



ANNUAL Report

2017

TOWN OF
Brownington
VERMONT

TOWN & SCHOOL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2017

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In Memory of
PAUL A. RAYBOLD

November 28, 1942 – January 3, 2018

*Thank you for your years of service as both
School Director and Select Board member.*

Annual Report

Town of

Brownington, Vermont



OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands
one nation under God, indivisible
with liberty and justice for all

For the year ending December 31,

2017



BROWNINGTON PARENTS CLUB

Will be hosting a

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

COST \$5.00 per person.

All proceeds from the luncheon will go towards a new
playground for the school and community



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Town Officers

Town Clerk: Valerie Faust.....	2019		
<i>Records, preserves, and certifies the public records of the town. Issues dog, Marriage & Civil Union licenses. Runs the local elections, serves as clerk of the board of civil authority, and hears tax abatement requests and tax appeals. Should have the patience of a saint and be a good ambassador for the town.</i>			
Moderator: Albert "Pat" Davis	2018		
<i>Runs the annual and special town meetings. Should have a good sense of humor, be good at group process, and have experience following Robert's Rules of Order.</i>			
Selectboard:			
Terry Curtis.....	2018		
Beverly White	2019		
Bill Falconer	2020		
<i>General supervision and control over the town; enacts ordinances, regulations, and policies for town; oversees town property and personnel; prepares, presents and manages budget; and oversees roads, including laying out, discontinuing, and reclassifying roads. Sits as local board of health, and liquor control commission. Should know the town well, be able to understand all sides of complex issues, and have very thick skin.</i>			
Delinquent Tax Collector: Valerie Faust.....	2018		
Listers:			
Larry Chase.....	2018		
Roger Patenaude	2019		
David Chase.....	2020		
<i>Appraise property within the town for the purpose of property tax assessment. Should be able to be polite, yet firm, and not be overly sensitive to criticism.</i>			
School Directors:			
Jeremy Haney	2018		
Debbie Brunelle.....	2019		
David Martinez	2020		
Lake Region Union High School Director:			
Albert "Pat" Davis	2018		
Cemetery Commissioners:			
Jason Gonyaw	2018		
Wayne Libby	2019		
Scott Nichols	2020		
<i>Responsible for the care and management of the town's cemeteries. If no Cemetery commissioners are elected, the selectboard fulfills the roll.</i>			
* Road Foreman: Rodney Horskins	2018		
Treasurer: Valerie Faust.....	2018		
<i>Keeps the town's accounts, invests money (with approval of the legislative body), keeps record of the taxes voted, and pays orders drawn on him/her. Should be very precise, detail oriented and good at math.</i>			
* Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer: Jeannette Poirier.....	2018		
Town First Constable: Adam Brunelle	2018		
<i>In some towns the constable is the town's local law enforcement officer, with all the powers of search and seizure and arrest within the town. In other towns, the constable only has the power to serve civil process, assist the health officer in the discharge of his/her duties, destroy unlicensed dogs, kill injured deer, remove disorderly people from town meeting, and to collect taxes if there is no tax collector elected. Should be good at de-escalating and resolving conflicts. Must complete necessary training to perform required duties.</i>			
Town Second Constable: Geoffrey Falconer.....	2018		
<i>Serves as the Animal Control Officer.</i>			
Auditors:			
Barbara Thompson	2018		
Debbie Brunelle (Resigned)			
Jacqueline Meyer	2018		
Jan Delaney	2020		
<i>Review and audit all the town accounts and prepare the annual report. Should be very detail oriented. Good writing skills are a plus.</i>			
* Town Grand Jurors:			
Cecile Curtis.....	2018		
Angie Falconer.....	2018		
<i>Helps prosecute criminal offenses that occur in the town by giving information to state and local law enforcement.</i>			
* Town Agent: William Davis	2018		
<i>Used to prosecute and defend suits. The selectboard now has that authority. Thus, the town agent's duty consists merely of assisting when litigation is in process, at the request of the selectboard.</i>			
* Pound Keepers:			
Geoffrey Falconer	2018		
Pauline Mackey.....	2018		
<i>Cares for animals that are impounded within the town.</i>			
* Fence Viewers:			
William Falconer.....	2018		
Timothy LaCoss	2018		
Chris Myott.....	2018		
<i>Three viewers are appointed by the selectboard each year. When called upon, they examine fences and other boundaries within the town.</i>			
* Tree Warden & Inspector of Wood, Lumber & Shingles:			
Aaron Chapdelaine	2018		
<i>Plans and implements a shade tree preservation program for the purpose of shading and beautifying public places. Removes diseased, dying or dead trees; which create a hazard to public safety or threaten the effectiveness of disease and/or insect control programs.</i>			
* Health Officer: Brandy Robillard.....	2018		
<i>Enforces the rules and regulations for the prevention and abatement of public health hazards.</i>			

* Cemetery Sextons: Wayne Libby	2018
Town Planning Commissioners:	
Armand Brunelle	2018
Elizabeth Butterfield	2018
Adam Brunelle.....	2018
Larry Faust.....	2019
Brandy Robillard.....	2019
Larry Thompson	2019
William Davis.....	2020
Michael Glodgett	2020
Roger Patenaude	2020
<i>Duties include preparing a municipal plan; making recommendations on matters of land development, conservation, and preservation; and participating in a regional planning program. Should have good working knowledge of all aspects of the town and be able to listen to many sides of an issue.</i>	
Justices of the Peace:	
Armand Brunelle	Andrew Swett
Larry Chase	Morgan McCoy
Chris Myott	
<i>Elected by the town, but are actually county officers. Duties fall into five categories.</i>	
<i>Elections: members of the Board of Civil Authority (BCA) and serve as election officials at town elections.</i>	
<i>Tax Abatement and Appeal: Sit as members of the board of abatement.</i>	
<i>As member of the BCA, JP's hear and decide appeals when citizens do not agree with the final decision of the listers.</i>	
<i>Marriages & Civil Unions: JP's may solemnize marriages and certify civil unions.</i>	
<i>Oaths & Notary: JP's may administer oaths and is a notary ex officio.</i>	
<i>Magistrates: JP's may serve as a magistrate when so commissioned by the supreme court.</i>	
* Forest Fire Warden: Robert Montminy	2018
<i>Prevents forest fires within the town by enforcing the laws designed to prevent forest fires.</i>	
* Town Service Officer: Larry Thompson	2018
<i>Assists individuals within the town who require emergency food, fuel, or shelter assistance when the Vermont Department of Social Welfare is not available.</i>	
* E-911 Contact Person: Larry Chase	2018
* NVDA RPC Representatives:	
Larry Thompson	2018
William Davis	2018
Waste Management Committee:	
Charles Batchelder.....	2018
Lila Stevens.....	2019

* *Appointed to Office*

TOWN OF BROWNINGTON

Notice of Hearing

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT THE BROWNINGTON SELECTBOARD WILL HOLD A HEARING AND OPEN MEETING AT THE BROWNINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL IN BROWNINGTON CENTER ON MARCH 6, 2018 AT 9:30 A.M. TO DISCUSS WASTE MANAGEMENT.

DATED AT BROWNINGTON, VERMONT, THIS 24TH DAY OF JANUARY 2018.

Bev White, Chairman

Terry Curtis

Bill Falconer

Brownington Select Board

Dates to Remember

TOWN OF BROWNINGTON

Green-Up Day

SATURDAY, MAY 5TH, 2018

Brownington Town Garage

Call the Town Office for more information as the date approaches!

Let's make it a family affair!

TOWN OF BROWNINGTON

Hazardous Waste Day

SATURDAY, JULY 7TH, 2018

Brownington Town Clerk's Office

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Call the Town Office for more information.

NEK Waste Management District

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The NEKWMD finished 2017 by processing slightly more recycling compared to 2016 – 2981 tons in 2017 compared to 2962 tons in 2016. While tonnage for paper and cardboard were down, almost every other category saw increase compared to 2016. Recycling markets remained steady throughout most of 2017 and were generally on the high side. Some policy changes in China sent ripples throughout some markets, but so far, we have been isolated from those actions. The District ended 2017 with a deficit of \$53,459. Revenues in 2017 were 12% above projections. While budgeted expenses were 4.7% above projections, sale of recyclables, including scrap metal, was responsible for most of the increase of revenue.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District in 2017. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3rd in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

Vermont's Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) guided most of our activities in 2017 and will continue to do so for the next several years. 2018 will see more of the same in helping our member communities comply with Act 148. The NEKWMD will assist 10 Towns with establishing food scrap collection at their transfer stations by the July 1, 2017 deadline.

The NEKWMD is entering 2018 with a proposed budget of \$760,519 – an increase of less than 1% compared to 2017. The surcharge rate of \$24.25 will remain the same for 2018. Our surcharge on trash remains below the State average of \$26.19.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and four part-time employees in 2017. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly with the District's Executive Director to set the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget at their Town Meeting in March.

Since the surcharge on trash is based on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

We would like to express our appreciation to our able staff for their continuing commitment to our mission. The nearly 50,000 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

NEKWMD Executive Committee

WARNING

NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE

MARCH 6, 2018

The legal voters of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are hereby notified and warned to vote, by Australian Ballot, at the polling place and between the hours specified by their municipality on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 to act on the following article.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$760,519?

<i>Joel Cripp</i>	<i>Paula R. Rzepke</i>
<i>Steve Dero</i>	<i>Gene A. Roberts</i>
<i>Jack Samberg</i>	<i>Preston Smith</i>
<i>Nina Swales</i>	
<i>David Sileo</i>	
<i>Kimberly Flandin</i>	
<i>Greg Keene</i>	
<i>Paul</i>	
<i>Bob</i>	
<i>Valerie</i>	
<i>Kenneth W. Johnston</i>	
<i>David Gunders</i>	
<i>Mike Dwyer</i>	
<i>Donna</i>	
<i>Heather Best</i>	

Select Board Message

2017 was a very challenging and exciting year for the Town of Brownington. Gene Besaw & Associates audited the books in the spring, and everything was in order.

Rodney Horskins started as Road Foreman in January and has been doing an excellent job keeping up with the many challenges and keeping our roads safe. The bucket loader is having issues and may need an overhaul. We are trying a few options first before we go that route.

The town received two grants from the V-Trans Better Roads Program. One was for the ditching on the Pepin Road, and the other for the Road and Culvert Inventory. These grants require a 20% match. The work on the Pepin Road allowed us to make our match with in-kind services with the labor of our crew and the use of Town Equipment. The Road and Culvert Inventory required us to match the 20% with cash because neither our crew or equipment was used to complete the work. The Town also received a Municipal Roads Grant-in-Aid Pilot Project Grant, through NVDA and the Department of Environmental Conservation, that allowed for the work that was completed on the Parker Road this summer. We were able to match our 20% with in-kind services. We were told that in-kind match will not be an option in the future, and grants will require the match to be cash. The town also received an Agency of Transportation Grant for an engineer to evaluate the Center Road and come up with a cost estimate and options for this project, which has been completed. The Town had to contribute a 10% cash match for this work. This is part of the Five-Year Plan, which is a requirement for the state for future grants. Grants are essential in helping keep taxes down while helping to make much needed improvements to the Town through outside funding. Both the Road and Culvert Inventory and the engineer recommendations for the Center Road are available at the Town Clerk's Office for viewing.

The Select Board meets twice a month, typically on the second and fourth Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. at the Town Clerk's Office. Meetings are open to the public. If you are unable to attend, please contact one of the Board Members or Val at the office to express any concerns and it will be addressed at the next Board Meeting. All Board minutes are posted in the Town Clerk's Office, at the Town Office and Brownington Village on the Town bulletin boards, at the school when in session, and at the Evansville Trading Post. If you would like the minutes emailed to you, please contact Val at the office and she will happily add you to the email list.

A special thank you to Valerie Faust for her dedication and superb job and accuracy as Treasurer and Town Clerk. In addition to her completing all the clerical work, paying bills, making deposits, collecting taxes, serving as Clerk to the Select Board, and keeping up with all the changing demands from the State of Vermont, she is always available for the Select Board. We have added a few line items to the budget to aid us and the town in seeing the spending more specifically. The Town Office is open Monday thru Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

The Board would like to thank everyone who worked in the town government, the assistant clerk and treasurer, auditors, listers, recycling agent, planning commis-

sion, and other officials are much appreciated. We will need volunteers for Green Up Day which will be held on Saturday, May 5th, 2018.

We would like to remind the town that we are still seeking volunteers to help with the Red Cross Certified Emergency Shelter, located at the Brownington Central School. We continue to apply for a grant to purchase a generator for the school. The third grant application was sent in to FEMA at the beginning of January 2018, but we haven't heard anything yet.

For the fiscal year 2018, the highway budget has increased. The increase is due mainly to employee raises, insurances, Social Security, retirement, unemployment, the new municipal roads general permit that we are required to obtain this year, a new line item for Mechanic, we also added more to the equipment fund (for future equipment purchases as the trucks and equipment that is getting older).

Lastly, we are pleased to announce that at the end of the 2017 fiscal year, we were able to transfer an additional \$20,000.00 into the Equipment Money Market account to replace some of the money that we used to purchase the new ton truck. We, as taxpayers ourselves, work diligently to keep the budgets within reason and we will continue to look for ways to cut expenses where we can and make long term purchases that will be more fiscally responsible in the long run. The Select Board is happy to report that the town was able to stay under budget for the fiscal year 2017. We will continue to work in the best interest of the taxpayers while insuring the town has everything it needs to run in a safe and productive manner.

Beverly White, Board Chair	754-8449
Terry Curtis	754-6431
Bill Falconer	673-6020

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Warning

The legal voters of the Town of Brownington, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Brownington Elementary School in Brownington Center in the Town of Brownington, Vermont, on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to transact the following business, viz:

1. To elect a moderator.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.
3. To elect the remaining Town Officers as provided by statute:
 - a. One Selectman for a term of three years.
 - b. A Town Treasurer for a term of three years.
 - c. A Delinquent Tax Collector.
 - d. One Lister for a term of three years.
 - e. One Cemetery Commissioner for a term of three years.
 - f. A First Constable.
 - g. A Second Constable.
 - h. One Auditor for the remaining two years of a three-year term.
 - i. One Auditor for a term of three years.
 - j. One Planning Commissioner for a term of three years.
 - k. One Planning Commissioner for a term of three years.
 - l. One Planning Commissioner for a term of three years.
 - m. One Waste Management Committee member for a term of two years.
4. To see if the voters will let the Cemetery Commissioners appoint the Cemetery Sextons.
5. To see if the voters will give the Selectmen the authority to appoint the remaining officers, namely: two Town Grand Jurors, One Town Agent, Pound Keepers, Fence Viewers, and Tree Warden and Inspector of Wood, Lumber & Shingles.
6. To see if the town shall sell the .21 AC piece of land located in Brownington Village, where the Grange Hall used to sit for \$1500.00, and put the money in the General Fund?
7. Shall the Town appropriate \$101,238.00 to defray the general expenses of the Town?
8. To see if the town shall allow the movement of \$9865.68 plus interest for the months of February and March 2018 from Town Garage Money Market to the Equipment Money Market.
9. Shall the Town appropriate \$412,802.47 or \$402,802.47 if the Town Garage MM to Equipment MM passes, for highway purposes?
10. To see if the voters will authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.
11. To see if the Town will vote to pay the necessary premiums on bonds for its officers who are required by law to furnish bonds.
12. Shall the Town authorize the changing of the due date of real and personal property taxes from October 31st to November 15th?
13. Shall the Town authorize the Treasurer to collect real and personal property taxes due to the Town on or before October 31, 2018 or November 15th, 2018 if town votes to do so, with delinquent taxes subject to interest charges, the highest allowable by law and an eight percent collector's fee charged against them from the due date?
14. Shall the town allow the annual appropriation request made by Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) to be changed to Town Dues and added to the operating budget?
15. Shall the Town of Brownington vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,414.00 for the support of Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT) to provide services to residents of the Town, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
16. Shall the Town of Brownington vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$900.00 for the support of Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging to provide services to residents of the Town, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to the Orleans-Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc. for the home care services of the Agency and Hospice, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
18. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$13,078.99 to the Orleans County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services for the ensuing year, and direct the select board to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
19. Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to the Jones Memorial Library, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
20. Shall the voters of the Town of Brownington vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter with its commitments to rescuing, providing care to and finding homes for unwanted pets, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$500.00 as requested by the Orleans County Citizen Advocacy for the purpose of creating and supporting one-to-one relationships between people with disabilities and community volunteers, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
22. Shall the Town vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$741.00 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association, for planning, development, promoting and publicizing the resources of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties with other towns in three counties, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
23. Shall the Town of Brownington vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1037.00 for the support of Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., a not for profit 501(c)(3), to support the provision of 24 hour, 7 days a week emergency/crisis services to residents of the town, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?

24. Shall the Town of Brownington appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to Green Mountain Farm-to-School, Inc. to support the Brownington School Garden and Farm to School Program, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
25. Shall the Town of Brownington appropriate \$700.00 to Umbrella, Inc. to serve victims of domestic and sexual violence and their children, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
26. Shall the Town appropriate a sum of \$250.00 in support of the NorthWoods Stewardship Center for the purpose of providing: summer camps, school science and outdoor programs; summer Conservation Service Corps training and jobs for local youth; low-cost forestry workshops for landowners; and maintenance of local hiking and water trails throughout the Northeast Kingdom, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?
27. Shall the town allow the highway department to grade the drive accessing Prospect Hill as needed. Prospect Hill is a community space and therefore the drive communally used. The Orleans County Historical Society will cover the cost of gravel.
28. To act upon any nonbinding business that may legally come before said meeting.
29. To adjourn.

Dated at Brownington, Vermont this 24th day of January, 2018.

Beverly White, Chairman
Terry Curtis
Bill Falconer

Brownington Select Board

I hereby certify that the above warning was duly recorded in the records of the Town of Brownington previous to the posting and publication thereof.

Attest: Valerie Faust

Brownington Town Clerk

Summary of 2017 Annual Town Meeting Minutes

The legal voters of the Town of Brownington met at the Brownington Central School on March 7th, 2017, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and transacted the following business:

1. Albert "Pat" Davis was elected to serve as moderator.
2. The Town Officers' reports were accepted as corrected.
3. The following officers were elected:
Selectman (3 years) – Bill Falconer
Town Clerk (remaining 2 years of a 3-year term) – Valerie Faust
Town Treasurer (remaining 1 year of a 3-year term) – Valerie Faust
Delinquent Tax Collector – Valerie Faust
Lister (3 years) – David Chase
Cemetery Commissioner (3 years) – Scott Nichols
First Constable – Adam Brunelle
Second Constable – Geoff Falconer
Auditor (3 years) – Debbie Brunelle
Planning Commissioner (Remaining 1 year of a 3-year term) – Elizabeth Butterfield
Planning Commissioner (Remaining 2 years of a 3-year term) – Brandy Robillard
Planning Commissioner (3 years) – Roger Patenaude
Planning Commissioner (3 years) – Bill Davis
Planning Commissioner (3 Years) – Michael Glodgett
4. It was voted to let the Cemetery Commissioners appoint the Cemetery Sextons.
5. The Selectmen were authorized to appoint the following officers: two Town Grand Jurors, one Town Agent, Pound Keepers, Fence Viewers, Tree Warden and Inspector of Wood, Lumber and Shingles.
6. It was voted to appropriate \$102,765.00 to defray general expenses of the Town.
7. It was voted to appropriate \$364,544.00 for highway purposes.
8. It was voted to authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.
9. It was voted to pay the necessary premiums of bonds for its officers who are required by law to furnish bonds.
10. It was voted to authorize the Treasurer to collect real and personal property taxes due the Town on or before October 31, 2017, with delinquent taxes subject to interest charges, the highest allowable by law, and an 8% collector's fee charged against them from the due date.
11. It was voted to appropriate \$1413.98 to Rural Community Transportation.
12. It was voted to appropriate \$600.00 to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging.

13. It was voted to appropriate \$2,500.00 to Orleans-Essex VNA & Hospice.
14. It was voted to appropriate \$12,698.05 to the Orleans County Sheriff's Department.
15. It was voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Jones Memorial Library.
16. The vote to appropriate \$500.00 to the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter was defeated.
17. It was voted to appropriate 500.00 to the Orleans County Citizens Advocacy.
18. It was voted to appropriate \$741.00 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association.
19. It was voted to appropriate \$100.00 to the SymphonyKids Program.
20. It was voted to appropriate \$200.00 to the Orleans County Court Diversion.
21. It was voted to appropriate \$954.00 to the Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.
22. It was voted to appropriate \$300.00 to the Green Mountain Farm-to-School, Inc.
23. It was voted to appropriate \$700.00 to Umbrella, Inc.
24. It was voted to exempt the Grange Hall/Grammar School from taxation for a period of ten years.
25. Angie Falconer asked about the Center Road status. Paul Raybold stated that there is a 5 year plan in process. Christy Glodgett thanked those that helped her family with the loss of their home due to a fire.
25. The meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

There were 673 registered voters and 73 were checked off on the checklist as having voted during Town Meeting.

Dated at Brownington, Vermont, this 18th day of January 2018.

Valerie Faust
Brownington Town Clerk

Summary of May 15th, 2017 Special Town Meeting Minutes

The legal voters of the Town of Brownington, Vermont met at the Brownington Central School in Brownington Center in the Town of Brownington, Vermont on Monday, May 15, 2017 at six o'clock in the evening and transacted the following business:

1. It was voted to appropriate \$500.00 to the Pope Memorial Animal Shelter.
2. No non-binding business was brought before the meeting.
3. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Dated at Brownington, Vermont, this 18th day of January 2018.

Valerie Faust
Brownington Town Clerk

Auditors' Report

We, the auditors of the Town of Brownington, have reviewed the financial records of the Town for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2017. The local audit includes, but is not limited to: checking accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts, petty cash, Select Board Meeting reports, Town Treasurer & Town Clerk reports, recording of fees, licenses, general ledgers, Listers' calculations, Grand List, and property tax statements. We reviewed the payroll records and reports as required by the Vermont Dept. of Labor and the Federal Government.

To the best of our knowledge, the above mentioned statements and reports are a true representation of the financial condition of the Town of Brownington, Vermont.

We would like to acknowledge the diligence and dedication of Valerie Faust in the performance of her duties as Treasurer/Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Thompson
Jan Delaney
Jacqueline Meyer
AUDITORS, Town of Brownington

Independent Audit

An audit for year ending December 31, 2016 was conducted by Gene A. Besaw & Associates and was completed in June 2017.

Copies of the Management Letter, Full Financial Statements & Single Audit Report may be viewed at the

Brownington Town Clerk's Office
622 Schoolhouse Rd., Brownington, VT 05860

Statement of Property Taxes

2017 Grand List:	Municipal	School Homestead	School Non Residential
Real Estate Total	\$82,025,202.00	\$49,719,800	\$32,305,402.00
1% of Grand List.....	820,252.02	497,198.00	323,054.02
Tax Rate6006	1.2136	1.4634
Taxes Raised	\$492,643.38	\$603,399.41	\$472,757.29

2017 Homestead Tax Rate 1.8142

2017 Non Residential Tax Rate..... 1.9654

2017 Taxes Billed:	\$1,568,800.08
Adjustments HS-122 Late Filers & Errors.....	810.21
Net Taxes Billed.....	<u>\$1,569,610.29</u>

2017 Taxes Collected:	
2017 Tax Collected in 2017	\$1,422,474.77
2017 Collected as Delinquent.....	68,968.49
2017 Tax Delinquent December 31, 2017	78,167.03
	<u>\$1,569,610.29</u>

2016 Delinquent Taxes:	
Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 67,451.08
Taxes Abated	13.09
2016 Tax Collected in 2017	67,270.93
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 167.06

2015 Delinquent Taxes:	
Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 322.50
Taxes Abated	-
2015 Tax Collected in 2017	23.04
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 299.46

2014 Delinquent Taxes:	
Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 448.64
Taxes Abated	-
2014 Tax Collected in 2017	24.58
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 424.06

Financial Statement

Assets:		
PSB General Checking/ Sweep.....	\$199,831.78	
MM Account - Reappraisal Fund	34,466.12	
Petty Cash	50.00	
MM Account- Paving Fund	43,287.29	
MM Account- Equipment Fund	67,916.36	
MM Account - Town Garage Fund	9,865.68	\$355,417.23

Financial Statement cont.

Accounts Receivable:		
2017 Delinquent Taxes	\$ 78,167.03	
2016 Delinquent Taxes	167.06	
2015 Delinquent Taxes	299.46	
2014 Delinquent Taxes	424.06	\$ 79,057.61
		<u>\$434,474.84</u>

Liabilities:		
PS Bank- Truck Loan	\$ 46,064.12	
PS Bank - Garage Loan	448,356.47	
		<u>\$494,420.59</u>
Total Assets Over Liabilities.....		\$ (59,945.75)

Net Funds Available December 31, 2017

Restricted Funds:		
MM Account - Reappraisal Fund Act 68	\$ 34,466.12	
MM Account - Paving.....	43,287.29	
MM Account - Equipment	67,916.36	
MM Account - Town Garage Fund	9,865.68	
Computer Fees.....	45.50	
Restoration Fees	818.50	\$ 156,399.45
		<u>\$ (216,345.20)</u>
Less: A/R Delinquent Taxes.....		<u>\$ 79,057.61</u>
Net Funds Available 12/31/2017 ...		\$ (137,287.59)

Reappraisal Account:

Beginning Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 28,669.88
Interest Income.....	24.24
State of VT Act 68.....	5,772.00
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 34,466.12

Paving Fund:

Beginning Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 33,257.53
Interest Income.....	29.76
Transfer from Budget.....	10,000.00
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 43,287.29

Equipment Fund:

Beginning Balance January 1, 2017.....	\$ 72,652.52
Interest Income.....	62.84
Transfer from Budget.....	30,000.00
Transfer to General Fund	(34,799.00)
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 67,916.36

Town Garage Fund:

Beginning Balance January 1, 2017.....	9,861.30
Interest Income.....	4.38
Balance December 31, 2017	\$ 9,865.68

Revenue Report

General Budget

TAX REVENUES

Property Taxes.....	\$ 30,801.96
Prior Year Taxes	67,331.64
Tax Interest	9,196.77
Del. Collector Fees	10,115.42
Tax Sale & Misc Costs	-

OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Current Use	16,274.00
Motor Vehicle Fines	327.36
PILOT	5,291.37
State Reimbursements	18,640.31

LOCAL REVENUES

Clerk Fees	10,246.75
Dog Licenses	1,012.00
Liquor Licenses	140.00
Interest on Statements	312.73
Miscellaneous	-

Total General **169,690.31**

Highway Budget

TAX REVENUE

Property Taxes	364,544.00
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OTHER GOVERNMENTS

State Aid to Highways	89,003.70
State Reimbursements	-

LOCAL REVENUES

Overload Permits	180.00
Interest on Statements	26.25
Miscellaneous	225.90

Total Highway **453,979.85**

OTHER FUNDS

Interest on Statements	55.56
Transfer from Highway- Equipment	30,000.00
Pepin Rd. Grant BC0269	15,712.00
Transfer from Highway- Paving	10,000.00
Interest on Statements	3.68
Restoration Fees	886.00
Computer Fund	45.50
St of Vt Act 68 payment	5,772.00

Total Other Funds **62,474.74**

TOTAL REVENUE ALL FUNDS **\$ 686,144.90**

Expenditure Report

GENERAL BUDGET

PAYROLL & BENEFITS

Assistant Town Clerk	\$ 4,869.45
Assistant Treasurer	4,824.45
Fire Warden	500.00
Health Officer	365.00
Election- worker	25.00
Town Clerk	16,980.44
Town Treasurer	14,991.75
Listers	5,612.50
Select Board	3,650.00
Auditors	745.21
Clerk Fees	10,297.75
Animal Contol Officer	1,200.00
Recycle Attendant	2,249.56
Board Clerk	1,400.00
Health Insurance	4,000.00
Social Security -Employer	6,412.49

OFFICE EXPENSES

Training	435.00
Rubbish	930.50
Computer/ Internet	1,124.28
Nemrc	2,069.08
Phone	889.50
Office/ Advertising	1,073.27
Member Dues	2,106.00
Mileage	330.84
Paper, postage etc	3,079.58
Maintenance	2,521.79
Electric	1,398.16
Heat	689.09

GENERAL EXPENSES

Cemetery Comm	4,900.00
Animal Control	131.72
Fire Protection	20,000.00
Audit Fees	6,000.00
Legal Fees	157.50
Parcel Mapping	-
Street Lights	1,609.78
SW- Green Up	839.00
SW- Barton LF	53.90
Insurance- VLCT Pacif	7,475.00
Town Report- Printing	1,749.00
Town Report- Mailing	325.74
County Tax	12,164.99
Miscellaneous	1,485.51

APPROPRIATIONS

Orleans Sheriff's Dept	12,698.05
RCT	1,413.98

Appropriations cont.

NEK Council on Aging	600.00
VNA	2,500.00
Jones Memorial Library	1,000.00
Lake Region Senior Meal	-
Human Services	954.00
Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Society	500.00
Citizens Advocacy	500.00
Court Diversion	200.00
Umbrella, Inc	700.00
NVDA	741.00
Farm to School	300.00
Symphony Kids Program	100.00
Total General Budget.....	173,869.86

HIGHWAY BUDGET**PAYROLL & BENEFITS**

Full Time Road Crew	31,672.35
Part Time Road Crew	14,653.88
Mechanic	-
Road Foreman	55,022.50
Health Ins- Town Share	7,000.00
Social Security- empl sha	7,362.16
Retirement	6,220.04
Unemployment	3,955.46
Uniforms	750.00

GARAGE OFFICE

Training	400.00
Phone/Internet	1,866.55
Mileage	56.72
Supplies	888.44
Maintenance	1,364.78
Electric	2,567.49
Heat	3,961.30

GENERAL EXPENSES

CDL Expense	-
Insurance- VLCT Pacif	17,668.00
Shop Supplies	4,843.01
Road Signs	2,516.56
Tools	-
General Permit	-
Equipment Transfer	30,000.00
Paving Transfer	10,000.00

ROAD MAINTENANCE

Roadside Mowing	2,950.00
Equipment Hire	9,416.25
Sand	16,000.00
Salt	4,743.88
Chloride	17,929.80
Hot/ Cold Patch	1,033.59

Road Maintenance cont.

Bridges/ Guardrails	-
Culverts	3,897.55
Road Surface-Gravel	33,211.33
Stone-Muddy Roads	-
Ditching/Seeding	399.94

EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

Loader	2,069.81
Grader	6,995.77
Backhoe	50.61
Winter Equipment Maintenance	-
Preventative Maintenance	8,177.60
Miscellaneous	0.89
Truck 1	5,549.98
Truck 2	3,534.08
Truck 3	3,806.45
Trailer	2,859.01
Fuel-Diesel	25,702.55
Fuel-Welding	217.84
Gasoline	596.31

DEBT SERVICE

Truck Loan- Principal	22,522.96
Garage Loan-Principal	20,464.05
Grader Lease Payment	24,589.68
Truck Loan -Interest	868.28
Garage Loan- Interest	12,819.15

Total Highway..... 433,176.60

New Equipment	34,799.00
Tools/ Machinery	-
Pepin Road	10,336.24
Center Road Engineering	4,975.00
Road And Culvert Inventory	8,190.00
MRGP-Parker Road	6,894.58
Center Road Culvert Engineering	793.75
Restoration Expense	635.46

Total Other Projects..... 66,624.03

TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS..... \$ 673,670.49

Proposed
Comparative Budget Report
GENERAL FUND

	Budget FY-2017	Actual FY-2017	Budget FY-2018
PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
Assistant Town Clerk	\$ 4,680.00	\$ 4,869.45	\$ 4,774.00
Assistant Treasurer	4,680.00	4,824.45	4,774.00
Fire Warden	500.00	500.00	500.00
Health Officer	365.00	365.00	365.00
Election- worker	500.00	25.00	1,000.00
Town Clerk	16,990.00	16,980.44	17,490.00
Town Treasurer	15,000.00	14,991.75	15,400.00
Listers	6,500.00	5,612.50	7,200.00
Select Board	3,650.00	3,650.00	3,735.00
Auditors	850.00	745.21	850.00
Clerk Fees	-	10,297.75	-
Del. Collector Fees	-	-	-
Animal Control Officer	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Recycle Attendant	1,950.00	2,249.56	2,100.00
Board Clerk	1,500.00	1,400.00	1,500.00
Health Insurance	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Social Security -Employer	6,000.00	6,412.49	8,000.00
Total Payroll & Benefits	68,365.00	78,123.60	72,888.00

OFFICE EXPENSES

Training	750.00	435.00	750.00
Rubbish	300.00	930.50	400.00
Computer/ Internet	1,500.00	1,124.28	1,500.00
Nemrc	2,000.00	2,069.08	2,000.00
Phone	1,000.00	889.50	800.00
Office/ Advertising	1,000.00	1,073.27	1,000.00
Member Dues	2,100.00	2,106.00	2,100.00
Mileage	500.00	330.84	500.00
Paper, postage etc.	3,000.00	3,079.58	3,100.00
Maintenance	3,000.00	2,521.79	3,000.00
Electric	1,600.00	1,398.16	1,600.00
Heat	1,000.00	689.09	1,000.00
Total Office Expense	17,750.00	16,647.09	17,750.00

GENERAL EXPENSES

Cemetery Comm	4,900.00	4,900.00	6,000.00
Animal Control	-	131.72	-
Fire Protection	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Audit Fees	6,000.00	6,000.00	-
Legal Fees	1,000.00	157.50	1,500.00
Parcel Mapping	-	-	1,600.00
NEKWMD	-	-	800.00
Street Lights	1,750.00	1,609.78	1,850.00

	Budget FY-2017	Actual FY-2017	Budget FY-2018
General Expenses con't.			
SW- Green Up	1,000.00	839.00	1,000.00
SW-Barton Post Closure	-	53.90	-
Insurance- VLCT Pacif	-	7,475.00	-
Town Report- Printing	2,000.00	1,749.00	2,000.00
Town Report- Mailing	250.00	325.74	350.00
County Tax	11,000.00	12,164.99	12,500.00
Miscellaneous	-	1,485.51	-
Total General Expenses	47,900.00	56,892.14	47,600.00
Total Selectman's Budget	\$134,015.00	\$151,662.83	\$138,238.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Orleans Sheriff's Dept	\$ 12,698.05	\$ 12,698.05
RCT	1,413.98	1,413.98
NEK Council on Aging	600.00	600.00
VNA	2,500.00	2,500.00
Jones Memorial Library	1,000.00	1,000.00
Human Services	954.00	954.00
Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Society	500.00	500.00
Citizens Advocacy	500.00	500.00
Court Diversion	200.00	200.00
Umbrella	700.00	700.00
NVDA	741.00	741.00
Farm to School	300.00	300.00
Symphony Kids Program	100.00	100.00
Total Appropriations	22,207.03	22,207.03
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$156,222.03	\$173,869.86

Anticipated Income:

Current Use	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
PILOT	4,000.00	5,000.00
Delinquent Collector Fees	8,000.00	9,000.00
Delinquent Tax Interest	8,000.00	9,000.00
Tax Revenue	102,015.00	101,238.00
Total	\$134,015.00	\$138,238.00

Proposed
Comparative Budget Report
HIGHWAY FUND

	Budget FY-2017	Actual FY-2017	Budget FY-2018
PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
Full Time	\$ 40,250.00	\$ 31,672.35	\$ 42,500.00
Part Time	7,000.00	14,653.88	7,000.00
Mechanic	-	-	5,000.00
Road Foreman	49,195.00	55,022.50	51,500.00
Health Ins	8,000.00	7,000.00	8,000.00
Social Security	7,500.00	7,362.16	9,000.00
Retirement	5,000.00	6,220.04	6,800.00
Unemployment	4,000.00	3,955.46	7,000.00
Uniforms	1,000.00	750.00	1,600.00
Total Payroll & Benefits.....	121,945.00	126,636.39	138,400.00
GARAGE OFFICE.....			
Training.....	500.00	400.00	750.00
Phone/ Internet.....	1,300.00	1,866.55	1,589.76
Mileage.....	500.00	56.72	500.00
Supplies.....	1,000.00	888.44	1,000.00
Maintenance.....	2,000.00	1,364.78	2,000.00
Electric.....	2,000.00	2,567.49	3,250.00
Heat.....	5,000.00	3,961.30	5,000.00
Total Garage Office.....	12,300.00	11,105.28	14,089.76
GENERAL EXPENSES			
CDL Expense	400.00	-	400.00
Insurance- VLCT Pacif	17,635.00	17,668.00	16,987.00
Shop Supplies	3,000.00	4,843.01	3,000.00
Road Signs	2,000.00	2,516.56	2,000.00
Tools	-	-	2,000.00
General Permit	-	-	2,640.00
Equipment Transfer	10,000.00	30,000.00	20,000.00
Paving Transfer	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total General Expenses	43,035.00	65,027.57	57,027.00
ROAD MAINTENANCE			
Roadside Mowing	3,500.00	2,950.00	4,500.00
Equipment Hire	15,000.00	9,416.25	15,000.00
Sand	18,000.00	16,000.00	20,000.00
Salt	8,000.00	4,743.88	8,000.00
Chloride	18,000.00	17,929.80	18,000.00
Hot/ Cold Patch	1,000.00	1,033.59	1,000.00
Bridges/ Guardrails.....	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Culverts	7,000.00	3,897.55	7,000.00
Road Surface-Gravel.....	60,000.00	33,211.33	50,000.00
Stone-Muddy Roads.....	-	-	10,000.00

	Budget FY-2017	Actual FY-2017	Budget FY-2018
Road Maintenance cont.			
Ditching/Seeding	-	399.94	2,000.00
Total Road Maintenance.....	132,500.00	89,582.34	137,500.00
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE			
Loader- Maint	4,000.00	2,069.81	4,000.00
Grader- Maint	7,500.00	6,995.77	7,500.00
Backhoe- Maint.....	3,000.00	50.61	3,000.00
Winter Equipment Maint	-	0.89	5,000.00
Preventative Maint.....	5,000.00	8,177.60	5,000.00
Truck 1 Maint.....	2,500.00	5,549.98	2,500.00
Truck 2 Maint.....	2,500.00	3,534.08	2,500.00
Truck 3 Maint.....	2,500.00	3,806.45	2,500.00
Trailer	-	2,859.01	500.00
Fuel- Diesel	35,000.00	25,702.55	30,000.00
Fuel- Welding	500.00	217.84	500.00
Gasoline	-	596.31	3,000.00
Total Equipment Maintenance	62,500.00	59,560.90	66,000.00
DEBT SERVICE			
Truck Loan - Principal.....	22,522.96	22,522.96	22,860.85
Garage Loan- Principal.....	20,463.94	20,464.05	21,042.37
Grader Lease Payment	24,589.68	24,589.68	24,589.68
Truck Loan - Interest	868.28	868.28	530.39
Garage Loan - Interest	12,819.14	12,819.15	9,762.42
Total Debt Service.....	81,264.00	81,264.12	78,785.71
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:.....	\$453,544.00	\$433,176.60	\$491,802.47
Anticipated Income:			
State Aid for Highway	\$ 89,000.00		\$ 89,000.00
Tax Revenue.....	364,544.00		402,802.47
	\$453,544.00		\$491,802.47

ACT 68 FUNDS

Balance January 1, 2017		
State of VT Act 68 Payment	\$ 5,772.00	
		\$ 5,772.00
Expended:		
Transfer to Reappraisal MM	\$ 5,772.00	
		\$ 5,772.00
		\$ -

RESTORATION FUND

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ 2,184.65	
Restoration Fees	886.00	
		\$ 3,070.65
Expended:		
Goodway Documents	\$ 635.46	
		\$ 635.46
		\$ 2,435.18

COMPUTER FUND

Balance January 1, 2017		
Computer Fees	\$ 45.50	
		\$ 45.50
Expended:	\$ -	
		\$ -
		\$ 45.50

BETTER ROADS - PEPIN ROAD GRANT BR2069

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ -	
Transportation Agency	15,712.00	
Local Share	6,641.24	
		\$22,353.24
Expended:		
Equipment Rental	\$ 5,241.20	
Materials	5,095.04	
Town Owned Equipment	9,380.00	
Labor	2,637.00	
		\$22,353.24
		\$ -

CENTER ROAD ENGINEERING BC1798

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ -	
Local Share	497.50	
		\$ 497.50
Expended:		
Ruggles Engineering Services, Inc.	\$ 4,975.00	
		\$ 4,975.00
		\$(4,477.50)

ROAD & CULVERT INVENTORY BR0031

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ -	
Local Share	1,638.00	
		\$ 1,638.00
Expended:		
Municipal Public Works Consulting, LLC..	\$ 8,190.00	
		\$ 8,190.00
		\$(6,552.00)

MRGP - PARKER ROAD

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ -	
Local Share	3,391.80	
		\$ 3,391.80
Expended:		
Materials	\$ 462.70	
Labor	1,287.00	
Equipment	9,142.10	
		\$10,891.70
		\$(7,500.00)

CENTER ROAD CULVERT ENGINEERING BC1888

Balance January 1, 2017	\$ -	
		\$ -
Expended:		
Ruggles Engineering Services, Inc.	\$ 793.75	
		\$ 793.75
		\$ (793.75)

Cemetery Financial Report

Account Balance as of December 31, 2017:

Savings Account.....	\$ 1,791.30	
Checking Account.....	2,710.03	
Total		\$ 4,501.33

Statement of Income & Expenses 2017:

Balance January 1, 2017 **\$ 3,811.81**

RECEIPTS:

Interest on Savings.....	\$.82	
Appropriation at Town Meeting	4,900.00	
Perpetual Care	800.00	
Total Receipts	5,700.82	
		\$ 8,461.73

DISBURSEMENTS:

All Cemeteries:

Cemetery Care-Wayne Libby (Mowing)	4,900.00	
Heritage Memorial	111.30	
Total Disbursements	5,011.30	
Ending Balance December 31, 2017		\$ 4,501.33

Town School District Warning

The legal voters of the Town School District of Brownington, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Brownington Central School in Brownington Center in the Town of Brownington, Vermont on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at one o'clock in the afternoon to transact the following business, namely:

1. To elect a Moderator
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the district officers
3. To elect the following officers as provided by statute
 - a) A school director for a term of three years (vice Jeremy Haney)
 - b) A school director for the Lake Region Union High School District for a three-year term. (vice Pat Davis)
4. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Directors to borrow money to pay indebtedness and current expense of the District.
5. To see what annual salaries the electorate shall authorize in payment of the School Directors.
6. To see if the voters will authorize an appropriation of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to the Capital Reserve Fund established by vote at the 2007 Annual Meeting pursuant to provision 24 V.S.A. Section 2804; such funds to be used to reduce bond payments in the operating budget, repair, replacement and/or upgrading the structural components or operating system of the Brownington Central School.
7. Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expense \$1,605,259., which is the amount the school board had determined necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$12,589 per equalized pupil this projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.32% higher than spending for the current year.
8. Discussion of other non-binding business.
9. To adjourn.

Dated at Brownington, Vermont, this 4th day of January, 2018

/s/ Debbie Brunelle

/s/ David Martinez

/s/ Jeremy Haney

BROWNINGTON SCHOOL DIRECTORS

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

/s/Valerie Faust

BROWNINGTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

Principal's Message

During the last year, the BCS staff have identified the Brownington Bridge to the Future. This long-term plan is to give children what they need when they need it through creating a positive school climate and engaging every student every day. We improve the climate through teaching a social-emotional curriculum, recognizing and celebrating positive behavior, and ensuring that every student has many opportunities to have a sense of belonging. Teachers are working on engaging students and creating the BCS Engagement Playbook. By combining social-emotional learning and student engagement in learning, the BCS Staff are preparing our students to be successful throughout their lives.

There are few items to highlight that might help make sense of this budget:

- First, you will notice that the overall expenditures will decrease by 5.67%. If voters choose to add in \$10,000 for capital reserve as requested, the net decrease will be 5.08 %. This would come to a preliminary tax increase of \$0.07.
- Cutting this much from the budget will require that we restructure our classes. There will be students in nine different grade levels with only seven regular teachers and one interventionist. We will have to create new structures and systems to ensure that we are still meeting the needs of students.
- Revenues are down because in FY18 & FY19, by law, the State is recapturing what they believed to be viable saving in health care due to the transition of new VEHI health plans. Also, it is anticipated that Transportation revenues will be going to the Central Office, which also accounts for much of the reduction in the budgeted expenses for the transportation assessment. The net impact is 0 to the education spending as revenues lost equal expenditures reduced.
- You will notice that our special Education assessment, which is paid directly to OCSU, has decreased 17.13%. While our PreK special education costs have risen 54.54 % which is partially due to new legislation – Act 166. Both of these services are required by law.

I am excited about the good work that the staff does every day and the growth that we see in your children.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry Fliegelman

Brownington Faculty and Staff 2017 - 2018

	POSITION	FTE	SALARY
Larry Fliegelman Lesley College, M	Principal	1.00	\$75,920.00
Lauren Baker Lyndon State College, B	Kindergarten	1.00	\$38,676.00
Allison Desjardins Lyndon State College, B	Grade 1	1.00	\$37,442.00
Jennifer Ullrich Lyndon State College, B+15	Grade 2	1.00	\$53,725.00
Melissa Hall Johnson State College, B	Grade 3	1.00	\$38,676.00
Michelle Bonneau Lyndon State College, M	Grade 4/5 Humanities	1.00	\$46,803.00
Jennifer Riendeau Lyndon State College, M	Grades 5/6 Math & 4/5 Science	1.00	\$45,569.00
Jennifer Lund Southern New Hampshire U., M	Grade 6/7/8 Humanities	1.00	\$49,271.00
Joann Martin University of Vermont, M	Grade 6/8 Math & 6/7/8 Science	1.00	\$50,505.00
Ellie Primeau Lyndon State College, M+15	Interventionist	1.00	\$51,980.00
Lynn Berry The College of New Jersey, M+30	Guidance	0.20	\$12,912.20
Johanna Petrycki Plymouth State University, M	Guidance	0.40	\$16,746.80
Joanne George, RN Norwich University, B	School Nurse	0.60	\$32,830.80
Marcel Poulin Central Connecticut State U., B +15	Physical Education	0.40	\$17,047.60
Karen Devereux*	Special Educator	1.00	\$53,966.00
Anne Stern*	Special Educator	1.00	\$59,143.00
Amy Newton*	Music	0.10	\$8,668.84
Michelle Smyth Johnson State College, M+15	Art	0.20	\$10,149.20
Jessica Burdick	Administrative Secretary	1.00	\$30,800.00
Sue Cummings	Para Educator	1.00	\$27,146.00
Michael Sharon	Custodian	1.00	\$38,875.00
Cheryl Glodgett	Food Service Personnel	1.00	\$22,325.78
Donna Smith	Food Service Personnel	0.13	\$2,051.00
Ann Creaser	Food Service Personnel	0.13	\$2,205.00
Susan Granfors*	SLPA	0.29	\$6,824.61
Phun Gile*	Special Educator Para Educator	1.00	\$21,761.25
Carolyn Stouffer*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$29,308.13
Tom Powers*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$28,271.25
Nina Peck*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$19,044.38
Amanda Gentley*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$18,690.00
Kelly Turgeon*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$15,500.63
Morgan Campbell*	Special Education Para Educator	1.00	\$13,387.50

*OCSU employee assigned to the Brownington Central School

During the 2016-2017 school year, there were no teachers (0%) teaching under emergency license. Reported per Title 1(1111)(h) of NCLB requirements.

ENROLLMENT

	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-15
Elementary (K-6)	81	94	80	82
Middle Grades (7-8)	20	21	23	20
Secondary (9-12)	46	48	43	38
Total	147	163	146	140

BROWNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Revenues

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed
GENERAL FUND					
ED (TAXES/ STATE AID).....	\$1,252,537	\$1,252,538	\$1,347,928	\$1,347,928	\$1,455,893
ED SPENDING-					
HEALTH CARE RECAPTURE.....	-	-	-	(18,846)	(10,148)
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	63,980	130,319	125,614	141,233	(15,439)
TUITION	29,595	31,751	20,100	10,050	21,000
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS.....	9,000	10,472	10,000	10,500	10,500
MISCELLANEOUS.....	-	706	-	-	-
REFUNDS	-	100	-	-	-
DONATIONS	-	125	-	-	-
INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT.....	-	1,605	-	-	-
SWP SUB GRANT	49,668	54,132	50,897	41,017	41,017
SMALL SCHOOLS GRANT.....	105,043	103,238	103,238	98,436	98,436
STATE AID TRANSPORTATION	38,846	39,935	39,935	40,035	-
STATE AID TRANSP-EXTRAORDINARY	-	-	-	-	-
MAINSTREAM GRANT	41,880	39,968	-	-	-
SPECIAL EDUCATION REIMB.....	110,978	149,198	-	-	-
EARLY ESS. EDUCATION.....	12,373	12,834	-	-	-
E-RATE REIMBURSEMENT	4,000	4,484	4,000	6,000	4,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$1,717,900	\$1,831,406	\$1,701,712	\$1,676,353	\$1,605,259
					-5.67%

FMDA- Facilities Management Directors Association
 SWP= School Wide Program
 E-RATE= Name used for School and Library Program

BROWNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Budget 2018-19

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed
GENERAL FUND					
GENERAL INSTRUCTION					
SALARIES	\$ 441,753	\$ 433,951	\$ 441,478	\$ 439,844	\$ 416,153
SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES.....	0	0	18,057	27,146	28,232
SUBSTITUTES.....	8,500	12,987	11,500	11,500	11,500
HEALTH INSURANCE	122,991	92,017	95,327	102,630	97,189
FICA.....	34,444	32,903	36,034	36,604	34,875
TRE OP EB	0	2,710	2,710	2,710	2,710
MRE.....	0	0	0	1,086	1,129
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	3,602	3,914	4,569	4,928	4,696
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,517	1,623	1,400	768	704
TUITION	8,500	8,688	8,500	8,500	8,500
DENTAL INSURANCE.....	2,696	2,273	2,420	2,087	2,170
CONFERENCES.....	2,000	3,183	2,000	2,000	2,000
DISABILITY INSURANCE.....	1,325	1,246	1,412	1,308	1,244
SECTION 125 PLAN/HRA.....	0	0	0	216	360
MUSIC ASSESSMENT.....	21,368	21,368	22,757	22,757	23,240
TECH SUPPORT.....	27,911	27,911	28,609	28,609	29,322
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.....	7,500	10,984	5,670	5,670	5,670
EARLY ED. SUP. (COFEC).....	17,963	17,963	17,955	17,955	23,897
SERVICES (504).....	2,500	10,418	2,500	2,000	2,000
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE.....	1,800	2,717	2,000	2,000	2,000
TRAVEL EXPENSES.....	100	0	100	100	100
SUPPLIES	8,500	6,607	8,500	8,500	7,500
BOOKS/PERIODICALS.....	5,000	4,958	5,000	3,500	3,500
SOFTWARE	3,044	6,379	2,231	2,321	2,321
EQUIPMENT	3,335	2,154	3,335	2,500	2,500
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT.....	5,500	14,237	5,500	5,500	5,500
DUES/ FEES	365	1,228	365	365	365
TOTAL GENERAL INSTRUCTION.....	733,214	722,419	729,929	743,104	719,378
SWP					
SALARIES (SWP)	40,459	40,459	41,911	32,500	32,500
FICA.....	3,095	3,095	3,206	3,206	3,206
TRE ON BEHALF	5,195	4,689	4,857	2,500	2,500
WORKERS COMPENSATION	324	347	407	33	33
UNEMPLOYMENT	182	128	128	128	128
TUITION	0	4,780	0	0	0
DENTAL INSURANCE.....	292	262	262	0	0
DISABILITY INSURANCE.....	121	121	125	0	0
SUPPLIES.....	0	0	0	2,650	2,650
BOOKS/PERIODICALS.....	0	250	0	0	0
TOTAL SWP.....	49,668	54,131	50,896	41,017	41,017
SPECIAL EDUCATION					
SPECIAL ED ASSESSMENT	291,755	291,755	213,264	213,264	176,736
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	291,755	291,755	213,264	213,264	176,736

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed
PREK & EEE (SPECIAL EDUCATION)					
PREK & EEE ASSESSMENT	42,057	42,057	56,505	56,505	87,325
TOTAL PREK & EEE (SPEC. ED.)	42,057	42,057	56,505	56,505	87,325
CO-CURRIULAR					
SALARY (CO-CURRIULAR)	4,000	1,155	4,000	4,000	4,000
SOCIAL SECURITY	306	88	300	306	306
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	0	11	39	41	41
PURCHASED SERVICES	0	246	0	0	0
OFFICIALS	750	175	750	750	750
SUPPLIES	0	203	0	0	0
TOTAL CO-CURRIULAR	5,056	1,878	5,089	5,097	5,097
GUIDANCE					
SALARIES	8,304	22,321	26,346	29,659	18,346
GUIDANCE SUBS	500	0	500	500	500
SOCIAL SECURITY	674	1,708	2,054	2,307	1,442
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	70	189	256	311	194
UNEMPLOYMENT	182	146	29	128	64
DENTAL INSURANCE	71	0	0	119	124
DISABILITY INSURANCE	25	38	79	83	51
TOTAL GUIDANCE	9,826	24,402	29,264	33,107	20,721
NURSE					
SALARY (NURSE)	31,883	31,883	32,873	32,831	33,790
SUBSTITUTES	500	200	500	500	500
HEALTH INSURANCE	8,391	4,605	4,605	4,844	4,827
SOCIAL SECURITY	2,477	2,084	2,553	2,550	2,250
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	259	276	324	343	353
UNEMPLOYMENT	182	146	86	64	64
DENTAL INSURANCE	199	179	179	179	186
DISABILITY INSURANCE	96	96	99	92	95
SECTION 125 PLAN/HRA	0	0	0	18	36
NURSE ASSESSMENTS	476	476	50	-296	-259
SUPPLIES	500	522	500	500	500
SOFTWARE	332	269	332	323	332
TOTAL NURSE	45,295	40,736	42,101	41,948	42,674
MP. OF INSTRUCTION/					
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING					
CURRICULAR/MENTORING ASSESS	0	0	8,701	8,701	10,664
TOTAL IMP. OF INSTRUCTION/					
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING	0	0	8,701	8,701	10,664
EDUCATION MEDIA					
SUPPLIES	500	245	500	250	250
ED MEDIA ASSESSMENTS	0	0	0	0	0
BOOKS/PERIODICALS	1,000	546	1,000	750	750
TOTAL EDUCATION MEDIA	1,500	791	1,500	1,000	1,000
BOARD					
BOARD SALARIES	3,500	3,071	3,700	3,700	3,700
SOCIAL SECURITY	268	235	283	268	268
CONFERENCES	25	140	25	50	50
AUDIT ASSESSMENTS	5,500	6,825	5,000	5,000	5,000

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed
BOARD cont.					
LEGAL SERVICES	1,000	57	1,000	750	750
LIABILITY INS	1,155	1,067	1,110	1,120	1,165
COMMUNICATIONS	300	0	600	300	300
ADVERTISING	1,000	533	1,000	500	500
SUPPLIES	500	0	500	300	300
BOOKS/PERIODICALS	100	55	100	100	100
DUES/FEES	1,037	1,054	1,097	870	905
TOTAL BOARD	14,385	13,037	14,415	12,958	13,038
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSESSMENT					
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSESSMENT	51,608	51,608	67,454	67,454	59,269
TOTAL CENTRAL OFFICE ASSESS..	51,608	51,608	67,454	67,454	59,269
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE					
PRINCIPAL'S SALARIES	70,000	73,000	75,920	75,920	78,957
SECRETARY SALARIES	29,808	29,808	30,799	30,800	32,032
SUBSTITUTES	3,600	800	3,600	2,000	1,000
GR. HEALTH INS.	37,981	45,985	44,015	42,663	42,712
SOCIAL SECURITY	7,911	7,501	8,439	8,317	8,567
MRE	1,192	1,192	1,232	1,232	1,281
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	827	972	1,070	1,120	1,153
UNEMPLOYMENT	390	292	288	128	128
TUITION	1,600	0	1,600	0	800
DENTAL INSURANCE	664	596	596	596	620
CONFERENCE	25	554	25	803	850
DISABILITY INSURANCE	299	308	331	299	311
SECTION 125 PLAN/HRA/HAS	0	72	0	54	36
COMMUNICATIONS	12,500	9,278	12,500	11,000	11,000
POSTAGE	400	414	400	400	400
TRAVEL EXPENSES	500	321	500	500	500
SUPPLIES	800	793	800	800	800
BOOKS/PERIODICALS	100	55	100	100	100
DUES/FEES	605	615	615	615	615
TOTAL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	169,202	172,556	182,830	177,347	181,862
FISCAL SERVICES					
DUES/FEES	0	295	324	336	336
SHORT TERM INTEREST	9,200	8,192	9,000	8,616	9,000
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	9,200	8,487	9,324	8,952	9,336
MAINTENANCE					
CUSTODIAN'S SALARY	37,584	37,584	38,875	38,875	40,430
HEALTH INSURANCE	15,090	15,086	15,086	14,565	13,588
SOCIAL SECURITY	4,030	2,672	2,974	2,974	3,093
MRE	1,503	1,503	463	1,555	1,617
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	301	365	377	400	416
UNEMPLOYMENT	189	146	144	64	64
DENTAL	332	298	298	298	310
STAFF CONFERENCE	0	30	100	100	100
DISABILITY INSURANCE	113	113	116	109	113
SECTION 125 PLAN HRA/	0	0	0	36	36
SECURITY	50	27	50	50	50

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed	
MAINTENANCE cont.						
WATER/SEWAGE	2,000	1,628	2,000	1,883	1,883	
DISPOSAL SERVICE	2,000	3,182	3,000	3,200	3,200	
SNOW REMOVAL	3,500	950	3,500	2,500	2,500	
CARE OF GROUNDS	2,500	1,147	2,500	2,500	2,500	
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	8,000	5,329	8,000	8,000	8,000	
PROPERTY INSURANCE	4,421	4,001	4,161	3,883	4,038	
TRAVEL EXPENSES	250	193	250	250	250	
SUPPLIES	4,300	4,840	4,300	5,000	5,000	
ELECTRICITY	5,000	5,440	5,000	5,500	5,500	
FUEL OIL	18,000	13,364	18,000	16,000	16,000	
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	625	625	
DUES/FEES	0	511	200	509	509	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	109,163	98,409	109,394	108,876	109,823	
BUS CONTRACT						
TRANSPORTATION ASSESSMENT....	92,734	90,955	92,957	92,957	*54,800	
TOTAL BUS CONTRACT	92,734	90,955	92,957	92,957	54,800	
RES. TRANSPORTATION						
RES. TRANSPORTATION	0	1,509	0	0	0	
TOTAL RES. TRANSPORTATION	0	1,509	0	0	0	
CO-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION						
CO-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION	0	267	0	164	500	
TOTAL CO-CURRICULAR TRANS	0	267	0	164	500	
TRANSPORTATION						
TRANSPORTATION (FIELD TRIPS)	0	176	0	200	200	
TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	0	176	0	200	200	
SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPORT						
SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPORT	18,237	0	13,089	4,142	6,819	
TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPORT.	18,237	0	13,089	4,142	6,819	
DEBT SERVICE						
INTEREST	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
PRINCIPAL	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	
CAPITAL RESERVE						
CAPITAL RESERVE	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$1,717,900	\$1,690,173	\$1,701,712	\$1,691,793	\$1,605,259	-5.67%
				Capital Reserve	10,000	
					\$1,615,259	-5.08%

*Transp. Assess. Reduced to offset the state send transportation aid revenues to SU in FY19

Hot Lunch Program

	2016-17 Budget	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Anticipated	2018-19 Proposed	
SCHOOL LUNCH						
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,378	\$ 0	
STUDENT SALES	0	(8)	0	0	0	
ADULT SALES & ALA CARTE	6,400	3,983	4,075	4,000	4,000	
MISC. REVENUES/REBATES	0	2,450	2,200	2,450	2,450	
STATE REIMB SUB GRANTS	750	736	750	750	750	
BREAKFAST PROGRAM SUB GRANT	400	406	375	400	400	
ADD. BREAKFAST REIM. SUB GRANT	0	0	0	0	0	
FEDERAL LUNCH REIM. SUB GRANT	45,250	50,727	46,950	50,700	50,700	
FEDERAL BREAKFAST SUB GRANT	23,500	23,390	24,225	24,000	24,000	
OTHER STATE GRANT	0	0	0	0	0	
COMMODITIES	0	0	0	0	0	
FOOD SERVICE SUPPORT	18,237	0	13,090	4,142	6,819	
TOTAL SCHOOL	\$94,537	\$81,683	\$91,665	\$88,820	\$89,119	-2.78%
SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPORT						
FOOD SERVICE SALARIES	\$24,857	\$22,849	\$24,377	\$26,582	\$27,645	
SUBSTITUTE SALARIES	650	1,593	650	1,000	1,000	
GR. HEALTH INSURANCE	20,228	17,469	20,223	14,565	13,588	
SOCIAL SECURITY	1,951	1,626	1,915	2,110	2,191	
MRE	994	860	975	893	893	
WORKERS COMPENSATION	204	230	243	284	295	
UNEMPLOYMENT	195	146	180	135	135	
DENTAL INSURANCE	332	298	298	298	310	
DISABILITY INSURANCE	77	64	75	74	77	
ASSESSMENT	-	-	2,980	2,980	2,835	
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	350	201	350	500	500	
TRAVEL EXPENSES	600	-	400	400	400	
SUPPLIES	2,900	2,254	2,500	2,500	2,500	
PROPANE GAS	2,100	1,545	2,000	2,000	2,000	
FOOD SUPPLIES	38,800	29,351	34,000	33,500	33,500	
SOFTWARE	299	299	299	299	299	
EQUIPMENT	-	100	-	500	750	
DUES/FEES	-	420	200	200	200	
TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH	\$ 94,537	\$79,305	\$91,665	\$88,820	\$89,119	-2.78%

BROWNINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

Officers 2017-2018

TERM EXPIRES

JEREMY HANEY	2018
DEBBIE BRUNELLE	2019
DAVID MARTINEZ	2020

LAKE REGION UNION HIGH SCHOOL

ALBERT "PAT" DAVIS	2018
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Capital Reserve Fund

Balance 07/01/2016	\$ 39.72
Income:	
Interest Earned	\$ 1.81
Transfer (Approved at Annual Mtg)	10,000.00
Total Income:	\$10,001.81
Income:	
Interest Earned	\$.42
Transfer (Approved at Annual Mtg.)	10,000.00
Total Income:	\$10,000.42
Expenses:	\$ 0.00
Total Expenses	\$ 0.00
Balance 12/29/16	\$20,041.95

PRELIMINARY		Three Prior Years Comparison - Format as Provided by AOE				ESTIMATES ONLY	
District: Brownington County: Orleans		T034 Orleans Central		Property dollar equivalent yield 9,842	Homestead tax rate per \$9,842 of spending per equalized pupil 1.00	Income dollar equivalent yield per 0.0% of household income	
				11,862	FY2018	FY2019	
Expenditures		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,606,147	\$1,717,900	\$1,701,712	\$1,605,259		1.
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	+	-	-	\$10,000		2.
3.	<i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-		3.
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,606,147	\$1,717,900	\$1,701,712	\$1,615,259		4.
5.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	+	-	-	-		5.
6.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	+	-	-	-		6.
7.	Total Budget	\$1,606,147	\$1,717,900	\$1,701,712	\$1,615,259		7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-		8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-		9.
Revenues							
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$362,397	\$465,362	\$353,784	\$149,366		10.
11.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	+	-	-	-		11.
12.	<i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-		12.
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$362,397	\$465,362	\$353,784	\$149,366		13.
14.	Education Spending	\$1,243,750	\$1,252,538	\$1,347,928	\$1,465,893		14.
15.	Equalized Pupils	107.97	107.27	111.69	116.44		15.
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil		\$11,519.40	\$11,676.50	\$12,068.48	\$12,589.26		
16.	<i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	\$602.02	\$605.95	\$581.97		16.
17.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per equp)	-	-	-	-		17.
18.	<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 equp)	-	-	-	-		18.
19.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per equp)	-	-	-	-		19.
20.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period (per equp)	-	-	-	-		20.
21.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tutoring ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per equp)	-	-	-	-		21.
22.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per equp)	-	-	-	-		22.
23.	<i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equp)	-	-	-	-		23.
24.	<i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equp)	-	-	-	-		24.
25.	Excess spending threshold	threshold = \$17,103	Allowable growth	threshold = \$17,386	threshold = \$17,816		25.
26.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	+	\$17,103.00	\$17,974.65	\$17,386.00	\$17,816.00	26.
27.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$11,519	\$11,677	\$12,068	\$12,589.26		27.
28.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	121.782%	120.364%	118.784%	127.914%		28.
Prorating the local tax rate							
29.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [\$12,589.26 + (\$9,842.00 / \$1,000)]	\$1,2056	\$1,2036	\$1,1878	\$1,2791		29.
30.	Percent of Brownington equalized pupils not in a union school district	67.93%	68.63%	68.71%	68.71%		30.
31.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (68.71% x \$1.28)	\$0.8190	\$0.8260	\$0.8161	\$0.8789		31.
32.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	112.80%	109.81%	104.89%	103.57%		32.
33.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.8789 / 103.57%)	\$0.7261	\$0.7522	\$0.7781	\$0.8486		33.
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.							
34.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$12,589.26 + \$11,862) x 2.00%]	2.19%	2.15%	2.01%	2.12%		34.
35.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (68.71% x 2.12%)	1.49%	1.48%	1.38%	1.46%		35.
36.	Percent of equalized pupils at Lake Region UHSD #24	32.07%	31.37%	31.29%	31.29%		36.
37.		-	-	-	-		37.

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,842 for every \$100 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%.

**ORLEANS CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
PROGRAM FINANCIAL REPORT**

	FUND BAL	ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS	ANTICIPATED EXPENSES	ANTICIPATED FUND BAL
FY18	7/1/2017	2017-18	2017-18	6/30/2018
Art	(54)	54,897	51,298	3,545
Central Office	(11,742)	673,807	629,662	32,403
COFEC Building	31,627	178,596	201,353	8,870
EEE/PRE-K	(89,229)	671,904	710,253	(127,578)
Mainstream	53,001	4,128,690	4,181,691	0
Music	(2,359)	151,712	150,661	(1,308)
Nurse	12,119	57,572	54,693	14,998
Physical Education	210	99,338	102,570	(3,022)
Transportation	0	787,952	787,952	0
Audit	0	42,000	42,000	0
Food Service Coordinator	0	27,344	27,313	31
Education Media	0	45,551	46,415	(864)
Curriculum/Improv. Of Instr,	0	62,102	62,102	0

	ANTICIPATED FUND BAL	PROPOSED RECEIPTS	PROPOSED EXPENSES	PROPOSED FUND BAL
FY19	7/1/2018	2018-19	2018-19	6/30/2019
ART	3,545	46,991	50,536	0
Audits	0	48,000	48,000	0
Central Office	32,403	622,011	654,414	0
COFEC Building	8,870	197,112	205,982	0
EEE/PRE-K	(127,578)	903,600	776,022	0
Mainstream	0	4,257,743	4,257,743	0
Music	(1,308)	154,936	153,628	0
Nurse	14,998	41,195	56,193	0
Physical Education	(3,022)	112,299	109,277	0
Transportation	0	803,570	803,570	0
Audits	0	42,000	42,000	0
Food Service Coordinator	31	28,247	28,278	0
Education Media	(864)	118,960	118,096	0
Curriculum/Improv. Of Instr,	0	74,651	74,651	0

Independent Auditors

Orleans Central Supervisory Union has engaged in RHR Smith & Company to audit the school districts for the year ending June 30, 2017. The audited financial statement for Brownington School District is available for public inspection at the Superintendent's Office, 130 Kinsey Road, Barton, VT 05822.

ORLEANS CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance 07/01/2016.....	\$ 1,693,914.69
Income:	\$ 8,429,927.66
Interest.....	\$ 4,782.09
Expenses:	
School Board Orders.....	\$4,229,356.83
Payroll.....	\$4,797,630.62
Ending Balance 06/30/2017.....	\$1,101,636.99

Superintendent's Report 2017-2018

I would like to start by thanking school board members, community members, parents, students, staff, teachers, and administration. You all contribute to making the Orleans Central Supervisory Union (OCSU) a special place. Although I am in a new role this year, this is my thirty-seventh year as part of the OCSU family. I am excited at the growth of the schools and the dedication of everyone working to provide the best opportunities for students.

In July, I identified four areas that I will focus on in my new position.

These areas are:

- Fostering Educational Excellence
- Developing Quality Leadership and Staff
- Connecting School and Community
- Aligning Resources with Needs

Under "Fostering Educational Excellence", I am working with Boards on reviewing and revising the OCSU Board Strategic Plan so that it truly is the document that guides our work. I am supporting Boards as they review and revise policies and develop meeting agendas that are focused on the work of the Board. I visit all schools on a regular basis and talk with principals, teachers, staff and students about the learning that is happening.

"Developing Quality Leadership and Staff" includes holding regular administrative team meetings focused on building the knowledge and skills of administrators so that they can support their teachers and staff in continued growth. I also meet individually

with all administrators to support them in leading their own schools. Director of Instruction Mike Moriarty and I collaborate to plan for professional development that meets the needs of teachers, support staff, and administrators. In order to improve my own knowledge and skills, I meet regularly with other superintendents and attend workshops on topics specific to my role.

One area that I am eager to expand on is “Connecting School Community”. I have been working with the Identity and Education group to address areas of social justice that affect our community. I’ve been working with a committee to develop a social media plan that includes guidelines for how we will operate in the online world. That committee is almost ready to launch an OCSU Facebook page and an OCSU Twitter account. I have also met with members of various OCSU towns to brainstorm ways in increase opportunities for community involvement in our schools.

“Aligning Resources with Needs” is an important area that we must focus on if we are to maintain a strong system that offers a high-quality education to our students at a cost our communities can afford. My work in this area includes meeting with representatives from Wildbranch to ensure that we are using technology to make our system more efficient. I’ve also been working with central office staff to streamline their work so that they can offer high-quality support to schools. Business Manager, Heather Wright and I collaborate to ensure that finances are on track, and that budgets are developed that meet the needs of both schools and community members.

As the world of education, and the world in general, continues to change, we must do so as well. If we build and maintain a strong system that focuses on the areas above, we’ll be able to weather these changes and OCSU will remain the special place that it is.

Respectfully,

Beverly Davis,
Interim Superintendent

Town Clerk’s Report

Town Clerk’s Office Telephone: 802-754-8401

Email: browningtontc@comcast.net

Town Clerk’s Office Hours: Mon- Thurs 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. &
1st Sat. of the month 9:00 a.m. - noon

Number of Births..... 16

Number of Marriages..... 7

Number of Deaths.....11

Birth Report – 2017

Name of Child	Date	Where Born	Father/Mother (Maiden)
Abbott, Jace Terry	January 27, 2011	Burlington, VT	Chad Earl Abbott Billie Jo Thompson
Abbott, Kendall June	July 13, 2015	Morrisville, VT	Chad Earl Abbott Billie Jo Thompson
Bellows, Owen James	June 20, 2017	Newport, VT	Shawn Michael Bellows Jackie Lynn Grimes
Butler, Caiden Rhys	August 3, 2017	Newport, VT	Clayton Ray Butler Brittany Lynn Tarbox
Cote, Soraya Iris	April 2, 2017	Newport, VT	Robert Davis Cote III Christina Marie Jeanine Davignon
Goad, Lucy Margaret	Dec. 13, 2017	Newport, VT	Tyler Craig Goad Brittany Sue Bryan
Harbec, Mylee Ane	June 15, 2017	Newport, VT	Mark Andrew Harbec Mandi Ane Fecteau
Hoehl, Kayden Michael	April 12, 2017	St Johnsbury, VT	Michael James Hoehl Patricia Marie Hill
LaClair, Jaxon Randy	October 15, 2017	Newport, VT	David Gerard LaClair Jennifer Lynn White
Letourneau, Sebastian Origene	March 18, 2017	Newport, VT	Pierre Leon Letourneau Sr. Charlene Guylaine Vanasse
Norris, Madison Grace	January 7, 2017	Newport, VT	Reginald Orson Norris Marcia Lynn Wiswell
Perry, Abilene Noella-Rae	August 28, 2017	Newport, VT	Nicholas Mark Perry Meagan Hannah Marsh
Reinauer, Aly Harper	January 16, 2017	St. Johnsbury, VT	Harold Albert Reinauer II Daniela Maria Ciotoli
Rhodes, Mara Anne	February 13, 2017	St. Johnsbury, VT	Dustin Robert Rhodes Kelli Lauren Green
Simard, Marley Jean	April 1, 2017	Morrisville, VT	Joseph Alexander Simard Shawna Marie Gagnon
Whittemore, Ariana Jeslyn	January 6, 2017	Newport, VT	Timothy Merrill Whittemore Nicole Anna Sykes

Death Report – 2017

Name	Age	Date of Death	Residence	Place of Death
Bachman, Michael Daniel	36	August 7, 2017	Monroe, CT	Brownington, VT
Broome, David W.	85	April 24, 2017	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Dzindolet, Edward Anthony	76	Nov. 18, 2017	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Herman, Linda R.	73	January 27, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Herman, Patricia	75	January 26, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Huguenin, Sidney A. Jr.	90	June 10, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Lafoe, Arthea J.	67	Sept. 15, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Robillard, Gloria G.	88	Sept. 26, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Smith, William T.	69	October 25, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT
Stevens, Mark P.	55	July 31, 2017	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Yanacheak, David C.	73	Feb. 25, 2017	Brownington, VT	Newport, VT

Marriage Report – 2017

Names	Residence	Date/Place of Marriage
Devost, Douglas G. Jr.	Brownington, VT	September 30, 2017
Peck, Alexandria M.	Brownington, VT	Derby Line, VT
Glodgett, Michael S.	Brownington, VT	August 12, 2017
Eckel, Cheryl L.	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Hoadley, Joseph Adam	Brownington, VT	April 22, 2017
Tallmam, Harlie Anne	Johnson, VT	Johnson, VT
Hoadley, Ronald Orrin	Brownington, VT	June 11, 2017
Bernier, Therese Marie-Rose	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Hutchins, James Irving	Orleans, VT	December 31, 2017
Shelton, Donna Marie	Brownington, VT	West Charleston, VT
Lucas, Beverly Dyanne	Brownington, VT	September 28, 2017
Poginy, Darcie Marie	Brownington, VT	Brownington, VT
Lucas, Cori M.	Brownington, VT	October 21, 2017
Aldrich, Danielle M.	Brownington, VT	West Burke, VT

Dog Licenses

56 Males or Females @ \$8.00	\$ 448.00
115 Spayed or Neutered @ \$4.00	460.00
21 Special Licenses @ \$3.00	63.00
4 Kennel Permit @ \$10.00	10.00

After April 1st (50% penalty):

13 Males or Females @ \$12.00	156.00
64 Spayed or Neutered Dogs @ \$6.00	384.00
1 Kennel Permit @ \$15.00	15.00

After October 1st:

2 Males or Females @ \$4.00	8.00
4 Spayed or Neutered Dogs @ \$2.00	8.00

Total \$ 1,552.00

Less Fees \$ 540.00

Total Due Town \$ 1,012.00

*Collected for State of Vermont \$ 1,283.00

Dog licenses are due on or before April 1, 2018

(April 2nd, 2018 because 1st being a Sunday)

\$ 9 for neutered male or spayed female

\$13 for male or female

50% penalty added to fees after April 2, 2018.

- A valid rabies certificate must be presented, if not already on file with the Town Clerk.
- Rabies certificates are valid for 3 years.
- Neuter or spaying certificates must be presented.
- All dogs 6 months of age or older must be licensed.
- If you licensed a dog last year and no longer have the dog, please notify the Town Clerk.
- To license by mail, enclose rabies certificate if needed and required fee and a SAS envelope for return of license and tag.
- For more information, call 754-8401

RABIES CLINIC Saturday, March 17, 2018 9:00 - 11:00 am

Eileen Wolfe, D.V.M. will be on hand at the Brownington Municipal Office to administer rabies shots for dogs (required) and cats (optional, but highly recommended.)

- Distemper shots will also be available for cats and dogs.
- The Town Clerk will be available to issue dog licenses.

*\$5.00 from each regular license is sent to the State of Vermont. \$1.00 goes to the Rabies Program. \$4.00 goes to the VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program (VS-NIP). For more information on VSNIP, call the Town Clerk's Office, 802-672-5302 or visit vsnip.vt.gov.

VACCINATE TO ELIMINATE RABIES

WHAT IS RABIES?

Rabies is a viral infection passed from animals to other animals or humans, usually through a bite. The virus affects the brain, and is nearly always fatal (causes death). Here's how we control rabies in animals and reduce transmission to people.



1. VACCINATE DOGS

Rabies shots protect dogs and people. Because dog vaccination is common in the United States, people don't get rabies from dogs like they do in countries where dogs are not vaccinated.



2. VACCINATE CATS

In the last 25 years, most of the rabid domestic animals in the US have been cats. Cats are almost 5 times as likely as dogs to get rabies - but you can prevent this by vaccinating them.



3. VACCINATE WILDLIFE

Many Vermont wildlife are vaccinated with an edible vaccine through a bait drop. Do not touch or feed wildlife.

4. PREVENTION IN PEOPLE



If you are bitten or scratched by an animal or find a bat in a room where you were sleeping, wash any wound thoroughly. Call your doctor and the health department. 1-800-4-RABIES. You may need to get post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), a series of shots that keep the virus from making people sick.



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www.vtvets.org 802-878-6888

Orleans County Historical Society

The year 2017 was an outstanding year for the Old Stone House Museum. The Spring, Summer and Fall season's events were well-attended and successful. The Museum again offered a litany of engaging programs from Spring and Fall Field Days for school children, to Heritage Craft week; Blacksmithing to our annual Old Stone House Day, and so much more. We are proud to offer this wonderful array of opportunities to our communities and intend upon continuing our service to Orleans County and beyond!

We extend a warm farewell to Peggy Day Gibson, former Director of the Museum, who retired on December 1st, 2017. She was a visionary leader of the Museum for over ten years, always reverent of Orleans County's unique history and culture; always working hard to preserve, protect and promote our area. Molly Veysey now enthusiastically assumes her post as Director of the Museum. We encourage visitors to come by to meet the new Director and share in the excitement of a new era here at the Museum.

This year, the Old Stone House Museum hopes to further establish itself as one of the most authentic destinations in the Northeast. We aim to expand the opportunities we offer for post-collegiate education, on-site events, youth and adult education and special programs over the next few years. We are extremely excited to collaborate with area towns and grow together.

However, despite our best efforts to fundraise and draw income, our fiscal responsibilities to this precious historic neighborhood are great. We need your help to continue our important mission.

Thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated!

Sincerely,
Molly Veysey, Museum Director

Orleans County Sheriff's Department

2017 REPORT – TOWN OF BROWNINGTON

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department provided 269 hours of patrol services to the Town of Brownington during 2017. The enclosed chart breaks down the total incidents, total arrests and traffic violations.

A monthly breakdown of services provided by the Sheriff's Department is available to you through your Town Clerk or from the Sheriff's Department.

The department, in partnership with the Newport Restorative Justice Board, maintains a "Drug Take-back" box in the lobby of the sheriff's department. This, in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration's annual take-back days, has helped get hundreds of pounds of drugs disposed of that otherwise would have gone into landfills, groundwater systems, or used illicitly. Anyone with outdated, unused drugs can drop off those drugs during business hours at the sheriff's department for proper disposal (incineration).

In addition to the above, in 2017 the department equipped all officers & vehicles with the opioid overdose drug "Narcan". Narcan is a drug that is used to reverse opioid overdoses and with the current drug epidemic it has proven useful. Deputies have used the drug a small number of times prior to medical aid arriving on a scene.

For the second year in a row the department has provided a School Resource Officer at North Country Union High School. This has proven to be a valuable asset to the school and the community. We are currently looking for another deputy to provide the same to Lake Region Union High School beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.

In August the department switched back to the former records management system that we previously used. While the system that we had switched to in 2016 had some pro's, we found that officers were spending more time in the office doing data entry. The data entry was switched back to administrative personnel to allow deputies more time in the field. To that end, we purchased new mobile data terminals that each officer has in their vehicle that allows them some functions of data entry/report writing while still maintaining a presence in the community.

In December the sheriff's department celebrated the 10th anniversary of "Operation Santa". This program challenges area law enforcement and public safety agencies to help provide Christmas gifts to area schoolchildren. We also received generous support from many local area businesses and several individuals. ***Thank you!*** The program helped bring a happy holiday season to over 250 school children.

Like many other employers, we continue to have increases in medical insurance premiums as well as pay increases for veteran officers. I am requesting a 3% increase for 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kirk J. Martin, Sheriff

TOWN OF BROWNINGTON

Total Law Incident Report – 2017

Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
Accident-Injury to person(s).....	1
Accident-Damage	1
Alarm	1
Assist-Agency.....	3
Citizen Assist	1
Citizen Dispute	1
Consition of Release Violation.....	1
Directed patrol	1
Family Fight/ Domestic	1
Fraud	1
Illegal Dumping.....	2
Motor Vehicle Complaint.....	1
Needle Disposal	1
Suspicious Event.....	2
Theft	1
Traffic Stop*	17
TRO/FRO Service	2
VIN Verification	11
Welfare Check	1
Total Incidents for Town of Brownington	50

Total Arrest Report - 2017

Driving Under the Influence	1
Driving While License Suspended.....	2
Eluding Police.....	1
Grossly Negligent Operation	1
Habitual Offender	1
Violation of Conditions of Release.....	1
Total Arrests for Town of Brownington.....	7

Total Traffic Violation Report - 2017

Total Traffic Tickets	11
Total Civil - Other.....	2
Total Warnings	9

Delinquent Taxes

DECEMBER 31, 2017

2013 Delinquent Tax:

Joseph Labounty
Peter Moore-Lamphere
Manville Powers

Total \$ 198.20

2014 Delinquent Tax:

Joseph Labounty
Peter Moore-Lamphere
Manville Powers
Brenda Simon

Total \$ 424.06

2015 Delinquent Tax:

Joseph Labounty
Peter Moore-Lamphere
Manville Powers

Total \$ 299.46

2016 Delinquent Tax:

Joseph Labounty
Peter Moore-Lamphere

Total \$ 167.06

2017 Delinquent Tax:

Francis Bachelder
Marlene Baird
Steve Bosley
Susan Boyd
David Broome
Gabriel Brunelle
Alexander Burns
Michael Connor
Michael Connor
Sandra Cortez
Sam Cota
Katherine Curry-Johnson
Sheila Davis
Terry Degreenia
Candy Deslands
Shawn Foley
Christopher Glodgett
Louis Glodgett
Louis A Glodgett
Danny Gosselin Sr.
Ken Hayes
Allen Herman Jr.

Greg Horne
Bridget Jackson
Jeffery Jeannette
Scott Josselin
Wayne Karlen
George Keenan
Jason Kennedy
Joseph LaBounty
Adam Lane
David Martinez
Brian Mattei
William F. Miller
Andre Monette
Michael Moore
Michael Moore
Robert Moore
Adam Moulton
Ralph Newland II
Ed Patenaude
Richard Patenaude
Daniel Pellerin
Jerry Pepin
Denis Poginy
Manville Powers
Ronald Precourt
Richard Reilly Jr.
Paul J. Robert
Robillard Brothers
Randy Royer
Jeffrey Sanborne
Gladys Shover
Brenda Simons
Earl Simons
Jason Smith
Thomas A. Sokolis
Donald Steele
Amanda Stevens
Anthony Trembly
Gerry Voehl
Steven Voydatch
Brenda Vreeland
Colby Whipple
Doris Wilcox

Total \$78,167.03

Total Delinquent Taxes..... \$79,255.81

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Brownington, VT 05860

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Please bring your report with you to the Annual Meeting at the School at 10:00 a.m. on March 6, 2018