

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN



Annual Report of the
Town and School Officers
For the year ending
June 30, 2017

The Town of Williamstown
Dedicates the 2017 Town Report
To
Jennifer Earls



Jenn Jennifer Earls, affectionately known as Jenny by all who knew her, died as a result of cancer last spring. Jenny was an employee of the Williamstown Schools since 1995, making her one of the most senior members of the staff. It was not the length of her service to Williamstown Middle High School that distinguished Jenny from others, but her passion for sports, exercise and working with adolescents. She served as a physical education teacher for those twenty-two years, athletic director, coach in nearly every extra-curricular program and every level, referee, class advisor to a number of classes, colleague, advocate and confidant. Jenny was also a community member and served on the Williamstown Endowment Committee. With her husband Garrett, Jenny sent their four children through the Williamstown Schools: Averill, Brennan, Kyle and Johnny. Jenny studied at Becker Junior College, Arizona State University where she achieved her Bachelor's Degree, and Southern New Hampshire University where she earned a Master's Degree in 2010. Jenny's wacky sense of humor, contagious laugh and deep caring for her students and community are deeply missed by all of us who live, learn and work in Williamstown. It is a fitting tribute to dedicate this year's Town Report to her.

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MUNICIPAL WASTE WATER SYSTEM CONNECTION PERMIT	\$750.00
OVERWEIGHT PERMIT	
SINGLE	\$5.00
FLEET	\$10.00
SEWAGE ORDINANCE	\$2.00
TOWN PLAN	\$7.00
HIGHWAY POLICY	\$2.00
WATER POLICY	\$2.00

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN TELEPHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

AMBULANCE	911
FIRE DEPARTMENT	911
ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	685-4875
STATE POLICE MIDDLESEX	229-9191

TOWN NUMBERS

TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE	433-6671
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	433-5455
TOWN HALL – FAX #	433-2160
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, SAM PUNCHER	433-5912
	999-5279
AMBULANCE DIRECTOR, GORDON MURRAY	522-2510
HEALTH OFFICER, CHRIS WADE	522-2656
FOREST FIRE WARDEN, MIKE ST. LAWRENCE	477-2021
GAME WARDEN, PAUL BROWN	485-4432

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING	433-5907
WATER/SEWER	433-6671
TOWN GARAGE	433-5571
WILLIAMSTOWN POST OFFICE	433-6287
AINSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY	433-5887

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE	MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 TO 4:00
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00 TO 4:00 FRIDAY 8:00 TO 2:00

TOWN WEBSITE & EMAIL ADDRESSES

WEBSITE	www.williamstownvt.org
TOWN MANAGER	twnmgr@williamstownvt.org
ADMIN. ASSISTANT	adminassistant@williamstownvt.org
TOWN CLERK	clerk@williamstownvt.org
TOWN TREASURER	treas@williamstownvt.org
LISTERS	listers@williamstownvt.org

TOWN GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

Selectboard	2 nd Monday 7:00 p.m.	Williamstown High School Library
Planning Commission	2 nd Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	Town Hall
Cemetery Commission	4 th Thursday 7:00 p.m.	Town Hall

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dog Licenses are Due	April 1st
Water/Sewer Bills Meter Readings	April and October
Property Taxes	November 15
Overweight Vehicle Permits	March 1st

LOCAL PERMITS REQUIRED

Flood Plain	Town Manager
Driveway	Town Manager
Municipal Water/Sewer Application	Town Manager
Flood Hazard Bylaw Notice of Intent	Town Manager

TOWN MEETING DAY

The Williamstown Girl Scout Troop 51825 will be selling Girl Scout Cookies in the School lobby.

There will be a food drive at Town Meeting again this year. Help your neighbors in Williamston by bringing non-perishable food items with you when you come to Town Meeting. Packaged and canned foods, paper products, and cleaning supplies are all appreciated. The items collected will be brought to the United Federated Church for distribution to Williamstown Residents.

This is sponsored by:

CHARITY CHAPTER NO. 57, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
AND

TOWN MEETING DAY LUNCH

The Grace Christian Church will be serving lunch and on the menu is
The following:

Chili, Corn Chowder, Vegetable Beef Soup, Corn Bread, Italian Bread,
Cookies and Brownies.

Funds raised will benefit the Williamstown Food shelf and the Ainsworth Library
Children's Hour.

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
2018 TOWN MEETING WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Williamstown and the Town of Williamstown School District, in the County of Orange and the State of Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at Williamstown High School on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning (A.M.) to act upon the following articles, viz:

ART. 1: To elect all necessary Town and Town School District Officers for the ensuing year by Australian Ballot. For the purpose of Articles 1, the polls will open at 10:00 A.M. to act upon the following article, viz:

- Moderator.....1 year
- Selectman.....2 years
- Selectman.....3 years
- School Director.....2 years
- School Director.....3 years
- Lister.....3 years
- Trustee of Public Funds.....3 years
- Trustee of Public Funds.....2 years remaining of 3 years
- Cemetery Commissioner.....5 years
- Cemetery Commissioner.....4 years remaining of 5 years
- Library Trustee.....5 years
- Town Grand Juror.....1 year
- Town Agent.....1 year
- Trustee for the Henry S. Baker Fund.....3 years
- Trustee for the Henry S. Baker Fund 2 of remaining 3 years

Art. 2: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town clerk as provided to 17 VSA Sec. 2651e? To be voted by Australian ballot.

Art. 3: Shall the Town of Williamstown enter into a communications union district to be known as Central Vermont Internet, under the provisions of 30 VSA Ch82? To be voted by Australian ballot.

ART. 4: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

ART. 5: To see if the town will pay it's Real and Personal Property taxes to the Treasurer on or before November 15, 2018, with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month, or fraction thereof, from the due date, as provided for in 32 V.S.A. § 4773 and 5136.

ART 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectman to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available.

ART 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money to pay the current expenses of the Town in anticipation of money to be received from taxes and the State of Vermont.

ART 8: To see what amount the Town will vote to pay its elected Officers, except the Clerk.

ART 9: To see if the Town will vote to have the names of all delinquent taxpayers, including water and sewer users, with total amount of delinquencies printed in the Town Report as of December 31, 2018.

ART 10: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$1,115,436.36 or some other amount, to support the General Fund of which includes Cemetery, Fire Department, Ambulance and Library Budgets.

ART 11: Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$34,187.40 to Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve Account?

ART 102 To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$819,703.12, or some other amount, to support the Highway Fund.

ART 13: Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$67,710.51 of the 2017 Highway Fund Surplus to Road Rehab Reserve?

ART 14: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum \$3000.00, or some other amount, for the support of a Town celebration/parade?

ART 15: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$40,847.00 or some other amount to the following organizations: Kids Place \$750, Orange Co. Diversion \$225, Washington Co. Youth \$250, CV Home Health & Hospice \$6700, CV Council on Aging \$1750, Peoples Health & Wellness \$1000, CV Adult Basic Education \$1500, CV Econ Development Corp. \$500, GMTA \$2004, Central VT Com. Action \$300, Project Independence \$1000, Prevent Child Abuse \$400, Good Beginnings of CV \$300, Center For Independent Living \$400, Family Center \$500, Safe Line \$1200, Clara Martin Center \$4968, Red Cross \$1500, Williamstown Food Shelf \$7500, Art Bus \$500, Williamstown Beautification \$1500, State Police Association \$100, Williamstown Historical Society \$6000.

ART 16: To transact any other business deemed necessary and proper.

Date this 31st day of January, 2018.

Matt Rouleau, Chairman/s/
Scott Vaillancourt, Vice Chair/s/
Francis Covey/s/

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
 2017 TOWN MEETING
 MARCH 7, 2017

The legal voters of the Town of Williamstown, in the County of Orange, in the State of Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at Williamstown Middle High School on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. to act upon the following articles, viz:
 The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Winston Chambers, Moderator. Recessed until School District Meeting. Winston Chambers, called meeting back to order at 10:30 A.M. Barbara Graham, Town Clerk read the warning.

ART 1: To elect all necessary Town and Town School District Officers for the ensuing year by Australian Ballot. For the purpose of Article 1, the polls will open at 10:00 A.M. to act upon the following article, viz:

The total votes cast were 414. The results were as follows:

Moderator, 1 year

Matthew B. Powell.....385
 Write-In: Winston Chambers... ..2
 Write-In: Orvil Lasell.....1
 Blank.....26
 Total.....414

Selectman, 3 years

Rodney Graham.....233
 Larry Hebert.....171
 Blank.....10
 Total.....414

Selectman, 2 years

Scott Vaillancourt.....355
 Write-In: Hayden Coon.....2
 Write-In: Donna Blight.....2
 Write-In: Miscellaneous.....12
 Blank.....43
 Total.....414

School Director, 3 years

Amanda Mills-Brown.....357
 Write In: William Brown.....2
 Write In: Horace Duke.....2
 Write In: Miscellaneous.....2
 Blank.....51
 Total.....414

School Director, 2 years

Marie Abare.....349
 Write In: Miscellaneous.....3
 Blank.....62
 Total.....414

Lister, 3 years

Gordon Murray.....	380
Write-In: Richard Flies.....	2
Blank.....	32
Total.....	414

Trustee of Public Funds, 3 years

Write-In: Phil Winters.....	4
Write-In: Horace Duke.....	2
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	29
Blank.....	379
Total.....	414

Cemetery Commissioner, 5 years

Write-In: John Taylor.....	10
Write-In: Conrad Beattie.....	5
Write-In: Rudy Townsend.....	4
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	30
Blank.....	365
Total.....	414

Library Trustee, 5 years

Marsha Martin.....	364
Write In: Jennefer Jolls.....	1
Blank.....	49
Total.....	414

Library Trustee, 4 year remaining from a 5 year term

Margaret Sample.....	367
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	1
Blank.....	46
Total.....	414

Library Trustee, 3 year remaining from a 5 year term

Helen Duke.....	262
William Palin.....	124
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	5
Blank.....	23
Total.....	414

Library Trustee, 1 year remaining from a 5 year term

William Johnson.....	364
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	1
Blank.....	49
Total.....	414

Town Grand Juror, 1 year

Richard Powell.....	378
Blank.....	36
Total.....	414

Town Agent, 1 year	
Write-In: Donna Blight.....	2
Write-In: Will Knight.....	2
Write-In: Miscellaneous.....	22
Blank.....	388
Total.....	414
Trustee for the Henry S. Baker Fund, 3 years	
Theresa Knight.....	357
Blank.....	57
Total.....	414

ART 2: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.
The motion was made by Matthew Powell and seconded by Richard Powell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 3: To see if the Town will pay it's Real and Personal Property taxes to the Treasurer on or before November 15, 2017, with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month, or fraction thereof, from the due date, as provided for in 32 V.S.A.§4773 and 5136.
The motion was made by Alvin Avery and seconded by Barbara Mitchell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectman to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available.
The motion was made by Larry Hebert and seconded by Matthew Powell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion was passed by voice vote.

ART 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money to pay the current expenses of the Town in anticipation of money to be received from taxes and the State of Vermont.
The motion was made by Alvin Avery and seconded by Freda Hollyer to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 6: To see what amount the Town will vote to pay its elected Officers, except the Clerk.
The motion was made by Matthew Powell and seconded by Terry Knight to pay the Officers \$10.50/hour and the Chair person at \$11.50/hour and the Select board \$750 for the year and the Chair \$1000. Matthew Powell noted that in January minimum wage starts at \$10.50 an hour. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 7: To see if the Town will vote to have the names of all delinquent taxpayers, including water and sewer users, with total amount of delinquencies printed in the Town Report as of December 31, 2017.

The motion was made by Alvin Avery and seconded by Barbara Mitchell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 8: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$1,035,163.75, or some other amount, to support the General Fund of which includes Cemetery, Fire Department, Ambulance and Library Budgets.

The motion was made by Larry Hebert and seconded by Dennis Beaudin to approve the article as written. Jackie Higgins, Town Manager was given permission to speak as she is not a town resident. Mike Sprano and Jill McKeon asked what the increase in the budget was. Town Manager, Jackie Higgins explained where the increases were and how much, the library budget, a new 32 hour ambulance position, insurances. With there being no further discussion, motion passed by voice vote.

ART 9: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$802,340.46, or some other amount, to support the Highway Fund.

The motion was made by Matt Rouleau and seconded by Richard Powell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 10: Shall the Town vote to approve \$21,274.43 2016 General Fund Surplus to be transferred to the Tax Stabilization Fund?

The motion was made by Larry Hebert and seconded by Alvin Avery to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 11: Shall the Town vote to approve \$150,372.42 of the 2016 Highway Fund Surplus to be transferred to the Road Rehab Reserve?

The motion was made by Matt Rouleau and seconded by Francis Covey to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 12: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum \$3000.00, or some other amount, for the support of a Town Memorial Day celebration/parade?

The motion was made by Barbara Graham and seconded by Robert Erickson to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 13: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$39,947.00 or some other amount to the following organizations: Kids Place \$750, Orange Co. Diversion \$225, Washington Co. Youth \$250, CV Home Health & Hospice \$6700, CV Council on Aging \$1750, Peoples Health & Wellness \$1000, CV Adult Basic Education \$1500, CV Econ Development Corp. \$500, GMTA \$2004, Central VT Com. Action \$300, Project Independence \$1000, Prevent Child Abuse \$400, Good Beginnings of CV \$300, Center for Independent Living \$500, Family Center \$500, Williamstown Historical Society \$5000, Safe Line \$1200, Clara Martin Center \$4968, Williamstown Food Shelf \$7500, American Red Cross \$1500, Art Bus \$500, Williamstown Beautification \$1500, Vermont State Police Association \$100.

The motion was made by Conrad Beattie and seconded by Robert Erickson to approve the article as written. Freda Hollyer would like to see these appropriations voted on individually by Australian ballot. Horace Duke thanked everyone for their continued

support for the food shelf. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 14: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$3300.00, or some other amount, for the support of the Williamstown Youth Sports Association? The motion was made by Francis Covey and seconded by Matthew Powell to approve the article as written. There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

ART 15: To see if the Town of Williamstown will vote to give The Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 1391 100% or some other amount of property tax exemption for a 5 year period.

The motion was made by Orvil Lasell to pass over this article and seconded by Conrad Beattie. Moderator, Winston Chambers explained, that although pass over is allowed by State law in order to relate it to Roberts Rules, to pass over before the article is considered equates to Roberts Rules (suspend the rules) and would therefore require a two thirds vote to pass. A request for paper ballot was called for and the moderator requested a show of seven hands which he saw and a paper ballot was taken. Total votes cast 77, 44 yes and 33 no, two thirds required 52 therefore the motion to suspend the rules failed. Back to the original question, Gabriel Cole made the motion and seconded by Brent Kidder. Gabriel Cole explained what the Moose Lodge does and Larry Hebert mentioned it was a great place to hold weddings and events. Larry Hebert made the motion to amend the motion to 50% and seconded by Allen Palmer. John Perkins asked what the approximate taxes would be. The amendment passed by voice vote. Freda Hollyer called for a paper ballot. Total votes cast 83, 67 yes and 16 no. Motion passed.

ART 16: To transact any other business deemed necessary and proper. State Representative, Rodney Graham explained the recount that recently took place in Orange County and thanked the BCA and Town Clerks for all that they do to make sure elections are run smoothly. Robert Erickson asked if there was anything new on with the Solid Waste and Jackie Higgins said it was still in progress. Arthur Kramer asked about Article 3, on where is the Personal Property. Jackie Higgins replied that there is none and it was printed in error. Becky Watson mentioned that the ice out tickets were available and that she would love to see the Town Meeting luncheon brought back. Larry Hebert also mentioned that he would like to see the luncheon back and asked for a straw vote. With the show of many hands, the church agreed to do the lunch next year if people will stay and attend. Terry Knight mentioned that the Town wide appraisal will be starting for 2018 Grand List. Barbara Graham announced that there will be a Rabies Clinic again this year. It will be held on March 18th from 9:00 to Noon at the Public Safety Building.

The motion was made by Matthew Powell and seconded by Stanley Peake to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by voice vote and adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

/s/Winston Chambers, Moderator
/s/Larry Hebert, Chair
/s/Matthew Rouleau
/s/Ed McGlynn

/s/Barbara Graham, Town Clerk
/s/Francis Covey
/s/Scott Vaillancourt

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Matthew Powell, 1 year 2018

TOWN CLERK

Barbara Graham, 3 years 2019

SELECTMEN

Rodney Graham, 3 years 2020

Ed McGlynn, 2 years 2018

Francis Covey, 3 years 2018

Scott Vaillancourt, 2 years 2019

Matt Rouleau, 3 years 2019

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Sheena Pierce, 3 years 2019

Holly Vermette, 2 years 2018

Marie Graham, 2 years 2019

Amanda Mills-Brown, 3 years 2020

Rama O A Schneider, 3 years 2018

LISTERS

Gordon Murray., 3 years 2020

Bill Peabody, 3 years 2018

Stanley Peake, 3 years 2019

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Philip Winters, 3 years 2018

Rodney Graham, 3 years 2018

Gary Storrs, 3 years 2019

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Orville Lasell, 5 years 2019

Matt Coulliard, 5 years 2020

Susan Lyons, 5 years 2021

John Taylor, 5 years 2018

John Perkins, 5 years 2018

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Marvine Lasell, 5 years 2019

Helen Duke, 5 years 2020

Margaret Sample, 5 years 2021

William Johnson, 5 years 2018

Marsha Martin, 5 years 2022

TRUSTEES OF HENRY S. BAKER FUND

Terry Knight, 3 years 2020

Vacant, 3years 2018

Marvine Lasell, 3 years 2018

TOWN GRAND JUROR

Richard Powell, 1 year 2018

TOWN AGENT

Vacant, 1 year 2018

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Susan Lyons

TOWN TREASURER

Jenn Allard

ASSISTANT TREASURER

Horace Duke

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE (TERM EXPIRES 1/31/19)

Hayden Coon	Barbara Graham	Freda Hollyer
Marvine Lasell	Edward McGlynn	Cecelia Miller
Susan Lyons	Robert Erickson	Elaine Owen
Phil Winters		

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Same as Board of Selectmen

TOWN MANAGER

Jacqueline Higgins

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Jenn Allard

TAX COLLECTOR

Jenn Allard

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

Jacqueline Higgins

WATER & SEWER COLLECTOR

Jacqueline Higgins

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Planning Commission:

Matt Rouleau, Chair	Horace Duke
5 Vacancies	

Board of Adjustment, Flood Plain	Vacant
Town Service Agent	Vacant
Town Sewage Officer	Jacqueline Higgins
Fire Warden: 3 year term, expires July 20169	William Graham and Mike St. Lawrence
Civil Defense Rep.	William Graham
Green UP Chairman	Liesel Wulff
CT VT Revolving Loan Fund Gov. Board Rep.	Vacant
CT VT Regional Planning Commission	Vacant
Health Officer	Chris Wade
Fence Viewers.....	Richard Powell

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Well 2017 has definitely been a rollercoaster year and to be perfectly honest I will be glad to see it end!

The Highway Department had a busy year. The weather put a damper on the first half of the summer with constant rain. We were finally able to complete the South Hill Road Project. Several culverts were replaced throughout the town. Chelsea Road got a fresh coat of pavement. 2018 the second phase of the Hebert Road Rehab Project will be completed.

The Sewer Plant Project was completed in September of 2017. We will have an open house sometime in late spring/early summer.

Delinquent Taxes as of 11/15/17 were \$64,237.43. Delinquent Water \$5258.53 and Sewer \$12,569.65. Tax Sales will be taking place the end of February 2018.

The Veterans Memorial Park walkways were paved and the granite post were installed along with granite benches and new garden plantings. Again I would like to thank all of the volunteers. Thank you to R G Paving and Hebert Excavation for their donation of services and also to Wendell Goodell for his exceptionally lawn care.

We thank you for all your support and please do not hesitate to contact me with any issues or concerns you may have.

Jackie Higgins, Town Manager

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

The Planning Commission meets the second Wednesday night of each month at 7:00 pm at the town Hall. Currently we are working on updating the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and reviewing the North East Material Group act 250 proceedings. This is a plan that we must review each year and update every 5 years to insure those that are in a flood prone area can acquire flood insurance. This also allows the town to access emergency funds in the event of flooding. The current plan will need to be updated prior to June 2018. The Planning commission currently has 2 active members we could use your help, if you have an interest and would like to consider becoming a member please stop by one of the PC meetings, call me or the town manager I would be happy to talk with you. If you are a fun person that really likes to get involved and organize fun events we could use you to organize next year's Memorial Day parade. That work will need to be started at the first of the year.

The town is also in need of one person to serve as our reginal planning commission member. This person will meet with other local community's in a once a month meeting to review local plans, projects, in our town and others. This post was help by Larry Hebert for 26 Years, we appreciate his commitment, he stepped down this spring and the post remains vacant.

Respectfully,
Matthew Rouleau Chairman

WILLIAMSTOWN DELINQUENT TAXES

ABBOTT, CARL	\$ 1,857.28
ALLARD, ROBIN	\$ 1,198.24
ANDOLANO, DONALD	\$ 817.50
AUBUT, DAVID	\$ 2,664.99
AVERY, CARROLL	\$ 797.32
BACHELOR, KERRY	\$ 2,796.00
BADGER, SANDRA	\$ 1,236.76
BAILEY, RUSSELL	\$ 2,152.75
BERARD, DAVID	\$ 3,452.63
BERNIER, HEATHER	\$ 3,491.04
BOUCHARD, DANIEL	\$ 2,603.00
BOWEN, TIMOTHY	\$ 1,064.19
BRESETT, WILLDA	\$ 1,768.94
BUSSIER, PATRICIA	\$ 42.86
CADORETTE, DOROTHY	\$ 154.32
CARMINATI, JOEL	\$ 159.20
CARRIER, JESSIE	\$ 2,875.02
CLOUGH, JASON	\$ 1,051.58
CORBETT, THOMAS	\$ 1,658.05
CORMIER, JOHN	\$ 4,426.49
CORNELL, LAURA	\$ 250.00
CULLEN, JOANN	\$ 4,305.43
DAVENPORT, JUNE	\$ 3,214.35
DAVISON, JENNIFER	\$ 594.32
DAY, STEPHEN	\$ 1,615.69
DEFORGE, CAROLYN	\$ 360.51
DENTE, CHRISTOPHER	\$ 2,738.70
DERY ROSSIGNOL	\$ 882.47
DERY ROSSIGNOL	\$ 1,975.06
DESSUREAU, CHRISTOPHER	\$ 4,969.94
DEYO, DOUGLAS	\$ 322.99
DROWN, ASHTON	\$ 1,309.70
DUBOIS, BETTY	\$ 1,128.37
DUCHARME, ROBERT	\$ 17.56
ELM GROVE, LLC.	\$ 1,353.71
FASSETT, WENDELL	\$ 1,518.74
FIELDERS, DAVID	\$ 443.72
FLOREK, CHESTER	\$ 1,921.25
FLORUCCI, MICKEY	\$ 2,473.42
GILBERT, RICHARD	\$ 2,796.76
GILMAN, MICHAEL	\$ 2,108.13
GRAHAM, MARIE	\$ 2,735.49
GROUT, HAROLD	\$ 1,663.94
GROUT, MARK	\$ 2,726.66
HAGGETT, JENNIFER	\$ 616.81
HARDAKER, STEPHEN	\$ 251.96

HEDGES, TONY	\$ 2,488.17
HEDGES, TONY	\$ 2,709.78
HISLOP, KENNETH	\$ 1,805.00
JAEGER, PAUL	\$ 819.89
JDL CAPITOL INC.	\$ 3,590.15
JENKINS, SANDRA	\$ 567.71
JOSLIN, JAY	\$ 4,806.52
JOYAL, BERNETTA	\$ 3,017.25
KEMP, KRISTY	\$ 2,713.10
KIDDER, BRENT	\$ 2,297.89
KIROL, ASHTON	\$ 1,471.98
KING, JOSEPH	\$ 1,351.36
KITTRIDEG, MICHAEL	\$ 454.53
LAJEUNESSE, LYNN	\$ 72.42
LEMIEUX, DANIEL	\$ 1,310.73
LEWIS, GLORIA	\$ 374.08
LLOYD, PATRICIA	\$ 3,934.82
LUNDE, ALFRED	\$ 3,699.88
MACAULAY, RONALD	\$ 3,647.91
MACHELL, DAVID	\$ 2,601.91
MALENFANT, MICHELLE	\$ 1,237.03
MARING, FRANCIS	\$ 1,252.47
MCDANIEL, PETER	\$ 1,106.66
MCGUIRE, KATIE	\$ 1,768.02
METEVIER, CHERYL	\$ 141.01
MORRIS, ROBERT	\$ 65.23
MORSE, LINDA	\$ 1,157.56
NISEN, MICHAEL	\$ 3,758.88
OLSON, LOUISA	\$ 470.04
PALMER, BRYAN	\$ 3,444.97
PAQUIN, DANIEL	\$ 2,839.06
PARONTO, JEFFREY	\$ 2,806.69
PEAKE, KEVIN	\$ 355.98
PERRY, STEPHEN	\$ 3,442.56
PERUSSE, ROBERT	\$ 3,274.47
PHILLIPS, SKY	\$ 1,781.61
PICKETT, REGINALD	\$ 653.46
QUINTIN, GERALD	\$ 1,173.57
RANDALL, JAMES	\$ 113.41
RHODES, NEAL	\$ 3,462.45
ROUSSE, JEANNE	\$ 1,479.46
RUEDA, TODD	\$ 2,157.44
SALDI, PAULA	\$ 3,757.07
SCHMIDT, BARBARA	\$ 1,762.66
SEAVER, WAYNE	\$ 1,143.26
SHANGRAW, ANDREW	\$ 2,565.02
SHERMAN, KENNETH	\$ 466.82

SKINNER, LEAH	\$ 848.42
SKINNER, PAUL	\$ 37.76
SPERRY, THOMAS	\$ 2,077.58
STEIN, RICHARD	\$ 549.95
SUTTON, EDWARD	\$ 1,642.11
SUTTON, EDWARD	\$ 1,085.79
TAYLOR, JOHNNY	\$ 3,480.93
THYGESEN, SHAWN	\$ 8,878.89
WALBRIDGE, JERI	\$ 867.67
WEYANT, ROBIN	\$ 1,497.99
WHEELER, ROBIN	\$ 1,091.70
WHITE, BONNIE	\$ 762.04
WHITEHEAD, FRANCINE	\$ 643.95
WULFF, LIESL	\$ 1,229.81
YATES, SUSAN	\$ 1,011.73
	\$ 194,586.58

WILLIAMSTOWN DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER

ALLAN/FUNARO	\$ 246.90
ALLARD, ROBIN	\$ 1,203.82
ANGOLANO, DONALD	\$ 1,007.75
BADGER, SANDRA	\$ 409.95
BALLOU, PHILLIP	\$ 161.60
BEATTIE, CONRAD	\$ 607.20
BEAUDET, PAULA	\$ 199.28
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 547.10
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 489.17
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 443.10
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 409.95
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 321.00
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 257.60
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 255.25
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 335.75
BILODEAU, MICHAEL	\$ 542.55
BOUTIN, ERIC	\$ 509.40
CHAPIN, SARA	\$ 310.50
CORIGAN, DUSTIN	\$ 409.95
CORMIER, JOHN	\$ 509.40
COVEY, JENNIFER	\$ 583.66
DAY, COREY	\$ 258.20
DAY, STEPHEN	\$ 545.55
DERY, ROSSIGNOL	\$ 1,094.03
DEZCO, INC.	\$ 200.00
DONALD, CRYSTAL	\$ 668.20
EATON, WILLIS	\$ 944.00
FARNHAM, LESLIE	\$ 395.27

FLOREK, LORI	\$	257.05
FLORES, ANTOINIO	\$	489.36
GILBERT, RICHARD	\$	401.15
HAMMERHEAD DEVELOPMENT	\$	165.75
HARDAKER, JASON	\$	398.90
HEPBURN, ROBERT	\$	454.15
HOOD, JAMES	\$	2,018.11
ISHAM, KEVIN	\$	465.20
JACQUES, MICHAEL	\$	409.95
JARRIN, LEANNE	\$	566.84
JOYAL, RUTH	\$	244.20
KEMP, KRISTY	\$	421.00
LEFEVRE, SCOTT	\$	487.30
MACHELL, DAVID	\$	819.90
MARING/YOUNG	\$	311.60
MARTIN, BRIAN	\$	200.00
MARTIN, KRISTOPHER	\$	509.40
MITCHELL, FRANK	\$	221.00
MOODIE, BARBARA	\$	583.47
MORIN, CAROLE	\$	100.00
O'NEIL, VINCENT	\$	498.35
PERRY, STEPHEN	\$	786.75
PERUSSE, DENNIS	\$	1,104.77
PIRIE, JASON	\$	1,246.40
QUERO, JENNIFER	\$	845.89
ROUSSE, JEANNE	\$	947.47
SEAVER, WAYNE	\$	697.25
SPAULDING, JEFFREY	\$	265.69
STAAKE, THEODORE	\$	211.05
STEPHENSON, IRVING	\$	200.00
STEPHENSON, ROBERT	\$	625.00
STONE, ARTHUR	\$	188.40
STONE'S TRANSPORTATION	\$	166.30
TODD, BRANDY	\$	1,719.27
TROTTIER, DALE	\$	708.30
VEST, BRANDON	\$	1,117.70
WEYANT, ROBIN	\$	421.00
WHITE	\$	520.45
WHITE, BONNIE	\$	63.50
WHITE, ED	\$	429.70
	\$	36,153.70

SELECTBOARD REPORT

This year the board has supported some increases to the budget. We have seen a 9.5% health insurance increase. We supported a modest pay increase to town employees, last year no pay raise was given due to the rising cost of health insurance premiums. Although premiums have again risen we felt we needed to support the employees that supports the town services.

The Ainsworth public library has seen much more visitors, 800 card holding members, from young children to adults. The library has residents stopping by to use the internet and to take advantage of the computers and to seek advice. They have offered workshops on different topics on weekends, they have reinvented themselves and welcome you. They asked for a 10% increase that the board unanimously supported.

The wastewater treatment plant renovation was completed this year. That project went very well, on budget and on time, there was a slight completion delay due to the weather. We have a new control building, a new contact chamber, we upgraded the head works, we re-configured the out-flow piping and we have pre-piped to comply with low nitrogen rules that are expected to go into effect. The plant is about 50% utilized, we have capacity for additional hook ups, further development.

In fact, the town's infrastructure is in great shape due to the on-going support of the community. The schools have been recently renovated, the town water supply is safely located and recently upgraded, and we have a new public safety building and now a newly updated waste water treatment facility.

The fire department had an unfortunate accident with one of the fire trucks, HME 3. The truck rolled over and was totaled. No other vehicles were involved, no one was hurt, and the driver was seen and released at CVH. This truck was next to be replaced, unfortunately the roll over pushed the purchase up 5 years. There has been much debate on what we should purchase to replace the totaled truck. A committee of 2 firemen, 2 citizens and 2 select board members have been meeting to decide just what to do. The Selectboard has debated several different funding mechanisms. We have the insurance payout and a reserve account. We believe we can get the right truck to replace what was lost, without raising taxes.

Earlier in the year the Town Clerk and the Selectboard were at odds with the summer hour schedule posted by the town clerk. The Selectboard has no authority to set the Town Clerks office hours, the Town clerk is an elected position. You will be asked by Australian ballot if you feel the town clerk should remain an elected position or become an appointed position.

Respectfully,
Matthew Rouleau
Selectboard Chair

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

With another year behind us, it is now time to reflect and look back. With the first day of the New Year comes registering your dogs, with dog owners wanting to be the first 10 dogs registered in Town! I can always count on which residents I can expect to see coming in the door on the first day!

Town Meeting went well, with all articles passing. The school merger with Northfield vote took place on May 2, 2017, with the merger passing 370 Yes and 67 No.

This summer I had decided to try something new by taking Fridays off, from Memorial Day to Labor Day. As an elected official I do have the authority to set my own hours. Even though the select board doesn't have the authority to supervise another elected official as usual they had an issue. As well as one town resident whom I won't name, felt the need to send a town wide mailing, vindicating me. I am sure he thought he was in the right doing so, needless to say, not so much. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many town residents, who called, emailed, sent messages on social media, and showed in my support at the select board meetings. I appreciated your kindness and thoughts more than you know. I also listen to the many of my town residents whom expressed the desire for my office to be open 5 days a week. On that note, the office will be back to being open on Fridays during the summer if I am unable to be there my assistant, Susan Lyons will. If either of us cannot be there then the office will be closed that day.

This past year brought the passing of several members of our community who gave so much of their time and dedication to our town, Jennifer Earls, teacher/athletic director/coach, Florence Winters, elementary school teacher, Willet Knight, Sr., Lister, Walter Lacillade, long time business owner and trustee of public funds and Irvin Steve Stephenson, fire chief. Thank you for your many years of service!

The office has been steady with the recordings of deeds and property transfers, with that I would like to welcome all new community members to town.

As always, I want to thank my assistant, Susan Lyons for her dedication to her job and to myself. If you have any questions as always you know how to contact either myself or Susan. Looking forward to a new year!

Sincerely,
Barbara C. Graham
Town Clerk

RECORD OF CIVIL MARRIAGES 2017

- February 28 Judith G. Horwitz of Williamstown to Kat M. Patterson of Williamstown in Williamstown
- March 25 Justin G. Hathaway of Barre to Lisa M. Murphy of Williamstown in Barre City
- June 10 George J. O'Grady of Williamstown to Elise F. Foster of Williamstown in Addison
- June 17 Justin A. Hart of Williamstown to Erin J. Aja of Williamstown in Tunbridge
- June 24 James L. Hebert of Williamstown to Taylor M. Mason of Williamstown in Williamstown
- June 25 Daryl L. Williams of Williamstown to Kelly J. Begin of Williamstown in Williamstown
- July 7 Daniel W. Stover of Warner Robbins, GA to Penny L. Tremblay of Warner Robbins, GA in Williamstown
- July 8 Michael P. Daniell of Tyngsboro, MA to Michelle W. Lee of Tyngsboro, MA in Williamstown
- July 29 Zachery A. Bresett of Williamstown to Rebeca A. Beall of Williamstown in Williamstown
- September 16 Benjamin D. Sayer of Northfield to Jennifer M. Trevino of Williamstown in Williamstown
- September 23 David J. Heath of Williamstown to Linnea A. Gagnon of Williamstown in Barre Town
- October 7 John W. Robbins of Williamstown to Patricia J. Shedd of Williamstown in Williamstown
- October 10 James T. Covey of Williamstown to Danielle M. Sicely of Hyde Park in Williamstown
- October 10 Joseph R. Williams of Merritt Island, FL to Ashley P. Anderson of Merritt Island, FL in Williamstown
- December 11 Steven R. Hall of Williamstown to Eva Jane of Williamstown in Williamstown

RECORD OF BIRTHS 2017

January 16	James Robert Hood Jr. to Hannah Hayford & James Hood at Home
February 17	Ethan Prosper Bussman to Grace (Sikora) & David Bussman at Gifford
February 17	Ryan Wayne Farnham to Crystal (Pombar) & Jeremy Farnham at Gifford
February 21	Olivia Marie Payne to Hilary (Dexter) & Nathan Payne at CVMC
April 13	Macy Marie Trepanier to Danielle (Spencer) & Matthew Trepanier at CVMC
April 19	Alice Marie Welch to Chelsea (Otis) & Joshua Welch at CVMC
May 5	Sadie Louise Sheridan to Michelle Wheeler & David Sheridan at CVMC
May 18	Lydia Louise Richardson to Hannah Tomeny & Robert Richardson at CVMC
May 24	Tobias Alexander Knowles to Kendal Garcia & Corey Knowles at CVMC
May 27	Gabriella Faith Bisson to Jennifer (Ripley) & Michael Bisson at CVMC
May 31	Porter Donald Pierce to Alyssa (Clafin) & Brett Pierce at CVMC
June 15	Byron Alan Bennett to Shari-Jo Perkins & Steve Bennett Jr. at CVMC
June 19	Remington Martin Kuhn to Cassandra (Bernier) & Mason Kuhn at CVMC
July 1	Gabriel Fleming Bernier to Serena Franks & Michael Bernier at CVMC
July 22	Jaxon Stuart Austin to Tasha (Pickett) & Dillon Austin at CVMC
July 23	Cameron Matthew Yefchak to Karin (O'Neil) & Matthew Yefchak at CVMC
September 1	Ezekiel Elliot Burroughs to Kathryn McGuire & Travis Burroughs at Gifford
September 12	Kaia Quinn Jones to Natosha (Ballard) & Adam Jones at CVMC
September 26	Codie Michael Sherman to Teonna O'Leary & Patrick Sherman at UVMC
October 4	Nicole Marie Legacy to Ashley (Gingue) & Alan Legacy at CVMC
October 12	Jonah Benjamin Hepburn to Amber (Mugford) & Justin Hepburn at CVMC
October 15	Owen Ralph Hathaway to Rhiannon Gilcris & Jesse Hathaway at UVMC
October 16	Wyatt Frederick Grout to Meranda Smith & Michael Grout at CVMC
October 16	Madelyn Nichole Lynch to Marie (Graham) & Mark Abare at CVMC
November 20	Silas Max Parrott to Valerie (Zampieri) & Brock Parrott at Gifford
November 28	Rylin Holden Dobrovich to Jennie Holden & Joshua Dobrovich at CVMC
December 7	Elliot James Newton to Destiny (Waskow) & Matthew Newton at CVMC
December 9	Buxton Steele Bolduc to Melissa (Rouse) & Kyle Bolduc at Dartmouth
December 10	Ivy Elizabeth Howe to Courtney Bowry & Ronald Howe II at Gifford
December 10	Iris Marie Howe to Courtney Bowry & Ronald Howe II at Gifford

RECORD OF BIRTHS CONTINUED

December 15 Miles William Brier to Danielle Dunham & Douglas Brier at Gifford
December 28 Lily Anne Krietemeyer to Veronica Bruno & Timothy Krietemeyer, Jr.
at Gifford

RECORD OF DEATHS 2017

January 6 Melanie Ann Staake, age 54 in Williamstown
February 1 Ronald Richard Pittsley, age 68 in Williamstown
February 7 Noella Y. St.Onge, age 86 in Williamstown
February 7 Carl Frank Huse, age 47 in Barre City
February 9 June Alice Parker, age 84 in Berlin
February 27 Nancy Baker Lindsey, age 84 in Barre City
February 28 Lorraine E. Portalupi, age 88 in Berlin
March 21 Sandra Lanctot, age 78 in Florida
April 2 Curtiss Victor Noelk, age 57 in Williamstown
June 7 Michelina Maria Dickinson, age 78 in Williamstown
June 8 Dean Edwin Peake, age 99 in Northfield
June 12 Willet Gregory Knight, age 91 in Williamstown
June 15 Rebecca B. Bailey, age 78 in Berlin
June 16 Dehla Belle Washburn, age 73 in Berlin
June 20 Jennifer C. Earls, age 55 in Williamstown
July 1 Gabriel Bernier, infant in Burlington
July 28 Tammy J. Drollette, age 47 in Randolph
July 31 Chance Alan Martin, age 6 in Williamstown
August 5 Eleanor Elizabeth Turner, age 81 in Williamstown
August 6 Roy J. Girouard, age 73 in Williamstown
August 7 Terry Wayne Frey, age 64 in Williamstown
August 19 Anna A. McCullough, age 83 in Burlington
September 13 Shaun Roya, age 38 in Barre Town
September 18 Walter Edward Lacillade, age 94 in Essex Jct.
September 24 Gilles F. Beaudoin, age 89 in Williamstown
September 24 Robert Thompson, age 87 in Florida
September 25 Ina Leona Lamphear, age 76 in Williamstown
October 29 Irvin Martin Stephenson, age 90 in Berlin
November 6 Robert J. Nadeau, age 71 in Burlington
November 6 Esther Crane Goodall, age 100 in Williamstown
November 15 Lyndal Dupras, age 98 in Williamstown
November 27 Ronald L. Saldi, Jr., age 52 in Williamstown
November 29 Lauren Theresa Mulcahy, age 20 in Boston
December 6 Theresa M. Fassett, age 38 in Washington
December 12 Florence Ellen Winters, age 81 in Berlin
December 17 Lorraine L. Clark, age 99 in Berlin
December 31 Donald R. Hill, age 62 in Burlington

2017 UNLICENSED DOG REPORT

FARNHAM, LESLIE.....	1 Dog
BENNETT, STEVE.....	1 Dog
BROWN, BILLIE JO.....	2 Dogs
CADORETTE, JOE.....	2 Dogs
CASS, LAURIE.....	1 Dog
CHOQUETTE, SCOTT.....	1 Dog
CLAFLIN, NICOLE.....	1 Dog
DUFF, DOUGLAS.....	1 Dog
FARNHAM, LORI.....	2 Dogs
FISK, JOHN.....	2 Dogs
FLOREK, LORI.....	1 Dog
FOSTER, CHRISTINA.....	3 Dogs
GLENNON, HAYLEE.....	1 Dog
HEBERT, JAMES.....	1 Dog
HEDGES, TONY.....	1 Dog
HENDERSON, JULIE.....	1 Dog
HERRING, NAOMI.....	1 Dog
HOOD, JAMES.....	1 Dog
JOSLIN, HILLARY.....	1 Dog
LAFLECHE, SUZANNE.....	2 Dogs
MACASKILL, SCOTT.....	1 Dog
MACCORMACK, LLOYD.....	1 Dog
MCADAMS, BRITNEY.....	1 Dog
MORWAY, GREG.....	1 Dog
O'BRIEN, GLENN.....	1 Dog
PUTNEY, AMBER.....	1 Dog
RAYMOND, RICHARD.....	1 Dog
THOMPSON, REX.....	1 Dog
TUCKER, BILL.....	3 Dogs
WALKER, MICHAEL/AMY.....	3 Dogs

The State Statute reads: A list of the animals that have not been immunized or licensed as of May 30th shall be sent to the legislative body, which shall notify owners and keepers that their animals may be destroyed. 20 V.S.A. §3590. The Town Ordinance reads: Any person with an unlicensed dog or wolf hybrid with the Town after final license date of April 1st, shall be charged a fine of \$25.00 per animal and 1 & ½ times the license fee per animal.

2017 DOG LICENSING

In 2017 there were 686 dogs licensed in Williamstown and I am aware that there are several dogs that are still not licensed. It is a State of Vermont law that all dogs need to be licensed in the town where they live. Samantha Puchar from Random Rescue here in Williamstown is our Animal Control Officer and she can be reached at 433-5912. Again this year I have added a list of the town's unlicensed dogs.

Licensing fees are as follows:

January 1, 2018 to April 1, 2018	Spayed/Neutered	\$10.00
January 1, 2018 to April 1, 2018	Non-Spayed/Neutered	\$14.00
After April 1, 2018	Neutered/Spayed	\$14.00
After April 1, 2018	Non-Spayed/Neutered	\$18.00

2018 RABIES CLINIC: The rabies clinic will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 9:00 to Noon at the Public Safety Building.

WILLIAMSTOWN AMBULANCE FISCAL YEAR 2017 REPORT

The squad responded to 359 calls for service in the past fiscal year. Of those calls 225 patients were transported to a medical facility. We needed mutual aid from other agencies a total of 11 times. Most of those came while we were out on a call. We responded to other agencies request for help 4 times.

The 65% of transfers is on average with other services in the district.

While billable calls were down from the previous year 249 to 225 our revenue for the year was up from

\$87,167.08 to \$157,367.98. This was due to the way the state reimbursement amounts changed for Medicaid patients. Medicaid reimbursements were set at Medicare rates, a significant increase, and the services were taxed on their reimbursements. For some agencies, such as ours, this amounted to quite an increase in repayment. We paid out in taxes or assessment \$2876.51, a more than favorable trade-off.

Our roster has remained stable. We have lost a couple of good members in the past year but they have been replaced by new members. I'm especially pleased to see younger people showing an interest in running. In the past year 7 people joined who were 20 or younger, of those 4 are still in high school and 2 are enrolled in college. This bodes well for the future of the service. Even so we are always looking for new members.

As always I, and the town, owe the members who keep this service viable a debt of gratitude. Their time and efforts to ensure the ambulance is adequately staffed 24/7/365 is admirable. No one realizes the time and sacrifices they make to ensure that when you need help it will be there.

Gordon A. Murray
Ambulance Director

WILLIAMSTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Williamstown ladder truck was put in service on November 1, 2016 after a month long training program. I had mentioned our new ladder in previous town newsletters but would like to refresh everyone on it. We purchased it from Lyncourt, NY for \$200,000.00. We sold our Engine 2 to the Welches-Creek, NC Fire Department for \$50,000.00. We trained with state instructors, Rutland Fire, and other area departments on using the truck. This truck has been a great asset to the town for chimney fires, structure fires, and mutual aid.

We trained many of times with area departments getting to know how they operate and how we operate. We still train every Monday night and occasionally a weekend day. We have become a more stronger and knowledgeable Fire Department over the last two years. We have been able to work with some of the same members and continue to learn from each other making us successful in our missions. We have trained to fire attack (E1), haul water in rural areas (Tanker), go to automobile accidents and supply air support (E3), and now get into the air (Truck 2). Unfortunately no one was able to attend a Firefighter Level 1 or 2 this year due to scheduling conflicts. Some have planned to attend next year.

Equipment is all still running well. Engine 1 was involved in a slide off in December of 2016 causing minor damage to the body. This accident was caused by slippery road conditions and speed was a factor. This launched a rigorous driving training program to all members. However our last 5 remaining SCBA packs are in desperate need of replacing. When we replaced 9 in 2015 we kept 5 of the best ones we had. Now 2 of those no long operate correctly. We are asking to get those 5 replaced.

In 2017 and 2018 we plan to be fundraising for a Firefighters Training Facility. This will be located at the town dump location off to the right hand side as you are coming into the dump. The dump will not be affected by this. We are raising the amount of \$15,000.00 to get the project under way. We will not be asking for any tax dollars to fund the project. It is estimated to be built by the end of 2018.

Please remember that if you are looking for assistance from the Fire Department, to call 911 at all times. We are not staffed at station so when you leave a message asking for immediate assistance, it may be a few days before we receive it.

Listed below is the breakdown of responses we responded to this year. It was an average response year. We responded to 139 emergency calls.

Structure Fire-5	Chimney Fire-5	Car Fire-7
Motor Vehicle Accidents-63	Power lines down-9	EMS Assist-8
Weather Related- 5	Alarm Activation-8	Illegal Burn- 10
Mutual Aid-9	Hazmat-1	CO Alarm-3
Smoke Investigate-2	Other-3	

I would like to thank all of my fire officers and firemen for another year of hard work and support to the town. Some of these firemen spend countless hours, missed time at work, and missed family time to help the town out when they are in need. I can't thank them enough. Remember to test your smoke and CO alarms twice a year. Practice fire escape plans, especially with children. Let's hope for a fire safe year!

William Graham
Williamstown Fire Chief

FIRE WARDEN REPORT

2017 Was a good year with decent weather for fall and a very wet spring and early summer there were no reported brush fires, and no burn bans had to be issued. Still seeing unpermitted burns but a lot of people are doing the right thing and notifying the town fire warden when they are going to be burning. I do make my way around town quite often during the burning season and if I see a burn that I am unaware of I will stop and talk with the owner about the permitting process. Had a couple of complaints of burning at a few different residents, after investigating these complaints it was found to be nothing illegal burning just smoke. I did my best to try to resolve these issues in a timely manner, with that being said be kind to your neighbors and if they are having issues with smoke from your fire maybe notify them before you burn so they can prepare themselves and property. Use your best judgement when it comes to burning make sure you check the wind, humidity, and precipitation before burning "fpr.vermont.gov" is the forecast for fire danger in Vermont, a tool I use often when it comes to issuing permits. I kindly request a 24 hour notice for burn permits because I can't always answer my phone right away, if I didn't answer the phone leave me a message and I will return your calls by the end of the day. If you are looking to obtain a burning permit call me a (802)477-2021.

Thank you
Fire Warden

WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

The 2017 season was a very busy one for the Cemetery Commission keeping the three cemeteries in tip top shape. For those that do not know, in addition to the Village Cemetery, we have the East Hill Cemetery off Gilbert Road and West Hill Cemetery off Henry Road. We invite the Towns people to visit their cemeteries in town.

Our new Sexton/Groundskeeper had some problems cleaning up the winter brush and mowing during the wet spring, but with the summer and fall the cemeteries really are looking good. We have done some repairs at the cemeteries with straightening of 40 old marble stones in West Hill and cleaning 40 stones in the Village. We have hired a surveyor to peg our lots and rows that we will be using in our cemeteries. We have started to remap our existing grave sites and research and update all of our records.

We are starting to get some settling o old grave sites in the East Hill section which we will start repair in the fall and next spring. The flag pole in the Village Cemetery light was adjusted to shine more on the flag.

I wish to thank the Town members for their continued support of our budget.

Thank you.
John H. Perkins, Chairman

Report of the Board of Listers
2016-2017 Grand List

Total Municipal Listed Value:		\$301,881,397
Exemptions: Veterans	\$ 628,900	
Voted	\$ 394,122	
Current Use	\$8,184,000	
Partial Statutory	\$ 521,800	
Total Municipal Grand List (1%)		\$2,921,525.75
Total Education Grand List (1%)		\$2,881,295.38

As this report is being written the board of Listers is in the middle of a town-wide reappraisal. Three data collectors have covered the outlying areas of the town in order to eliminate, as much as possible mud season difficulties and to reach seasonal residents. Many property owners called for appointments but there are still properties where inside inspections have not been possible because we haven't had a cell phone number for the owner. If your house was not inspected please call the Listers' office to see when inspectors will be in the vicinity again. Your cooperation is vital to making this appraisal as fair as possible.

Our annual maintenance is going on while the reappraisal data collection is in progress. Considerable building activity, with a dozen new homes, several subdivisions, two solar installations and various additions resulted in a challenging year. Juggling two grand lists simultaneously while challenging assures that our list is current at all times. Listers will make a review run prior to April 1, 2018 to update properties currently under construction and any new building on the land. The data collection process has also changed. Now, instead of using paper, pencils and cameras in the field, the town automated the procedure and tablet computers are used to gather data and photograph the property at the same time. This should eliminate the need for carrying boxes of files and will allow Listers to select a neighborhood for inspection and will have files and current photos available. In a town without zoning or building permits it is our goal to have a current picture of properties and capture any additions made annually.

Each year we remind property owners of the homestead filing requirement and this seems a good time to do so again. The HS-122 must be filed annually by April 15th in order for your property to qualify for the homestead tax rate. Also file the HI-144 to see if you qualify for the State property income sensitivity benefit. If you're not sure if you qualify for the homestead rate and for any income sensitivity, the Vermont Department website has extensive information as to who is eligible. Their website is Vermont.gov/Tax. Late filing may result in a penalty.

If you have any questions concerning assessment matters please don't hesitate to call the Listers' office at 433-5455, Ext. 206. If we're not in leave a message and we will return your call. Thank you again for your cooperation.

Board of Listers
William "Bill" Peabody
Gordon A. Murray
Howard Peake

WILLIAMSTOWN COMUNITY FOOD SHELF
PO Box 133
Williamstown, VT 05679
October 29, 2017

To the Voters of the Town of Williamstown:

The Williamstown Community Food Shelf is now going into its' fifth year. It is located on the first floor of the so-called Methodist Parsonage behind the Grace Christian Church (This church is also known as the old Methodist Church and is located next to the Lake Sunapee Bank.). It is open every Saturday from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. This location has been in use for a few years now.

During the past year, as in all previous years, the food shelf has been staffed entirely by unpaid volunteers who have donated their time, vehicles, and anything else needed to get the job done. Except for the costs of heat and electricity at this location, all donations have gone to providing as much help as possible to those that have come to us for assistance. Our landlord, the United Federated Church of Williamstown, donates the space we use.

Williamstown, both the Town and the Town's residents, has been very generous. A loud "Thank You!" to one and all for your contributions. Your timely donations have made it possible to help all those who have needed our help. While the unemployment rate has gone down, the use of food shelf's has increased both statewide and nationally. The costs of food has increased for everyone, including what we purchase to provide to our clients' households. With the continued and threatened cutbacks in the Federal and State food aid programs, the need for food assistance within the community still continues to grow rapidly. We greatly need your continued assistance and contributions even more to cope with the increasing need in our community.

This year we are again asking the Town for a donation of \$7,500.00 to help with our efforts. This is the same amount we have asked for in the last few years. During the past 13 months (Yes, the figures are for October 1, 2016 to October 30, 2017.) we have helped a total of 173 individual households (made up of 513 individuals ranging in age from a few weeks to their mid-ninety's) that visited us a total of 1219 times. Some come only once a year, while others come as often as we allow – twice a month. We are now having between 19 and 30 visits every week. Included in these figures is our Summer Food Program which provided 22 households with 11 weeks of milk and breakfast and lunch foods for their children who could not get to the town school programs during summer vacation. We have increased our offerings to include milk and fresh produce and/or fruit for our visiting households.

Please vote to approve our request.

Signed by

The Williamstown Community Food Shelf steering committee:

Donna Pratt, Co-Chair	Father James Dodson	Pastor Doug Cameron
Jennifer Cummings, Co-Chair	Kathy Ducharme	Shirley Flint
Rama Schneider, Treasurer	Patricia Peters	Amanda Mills-Brown
Irene Burds	Helen Duke	Judy Barney
Mike Bean	Horace Duke, Secretary	

WILLIAMSTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Dear Members and Friends,

2017

As usual, it has been a very busy year for the Museum and its members. Special thanks go to Ed and Joyce McGlynn who have contributed many hours of volunteer time, not only at the Museum, but also seeing the completion of the Veterans Memorial Park!! It is an amazing gift to the town. Work continues on the restoration of the building with volunteer and professional help. The office upstairs needs organizing in 2018 and monetary help will be needed for this.

Programs in 2017 included:

1) A Treasure Hunt with Sarah Snow, our artifact and inventory expert 2) The latest exhibit of the Belle Robinson Gardens with Irene Walbridge and Rob Hepburn, current owner of the Gardens, now "ROB 'N SONS" Gardens which features a pumpkin show at Halloween. 3) Celebrating 100 years of farming with the Graham family, including an Ice Cream Social 4) The Open House at the Museum, an opportunity for the town to be thanked with music, tours and food for its generosity through the years. 5) The Northeast Fiddlers once again performed after the Annual Meeting and potluck dinner in Oct.

Our 2018 Program will be available by Town Meeting day. Please note our budget for the coming year as well as our request for \$6000 from the town. Thanks to our volunteer Treasurer who keeps excellent records of income and expenses, available by request. The Society is most appreciative of the generosity of the town over the years. The building has been almost completely restored, 3 books have been written, and many exhibits are redone. We have hired Sarah Snow part time to help update our inventory. Along with that, Kay Schleuter from Northfield is our volunteer consultant. The Museum has depended on volunteers who have contribute over 300 hours each year of volunteer time. Our Ice-out fundraiser will happen again in 2018. Tickets are \$1.00 each.

The Museum is open Tuesday mornings May – Oct. for anyone wanting to visit or contribute his/her time. It is also open by appointment. New members are welcome—for a brochure or purchasing a book, please stop in at Town Hall.

Dues are \$10, Individual; \$15 Couple; \$25 Family; \$50 Patron; \$100 or more, Benefactor.

Sincerely,

Becky Watson, President

Joyce McGlynn, V.P.

Alice Simpson, Secretary

Brenda Palin, Treasurer

Trustees: Ed McGlynn, Irene Walbridge. Carol Corneille

BUDGET 2017-18, Oct. 1-Sept. 30	(actual) 2017	(projected) 2018
INCOME:		
Donations	57	200
Membership dues	910	900
Ice-out (400 tickets)	120	300
Civil War Books	30	100
Maps	170	30
History Books	315	350
Other	11	100
Town grant	5,000	??
Total actual income with town help.....		\$6613
Projected Income without town help:		\$1880
EXPENSES:		
Building (repairs)	\$207	1000
Insurance	899	899
Propane	788	600
Electric	197	200
Printing	129	125
Memberships	300	50
Ice-out (winners share)	163	150
Collection supplies	254	200
Inventory System (+computer)	640	200
Other	170	700
Water		400
Post office/postage	115	150
Professional Labor		2000
Totals.....	\$3862.....	\$6674

Our actual income for 2017 (through October) was \$1613; Expenses; \$3862.

It is hoped that once the exhibits are in place that the building can be opened more often to better serve all who wish to utilize the wealth of information available. The Society members are volunteers, responsible for preserving and sharing—they are the “memory keepers”. Our program schedule is available on Town Meeting day. Please support and attend our programs from May to November.

It is now important to update the inventory and establish a workable office. This will involve renovations to the existing office on the 2nd floor. A computer, etc. has been acquired, and a professional part time helper, Sarah Snow, has been hired. We have a very knowledgeable volunteer, Kay Schleuter from Northfield who is actively consulting us. The collection needs to be supervised with proper handling, artifacts need to be reorganized in the inventory and exhibits need to be cleaned and updated. Since the projected income for 2018 is \$ 1880 (without town help) and expenses are \$6674, the Historical Society is asking for \$6000 from the town in 2018 to achieve these goals. THANK YOU!

AINSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Ainsworth Public Library has had an exciting year. Our librarian, Sarah Snow, clerks Monique Hayden and Autumn Bissonnette have been busy with lots of programming, a large increase of patronage and the demand by patrons for more current books, audios and dvds. The library currently has 20 active volunteers as well as a Friends of the Library group. The library serves over 550 patrons that actively use its services for borrowing library items, internet use, programming and as a meeting place. Without the dedication of its staff, volunteers, Board and Friends group, the library could not accomplish as much as it does every year.

The most important part of our library is the usage. Library cards are FREE to anyone that visits (cards are for ages 4 and up), we have no fines and we offer more than just books.

This year we circulated 5,500 items. We have an extensive book collection for adults and youth of both fiction and non-fiction books, audios, and dvds. We order books monthly and therefore we have current bestsellers. Why buy when you can borrow from the library for free? We offer 6 passes for reduced or free visits to Echo Center, Shelburne Farms, Billings Farms, State Parks, State Historic Sites, the Vermont Historical Museum; the passes are checked out for 3 days and can be returned in our drop box.

Extensive repairs were made to the library this year: including roof repair, outside lighting, a railing put on the side entrance, outside sign repaired and painted, the stairs in front, a new front door, electronic repairs inside, and our cherry tree on the side of the building.

More people than ever have been using the library and the current Board of Trustees feels that it is essential to have both a library that is an inviting place for people of all ages and also a safe building. The Friends group purchased an air conditioner for the downstairs.

The library is now fully air conditioned in the warmer months and is a great place to come in and cool off.

With the increase in internet use at the library, we purchased a new public access computer this year, giving us 3 public access stations for patrons to use. The library continues to offer fax service (25 cents a page for local/50 cents a page for long distance), printing needs (15 cents a page black and white and 50 cents a page color), and scanning (free). The library serves as a wonderful place to be able to get work done, apply for jobs, and complete online forms; our staff is always willing to help as needed in these areas.

As part of the state wide courier system, the library is able to inter-library loan any materials needed. This year, we had over 1,000 inter-library requests. The Vermont Department of Libraries has become so efficient in the courier system, that our library can usually get any item that is requested within 2 weeks. This free service that the library offers benefits many of our patrons.

The library offers free access to Listen Up Vermont and Universal Classes to library card holders. Many of our patrons enjoy the flexibility and selection of these services, with Listen Up Vermont providing unlimited access to e-books. Universal Classes offers 500 online classes. All you need is an internet connection and a library card to access these great resources.

The library offered 150 programs for adults and youth. This year we had a summer reading program for both youth and adults, 36 adults and 46 youth completed the program. The Friends of the Library donated the prizes for the summer readers. Our library offers a series of classes and lectures in the fall and winter called the Williamstown Academy; it has been a wonderful way for people in town to meet one another, learn new skills and enjoy the satisfaction of completing projects. Look on our website under programming for this

year's offerings. Last year in conjunction with WES, the library received the CLIF grant that formed a bridge between the library and the elementary school, this year we continue to work in partnership by offering monthly visits to the pre-school, collaborations with programming and library visits from other classes. Our library was chosen as one of the 26 Vermont libraries to receive the Federal 3 year VELI-STEM grant; this grant allows dynamic programming and materials for youth that focus on science, technology, engineering and math. We are in the second year of the grant. We are a great place for teens in town to volunteer and complete the community service requirement at WMHS. Stop in and fill out an application. If you are 16 years or more, you can volunteer to help at the front desk.

The Friends of the Library donated all of the Vermont award books for Kindergarten through High School so that local youth can be a part of other Vermont towns voting for their favorite book. We have seen an increase in youth using the library after school as a safe place to study and socialize. The library has two adult reading groups, the Williamstown Readers and the Senior Book Group, each group meets monthly to discuss a new book each month. If you have a suggested program for next year, please contact the library.

On behalf of the library, we would like to thank the town for their continued support. The library is a hub for the community and we are grateful to be such an integral part of the town. Please visit our website www.Ainsworthpubliclibrary.org or look for us on Facebook for pictures, information and upcoming events. We love new ideas and inspirations, if you have anything that you would like to see happening at the library, email or call us.

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE)

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education provides free instruction to adult and teen residents of Williamstown who need to learn basic reading, writing, math, computer literacy, and/or English language skills. Students can also work to achieve their high school credential and learn college and career readiness skills. CVABE provides education services to an average of 17 Williamstown residents annually, and last year 14 Williamstown residents enrolled.

CVABE's instruction helps students to reach goals such as securing employment, earning a high school credential, budgeting, paying bills, preparing for college, gaining citizenship, and more. Trained volunteers help our professional staff to deliver literacy services.

CVABE helps 450-500 residents per year throughout Orange, Washington and Lamoille counties. Our six learning centers include centers in downtown Barre, Bradford and Randolph. Nearly all students are low income. It costs CVABE \$3,145 per student to provide up to a year of free education.

We appreciate Williamstown's voter-approved past support. Your continued funding is vital to CVABE's local education services. For more information, please call CVABE at 802-476-4588 or visit www.cvabe.org.

THE ARTS BUS

The Arts Bus has been on the road since 2010, providing children, ages 1-14, with opportunities to explore their individual creativity and develop their innovative abilities through the arts. A diverse curriculum of performing, visual and literary arts instruction and related projects and activities is offered by a talented and committed staff of art-mentors, all of whom live and work in the communities we serve. When a child, or adult, walks on to the bus, they will find any number of activities prepared for them to enjoy: ceramics, music, movement, painting, mask making, visual arts, writing and storytelling, paper arts, theater and drama or clowning and mime. There is no charge to participants to come on board the bus. The Arts Bus funds its programming through local donations, grants and fundraisers. Working together on this locally developed, grassroots organization has made it possible to not only arrive at our five year milestone, but to grow and expand from our original 4 towns in 2010 to our current 13 towns with 100+ stops per year.

The Arts Bus is requesting \$500 in town appropriations for the 2018/2019 fiscal year. In 2017 the Arts Bus made two stops at the Ainsworth Library, two stops at area childcares and is scheduling a visit to the PreK program. By September of 2017, 46 Williamstown residents were served by the Arts Bus in town. Williamstown residents have and continue to be welcome to attend any public Arts Bus stop or family event for free in any of the 13 towns served by the Arts Bus.

2017 People's Health & Wellness Clinic Program Summary

The People's Health & Wellness Clinic has been providing primary health care and wellness education to uninsured and underinsured central Vermont residents who could not otherwise afford these services since 1994.

Our services include primary medical care, mental health, oral health, body work and other complementary health, diet and nutrition, and vision care. We are the regional contact for Ladies First, providing screening for breast and cervical cancer, as well as lifestyle coaching and memberships in weight loss programs for cardiovascular health for eligible women. Even if you are insured, Ladies First can fill gaps in coverage or provide complementary services. Tobacco cessation counseling and nicotine replacement therapies are also provided, as well as screenings for alcohol and drug use.

We also continue to provide navigation services for patients needing to sign up for health insurance through Vermont Health Connect, whether it's for Medicaid or commercial health insurance.

In Calendar Year 2017, the People's Health & Wellness Clinic served 557 unduplicated individuals, who came for 1170 clinical visits, requiring 2846 patient interactions. 287 of these patients were new to the Clinic. All of these numbers are significant increases over the past two years. We had 866 medical visits, 281 medical consults, and provided 904 diagnostic tests. 112 individuals came for 155 dental hygiene visits and 99 referrals to dentists for more advanced treatment. We provided 160 pharmaceutical samples, immunizations, and vouchers, and wrote hundreds more prescriptions. Our services include screening all patients for eligibility in a variety of health insurance and assistance programs. We also helped many patients navigate the application process for a variety of

programs including Vermont Health Connect, Medicaid, Ladies First, and Central Vermont Medical Center – UVM Health Network and other hospitals' patient financial assistance programs. Through all these efforts, we were able to successfully enroll them 134 times, often in more than one program.

21 separate Williamstown residents sought our services in 2017, 9 of whom were new to the Clinic. They required 68 separate patient interactions. They came for 20 full medical visits and 2 mental health visits. We provided 10 case management interactions, 6 medical consults, performed or arranged for 33 diagnostic tests (labs, x-rays, etc.) and provided immunizations and pharmaceutical samples or vouchers 8 times. We had 4 dental visits, resulting in 4 cleanings (prophylaxis), 3 x-rays, and 5 referrals out to participating dentists. Our navigation services helped individuals successfully enroll into health insurance and assistance programs 13 times, as well as numerous renewals and other changes to their plans.

Volunteer practitioners are the heart of our service model. In 2017, over 60 volunteers gave over \$88,000 worth of their time serving our patients. Over \$95,000 worth of pharmaceuticals and medical supplies and other services were donated for our patients. We paid \$6,721 for diagnostic testing, and leveraged another \$19,514 worth of tests.

We define our primary service area as all of Washington County, plus the Orange County towns of Orange, Washington, and Williamstown, but we do not restrict geographic access, and ended up serving people from 48 Vermont towns. People must have household income of less than 400% of the Federal Poverty Level to be eligible for our services, but 90% were under 250% - basically the "working poor."

As a federally-deemed free clinic, we cannot charge for services. We depend on grants and donations, including from our patients. For more information on our services, to make a donation, or to volunteer, please visit our website at phwcvt.org. Patients are seen by appointment only – call 802-479-1229, Monday through Thursday.

We are grateful to the voters of Williamstown for many years of support for the Clinic, and are very pleased to be able to provide these services to the community. Thank you.

Peter Youngbaer, Executive Director

Green Mountain Transit Town of Williamstown FY17 Annual Report

Who We Are

GMT is the public transportation provider for the northwest and central regions of Vermont, offering a variety of services to the communities in which we serve. GMT is proud to offer traditional public transportation services like commuter, deviated fixed routes and demand response shuttles, while providing individualized services such as shopping and health care shuttles, Medicaid, Elderly and Disabled services to both urban and rural communities.

Our Services

Individual Special Service Transportation

GMT provides essential medical and non-medical transportation service to those who qualify for Medicaid, Elderly and Disabled, non-Medicaid medical, human service and/or critical care funds. We offer individual coordinated services for those who qualify and who

are in need of scheduled rides through GMT volunteer drivers, special shuttle service or general public routes.

In FY17, Williamstown residents were provided special transportation services, totaling 1,058 trips. Special services offered direct access to:

- Medical treatment Prescription and Shopping
- Meal site programs Social and Daily services
- Reach Up BAART
- Central VT Substance Abuse Svcs Washington County Mental Health
- VT Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired Vocational Rehabilitation

General Public Transportation

GMT also provides traditional general public transportation service directly supporting the increasing demand for affordable commuter and essential daily needs transportation solutions.

In FY17, total statewide GMT Rural ridership was 333,742. This general public transportation ridership was in addition to Special Service ridership, (above), and is available through a variety of services including:

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| Deviated Fixed Routes | Health Care Shuttles |
| Local Commuter Routes | Demand Response Service |
| Local Shopping Shuttles | Regional Commuters to Chittenden and Caledonia Counties |

Williamstown General Service Snapshot

GMT provides direct or connecting services to Williamstown through general public transportation routes, including, but not limited to:

Route FY17 Ridership	
Plainfield Shuttle	780
Hannaford Shopping Shuttle	2,734
Montpelier Link Express	130,261
City Commuter	36,824
City Mid-Day	24,734
Barre Hospital Hill	25,371
Waterbury Commuter	11,107

Thank You

Please feel free to contact Chris Loyer Public Affairs Coordinator with questions or to request additional information on GMT services at 802.540.2451 or cloyer@RideGMT.com



2017 ANNUAL SERVICE REPORT

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN

Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice (CVHHH) is a 106 year-old full service, not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association governed by a local voluntary Board of Directors. Serving the residents of 23 central Vermont towns in the comfort and privacy of their own homes, CVHHH is committed to providing high quality, medically-necessary home health and hospice care to all central Vermonters regardless of their ability to pay, geographic remoteness or complexity of health care needs. The agency also promotes the general welfare of local community members with long term care and health promotion activities including flu and pneumonia vaccinations, health screenings, foot care clinics, international travelers' health and caregiver support. In addition to direct patient care, our hospice program offers comprehensive bereavement services and volunteer training.

CVHHH Services to the Residents of Williamstown Jan 1, 2017 – December, 2017*

Program	# of Visits
Home Health Care	4583
Hospice Care	192
Long Term Care	1089
Maternal Child Health	63
TOTAL VISITS/CONTACTS	5927
TOTAL PATIENTS	208
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	261

**Audited figures are not available at the time of report submission. Preliminary figures are prorated based on the number of visits from January 1, 2017 – September 30, 2017 and are not expected to vary significantly.*

Town funding will help to ensure that CVHHH provides services in Williamstown through 2018 and beyond. For more information contact Sandy Rouse, CPA, President & CEO, Daniel Pudvah, Director of Development, or Kim Farnum, Manager of Community Relations & Development at 802.223.1878.

CVSWMD FY 2017 Report for Williamstown

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District serves 19-member cities and towns and approximately 52,000 residents to reduce and manage solid waste. The representative seat for Williamstown is vacant on the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors. Contact your Selectboard to become a Board member and represent your town. CVSWMD is committed to providing quality programming, meeting state mandates and providing information and resources to our member communities.

In FY17, CVSWMD provided \$7,363 in School Zero Waste and Lawrence Walbridge Reuse Grants and \$4,534 in Green Up Day Grants to businesses and schools in member municipalities. The District invites all member municipalities to apply for an annual non-competitive Green Up Day Grant each spring. The District invites all member municipalities to apply for an annual non-competitive Green Up Day Grant each spring. After 14 years, CVSWMD is no longer in the business of hauling food scraps from schools and businesses in central VT. Our efforts, and those of our partners, kept 12,112 tons of food scraps out of the landfill! In 2017, CVSWMD successfully transitioned all organics hauling routes to Grow Compost of Moretown. CVSWMD will continue to provide resources and technical assistance to businesses to reduce and divert food waste from the landfill to comply with state law.

The District continues to provide award-winning programming, including:

Residential Composting: CVSWMD sells Green Cone food digesters, Soil Saver composting bins and kitchen compost buckets at cost to district residents. CVSWMD also offers free workshops about backyard composting.

School Programming: Our School Zero Waste Program works with all 27 schools in the District, teaching solid waste lessons in classrooms and facilitating the recycling of paint, bulbs, electronics, batteries and more. In FY17, we taught five lessons in classrooms and led a waste audit at Williamstown Schools. School Program Coordinators work with maintenance staff and teachers to help schools compost on site and mentor student groups who lead initiatives toward zero waste in their schools.

Special Collections: In 2017, 9 events were held, in which CVSWMD collected hazardous waste, paint, batteries and fluorescent bulbs.

A household hazardous waste collection was provided in Barre Town, 91 households participated.

Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC): The ARCC, at 540 N. Main St. in Barre, is open M, W, F noon-6pm and the third Sat. of each month, 9-1pm. The ARCC is a recycling drop-off for over 40 hard-to-recycle materials, cvswmd.org/arcc. Blue bin recyclables are not accepted at the ARCC.

In FY17, 159 residents from Williamstown recycled at the ARCC.

Web Site: CVSWMD posts useful information including what can be recycled, what can be composted, how to dispose of hazardous waste, leaf and yard waste, composting, Act 148, details of our special collections, and an "A to Z Guide" listing disposal options for many materials in the alphabet.

Central Vermont Council on Aging Report of Services to Williamstown (FY17)
September 28, 2017

Central Vermont Council on Aging is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the mission of supporting elders and family caregivers in leading self-determined, healthy, interdependent, meaningful and dignified lives in their homes and communities. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent for as long as possible. We connect the elders in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income or resources.

Some of the options we make available include:

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

During the last year, Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 115 Williamstown residents. Case Manager, Chuck Rhynard is designated to work directly with the seniors in Williamstown. Central Vermont Council on Aging devoted a total of 1,380 hours of service to Williamstown seniors. All of us at CVCOA extend our gratitude to the residents of Williamstown for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of those who have contributed to making the Central Vermont communities what they are today.

**THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
SUMMARY REPORT**

Request Amount: \$400.00

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

Preliminary numbers for our In FY 17 (10/2016-9/2017) VCIL responded to over 3,041 requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to 347 individuals to help increase their independent living skills and 10 peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted 160 households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 84 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided 94 individuals with information on assistive technology; 45 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. 530 individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also now home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served 49 people and provided 22 peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont. Our Windham County office also houses the Vermont Interpreter Referral Service (VIRS) (previously under the VT Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) and provides statewide interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings.

During FY '17, 6 residents of Williamstown received services from the following programs:

- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)
(over \$800.00 spent on assistive technology)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program (PAC)
- AgrAbility Program
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at:
1-800-639-1522, or, visit our web site at www.vcil.org

County of Orange Annual Report 2017

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

County Support for the Sheriff's Department

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

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

County Courthouse

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

In 2017 the Orange County Sheriff's Office provided a wide variety of proactive and reactive services in the town of Williamstown. In addition to the town contract hours, the Sheriff's office utilized funding from grants and other sources to provide Williamstown with law enforcement presence.

The Sheriff's office responded to a wide variety of calls to include burglaries larcenies, vandalisms, family problems, juvenile problems, sex crimes and traffic problems to name a few. Once again the bigger issues this year were motor vehicle complaints, suspicious persons, thefts and citizen assists/disputes.

Our local response to the drug problem was to step up motor vehicle indications by doing this we wrote over 200 traffic tickets in Williamstown. This type of motor vehicle enforcement actually drives burglars away from Williamstown. While our primary focus was patrols during the day time when most people work. The night time activity has also increased. Our contract provides for about 40 hours per week. That lets 128 hours per week for the State Police to answer calls in Williamstown. As I pointed out last year the calls for service have increased.

Besides our contract we also have been doing DUI patrols, radar enforcement and safety check points in Williamstown at various times throughout the year. Provided by a Governor's Highway Safety grant.

The Orange County Sheriff's Office looks forward to continuing to provide law enforcement services to the Town of Williamstown.

William Bohnyak
Sheriff

ORANGE COUNTY COURT DIVERSION

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

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

The heart of our organization is Court Diversion. A Restorative Panel, comprised of volunteers from Orange County, works with clients to address the harm they caused to victims and the community while working on underlying factors that contributed to the

criminal act. Clients must take responsibility for their actions and be accountable for completing a contract that they develop with the Restorative Panel. Approximately 90% of the clients successfully complete our Court Diversion program. Those who fail have their cases returned to court for prosecution.

During the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2017, 183 clients were referred for services. Of those, 85 were referred from juvenile and adult court for criminal offenses, and 98 were referred for YSASP. With few exceptions, all cases involved offenses that occurred in Orange County. During FY17, OCCDP processed 33 cases in which the offender either resided in Williamstown, and/or the offense occurred in Williamstown. OCCDP's FY17 operating budget was \$110,930.00

For a number of years we have been proud to be supported by appropriations from every town in Orange County. Williamstown appropriated \$ 225.00 for FY17 to support OCCDP. Our program is requesting the same appropriation request for FY18.

Thank you for your continued support. Questions and additional information concerning the program should be directed to Jessica Schmidt, Executive Director, Orange County Court Diversion, P.O. Box 58, Chelsea, VT 05038. (802-685-3172)

ORANGE COUNTY PARENT CHILD CENTER

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

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

Last year, with the continued support of your community, we were able to serve 3 families from Williamstown including 5 adults and 3 children.

Mary Ellen Otis
Executive Director

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THE WASHINGTON COUNTY YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU/BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Is an Important Resource to the Residents of Williamstown

During the past service year the Washington County Youth Service Bureau/ Boys & Girls Club provided the following services to 26 young people and family members in Williamstown:

- 3 Teens and their families were assisted by the Country Roads Program that provides crisis intervention, short-term individual and family counseling, and emergency, temporary shelter for teens in crisis.
- 20 Youth was provided with Substance Abuse Treatment counseling through the Healthy Youth Program. This service includes substance abuse education, intervention, assessments, treatment and positive life skills coaching. Support is also available for families.
- 2 Individual was served through the Youth Development Program which provides voluntary case management services to youth ages 15-22, who are, or have been, in the custody of the State through the Department for Children and Families.
- 1 Youth was served in the Transitional Living Program that helps homeless youth ages 16-21 make the transition to independent living. This program teaches life skills and budgeting; assists with employment and education goals; and provides direct rent assistance.

Last year's funding request represents a cost of approximately \$9.61 per person served. This is only a small fraction of the cost of the services provided by the Bureau. Most of the services provided to Williamstown residents have involved multiple sessions, counseling services were provided by certified or licensed counselors, and emergency temporary shelter included 24-hour supervision, meals, and transportation.

Referrals to the Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club come from parents, teachers and other school personnel, other area organizations, the Vermont Department for Children and Families, the Vermont Department of Corrections, churches, police officers, and young people themselves. Many referrals are received through the agency's 24-Hour Crisis Response Service.

The Bureau is a private, non-profit, social service agency. All programs and services are funded by foundations, state government, federal government, Medicaid and other insurance, private donations, area towns, and fundraising activities. Thank you for your support!

For Information and Assistance Call
The Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club
229-9151 · 24 Hours A Day · 7 Days A Week

GOOD BEGINNINGS

About Us:

The mission of Good Beginnings is to create a caring community where all families with newborns have adequate support, connections, and resources to build stable homes in which children thrive. Founded in 1991 by three mothers in Northfield, we offer the following programs free of charge to any Central Vermont family with a new baby.

Postpartum Angel Family Support Program: Trained community volunteers visit families weekly to provide respite, community connections, and hands-on help during the postpartum period. Any new parent in Central Vermont is eligible, regardless of income or circumstance. During a typical visit, a Postpartum Angel may hold the baby, give attention to older siblings, offer baby wearing or infant soothing support, accompany parent to an appointment or on errands, or help the family access other resources. Through our In Loving Arms service, specially-trained volunteers provide “in-arms care” to babies boarding at Central Vermont Medical Center due to health issues.

The Nest Parent Drop-In Space: Our cozy community space in Montpelier is open to the public Wednesdays through Fridays. Parents can drop in to nurse a baby or give older toddlers a break from running errands while enjoying hot tea/coffee, age-appropriate toys and books, and a lending library of parenting resources. La Leche League volunteers are available monthly for breastfeeding support. Reduced price baby carriers are available for purchase. The Nest is also available for parent-organized meet-ups or peer support groups.

The Birthing Year Early Parenting Workshops: Free two-hour workshops for parents-to-be, held at convenient locations around Central Vermont, covering a wide range of prenatal, childbirth and postpartum topics, including one workshop specifically for dads-to-be.
Assistance with Basic Needs: Our Infant Carrier Program provides eligible families with a free baby carrier. Our Emergency Fund is available to assist families in crisis with financial needs.

How We've Helped Families in Central Vermont:

202 families served (including 315 adults and 292 children) in FY16-17
More than 60 Good Beginnings Postpartum Angel volunteers provided over 1,400 hours of respite, support, and community connections to 107 families
9 newborns boarding at the hospital were cuddled
8 families received free infant carriers, and 4 families received a total of \$1060 in emergency funding to help with basic needs
103 families visited our Nest drop in space, representing 31 different towns
30 families attended our Birthing Year early parenting workshops

How We've Helped Families in Williamstown:

A total of 4 families served (including 7 adults and 9 children) in FY16-17
Good Beginnings Postpartum Angel volunteers provided 38 hours of respite, support, and community connections to 3 Williamstown families; a fourth family purchased a reduced-price baby carrier at the Nest.

In The Words of One Mama:

"I just wanted to thank you for the support you gave me and my family after I had my son. We really could not have done it without your help and support. I had NO idea how hard the first few months with a newborn would be, and especially a newborn with colic. The postpartum support program is so amazing, and for me I think was really lifesaving. You're wonderful; I just wanted to say thank you!"

Contact Us:

Good Beginnings of Central Vermont
174 River Street
Montpelier, VT 05602
info@goodbeginningscentralvt.org
www.goodbeginningscentralvt.org
802.595.7953

PROJECT INDEPENDENCE

Project Independence is requesting \$1,000.00 towards our continued efforts to support Williamstown's aging/disabled population. Over the past fiscal year of 2017, Project Independence served a total of eight (8) Williamstown residents. We are currently serving four (4) and anticipating that to increase again. Most of these participants attended PI on average 3 days a week, with an average day being 7 hours long. Each day, our highly trained and experienced staff care for participants with a wide range of health and emotional issues and/or physical limitations. We provide our participants with:

- Nursing care and physical therapy support (diabetes monitoring, vital signs, medication administration, etc.)
- Hygiene assistance (showers, shampoo, shaving, etc.)
- Stimulation to engage our participants socially, physically & mentally
- Activities, entertainment & outings
- Nutritional meals prepared by our Chef (breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack)
- Support group for family caregivers and others (with onsite respite available for the loved one)

Transportation to/from our facility, when needed

Project Independence' Work/Mission:

The core of our mission is to keep our elderly, frail, mentally & physically disabled adults at home with their loved ones and independent for as long as possible. Research has shown the benefits of adult day are numerous to the person attending and also to their caregiver. As a result of this happening, adult day programs are becoming an even more crucial piece of the healthcare circle. Our services allow family members/spouses to continue working and/or time for themselves which supports their efforts to keep their loved one at home with them. Families know PI is a safe environment where their loved ones can stay while they are not able to be home with them.

For our participants themselves, coming to PI is a familiar homelike atmosphere, where they socialize, have delicious meals, experience fun activities and entertainment and receive any needed medical assistance.

Sarah Crane, RN, Adult Day Supervisor
scrane@pibarre.giffordhealthcare.org

SAFELINE

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

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, Safeline's staff and volunteers provided 2,251 services for 362 victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking. 179 services were provided for 32 victims who identified themselves as residents of Williamstown. It is likely that these statistics are understated, as victims often choose not to give any identifying information out of fear for their own safety. Most of the victims have children within their family.

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

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

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

CLARA MARTIN CENTER

Child and Family Services Community Support Services Adult and Children
Outpatient Services
Ayers Brook., Randolph, VT 05060 24 South Main St., Randolph, VT 05060 1483 Lower
Plain Rd., Bradford, VT 05033
(802) 728-4466 (802) 728-6000 (802) 222-4477

Farmhouse East Valley Academy Central VT Substance Abuse Services (CVSAS)
P O Box 278, Bradford, VT 05033 579 VT Rte. 14 So., East Randolph, VT 05041 100
Hospitality Drive, Berlin, VT 05601
(802) 222-4477 (802) 728-3896 (802) 223-4156

Safe Haven Regional Alternative Program Wilder
4 Highland Ave., Randolph, VT 05060 Norwich Avenue, Wilder, VT 05088 PO
Box 816, Wilder VT 05088
(802) 728-5233 (802) 295-8628 (802) 295-1311

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FY16 TOTAL SERVED AT CMC	TOTAL SERVED Williamstown
Children & Family Services 556	Children & Family Services 6
School Services 87	School Services 3
JOBS 130	JOBS 3
Adult Services 594	Adult Services 6
CSP Services 180	CSP Services 4
Supportive & Transitional Housing 45	Supportive & Transitional Housing
Substance Abuse Services 572	Substance Abuse Services 5
Corrections Services 55	Corrections Services
Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic 476	Emergency Contacts/Walk-in Clinic 5

Access 1106		Access 13	
Total Served - unduplicated	2234	Total seen:	59
CVSAS	1286	CVSAS	37

As one of 10 Designated Agencies in the state of Vermont, Clara Martin Center provides mental health and addiction recovery services for Orange County and the greater Upper Valley area.

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

The agency continues to work with a wide variety of local partners to enhance community health and wellness including Stagecoach, local police departments, primary care providers, schools and supervisory unions, the Chelsea Health Center Board and local officials, to name a few.

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CAPSTONE COMMUNITY ACTION

Capstone Community Action formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council helps Vermonters achieve economic sufficiency with dignity through individual and family development. We work to alleviate the effects of poverty, help people move out of poverty, and advocate for economic justice. Each year Community Action serves over 15,000 Vermonters, the majority of whom live in the 56 central Vermont communities that comprise our primary service area. Our staff often works with a family in their most vulnerable moment to help them find stability, hope and relief. In recent years, demand for fuel assistance, emergency food, and housing assistance have continued to grow. Hand-in-hand, we help Vermonters develop the skills to tackle problems, identify goals, find the resources and take control of their futures. We offer housing counseling, financial education, home weatherization, early childhood education, job skills training, business counseling and more. Together, we create economic opportunities for all Vermonters.

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

CVRPC provides both regional and local services to its member municipalities. Local services involve staff support to individual municipalities to address localized issues. These services include:

municipal plan, bylaw and ordinance updates,
transportation field services (counts, inventories) and studies,
capital planning services,
brownfield assessments,
emergency management planning support,
hazard mitigation planning and implementation support,
grant writing, project development, and project management services, and
assistance to meet clean water requirements.

Regional Planning services include the preparation and maintenance of the regional plan, and special studies and planning activities related to stormwater management, land use, recreation, demographics, environmental, community utilities and facilities or transportation issues. CVRPC promotes dialogue among its member municipalities to develop cooperative solutions to regional problems.

Municipalities invested \$71,537 in dues for FY18, and leveraged \$1.5 million in additional services from CVRPC. CVRPC seeks to ensure that municipal dues continue to be an integral part of the CVRPC budget, that the buying power of this resource is not diminished over time, and that the funds keep pace with the increasing state and federal interest in higher percentages of local match.

If there are specific services that would benefit your municipality now or in the future, I invite you to contact me at 229-0389 or Waninger@cvregion.com. I would be happy to meet with you to discuss how CVRPC might assist.

CVRPC appreciates your municipality's dues contribution. We look forward to serving you this year.

Bonnie Waninger, Executive Director

WILLAIMSTOWN BEAUTIFICATION GUILD

The Williamstown Beautification Guild would like to take this opportunity to thank the many individuals who have donated to our projects and to the town as a whole for the appropriation of \$1,500 dollars at Town Meeting Day.

Over the years of our existence. We have seen an increase in home plantings and landscaping which in conjunction with our work has continued to brighten up the downtown area.

This year we planted 14 barrels and 22 baskets. By June, everything was in bloom and growing. Then, in four separate incidents, vandals destroyed \$700.00 worth of flowers, baskets and barrels. The Orange County Sheriff was unable to apprehend the perpetrators.

While we are outraged by the sordid actions of a few, the WBG and its supporters will certainly continue their beautification program.

Those t thank: Dean Wilkinson, Laura Thygesen, Carolyn and Bill Berneke, Carol Corneille, Liesl Wulff, John Taylor, Art Kramer, Richard Bottiggi, Donah and Conrad Beattie, Rama Schneider, Janet and John Poeton, John Perkins and Donna Pratt.

Thank you,
Annie Alexander-Kramer



Batchelder Associates, PC

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Williamstown
Williamstown, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Williamstown, Vermont ("Town"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town, for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 8, the Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability on Schedule 1, the Schedule of Contributions on Schedule 2 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and budgetary comparison schedule for the General and Highway fund are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 23, 2018, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting; on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and on other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Batchelder Associates, P.C.

Batchelder Associates, PC
License #945
Barre, Vermont
January 20, 2018

The Town of Williamstown was audited for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. The Town will no longer be printing the entire audit in the town report. Copies of the full audit are available:

By Request – Town of Williamstown – 802-433-6671

By Email – Jacqueline Higgins – twnmgr@williamstownvt.org

Or online @ www.williamstownvt.org

Town of Williamstown General Ledger
Comparative Budget Report
General

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY-2017 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
TAXES				
General Fund Taxes	591,235.32	549,101.66	625,580.96	671,566.28
Holdharmless Program	42,000.00	48,119.00	46,234.00	48,000.00
PILOT Program	8,200.00	9,138.98	8,839.00	9,200.00
Local Agreement Tax	10,000.00	10,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Land Use Withdrawal	0.00	2,155.50	0.00	0.00
Trnsfr frm Tax Stabiliz fd	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total TAXES	731,435.32	618,515.14	692,653.96	740,766.28
DELINQUENT TAXES				
Delinquent Taxes	0.00	46,463.33	0.00	0.00
Delinquent Interest	10,000.00	10,109.96	10,000.00	10,000.00
Delinquent Penalty	10,000.00	13,782.25	10,000.00	10,000.00
Other Income	0.00	14,937.38	0.00	0.00
Total DELINQUENT TAXES	20,000.00	85,292.92	20,000.00	20,000.00
CEMETERY				
Cemetary Town Allocation	46,200.00	46,200.00	46,203.00	46,161.00
Burial Services	551.00	3,550.00	0.00	0.00
Cemetery Lot Sales	0.00	3,945.00	0.00	0.00
Interest from Perp Care f cemetary - Other	2,600.00 200.00	271.77 815.00	2,200.00 0.00	2,200.00 0.00
Total CEMETERY	49,551.00	54,781.77	48,403.00	48,361.00
ADMINISTRATION FEES				
Sewer	3,800.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Water	3,800.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Town Report - School	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Total ADMINISTRATION FEES	10,100.00	0.00	10,100.00	10,100.00
LISTERS				
Lister Education	400.00	1,607.00	400.00	400.00
Total LISTERS	400.00	1,607.00	400.00	400.00
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER				
Town Clerk Fees	26,000.00	29,090.92	26,000.00	26,000.00
School Admin Reimbursemen	2,500.00	1,741.83	2,500.00	2,500.00
Liquor Licenses	0.00	715.00	0.00	0.00
Total TOWN CLERK/TREASURER	28,500.00	31,547.75	28,500.00	28,500.00
ANIMAL CONTROL				
Animal License/Fines	4,000.00	4,680.00	4,000.00	4,600.00
Total ANIMAL CONTROL	4,000.00	4,680.00	4,000.00	4,600.00

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Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY-2017 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
AMBULANCE				
Ambulance - Town Allocation	121,115.96	121,115.96	137,159.79	152,829.08
Ambulance Grant/Misc	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
Ambulance	100,000.00	157,367.98	100,000.00	100,000.00
Refunds / Over pays	0.00	9.00	0.00	0.00
Total AMBULANCE	221,115.96	279,992.94	237,159.79	252,829.08
Fire Department				
Fire Dept-Town Allocation	167,013.00	167,013.00	167,489.00	180,090.00
Total Fire Department	167,013.00	167,013.00	167,489.00	180,090.00
LIBRARY				
Library - Town Allocation	51,062.00	51,062.00	58,721.00	65,790.00
Library - Grant Income	300.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Library - Investment Inco	1,400.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Library - Other Income	300.00	5,058.36	300.00	0.00
Total LIBRARY	53,062.00	56,120.36	60,721.00	66,990.00
GENERAL INCOME				
VT Civil Fines	3,500.00	7,061.98	3,500.00	3,500.00
Interest on Sweep Account	500.00	5,050.75	500.00	2,500.00
Permits	500.00	390.00	500.00	500.00
Sale -Tax Sale Property	0.00	-1,040.76	0.00	0.00
General Reimbursements	0.00	554.97	0.00	0.00
Misc Refunds	0.00	319.17	0.00	0.00
Total GENERAL INCOME	4,500.00	12,336.11	4,500.00	6,500.00
Total Revenues	1,289,677.28	1,311,886.99	1,273,926.75	1,359,136.36
SELECT BOARD				
WAGES: Select Board	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
FICA/Medicare	306.00	306.02	306.00	306.00
Meeting Minutes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Video Recording	1,000.00	567.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Northern VT R C & D Council	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00
State Police Advisory Board	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total SELECT BOARD	5,481.00	4,873.02	5,381.00	5,381.00
PLANNING COMMISSION				
WAGES: Plan Commission	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
PC FICA/Medicare	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
PC Training/Seminars	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00

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Account	Budget		Actual	
	FY - 2017	FY-2017 Pd:12	FY - 2018	FY - 2019
PC Mileage	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
PC - CVTR Dues	3,727.90	3,727.90	3,727.90	3,829.57
PC Subscriptions	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
PC Other Expenses	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
PC Advertising	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
PC Mailing/Postage	860.00	0.00	860.00	860.00
PC Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
Town Plan Consultant	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Misc	1,400.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Total PLANNING COMMISSION	11,137.90	3,727.90	9,937.90	10,289.57
CEMETERY COMMISSION				
WAGES: Cemetery	500.00	1,995.00	4,000.00	5,700.00
CEME: FICA/Medicare	38.00	152.63	360.00	540.00
Maintenance	3,500.00	3,030.19	3,000.00	3,500.00
FenceRepair / Misc	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
2nd Phase East Hill	0.00	0.00	200.00	800.00
Stone Replcmnt & Repair	1,000.00	485.00	1,000.00	2,200.00
1st/2nd phase Plotting	0.00	0.00	100.00	2,200.00
Burial Services	0.00	3,384.00	7,200.00	0.00
Contracted Lawn Services	40,052.00	32,449.46	28,000.00	30,000.00
Fertilizer	1,500.00	0.00	1,000.00	300.00
Cemetery Misc. Expenses	2,165.00	6,115.57	2,000.00	2,000.00
Prop / Casualty Ins	96.00	87.00	143.00	121.00
Memorial Day	200.00	382.50	900.00	500.00
Lot Sales Res - Perp Care	0.00	3,945.00	0.00	0.00
Burial Services Reserve	0.00	2,798.32	0.00	0.00
Total CEMETERY COMMISSION	49,551.00	54,824.67	48,403.00	48,361.00
AUDITORS				
WAGES: Coordinator/Audito	0.00	9,055.00	0.00	0.00
Town Report Mailing	1,000.00	366.34	1,000.00	1,000.00
Town Report Printing	4,600.00	3,850.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Town Report Miscellaneous	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total AUDITORS	6,600.00	13,271.34	5,500.00	5,500.00
LISTERS				
WAGES: Listers	2,000.00	1,692.50	5,900.00	5,900.00
WAGES: Appraiser/Assessor	10,000.00	10,526.75	10,000.00	16,000.00
FICA/Medicare	918.00	977.54	1,900.00	1,900.00
Unemployment Insurance	0.00	288.56	0.00	0.00
Lister Training/conf	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00
Mileage	300.00	342.33	300.00	0.00
Dues/Subscriptions	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Lister Postage	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
Lister Equipment	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Lister Mapping	2,300.00	2,270.00	2,300.00	2,400.00

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Professional fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Misc	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
Total LISTERS	17,218.00	16,097.68	22,100.00	28,200.00
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY				
WAGES: BCA	2,000.00	282.40	1,000.00	2,000.00
BCA FICA/Medicare	153.00	21.59	76.50	153.00
BCA Advertising	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
BCA Supplies	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Total BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHO	2,403.00	303.99	1,326.50	2,403.00
ELECTIONS				
WAGES: Elections	3,500.00	2,531.80	1,500.00	2,500.00
FICA/Medicare	268.00	137.87	114.75	192.00
Training/Conference	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Elections Printing	1,000.00	1,001.00	200.00	1,500.00
Elections Supplies	200.00	216.56	200.00	200.00
Total ELECTIONS	4,968.00	3,887.23	2,214.75	4,592.00
MANAGERS OFFICE				
WAGES: Town Manager	65,000.00	65,494.51	65,000.00	65,000.00
WAGES: Staff	25,700.00	13,842.93	19,000.00	15,080.00
Mileage Allowance	3,000.00	2,250.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Health Insurance	22,911.45	16,175.18	17,400.00	19,016.00
HRA	5,000.00	905.88	2,500.00	2,650.00
Retirement	4,700.00	2,908.11	3,800.00	4,405.00
FICA/Medicare	7,000.00	5,740.60	6,426.00	6,127.00
Unemployment Insurance	800.00	663.08	1,400.00	1,200.00
Workers Comp	700.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Staff Appreciation	1,500.00	1,245.76	1,500.00	1,500.00
Train/Conf	500.00	90.00	500.00	500.00
Mgr Office Mileage reim	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Association Dues	250.00	664.00	250.00	250.00
Cell Phone MGR	1,250.00	1,695.41	1,400.00	1,600.00
Office Supplies	800.00	1,802.75	800.00	0.00
Total MANAGERS OFFICE	139,111.45	113,478.21	123,376.00	121,228.00
TOWNCLERK/TREASURE OFFICE				
WAGES: Town Clerk	41,476.24	41,037.84	41,476.24	42,315.52
WAGES: Town Treasurer	28,380.00	27,596.97	28,380.00	28,902.00
WAGES: Staff Town Clerk	10,000.00	11,365.50	10,000.00	7,500.00
Wages: Staff Treasurer	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Health Insurance	7,880.00	7,860.47	8,241.12	9,023.04
HRA	2,500.00	1,462.06	2,500.00	2,650.00
Retirement	2,177.00	2,267.16	2,315.00	2,328.00
FICA/Medicare	6,100.00	6,120.00	6,100.00	6,596.00

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Unemployment Insurance	1,500.00	577.12	1,000.00	1,000.00
Workers Comp	400.00	332.06	200.00	400.00
TC/T Training/Conf	550.00	180.00	550.00	550.00
TC/T Mileage	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
TC/T Assoc. Dues	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Treasurer Bond	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clerk Bond	1,200.00	254.96	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	3,000.00	3,579.32	3,000.00	0.00
Office Equipment	1,200.00	769.48	1,200.00	1,200.00
Recording Cost	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
LAND RECORDS RESTORATION	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Financial Overhead	500.00	517.85	0.00	500.00
PACIF Insurance	0.00	628.00	0.00	0.00
Total TOWNCLERK/TREASURE O	109,663.24	104,548.79	107,062.36	109,564.56
GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET				
WAGES: Custodial	2,300.00	2,165.63	2,300.00	2,300.00
FICA/Medicare	176.00	220.39	176.00	176.00
VLCT Dues	4,678.00	4,678.00	5,000.00	0.00
Heating Fuel	4,000.00	1,754.43	4,000.00	3,000.00
Electricity	2,200.00	2,016.55	2,000.00	2,200.00
Telephone/Internet	4,200.00	5,844.25	4,200.00	5,800.00
TH Water/Sewer	400.00	444.20	800.00	500.00
Sewer Charge	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Internet	1,200.00	153.30	1,200.00	0.00
Advertising	2,500.00	794.49	2,500.00	2,500.00
Postage	5,000.00	4,851.12	6,000.00	6,000.00
Printing	0.00	470.93	0.00	0.00
Copier	1,000.00	1,178.02	1,000.00	1,000.00
Copier Toner	0.00	68.48	0.00	0.00
Postage Mac Rental/Agreem	2,500.00	2,098.19	2,500.00	2,000.00
Postage Meter Supplies	500.00	619.67	500.00	500.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,800.00
Office Equipment	1,000.00	204.41	1,000.00	1,000.00
NEMRC IT Support	5,000.00	3,814.96	5,000.00	5,000.00
NEMRC Disaster Recovery Ac	600.00	375.04	600.00	600.00
NEMRC Disaster Recovery Li	600.00	1,723.15	600.00	600.00
Building Supplies	750.00	465.14	750.00	750.00
Outside Labor Cont/Service	3,500.00	9,492.50	3,500.00	3,500.00
Central Vt Solid Waste	6,780.00	3,383.00	6,780.00	6,780.00
Town Clock Service	1,200.00	3,762.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Professional audit	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
County Tax	86,000.00	82,528.21	83,000.00	85,000.00
Misc	1,000.00	286.56	1,000.00	1,000.00
Unanticipated Expense	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
PACIF - Property/Casualty	15,965.00	16,843.50	18,000.00	19,116.00
Memorial Day	0.00	3,241.16	0.00	0.00
Green Up Day	300.00	300.49	300.00	300.00
Water Bond	20,500.00	39,717.15	20,500.00	20,500.00

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Interest on Notes	0.00	925.89	0.00	0.00
Total GENERAL OPERATING BU	200,349.00	194,420.81	200,906.00	201,622.00
OTHER OPERATING EXP				
Mun Bldg Maintenance	10,000.00	5,289.17	10,000.00	10,000.00
Municipal Building Repair	0.00	135.50	0.00	0.00
Land Fill Post Monitoring	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Meadow Street Ground Moni	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Legal Fees	10,000.00	2,007.25	10,000.00	10,000.00
Local Agreement Tax	4,200.00	0.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
Total OTHER OPERATING EXP	27,700.00	7,431.92	27,700.00	27,700.00
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Health Officer	1,200.00	600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fire Warden	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
FICA/Medicare	129.98	45.90	129.98	129.98
Street Lights	20,000.00	19,379.69	20,000.00	20,000.00
Orange Co. Sheriff	70,000.00	64,380.00	70,000.00	70,000.00
Total PUBLIC SAFETY	91,829.98	84,405.59	91,829.98	91,829.98
ANIMAL CONTROL				
Animal Control	5,000.00	5,000.12	5,000.00	5,000.00
Random Rescue	1,500.00	1,499.80	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total ANIMAL CONTROL	6,500.00	6,499.92	6,500.00	6,500.00
AMBULANCE				
WAGES: Ambulance Director	46,030.40	46,091.30	46,030.40	47,071.00
WAGES: P/T Ambulance	65,000.00	75,229.07	73,000.00	77,835.00
Health Insurance	7,879.56	7,628.30	14,479.56	18,046.08
HRA	2,500.00	2,220.63	5,000.00	5,300.00
Retirement	3,000.00	3,180.78	3,000.00	3,916.00
FICA/Medicare	8,500.00	8,793.79	9,105.83	9,556.00
Unemployment Insurance	500.00	288.56	1,100.00	1,100.00
Workers Comp	16,000.00	4,637.50	13,000.00	13,349.00
Accident & Sickness	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ambulance Train/Education	2,500.00	3,764.84	2,500.00	4,000.00
Directors Uniforms	150.00	42.00	300.00	300.00
Staff Uniforms	1,000.00	631.42	1,000.00	1,000.00
DUES - District 6	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
DUES: Vt Amd Assoc	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Telephone	1,400.00	1,509.24	1,400.00	1,500.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	2,022.35	1,000.00	1,000.00
Medical Supplies	6,000.00	6,330.44	6,000.00	7,000.00
Oxygen	1,000.00	677.37	1,000.00	1,000.00
Infection Control Proc	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Radio/Pager Purchases	1,500.00	1,374.50	1,500.00	1,500.00

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Communications Repair	500.00	583.90	500.00	500.00
Amb Bay Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equip Purchase/Repair	1,000.00	1,644.72	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment/Reserve Repair	0.00	98.40	0.00	0.00
Amb Vehicle Maintenance	3,000.00	449.44	3,000.00	3,000.00
Ambulance Billing	3,000.00	2,360.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
Barre Dispatch	10,344.00	10,344.67	10,344.00	10,344.00
Intercept	2,000.00	2,800.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Ambulance Misc. Admin	500.00	324.31	500.00	500.00
Annual Ambulance Assessme	0.00	2,876.51	0.00	0.00
CLIA	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Diesel fuel	3,000.00	1,451.70	3,000.00	3,000.00
PACIF - Property/Casualty	0.00	1,956.00	3,500.00	3,112.00
Equip Replacement Rsrve	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Vehicle Replacement Reser	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Total AMBULANCE	217,203.96	216,711.74	237,159.79	252,829.08
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING				
Heat/Fuel Propane	3,000.00	3,976.83	3,000.00	4,000.00
Heat/Fuel Pellets	5,000.00	4,885.80	5,000.00	5,000.00
Electricity	6,000.00	6,030.48	6,000.00	6,000.00
Telephone/Internet/Cable	3,200.00	3,023.49	3,200.00	3,200.00
Water/Sewer	800.00	687.30	800.00	800.00
Building Maint/Repairs	1,000.00	9,065.41	10,000.00	10,000.00
Bldg/Cleaning Supplies	2,000.00	2,513.19	2,000.00	2,800.00
PACIF- Property/Casualty	13,236.00	9,402.00	10,000.00	9,989.00
PSB Bond Principal	76,933.43	76,933.33	76,933.43	76,933.43
PSB Bond Interest	76,510.32	76,510.31	37,586.04	73,133.74
Total PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDI	187,679.75	193,028.14	154,519.47	191,856.17
FIRE				
WAGES: Incident Pay	40,000.00	45,626.54	42,000.00	55,000.00
WAGES: Training Pay	0.00	270.00	0.00	0.00
Firefighter Hydration	200.00	116.27	200.00	125.00
FICA/Medicare	3,060.00	3,414.11	3,060.00	4,590.00
Ins - Workers Comp	5,800.00	4,685.00	5,800.00	5,800.00
Ins - Accident & Sickness	2,375.00	2,320.00	2,375.00	2,375.00
Training - Schools	1,500.00	1,362.97	1,500.00	1,500.00
Dues/Subscriptions	500.00	119.00	500.00	250.00
Telephone	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	300.00	535.97	300.00	300.00
Office and Other	350.00	434.39	350.00	350.00
Dry Hydrant	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Radios / Pagers	4,000.00	7,362.01	2,500.00	2,500.00
Small Equipment	1,000.00	1,240.97	1,200.00	1,200.00
Equipment Purchase	3,000.00	1,537.69	3,000.00	3,000.00
Building Maint/Repairs	0.00	4,924.18	0.00	0.00
Equipment Repair	2,000.00	1,003.25	2,400.00	2,400.00

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International-Pierce # 2	2,500.00	4,866.07	5,000.00	6,000.00
E1 # 1	2,500.00	793.24	2,800.00	3,000.00
HME # 3	2,500.00	1,639.56	2,800.00	3,000.00
Int'l Tanker	2,500.00	1,041.47	2,800.00	3,000.00
Communications / Dispatch	8,354.00	8,593.84	8,354.00	0.00
Diesel Fuel	4,500.00	2,284.47	4,500.00	4,000.00
Grant Match	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Community Risk	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Ladder Test	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Misc	2,000.00	2,290.53	2,500.00	3,000.00
PACIF	0.00	1,519.50	3,300.00	0.00
Reserves				
Truck Replacement Rsrve	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Major Repair Rsrve	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
Clothing Rplcmnt Rsrve	3,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00	7,000.00
Air Pack Reserve	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Hose Reserve	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Foam Reserve	750.00	750.00	250.00	0.00
Total Reserves	60,750.00	60,750.00	62,250.00	67,000.00
Total FIRE	157,689.00	158,731.03	167,489.00	180,090.00
LIBRARY				
WAGES: Libraries	26,690.00	30,264.27	30,409.00	41,200.00
FICA/Medicare	2,042.00	1,859.01	2,562.00	3,160.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00	577.12	1,000.00	700.00
Travel & Conference	500.00	0.00	500.00	250.00
Dues & Conference	300.00	250.00	500.00	480.00
Heat	3,200.00	1,293.10	3,500.00	2,000.00
Electricity	1,100.00	1,100.22	1,500.00	1,200.00
Telephone	900.00	808.72	900.00	900.00
Water/Sewer	500.00	488.40	500.00	500.00
Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage	700.00	960.00	700.00	500.00
Supplies	1,500.00	1,879.80	1,200.00	1,500.00
Office Equipment	1,000.00	581.60	1,000.00	900.00
Computer Services	1,600.00	1,784.21	150.00	1,700.00
Repairs & Maintenance	3,000.00	5,430.99	3,000.00	3,000.00
Mowing/Snow Removal	1,000.00	655.00	1,000.00	700.00
Miscellaneous	200.00	1,535.97	200.00	200.00
Property Insurance	1,860.00	1,910.50	2,700.00	1,900.00
Books/Magazines	5,400.00	4,852.25	6,500.00	6,000.00
Programs	600.00	193.35	2,900.00	200.00
Total LIBRARY	53,092.00	56,424.51	60,721.00	66,990.00
Storm Water Permits	1,500.00	4,126.00	1,800.00	4,200.00
Transfer to Tax Stabiliza	0.00	59,676.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditures	1,289,677.28	1,296,468.49	1,273,926.75	1,359,136.36

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Total General	0.00	15,418.50	0.00	0.00
Total All Funds	0.00	15,418.50	0.00	0.00

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HIGHWAY REVENUE				
Hwy-Tax Appropriation	803,340.46	803,340.46	799,953.31	819,703.12
St Aid-Roads	149,000.00	154,464.20	155,000.00	155,000.00
Fees/Permits	0.00	40.00	0.00	0.00
Overweight permits	0.00	545.00	0.00	0.00
PaCIF Reimbursements	0.00	163.00	0.00	0.00
Unanticipated Revenue	0.00	9,395.90	0.00	0.00
Total HIGHWAY REVENUE	952,340.46	967,948.56	954,953.31	974,703.12
Total Revenues				
	952,340.46	967,948.56	954,953.31	974,703.12
HIGHWAY OPERATIONS				
Stock Supplies	1,000.00	881.58	1,000.00	1,000.00
Gravel Pit Maintenance	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
General Administration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Winter Salt	50,000.00	67,874.27	50,000.00	65,000.00
Calcium Chloride	25,000.00	25,111.18	25,000.00	25,000.00
Property Damange Snow Flo	750.00	641.11	750.00	750.00
Crushed Ledge	60,000.00	53,840.54	60,000.00	60,000.00
Gravel	2,500.00	1,980.78	2,500.00	2,500.00
Erosion Stone	2,500.00	778.61	2,500.00	2,500.00
Underdrains	2,500.00	971.60	2,500.00	2,500.00
Hot Mix	1,000.00	128.52	1,000.00	1,000.00
Culverts/posts	8,000.00	2,703.74	8,000.00	8,000.00
Cold Patch	750.00	361.25	750.00	750.00
Road Signs	5,000.00	2,744.35	5,000.00	5,000.00
Guardrails	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Gravel Crushing	15,000.00	15,023.03	15,000.00	15,000.00
Seed Mulch Straw	1,500.00	23.39	1,500.00	1,000.00
Storm Water Runoff	0.00	720.00	300.00	1,000.00
Roadside Mowing	9,000.00	7,400.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Sidewalk Clearing	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	7,000.00
Engineer Consulting	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Contracted Services	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total HIGHWAY OPERATIONS	197,900.00	181,183.95	198,200.00	217,400.00
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT				
Cutting / Welding Supplie	500.00	402.12	500.00	500.00
Maintenance - Equipment	6,000.00	10,512.71	6,000.00	6,000.00
Inspections	400.00	205.00	400.00	400.00
Permits	300.00	160.00	300.00	300.00
Small Equip Parts/Repair	1,000.00	456.19	1,000.00	1,000.00
Tires/Tubes	6,000.00	5,691.67	6,000.00	6,000.00
Chains/Repairs	2,000.00	2,010.04	2,000.00	2,000.00
Truck #4 2004 MACK	5,000.00	2,312.26	5,000.00	5,000.00
Truck #6 2002 Int'l B	1,000.00	1,479.17	1,000.00	2,000.00

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Highway

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY-2017 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
Truck #7 2013 Int'l	2,000.00	7,523.92	2,000.00	2,000.00
Grader	4,000.00	4,601.76	5,000.00	5,000.00
2011 Volvo Bucket Loader	2,500.00	2,299.60	2,500.00	2,500.00
1998 JD Backhoe	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Volvo Bucket Loader 02	2,500.00	1,417.50	2,500.00	2,500.00
Truck #2 Ford F550	2,500.00	2,999.38	2,500.00	2,500.00
Screen Plant	2,000.00	569.80	2,000.00	2,000.00
Air Compressor	200.00	44.61	200.00	200.00
Waste Oil Removal	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Gasoline	5,000.00	2,176.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Diesel Fuel	75,000.00	41,965.34	70,000.00	50,000.00
Communications	1,200.00	3,123.00	1,200.00	1,000.00
Towing Expenses	1,000.00	425.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Excavator	0.00	1,310.24	1,000.00	1,000.00
Pickup Truck 2013	0.00	904.88	2,000.00	2,000.00
Truck # 11 - 2010 Mack	5,000.00	14,025.50	5,000.00	5,000.00
Truck # 5 - 2011 Int'l	2,500.00	16,877.14	2,500.00	5,000.00
4th Class Roads	5,000.00	4,843.94	5,000.00	5,000.00
Equipment Rental	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	1,500.00
PACIF - Property/Casualty	17,178.00	16,584.00	17,179.39	17,968.00
Green-up Day Expense	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
Total HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	156,478.00	144,920.77	155,479.39	137,568.00
HIGHWAY RESERVE ACCOUNTS				
Equipment Reserve	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Build/Grounds Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Paving/Resurf Reserve	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00
Road Rehab Reserve Fundin	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Total HIGHWAY RESERVE ACCO	235,000.00	235,000.00	235,000.00	235,000.00
HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
Salaries - Hourly	203,160.00	196,130.83	203,160.00	206,065.00
Salaries - Overtime	50,000.00	46,769.05	50,000.00	50,000.00
Salaries - Flood	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Work Attire	3,000.00	9,229.49	6,000.00	9,000.00
Health Insurance	15,759.12	15,690.26	16,482.24	27,069.12
HRA	5,000.00	1,796.50	5,000.00	7,950.00
Retirement	13,924.00	13,915.49	14,000.00	14,100.00
Ins Opt Out	11,819.34	10,653.04	12,631.68	9,024.00
FICA/Medicare	19,900.00	19,415.47	19,900.00	19,590.00
Unemployment Insurance	2,500.00	1,298.52	2,500.00	2,500.00
Worker's Comp	18,600.00	8,942.94	21,000.00	23,837.00
Training	0.00	95.00	0.00	0.00
Training/Seminars	1,000.00	300.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
CDL Reimbursement	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Highway Mileage	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Total HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE BEN	348,162.46	324,236.59	352,173.92	370,635.12

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Highway

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY-2017 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT				
Total CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GARAGE				
Garage Fuel Oil	6,000.00	8,305.35	5,000.00	5,000.00
Garage Electricity	2,500.00	1,987.47	2,500.00	2,500.00
Garage Telephone	500.00	424.42	600.00	600.00
Garage Water/Sewer	1,300.00	1,670.75	1,500.00	1,500.00
Garage Tool/Equipment	2,000.00	355.79	2,000.00	2,000.00
Garage Maintenance	1,500.00	1,827.96	1,500.00	1,500.00
Drains/Sewer gas Pumps	1,000.00	325.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total GARAGE	14,800.00	14,896.74	14,100.00	14,100.00
Total Expenditures	952,340.46	900,238.05	954,953.31	974,703.12
Total Highway	0.00	67,710.51	0.00	0.00
Total All Funds	0.00	67,710.51	0.00	0.00

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Comparative Budget Report
Sewer

Account	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget
	FY - 2017	FY-2017 Pd:12	FY - 2018	FY - 2019
SEWER REVENUE				
Current Sewer Tax	137,860.00	161,940.19	140,270.00	180,010.00
Sewer Installation	0.00	997,171.31	0.00	0.00
Sewer Permits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unanticipated Income	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00
Delinquent Sewer Interest	0.00	1,458.81	0.00	0.00
Delinquent Sewer Penalty	0.00	3,199.38	0.00	0.00
Total SEWER REVENUE	137,860.00	1,163,769.79	140,270.00	180,010.00
Total Revenues	137,860.00	1,163,769.79	140,270.00	180,010.00
Expenditures				
Propane	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	14,000.00	17,987.98	14,000.00	15,000.00
Telephone	750.00	848.09	750.00	1,740.00
Water Charges	210.00	100.00	210.00	210.00
Office Supplies	100.00	28.08	100.00	100.00
Treatment Chemicals	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Repairs	6,000.00	1,753.75	6,000.00	6,000.00
Simon Operation Service	48,900.00	48,539.32	52,710.00	52,710.00
Contracted Services	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Barre Town Sewer Fees	19,600.00	17,538.00	19,600.00	19,600.00
Sewer Administration	3,800.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Operation Expense	500.00	514.00	500.00	500.00
Depreciation expense	0.00	5,795.04	0.00	0.00
Collection Systems Main	8,000.00	4,711.57	5,000.00	5,000.00
Permits/Testing	500.00	100.00	500.00	500.00
Property/Casualty	3,000.00	3,272.00	4,600.00	3,682.00
Capital Improvements	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
New Equipment	5,000.00	574.49	5,000.00	5,000.00
System Flush/Inspect Rese	4,000.00	4,951.97	4,000.00	4,000.00
Sludge removal Reserve	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
USDA SEWER PRINCIPAL LOAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,613.18
USDA SEWER LOAN INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,054.82
Total Expenditures	137,860.00	106,714.29	140,270.00	180,010.00
Total Sewer	0.00	1,057,055.50	0.00	0.00
Total All Funds	0.00	1,057,055.50	0.00	0.00

Town of Williamstown General Ledger
Comparative Budget Report
Water

Account	Budget FY - 2017	Actual FY-2017 Pd:12	Budget FY - 2018	Budget FY - 2019
WATER REVENUE				
Current Water Tax	154,300.00	162,161.27	160,210.00	159,269.00
Delinquent Water Interest	0.00	866.40	0.00	0.00
Delinquent Water Penalty	0.00	2,944.05	0.00	0.00
Bond Refi Credit	0.00	358.05	0.00	0.00
Total WATER REVENUE	154,300.00	166,329.77	160,210.00	159,269.00
Total Revenues	154,300.00	166,329.77	160,210.00	159,269.00
WATER				
Electricity	24,000.00	22,877.64	24,000.00	24,000.00
Telephone	450.00	362.43	650.00	650.00
Supplies	3,250.00	1,869.38	3,250.00	3,250.00
Repairs	10,000.00	5,643.62	10,000.00	10,000.00
Simon Operations Service	48,900.00	50,353.68	52,710.00	52,710.00
Water Administration	3,800.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Depreciation Expense	0.00	27,987.90	0.00	0.00
Distribution Mains	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Testing	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Permits	2,000.00	2,308.89	3,000.00	3,000.00
Property Insurance	1,800.00	1,852.00	2,700.00	1,759.00
Principal on Loans Bonds	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Interest on Loans	1,000.00	1,905.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Graniteville Rd Bond Prin	21,500.00	0.00	21,500.00	21,500.00
Graniteville Rd Bond Int	5,100.00	152.33	5,100.00	5,100.00
Water Meter Replacement	5,000.00	1,186.12	5,000.00	5,000.00
Hydrant Repacement	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Pressure Red valve maint	1,000.00	311.14	1,000.00	1,000.00
Water Tank Clean/Inspect	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total WATER	154,300.00	116,810.13	160,210.00	159,269.00
Total Expenditures	154,300.00	116,810.13	160,210.00	159,269.00
Total Water	0.00	49,519.64	0.00	0.00
Total All Funds	0.00	49,519.64	0.00	0.00

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WILLIAMSTOWN, REPORT
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL OFFICERS
FOR YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2017

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Graduating Class of 2017

Jason B. Ball	Eric Matthew Hulbert
Brieonna M. Bassette	Gregory Jenkins
Connor Yevgeni Bell	Destiny Janette Keene
Cannon F. Blanchard	Hayden Lafond
Jared M. Blanchard	Michael R. Lamberton
Benjamin B. Bristow	Zachery Lamson
Brandon M. Butler	Taylor Rose LaRocque
Safija Cajic	Kaelob Richard Scott LaShomb
Aurora Carminati-King	Journi Ann Parker LeClair
Brandon Bishop Carrier	Kyle L. MacAskill
McKenzie Alicia Collins	Haleigh May Molinario
Keana Leslie Marie Cote	Justin A. Morande
Brandon Covey	Melynda Newton
Lauren Michelle Covey	Emily Ann Noelk
Moriah Kaye Covey	Caroline Ingrid Perry
Jayme Rae Ducharme	Eathan Pike
Jared J. Dwinell	Mikaya Rose Potvin
Cameron P. Flinn	Mariah J. Powers
Tennile Marie Flores	Bryce T. Quintin
Jacob William Florucci	Jordan R. Rouleau
Samuel Michael Gallitano	Meghan Lena Sanborn
Caleb D. Hallstrom	Brittaney Grace Townsend
Kylie Helfant	Michael David Trevino
Matthew G. Henderson	Madison R. Varano
Desiree Alita Herring	Jedidiah Whitcomb

**2018 Annual School District Warning
Central Vermont Unified Union School District
Williamstown, Vermont**

The legal voters of the Town of Williamstown are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Williamstown Middle High School on Tuesday March 6, 2018 at ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00am) to act upon the following articles. Voting for all Australian Ballot articles and elections will be held on Tuesday March 6, 2018 from ten o'clock in the forenoon to seven o'clock in the evening (10:00am - 7:00 pm).

- Article I To elect the following officers of the Central Vermont Unified Union School District for the ensuing year by Australian Ballot: Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer
For the purpose of this article, the polls will be opened at 10:00 o'clock a.m. and closed at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

- Article II To see if the Unified Union School District will authorize the Board of Directors of the Central Vermont Unified Union School District to borrow money on the notes of the Town School District or otherwise, in anticipation of taxes, by Australian ballot.

- Article III To vote by Australian Ballot on the following :
Shall the voters of the Unified Union District approve the Central Vermont Unified Union School District School board to expend \$17,352,047 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year for Central Vermont Unified Union School District. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$14,774.41 per equalized pupil. As this is the first year of operations for the new school district, the projected spending per equalized pupil cannot be compared to a prior year, as it does not exist.

- Article IV To see if the Unified Union School District will vote to allow the Central Vermont Unified Union School District to borrow up to \$75,000 for the purchase of a new generator for the Williamstown Elementary School, by Australian ballot.

- Article V To see if the Unified Union School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000, to create, and be placed in a Central Vermont Unified Union School District Capital Improvement Fund, by Australian ballot.

- Article VI To transact any other business that may properly come before this meeting.

Dated this 25th day of January, 2018.

Central Vermont Unified Union School District Directors

Peter Evans	Amanda Mills-Brown
Rama Schneider	Marie Abare
Mike Bailey	Christine Motyka
Horace Duke	Justin Wrigley
	Sophia Bennett

**Superintendent's Report
Town Meeting Day
March 6, 2018**

On behalf of the Orange North Supervisory Union, I respectfully submit my ninth annual report to the residents of the Orange, Washington and Williamstown School Districts.

At this time last year, I updated you on my work to bring a more "systemic and systematic approach" to the work of the supervisory union and to continue to nurture and support the spirit of collaboration that has developed among the three school districts as a means to increase opportunities for our students and to share resources. I was and continue to be proud of what we have accomplished with our multi-tiered system of supports (MTSS), our continual searching for ways to increase our fiscal efficiency, and our improvement in the quality of instruction we provide our students. Several teams from schools across Vermont have visited us in the past two years to study our systems in hopes of returning to their schools to replicate some of our practices. Members of the administrative team have presented at conferences in and out of state about the work we are doing across the supervisory union.

Last year, I also wrote about Act 46 and the Northfield/Williamstown and Orange/Washington 706 Study Committees that were preparing Articles of Agreement and reports to be submitted to the Vermont State Board of Education for approval. The documents were subsequently approved and merger votes in all four communities were held on May 2, 2017. All four communities voted in favor of reducing the four school districts into two and forming a new bond in the way of a supervisory union that now includes Northfield.

When the communities approved the merger plans, the State Board of Education assigned the two new school districts (Central Vermont Unified Union School District serving the Towns of Northfield and Williamstown and Orange Washington Unified Union School District serving the Towns of Orange and Washington) temporarily to the ONSU for "administrative and other transitional assistance". My central office team and I, with the help of the Washington South Supervisory Union administrative team and the school boards, have developed budgets for the new school districts and the new supervisory union. We are also in the midst of developing policy for board consideration and negotiating new supervisory union -wide master agreements for the teachers and the support staff. Scott Lang, Principal of Williamstown Middle High School and Wayne Howe, Principal of Northfield Elementary School are both retiring, and we are in the process of finding high quality candidates for these positions. In the meantime, the four local outgoing boards – Northfield, Williamstown, Orange and Washington – are working with me and Laurie Gossens, Superintendent of Washington South SU, to manage the current school year and prepare for a successful transition to next school year.

Throughout my nine years as superintendent of the Orange North Supervisory Union, I have been continually impressed with the level of commitment you have demonstrated to the youth of our communities. I truly believe that the decision to join forces and combine resources to increase opportunities for students was a good one and I am both honored and excited to assist in making the hopes and dreams of the communities for their schools, a reality.

This will be my final report to members of the Orange North Supervisory Union. Next year I will be privileged to report on behalf of the new Central Vermont Supervisory Union serving the Towns of Northfield, Orange, Washington and Williamstown.

Respectfully submitted,
Susette L. Bollard
Superintendent of Schools
Serving the Towns of Orange, Washington and Williamstown

Williamstown Schools Town Report - January, 2018

We continue to take steps in creating a truly cohesive and unified PreK-12 educational program. Therefore, we will once again deliver a PreK-12 Williamstown Schools report. We are proud to be one school with two campuses, and very excited by the increased opportunities that will be afforded to our students with the newly created Central Vermont Unified Union School District (CVUUSD). To this end, we are currently in the process of merging our Williamstown Middle High School (WMHS) and Northfield Middle High School (NMHS) graduation proficiencies in order to increase flexibility for our students, and encourage the sharing of students and staff between the two middle high school campuses. To be clear, this union is all about increasing opportunities, allowing for increased choice, and maximizing our capacity to serve the young people of Northfield and Williamstown. The Blue Devils will continue to live on, and we will continue to operate as a PreK-12 education system.

Our work continues to be focused on Personalized Learning Plans and Proficiency Based Graduation Requirements. Therefore, we have worked with our colleagues from the other member schools of the Orange North Supervisory Union (ONSU) to develop performance scales for all of the performance indicators in Math, English Language Arts, Science, Global Studies, Visual and Performing Arts, Physical Education, and Health/Wellness. This work was critical in allowing us to clearly define proficiency across the grades and content areas. To this end, we developed a revised reporting mechanism of student proficiency across the three elementary schools of the ONSU. In place of the traditional report card, students now receive a Graduation Proficiency Profile that is aligned to the graduation requirements of the ONSU. Teachers, parents, and students met during conferences in December to discuss these changes, and to begin the development of a deeper understanding of developmental proficiency and a clearly articulated path toward receiving a WMHS diploma.

After preparing for eighteen months the Northern Campus (WMHS) completely revised their schedule and delivery method prior to the start of the 17-18 school year. Focusing on "Proficiencies," middle and high school students now each choose six seminars per trimester, each approximately eleven weeks long, to build a portfolio of evidence which demonstrates that they are moving toward achieving graduation. Failure is no longer part of our vocabulary in recognition that students learn at different rates and in different areas of strength. This displaces the Carnegie Unit or credits, which have been the benchmark in high schools for over a hundred years, but which do not serve to demonstrate what students know and are able to do. The daily schedule allows for three days a week of hour long seminars, and two days of ninety minute blocks which allow students to focus on data trials, observations, outside of the building activities, and extra coaching. At the end of each seminar, there is an intersession that allows students who need a little more time to demonstrate proficiency to do so, and for students who want to study something more in depth to have the opportunity to do so. All of this is supported by an extension of highly successful middle school advisories into the high school. Now every student at WMHS has an adult who will be their advisor right through to graduation. This fall a film crew sponsored by the Vermont Agency of Education came to document this change and the successes and challenges it has presented. That video will be posted on the AOE website and on *YouTube* in late January.

Achievement can be measured and communicated in several different ways, one of which, is graduation rate and the percentage of students that leave the WMHS to pursue either four year, two year, or technical training/certification. We are proud that the percentage of students graduating in four years has now risen from 65% in 2011 to 90% in 2017, among the highest rates in rural Vermont schools, and above the national average. The percentage of students going on to post secondary learning has increased by nearly the same margin. We are also measured by both national and state standardized assessments, and we continue to demonstrate growth and celebrate above (VT State) average results in all three content areas measured (Math, English Language Arts, and Science). Over the past year, we have realized steady gains in achievement throughout the cohorts assessed in grades 3-11, and have once again been significantly above the state average in grade 11 New England Common Assessment Program Science testing. These celebrations are occurring due to the diligence that has been placed on creating a truly functional Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

Our Multi-Tiered System of Supports is centered on first ensuring that all students receive the most appropriate, data informed differentiated instruction (universally), and that this instruction is provided by a content area specialist at all grade levels. This means all students at W.E.S. in grades 1 through 5 receive a minimum of ninety minutes of Humanities, sixty minutes of Math, and sixty minutes of Science taught by a content area specialist. If students aren't meeting our expectations for proficiency as measured by the universal assessment system, it results in a collaborative problem solving process to identify specific instructional/achievement gaps so that appropriate interventions can be put into place (targeted/intensive instruction). These interventions are progress monitored to make certain that the appropriate rate of growth is achieved, resulting in the narrowing of the achievement gap and the demonstration of proficiency. If the appropriate rate of growth isn't realized, it results in further evaluation, problem solving, and changes to intervention/instruction until the appropriate growth rate is accomplished. This process continues to result in a significant reduction in special education referrals, and increases in student achievement. The system has also been developed to make certain that we are providing enrichment opportunities throughout the grades, so that all students are appropriately supported in reaching their greatest potential. The other critical component of the multi-tiered system focuses on supporting the social and emotional needs of our students through partnerships with Washington County Mental Health, the Healthy Youth Program in Montpelier, and private therapists who see students at school, minimizing the amount of class time that is lost. The PreK - 12 Social Emotional Team which includes principals, coordinators of student support, our school-home social worker, nurses and appropriate adults who work with specific students, meets monthly and has begun to include representatives from the Department of Children and Families, Orange County Sheriff Department, Orange County State's Attorney and Washington County Mental Health. Bringing all of these resources to the table at once allows all of the agencies involved to be more effective and efficient. This was made possible through the efforts of Ed Nasta (ONSU) and Michele Blanchard, school - home coordinator.

We were struck by tragedy last spring when we lost one of our own to cancer. Jenny Earls was the ultimate Blue Devil and she is certainly missed by the entire Blue Devil Family. Jenny's enthusiasm, dedication, and commitment to the Williamstown Schools will never be forgotten. It is always difficult to lose members of our team.

At the conclusion of the 16-17 school year, we had six vacancies to fill between the two campuses. After completing several thorough hiring processes, we were able to fill the vacancies with very passionate and highly qualified educators. Tara Jesmonth joined the southern campus as grades 3-5 science teacher/interventionist. We also welcomed an entirely new music department (PreK-12) with the hiring of Molly Moroney and Andy Johnson. Tori Vargas joined our physical education team and Brian Wightman has joined our alternative programming team which has brought back several students who previously had been placed outside of the district, into their community school. The Northern Campus welcomed Dorothy Higgin who is working with middle and high school students on developing personalized learning plans that are effective and useful tools. These new staff members all have their own unique backgrounds and skill sets related to their teaching positions, but they also share a common enthusiasm for their work, a dedication to student achievement/learning and a commitment to our vision of interdependence.

Principal Scott Lang announced his retirement to the Williamstown School Board in November, effective June 30, 2018 after seven years of leading the Northern Campus. A search is underway by the new CVUUSD to find a replacement and the process should be substantially complete by Town Meeting.

In closing, we would like to thank the ONSU central office staff who are extremely supportive of all our efforts, our dedicated school board, our talented staff who work tirelessly to provide both a safe/welcoming environment and high quality instruction for all of our students, and to the Williamstown community who take their role in the education of our students very seriously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Kinnarney and Scott Lang
Principals

**FY 19 Central Vermont Unified Union School District
Budget Proposal Highlights**

The Central Vermont Unified Union School District (CVUUSD) FY 19 budget proposal totals \$17,352,047. This is the first budget of the new school district (CVUUSD) that serves students, their families and the communities of Northfield and Williamstown. Because this is the first budget for the new entity, it is difficult to compare it to previous budgets. However, the combined cost of supporting both the Northfield School District and Williamstown School District in FY18 was \$17,605,932. Each of the soon-to-be-dissolved school districts had different approaches to their budgets based in part on collective bargaining agreements made between the WSSU (Northfield) and the ONSU (Williamstown) and their respective faculties and staffs. Despite that, the new Central Vermont Unified Union School District is realizing savings in their FY19 budget proposals while increasing opportunities for students.

The decrease in the CVUUSD FY 19 budget proposal is primarily attributed to reduction and reallocation of some funds.

- Reduced the need for 4.4 FTE building administrators to 4.0 FTE
- Reorganized the Guidance department at the campuses in Northfield to allow for more support to families in need
- Reduced core teaching staff by 2.0 FTE – one at the elementary level and one at the middle high school level
- Reduced 1.0 FTE Family and Consumer Science position through attrition (retirement)
- Reduced .40 FTE Educational Technology position through attrition (retirement)

As a result, we were able to maintain or expand the following opportunities

- Commit \$50,000 to alternative ways to offer Family and Consumer Science and Educational Technology curricula
- Increase the art offerings by adding .20 FTE art teacher
- Add a middle level outdoor education program (.50 FTE)
- Provide administrative, student and family support by creating two PreK-12 Coordinators of Student Affairs positions
- Outfit classrooms to accommodate in-time sharing of courses for students at the high school level
- Increase health offerings by adding .20 FTE Health teacher and shifting the instructional focus to grades 5 through 12
- Increase PBIS Analysts to 4.0 FTE/ partnership with Washington County Mental Health to provide family and mental health support; one for each school

Copies of the detailed FY19 CVUUSD Budget can be viewed online at
www.onsu.org or www.wssu.org or by calling business manager Chris Locarno at
ONSU 433-5818 or WSSU 485-5805

January 25, 2018

Central Vermont Unified Union School District
Serving the Towns of Northfield and Williamstown
Appendix – FY19 Budget

This budget represents the costs associated with providing regular education services to the new Central Vermont Unified Union School District with campuses in both Northfield and Williamstown. Special Education, transportation and food service costs can be found in the CVSU budget. "General Elementary Education (grades PreK – 5)" refers to both the Northfield and Williamstown campuses. The phrase "Middle and High School" refers to grades 6 through 12 in both the Northfield and Williamstown campuses.

1. **Family and Consumer Science/ Tech Education:** These line items represent a commitment of the part of the CVUUSD Board to provide students quality opportunities in these curricular areas in less traditional and more innovative ways.
2. **Humanities:** This line item combines the cost of both English/ Language Arts and Social Studies Teachers.
3. **Nurse – Middle and High School:** This cost was moved to the CVSU budget.
4. **Students Support Services (grade: PreK – 12):** This line item represents student support services that are not associated with special education including, but not limited to, guidance, athletic director, and PBIS analysts.
5. **Outdoor Education Program:** This represents half of a full-time position to be shared with the Orange/ Washington Unified Union School District to offer outdoor education programming for middle school students.
6. **Principal's Office:** This line item represents the cost of four full-time principals and building level administrative assistants, as well as office supplies, postage, etc.
7. **Technology:** This cost refers to infrastructure upgrades and the costs related to student devices.
8. **School Board:** This line item includes legal fees, a portion of our liability insurance, advertising for new hires and dues/fees.
9. **Fiscal Services – R.A.N. Interest:** FY 19 begins on July 1, 2018 but revenue associated with taxes is not available until December. Each year the school district borrows a sum of money in anticipation of tax collection in November to cover operational expenses.
10. **Operations & Maintenance:** The significant increase in this line item is caused by moving the cost of the custodial and maintenance staff assigned to the Northfield campuses from the supervisory union budget to the CVUUSD budget.
11. **Debt Service:** This line item represents the total FY 19 payment obligation for past projects and property acquisitions in both Northfield and Williamstown.

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Central Vermont Unified Union School District
Budgeted Revenues Summary
FY19 (2018 - 2019)

Revenues (Local and Categorical Grants):	COMBINED FY18 (2017 - 2018) Budget	FY19 (2018- 2019) Proposed Budget	Dollar-\$ Increase	Percent-% Increase
Fund Balance - Prior Year	\$ 155,000	\$ 150,000	\$ (5,000)	-3.23%
Secondary Tuition	\$ 319,000	\$ 323,400	\$ 4,400	1.38%
Driver Education Reimbursement	\$ 5,350	\$ 5,350	\$ -	0.00%
Transportation Aid	\$ 258,560	\$ 258,560	\$ -	0.00%
Vocational Transportation	\$ 67,700	\$ 67,375	\$ (325)	-0.48%
Interest Income	\$ 53,000	\$ 53,000	\$ -	0.00%
Rental Income	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	0.00%
Misc. Income	\$ 13,500	\$ 13,500	\$ -	0.00%
Act 68 Revenues:				
Education Spending Revenue	\$ 16,051,686	\$ 15,889,523	\$ (162,163)	-1.01%
Tech Center On Behalf (FY19 - 42.57 FTE)	\$ 372,637	\$ 364,697	\$ (7,940)	-2.13%
Special Education Reimbursements				
Mainstream Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Special Education Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Special Education - Extraordinary Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
State Placed Student Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Essential Early Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 17,308,433	\$ 17,137,405	\$ (171,028)	-1.64%
Special Revenue Funds - CFG/Grants - Northfield	\$ 155,139	\$ -	\$ (155,139)	-100.00%
Special Revenue Funds - CFG/Grants - Williamstown	\$ 142,360	\$ -	\$ (142,360)	-100.00%
Special Revenue Funds - CFG/Grants - CVUUSD	\$ -	\$ 214,642	\$ 214,642	100.00%
Total CVUUSD School District Budgeted Revenues:	\$ 17,605,932	\$ 17,352,047	\$ (253,885)	-1.44%

All Special Education Revenue goes to SU Effective July 1, 2017 (FY18 School year)

Central Vermont Unified Union School District Budgeted Expenditures Summary 2018 - 2019 (FY19)

REGULAR INSTRUCTION CENTRAL VERMONT UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT PREK - GRADE 12	FY18 Budgeted Williamstown and Northfield Combined:	FY19 Proposed CVUUSD Expenditures Summary	\$ Variance	%	Appendix#
General Elementary Education (Grades Prek - 5)	\$ 2,371,091	\$ 2,351,284	\$ (19,807)	-0.84%	
Art - (Grades: Prek - 12)	\$ 288,510	\$ 314,105	\$ 25,595	8.87%	
Global Studies / Foreign Language Middle and High School	\$ 147,099	\$ 153,676	\$ 6,577	4.47%	
Health & Physical Education - (Grades: Prek - 12)	\$ 631,994	\$ 645,034	\$ 13,040	2.06%	
Family Consumer Science - Middle and High School	\$ 101,044	\$ 25,000	\$ (76,044)	-75.26%	1
Tech Education - Middle and High School	\$ 36,943	\$ 25,000	\$ (11,943)	-32.33%	1
Math - Middle and High School	\$ 496,624	\$ 500,892	\$ 4,268	0.86%	
Music - (Grades: Prek - 12)	\$ 309,159	\$ 370,520	\$ 61,361	19.85%	
Science - Middle and High School	\$ 556,260	\$ 572,968	\$ 16,708	3.00%	
Humanities - Middle and High School	\$ 831,287	\$ 985,835	\$ 154,548	18.59%	2
General Education Middle School: Northfield Campus	\$ 532,235	\$ 554,091	\$ 21,856	4.11%	
General Education Middle and High School: Substitutes and Retirees	\$ 300,237	\$ 299,208	\$ (1,029)	-0.34%	
Alternative High School Programming (STAR)	\$ 80,467	\$ 85,110	\$ 4,643	5.77%	
Drivers Education	\$ 116,323	\$ 67,226	\$ (49,097)	-42.21%	
Co-Curricular & Athletics	\$ 417,453	\$ 385,039	\$ (32,414)	-7.76%	
Nurse - Middle and High School	\$ 87,122	\$ -	\$ (87,122)	-100.00%	3
Library - Middle and High School	\$ 353,366	\$ 357,353	\$ 3,987	1.13%	
Student Support Services (Grade: Prek - 12)	\$ 715,849	\$ 1,078,816	\$ 362,967	50.70%	4
Outdoor Education Program	\$ -	\$ 33,637	\$ 33,637	100.00%	5
Principal's Office - (Grade: Prek - Grade 12)	\$ 833,410	\$ 965,001	\$ 131,591	15.79%	6

Central Vermont Unified Union School District Budgeted Expenditures Summary 2018 - 2019 (FY19)

GENERAL EDUCATION CENTRAL VERMONT UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT	FY18 Budgeted Williamstown and Northfield Combined:	FY19 Proposed CVUUSD Expenditures Summary	\$ Variance	%	Appendix#
Professional Development	\$ 115,000	\$ 117,750	\$ 2,750	2.39%	
Technology	\$ 254,576	\$ 281,557	\$ 26,981	10.60%	7
Vocational Education Tuition to Tech Centers	\$ 674,079	\$ 637,289	\$ (36,790)	-5.46%	
School Board	\$ 148,904	\$ 78,722	\$ (70,182)	-47.13%	8
Fiscal Services - R.A.N Interest	\$ 18,750	\$ 37,050	\$ 18,300	97.60%	9
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 1,320,099	\$ 1,736,743	\$ 416,644	31.56%	10
Transportation - Co - Curricular	\$ 36,000	\$ -	\$ (36,000)	-100.00%	
Debt Service	\$ 518,936	\$ 511,642	\$ (7,294)	-1.41%	11
CENTRAL VERMONT SUPERVISORY UNION #068					
ASSESSMENT					
UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT					
Personnel	\$ 2,014,233	\$ -	\$ (2,014,233)	-100.00%	
Special Education	\$ 2,407,399	\$ -	\$ (2,407,399)	-100.00%	
Transportation	\$ 352,382	\$ -	\$ (352,382)	-100.00%	
Nursing	\$ 72,211	\$ -	\$ (72,211)	-100.00%	
CVSU Assessment	\$ -	\$ 3,854,492	\$ 3,854,492	100.00%	

Central Vermont Unified Union School District Budgeted Expenditures Summary 2018 - 2019 (FY19)

Transfer to Food Service	\$ 84,391		\$ 112,365	\$ 27,974			33.15%
Other Transfers	\$ 85,000		\$ -	\$ (85,000)			-100.00%
Sub Total							
<i>General Fund and Transfers</i>	\$ 17,308,433		\$ 17,137,405	\$ (4,025,520)			-23.26%
Expenses associated with Special Revenue Funds, Federal Grants							
	\$ 297,499		\$ 214,642	\$ (82,857)			-27.85%
Total Central Vermont Unified Union School District Grades Prek - 12 Expenditures Budget:							
	\$ 17,605,932		\$ 17,352,047	\$ (253,885)			-1.44%
		<i>FY18 Budgeted Williamstown and Northfield Combined:</i>	<i>FY19 Proposed CVUUSD Expenditures Summary</i>	\$ Variance			%

District: Central Vermont USD		Property dollar equivalent yield	Homestead tax rate per \$5,000 of appraised per equalized pupil	
County: Orange		9,842	1.00	
		11,862	Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income	
		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
1.	Adopted or warned union district budget (including special programs and full technical center expenditures)			\$17,352,047
2.	Sum of separately warned articles passed at union district meeting			
3.	Adopted or warned union district budget plus articles			\$17,352,047
4.	Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any			
5.	Prior year deficit repayment of deficit			
6.	Total Union Budget			\$17,352,047
7.	S.U. assessment (included in union budget) - informational data			\$3,854,492
8.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in union expenditure budget) - informational data			
Revenues				
9.	Union revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, federal, etc.)			\$1,097,827
10.	Total offsetting union revenues			\$1,097,827
Education Spending				
11.	Education Spending			\$16,254,220
12.	Central Vermont USD equalized pupils			1,100.38
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil				
13.	Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil			\$14,771.46
14.	Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per eqpup)			
15.	Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per eqpup)			
16.	Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)			
17.	Estimated costs of new students after census period (per eqpup)			
18.	Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)			
19.	Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)			
20.	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per eqpup)			
21.	Excess spending threshold	Available growth	Unmet need = \$17,318	Unmet need = \$17,816
22.	Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)		\$17,386.00	\$17,816.00
23.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate			\$14,771.46
24.	Union spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)			150.086%
25.	Anticipated equalized union homestead tax rate to be prorated (\$14,771.46 + (\$9,842.00 / \$1,000))			\$1.5009
Prorated homestead union tax rates for members of Central Vermont USD				
		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
T142	Northfield	-	-	\$ 1.5009 100.00%
T243	Williamstown	-	-	\$ 1.5009 100.00%
	Tax Rate Reduction Incentive - Year 1 of 4 (\$9.08)	-	-	\$ (0.0800)
T142	Northfield	-	-	\$ 1.4209 93.36%
T243	Williamstown	-	-	\$ 1.4209 100.00%
	Tax Rate Max Reduction Per Act 46 - 5% Less than Prior Year Education Tax Rate			
	Anticipated district homestead tax rate (prior to CIA Adjustment)			
T142	Northfield - Yes 5% Cap DOES Apply	\$ 1.5242	\$ 1.4480	100.00%
T243	Williamstown - No 5% Cap DOES NOT Apply	\$ 1.4596	\$ 1.4209	100.00%
	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) - Northfield		89.77%	99.06%
	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) - Williamstown		89.31%	89.10%
	Portion of actual district homestead tax rate to be assessed by town - Tax Rate Divided by CLA			
	Northfield (\$1.448 / 99.06%)	\$ 1.5280	\$ 1.4617	
	Williamstown (\$1.4209 / 89.10%)	\$ 1.6340	\$ 1.5947	
27.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated from Central Vermont USD ((\$14,771.46 + \$11,862) x 2.00%)	0.00%	0.00%	2.49%
Prorated union income cap percentage for members of Central Vermont USD				
		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
T142	Northfield	-	-	2.49% 100.00%
T243	Williamstown	-	-	2.49% 100.00%

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,842 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,862 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.629. Now and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.
 - Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
 - The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

The Williamstown School District was audited for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The School District will no longer be printing the entire audit in the town report. Copies of the full audit are available:

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**FY 19 Central Vermont Supervisory Union
Budget Proposal Highlights**

The Central Vermont Supervisory Union FY 19 budget proposal totals \$8,398,210. This is the first budget of the new supervisory union (SU) that serves the *Central Vermont Unified Union School District (Northfield and Williamstown)* and the *Orange/Washington Unified Union School District (Orange and Washington)*. Because this is the first budget for the new entity, it is difficult to compare it to previous budgets. However, the combined cost of supporting both the Washington South (WSSU) and Orange North (ONSU) Supervisory Unions in FY18 was \$9,826,032. Each of the soon-to-be-dissolved supervisory unions had different approaches to their SU budgets based in part on collective bargaining agreements made between the WSSU and the ONSU and their respective faculties and staffs. In spite of that, both new school districts and the CVSU are realizing significant savings in their FY19 budget proposals while increasing opportunities for students.

The decrease in the CVSU FY 19 budget proposal is primarily attributed to

- A reduction of 1.4 FTE Superintendents and .60 FTE Assistant Superintendent to 1.0 FTE Superintendent,
- Reduction in staff and reorganization of special education services, and
- Moving the Operations and Maintenance line item to the school district budgets,

Increases in expenses include

- Faculty and staff salaries and benefits,
- Moving the cost of two school nurses to the supervisory union budget and out of the school district budget, and
- Adding the cost of a Community Outreach Liaison to assist both school districts in placing students in community-based educational opportunities.

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Central Vermont Supervisory Union
Serving the Towns of Northfield, Williamstown, Washington and Orange
Appendix – FY19 Budget

This budget represents the cost associated with the supervisory union offices and the services and resources they provide to the individual school districts. School districts cover their portion of these expenses based on the equalized pupil count for each district. The equalized pupil count is a two-year weighted average of PreSchool through grade 12 students in each district. For FY 19 Orange Washington Unified Union School District will contribute 20.993% of the cost associated with CVSU and Central Vermont Unified Union School District will contribute 79.007%.

1. **Office of the Superintendent:** This line item represents the cost of one superintendent, an administrative assistant, legal fees, other dues and fees for the Central Vermont Supervisory Union and other costs associated with the function of the supervisory union.
2. **After School Program:** Northfield, Williamstown and Washington have successful after school programming supported in part by a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. These grants are awarded to the dissolving supervisory unions, so we must reapply as the new Central Vermont Supervisory Union. We are taking this opportunity to expand the programming to all six schools. This line item covers the administrative costs of the program.
3. **Nursing Health Services Department:** In order to provide more coordinated and effective nursing services, the nurses will no longer be employed by the individual school districts but rather by the supervisory union. We will continue to have nursing services in all the buildings as before, but they will work as a team for better coverage.
4. **Special Education Services:** This line item represents the cost of staff servicing special education students in all six schools.
5. **General Education:** This line item represents costs associated with support staff assigned to general education responsibilities including Kindergarten.
6. **Transportation Contracted Services:** This line item represents the cost associated with providing transportation to students in all four communities to and from school and the tech center. It does not include transportation for some special education students.
7. **Central Office:** This line item represents the costs associated with the CVSU office space and offices including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, telephones, equipment and dues.
8. **Salaries Expense:** This cost has been moved to individual department sections of the budget.
9. **Restricted Funds – EEE Funds:** These are expenses covered by grant monies provided by the State restricted to the employment of 1.8 FTE Essential Early Education Educators.
10. **Administrative Assistants:** This cost is not associated with CVSU expenses and was moved to the local school district budgets.

11. **Speech Language Services:** This cost was included in the Special Education Services portion of the budget.
12. **Operations and Maintenance:** This cost is not associated with CVSU expenses and was included in the local school district budgets.
13. **Community Outreach Liaison:** This line item represents the cost of an individual to assist staff and students in locating and arranging for community-based learning experiences that align with students' personal learning plans.

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Central Vermont Supervisory Union SU#068
Budgeted Expenditures Summary
FY19 (2018 - 2019)

Description	WSSU Budget	ONSU Budget	Combined ONSU /	PROPOSED	Proposed \$\$	Proposed %	Appendix #
	2017 - 2018	2017 - 2018	WSSU	BUDGET	Increase /	Increase / (Decrease)	
	(FY18)	(FY18)	(FY18)	FY19 (2018-2019)	(Decrease)		
Office of Superintendent	\$ 294,546	\$ 198,847	\$ 493,393	\$ 267,745	\$ (225,648)	-45.73%	1
Co-Director of School Transformation & Effectiveness (Curriculum)	\$ 49,900	\$ 125,647	\$ 175,547	\$ 117,689	\$ (57,858)	-32.96%	
Technology Department	\$ 328,639	\$ 198,674	\$ 527,313	\$ 542,502	\$ 15,139	2.87%	
Co-Director of School Transformation & Effectiveness (Special Education)	\$ 149,961	\$ 261,669	\$ 411,630	\$ 213,575	\$ (198,075)	-48.12%	
Fiscal Services Department	\$ 143,797	\$ 207,445	\$ 350,242	\$ 324,679	\$ (25,563)	-7.48%	
After School Program	\$ 32,622	\$ -	\$ 32,622	\$ 86,452	\$ 53,830	165.01%	2
Nursing Health Services Department	\$ -	\$ 216,092	\$ 216,092	\$ 384,330	\$ 168,238	77.85%	3
Special Education Services	\$ 2,307,879	\$ 2,630,481	\$ 4,938,360	\$ 4,479,241	\$ (459,119)	-9.30%	4
Counseling Services - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 35,500	\$ 35,500	\$ 35,500	\$ -	0.00%	
Psychological Services - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	0.00%	
Psychological Consulting - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500	\$ -	0.00%	
Speech Contracted Services - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 28,400	\$ 28,400	\$ 28,400	\$ -	0.00%	
OT/PT Services - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ -	0.00%	
Special Education Vision Services	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	0.00%	
Transportation Services - Special Education	\$ -	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500	\$ -	0.00%	
General Education	\$ 184,845	\$ 129,200	\$ 314,045	\$ 314,200	\$ 155	0.05%	5
Transportation Contracted Services	\$ 214,524	\$ 159,744	\$ 374,268	\$ 279,481	\$ (95,187)	-25.41%	6
Central Office	\$ 318,069	\$ 50,268	\$ 368,337	\$ 849,046	\$ 20,708	2.50%	7
Background Checks	\$ -	\$ 78,083	\$ 78,083	\$ 97,557	\$ 19,474	24.94%	
Salaries Expense	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	100.00%	
Restricted Funds - EEE Funds	\$ 2,000	\$ 18,596	\$ 20,596	\$ -	\$ (18,596)	-100.00%	8
Administrative Assistants	\$ 294,257	\$ 76,174	\$ 370,431	\$ 173,984	\$ (95,810)	-25.86%	9
Food Service	\$ 72,583	\$ -	\$ 72,583	\$ 294,257	\$ (210,333)	-28.01%	10
Speech Language Services	\$ 150,346	\$ -	\$ 150,346	\$ 52,250	\$ (98,096)	-65.25%	11
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 502,620	\$ -	\$ 502,620	\$ -	\$ (502,620)	-100.00%	12
Community Outreach Liaison	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,329	\$ 77,329	100.00%	13
Grant Funded Offsets: Subtract in "BUDGET":							
Title IIA (Curriculum Coordinator)	\$ -	\$ 42,000	\$ 42,000	\$ -	\$ 42,000	-100.00%	
IDEA-B (New Special Educator in FY18)	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -	\$ 60,000	-100.00%	
IDEA-B (Special Services Coordinator)	\$ -	\$ 37,000	\$ 37,000	\$ -	\$ 37,000	-100.00%	
IDEA-B (Special Services Admin Asst)	\$ -	\$ 26,337	\$ 26,337	\$ -	\$ 26,337	-100.00%	
Total Central Vermont Supervisory Union Budget SU#068	\$ 5,047,078	\$ 4,778,954	\$ 9,826,032	\$ 8,598,210	\$ (1,427,822)	-14.53%	

Central Vermont Supervisory Union #68
Budgeted Revenues Summary
FY19 (2018 - 2019)

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Local Assessments	WSSU Budget		ONSU Budget		Combined ONSU / WSSU		Proposed CUSU		2017-2018 (FY18)		2017-2018 (FY19)	
	FY2018	FY2019	FY2018	FY2019	FY2018	FY2019	FY2019	Dollar Variance	Percentage Variance	December 31st Enrolled Pupils	Assessment % Bad on Enroll.	Town
Orange	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 206,768	\$ -	\$ 206,768	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (208,768)	-100.00%	-	0.000%	Orange
Washington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,367	\$ -	\$ 165,367	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (165,367)	-100.00%	-	0.000%	Washington
Williamstown	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 644,231	\$ -	\$ 644,231	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (644,231)	-100.00%	-	0.000%	Williamstown
Roxbury	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 396,850	\$ -	\$ 396,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (396,850)	-100.00%	-	0.000%	Roxbury
Northfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,765,743	\$ -	\$ 2,765,743	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,765,743)	-100.00%	-	0.000%	Northfield
Orange / Washington (OVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,024,170)	-100.00%	292.38	20.9932%	Orange / Washington
Williamstown / Northfield (CVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,854,492)	-100.00%	1,100.38	73.007%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments	\$ 3,196,593	\$ 1,015,405	\$ 4,178,999	\$ -	\$ 4,178,999	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,878,662)	-100.00%	3,892.76	30.000%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments - Special Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	-	New Surplus 7/7/19
Orange	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 196,687	\$ -	\$ 196,687	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (196,687)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Washington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 183,672	\$ -	\$ 183,672	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (183,672)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Washington
Williamstown	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 879,269	\$ -	\$ 879,269	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (879,269)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Williamstown
Roxbury	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Roxbury
Northfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Northfield
Orange / Washington (OVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange / Washington
Williamstown / Northfield (CVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments - Special Ed	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,259,628	\$ -	\$ 1,259,628	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,259,628)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Orange	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,726	\$ -	\$ 17,726	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (17,726)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Washington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,235	\$ -	\$ 32,235	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (32,235)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Washington
Williamstown	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109,763	\$ -	\$ 109,763	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (109,763)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Williamstown
Roxbury	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Roxbury
Northfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Northfield
Orange / Washington (OVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange / Washington
Williamstown / Northfield (CVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments - Regular Ed	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159,744	\$ -	\$ 159,744	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (159,744)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Orange	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98,475	\$ -	\$ 98,475	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (98,475)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Washington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,411	\$ -	\$ 59,411	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (59,411)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Washington
Williamstown	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 352,382	\$ -	\$ 352,382	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (352,382)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Williamstown
Roxbury	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Roxbury
Northfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Northfield
Orange / Washington (OVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange / Washington
Williamstown / Northfield (CVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments - Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange
Orange	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 510,268	\$ -	\$ 510,268	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (510,268)	-100.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Washington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Washington
Williamstown	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Williamstown
Roxbury	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Roxbury
Northfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Northfield
Orange / Washington (OVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange / Washington
Williamstown / Northfield (CVUUSD)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Williamstown / Northfield
Total Local Assessments - State/Federal Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	0.00%	Orange
BPSDT - Admin Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Mainstream Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 281,649	\$ -	\$ 281,649	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
SEE Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,770	\$ -	\$ 55,770	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-53.32%	-	-53.32%	Orange
IDEA B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,404	\$ -	\$ 20,404	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-5.51%	-	-5.51%	Orange
IDEA B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	267.57%	-	267.57%	Orange
Special Education Reimbursement - Intermine	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,046,937	\$ -	\$ 1,046,937	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	-	100.00%	Orange
Special Education - Extra Ordinary Reimb. (SSOK)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,002	\$ -	\$ 61,002	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-63.66%	-	-63.66%	Orange
Special Education Reimbursement - SU Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 178,467	\$ -	\$ 178,467	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	8.82%	-	8.82%	Orange
IDEA B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 147,723	\$ -	\$ 147,723	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	38.77%	-	38.77%	Orange
Local State/Federal Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,662,397	\$ -	\$ 1,662,397	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (70,356)	-2.08%	-	-2.08%	Orange
Other Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	-	Orange
Surplus	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	-25.00%	-	-25.00%	Orange
Interest on Investments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
E-Rate	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,212	\$ -	\$ 45,212	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	7.65%	-	7.65%	Orange
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,500	\$ -	\$ 18,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-50.00%	-	-50.00%	Orange
After-school Program Admin Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	0.00%	Orange
Contracted Service Fees - WSSU	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-100.00%	-	-100.00%	Orange
Total Other Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 178,400	\$ -	\$ 178,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (132,285)	-74.51%	-	-74.51%	Orange
CUSU #68 Revenue Total:	\$ 5,047,078	\$ 4,778,953	\$ 9,826,031	\$ -	\$ 9,826,031	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,427,821)	-14.53%	-	-14.53%	Orange

Message from the Chair of the Central Vermont Unified Union School District

By Peter M. Evans

I would like to thank the residents of Northfield and Williamstown for your support in voting May 2, 2017 to approve the merger of our two school districts. After the vote to merge was certified by the Vermont Secretary of State, the newly elected board of the Central Vermont Unified Union School District met for the first time on August 31, 2017. Since then, we have been meeting twice each month on the first Monday in Northfield and the third Wednesday in Williamstown.

The nine members of the board, five from Northfield and four from Williamstown, wasted no time getting down to work. That work has included some organizational tasks such as establishing working norms, creating a mission and vision, and determining a meeting schedule. In addition, the new board has worked on several important tasks required by Act 46 that must be completed before becoming operational on July 1, 2018. Those tasks have included building a budget, negotiating single contracts for each of our unions, hiring a permanent superintendent and deciding on a name for our new district. In this first Town Meeting message to the citizens of our two communities, I would like to update you on our work so far and offer some insights into our work for the rest of this year and beyond.

With school boards, it's typical for one or two members to join a board at any given time as new members are elected and existing members leave. This allows the board to operate consistently from one year to the next. New members learn about how the board works, the ways it operates and have a chance to acclimate to their new role gradually and with guidance from veterans. When the new board members of the Central Vermont Unified Union School District came together for the first time, we quickly realized we did not have the benefit of an existing board culture, customs or way of working. To accomplish that, we established board norms that clearly state what we expect from each other and ourselves. The full version of our norms can be found on the schools' websites but include such things as arriving to meetings on time, limiting use of electronics during meetings and listening to other's perspective and point of view.

The Board felt it was essential to create a vision and mission statement for our new district that will serve as a roadmap as we move forward. To date we have engaged faculty, staff, students, administrators and community members in this important work, and while it is ongoing, we hope to have a draft to review with citizens in both communities soon.

Because of the amount of work to be accomplished during this first year, it was decided to use a sub-committee model to make use of the time between meetings. The sub-committees formed thus far are working on public outreach and communication, identifying a permanent name for the new district, creating a draft of our mission and vision statements, and a committee working on negotiations. Members of the committees provide updates at meetings and once their work is completed the committee will be dissolved and new committees will be formed.

Thanks to all the folks who have taken a few minutes to offer suggestions about a permanent name for our school district. We have received over 100 responses and will be narrowing the entries down to

three finalists in time for a final vote on Town Meeting Day. Look for a “Name Our School” table at Town Meeting and offer your vote to name our new district.

Much of the time spent during the fall and early winter has been devoted to building our first combined budget. Transition Superintendent, Susette Bollard and Business Manager, Chris Locarno have spent many hours with administrators and staff of all four schools since early in October to build a budget that will meet our goals for the 2018/2019 school year. Specific attention was placed on areas where duplication of services could be reduced and savings could be realized without impacting opportunities for students. For a detailed look at this first budget and what it includes and does not include, refer to Transition Superintendent Susette Bollard’s piece entitled, “FY 19 Central Vermont Unified Union School District Budget Proposal Highlights” included in this town report. The unanimous support of the Board provides evidence that we believe this budget accomplishes our goal of increasing opportunities for students at an affordable cost to taxpayers.

The Act 46 Committee that worked for a year to develop the plan for merging our two school districts provided the new board with many recommendations to consider as they move forward. The work to review all of the recommendations of the study committee will begin soon and will guide the Board as we determine the path our newly merged district will move in. There are many questions to ask, discussions to take place and decisions to arrive at. The most essential question is how can we share resources and opportunities that all four of our schools offer and allow students in both communities to take advantage of them? What new models of educational delivery will we need to consider to meet our students’ needs? Are there areas of inequities in opportunities for students within our districts that we will need to address? How can we maximize opportunities for all our students and continue to be good stewards of our resources? These and other questions will have to be asked as we begin the next phase of our new Board’s work. The answers will require an exchange of ideas, engaged discussion, and input from each member of our Board as well as from you. I hope you’ll stay engaged in the process, offer feedback along the way and let us know when you feel we have strayed away from the right path forward. Visit the Washington South Supervisory Union (www.wssu.org) or the Orange North Supervisory Union (www.onsu.org) websites for information, documents and to contact us with any feedback, comments or questions.

I know I speak for other board members when I say that the merger work to date has been both daunting and rewarding. Learning that we all care deeply about providing the best educational experience for our children has made the work this year that much easier and gratifying and serves as a source of motivation to keep moving forward.

Again, thank you for this chance to create an amazing school district that both of our communities can be proud of now and in the years to come.

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