	301,750	302,900	384,151	81,251	26.93%
Tuition	118,000	80,000	54,000	-26,000	-22.03%
Travel/Field Trips	61,600	53,000	51,989	-1,011	-1.64%
Supplies/Textbooks/Equip	264,544	266,544	259,180	-7,364	-2.78%
Total Instruction	6,844,947	7,020,587	6,760,058	-260,529	-3.81%
<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION:</u>					
Salaries	1,155,970	1,273,665	1,286,236	12,571	1.09%
Benefits	450,354	522,212	541,876	19,664	4.37%
Contracted/Prof Services	0	0	0	0	
Transportation	44,000	32,800	72,500	39,700	90.23%
Travel/Conferences	8,000	9,000	8,700	-300	-3.75%
Supplies/Textbooks/Equipment	21,100	25,100	25,500	400	1.90%
Tuition	282,000	130,000	450,179	320,179	113.54%
Testing/Tutorial/OT-PT Svcs	117,000	138,600	166,500	27,900	23.85%
Speech Services	224,652	248,248	253,516	5,268	2.34%
Total Special Education	2,303,076	2,379,625	2,805,007	425,382	18.47%
<u>ADMINISTRATION:</u>					
Salaries	705,965	716,045	742,256	26,211	3.71%
Benefits	264,741	257,679	272,442	14,763	5.58%
Repairs/Maint	8,000	8,000	8,900	900	11.25%
Postage/Telephone	21,700	21,700	30,500	8,800	40.55%
Travel	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0.00%
Supplies/Equipment	49,595	51,595	41,330	-10,265	-20.70%
Total Administration	1,058,501	1,063,519	1,103,928	40,409	3.82%
<u>CENTRAL OFFICE:</u>					
Salaries	401,994	437,358	395,190	-42,168	-10.49%
Benefits	148,083	162,883	150,627	-12,256	-8.28%
Contracted Services	13,500	24,000	21,000	-3,000	-22.22%
Legal Fees	5,000	0	0	0	0.00%
Staff Development	1,000	1,000	2,000	1,000	100.00%
Repairs/Maintenance	34,550	13,000	13,000	0	0.00%
Board Expense	29,300	0	0	0	0.00%
Building Construction	0	0	0	0	
Insurance	6,500	0	0	0	0.00%
Travel	6,700	6,750	6,750	0	0.00%
Supplies/Equipment	36,400	37,550	37,250	-300	-0.82%
Total Central Office	683,027	682,541	625,817	-56,724	-8.30%
<u>SUPPORT SERVICES:</u>					
Guidance	342,865	336,430	379,341	42,911	12.52%
Behavioral Interventionists	0	0	123,515	123,515	
School Nurse	216,989	207,176	210,313	3,137	1.45%
Media Services	249,533	276,133	282,812	6,679	2.68%
Curriculum Develop	18,037	18,037	18,037	0	0.00%
C.A.R.	15,500	25,500	25,500	0	0.00%
Teacher Mentoring	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
Board of Education	62,185	129,090	127,715	-1,375	-2.21%
Legal Fees	23,000	40,000	50,000	10,000	43.48%
Fiscal Services	105,601	83,900	80,000	-3,900	-3.69%
Total Support Services	1,043,710	1,126,266	1,307,233	180,967	17.34%
<u>MAINTENANCE:</u>					
Salaries	554,990	579,900	524,800	-55,100	-9.93%
Benefits	376,507	336,600	288,885	-47,715	-12.67%
Contracted Services	33,600	32,000	70,000	38,000	113.10%
General Liability Ins	65,000	68,000	64,200	-3,800	-5.85%
Repairs/Maintenance	125,286	125,286	220,951	95,665	76.36%
Utilities	389,500	406,200	369,500	-36,700	-9.42%
Supplies/Travel/Equipment	130,200	131,300	140,950	9,650	7.41%
Care of Grounds	69,400	69,400	69,400	0	0.00%
Vehicle Services	22,725	22,725	22,725	0	0.00%
Total Maintenance Svcs	1,767,208	1,771,411	1,771,411	0	0.00%

**ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT -
EXPENDITURES**

Account Name	2016-17 Budget	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Proposed	Balance Under (Over)	Percent Inc/Dec
<u>TECHNOLOGY:</u>					
Salaries	186,610	192,482	225,925	33,443	17.92%
Benefits	72,120	73,478	59,350	-14,128	-19.59%
Contracted Services	15,500	15,500	15,500	0	0.00%
Lease Payment	108,500	108,500	108,500	0	0.00%
Repairs/Maintenance	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Supplies	41,536	41,650	69,650	28,000	67.41%
Equipment	25,000	25,000	0	-25,000	-100.00%
<i>Total Technology</i>	<i>451,266</i>	<i>458,610</i>	<i>480,925</i>	<i>22,315</i>	<i>4.94%</i>
<u>TRANSPORTATION:</u>					
Salaries	220,103	230,500	238,450	7,950	3.61%
Benefits	50,950	54,383	48,641	-5,742	-11.27%
Contracted Svcs/Rent	0	0	48,010	48,010	
Travel/Conferences	100	100	100	0	0.00%
Repairs/Supplies/Equip	89,085	93,685	49,000	-44,685	-50.16%
Diesel Fuel	68,000	60,750	50,750	-10,000	-14.71%
Bus Fund Reserve	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
<i>Total Transportation</i>	<i>528,238</i>	<i>539,418</i>	<i>534,951</i>	<i>-4,467</i>	<i>-0.85%</i>
<u>OTHER EXPENDITURES:</u>					
Food Service Transfer	22,000	22,000	22,000	0	0.00%
Debt Service	234,835	220,690	208,275	-12,415	-5.29%
Title 1 Grants	0	0	0	0	
EEE Services	0	64,550	68,301	3,751	#DIV/0!
<i>Total Other Expenditures</i>	<i>256,835</i>	<i>307,240</i>	<i>298,576</i>	<i>-8,664</i>	<i>-3.37%</i>
<u>TECHNICAL EDUCATION:</u>					
State - Act 68	425,250	425,250	412,250	-13,000	-3.06%
Local Tuition	365,500	365,500	388,000	22,500	6.16%
<i>Total Tech Education</i>	<i>790,750</i>	<i>790,750</i>	<i>800,250</i>	<i>9,500</i>	<i>1.20%</i>
<u>PRE-SCHOOL</u>					
Salaries	83,565	81,265	84,107	2,842	3.40%
Benefits	38,167	29,676	31,290	1,614	4.23%
Tuition/Partnerships	90,000	50,000	50,000	0	0.00%
Supplies/Travel/Equip	6,370	6,370	6,370	0	0.00%
<i>Total Pre-School</i>	<i>218,102</i>	<i>167,311</i>	<i>171,767</i>	<i>4,456</i>	<i>2.04%</i>
SUPRLUS/DEFICIT	0	0	0	0	
<u>TOTAL:</u>	15,945,660	16,307,278	16,659,923	352,645	2.16%

ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATE - 2018-19

State Property Yield Rate	\$1.00
State Non-Residential Tax Rate	\$1.629

BUDGET -		\$16,659,923.00
REVENUE - Categorical Grants		<u>-\$3,045,433.00</u>
Total Education Spending (Act 68)		\$13,614,490.00

Equalized Pupils -2018-19	Final	871.79
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil (Act 68)		<u>\$15,616.71</u>
		\$17,816.00

Excess Spending Threshold

Property Yield		\$9,842.00	158.67%
O.S.D. Projected Tax Rate		\$1.5867	
Less 2nd Year Tax Incentive		<u>-\$0.0600</u>	
		\$1.5267	

	O.S.D - Est Equal Tax Rate	2017-18 Equal Tax Rate	\$ Diff	% Diff	Difference 5% Max	2018 Town CLA	Projected O.S.D Tax Rates	2017-18 Tax Rates	Proj 2018-19 Difference
Braintree	\$1.5267	\$1.4033	\$0.1234	8.80%	1.5267	101.82%	\$1.4995	\$1.3323	<u>\$0.1672</u>
Brookfield	\$1.5267	\$1.4033	\$0.1234	8.80%	1.5267	110.47%	\$1.3820	\$1.3000	<u>\$0.0820</u>
Randolph	\$1.5267	\$1.4033	\$0.1234	8.80%	1.5267	103.54%	\$1.4745	\$1.3631	<u>\$0.1114</u>

ESTIMATE -

ORANGE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

INDEBTEDNESS

<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ORIGINAL ISSUE</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL AMOUNT</u>	<u>REISSUE</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u>	<u>INTEREST PAID BY 6/30/2017</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL PAID BY 6/30/2017</u>	<u>6/30/2017 OUTSTANDING</u>
RANDOLPH ELE	7/23/1998	\$3,810,000	N/A	4.80%	\$1,913,436	\$3,430,000	\$380,000
BRAINTREE ELE	7/25/2005	\$280,000	N/A	4.70%	\$99,412	\$165,000	\$115,000

RESERVE FUND BALANCES - As of 6/30/2017

	<u>Facilities</u>	<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Legal</u>	<u>Financial System</u>
Braintree School District	\$433,272	\$149,209	\$0	\$0
Brookfield School District	\$323,208	\$49,765	\$30,000	\$0
Randolph School District	\$1,077,668	\$79,303	\$0	\$0
Randolph Union High School	\$695,965	\$9,687	\$0	\$0
Orange Southwest Supv Union	\$0	\$275,514	\$0	\$0
Orange Southwest School District	\$200,000	\$160,336	\$0	\$100,000
Total:	\$2,730,113	\$723,814	\$30,000	\$100,000

***The audited financial statements for the 2016-17 school year are available at the Orange Southwest School District,
24 Central Street, Randolph, Vermont.



District: Orange Southwest USD		U059		Property dollar equivalent yield		Homestead tax rate per \$9,842 of spending per equalized pupil	
County: Orange		Orange Southwest		9,842		1.00	
				11,862		Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income	
Expenditures		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		
1.	Adopted or warned union district budget (including special programs and full technical center expenditures)	-	-	\$16,307,278	\$16,659,923	1.	
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at union district meeting	+	+	-		2.	
3.	Adopted or warned union district budget plus articles	-	-	\$16,307,278	\$16,659,923	3.	
4.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+	+	-		4.	
5.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+	+	-		5.	
6.	Total Union Budget	-	-	\$16,307,278	\$16,659,923	6.	
7.	S.U. assessment (included in union budget) - informational data					7.	
8.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in union expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.	
Revenues							
9.	Union revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, federal, etc.)	-	-	\$2,760,048	\$3,045,433	9.	
10.	Total offsetting union revenues	-	-	\$2,760,048	\$3,045,433	10.	
Education Spending							
11.		-	-	\$13,547,230	\$13,614,490	11.	
12.	Orange Southwest USD equalized pupils	-	-	898.95	871.79	12.	
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil							
13.		-	-	\$15,070.06	\$15,616.71	13.	
14.	<i>minus</i> Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	-	\$245.50		14.	
15.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per eqpup)	-	-	\$13.06		15.	
16.	<i>minus</i> Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per eqpup)	-	-	-		16.	
17.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)	-	-	-		17.	
18.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period (per eqpup)	-	-	-		18.	
19.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)	-	-	-		19.	
20.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)	-	-	-		20.	
21.	<i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per eqpup)	-	-	-		21.	
22.	Excess spending threshold	threshold = \$17,103	Allowable growth	threshold = \$17,386	threshold = \$17,816	22.	
23.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	+	+	-	-	23.	
24.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	-	-	\$15,070	\$15,616.71	24.	
25.	Union spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	-	-	148.327%	158.674%	25.	
		based on \$9,285	based on \$9,701	based on yield \$10,160	based on yield \$10,076		
26.	Anticipated equalized union homestead tax rate to be prorated [\$15,616.71 ÷ (\$9,842.00 / \$1.000)]	-	-	\$1.4033	\$1.5867	26.	
		based on \$0.98	based on \$1.00	based on \$1.00	based on \$1.00		
Prorated homestead union tax rates for members of Orange Southwest USD							
		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		
T024	Braintree	-	-	1.4033	1.5867	100.00%	
T032	Brookfield	-	-	1.4033	1.5867	100.00%	
T162	Randolph	-	-	1.4033	1.5867	100.00%	
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
27.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated from Orange Southwest USD [((\$15,616.71 ÷ \$11,862) x 2.00%)]	0.00%	0.00%	2.51%	2.63%	27.	
		based on 1.80%	based on 2.00%	based on 2.00%	based on 2.00%		
Prorated union income cap percentage for members of Orange Southwest USD							
		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		
T024	Braintree	-	-	2.51%	2.63%	100.00%	
T032	Brookfield	-	-	2.51%	2.63%	100.00%	
T162	Randolph	-	-	2.51%	2.63%	100.00%	
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		
		-	-	-	-		

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,842 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,862 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.629. **New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.**

- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.

- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

BRAINTREE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

YEAR	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Kindergarten	20	10	12	9	9	7	23	12	12	7	18
Grade 1	11	16	9	12	11	10	9	17	6	13	6
Grade 2	13	11	17	7	12	12	9	9	20	7	14
Grade 3	15	12	10	16	7	13	11	10	9	20	6
Grade 4	19	16	11	9	16	8	11	11	11	11	20
Grade 5	14	16	13	12	9	15	7	10	11	11	9
Grade 6	16	13	14	13	13	9	15	7	9	12	8
TOTALS	108	94	86	78	77	74	85	76	78	81	81

RU BRAINTREE SECONDARY POPULATION 10/1/2017

Grade 7	14
Grade 8	9
Grade 9	6
Grade 10	15
Grade 11	10
Grade 12	7
TOTAL	61

2017-2018 ENROLLMENT BREAKDOWN

	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
RUHS	14	9	6	15	3	3	50
RTCC	0	0	0	0	7	4	11
RAVEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	14	9	6	15	10	7	61

*The RUHS October 1 count does not include students at EVA, as EVA does their own reporting to the state.

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