

**Dorset Town
Report**

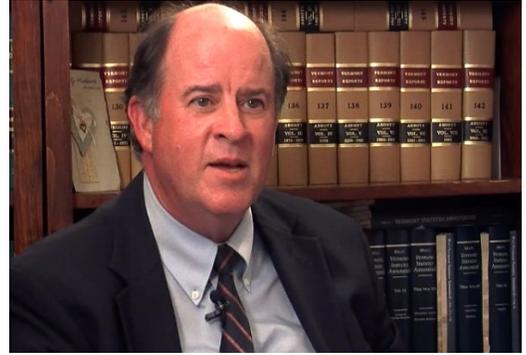
2021

TOWN REPORT DEDICATION

Kevin Michael O'Toole

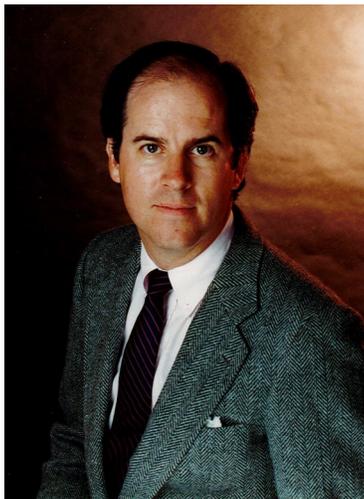
Kevin O'Toole loves Dorset, and as far as we can tell Dorset loves him back. He wears a lot of hats in and around the community: attorney, actor, moderator, volunteer, non-profit & municipal board member, and club champion golfer to name a few.

Kevin was born in High Point, North Carolina and his family moved to Dorset during his high school years. He attended Burr & Burton, the University of Vermont, and received his law degree from University of Notre Dame. Upon completing his studies, he returned to Dorset and set up shop as a small town attorney. He has dutifully provided legal services to the community from the same office for 36 years.



Kevin's passion for the stage has seen him either acting, directing, or serving on the board of the Dorset Players Inc. He has acted in or directed countless numbers of shows. The Players and the Dorset Playhouse have helped shape the fabric of the community, with Kevin playing a large contributing role in their success. He recently brought Ebenezer Scrooge to life in a Christmas Carol in a fun and talented manner. Anyone one who knows Kevin, is aware of his lack of scrooge like qualities.

His contributions to the Town include serving as moderator of Town Meeting for the last 25 years, serving as a member of the Zoning Board for 26 years, and as a member of the Conservation Commission for over 20 years. If you're new to Town Meeting, you might notice Kevin's ability to remember names (most of the time!). His favorite meeting quote is that we can disagree without being disagreeable. Kevin helped spearhead the expansion of Owls Head Town Forest with the acquisition of the Gettysburg Quarry parcel. He also assisted in the recent effort to expand recreation offerings. The Gilbert Lookout hike has a special place in his heart, as he and his wife Nancy first met on a hike to the Lookout! If you have ever walked portions of the Dorset Trail and noticed some of the old juice can tops and blue ribbons, you can thank Kevin for helping you find the way.



Kevin's warmth and friendliness can easily be seen through his morning ritual of catching up over a cup of coffee with the regulars at HN Williams Store. This hearty bunch is so committed to their coffee chats, that they simply moved them outside during the pandemic. Ruth and Billy recently provided rocking chairs, which allows for more comfortable theatrics. Yes, if you happen to walk by this group, it's more than likely that Kevin will offer up an endearing smile and a well traveled joke to help you start the day.

Kevin has supported the community in many diverse and important ways over the years. His contribution to the personality of the Town helps to make Dorset the special place that we all know and love.



***As such we dedicate the 2021 Dorset Town Report to
Kevin for his many years of dedicated service.***

Thanks Kevin!

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AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTING: TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022

TOWN OFFICE CALENDAR & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Town Manager's Office.....Monday to Friday ~ 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Town Clerk's Office.....Monday to Friday ~ 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Zoning Administrator Tuesday to Thursday ~ 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Assessor's OfficeMonday to Friday ~ 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Select Board Meetings.....Third Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Office
 Planning Commission Meetings.....First Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Office
 Zoning Board Meetings.....Third Monday each month at 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Office
 Design Review Board.....Third Monday each month at 5:30 p.m. ~ Town Office

Bennington County Sheriff	CPL Chris Miller	(802) 442-4900	www.benningtonsheriff.org
Town Office		(802) 362-4571	www.dorsetvt.org
Town Manager	Rob Gaiotti	x3	townmanager@gmail.com
Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper	Nancy Aversano	x4	dorsetadmin@comcast.net
Town Clerk Assistant Town Clerk	Sandra Pinsonault Judy Collins	x2	dorsetclerk@gmail.com dorsetclerk2@gmail.com
Zoning Administrator	Tyler Yandow	x5	dorsetza@gmail.com
Assessors	Margot Schoffstall	x6	dorsetlister@gmail.com
Town Office Fax		(802) 362-5156	
Town Garage		(802) 362-5244	
Town Road Foreman	Jim Hewes	(802) 362-5244	
Animal Control Officer Vermont Game Warden	Town Manager Justin Turner	(802) 362-4571 (802) 442-5421	
Health Officer	Dolores Marcotte	(802) 362-4571	
Town Constable	Ryan Matteson	(802) 430-8407	
Dorset Chamber of Commerce	dorsetvtchamber@gmail.com	(802) 440-0455	www.dorsetvt.com
Schools	Dorset School	(802) 362-2606	sites.google.com/brsu.org/ thedorsetschool/home
	Burr & Burton Academy	(802) 362-1775	www.burrburton.org
	Long Trail School	(802) 867-5717	www.longtrailschool.org
Taconic & Green Regional School District Board		(802) 362-2452	sites.google.com/brsu/home
Post Offices	Dorset	(802) 867-5501	
	East Dorset	(802) 362-3233	
East Dorset Fire Warden Dorset Fire Warden	Doug Beebe Shawn Hazelton	(802) 362-4601 (802)-867-5311	www.dorsetfiredistrict.org/
Dorset Library	Erica Shott	(802) 867-5774	dorsetvillialibrary.org
VNA & Hospice	Ron Cioffi, Executive Director	(802) 362-1200	(802) 362-2126
State Representative	Linda Joy Sullivan	(802) 768-8668	lsullivan@leg.state.vt.us
State Senator	Brian Campion	(802) 753-7705	bcampion@leg.state.vt.us
State Senator	Richard Sears	(802) 442-9139	rsears@leg.state.vt.us

2021 Appointed Town Officers

Town Manager	Rob Gaiotti
Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper	Nancy Aversano
Zoning Administrator	Tyler Yandow, AIA
Assessor	Margot Schoffstall
Health Officer	Dolores Marcotte
Animal Control Officer	Town Manager
Fence Viewers	Henry Chandler
.....	Megan Thörn
Tree Warden.....	Hal Coolidge
Town Service Officer	Ellen Maloney
Energy Coordinator	Jim Hand

Planning Commission

Gay Squire, Chairperson.....	2023	Will Clarke	2025
Scott Thompson, Vice Chair.....	2023	Dave Berard.....	2022
Kit Wallace.....	2023	Conor Welch	2024
Natalie Quigley.....	2022	Scott Ross.....	2024
Scott Durgin	2024		

All four (4) year terms expire April 30th of the year indicated

Zoning Board of Adjustment

John LaVecchia, Chairman	2024	Kevin O'Toole	2023
David Wilson, Vice Chairman...	2022	Ruth Stewart.....	2023
Martha Merwin	2022	Ed Tanenhaus.....	2022
Vacant	2022	Patrick McGuire	2023
Tuck Rawls	2023		

All three (3) year terms to expire April 30th of the year indicated

Conservation Commission

Malcolm Cooper, Jr.	2025	Kevin O'Toole	2024
Tim Duclos	2025	Chip Ams	2024
Lee Romano	2023		

All four (4) year terms expire May 31st of the year indicated

Design Review Board

Kit Wallace, Chairperson.....	2023	Michele Pagan	2024
Arnie Gottlieb.....	2023	James Clubb.....	2024
Lindy Bowden	2023	Ruth Tanenhaus (Alternate)	2022

All three (3) year terms expire April 30th of the year indicated

Bennington County Regional Commission

John LaVecchia	2022	Nancy Faesy.....	2023
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All two (2) year terms expire on April 30th of the year indicated

Elected Town Officers

Moderator, TownKevin O'Toole.....1 Year Term..... Expires 2022
Moderator, School.....Kevin O'Toole.....1 Year Term..... Expires 2022

Town ClerkSandra Pinsonault3 Year Term..... Expires 2023

Town TreasurerSandra Pinsonault3 Year Term..... Expires 2023

Select BoardHenry Chandler1 Year Term..... Expires 2022
.....James Salsgiver3 Year Term..... Expires 2022
.....Tom Smith.....3 Year Term..... Expires 2023
.....Liz Ruffa1 Year Term..... Expires 2022
.....Megan Thörn3 Year Term..... Expires 2024

First Constable.....Ryan Matteson.....1 Year Term..... Expires 2022

Town AgentKevin O'Toole.....1 Year Term..... Expires 2022

Justices of the PeaceBrian Kelly.....Michele Pagan
.....Willard (Chip) WatsonJennifer Rich
.....Sandra PinsonaultRoger Squires
.....Bo ThörnAlan Sullivan
.....Mary Barrosse-Schwartz

2 Year Terms for all Justices Expire November 2022

Taconic & Green School District Representatives: David Chandler & James Salsgiver

Town Meeting February 28, 2022

ZOOM Meeting Link for February 28th:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89561423078>

Meeting ID: 895 6142 3078

Dial by your location +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

SCHOOL INFORMATIONAL MEETING FEBRUARY 22nd AT 7:00PM VIA ZOOM:

ZOOM Meeting Link for February 22nd:

<https://brsu.zoom.us/j/3082117370>

Meeting ID: 308 211 7370

Thank you to Annette Bolt of FLEUR Farm, a Vermont flower farm and mail-order nursery located in East Dorset, VT for the gorgeous cover page for our Town Report.

Select Board & Town Manager Report

During 2021, the Town worked on many issues and projects. At Town Meeting, the design for a new Town Office at Raptor Lane was unveiled. The next 6 months were spent collecting input and getting the word out. A successful bond vote was held in August, and the Town is preparing to send out a Construction Management RFP and finalize permits during the summer/fall of 2022 with construction slated to begin spring 2023. The new facility will help to anchor the developments at Raptor Lane. During this process we will also roll out options for what happens at the current office location. After surveying Village residents, the most popular options were Green Space or a small Community Space.

The Town partnered with Northshire Area Trail Systems to build around 5 miles of mountain bike trail in the Town Forest, and another 4 miles is slated for 2022. The focus of these trails is offering beginner and intermediate trails that appeal to young and old. The work was done with a generous Town appropriation of \$50,000 and was matched with \$60,000 in private donations. This year also saw the start of our very own "trails crew," made up of local high school/college aged kids, directed by the Outdoor Recreation Director to maintain and build around 3 miles of hiking trails. These efforts will continue in 2022, see you on the trails!

Another continued effort relates to flooding around Read Farm Lane. The Town has two pending FEMA grant applications to look at solutions; we also received a \$50,000 grant to remove sediment and debris from the Battenkill, in an effort to lower water surface elevations. Additionally, our Highway Department stepped up to replace a small culvert under Read Farm Lane to offer flooding relief. Many thanks to: Jim Hewes, Duane Sherman, Bill Nichols, and Jamie Greene. Staying with transportation, we also received a \$45,000 grant to complete a feasibility study for a multi-use path on Route 30 from HN Williams to the Rail Trail in Manchester, be sure to look for input sessions on this.

As everyone knows we still live in an active COVID world, and the Town has done it's best to keep Town staff protected while still offering vital services. The Town has received our American Rescue Plan Act funding (totaling around \$582,000), and a recent rule change will add needed flexibility as to how it can be spent. A survey of residents on ARPA funding will be coming out soon. Have you signed up for the Town e-newsletter? If not, visit www.dorsetvt.org to learn how. Important info goes out weekly/monthly.

COVID has had a dramatic impact on real estate in Dorset. At the direction of the State, we stopped our re-appraisal efforts in 2020. It is likely we will issue an RFP for a reappraisal in the next 1-2 years as a requirement by the State, based on sales data and State statistics.

Our effort to help the Dorset Chamber of Commerce hit strong strides in 2021 with work to streamline their website and marketing efforts that included air time on both EQX and VPR/NPR. Many thanks to Lee Romano, Liz Ruffa, and Cindy Loudenslager for leading this charge.

On the land use planning front 2022 is poised to be a big year, as the Planning Commission nears the end of a zoning bylaw re-write. This will help to bring our regulations up to speed and give property owners more control over their lands. We would like to express our gratitude to all the volunteer Board members that help to make the wheels of local government in Dorset function!

Respectfully Submitted, Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager

Town Clerk Report

I have had the pleasure of serving the Town of Dorset since March, 2005. While I am completing my seventeenth year in office, I am still amazed at how each day is different and the love for my job never fades. Our office continues to maintain and preserve the land and vital records for our town. This past year, our office continued to be extremely busy with land record recordings. Home sales are huge part of our daily recordings.

As we head into 2022, we will have an August Primary as well as a General Election in November. The State of Vermont will send ballots to all registered voters. Keep an eye out for them as the dates get closer, and if you do not receive a ballot, please contact our office.

Please remember to license your dog on or before April 1st of each year. A spay/neutered dog is \$11 and \$15 for one that is not. Large penalties will be accessed after April 1. This is state law for the protection of your dogs and our citizens.

I want to thank my Assistant Judy Collins for her continued support and service to the Town.

Sandra "Sandy" Pinsonault, MMC/CVC

Town of Dorset Liquor Licenses: 2019

First Class License

Barrows House.....	\$115
Chantecleer Restaurant	\$115
Dorset Field Club	\$115
Dorset Inn.....	\$115
Dorset Bakery	\$115
Inn at West View Farm.....	\$115
Marble West Inn.....	\$115

Total First Class\$805

2021 Animal License Report

142 Spayed Female @ \$6.....	\$852
127 Neutered Male @ \$6	\$762
20 Males @ \$10.....	\$200
20 Females @ \$10.....	\$200

309 Total Dogs

Total Town Revenue\$2,014

Second Class License

Dorset Union Store	\$70
Global Montello Group.....	\$70
HN Williams Store.....	\$70
Hasgas General Store.....	\$70

Total Second Class\$ \$280

Total All Licenses \$1,085

2021 Vitals

Births

Males.....	5
Female.....	3

Deaths

Males.....	8
Females	9

Marriages

Resident	6
Non-Resident.....	26

Treasurers Report

I am currently serving the second year of my three-year elected term as Treasurer for the Town of Dorset. As Treasurer, my duties include the review and approval of accounts payable, payroll checks and delinquent tax warrants for the Town of Dorset.

In addition to an annual external audit (currently conducted by Mudgett, Jennett, & Krough –Wisner, PC) the Town of Dorset has in place internal controls into the municipal finance system; this includes periodic testing of accounts by retired finance person and monthly review of balanced bank statements by the Treasurer.

Previous fiscal year audits can be found on the Town website at: www.dorsetvt.org

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandra Pinsonault, Clerk/Treasurer

Health Officer Report

In 2021, the Health Officer received around 15 phone calls with regard to health questions. No on-site inspections were required. The health officer responds to health & safety complaints and helps residents get in touch with the proper resources to remedy the situation. Residential rental properties in Vermont are regulated by the Vermont Rental Code Handbook. This regulation is drafted by the Vermont Department of Health and is available online.

COVID 19: The Vermont Department of Health updates information and guidance relative to COVID regularly, it's a good idea to become familiar with this site: [COVID-19 | Vermont Department of Health \(healthvermont.gov\)](https://healthvermont.gov)

The Vermont Department of Health provides support to the Health Officer and is a good resource for residents: <http://healthvermont.gov>

Respectfully Submitted, Dolores K. Marcotte

Animal Control Officer Report

In 2021 the Animal Control Officer received around 20 calls about animal related issues. Common issues were dogs running at large, unlicensed dogs. The Animal Control Officer position continues to be vacant, anyone interested in filling to position should contact the Town Manager's Office. For Animal Control calls contact the Town Manager at 417-7814.

If you have a problem with a wild animal, please call VT Game Warden Justin Turner at 442-5421. If the Game Warden cannot be reached, the ACO should be contacted in case of an emergency. Due to the fact that we live in a rural area with wildlife, rabies and distemper can be a concern, so be sure to get your pets vaccinated.

Please remember to license your dog, it's required by Vermont Law. Dog licenses are due April 1st, all dogs over the age of 6 months are required to be licensed and have proof of vaccination with the Town Clerk's Office.

During the year we always have dogs that get loose from a property. PLEASE buy a collar with your name, address, and phone number for your dogs. This will help us return your dogs to you safely and quickly. PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager

2021 Assessors Department Report

For the twelve months ending December 31, 2021, the Assessor's Office processed 60 valid "arms-length" sales. These sales ranged from \$105,000 to \$3,100,000 for residential property, \$25,000 to \$650,000 for land, and two sales of commercial property \$815,000 & \$1,450,000 . In addition, there was other routine maintenance done on the working Grand List such as property transfers into trusts, transfers between family members, or abutters sales and foreclosures.

Dorset's new 2021 CLA (common level of appraisal) – a three-year average of total town sales divided by the total assessment, is now established by the State at 91.78%. The State rate for the education tax is factored by the CLA for each Vermont Town in order to arrive at the "equalized tax rate" for that Town. Further our new COD (coefficient of dispersal) -- that measured equity across types of property is now at 19.53%.

2016-2021	Education Equalize Value		% Change	CLA
2016	\$665,605,197		.30%	105.94
2017	\$651,285,470		-2.2%	108.00
2018	\$645,580,592		-1.8%	108.18
2019	\$640,220,999		-.80%	108.49
2020	\$681,775,466		6.1%	103.02
2021	\$761,562,729		+11.24%	91.78%

We are concerned with the fairness of your assessed value. Every year a property owner has the right to appeal their property value. This should be done before the start of the Town's spring grievance period. We encourage you to contact us with any questions or comments on your property assessment. Office hours Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Phone 802-362-4571 x 6 or E-Mail: dorsetlister@gmail.com

Respectfully Submitted,
Margot Schoffstall--Assessor



Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, and Design Review Board Report 2021

A summary of permit applications and board referrals is shown in the table below.

Permit Type	# of Applications		Referred to Planning Commission		Referred to Zoning Board of Adjustment		Referred to Design Review Board		Referred to Selectboard	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Building	46	72	5	13	3	6	10	11	---	---
Demolition	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	---
Change of Use	0	3	1	1	1	0	---	---	---	---
Boundary Line Adjustment	5	6	1	0	0	0	---	---	---	---
Sign	2	8	0	0	0	0	1	3	---	---
Subdivision	2	0	2	0	0	0	---	---	---	---
Driveway Access	1	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	4
Totals	57	95	9	14	4	6	11	14	1	4

Zoning Administrator:

The number of permits issued was the highest in ten years. Much of this was the result of people buying real estate and moving to Dorset from urban areas because of COVID-19. Permits for 9 new, single-family dwellings were issued. The Administrative Officer worked closely with the Planning Commission and the town's planning consultant, *PlaceSense*, on possible amendments to the Zoning Bylaw so that it accurately reflects the goals in the Town Plan which was revised and re-adopted in 2020. He also completed the town's annual E911 review for the State Enhanced 911 Board.

Planning Commission:

The Board spent the bulk of its time in 2021 finishing the revision of the Dorset Zoning By-laws. The first draft was completed at our December, 2021 meeting. This has been a painstaking task and I want to thank each member of the Board for their steady attendance over a two year period (a lot of that via Zoom) and attention to the issues at hand. And we all want to thank Brandy Saxton and Rod Francis of *Placesense* for their guidance throughout the entire process. We couldn't have done it without their professional help. We hope to present the rough draft of the revised by-laws at public hearings in the spring of 2022. (In June, Gay Squire was elected Chairperson and Scott Thompson was elected Vice Chairperson.)

Design Review Board

During 2021 the DRB reviewed an usual number of applications - 3 signs and 13 building applications (including 2 modifications to the original church design), meeting at least monthly. The biggest project reviewed was an application by the Dorset Church to add a second floor atop its more modern addition on the rear of the marble church. It was well designed to complement the historic building and was approved without reservation. A significant improvement to the historic district is a renovation occurring at 281/283 Church Street, the Kirby residence, where new siding, windows, and entrances will return the structure to its historic form.

The DRB met separately with Planning Commission consultants Brady Saxton and Rod Francis to provide input into the design review section of the new Zoning By-Laws being reviewed by the PC. They also hosted a well-attended discussion of energy conservation and historic preservation, led by representatives of the Preservation Trust of Vermont and the Vermont Division of Historic Preservation.

With thanks to Tyler Yandow for administrative support and zoning advice, and to the Design Review Board members for their hard work, commitment and caring:

Jim Clubb, Lindy Bowden, Arnie Gottlieb, Michelle Pagan, and Ruth Tanenhaus
Kit Wallace, Chairman

The town continues to be grateful for the time and energy donated by members of each of these boards.

Respectfully Submitted,
For the Dorset Planning Commission & Design Review Board

Tyler W. Yandow A.I.A.
Zoning Administrator

Zoning Board Of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body comprised of nine Dorset residents appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The current Board includes Vice-Chair, David Wilson and members-at large Bill Bridges, Tuck Rawls, Ruth Stewart, Kevin O'Toole, Ed Tanenhaus, Martha Merwin and Patrick McGuire. The Chair wishes to thank everyone for their continued commitment to volunteer their time and talents during the past year.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment meets on an as-needed basis on the third Monday of the month, and hears applications for conditional use permits and variances, as well as appeals from decisions of the Zoning Administrator.

During 2021 the Board considered six applications. One application involved the removal of two dams on the Mettowee River and it was approved. Another application sought to rebuild the Marbledge Lodge that had been destroyed by fire and it was approved. An application to replace a bridge over the Mettowee River at Sugar House Lane was also approved. An application to construct a storage shed in the FEH zone on Benedict Road was also approved. The board approved the construction of an Accessory dwelling on Fern Hill Rd. The board also approved the removal and replacement of a house in the FEH zone on Tower Rd. with a structure that was more compliant.

Respectfully submitted,
John LaVecchia, Chairman

Recreation

From January 2021 to the end of the year, the Outdoor Recreation Department has grown and changed. In January 2021, the 5-Year Master Plan was completed and released for public record. The mission statement for the department is: *The Town of Dorset's Outdoor Recreation Department will provide services, resources, and programs necessary for the well-being of the community through the provision of green spaces, forests, trails, and a diverse range of recreational opportunities while working in cooperation with other service providers in the community.* In March 2021, the Outdoor Recreation Director position was voted from part-time to full-time by the Selectboard and then the town in the yearly town-wide vote. The full-time transition began in May 2021. Throughout the summer, despite record high rainfall, a part-time Dorset trail crew was able to complete 1 mile of new trails in Cutler Forest, Pinnacle Forest, and Owls Head Town Forest. The Dorset trail crew also completed over 1 mile of trail repairs in Owls Head Town Forest and a variety of other planned projects between May and August. The Vermont Youth Conservation Corp (VYCC) Crew was able to complete the 1-mile re-route trail to Gilbert Lookout during their 3 weeks in Dorset in October. In partnership with the Town and with the help of fundraising, the NATS Mountain Biking group completed nearly 5 miles of brand-new sustainable mountain biking trails in Owls Head Town Forest! In addition to all of the trail work in 2021, the Outdoor Recreation Department maintained all the Town properties, built dog waste stations, added bridges and boardwalks as needed throughout the season, increased signage throughout the forests, led Naturalist programs for the public, led Naturalist programs for local school groups, and constructed a new recreation shed with the help of volunteers. The Trails Association Volunteer group and the Conservation Commission volunteered over 50 hours in 2021. Volunteer support is invaluable to the success of the department. Community members interested in volunteering with Hike Dorset can email hikedorset@gmail.com.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rachel Batz



Conservation Commission

This past Summer, through the generosity of abutters Mike Bailey, Laura Beckwith and Keith and Patty Michl, the Town of Dorset now enjoys a license to connect Dorset Village Lane (off Route 30, opposite the Dorset Inn) with the Pinnacle Town Forest. Recreation Director Rachel Batz and an intrepid crew of young people greatly enhanced an existing connecting trail and, with the aid of Dorset Historical Society Curator Jon Mathewson, information signs were erected along the trail to offer insights into the history of this wonderful asset. Now, more residents and visitors alike will be able to enjoy the walk to the Pinnacle Tower.

From January 2021 to the end of the year, the Outdoor Recreation Department has grown and changed under the direction of our Recreation Director. In January 2021, the 5-Year Master Plan was completed and released for public record. The mission statement for the department is: *The Town of Dorset's Outdoor Recreation Department will provide services, resources, and programs necessary for the well-being of the community through the provision of green spaces, forests, trails, and a diverse range of recreational opportunities while working in cooperation with other service providers in the community.* In March 2021, the Outdoor Recreation Director position was approved by town vote to expand from part-time to full-time which became effective in May 2021.

Throughout the summer, despite record high rainfall, a part-time Dorset trail crew was able to complete 1 mile of combined new trails in Cutler Forest, Pinnacle Forest, and Owls Head Town Forest. The Dorset trail crew also completed over 1 mile of trail repairs in Owls Head Town Forest and a variety of other planned projects between May and August.

The Vermont Youth Conservation Corp (VYCC) crew was able to complete the 1-mile re-route trail to Gilbert Lookout during their 3 weeks in Dorset in October. They had a base camp near the top of Owls Head, which was made possible by the cooperation of JD Sullivan. Sullivan owns a large piece of land adjacent to Owls Head and allowed the Town to use his forest trails to transport supplies with the Recreation ATV. Without the use of these trails, the VYCC crew would not have been able to camp near the work site which would have considerably reduced the extent of their work. The VYCC was able to open the new re-route trail to Gilbert Lookout and another lookout point that previously was not accessible for hikers.

In partnership with the Town and with the help of fundraising, the NATS (Northshire Area Trail Systems) group completed nearly 5 miles of new sustainable mountain biking trails in Owls Head Town Forest! In addition to all of the trail work in 2021, the Outdoor Recreation Department maintained all the Town properties, built dog waste stations, added bridges and boardwalks as needed throughout the season, increased signage throughout the forests, led naturalist programs for the public and local school groups, and constructed a new recreation shed with the help of volunteers. The Trails Association group and the Conservation Commission together volunteered over 50 hours in 2021. Volunteer support is invaluable to the success of the department.

Community members interested in volunteering with Hike Dorset can email hikedorset@gmail.com.

Respectfully Submitted by:

MEC

Dorset Conservation Commission

Commission Members;

Malcolm Cooper

Kevin O'Toole

Lee Romano

Tim Duclos

Chip Ams

Sig Buchmayer

Dorset Energy Committee

The Dorset Energy Committee (DEC) was launched by the Dorset Select Board to help the Town and its residents work toward a viable energy future. We are an all-volunteer committee under the leadership of Ellen Maloney and Jim Hand, the Town Energy Coordinator. Like everyone else, the DEC's activities in 2021 were impacted in a big way by the pandemic.

Each year, the DEC hopes to find opportunities to help local residents, businesses and the Town itself – find opportunities for greater energy efficiency in their lives – to save money and to lower their impact on our environment. With the pandemic making most of those opportunities difficult, the DEC did find a great project that helped with those goals, and for the first time ever brought Energy Committees from around the Bennington County together - WindowDressers. In our last Town Report letter, we let you all know that we planned to move forward with this project – and the results were amazing.

Between November 3rd and November 16th, approximately two hundred volunteers contributed over 1,400 hours to build more than 400 insulating, draft-stopping WindowDressers window inserts for customers across Bennington County and neighboring New York. (See them at: windowdressers.org.)

We built these inserts in space made available to us in the new Arlington Common (arlingtoncommon.org) and the renovated Bennington High School building on Main Street.

Using the WindowDressers community build process, those who ordered the inserts, plus many others from the community gave their time to make food, build the inserts and coordinate efforts while learning new skills and contributing to energy savings across our communities. Especially, we'd like to thank the students from Bennington College, MCLA, Williams College, and the MAUHS Interact Club who joined us in this effort.

Thanks to our generous donors: the Stratton Foundation, the New England Grass Roots Fund, Climate Catalysts Innovation Fund, The Fund for North Bennington, and Community Bank NA, we were able to provide about a quarter of these inserts at no charge for customers that might have otherwise had a tough time affording them.

And, thank you to the Bennington Banner, the Manchester Journal and GNAT-TV for helping us to get the word out about this community effort. A sincere thank you to all who contributed to this great community effort. We know that our customers will have a warmer, less expensive winter because of all of these efforts.

And.... the WindowDressers program will be back next year to do more, with your help.

The Dorset Energy Committee is always looking for community members interested in joining DEC's effort to help our neighbors and Town. Feel free to contact any one of us to find out about our next meeting, or if you have any questions.

Respectfully,
Ellen Maloney, DEC Chair
Jim Hand, Town Energy Coordinator

Committee Members: Jim Hand, Ellen Maloney, Jim Salsgiver, Nancy Faesy, Bill Laberge, Lisa Laberge

Committee Advisors: Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager, Tyler Yandow, Zoning Administrator, Liz Ruffa, Select Board

Bennington County Regional Commission



The Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) works with and on behalf of its member municipalities to build strong, resilient, and sustainable communities, to foster economic prosperity, and to promote a high quality of life for residents of the region. The BCRC plays an important role in coordinating work among local governments, state and federal agencies, regional public and nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and private interests. The organization is governed by local appointees from seventeen area municipalities and commissioners who represent interests ranging from public health to economic development. Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of every other month, with frequent special meetings throughout the year (information at: www.bcrcvt.org).

In addition to its ongoing role in supporting the comprehensive planning work of municipal officials, the BCRC is a regional center for programs in community and economic development, transportation, energy, environmental conservation, water quality, public health, solid waste management, and emergency management. BCRC staff is available to provide direct assistance in these areas and to serve as a liaison with state and federal agencies.

During the past year, the BCRC has worked to implement its comprehensive plan through a variety of programs and cooperative work with member municipalities. Economic development planning at the BCRC is conducted by dedicated staff and supported by a committee with representatives appointed by the regional development corporation. The goal of this BCRC program is to support business retention, growth, and recruitment. Related BCRC planning and community development initiatives support redevelopment initiatives in downtowns and village centers, grant assistance for local businesses, and have produced reuse planning studies for key properties such as the former SVC campus and the recently idled Energizer complex. Concern over the state's water quality has led the BCRC to identify and implement local projects that not only reduce stormwater runoff, but also protect roads, bridges, culverts, and private property from damage. Other important activities have included: an assessment of land use regulations affecting housing in each town and village, expanded staff capacity to assist with implementation of local energy plans, village center and neighborhood development area designations, implementation of the regional solid waste management plan, and planning for roadway, bicycle and pedestrian, and public transportation improvements.

In the coming year, the BCRC will continue to provide information and resources to assist business and local governments response to the Covid-19 pandemic, and to take advantage of opportunities created through the federal American Rescue Plan and other programs. We expect to see continued focus on infrastructure (including broadband) improvement projects, pandemic recovery and business support services, planning for workforce housing, and measures to support implementation of the Vermont Climate Action Plan.

While our downtown Bennington offices, located at 210 South Street, have reopened, staff still work remotely at times, so it generally is easiest to contact us via email (see contacts at www.bcrcvt.org). Fortunately, technology has allowed us to continue work with little interruption in progress on any projects. Post-pandemic, we hope to have regular office hours at the Manchester Town Offices as well.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Sullivan, Director

MAPLE HILL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION



The year 2022 marks the SesterCentennial(!) of Dorset's Maple Hill Cemetery. In September 1772, the infant Benjamin Baldwin was "the first that was beuryd in this yard" near a log cabin that became Dorset's first church, the "Lord's Barn", 12 years later. This burial ground has remained active now for 250 years, and the Sexton's Ledger records 3000+ gravesites across 6.2 acres bordering Route 30.

The cemetery association is governed by an all-volunteer board & sexton. During 2021 we oversaw 18 new burials and sold 12 burial lots. Ongoing expenses are met by burial fees, lot sales, plus gifts to and income from the endowment. Besides contracting for grounds-keeping and seasonal clean-ups, this

past year we have had...

- Several large decaying trees professionally removed as well as groves of saplings cleared in overgrown corners.
- Several old toppled headstones professionally reset on new foundations, as well as numerous smaller ones also set astraight.



We also appreciate the many volunteer efforts to (a) clean historic marble headstones, (b) keep family graves well groomed, and (c) help decorate the cemetery.

Since the existing cemetery is over 95% "full", a major goal for 2022 is making a 1.2 acre "southern annex" (outlined in Red) fully useable including improved entrance ramps and access roadway.



In the past, Maple Hill Cemetery has never received contributions from Dorset Town taxes and we are not requesting any now. The point of this annual report is to raise public aware-ness of our active role in Dorset village and to encourage community participation. Our annual meetings in June are open to all. For more information, please contact the sexton or a board member.

Respectfully submitted, Andy Longacre, Maple Hill Sexton (802-867-0297) <alongacre@aol.com>
 For the board: Malcolm Cooper, Pres., David Parsons, VP, Tom Cooper, Sec'y, & Tracie Salmon, Treas.



Bennington County Sheriff's Department

This year has been a hard year for all of us with the Covid 19 pandemic, however, I have observed the Dorset community pull together when it's possible. I am honored to serve the Town of Dorset, the community has opened their arms and welcomed me without hesitation.

During a global pandemic, I witnessed the community work together to put on some amazing events from the Dorset Library haunted house, the Tractor parade, Dorset Elementary , and Long Trail School programs.

A summary of 2021

Arrests

- VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS X 3
- LARCENY (SHOPLIFTING) X 2
- UNLAWFULL TRESPASS X 2
- DOMESTIC ASSAULT
- DRIVING WITH CRIMINAL SUSPENDED LICENSE
- LARCENY FROM BUILDING
- VIOLATION OF AN ABUSE PREVENTION ORDER
- EMBEZZLEMENT X 3

Traffic Stops = 105
Calls to service = 384
Motor Vehicle Crashes = 10

Staff Sergeant Chris Miller
Bennington County Sheriff's Department
811 US Route 7 South

Bennington VT 05201
Office-802-442-4900



**Southern Vermont
Communications
Union District**

Arlington Bennington Dorset Landgrove Londonderry
Manchester Peru Pownal Rupert Sandgate Shaftsbury
Sunderland Winhall Woodford

**210 South Street
Suite 6
Bennington, VT
05201**

Southern Vermont Communications Union District

To our Member Towns and their Residents:

The Southern Vermont Communications Union District, a political subdivision of the State of Vermont, is a multi-municipal organization working to solve the longstanding rural broadband connectivity challenges in its fourteen member towns. Since forming in March of 2020, the CUD has grown to include Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Landgrove, Londonderry, Manchester, Peru, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Shaftsbury, Sunderland, Winhall, and Woodford.

In 2021, after issuing a Request for Qualifications and receiving multiple private sector responses, the CUD formed a public-private partnership with Consolidated Communications to ensure that currently unserved and underserved areas of the CUD are provided with world-class fiber broadband built out to the premises. In partnership with CCI, the Southern Vermont CUD submitted an application to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's broadband infrastructure grant for a \$9.05 million fiber optic buildout program, and expects a determination in February 2022. A successful application, combined with separate fiber optic broadband incentives under the FCC's Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, will realize broadband buildout to 97 percent of the 2,500 unserved and underserved addresses in the district, with construction scheduled to begin in the second quarter of 2022. We are pleased to inform the public that, under the terms of the partnership with CCI, the CUD would retain ownership of all physical assets built with federal dollars.

While we are confident in our application, we also wish to assure the public that this is not the region's only pathway to connectivity. The Vermont Community Broadband Board recently announced the availability of funding under the Broadband Construction Grant Program, a provision of Act 71. Under this program, the CUD would be eligible for \$4.34 million of funding to build out a fiber optic broadband network. We are in the process of developing multiple application scenarios for this grant, and will submit the proposal most appropriate for the forthcoming NTIA funding decision.

By way of closing, we would like to thank the many people and organizations who continue to support our work: the Department of Public Service; the Vermont Community Broadband Board; the Vermont Community Foundation; our elected officials; and the Bennington County Regional Commission. Most importantly, however, we would like to recognize the delegates that you have appointed to the CUD's Governing Board. They have dedicated their time and energy to solving an immensely difficult problem, and we would not have made the progress that we have made to date without them.

We meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 PM. Please join us, and learn more at sovtcud.net.

Sincerely,
Eric Hatch, Chair
Southern Vermont Communications Union District

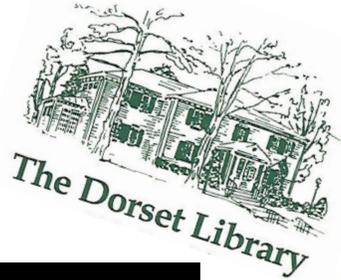
Delinquent Tax Report ~ December 31, 2021

Blake, Torie	\$2,638.14
Casey, David.....	\$7,484.77*
Casey, Evelyn	\$656.20*
Corvino, Sheila	\$743.73*
Greene, Kristyn.....	\$8,983.64*
3557 Route 7.....	\$9,536.25*
McPhee, Kate	\$25,719.96
Pritchard, Mark	\$3,565.03*
Murphy, David.....	\$382.68*
Prouty, Gladys	\$5,261.12
Shavell, Stephen.....	\$987.50
Sheldon, Shelly.....	\$1,445.39*
Staunton, Sidney Jr.....	\$3,940.03*
Stimson, Ellen	\$44,338.14
Whitman, William	\$90.40
Wrend, Jonathan.....	\$1,024.15
Total.....	\$114,439.35

*** Paid or partially paid after December 31, 2021**

As a percentage the Delinquent amount is less than 1% (0.009%) of the annual property tax levy, which is over \$12,500,000 including local and State school, and Town funding.

VOTER APPROVED APPROPRIA-





To the Citizens of the Town of Dorset,

On behalf of BROC Community Action and the thousands of people with low-income or living in poverty that we serve throughout Rutland and Bennington Counties, we want to express our thanks and gratitude for supporting us over the years on Town Meeting Day. BROC Community Action assists families and individuals in crisis and help provide a sustainable path forward.

Over the past year, BROC Community Action was available to the residents of the Town of Dorset. Whether they need food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling and resources and referrals; we are here.

People come to us cold, hungry, homeless, jobless or facing major health conditions every day. Your town appropriation helps ease the struggle for nearly 10,000 people who seek assistance from us each year as we meet the basic needs of their families and provide a path forward whenever possible.

Respectfully, our appropriation request for the upcoming fiscal year remains \$1,000.00.

We truly value our collaboration with Dorset as we assist those most in need.

Sincerely,
Thomas L. Donahue, CEO
tdonahue@broc.org

BROC.ORG

45 Union Street Rutland, VT 05701
332 Orchard Road Bennington, VT 05201

802.775.0878

BROC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont

		Budget FY22
SUMMARY		
Funding		\$9,211,000
FEDERAL GRANTS		\$5,869,278
STATE GRANTS		\$2,623,983
FOUNDATION GRANTS		\$88,500
RENTAL INCOME		\$113,904
Contributions		\$149,666
TOWN FUNDING		\$42,000
WX - EVT		\$220,000
UNITED WAY		\$5,000
WARMTH		\$60,000
OTHER		\$38,670
TOTAL SALARIES:		\$ 2,381,920
FRINGE:	% of Salaries:	\$881,452
TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES		\$3,263,373
OPERATIONS		
Indirect	% of Salaries:	\$721,011
SPACE COSTS		\$328,597
INSURANCE/GENERAL LIABILITY		\$71,147
Computer Services		\$49,607
Telephone		\$32,448
POSTAGE FREIGHT		\$7,811
TRAVEL/MILEAGE		\$95,898
EQUIPMENT		\$216,445
Supplies		\$44,722
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		\$71,396
DUES, LICENSES, FEES		\$37,055
PRINTING & PUBLICATIONS / COPY		\$41,093
PERSONNEL RELATED EXPENSES		\$133,302
Transfer In/OUT		\$0
TOTAL OPERATIONS		\$1,850,531
TOTAL PERSONNEL AND OPERATIONS:		\$5,113,904
DIRECT CLIENT SUPPORT:		
WX Materials		\$619,845
Subcontract Labor		\$373,651
Direct Service -Providers(CACFP)		\$352,516
Direct Service - Food		\$20,000
Direct Service Housing		\$109,846
Direct Service Other Embrace Grants		\$2,250,000
Direct Service Fuel/Electric/Other		\$310,287
TOTAL DIRECT CLIENT SUPPORT:		\$4,036,146
TOTAL BUDGET:		\$9,150,050
Total Net		\$60,950

* Indirect Rate Agreement is 30.3% of salaries

BROC Community Action
Proprietary



Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless has continued to serve the needs of those in Bennington County experiencing homelessness in 2021. BCCH is grateful for the town of Dorset's support for families and individuals experiencing homelessness. The need is greater than ever before, with over 120 people being placed in local motels/hotels by the state, and dozens other camping, while we remain at full capacity at both our shelter locations.

BCCH strives to prevent homelessness by providing emergency overnight shelter and a wide range of other resources. We are committed to providing more than just a bed. We strive to provide people the building blocks necessary to become self-sufficient and remain as independent as possible. Clients are provided workshops, case management, and referrals to all other needed supports. Through mid 2021, under reduced capacity due to Covid, we still served over one hundred individuals at our family shelter and adult shelter. We have since been able to return to full capacity. We remain the only homeless shelters serving the population in this County.

BCCH currently operates year-round, 24/7, at two different shelter locations. An adult shelter at 966 Main Street, houses sixteen adult guests. Thatcher House Family Shelter on Pleasant Street serves nine families. Currently both of our shelters are at capacity.

We have faced many challenges during the last year, specifically dealing with required COVID guidelines which entailed us reducing our adult shelter beds, optimizing the layout of each room to allow for social distancing, and having additional protocols in place. Most recently, with the rise in positive covid cases in our county, we've also managed a Covid outbreak at our adult shelter. The situation entails weekly testing, transferring positive guests up to Burlington covid motel site Ho Hum, and balancing a wide range of guest needs and health concerns that are inevitable in a congregate setting.

The work of serving our homeless has never been more challenging than at this time when we are balancing the health and safety concerns during a national pandemic with the increased need for housing and historically highest numbers for homelessness in the County. In addition to providing shelter, we serve many others experiencing homelessness through drop-in services for those in need. Our services range from the use of our kitchen, laundry, bathroom to providing a safe, warm space for those in need during the day or providing someone in need with toiletries, blankets, clothing, or food to take away. Those who come in to warm up are also given the opportunity to meet with a case manager, apply for services, and/or help seeking/applying to housing and/or employment.

As is true nationwide, a lack of local affordable housing has presented additional challenges both for our guests and our shelters. Guests are having a hard time transitioning into permanent housing due to limited housing options, which makes our need for funding and support even greater. This is compounded as more families are struggling with poverty and homeless in Bennington County than ever before, with over one hundred twenty residents currently utilizing the motel voucher program in Bennington County. We anticipate that when the motel voucher program ends, we will be incapable of meeting the need for emergency housing. We strive to do as much as we can for our community and those experiencing homelessness,

We have many exciting goals and projects in mind for the coming year. We will be moving to a new family shelter site in a collaboration with Shires Housing. This move will allow us to provide larger and more up to date apartments for all of our families, as well as office space for staff.

Additionally, this year we are working to modify our shelters to accommodate service animals, increase our outreach efforts to BIPOC communities, continue strengthening our relationships with partner agencies, and recruit new board members. We are currently in the process of bringing on a new Board member with lived experience of Homelessness. We have been working hard to make sure all our staff are trauma informed and trained in responding to a wide range of mental health crises. We have lowered many of the barriers that have prevented those in need from receiving our services in the past and offer anyone who needs a bed one, as long as it is safe for all residents. Without housing options for those with extreme mental and physical health challenges, BCCH is often tasked with supporting those in our community who have fallen through the cracks and who require the most support .

BCCH has continued to put its mission first, at the risk of being in a negative financial position annually. We use every dollar that we receive to directly support our guests, mission, and staff. If received, these requested funds will be used to continue vital operations to the Bennington Community and to support the homeless population. Specifically, some projects we hope to accomplish through the allocations are required lead-abatement work and updating our shelter to be more handicap accessible.

Here are the 2020 allocations received from municipalities which hopefully will continue to be received in the coming year:

Bennington:	\$25,000
Shaftsbury:	\$1,000 in past years, this year, we are increasing our request to \$5,000 and will be presenting at a town meeting on the 20 th
Arlington:	\$500
Dorset:	\$1,000
Peru:	\$500

As you can see, a portion of our annual budget is made up of town appropriations and we hope that the town of Dorset will continue to support BCCH.

I have attached the operating budget and the 990 along with proof of e-file. Please don't hesitate to reach out if I can provide anything else.

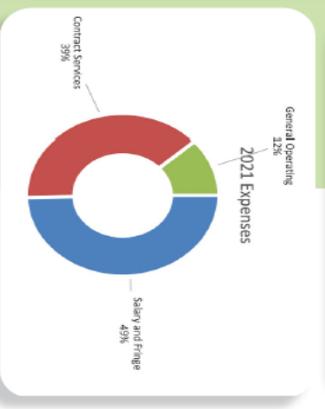
Thank you in advance for your ongoing support.
Chloe Viner Collins, Executive Director

BCCH2021/2022 Operating Budget							
G/L Account	966 Main	Thatcher House	House	General Fund	G & A	Total 2022 Opr Budget	Total 2021 Opr Budget
OEO G/A Grant	\$ 205,171	\$ 87,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,314	\$ 315,985	\$ 211,446.00
OEO Covid-19 CRF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,863.00
ESFP formerly FEMA	\$ 4,820	\$ 4,820	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,640	\$ 12,854.00
Town Appropriation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,500	\$ -	\$ 31,500	\$ 31,500.00
Donations-Monetary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000.00
Fundraising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000.00
Resident Rent & Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,400.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Foundation Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000.00
Total Income	\$ 209,991	\$ 92,320	\$ -	\$ 141,500	\$ 23,314	\$ 467,125	\$ 444,063.00
Salaries-Regular	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ 90,032.00
Payroll-Shelter	\$ 13,040	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,040	\$ 14,563.32
Salaries-Shleter	\$ 18,720	\$ 18,720	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,440	\$ -
Payroll-Case Management	\$ 8,840	\$ 8,840	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,680	\$ -
Payroll-Property Management	\$ 16,640	\$ 16,640	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,280	\$ -
Salaries - Outreach Case Management	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,910.00
Contracted Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FICA Match	\$ 12,725	\$ 4,600	\$ -	\$ 552	\$ -	\$ 17,877	\$ 15,096.91
MEDI Match	\$ 2,976	\$ 1,076	\$ -	\$ 129	\$ 210	\$ 4,391	\$ 3,608.82
State U/E	\$ 9,256	\$ 1,740	\$ -	\$ 526	\$ -	\$ 11,522	\$ 14,366.62
Remaining Fringe	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,098	\$ -
Workers Compensation	\$ 1,906	\$ 295	\$ -	\$ 89	\$ 145	\$ 2,435	\$ 2,434.75
Legal & Accounting	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,400	\$ 18,400	\$ 18,400.00
Telephone/Internet	\$ 3,000	\$ 480	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,680	\$ 5,160	\$ 5,160.00
Postage	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300.00
Staff Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ -
Equipment Maint/Repairs	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ 500	\$ 500.00
Equipment Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 430	\$ 430	\$ 430.00
Computer & /Software Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800.00
Software Maint & Contracts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ -
Dues/Subscriptions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Insurance D&O (Board)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400.00
Insurance General Liability	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000	\$ 10,500	\$ 12,000.00
Office Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700.00
Fundraising Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000.00
Public Relations/Marketing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000.00
Program Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,250.00
Other Program Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ -
Client Expense	\$ 300	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500.00
Staff Mileage Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500.00
Building Rental	\$ -	\$ 27,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,900	\$ 28,500.00
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00
Electricity	\$ 3,736	\$ 5,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,716	\$ 14,400.00
Heat/Fuel	\$ 1,105	\$ 4,780	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,885	\$ 8,330.00
Water/Sewer	\$ 2,500	\$ 5,262	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,762	\$ 10,500.00
Trash Removal	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 540	\$ 3,540	\$ 4,700.00
Other Town Loan	\$ 5,071	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,071	\$ -
Building Repairs/Maint	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,000.00
Building Depreciation	\$ 8,172	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,172	\$ 23,439.00
Building Insurance	\$ 3,312	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,312	\$ 4,265.00
Mortgage Principle	\$ 1,540	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,540	\$ -
Mortgage Interest	\$ 7,425	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,425	\$ 12,403.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 272,964	\$ 131,813	\$ -	\$ 1,296	\$ 42,955	\$ 471,126	\$ 443,989.42
Admin Allocation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 272,964	\$ 131,813	\$ -	\$ 1,296	\$ 42,955	\$ 471,126	\$ 443,989.42
Operating Net Gain/(Loss)	\$ (62,973)	\$ (39,493)	\$ -	\$ 140,204	\$ (19,641)	\$ (4,001)	\$ 73.58
Operating Net Gain/(Loss) less depreciation	\$ (54,801)	\$ (39,493)	\$ -	\$ 140,204	\$ (19,211)	\$ 4,601	

2021 in REVIEW

Information included in this report is based on SVCOA's fiscal year of 10/1/2020 to 9/30/2021.

Town	Case Management & Option Counseling Hours	Meds Served
Adirgon & East Adirgon	224.5	3,431
Belmont & Mount Holly	33.5	973
Berlin & North Bennington	3,086.5	27,902
Benson	57.5	835
Bonded & Forest Dale	393.25	10,622
Canton, Bennington & Hydeville	286.75	6,494
Chamden & North Chamden	82	1,294
Darby & Mount Airy	103.75	6,036
Dorset	95.25	1,335
Fair Haven	189.5	4,877
Hillsdale	29	354
Irre	25	90
Killbuck	10.5	911
Marchmont & Marchmont Cr.	183.25	5,338
Mendon	48.25	648
Middleton Springs	48.75	1,112
Parish & West Parish	64.75	1,132
Ben	0	19
Phonix & Phoenix	218.75	3,534
Putney	345.25	10,955
Putney & Mount Putney	47.75	3,784
Roost	102.75	2,203
Royal & West Royal	118.25	311
Rutland City	2,235.25	60,027
Rutland Town & Center Rutland	19.25	4,928
Sage	55.75	499
Shelburne	101.75	2,919
Stambridge & Champlain	15.5	857
Storford	59.25	143
Sudbury	9.5	282
Sunderland	67.75	304
Timothy	10	147
Wallingford & East Wallingford	144.25	2,508
Wells	126.25	2,795
West Haven	16	15
West Rutland	286.75	4,643
Woodford	29.25	100



STAFF	POSITION
LEADERSHIP	Executive Director: Pamela Zagonis; Executive Director: Samanta Brown; Aging Services Director: Kelly Cook; Assistant Director of Case Management: Catherine Anderson; Director of Nutrition, Wellness & Community Services: Katherine Greene; Business Operations Director: Amy Moran
ADMINISTRATIVE	Assistant File, Data & Administrative Assistant: Lisa Duffy; Data & Administrative Assistant: Debbie Wilson; Care Aide & 3 Support: Quincey Brown; File, Nutrition Program: Linda Spencer; Budget: Erin; Support: Jennifer; Support: Mary Moran
INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE / HELPLINE	Case Manager: Kelly Moran; Support: Jennifer; Support: Mary Moran
COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS	Case Manager: Kelly Moran; Support: Jennifer; Support: Mary Moran
BOARD OF DIRECTOR	Chair: Alison Hill; Vice Chair: Michelle Regan; Treasurer: George Dora; Secretary: Ken Stone; Board Members: George Dora, Alison Hill, Michelle Regan, Ken Stone, Mary Moran



2021 IMPACT REPORT

47 Years Supporting the Independence of Older Vermonters

2021 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Case Management & Options
- Counseling Program
- Helpline
- Nutrition Program
- Wellness Program
- Senior Companion & Volunteer Programs
- Elder Care Clinician
- National Family Caregiver
- Support Program
- State Health Insurance Program
- Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program
- Money Management Program
- Transportation

THANK YOU
 First and foremost, SVCOA would like to thank the many donors and community partners that support our work each year. Without their enthusiastic and unwavering support, it would be impossible to fulfill our mission and provide vital programs and services to the communities we serve in southwestern Vermont.

SEE DONOR LIST INSIDE

"We couldn't ask for more of your organization. The support has been fast and efficient and our case manager has been a joy to work with."
 - SVCOA client



PROUD PARTNERS

OUR MISSION

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) exists to be a community force in creating and sustaining opportunities for elders and caregivers in our region to help assure that elders are able to maintain maximum independence and quality of life.

Helpline
 1-800-642-5119

THANK YOU to our donors!

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"SVCOA is committed to organizing an ever-changing needs of all those who need our helping hand. We are proud of our history of service, and even more thankful for the opportunity to continue to serve our community. Our clients inspire us each and every day, and for that we are incredibly grateful."

Pam Zagorski,
Executive
Director



2021 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Information included in this report is based on SVCOA's fiscal year of 10/1/2020 to 9/30/2021.



GREEN MOUNTAIN RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program (GMRSSVP), an SVCOA-sponsored initiative, continued its work this year in recruiting and placing older Vermonters into volunteer opportunities where they can use their skills and experience to address vital community needs. Across Benning, Windham and Windsor counties, GMRSSVP administered 316 volunteer hours to address southern Vermont. Key outcomes of the program for GMRSSVP's fiscal year include 509 tax returns submitted on behalf of those needing assistance; 309 peer-led exercise class participants; companionship provided to 73 older Vermonters; 173 individuals educated through GMRSSVP's Fraud Squad initiative, and sunshine postcards delivered to 2,493 area seniors.

MONEY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

SVCOA's money management program continued to provide financial support and assistance this year through both the fee-for-service Representative Payee offering and a no-cost bill payer assistance program supported by trained and bonded volunteers. The Representative Payee Program, which provides complete financial oversight for those who are unable to manage their own finances as determined by a physician, and approved by the Social Security Administration, served 162 clients this year. The bill payer assistance program, made possible by the assistance of four energetic volunteers, provided support to 20 additional clients.

TRANSPORTATION

SVCOA continues to assist older Vermonters and disabled individuals with transportation needs in Benning and Rutland counties through financial support to the One-2-One volunteer transportation program as well as collaboration with Montpelier Valley Regional Transit District and Green Mountain Express. Collectively, these organizations provided 10,551 rides this year to older Vermonters and individuals with disabilities in our area.

SENIOR COMPANION & VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

Also helping older Vermonters remain independent in their own homes, SVCOA's Senior Companion Program assisted 68 individuals this year. From helping seniors with daily errands and tasks and providing general social companionship, to relieving family or professional caregivers, SVCOA's Senior Companions continued to make a difference in our area. Additionally, 106 SVCOA volunteers contributed over 1,900 hours to helping support agency operations and the lives of 151 clients through their work on a variety of group and individual projects.

ELDER CARE CLINICIAN

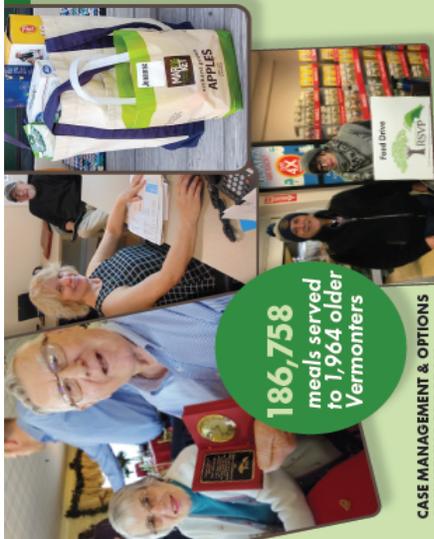
SVCOA's Elder Care Clinicians, who are dedicated to supporting older Vermonters with mental health concerns that interfere with daily life, provided 672 hours of private counseling to 52 individuals in their own homes throughout our planning service area this year.

NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

SVCOA continues to support caregivers in our region through a range of informational and financial resources including our Helpline, the Dementia Respite Grant Program, National Family Caregiver Support grants, and a variety of caregiver educational opportunities. During the past year, 405 caregivers were supported by SVCOA's various caregiver grants, education and training programs, and assistive services.

STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

The State Health Insurance Program (SHIP), which is designed to help individuals learn about and navigate Medicare, made 1,328 contacts this year in assisting older Vermonters with a variety of questions and issues related to Medicare, Medicaid and Medicare Part D insurance benefits. Included in these contacts were 12 coordinated informational workshops and classes which were attended by 51 people.



186,758 meals served to 1,964 older Vermonters

CASE MANAGEMENT & OPTIONS COUNSELING PROGRAM

SVCOA's case management and options counseling provided 9,611.5 hours of service to 1,100 older Vermonters in Rutland and Benning counties this year, helping to empower clients to make important life decisions around various services and supports, and ultimately support and encourage their independence and quality of life.

HELDLINE

SVCOA's toll-free, confidential and ARC-certified Alliance of Information and Referral System (AIRC) Helpline processed 5,695 calls this year, providing timely information, referrals and assistance on community and statewide programs to older Vermonters in our service area.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

SVCOA served 186,758 meals to 1,964 older Vermonters in our region this year, including 177,482 home delivered meals to 1,047 individuals and 9,276 community meals to 917 seniors. Additionally, SVCOA's nutrition staff completed 889 hours of home-delivered meals, and 35 unique VT assessments for 808 area residents to ensure proper meal allocation and prioritization. The nutrition program also maintained its role as an integral resource on nutrition education, providing nutrition counseling through our registered dietitian and group presentations to 859 older Vermonters.

WELLNESS PROGRAM

SVCOA continues to expand its wellness offerings, such as the nationally recognized, evidence-based programs "Matter of Balance" and "Tai Chi for Fall Prevention." These programs are designed to engage older Vermonters in a series of classes aimed at improving balance, strength, confidence and overall health. SVCOA is also pleased to be offering "Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less," a program aimed at informing, preparing and motivating participants to live healthfully as they make choices about eating and physical activity. This year SVCOA served 81 clients through its various wellness offerings.

Center for Restorative Justice

Restorative Justice is a form of community justice; it is a framework by which a community can respond to crime. It holds offenders accountable and places emphasis on repairing the harm done to the victim and community. This is the framework by which the Center for Restorative Justice (CRJ) bases its programs.

In Bennington County, CRJ works in partnership with the courts, State’s Attorney’s Office, defense attorneys, Department of Children and Families, Department of Corrections, schools and other community partners to deliver programs using restorative justice principles. The Restorative Justice philosophy involves the community accountable for repairing the the skills necessary to become a Restorative Justice also empower have an active role in the process.



This past year, CRJ was challenged with delivering quality restorative justice programs and services while confronted with the COVID pandemic. CRJ is proud to have successfully served 1,531 Bennington County residents stop restorative justice agency helping at-risk youth get on the coming back to the community

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CRJ’s traditional programs such as Court Diversion, Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program, Truancy Programs, Pre-Charge Programs, and Reparative Probation, CRJ helps hundreds of people each year get their driver’s license reinstated, file petitions to get their records expunged and support victims to have a voice and be compensated with restitution. A unique program run by CRJ which started in 2020 (unique to anywhere else in the state) is Threads – a clothing boutique that provides free clothes and accessories to all Bennington County teens. The simple gift of clothing and contemporary accessories in many cases is all it takes to help a teen feel good about themselves and succeed in school. Some teens have even gained new confidence to go on job interviews with some new “threads”!

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CRJ is a non-profit agency, funded by numerous state and private grants, donations and town funding. More information about CRJ programs can be found on CRJ’s website- www.bcrj.org. With your town’s support, CRJ is able to continue the important work of strengthening communities, empowering victims, supporting individuals in need, and holding people accountable who may have caused harm to others. It is the strength of our partnership that helps to make our community such a great place to live. Thank you very much for your continued partnership and support.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Leitha Cipriano
Executive Director

FY 2021 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT		
Revenue:	State Grants	451,228
	Other Grants	77,919
	School Funding	34,500
	Fees- Diversion/TASP	33,228
	Town Funding	7,740
	Contributions, Fund-raising	2,959
Total Revenue		607,574
Expenses	Personnel	486,569
	Facilities	38,064
	Operations	39,793
	Ins	7,296
	Training & Travel	1,111
	Prof Fees	11,769
Total Expenses		584,602



NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Dorset Town Report: Neighbor to Neighbor

December 2021

Neighbor to Neighbor’s mission is to assist our neighbors to live independently by providing no-cost, non-medical volunteer services that nurture relationships.

Since 2004, Neighbor to Neighbor and our group of intrepid volunteers has provided vital services to older and disabled residents of the Northshire. In 2021, after an 18-month hiatus of offering our regular services, after both care recipients and volunteers were fully-vaccinated, we were able to return and resume regular operations, including our monthly social events. Everyone is relieved to see one another and to continue forming friendships and ongoing caring relationships.

Twenty residents are either active Neighbor to Neighbor volunteers or care recipients. Our volunteers provide all of our services (transportation to appointments and to run errands, friendly visits and phone calls, friendly handwritten notes sent to check in and let them know we care about them, simple yard and housework, and our monthly social event).

We receive funding through local towns as well as through private, corporation, and foundation donors. This year, we were able to fulfill a long-time wish to create a professionally-made promotional video about Neighbor to Neighbor. We funded it with a grant from The Windham Foundation. You can watch our video by going to <https://www.vimeo.com/631261448>.

On behalf of the Steering Committee, our amazing volunteers, and most importantly the care recipients we serve, Neighbor to Neighbor if most grateful for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Galguera
Executive Director

Revenue

Expenses

Grants	\$2,500.00	Total Payroll Expenses	\$35,000.00
Foundations/Corporations	\$12,500.00	Worker’s Comp	\$700.00
Fundraising Events	\$9,000.00	In-Kind Contributions	\$18,250.00
Individual Contributions	\$20,000.00	Utilities	\$2,200.00
Support from Towns	\$4,500.00	Phone/Internet	\$1,500.00
Support from Houses of Worship	\$1,000.00	Office Supplies	\$2,500.00
Interest Income	\$150.00	Printing/Publicity/Advertising/Newsletter	\$1,500.00
In-kind Donations	\$18,250.00	Postage	\$500.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$65,400.00	Petty Cash	\$100.00
		Bank/Credit Card Charges	\$50.00
		Care Recipient Events	\$1,500.00
		Insurance: Liability	\$2,250.00
		Volunteer Recognition	\$250.00
		Computer/ Copier Support	\$100.00
		Mileage Reimbursement	\$3,600.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$71,800.00





PROJECT AGAINST VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS

Mailing: P.O. Box 227, Bennington, VT 05201
Physical: 102 Dewey St, Bennington, VT 05201
Office: 802.442.2370 | Hotline: 802.442.2111
www.pavebennington.org

Town of Dorset,

This year marked PAVE's 40 year anniversary of providing compassionate, concrete support to survivors of domestic and sexual abuse. PAVE continues to be the only agency providing these services in Bennington County. Our goal is to promote a world where all peoples can be empowered to have fulfilling, safe relationships free from violence. We do this by providing services (that) (not only) provide services) in times of crisis but provide services that educate, heal and empower as well.

In the last 40 years PAVE has grown from a crisis hotline to an agency offering multiple, comprehensive services. The cycle of abuse is often multi-generational and because of this knowledge PAVE offers prevention services through education and community outreach as well as direct services to survivors.

This past year brought unique challenges due to COVID 19 and the precautions that we all needed to take to keep our communities safe. PAVE understood that to quarantine would create new barriers for survivors trying to flee domestic or sexual violence. In response, our hotline remained open and fielded 293 calls. In addition, we received 805 calls seeking services and support to our main agency line during the past year.

Our advocates worked hard to continue offering support to survivors, while working remotely providing 101 interactions through internet contact alone. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, PAVE remained available and vital to the Bennington community. PAVE served survivors from Dorset with 25 supportive interactions in the past year. Our supervised visitation program also remained active providing remote visit options to parents and children, to keep them connected, despite not being able to physically see each other. This program offered 376 visits throughout the past year and has moved back to offering in person visits.

Domestic violence is the third leading cause of homelessness among families. For this reason our shelter remained open throughout the pandemic. Our shelter offers the only short term emergency housing for survivors of domestic violence in the county. Pave provided 1,057 nights of shelter last year, to survivors fleeing domestic or sexual violence.

PAVE is asking for level funding this year; \$500.00

On behalf of our board of directors, staff, and the families we served, I thank the Town of Bennington for your ongoing support. It allows us to create greater opportunities for those that are impacted by domestic and/or sexual violence, and need our services each year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Brillon

Lindsay Brillon, M.Ed LSW
Executive Director
PO BOX 227
pave@pavebennington.com
[8024422370](tel:8024422370)

Dara Zink

Dara Zink, Board President

PAVE is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization and your donation is fully tax deductible, less the value of any goods or services received. PAVE does not appraise the value of gifts. Our tax ID number is 03-0285583.



Project Against Violent Encounters
Profit & Loss
 July 2020 through June 2021

	Jul '20 - Jun 21
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4010 · Contributions	58,326.00
4050 · Contribution - Board	4,479.45
4060 · Contribution - Family Time	9,126.98
4100 · Grant Income	606,210.48
4200 · Contracts - State	14,145.00
4550 · Interest Income	1,334.80
Total Income	693,622.71
Gross Profit	693,622.71
Expense	
60001 · Salaries	315,614.74
60002 · Employee Benefits	89,392.84
60014 · Operations Expense	54,932.32
60015 · Program Services	83,900.43
60023 · Facility Expense	73,620.83
60029 · Equipment Expense	17,956.25
60056 · Misc. Expense	650.59
60061 · Fundraising Expense	48.50
60062 · Board Fundraising Expense	-1,468.24
Total Expense	634,648.26
Net Ordinary Income	58,974.45
Net Income	58,974.45

DORSET HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The year 2021 was again one of significant and varied activity for the Dorset Historical Society. We continued to play a major role in the cultural calendar of the Dorset community and we continued to work closely with the Town Office, the Library and the local schools.

We led three quarry hikes last spring and Summer, and this year's new exhibits included Recent Acquisitions, the Meyer/Marsh Family of Artists, Cecelia deNottbeck's Estate, The Photographs of Huntington Pratt Gilbert, and Dorset History, 1792-1838. We also uploaded several videos, including short pieces highlighting objects in our collections and several of our Third Thursday Lunchtime Lectures, all of which are on our YouTube channel. Our Curator is busy working on the new exhibits for 2022, and we will have a full slate of Third Thursday Lunchtime Lectures, and four history hikes in the summer, as well as our usual Ice Cream Social.



The Board of Directors of the Dorset
Historical Society

	<u>2021 Actual</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>
<u>REVENUE</u>		
Membership Income	\$50,760.31	\$45,000.00
Museum Proceeds	1,655.94	1,410.00
Special Gifts	2,120.70	2,000.00
Dorset Town Grant	<u>7,500.00</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total Income	\$62,036.95	\$55,910.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Programs and Exhibits	\$ 4,592.13	\$ 7,100.00
Newsletters	1,502.32	1,500.00
Administration	47,390.95	43,650.00
Facilities	13,954.17	9,200.00
Utilities	<u>3,196.51</u>	<u>3,300.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$70,636.08	\$64,750.00
NOTE – Dorset Town Support	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
	(provided)	(requested)



November 2021

Dorset Selectboard
Town of Dorset
PO Box 715
East Dorset, VT 05253

RE: Request for Town Appropriations – Amount requested \$850

Dear Members of the Selectboard,

I respectfully request that Bennington County Habitat for Humanity be included on the Town of Dorset's 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warning, as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$850.00 for the support of Bennington County Habitat for Humanity." I have included our annual report of activities and our financial statement, both for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity (BCHfH) is the locally run and locally funded affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. Habitat strives to eliminate sub-standard housing worldwide. BCHfH works with low-income residents of Bennington County to provide decent, energy-efficient and truly affordable housing through our homeownership and home repair programs. We recruit volunteers from the community and solicit financial support from individuals and local businesses. The Town of Dorset's contribution will go directly toward purchasing building supplies and materials for our local projects. We serve ALL people.

Homebuyers through our Habitat homeownership program become homeowners with an affordable mortgage. The amount they pay for their mortgage, property taxes, and property insurance is no more than 30% of their annual income. Each homebuyer household has a support partner who assists them in successfully assuming the responsibilities that come with homeownership.

We are deeply grateful for the support we have received from your community in the past, and we hope it will be possible for the Town of Dorset to continue to support our work going forward.

Thank you for your kind consideration of our appropriations request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Hoyt".

Bill Hoyt, President, Board of Directors

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. (dba Bennington County Habitat for Humanity) is a 501 (c) (3) organization. Our FEDERAL EIN is 04-3342696.

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 1159, Manchester VT 05254
802-367-1000; bchabitatoffice@gmail.com; benningtoncountyhabitat.org
Empowering people one house at a time.

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity
Town Reports
7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021
Cash Flows

	FY21 Actual	FY21 Budget
Contributions & Other Income	\$156,973	\$115,489
Restricted Contributions/Grants	131,509	81,800
Fundraising Events	23,520	0
Resale Store Fundraising	129,922	55,708
Interest & Other Income	94,962	2,500
Mortgage/Loan Payments Received	<u>116,350</u>	<u>111,544</u>
Total Cash Flow In	<u>\$653,236</u>	<u>\$367,041</u>
Construction, Property Development & Program Operations	\$123,577	\$182,702
Fundraising and Resale Store Operations	52,177	63,208
Administrative & Other	<u>174,212</u>	<u>179,138</u>
Total Cash Flow Out	<u>\$349,966</u>	<u>\$425,048</u>
Net Cash Flow/(Budgeted Use of Surplus)	<u>\$303,270</u>	<u>(\$58,007)</u>



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GNAT-TV Operating Revenue / Expense Summary Year Ending 9.30.2021

Operating Revenue

Mandated Cable Funding	\$416,195
Municipal Contributions (7 Towns)	\$14,000
Program Services, Contributions, Grants	\$64,915
Investments / Other	\$12,649
Total Operating Revenue	\$526,546

Operating Expenses

Program / Production	\$372,979
General / Management	\$94,147
Fundraising	\$322
Total Operating Expense	\$467,126

*FY21 balance will be transferred to capital budget to replace broadcast server equipment. Full financial reports and 990 available at gnat-tv.org

2021 Usage Data

680 Local Public Programs
Produced
195 Government Meetings
86 Community Video
Announcements
143 Community Bulletin Board
Announcements
282,792 Online Video Views
583 Equipment & Facility
Reservations
250 Training Sessions
345 People Trained

Thank you for your past support of GNAT-TV. Your continued support enables us to provide authentic local information, and transparent access to your government. GNAT-TV is the only local independent nonprofit media outlet in our area. People rely on us to keep them informed and connected to one another, and to Vermont.

In 2021 alone, we aired and archived 30 Dorset select board, school board, and other town government meetings on cable and online (and nearly 200 in total across our region in 2021). We produced interviews and discussions with your legislators, and aired Governor Scott's weekly press conferences; helping to bring the implications of statewide issues to the local level, so you can be better informed.

We are committed to our role as an independent non-commercial informational resource and a facilitator of diverse community voices for everyone. Our commitment, to every citizen we serve, has never been more evident than during the past two years, as we helped people in our communities navigate life during the pandemic.

- We worked with local schools to share their stories and live stream their graduation ceremonies. We also made it possible for the faith community to share their weekly services on cable and online.
- We offered skill building opportunities for everyone in our community via our youth education program, mentorship program, and adult media training.
- We produced 264 local News Project segments, and launched a weekly community calendar to provide real time local information to our community

As we navigate the impact of a changing global media industry, and decline in our traditional cable funding, we rely on your support, now more than ever. A strong local community media organization is vital to our community, to our democracy, and to our collective futures. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and financial support.

Greater Northshire Access Television is a 501c3 Not for Profit Organization
Created by Community Members in 1995



The Dorset Library

Despite the ongoing pandemic, the library was able to open again to patrons and community members in July. Summer brought the return of the library's Dog Days of July Cookout featuring fun for the whole family. The library's on-going programs have resumed and all programs practice suggested safety protocols. Dorset Library Story Time and Kids Club held programs outdoors this summer. New additions to the library programs include Dungeons and Dragons and this past summer we held Family Yard Game Nights.

The Library's Haunted House has grown over the years and helped to expand the Halloween festivities on the Dorset Green. The library worked with the Dorset Playhouse to create simultaneous haunted houses bookending Trick or Treating on the Dorset Green. The library is grateful to all the volunteers who help to make our Haunted House a success each autumn.

The Library continues to keep our doors open while striving to keep everyone safe. We invite you to stop in and check out our current artist of the month, new book and DVD selections, use one of our new computers, read some stories in our children's room, or relax in front of the fire with a newspaper. We also would like to remind everyone of our online resources available to all members: explore a myriad of subjects via Universal Class, learn or practice a new language with Mango, and download an e-book or audio book from the Listen Up Vermont! service.

All town appropriations directly benefit community citizens by funding library programs, materials and services. The Library thanks you for your support, as always.

<u>4000 · Revenue</u>	<u>Jan-Dec 21</u>	<u>Budget 2022</u>
4100 · Investment Income.	\$48,074.35	\$41,645.00
4185 · Grant	\$0.00	\$500.00
4020 · Art Sale Income	\$1,400.00	\$500.00
4030 · Book Sales	\$498.09	\$500.00
4040 · Conscience Fund	\$180.18	\$200.00
4050 · Donations & Annual Fund	\$37,452.93	\$30,500.00
4080 · Town Appropriations	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
4090 · Interest	\$3.61	\$5.00
Total Revenue	\$107,609.16	\$93,850.00
<u>6000 · Expenses</u>		
6000 · Administration	\$32,285.82	\$30,500.00
6500 · Personnel	\$129,106.37	\$149,548.00
6600 · Library Materials	\$19,837.49	\$25,700.00
6700 · Building & Grounds	\$26,286.18	\$24,686.00
Total Expense	\$207,515.86	\$230,434.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$99,906.70	-\$136,584.00

VNA & HOSPICE

of the Southwest Region
Serving Bennington and Rutland Counties

TO THE OFFICERS AND CITIZENS OF DORSET:

In 2020, the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region provided Bennington County residents with exceptional home care, hospice, and community health services. From infants with hi-tech needs to seniors who wish to remain independent at home, and those who are facing a terminal illness, we continue to bring medically necessary health care wherever it is needed, regardless of the location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

In the face of shrinking government and state reimbursements and rising healthcare costs, VNAHSR has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective healthcare services to Bennington County's most vulnerable individuals.

In 2020, VNAHSR's dedicated staff made more than 160,581 visits to 3,298 patients. In the town of Dorset, we provided 1,894 visits to 67 individuals.

In closing, we wish to thank you for your past support. With your vote of confidence, we will continue to meet our mission to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services.

Sincerely,



Sara C. King
CEO



Dan DiBattista
President of the Board of Directors

VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region, Inc.
Annual Budget
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021, 2022

	<u>12/31/21 BUDGET</u>	<u>12/31/22 BUDGET</u>
REVENUE		
Home Care	\$ 11,975,711	\$ 13,491,061
Hospice	6,443,532	6,174,038
Pediatric Programs	1,243,140	1,352,224
Choices for Care	2,107,390	1,943,020
Outpatient Therapy	300,000	-
Private Duty	588,700	552,516
Community Services	8,300	1,500
	<u>\$ 22,666,773</u>	<u>\$ 23,514,359</u>
OTHER REVENUE		
Grant Revenue	1,077,832	1,138,411
Contract Services	371,500	243,050
Thrift Shop	120,000	140,000
Flu Clinics/Misc	117,100	134,048
	<u>1,686,432</u>	<u>1,655,509</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	24,353,205	25,169,868
CONTRACTUAL ALLOWANCES	<u>(2,139,748)</u>	<u>(2,352,551)</u>
NET OPERATING REVENUE	22,213,457	22,817,317
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Wages and Benefits	\$ 15,650,120	\$ 16,181,197
Contract Services	2,349,480	2,241,830
Administrative Expenses	1,377,225	1,340,512
Program Expenses	3,339,581	3,672,417
Occupancy Costs	160,000	183,241
	<u>22,876,406</u>	<u>23,619,197</u>
EXCESS OF OPERATING REVENUE OVER OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ (662,949)	\$ (801,880)
NON OPERATING REVENUE		
United Way	55,000	49,500
Town Appropriations	225,500	225,200
Contributions	327,300	420,100
Investment Income	475,610	863,400
	<u>1,083,410</u>	<u>1,558,200</u>
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUE	1,083,410	1,558,200
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 420,461</u>	<u>\$ 756,320</u>

Dorset Marble Preservation Association

There was both good news and bad news on Dorset sidewalks in 2021.

First the bad news. One of our goals for the year was to restore a section of sidewalk in East Dorset. Unfortunately, a backlog of landscaping work caused by Covid and an influx of home buyers delayed the project, which we now hope to undertake in 2022.

The second piece of bad news was a contractor working on a home renovation on Church Street drove a fully-loaded forklift over a sidewalk, crushing three slabs of marble. This was not the first such occurrence. Most of the old marble in Dorset’s sidewalks is easily broken and extremely difficult to replace; it would help if homeowners reminded workers to avoid moving heavy equipment on the sidewalks.



Now the good news. Our stonemason created steps to complete the sidewalk transition at Kent Hill Road. Additionally, we found a

source of old marble with characteristics similar to the original material, and we were able to purchase a small inventory. This will enable us to make some of the repairs that need to be made.



The Dorset Marble Preservation Association is grateful to Dorset’s voters for the appropriations that help us maintain the historic marble sidewalks that are a fundamental feature in the town’s character.

Roger Squire
President, DMPA

2021 Financial Report

Revenue

Beginning balance 1/1/2021	\$ 8,931
Town appropriation.....	\$15,000
Grants and contributions.....	\$10,000
Property owner reimbursements.....	<u>\$ 1,600</u>
Total.....	\$35,531

Expenses

Sidewalk restoration	\$ 1,000
Marble purchase.....	\$ 1,700
Maintenance and repair	<u>\$ 1,090</u>
Total.....	\$ 3,790

Bank balance 12/31/2021.....	\$31,741
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THE COLLABORATIVE
91 VT Route 11, Londonderry, VT 05148
802-824-4200 / www.thecollaborative.us
Board of Directors: Mark Welkert, Chair;
Ann Alford, Jim Lind, Jim Sullivan,
Kathleen O'Reilly, Martha Cowles

November 2021

Dear Dorset Residents,

The Collaborative appreciates your vote of confidence as you vote for the 2022-23 budget. Since 1999, we have grown from a small after school program to an organization providing a wide range of individual, youth, and family programs focused on preventing youth substance use, supporting working families and creating a healthy community. It was another year of change and uncertainty for everyone, but with you on our team The Collaborative was able to continue to provide healthy opportunities for our youth and young adults, strengthen community connections and increase outreach in the Northshire and mountain communities.

In this years town budget we are requesting funds for The Collaborative's mission to support substance free middle and high school youth. Just like you, we had to rethink how we do what we do and determine what was at the heart and soul of it. For example, this year, it is resiliency and connection for the Refuse to Use program. We are honored that 360 RTU participants from 8 schools are participating in over 50 virtual or distanced substance misuse and healthy alternative programs. These programs are primarily led by our staff and community volunteers who recognize the value of this education in our community. With a focus on healthy choices this project allows for our young people to pick their unique path toward a healthier future.

We are requesting your approval of \$750 in your town's budget to assist The Collaborative in continuing to provide these services to our community. We appreciate your involvement!

Sincerely,
Maryann Morris
Executive Director

Mountain Communities Supporting Education			
dba The Collaborative			
		RTU 20-21	Towns 20-21
Earned Revenue			
	Indiv/business contribution	\$50	\$0
	Federal grants	\$34,646	\$0
	Local government grants	\$0	\$6,300
	Program service fees	\$16,935	
Total Earned revenues		\$51,631	\$6,300
Expense			
	Salaries & wages	\$20,895	\$3,580
	Payroll taxes & other Fringe	\$9,083	\$771
	Accounting fees	\$1,025	\$0
	Professional & Enrichment Fees	\$14,200	\$550
	Supplies	\$729	\$0
	Telephone & telecommunications	\$407	\$0
	Postage, shipping, delivery	\$459	\$0
	Printing & copying	\$386	\$0
	Marketing Materials	\$788	\$308
	Incentives	\$220	\$0
	Mileage	\$10	\$0
	Event Supplies	\$417	\$234
	Bank Charges	\$275	\$0
	Insurance - non-employee	\$0	\$857
	Education & training	\$975	\$0
	Advertising expenses	\$213	\$0
	Scholarship Expense	\$1,500	
Total Expense		\$51,581	\$6,300
Revenue vs Expense		\$50	\$0



The Dorset Players have had a presence in the Dorset Community since 1927. The Dorset Playhouse, built with proceeds from plays, and many generous gifts, was opened in 1929. In 1999, The Dorset Players and The Dorset Theatre Festival undertook a three million dollar restoration and the Playhouse reopened in 2001

As owners of the Playhouse, the Players have done their best to maintain the 28,000 square foot building. Over the years the cost of repairs and upkeep have grown. During our fiscal year 8/1/20-7/31/21, with the help of grants, fundraising and donations, we have been able to install gutters, repair our marble patio, replace an HVAC unit and clean and fireproof all stage curtains

After a year and a half of being dark, we opened our 2021-22 season in October 2021, followed by a holiday production in December. We are in rehearsal for three more shows to complete our 2021-22 season. We have implemented safety precautions like vaccinations, masks and limited seating.

We welcomed the CSA back to our café and again participated in the townwide Halloween celebration in October of 2021.

There is still work to be done -replacement of our boiler, installing new aisle lights for audience safety, replacement of carpeting throughout the building and repairs to our baseboard heating. A long term project is replacement of our auditorium seats which can no longer be repaired.

The Dorset Players are very grateful to the voters of the Town of Dorset for their continuing support.

The Dorset Players Inc.	Profit & Loss 8/1/2020 to 7/31/2021	Current Budget 8/1/2021 to 7/31/2022
Income		
Production	500.00	50,274.00
Fundraising/Donations	113,481.10	96,564.00
Membership	8,040.00	7,845.00
Rental Income	13,278.00	13,629.00
Other Income	2,223.88	555.29
Total Income	137,522.98	168,867.29
Expenses		
Production Expense	802.03	22,383.20
General Theater Expenses	270.00	1,220.00
Administrative Expenses	33,897.38	56,874.53
Building Expenses	87,956.91	88,385.48
Total Expenses	122,926.32	168,863.21



NDS | Northshire Day School

Northshire Day School (NDS) is a quality, licensed non-profit childcare and early education center, which provides a

safe and loving environment for local children from birth to age 5. We have been serving area families for over 50 years and currently serve 87 children.

Quality early childhood care is critical infrastructure for our local economy. It enables families to participate in the workforce and strengthens our community, providing more positive outcomes for children. When you invest in childcare, you invest in our community.

While working with a \$250,000 annual deficit, we strive to provide access to quality programming that is affordable for families. In the 2020-2021 fiscal year, it cost Northshire Day School \$17,613 to educate each child, but the average family paid only \$13,725. Our current starting rate for an early childhood educator is \$13/hour. While every family makes a significant contribution to their child's care, it is not enough to pay our educators a livable wage, even if they have completed higher education and certifications. To continue making a positive impact, we need community support.

To help us close half of our operational budget gap we are seeking funding from our Northshire towns to ensure that we can continue the important work of caring for our young children. We have submitted appropriation requests to the voters of Manchester, Dorset, and Sunderland. The amounts we are requesting from each community is based upon the percentage of students we serve from each of those communities. The appropriation requests are as follows: Manchester - \$87,000, Dorset - \$13,000, and Sunderland - \$11,000.

The NDS Trustees are committed to securing private donations to cover the other half of our operational gap. We recently hired a Development Director to focus on building financial sustainability through philanthropic donations, grant writing, and community outreach.

When you vote "yes" for Northshire Day School, you are saying "yes" to children and their families. You are saying "yes" to local businesses who need employees. And, you are saying "yes" to the greater Northshire community.

Our annual report is viewable online at https://issuu.com/northshiredayschool/docs/2020-2021_nds_growth_report_final.

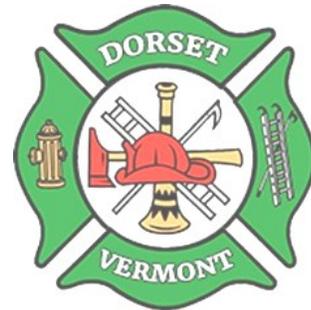
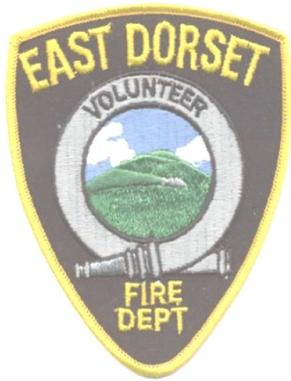
Thank you,

Julie Mackey

President of the Board of Trustees

Northshire Day School

BUDGETED APPROPRIATIONS





GREEN UP VERMONT

www.greenupvermont.org

**Green Up Day
May 7, 2022**



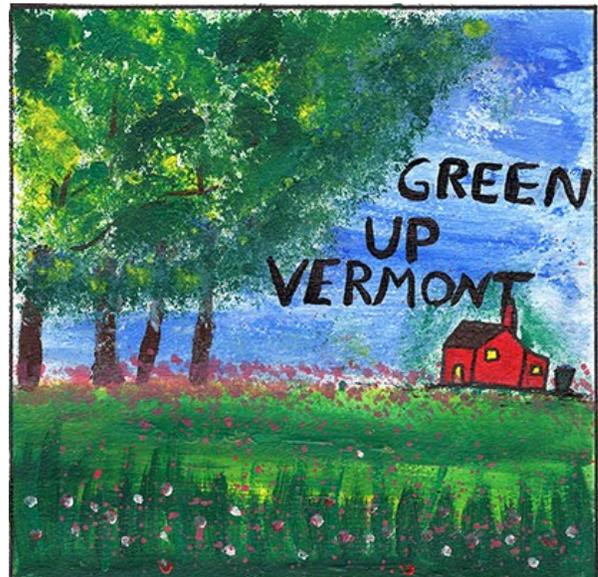
Green Up Day on May 1, 2021 was a huge success thanks to nearly 22,000 volunteers statewide who Greened Up. The infographic shows that all your hard work to beautify Vermont is needed and that it makes where we get to live, work, and play a very special place. As one of Vermont's favorite holidays, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Along with Green Up Day, we work year-round to further our impact with waste reduction initiatives, additional clean-up efforts, and educational programs.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride, and community engagement. Thank you for your support of this crucial program that takes care of all our cities and towns.

Your donations make a huge impact and can be made on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at www.greenupvermont.org.





Northshire Rescue Squad

PO Box 26

Manchester Center VT 05255

Business: (802) 362-1995 Fax (802) 362-8175

Email: northshirerescue@gmail.com

“Serving the community since 1964”

www.northshirerescue.com

Northshire Rescue Squad has the honor of serving this community with Emergency Medical Service at the paramedic level. We do this with a mixture of volunteer first responders and full & part-time paid staff. With the ever-evolving unknown of the COVID-19 virus, and it’s variants, our members are dedicated to providing this service to our friends, family, neighbors, and visitors. We would also like to acknowledge the overwhelming support of this community as we could not possibly provide the level of coverage and care without the financial support of this community. We would like to thank all that have reached out with kind words, gestures of gratitude and donations.

We will continue to respond to your calls for assistance and ever strive to provide the highest level of care to this community.

We responded to the following calls during fiscal year 2020-2021:

Danby	82	Mount Tabor	16
Dorset	156	Winhall	14
East Dorset	78	Hospital transfers	14
Manchester	781	Mutual aid	80
Rupert	11	Total	1234



Northshire Rescue Squad

Income		2021 - 2022 Budget
	Patient Med Ins Receipts - Cash	540,000
	(Provider Tax - medicaid)	-19,000
	Net Patient Med Ins Receipts - Municipal ("Service Fees")	521,000
	Manchester	143,004
	Dorset	30,962
	Danby (was adjusted year 1 of agmt)	13,159
	Mt Tabor	3,483
	Winhall	2,903
	Municipal -	1,597
	Total Municipal ("Service Fees")	195,108
	Ambulance Lease - Municipal ("Dues")	
	Danby	12,188
	Dorset	18,878
	Mt Tabor	2,370
	Winhall	743
	Manchester	40,815
	Total Ambulance Lease - Municipal ("Dues")	74,994
	Annual Fund	95,000
	Subscriptions - Donations	25,000
	Subscriptions	95,000
	Classes	2,000
	Vermont Summer Festival Rev-	37,000
	Miscellaneous Income	
	Investments	20,000
Total Income		1,065,102
Expense		
	Wages (Medical Staff)	567,300
	Payroll Expenses	43,398
	Payroll Service charge	1,200
	Employee Medical Insurance	91,116
	Simple IRA - Company	4,316
	Total Compensation	707,330
	Ambulance Lease	64,231
	Insurance (W/C, Property, etc.)	55,000
	Accounting & Bookkeeping	10,650
	Legal	1,000
	Billing - medical services	59,400
	Rent - Agmt with Manchester	43,000
	Dispatch - Agmt with Manchester	67,000
	Grounds/Snow/Sewer - MTO Charge	2,500
	Utilities	12,500
	Other occupancy expenses	3,000
	Vehicles Fuel/Maintenance/Repairs	25,000
	Medical Equipment & Supplies	35,000
	Communications/Repairs	5,400
	Total Education	1,000
	Educational Supplies	1,500
	Total Office Supplies/Software	3,500
	PR/Fundraising/Postage & Printing	6,500
	Uniforms	1,500
	Gifts/Dues /Subscriptions	500
	Functions	1,000
	Misc Expense	2,000
Total Expense (ex depreciation)		1,108,511
Net Income - Budget basis		-43,409



Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force

Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD)
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(802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com | www.vacd.org

November 15, 2021

Re: Request for Town Appropriation, Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program

Dear Board of Selectpersons, Town Clerks and Auditors:

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property, and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to support the costs of construction. During the 23+ years of the program, almost 1200 grants totaling over \$2.6 million have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

The Rural Fire Protection Program is managed by the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservation Districts, whose mission is to work with landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the state.

We have made several adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program, including changing the name from Dry Hydrant Grant Program to Rural Fire Protection Program to better reflect the diverse range of projects we support. We have increased the maximum grant award amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project. New rural fire protection systems, along with repair, replacement, relocation, upgrades of existing systems, and drafting site development, are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2021 was \$193,930, of which \$92,909 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covered site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Vermont Department of Public Safety through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore,

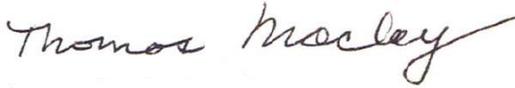
we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. Last year, we received over **\$11,000** in town appropriations from over **100** towns, with contributions still coming in. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support.

215 Vermont communities have benefitted from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

Enclosed please find a summary report for the Rural Water Supply Grant Program, as well as an invoice and W-9 from VACD in case they are required. VACD's tax form 990 is also available upon request. Please feel free to contact me, Troy Dare, or Jill Arace, Executive Director of VACD, with any questions you may have. Our contact information is provided below. If you would like to receive this appropriation request by mail instead of by email, please contact Troy Dare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tom Maclay, Chair
 Rural Fire Protection Task Force
 (802) 426-3265 | 83creameryst@fairpoint.net

Troy Dare, Program Manager & contact person Town Appropriation business
 Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program
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Jill Arace, Executive Director
 Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD)
 (802) 496-5162 | jill.arace@vacd.org

Rural Fire Protection Task Force Members:

Tom Maclay, Chair, Marshfield VFD
 Bill Sanborn, Vice-Chair, Town of Maidstone
 Walter Bothfeld, Jr., Cabot VFD
 Tyler Hermanson, VT Enhanced 9-1-1
 Mike Greenia, Vermont Division of Fire Safety
 Christine Kaiser, Stowe VT
 Lars Lund, VT Forest Parks & Recreation

**Vermont Association of Conservation Districts
 Rural Fire Protection Program
 FY 2021 Financial Report (7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021)**

Income	
Town Appropriations/Donations	11,010
VT Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Fire Safety	139,713
VT Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation (US Forest Service)	21,590
VACD	12,782
Sale of Dry Hydrant Spare Parts	8,835
Total Income	193,930
Expense	
Personnel	67,632
Travel	4,802
Office and Services	23,783
Dry Hydrant Spare Parts	4,804
Rural Fire Protection Grants to Towns & Fire Departments	92,909
Total Expense	193,930
Net Income	0



East Dorset Fire District #1

East Dorset Fire Department responded to 133 calls in 2021

East Dorset	31	Winhall	1
Dorset	75	Rupert	1
Manchester	17	Tinmouth	1
Danby	7	Wallingford	1

Types of calls:

Accidents	8
Trees on wires	4
Grass fire	1
Unattended fire	2
Dumpster Fire	1
Smell of gas in resident	1
EMS assist	2
CO Alarm	1
Alarm	1

The department is in need of additional members.

I would like to thank all of the members of the department for their time and training they have donated to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Young II Fire Chief

EAST DORSET FIRE DISTRICT # 1 FIRE DIVISION 2020/2021

ACCT#		BUDGET 2020/2021	ACTUAL	BUDGET 2021/2022
	FIREHOUSE			
2000	MAINTENANCE/REPAIR	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 23,877.20	\$ 13,500.00
2100	UTILITIES	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,709.04	\$ 7,000.00
2200	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,200.00
2201	ALARM MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 545.58	\$ 1,200.00
	APPARATUS			
3000	MAINTENANCE/REPAIR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 16,041.21	\$ 10,000.00
3001	NEW EQUIPMENT	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,456.84	\$ 10,000.00
3002	FUEL	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,880.88	\$ 5,000.00
3003	RADIOS	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,968.82	\$ 5,000.00
3005	TRUCK SINKING FUND	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
	PERSONNEL			
4000	PROTECTIVE GEAR	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00
4002	DUES/TRAINING	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,266.00	\$ 1,500.00
4004	MEALS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 520.28	\$ 1,000.00
4200	FEC	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,462.95	\$ 12,000.00
4100	AIR PACK VALVES		\$ 71.57	
4300	AIR PACK SINKING FUND			\$ 5,000.00
	ADMINISTRATION			
5000	PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$ 3,550.00	\$ 2,500.07	\$ 3,550.00
5001	OFFICE SUPPLIES/ POSTAGE	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 648.33	\$ 1,000.00
5005	ADVERTISEMENTS	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00
5200	INSURANCE	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,365.64	\$ 25,000.00
5201	ADMINISTRATION/CHIEF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
5202	FIRE PREVENTION	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00
5203	AUDIT	\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00
		\$ 147,600.00	\$ 136,314.41	\$ 147,800.00

Dorset Fire District #1



The Dorset Fire District #1 serves over 1000 property owners in the Town of Dorset and operates the Dorset Water Company, providing water to approximately 180 customers. Our next annual meeting will be held on May 9, 2022.

The fire department responded to 128 calls in 2020, with the following breakdown:

In 2021, the firemen of the Dorset Fire District #1 logged a total of 921 hours of in-house training.

Fire Chiefs

Chief: Jacob Gribble
 1st Assistant Chief: Joe Clark
 2nd Assist. Chief: Shawn Hazelton

Firefighters

David Green
 Tyler King
 Gregory Harrington
 Dan Zimmerman
 Chris Dyer
 Jolene Sweet
 Nathaniel Mychack
 Eaden Ryan
 August Staffer
 Rusty Kelly
 Alan Casey
 Jamie Meuiner
 Alan Dufresne
 Derek Burgess

Prudential Committee

Ben Weiss: Chairman
 Lee Fox: Treasurer
 Roger Squire
 Cindy Loudenslager
 Patrick McGuire

Type of Call	Amount
Accident with Injuries	9
Brush Fires	5
Chimney Fires	4
CO ² Alarm	4
CO ² Problem	2
Electrical Power Issue	1
EMS Assist	2
Fire Alarms:	
Cooking	3
False Alarms	15
Fireplace	2
Other	7
Furnace Malfunction	0
Good Intent Calls	0
Hazmat	5
Mutual Aid:	
Arlington	0
Danby	2
East Dorset	29
Granville, NY	0
Manchester	12
Pawlet	2
Rupert	4
Wells	0
West Pawlet	0
Winhall	1
Service Call	1
Smoke Condition	1
Structure Fires	3
Traffic Control	0
Trees Down in Road	3
Trees on Wires	8
Vehicle Fire	0
Water Emergency	1
Wires Down	2
TOTAL	128

DORSET FIRE DISTRICT #1-FIRE DIVISION 2022/2023

	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET
REVENUES			
DEL. FIRE TAX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
INTEREST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOWN APPRO.	\$183,700.00	\$184,000.00	\$188,000.00
MISC.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$183,700.00	\$184,000.00	\$188,000.00
EXPENSES			
ADVERTISEMENTS	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
FIRE PREVENTION	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
INSURANCE	\$ 17,250.00	\$ 17,250.00	\$ 17,250.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00
POSTAGE & PRINTING	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
CLERK/MGR FEES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
DAM FEE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
DISPATCH CONTRACT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FUEL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
EQUIP - MAINT.	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,300.00	\$ 20,300.00
TRUCK PAYMENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TRUCK SINKING FUND	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
FIRE HOUSE MAINT.	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 27,000.00
FIRE HOUSE SUPPLIES	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
UTILITIES	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
DUES/TRAINING	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
MEALS	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
FEC	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
MISC. EXPENSE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS	\$ 183,700.00	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 188,000.00

BURR AND BURTON ACADEMY



December 21, 2021

Dear Sending Town School Boards:

The Board of Trustees of Burr and Burton Academy has voted to set next year's per-pupil sending town tuition at \$19,200, a 3.83% increase.

BBA is committed to maintaining affordability. Inflation is running at 6.8%, and statewide education spending is increasing 4.74% on a per-pupil basis; we wanted to stay well below both of those numbers.

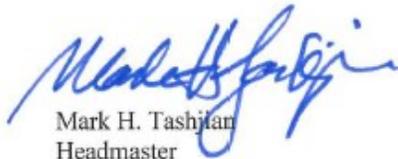
BBA generates over \$3 million in revenues above and beyond town tuition: over \$1 million via our annual fund drive and gala, close to \$1 million from our endowment, and well over \$1 million from international student tuition. We will rely on these supplemental revenues as well as prudent cost containment to stay in balance in the face of inflationary pressures.

We will continue to dream big and look well past the trials and tribulations of the pandemic, the spike in inflation and other economic headwinds. We will continue to rely on private generosity to fund building projects, thereby ensuring that sending towns are never asked for capital support for those purposes. We will continue to be a school that makes us all proud and helps attract new residents to our communities.

Most important, we remain committed to providing the engaging, vigorous educational experience in a highly personalized setting that is the hallmark of Burr and Burton Academy. In the face of widespread, nationwide school disruptions, teacher and staff shortages, and waves of resignations by educators, the BBA team remains strong thanks to the tremendous support from our sending communities.

Please let us know if you have any questions. On behalf of the entire BBA community, we thank you for your continuing support and partnership.

Respectfully submitted,


Mark H. Tashjian
Headmaster


Edgar T. Campbell
Chair, Board of Trustees

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January 2022

Dear Residents:

Here at Long Trail School we are grateful for our location and for our relationships with the community. For more than four decades, Long Trail has provided educational excellence to many students in this region. We are appreciative of our community which encourages variety and welcomes opportunities so that each family can make a personal choice for a child's academic experience.

Relationships define the experience at Long Trail. Here at Long Trail School, we look at ourselves not only as members of a school family but as stewards of the future. Students and faculty support and inspire each other to learn, share, and improve the world.

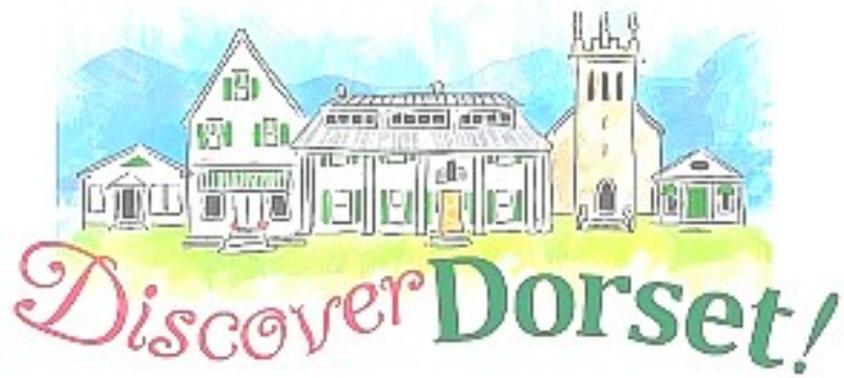
Today Long Trail educates nearly 240 students from 46 towns and 3 countries. Families seek us out for our unparalleled creative and intellectual challenges. LTS students have ambitious and diverse personal goals. They develop commitments to lifelong learning and confidence in their capacity to make a difference in their communities wherever and whenever they can, now and into the future.

LTS has remained open every day for in-person learning. Our dedicated professionals are working hard to keep us safe. Our devoted faculty cultivate interest and excitement as they create learning communities in their classrooms.

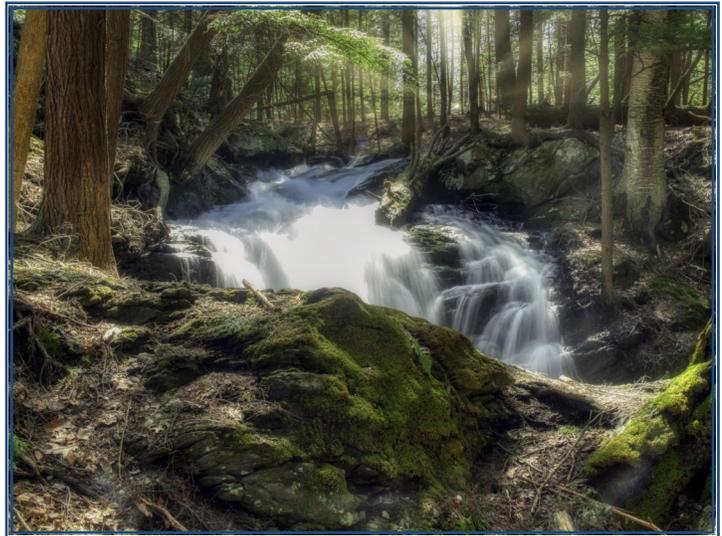
Thank you for caring about our students and our school. Grateful for tuition funding from area towns, Long Trail School is committed to the children of this region. Your investment in a Long Trail education is an advancement in our communities and in local children - a testament to our future.

Most sincerely,

Chuck Scranton, Interim Head of School



Town Warning & Budget





2022 Town of Dorset, Vermont Warning

Legal voters of the Town of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet via ZOOM on Monday, February 28, 2022 at the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the evening to transact any business not involving a vote by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon to transact voting by Australian Ballot as required by law. Voting will take place at the Town Offices 112 Mad Tom Road East Dorset, VT 05253. Masks will be required.

ZOOM Meeting Link for February 28th:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89561423078>

Meeting ID: 895 6142 3078

Dial by your location +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

Articles (2-22) will be voted by Australian Ballot;

Article 1. To hear and accept reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.

Article 2. To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Officers to be elected as follows:

- Moderator, Town** _____ **1 year term**
- Select Board Member** _____ **3 year term**
- Select Board Member** _____ **1 year term**
- Select Board Member** _____ **1 year term**
- First Constable** _____ **1 year term**
- Town Agent** _____ **1 year term**

Article 3. Shall the voters authorize the collection of property taxes in two (2) installments on September 13, 2022 and March 14, 2023. Payments not received will be subject to 1% interest on September 16, 2022 and 1% interest and 8% penalty on March 17, 2023?

Article 4. Shall the voters approve total highway and general fund expenditures of \$2,398,278?

Article 5. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the programs and services of BROCC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)?

- Article 6.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 to Neighbor to Neighbor, a home-based care giving program?
- Article 7.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,600 to the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging for support of its activities with Dorset Elders?
- Article 8.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 for the support of the Center for Restorative Justice Program?
- Article 9.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the operations of the Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless?
- Article 10.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$500 for the support of Project Against Violent Encounters for its support of Dorset residents?
- Article 11.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to the Dorset Historical Society to support its activities and continued efforts to serve as a cultural resource to our community?
- Article 12.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$850 for the support of the Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity?
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Article 20: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to Shire Kids; a program of Dolly Parton's Imaginary Library to help defray the costs of production and mailing of books that are provided to Dorset children from birth to 5 years? By Petition.

Article 21: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$13,000 to the Northshire Day School to help defray the cost of early childhood education services in the region? By Petition.

Article 22: Shall the voters indicate support for the concept of a regional fieldhouse at the Dana Thompson Recreation Park in Manchester, with the understanding that towns would participate in its construction costs under a formula based on a combination of grand list, population and distance, in exchange for a special use status for those who live or own a second home in the Town of Dorset. The article is advisory in nature and does not bind the town to further action.

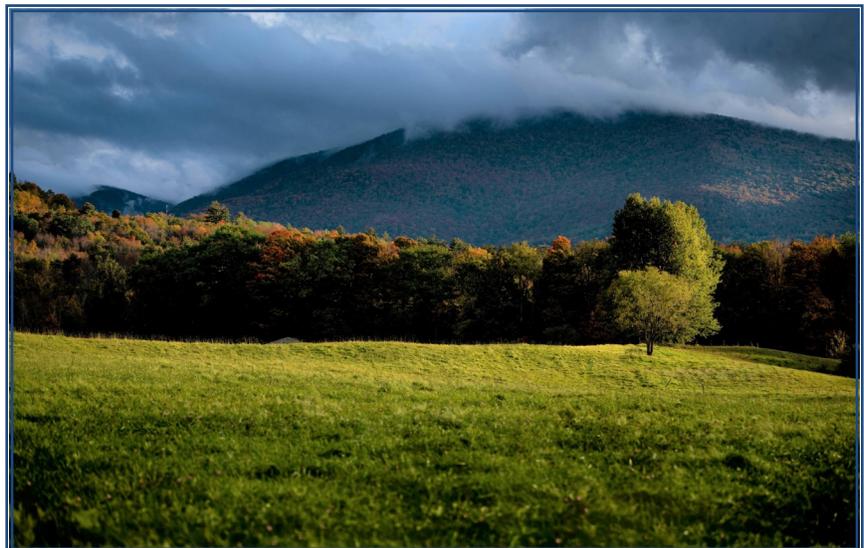
(The Dorset contribution is estimated at \$1.3 million via 30-year bond. The building will be owned and operated solely by the Town of Manchester. If the advisory article passes, the Selectboard may participate in negotiating an intermunicipal agreement to give Dorset some representation on the Field House advisory-board. Pending the agreement, the project would then be scheduled for a bond vote. Using current interest rates annual bond payment would be around \$59,000 or \$0.008 cents per \$100 of assessed value.)

Article 23: To transact any other business, to properly come before this meeting.

So approved on this 18th day of January, 2022. By the Dorset Select Board.

Megan Thorn Henry Chandler Liz Ruffa

Jim Salsgiver Tom Smith



2021 TOWN OF DORSET, VERMONT MINUTES

In accordance with the legally warned notice, the informational meeting of the Town of Dorset was called to order by Moderator, Kevin O’Toole via ZOOM on Monday March 1, 2021 at the hour of 7:05 in the evening to transact any business not involving a vote by Australian Ballot.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Article 1. To hear and accept reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.

Moderator O’Toole invited Town Manager, Rob Gaiotti to speak on the highlights of 2020. Gaiotti shared the tribulations of operating during Covid-19, Infrastructure Work and Planning, Outdoor Recreation, new Bennington County Sheriff Chris Miller, Flood Hazard Update on Read Farm Road and Mad Tom Road, Town and Dorset Community Chamber Partnership, along with the Rapter Lane and new Town Office update. The meeting was then turned over to Maclay Architects Bill Maclay and Kat Earley. Mr. Ackley gave a slide presentation and overview of the architectural plans for the new town office on Rapter Lane. Questions followed:

- Size of conference room
- Exercise area in new facility
- Price comparison for fixing current town office
- Solar savings
- Location

Kevin O’Toole then asked where more information could be found, Gaiotti stated on the town website at dorsetvt.org.

O’Toole then reminded everyone that articles 2-21 will be voted by Australian Ballot.

Article 2. To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Moderator, Town	1 year term	Kevin O’Toole.....	511
Select Board Member	3 year term	Megan Thörn	470
Select Board Member	1 year term	Henry Chandler	494
Select Board Member	1 year term	Elizabeth Ruffa.....	449
First Constable.....	1 year term	Ryan Matteson	497
Town Agent	1 year term	Kevin O’Toole.....	500

Article 3. Shall the voters authorize the collection of property taxes in two (2) installments on September 14, 2021 and March 8, 2022. Payments not received will be subject to 1% interest on September 18, 2021 and 1% interest and 8% penalty on March 12, 2022?

No discussion or comments were made.

Article 4. Shall the voters approve total highway and general fund expenditures of \$2,247,961.00?

Gaiotti reviewed the budget and gave an overview of the changes with at 3.7% overall increase.

YES 501 NO 54

Article 5. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the programs and services of BROCC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)?

Thank you for the opportunity to update the citizens of Dorset on BROC Community Action and how we make an impact in your town each year. 2020 was certainly a tough year for many folks, but BROC Community Action was there to help. We provided residents of Dorset \$15,389.70 worth of home Weatherization at no charge. BROC Community Action also provided residents with crisis fuel assistance, 3SquareVT application assistance, Food Shelf, and we had residents of Dorset participate in our household financial counseling. We appreciate the support Dorset has given us in the past and humbly ask for your vote on March 2, 2021 for town funding of \$1,000.

YES 512 NO 55

Article 6. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 to Neighbor to Neighbor, a home-based care giving program?

YES 542 NO 30

Article 7. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,600 to the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging for support of its activities with Dorset Elders?

YES 546 NO 24

Article 8. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 for the support of the Center for Restorative Justice Program?

This past year, the Center for Restorative Justice continued to positively impact Bennington County, serving over 1,225 individuals through its many programs and services. Over \$5,000 was donated back to community organizations and charities and over \$12,000 in restitution was collected and given back to victims of crime.

YES 476 NO 81

Article 9. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the operations of the Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless?

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless (BCCH) has continued to serve the needs of those experiencing homelessness in 2020.

BCCH gratefully acknowledges the Town of Dorset's support for Bennington County families and individuals experiencing Homelessness. BCCH strives to prevent and end homelessness by providing emergency overnight shelter, short term emergency housing, and transitional housing. We are committed to providing more than just a bed. Our programming provides the building blocks necessary for people to become self-sufficient so that they may sustain permanent housing and remain independent. Because we strive for sustainable solutions, clients are required to participate in coordinated case management with our staff and partner agencies.

This past year has been unique in both challenges and success. The COVID-19 pandemic involved several months of daily pivoting with our services and our shelters. With a dual goal of keeping those we shelter healthy and continuing to provide services, we worked tirelessly with to stay current and abide by health protocols as they developed and continually evolved. We also immediately kept our 966 Main shelter open 24/7. Our major successes during this global crisis included intense partnerships with other local entities as well as expanding staffing to include an Outreach Case Manager position to serve those being sheltered in motels by Economic Services. We also had great success in supporting several individuals and families to obtain permanent housing during the pandemic.

While our original plans involving transitioning to the new family shelter, 300 Pleasant Street, were delayed, our primary goal for the upcoming year is a successful move which will provide improved space for our families as well as being more energy and cost efficient. BCCH is also committed to continually strengthening and expanding our work with community partners.

YES 531 NO 36

Article 10. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$500 for the support of Project Against Violent Encounters for its support of Dorset residents?

Stay-at-home orders can have very scary consequences for people in abusive relationships—knowing this, PAVE committed to remaining operational through it all, offering support when our community needed us most. Throughout this fiscal year, our hotline remained available 24/7, we continued to meet people for court appearances, and our advocates continued to support survivors in rebuilding their lives. At our shelter, social distancing requirements forced us to get creative, so we reduced the number of people we housed in our main shelter and began housing people in alternate safe locations off-site. While support groups will continue online, our Family Time Supervised Visitation Program is serving families in-person and our youth educator is hard at work with our school-based prevention education with a mixture of online and in-person learning. With your wonderful support, PAVE will continue to evolve and adapt to our changing environment, always working to best serve our community. Together, we can offer hope to those in danger during the scariest time of their lives. Thank you for your partnership.

YES 518 NO 47

Article 11. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to the Dorset Historical Society to support its activities and continued efforts to serve as a cultural resource to our community?

Since 1963, The Dorset Historical Society has been at the center of village life collecting, interpreting, and maintaining artifacts, original art, photographs, documents, books, manuscripts, and genealogical records that document life and history in Dorset since the town was chartered in 1761.

The Dorset Historical Society building also serves as a research facility and museum that attracts researchers, genealogists, and visitors from across the country and overseas (during pre-Covid times). In addition, DHS presents lectures regarding Dorset's past at their Third Thursday lunch series, leads hiking tours of the quarries, and hosts the Ice Cream Social and Halloween night in the Village. The Dorset Historical Society is thankful for the support that Dorset provides each year as it allows us to continue our mission of preserving Dorset's past. This past year we have also been improving the building and grounds and updating our website along with the regular activities described above.

YES 478 NO 87

Article 12. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$850 for the support of the Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity?

Thank you for the opportunity to share a few sentences about the work done in 2020 by Bennington County Habitat for Humanity.

Despite the pandemic, which caused Bennington County Habitat for Humanity to close down operations, including its Shires ReSale Store in Manchester, from mid-March to early June

2020, our Habitat affiliate was able to bring two families home in 2020. The Greene family of four moved home to a decent, highly energy-efficient, three-bedroom home in Manchester Center during August; and the Furciniti-Julius family of six moved home to an equally well-built, energy-efficient four-bedroom home in December 2020 in time for the holidays. Both families moved from small, cramped rentals to houses with plenty of room and the opportunity to build equity and save on energy costs. We also continued construction on a third house on Peggy's Way in Manchester Center, and we intend to have that house finished by spring 2021. Our strict reopening protocol forced us to significantly limit the number of volunteers with whom we could work at both our Store and on our build sites. Nevertheless, we persevered in the mission of bringing truly affordable homeownership opportunities to fellow citizens of Bennington County. Your support made this continuing work possible, and we most heartily thank you all.

YES 515 NO 52

Article 13. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the VNA and Hospice of the Southwest Region (formerly known as Dorset Nursing Association) for support of its services provided to Dorset residents?

In 2019, VNAHSR's dedicated staff made more than 141,507 visits to 3,212 patients. In the town of Dorset, we provided 1,829 visits to 68 individuals

In addition to the normal home care services provided to Dorset residents, Dorset Nursing Association also has several community clinics throughout the year – foot, blood pressure, flu, cholesterol. We have also had some Hospice in-service programs such as Start the Conversation and met with various community service organizations.

Town fund money is also utilized to support the maintenance of our building and associated expenses and to help offset poor reimbursement rates · Upon the merger of Dorset Nursing Association, both entities agreed and VNAHSR still commits that all town funds voted for in Dorset will be used in the Dorset Community.

YES 525 NO 45

Article 14. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to the East Dorset Cemetery Association for the care and maintenance of the cemetery?

YES 510 NO 48

Article 15. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Dorset Village Library for support of its services provided to Dorset residents?

2020 started out strong with our Star Wars party, Valentine's Day Dance and the inaugural meeting of our newly formed Book Club. But then, the pandemic set in. The Dorset Library, although closed for about one month at the beginning of the pandemic, has been able to provide their services to the community with safety precautions in mind; borrowing with curbside service, computer appointments, contactless printing/copies, wi-fi, and we now offer scheduled appointments for safe browsing inside the library. Our newly updated website provides quick access to our catalog, interlibrary loan and appointment request forms. If you're not already a member, you can join from the comfort of your home, which will give you access to all of our online resources. The Library looks forward to evolving our services as the situation changes in accordance with the CDC and statements from the Governor. We hope 2021 brings us closer to the Library you know and love!

YES 499 NO 70

Article 16. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to the Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) for support and defray of costs related to videotaping and television cable cast of the Select Board, School Board, and other municipal meetings?

Thank you for your past support of GNAT-TV. Your continued support enables us to continue providing transparent access to your government. This has never been more evident than during this past year, as we helped people in our communities navigate life during the pandemic.

We worked with local schools to live stream graduation ceremonies. We provided technical and educational resources, equipment and training to the faith community to enable them to share their weekly services. We also handled the distribution and archival of those events. We launched a “Kids Create Variety Show” with content submitted by local Children.

We produced 272 News Project segments, expanding our local independent news coverage. We engaged community members to produce and share their stories on our open distribution network. We continued to facilitate and distribute coverage of 211 of our local town government meetings across our region. Additionally, we expanded our distribution to digital platforms including Roku, Apple TV and Podcast for those that don’t or can’t subscribe to cable. We are committed to being an informational resource for everyone.

Our primary revenue source is based on cable subscriptions in the eleven towns we serve. As we navigate the impact of declining subscribers and a changing global media industry, we rely on local donors, underwriters and towns, now more than ever. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and support.

YES 482 NO 84

Article 17. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 to The Collaborative for support of its substance free events and educational programs to middle and high school youth?

Our Refuse to Use program served over 300 middle and high school families in the Northshire and Mountain communities. Taking the program completely online was challenging but we did it by creating a focus on Community, Connection and Resiliency. There were over 30 individual programs since Oct 2020. Program offerings included: creative writing, substance misuse education on opioids and refusal skills, yoga, mtn biking, resiliency education and panels on healthy alternatives and recovery. Our capstone event was last week with an An Evening of Music and Recovery with Benjamin Lerner.

The program was so popular this year that we are working on continuing these types of programs throughout the year.

Food insecurities are a root cause to substance misuse and we were happy to get involved in the Everyone Eats program as the Fiscal Sponsor and Program Manager. Through this program 9000 meals in Bennington County have been distributed.

We continue to support and educate on healthy policies for schools’, business and municipalities. Our efforts on RX collection are ongoing.

YES 494 NO 68

Article 18. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to the Dorset Marble Preservation Association for the purpose of restoring Dorset’s marble sidewalks?

YES 389 NO 177

Article 19. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Dorset Players Inc. to help sustain the playhouse preservation and maintenance fund for the ongoing repairs to the Dorset Playhouse?

The Dorset Players would like to thank the voters of Dorset for their ongoing support of community theater. This past year we have been able to replace a large HVAC unit, repair the patio, clean and fireproof all stage curtains and make other repairs to locks, plumbing and doors. Our next projects include installing gutters, replacing rotted fascia boards, regrading parking lots and repairing our heating system. The Dorset Players have also hosted Northshire Grown Direct at the playhouse every other week since June of 2020.

YES 405 NO 160

Article 20: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to Shire Kids; a program of Dolly Parton's Imaginary Library to help defray the costs of production and mailing of books that are provided to Dorset children from birth to 5 years?

Shire Kids is an all-volunteer early childhood literacy nonprofit serving Bennington County and Danby with access to books and learning programs. Shire Kids is the local affiliate for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, a book gifting program that mails a high-quality, new, age-appropriate book to all enrolled children every month from birth until their fifth birthday. There is no cost to the families enrolled to receive Imagination Library books. Of the over 1,000 children that Shire Kids served in 2020, 52 of those children reside in Dorset and East Dorset, with another eight children who participated in the Imagination Library and graduated out of the program on their fifth birthday. In 2021, we expect to grow Imagination Library enrollment by 10-20%, and plan to expand our story time and book club programs. Thank you to the town and community members in Dorset for supporting this impactful program that sends books directly to our children's homes.

YES 494 NO 72

Article 21: Shall the voters approve the exemption of property taxes for the Wilson House of East Dorset for a period of five (5) years, (2021-2016), tax map 25, block 21, lot 005; 378 Village Street, Building and 0.5 acres?

The Wilson House, birthplace of Bill Wilson, co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous, serves a wide community of individuals and families pursuing recovery and provides sober education programs throughout the year. Guests from across the country visiting the Wilson House also support our local hotels, restaurants, shops and services.

The Wilson House, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, values the local community and is here to serve as a gathering place. Throughout the year, we welcome the opportunity to host meetings for the Council on Aging, legislative and informational briefings, historical society programs and others. We also host a free family Halloween dinner and trick or treat celebration on the porch, a community Christmas tree, holiday family dinners, summer "burger" nights and ice cream socials. The tax exemption makes it possible for us to continue to enhance community event participation as well as maintain and improve our historic property

Cost of tax exemption is:

\$0.0014 per \$100 of assessed value. Example: A \$300,000 home pays \$4.20 each year toward the property tax exemption.

YES 473 NO 92

Article 22: To transact any other business, to properly come before this meeting.

There was no other business or discussion, the meeting was recessed until 7:00 before noon on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.



Town of Dorset
Town Budget FY2023

	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved Budget	Actual Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES - BY DEPARTMENT				
Selectboard				
Selectboard Salaries	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
Misc Expense	400.00	1,003.95	400.00	400.00
Legal Expense	12,500.00	3,722.28	12,500.00	10,500.00
Tax Sale Expense	1,200.00	-	1,200.00	1,000.00
Recording Clerk	-	-	-	-
VLCT Dues	3,599.00	3,599.00	3,700.00	3,779.00
Total Selectboard:	23,999.00	14,625.23	24,100.00	21,979.00
Town Manager's Office				
Town Manager Salary	84,341.00	85,916.11	90,000.00	92,000.00
Administrative Assistant Salary	56,650.00	71,024.41	59,000.00	60,770.00
TM Clerk Expense	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
TM Office Expense	3,800.00	4,107.42	3,800.00	3,800.00
Vehicle Expense Reimbursement	3,500.00	3,976.37	6,000.00	7,200.00
TM Phone - Life Insurance	3,000.00	2,427.34	3,000.00	3,000.00
Training - Travel - Dues	2,500.00	935.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Postage	3,000.00	4,320.51	3,000.00	3,000.00
TM Fund	2,000.00	1,094.46	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Town Manager's Office:	159,041.00	173,801.62	169,550.00	174,520.00
Town Clerk & Elections				
Town Clerk Salary	64,900.00	63,352.57	67,000.00	69,010.00
Assistant Town Clerk Salary	9,500.00	10,850.00	9,500.00	41,600.00
Office Expense	2,000.00	3,367.57	2,000.00	2,000.00
Record Preservation	3,000.00	2,003.11	3,000.00	3,000.00
Postage	700.00	753.45	700.00	700.00
Training - Travel - Dues	3,000.00	892.74	3,000.00	3,000.00
Vault Preservation Projects	3,500.00	279.00	3,500.00	1,500.00
BCA Worker Salary	600.00	424.94	600.00	600.00
BCA Expense	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Town Meeting Expense	500.00	2,484.66	500.00	500.00
Ballot Printing	700.00	-	700.00	700.00
Tabulator Programming	3,100.00	3,502.30	1,600.00	3,100.00
Tabulator Maintenance	-	-	-	-
BCA Postage	500.00	2,635.00	500.00	500.00
BCA - State Abatements	1,000.00	6.82	1,000.00	750.00
Total Town Clerk & Elections:	93,100.00	90,552.16	93,700.00	127,050.00



**Town of Dorset
Town Budget FY2023**

	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
Town Treasurer & Outside Audit				
Treasurer Salary	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
Postage	500.00	447.75	500.00	500.00
Outside Audit	13,000.00	12,900.00	13,500.00	14,500.00
Town Report Printing - Mailing	1,800.00	1,485.42	1,800.00	1,800.00
Total Treasurer & Audit:	18,500.00	18,033.17	19,000.00	20,000.00
Assessors				
Assessors Salaries	70,000.00	58,714.70	70,000.00	65,000.00
Reappraisal Expense	35,000.00	21,495.00	35,000.00	-
Office Expense	1,500.00	1,811.54	1,500.00	1,800.00
Mileage	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	800.00
Training - Travel - Dues	1,000.00	220.00	1,000.00	600.00
Tax Mapping	500.00	9,219.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Computer - Software Support	4,500.00	4,156.05	4,500.00	4,500.00
Postage	500.00	245.21	500.00	350.00
Total Assessors:	114,000.00	95,861.50	114,700.00	74,250.00
Planning & Zoning				
Zoning Administrator Salary	23,000.00	24,793.75	23,000.00	23,000.00
ZBA Clerk	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
PC Clerk	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
DRB Clerk	500.00	793.75	500.00	500.00
Office Expense	5,800.00	5,308.32	1,500.00	1,500.00
Planning Consultant	6,500.00	17,531.48	10,500.00	10,500.00
Mileage	850.00	404.03	850.00	750.00
Training - Travel - Dues	600.00	40.00	600.00	250.00
Postage	400.00	272.80	400.00	300.00
Ads - Printing - Notices	1,500.00	1,539.69	1,500.00	1,500.00
Regional Planning	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,500.00	6,000.00
DRB Expense	300.00	35.15	300.00	300.00
Board Education Expense	800.00	-	800.00	800.00
Total Town Manager's Office:	46,750.00	56,718.97	46,950.00	45,900.00



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	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
Town Office Building				
General Office Expense	9,500.00	4,654.17	4,000.00	4,000.00
Equipment	7,500.00	3,958.54	6,000.00	4,000.00
Town Website	375.00	378.42	375.00	375.00
Heat	2,800.00	1,920.82	2,500.00	2,800.00
Electric	1,800.00	1,677.55	1,600.00	1,400.00
Phone	3,000.00	3,727.29	3,400.00	3,400.00
Water	750.00	364.00	800.00	800.00
Maintenance	6,500.00	7,432.99	6,500.00	6,500.00
Current Office Planning/Project	-	-	40,000.00	15,000.00
New Town Office Bond Payment	-	-	-	75,000.00
Total Town Office Building:	32,225.00	24,113.78	65,175.00	113,275.00
Public Safety				
Constable	200.00	-	200.00	200.00
Animal Control	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	2,000.00
Health Officer	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
ACO/ Constable Expense	400.00	-	400.00	400.00
Law Enforcement	105,000.00	123,671.68	110,000.00	110,000.00
Radar - Speed Signs	-	-	-	-
ACO/ Constable Mileage	200.00	-	200.00	200.00
Street Lighting	10,500.00	6,368.19	10,500.00	10,000.00
Animal Boarding Fees	600.00	-	600.00	600.00
East Dorset Fire District - Fire Contract	147,000.00	147,000.00	148,000.00	150,000.00
Dorset Fire District - Fire Contract	183,700.00	183,700.00	184,000.00	188,000.00
Fire Dispatch & Appropriations	10,200.00	11,000.00	10,500.00	11,500.00
Northshire Rescue Squad	47,744.00	47,774.00	49,839.00	51,000.00
Hazard Mitigation Grant Exp	-	10,100.00	-	-
Total Public Safety:	510,444.00	532,013.87	519,139.00	526,300.00
Insurance & Bonds				
Health Insurance - Current Employees	130,000.00	138,079.86	155,000.00	153,000.00
Health Insurance - Former Employees	20,000.00	20,943.62	19,000.00	17,500.00
Dental Insurance	6,600.00	6,118.96	7,650.00	8,000.00
Vision Insurance	-	-	-	-
PACIF Insurance	55,000.00	41,901.50	52,000.00	43,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	-	-	-	-
Total Insurance & Bonds:	211,600.00	207,043.94	233,650.00	221,500.00



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	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
General Services				
Payroll Taxes	43,000.00	44,744.43	47,500.00	49,500.00
Employee Retirement - VMERS	26,000.00	26,247.32	29,500.00	35,000.00
Recreation - Staff & Events	35,000.00	42,419.91	56,000.00	58,000.00
Recreation - Programs	50,000.00	52,457.18	50,000.00	50,000.00
VYCC Internship	40,000.00	13,200.00	40,000.00	15,000.00
NATs Trails Support	25,000.00	25,000.00	15,000.00	40,000.00
East Dorset Village Improvements Expense	-	-	20,000.00	10,000.00
Green Space & Streets	4,000.00	3,293.45	4,000.00	4,000.00
Mad Tom Garden	-	-	-	-
Marble Sidewalks Expense	-	8,287.97	-	-
Old Cemetery Maintenance	750.00	748.40	750.00	750.00
Solid Waste Expense	20,000.00	26,643.34	21,500.00	21,500.00
Interest Expense	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	2,500.00
County Tax	51,000.00	49,971.50	51,500.00	51,500.00
Employee Christmas	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Contingency	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Bank Service Charge	200.00	54.00	200.00	200.00
Town Event - Picnics	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
Town Forest Expense	-	-	-	-
Raptor Lane Expense	25,000.00	24,569.36	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total General Services:	327,450.00	320,636.86	353,450.00	352,950.00
Budgeted Appropriations				
Memorial Day	500.00	1,000.00	500.00	500.00
July 4th	-	-	-	-
East Dorset Fire Dispatch	-	-	-	-
Dorset Fire Dispatch	-	-	-	-
Green Up Day	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Northern VT Conservation District	-	100.00	-	-
Dorset Economic Development	20,000.00	26,414.97	30,000.00	30,000.00
Conservation Commission Association	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Bennington County Industrial Corp.	2,031.00	-	2,031.00	2,133.00
Total Budgeted Appropriations:	22,781.00	27,664.97	32,781.00	32,883.00



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	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
Highway Department				
Road Crew Wages	216,300.00	215,337.61	223,870.00	230,586.00
Overtime Wages	23,500.00	15,365.72	23,500.00	24,500.00
DOT Testing	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Equipment Replacement Fund	155,000.00	155,000.00	185,000.00	160,000.00
Town Garage Electric	2,500.00	5,627.93	2,500.00	2,500.00
Town Garage Water	725.00	364.00	725.00	725.00
Town Garage Maintenance	3,000.00	8,547.94	3,000.00	3,000.00
Equipment Repairs - Supplies & Parts	42,000.00	64,742.18	40,500.00	40,500.00
Fuel - Gas - Diesel - Oils	42,000.00	29,530.54	42,000.00	45,000.00
Trees - Mowing	4,500.00	9,350.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Training - Safety	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
Highway phones	3,600.00	3,450.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Gravel Road Surfaces	28,000.00	31,980.80	30,000.00	30,000.00
Highway Construction Reserves	95,000.00	95,000.00	105,000.00	155,000.00
Village Pedestrian Improvements	75,000.00	86,316.90	5,000.00	5,000.00
Cold Patch	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Paved Roads - Striping - Cracksealing	8,500.00	498.55	8,500.00	8,500.00
Storm Emergencies - Misc.	4,000.00	4,952.80	4,000.00	5,000.00
Engineering Expense	15,000.00	5,978.75	15,000.00	12,500.00
Road Salt	75,000.00	76,647.52	80,000.00	80,000.00
Winter Sand - Gravel	38,000.00	39,999.88	40,000.00	38,000.00
Chloride	15,000.00	14,632.17	15,000.00	15,000.00
Culverts	1,500.00	1,624.03	1,500.00	1,200.00
Equipment Rental	800.00	-	800.00	800.00
Road Signs - Guardrails	1,200.00	1,589.07	1,200.00	1,200.00
Bridge Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
State - Road General Permit	1,800.00	1,590.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Grant Expense	-	-	-	-
FEMA Storm 2019	-	38,892.89	-	-
Total Highway Department:	854,125.00	908,519.28	839,695.00	871,611.00
Voter Approved Appropriations				
BROC	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Homeless Coalition	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Council on Aging	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Center for Restorative Justice	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
PAVE	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Neighbor to Neighbor	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Dorset Historical Society	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Habitat for Humanity	1,000.00	850.00	1,000.00	850.00
East Dorset Cemetery	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
GNAT-TV	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Dorset Village Library	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
VNA & Hospice - Dorset Nursing	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
The Collaborative	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Dorset Marble Preservation Association	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Dorset Playhouse	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Shire Kids	-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
Northshire Day School	-	-	-	13,000.00
Total Voter Approved Appropriations:	114,350.00	114,200.00	116,350.00	129,200.00



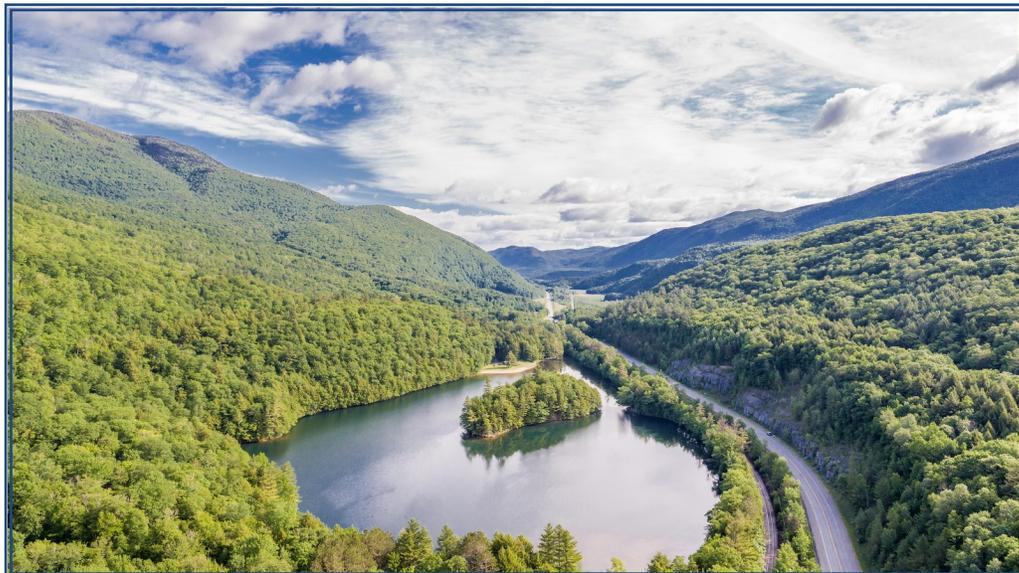
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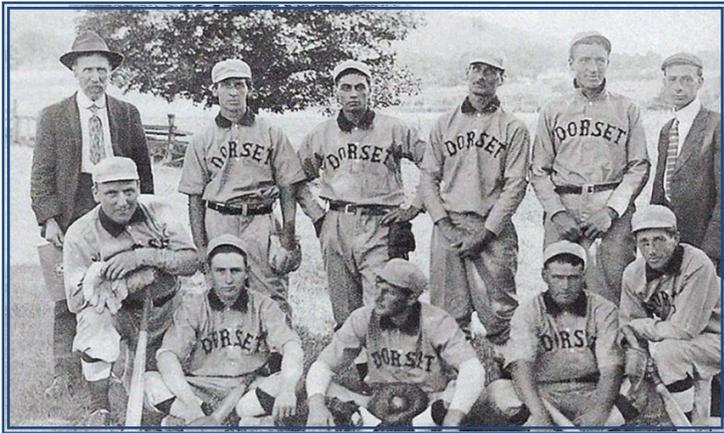
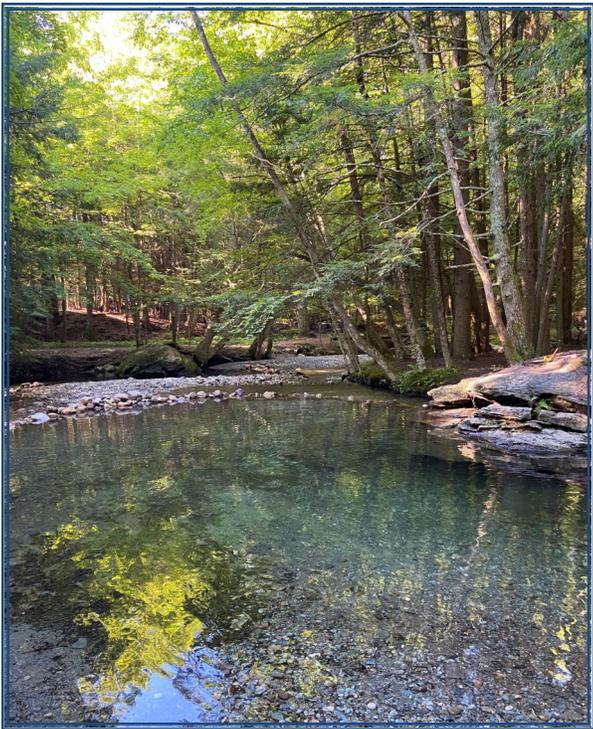
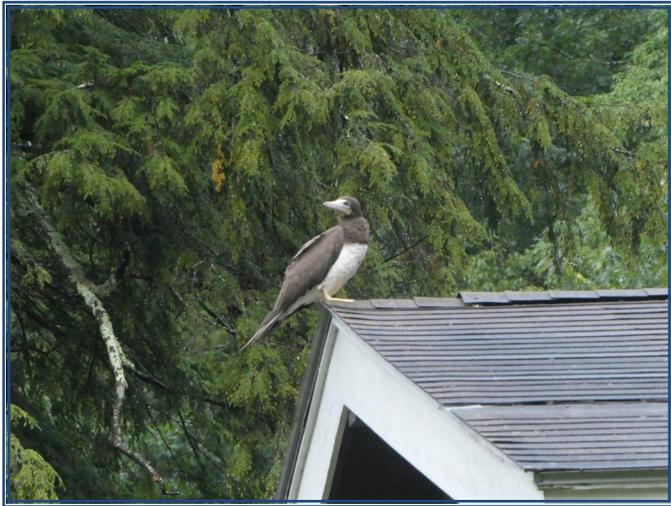
	Previous/ Current Year			Upcoming Year
	FY21	FY21	FY22	FY23
	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
DETAIL OF REVENUES - By Source				
Assessors Income	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
Town Clerk Fees	28,000.00	52,371.60	30,000.00	35,000.00
Vital Records	-	820.00	-	-
Penalty on Taxes	32,000.00	17,578.45	32,000.00	28,000.00
Town Forest Donations	-	-	-	-
Town Forest Grants	-	-	-	-
State Aid Highways	95,000.00	123,554.43	95,000.00	95,000.00
Liquor Licenses	1,000.00	1,085.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,162.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Animal Control Fines	-	-	-	-
Interest (Late Taxes)	35,000.00	21,371.11	35,000.00	30,000.00
Unanticipated Income	-	3,651.78	-	-
Mad Tom Garden Donations	-	-	-	-
Wilson House Donations	-	-	-	-
DMPA Donations	-	-	-	-
Zoning Income	10,000.00	15,998.24	10,000.00	11,000.00
State Owned Properties	22,000.00	23,254.83	22,000.00	23,000.00
Federal Owned Properties	13,500.00	16,272.00	13,500.00	15,000.00
State Land Use Tax	35,000.00	41,420.00	37,500.00	40,000.00
Current Use Tax	-	-	-	-
DFD No. 1 Agreement	13,500.00	14,431.99	14,000.00	15,000.00
Interest Revenue	2,500.00	1,185.12	2,500.00	2,500.00
Weight Permits	400.00	500.00	400.00	400.00
Solid Waste Revenue	-	50.00	-	-
Sale of Equipment	-	500.00	-	-
Traffic Fines	10,000.00	9,435.77	10,000.00	10,000.00
Municipal Education Grant	800.00	-	-	-
AOT Grant	-	7,372.80	-	-
FEMA Grant	-	16,345.44	-	-
ARPA Funds	-	-	-	-
Reappraisal Fund Transfer	35,000.00	21,495.00	35,000.00	-
Other Operating Transfers	-	-	-	-
Previous Year Surplus	25,000.00	25,000.00	37,000.00	5,000.00
Total Non - Property Tax Revenues	360,950.00	415,855.56	377,150.00	313,150.00
PROPERTY TAXES				
Town Budget Expense	2,528,365.00	2,583,785.35	2,628,240.00	2,711,428.00
Less Town Budget Revenues	360,950.00	415,855.56	377,150.00	313,150.00
Total Amount Taxed	2,167,415.00	2,167,929.79	2,251,090.00	2,398,278.00

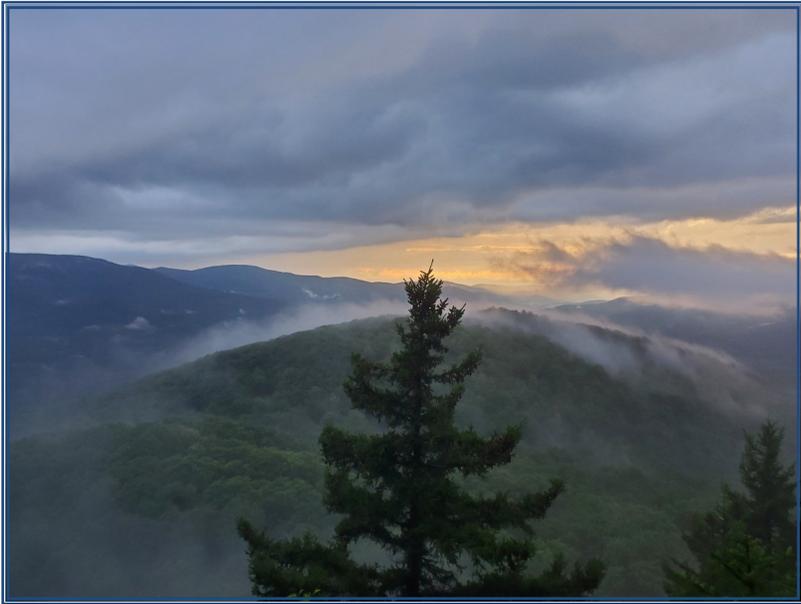
Reserve Funds	Equipment	Hwy Paving	Hwy Recon.	Buildings	Reappraisal	Record Pres.	Unemployment	Conservation	
Balance 6/30/20	365	3,836	5,136	43,500	121,934	5,427	50,500	1,328	
Revenues									
FY21 Budget	155,000	95,000	2,000	0	14,487	2,900	0	500	
State Loan	0								
State Grant	0								
Interest	750	750	10	250	350	75	250	5	
Equip Sale	0							0	
Expenses									
FY21 Budget	-80,000	a -95,000	d 0	-25,000	-17,000	-2,400	h 0	0	
Balance 6/30/21	76,115	4,586	7,146	18,750	119,771	6,002	50,750	1,833	
Revenues									
FY22 Budget	175,000	105,000	2,000	40,000	14,487	2,900	0	13,000	
State Loan	0								
State Grant	0	200,000							
Interest	750	750	10	250	350	75	250	5	
Expenses									
FY22 Budget	-205,000	b -270,000	e 0	-30,000	g -17,000	-2,400	h 0	-12,000	i
Projected Balance 6/30/22	46,865	40,336	9,156	29,000	117,608	6,577	51,000	2,838	
Revenues									
FY23 Budget	160,000	155,000	2,000	75,000	14,487	2,900	0	500	
State Loan	0								
State Grant	0								
Interest	750	750	10	250	350	75	250	5	
Expenses									
FY23 Budget	-102,000	c -160,000	f 0	0		-2,400	h 0	-500	
Projected Balance 6/30/23	105,615	36,086	11,166	104,250	132,445	7,152	51,250	2,843	

Expense:
a. Pick Up/ Tractor
b. Excavator
c. F550
d. Pleasant Street/ Village Street
e. Dorset West Road paving
f. Pauls way/ Kirby Hollow paving
g. Town Office Design - Raptor Lane
h. Record preservation expense
i. Town Forest Trail expense

Equipment Debt:
Grader \$24,000 Paid off 2022







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