

===== ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH =====

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020



ANNUAL MEETING AUGUST 30, 2021

PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT

BOARD OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES

The Trustees meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at 857 Elmore Street, Morrisville at 5:30 PM. These meetings are open to the public but subject to change. For information contact (802) 888-3348.

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For the year ending December 31, 2020

General Government
Electric, Water & Wastewater Services

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Brad Limoge	Term Expires 2021
Carl Fortune	Term Expires 2022
Tom Snipp	Term Expires 2023
Todd Deuso	Term Expires 2024
Bob Heaune	Term Expires 2025

Dedication

Morrisville Water & Light's 2020 annual report is dedicated to Craig Myotte, General Manager, and Ed Cote, First Class Lineman, who both retired in 2020 and coincidentally share the same birthday (May 24). It seems fitting they share this dedication as well.



Craig Myotte **14 Years of Service** **7/24/2006 – 03/31/2020**

Craig served as General Manager for 14 years. Highlights of his tenure include:

Electric: New 115 kV transmission source into Lamoille County; rebuild of MW&L's substation off Trombley Hill Road; conversion of the electrical distribution facilities to 12 kV; oversight of 3 large scale solar projects within MW&L's territory;

Hydro: Rebuild of three hydro units; installation of an inflatable rubber crest gate at the Morrisville dam;

Water: Water meters installed for each customer; new water storage tank installed to fix water pressure issues;

Sewer: Construction of a new Wastewater Treatment Facility; revision of our sewer ordinances for high strength wastewater.

Craig worked tirelessly on our hydro license renewal, which veered off course when new Water Quality Certification (WQC) conditions were imposed by Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR), making the Green River Dam uneconomical to operate. After an initial favorable decision in Vermont Superior Court (Environmental Division), the VT ANR and other parties appealed the decision to the Vermont Supreme Court. There, the decision was overturned and remanded back to Environmental Court. This issue remains unresolved.

During his time as general manager Craig orchestrated the sale of the Zack Woods property to the State, ensuring preservation of the land for outdoor enthusiasts.

Craig served on the NEPPA Board of Directors, VPPSA Board of Directors, and the Lamoille County Planning Commission.

In his retirement you'll find Craig biking, golfing, reading, spending time with family, and traveling around the country in his camper.



Edward Cote

30 Years of Service

9/7/1990 – 12/31/2020

After an historic and unprecedented 2020, Ed Cote hung up his climbing hooks following more than 30 years of dedicated service to MW&L. Ed's career with MW&L began in September 1990 as a general laborer/brush cutter.

He spent time as a standby power plant operator and joined the line crew as an apprentice in 1998. He completed his apprenticeship in 2002 and retired as a first class lineman in 2020.

A few highlights of Ed's career include:

- Power restoration, after too many storms to count, but including: 1988 Ice storm assisting Swanton. The line crew worked 16+ hour days on this outage for nine days straight; Hurricane Frances, Lakeland, Florida, 2004 - Christmas ice storm, Holden, MA, 2008; July storm of 2013. Our line crew worked for three straight days to restore power to our customers; Tropical storm Philippe, October 2017, causing many tree-related customer outages and sending our line crew to Stowe to provide mutual aid.
- Running three-phase from Route 12 to Elmore and along the Elmore Mountain Road;
- Voltage conversion to 12,470, allowing for improved service and voltage to customers, improving reliability and reducing line losses. This project spanned many years starting from 2005-2019.
- Installing cutouts, protecting distribution transformers from surges and overloads.

Ed served many years as Union Shop Steward, advocating on behalf of MW&L union employees. He is known for his amazing chainsaw skills and ability to cut very large trees, preventing them from falling on our lines and causing outages. His 30 years at MW&L were spent in Truck 12, hanging banners and flags and decking the halls ensuring Morristown looked festive for all special occasions and holidays.

In his well-earned retirement you can find Ed haying, sugaring, beekeeping, and growing his orchards.

And if Gordon Lightfoot ever tours again, you'll find Ed at his concert.

It would be impossible to list all of the accomplishments and contributions of their combined 43 years of service to Morrisville Water & Light. We thank both Craig and Ed for their dedication and wish them both the very best in their retirements.

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WARNING
ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING
VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE
AUGUST 30, 2021

The legal voters of the Village of Morrisville are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Community Meeting Room of the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Morrisville, Vermont on Monday, August 30, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. to transact the following business from the floor:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Village Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all Village Officers required by law:

- Village Clerk for a term of one (1) year
- Village Treasurer for a term of one (1) year
- Village Trustee for a term of five (5) years
- Collector of Delinquent Village Taxes for a term of one (1) year

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters compensate each Village Trustee an annual salary of \$1500 to be paid \$375 from the General Village budget and the remainder from the Morrisville Water & Light Department?

ARTICLE 4 Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for the Village General Government operating expenses of \$11,076.36 all of which shall be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize the Village Trustees to transfer \$17,000 earned from the sale of property from the Village general fund balance to the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, approximately \$.00032 on the Village grand list, to fund the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 15, 2021 by delivery to the Village Treasurer before 4:00pm on that date with only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks accepted as postmarked mail. Delinquent taxes and assessments will have charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty after the due date and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one half percent (1 1/2%) per month. Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136)

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters vote to indemnify and hold all elected and appointed officials harmless from and against all liability claims and suits of any type brought against them as a consequence of their service, except those caused by and arising out of their intentional or willful misconduct, said indemnity to include all damages, costs and attorneys fees?

ARTICLE 9: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Morrisville, Vermont this 28th day of July, 2021 by the Village Trustees:

Todd Deuso

Carl Fortune

Bob Heanue

Bradley Limoge

Tom Snipp

Received, filed & recorded July 28, 2021 by the Village Clerk:

Sara Allyn Haskins, Village Clerk

NOTICE TO VOTERS

ANNUAL MEETING VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

Floor Vote: Monday August 30, 2021 at 6:30 PM
Morristown Municipal Building 43 Portland Street

BEFORE ELECTION DAY:

CHECKLIST POSTED at Clerks Office by **July 30, 2021**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote.

HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:

There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to **olvr.sec.state.vt.us**.

ON ELECTION DAY:

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form. If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities, let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place, let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your Town Clerk or any election official for help.

NO PERSON SHALL:

- Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

FOR HELP OR INFORMATION:

Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS: Floor Vote

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a colored piece of paper. This is your ballot.
- Show ballot if you wish to speak.
- Show ballot if a voice vote is called.
- If a paper ballot is called, deposit completed ballot in ballot box and return to checklist table to receive new colored ballot.



*Tree planted at Copley Golf Course funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund
Photo Credit: Brant Slayton*

VILLAGE OFFICERS

ELECTED VILLAGE OFFICERS:

MODERATOR:

Shapleigh Smith Jr Term expires 2021

TRUSTEES:

Bradley Limoge	Term expires 2021
Carl Fortune	Term expires 2022
Tom Snipp	Term expires 2023
Todd Deuso	Term expires 2024
Bob Heanue	Term expires 2025

VILLAGE CLERK:

Sara Allyn Haskins Term expires 2021

VILLAGE TREASURER:

Sara Allyn Haskins Term expires 2021

AGENT TO CONVEY REAL ESTATE:

Todd Thomas Term expires 2021

COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES:

Sara Allyn Haskins Term expires 2021

ELECTRIC, WATER & WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS:

Penny Jones	General Manager
Sheilah Evans	Controller
Kevin Newton	Plant Superintendent

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY FOR THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE:

Aimee Towne	Term expires 2021	Justices of the Peace
Margaret "Peg" Demars	Term expires 2021	Justices of the Peace
Shelley Nolan	Term expires 2021	Justices of the Peace
Urban Martin	Term expires 2021	Justices of the Peace
Bradley Limoge	Term expires 2021	Trustee
Carl Fortune	Term expires 2022	Trustee
Tom Snipp	Term expires 2023	Trustee
Todd Deuso	Term expires 2024	Trustee
Bob Heanue	Term expires 2025	Trustee

2021 Board of Trustees



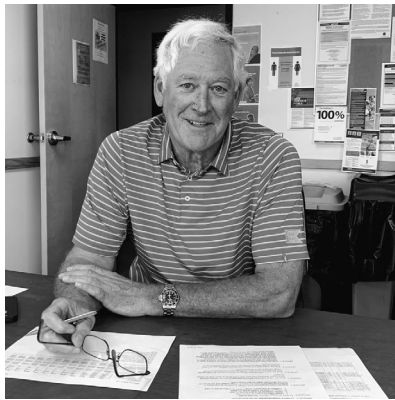
Brad Limoge - Chair



Carl Fortune - Clerk



Todd Deuso



Robert Heanue



Tom Snipp



Mosaic of the Gristmill and Dam that hangs in the lobby of the MW&L offices.

MANAGER'S AND TRUSTEE'S REPORT FOR 2020

By Penny Jones, General Manager

We can all likely agree that 2020 was an unexpected and challenging year. I know I never dreamed that I would be figuring out how Morrisville Water & Light (MW&L) should respond to a global pandemic when I took over the General Manager role. But every single day I am reminded of the strength, kindness, and understanding of our community. I am so proud of the fact that MW&L remained committed to meeting our customer's expectations, even when our office was closed to the public. We remained fully dedicated to keeping our customers and employees safe while keeping the lights on and the water running during these unprecedented and unsettling times.

Thank you for your support of MW&L. It is now summer in Vermont, and with the vast majority of the state vaccinated it feels as if the worst is behind us. Our office has reopened to the public and life, thankfully, seems to be regaining some normalcy.

I want to extend a special thanks to each of our dedicated employees for remaining so committed to MW&L through all of the challenges of 2020. Despite the office being closed to the public and evolving health and safety regulations, our crews and line workers responded to outages and service calls and our office staff handled all inquiries. It is the strength and dedication of our employees that allowed MW&L to be here for our customers throughout the turmoil of the pandemic. Thank you.

I also want to thank the Trustees (Brad Limoge (chair), Robert Heanue, Todd Deuso, Carl Fortune and Tom Snipp) for helping guide the organization through the pandemic. Their strong and steady leadership helped ensure that MW&L could respond quickly and effectively to all of the challenges of the past year.

It is my pleasure to summarize the highlights of 2020 for The Village of Morrisville and Morrisville Water & Light.

Safety of our customers and employees is our top priority. This took on new meaning in 2020 as we not only had to keep our employees and customers safe during regular electrical and water procedures, but we had to keep everyone healthy as well. I am so proud we met this goal.

Financially, we saw positive net positions for our electric, water and sewer departments. Our 2020 financial records were audited early in 2021 by Kittell, Branagan and Sargent. We received an unqualified opinion (our financial records and statements are fairly and appropriately presented, and in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles). The audited statements can be found on our website.

In 2020, we hired three new employees. Sheilah Evans was hired to take over the role of Controller. She came in at the start of the pandemic and was instrumental in keeping our employees safe by taking on the role of Health and Safety Officer. Patrick Sikora and Kyle Johnson were hired as line worker apprentices. Both men joined the team in the midst of the pandemic and have been tremendous, reliable and dedicated employees. We greatly appreciate their commitment to MW&L.

2020 also saw two veteran employees, Craig Myotte and Ed Cote, retire from their positions. Both were incredible employees who are missed. We thank them both for their years of service to our local utility. With these retirements we are looking to hire a First-Class Line Maintainer and a Superintendent of Electrical Operations. Please visit mwlv.com if you or anyone you know is qualified and interested in one of these positions.

The **Village** sold less than .25 acres of property on Bridge Street to Graham Mink for \$20,000. It is anticipated the proceeds will go toward the special projects fund, which will allow for additional beautification in the Village.

We know **rates** for our services are always a major concern for our customers. We strive to minimize rate increases and did not implement any rate increases for water, sewer or electric services in 2020.

The **water department** installed a new security gate at well two, completed the required internal inspections of the 0.4 MG and 1.5 MG reservoirs, and began refurbishing the exterior of the 1.5 MG water reservoir on Center Rd. The water line servicing Fairwood Parkway East was upgraded to new 8-inch ductile iron, which now loops the main line and Paine Ave to deliver better water quality and improved fire flow protection to the hydrants in the area.

The **sewer department** incorporated on-going, Cured-in-Place Pipe Rehabilitation technology to address the aging sewer line under Upper Main Street and a root intrusion problem under Copley Ave. This pipe lining technology allows us to repair and rehabilitate our sewer mainlines overnight instead of having to spend weeks excavating the very busy downtown streets.

Over the last couple of years the sewer department faced a number of challenges to our wastewater system. When we upgraded the Waste Water Treatment Facility (WWTF) in 2009, it was designed to handle a certain amount of flow and a certain amount of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD). In the last couple of years the system experienced a mismatch between flow and BOD levels (essentially the amount of waste in the water) recorded at the WWTF. Put simply, the BOD levels were higher than we were expecting at this point in time.

After a lot of work from our sewer department and our larger commercial customers we are pleased to report that our BOD numbers have stabilized and are back in line with where we would expect them to be. Many of our larger commercial customers worked with us to bring the BOD levels back in line with the age of the plant. We thank them for their due diligence and cooperation as we worked through this process. We will continue to routinely monitor the levels, and new billing rates for high strength dischargers will go into effect late summer 2021. While these new rates were originally intended to go into effect in April 2020, we postponed this due to the pandemic. The new rates will ensure that billing levels match up with the cost of treatment for high strength wastewater discharges.

The **electric** department had another safe and productive year in 2020. As mentioned previously in this report, there were no lost time accidents in 2020. Despite COVID-19 we completed approximately 60 customer jobs and performed numerous community services including taking down danger trees, hanging banners, flags, and installing the holiday decorations. We have continued to focus on tree trimming efforts as a result of increasing electric service outages related to tree contact.

Our capital projects were delayed due to COVID-19; however, we were able to work on replacing transmission poles throughout the system as part of a multi-year project. The upgrade to Substation #3 was delayed until September 2021.

At the **Cady's Falls Dam** we finalized the installation of an automated Trash Rack Rake. This piece of equipment allows us to clear water-borne debris from the racks to allow a more efficient flow of water into the hydro plant, which allows the generators to run more effectively.

Purchased power, which includes transmission costs, represents over 55% of our expenses for providing electric service. Purchased power costs came in at \$3,900,000 in 2020, right in line with the budget. These

costs are projected to increase 2.5% to 4% a year over the next 5 years, which is mostly due to increases in transmission costs. Our hydro generation continues to decline with 6,100,000 kWh generated in 2020. The primary reason for low output of the plants was low river flows for the majority of the year. In addition, the back spillway of the Morrisville Dam was damaged during the Halloween 2019 storm. This repair work was not able to be completed in 2020 and is scheduled for August 2021.

Metered delivered system **energy** for 2020 was 49,500,000 kWh. Our peak demand increased to 9,087 kW (in the month of July). Total metered energy increased slightly compared to 2019's 48,900,000 kWh.

Despite the pandemic, determining future **power supply** remained a critical component of our work. The 2.2 MW **Lawrence Brook Solar Farm** went into service at the end of 2020. This renewable power complements our hydro, and the addition of local solar moves us further towards our goal of having 100% renewable resources in our power portfolio.

On the **hydro** front, determining the future of the Green River Dam continued to take up the vast majority of our focus. New Water Quality Conditions (WQC) mandated by the VT Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) will reduce the amount of energy we can generate from the Green River Dam, an existing renewable resource, by 30%. The new conditions make the Green River Dam uneconomical to operate. Said more plainly, operating the dam under the new conditions would cost each and every MW&L ratepayer money – something we are not willing to do.

The conditions being imposed by the VT ANR will compromise the Green River Reservoir dam's ability to operate safely and our ability to generate renewable power and revenue from the facility. MW&L cannot and will not operate the Green River Dam at a loss for the next 30 years. MW&L will not ask its customers to pay higher rates to operate the high hazard dam for the benefit of the State Park. We will continue to look to the State of Vermont for potential solutions that will ensure the preservation of the reservoir and the state park.

MW&L continues to look at a combination of **efficiency** and other technologies to reduce greenhouse gases. We continue to depend on Efficiency Vermont to carry out efficiency programs in our service territory. Vermont Public Power Supply Authority (VPPSA), which MW&L is a member of, has partnered with Efficiency Vermont to offer various electric rebates, including electric vehicle, heat pumps and electric yard care tools. These rebates can be found at <https://vppsa.com/resources/rebate-forms/>. MW&L is part of a pilot program and will be installing Window Skins, which help to eliminate thermal energy loss on windows.

All in all, it was a good year for MW&L despite the pandemic. I look forward to brighter days in 2021 and beyond.

Respectively Submitted by the General Manager and on behalf of the Village Trustees.

Chairman: Brad Limoge

Trustees: Todd Deuso, Carl Fortune, Robert Heanue, and Thomas Snipp

General Manager: Penny Jones

Morrisville Water & Light Staff



Penny Jones, General Manager



Kevin Newton, Plant Superintendent



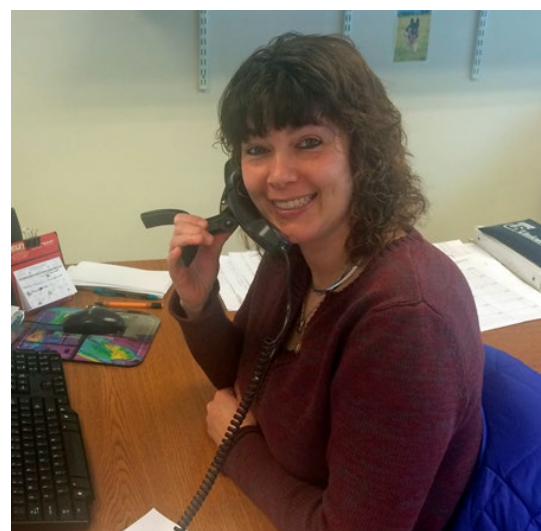
Sheilah Evans, Controller



Linda Osgood, Administrative Assistant



Christy Snipp, Staff Accountant



Tammy Gamble, Assistant Billing Clerk



David Heller, Line Foreman



Jeremy Tatro, 1st Class Lineman



Denis Chase, 1st Class Lineman



Frank Ferrante, 1st Class Lineman



Kyle Johnson, Apprentice Lineman



Patrick Sikora, Apprentice Lineman



Misty Baker, Assistant Billing Clerk



John Tilton, Water, Sewer, Hydro Foreman



Eric Waterhouse, Meter Department



Brian Quad, Water Operator



Village of Morrisville
Water & Light Department

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MANAGER

Penny Jones

Morrisville Water & Light retained the services of Kittell, Branagan & Sargent Certified Public Accountants to perform an audit of the 2020 Financial Statements. A copy of these audited statements can be obtained electronically by visiting our website at www.mwlvt.com or by calling our office at 802-888-3348.



Photo credit: Sarah Hyde

Village of Morrisville
General Fund Income Statement
and Change in Fund Balance
December 31, 2020

	General Fund			Amy Wade
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Trust
Revenues				
Tax revenues	11,640	11,607	\$ 32	\$ -
Donation		0	\$ -	\$ -
Sale of Property	20,000	0	\$ 20,000	\$ -
Current Use		0	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	63	0	\$ 63	\$ 2,400
Interest	7	0	\$ 7	\$ 3,082
Total revenues	31,710	11,607	\$ 20,102	\$ 5,482
Expenses				
Grants to Village organizations				
Insurance-Treasurer's Bond	100	100	\$ -	\$ -
Village Reports	325	325	\$ (0)	\$ -
Advertising	399	200	\$ (199)	\$ -
Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	6,022	6,022	\$ -	\$ -
Salary - Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	372	372	\$ -	\$ -
Employee Benefits	899	884	\$ (15)	\$ -
Zoning Administrator	400	400	\$ -	\$ -
Trustees' Compensation	375	375	\$ -	\$ -
Office Supplies	125	125	\$ -	\$ -
Postage	50	50	\$ -	\$ -
Copier Program	80	80	\$ -	\$ -
Tax Bill Expenses	500	500	\$ -	\$ -
Audit Expense	1,175	1,175	\$ -	\$ -
Beautification	4,197	1,000	\$ (3,197)	\$ -
Total expenses	15,019	11,608	\$ (3,411)	\$ -
Net income	16,691	(0)	\$ 16,691	\$ 5,482
Inter-fund transfers	0			\$ -
Net assets, 12/31/19	7,431			\$ 140,465
Net assets, 12/31/20	24,122	(0)	\$ 16,691	\$ 145,947

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS			
December 31, 2020			
		General Fund	Amy Wade Trust
Assets			
	Money market account	\$ 24,122	
	Union Bank CD		145,947
	Accrued interest receivable		0
	Due (to) from other fund		
		<u>\$ 24,122</u>	<u>145,947</u>
Liabilities & net assets			
Net assets			
	Reserved	\$ 2,695	21,487
	Unreserved	\$ 21,427	124,460
Unrestricted Fund balance		\$ -	0
Total liabilities & net assets		<u>\$ 24,122</u>	<u>145,947</u>
Variance		\$ -	\$ -



Pocket Park musical flowers funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund

GENERAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET OVERVIEW				
	2019 Voted Budget	2020 Voted Budget	2021 Proposed Budget	Voted % of change
General Government	\$ 9,410.00	\$ 10,607.43	\$ 11,076.36	4.4%
Village Special Projects Reserve	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	-50.0%
TOTAL WARNED	\$ 16,710.00	\$ 11,607.43	\$ 11,576.36	-0.3%

GENERAL GOVERNMENT- REVENUES				
	2019 Actual	2020 Proposed	2020 Actual	2021 Proposed
Property Taxes	\$ 16,784.73	\$ 11,607.43	\$ 11,639.64	\$ 11,076.36
Current Use	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest	\$ 2.61	\$ -	\$ 6.95	\$ -
Pilot	\$ 126.00	\$ -	\$ 63.00	\$ -
Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 16,913.34	\$ 11,607.43	\$ 31,709.59	\$ 11,076.36

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - EXPENSES				
	2019 Actual	2020 Proposed	2020 Actual	2021 Proposed
Insurance-Treasurer's Bond	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Village Reports	\$ 320.40	\$ 325.00	\$ 325.10	\$ 325.00
Advertising	\$ 154.56	\$ 200.00	\$ 398.94	\$ 400.00
Salary- Village Trustees	\$ -	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00
Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 5,835.00	\$ 6,021.72	\$ 6,021.72	\$ 6,196.35
Salary - Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 360.00	\$ 371.52	\$ 371.52	\$ 382.29
Salary- Planning/ Zoning Administrator	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Employee Benefits	\$ 830.13	\$ 884.19	\$ 899.05	\$ 942.72
Office Supplies	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Postage	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Copier Program	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
Tax Bill Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Audit Expense	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,200.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,480.09	\$ 10,607.43	\$ 10,821.33	\$ 11,076.36

RESERVE FUNDS

VILLAGE SPECIAL PROJECTS RESERVE FUNDS		
January 1 - December 31, 2020		
Starting Balance Jan 1, 2020	\$	4,756.57
Revenue		
Approved warned article	\$	1,000.00
Total Revenue	\$	1,000.00
Expenses		
MACC Christmas Decorations	\$	500.00
Swingset at Oxbow Park	\$	1,197.00
Community Garden Fencing	\$	1,500.00
Copley Country Club Trees	\$	1,000.00
Total Expenses	\$	4,197.00
Ending Balance December 31, 2020	\$	1,559.57

BI-PED RESERVE FUNDS		
January 1 - December 31, 2020		
Starting Balance Jan 1, 2020	\$	1,135.95
Revenue		
Total Revenue	\$	-
Expenses		
Total Expenses	\$	-
Ending Balance December 31, 2020	\$	1,135.95

Total Reserve balance ending December 30, 2020 **\$** **2,695.52**



Swingsets at Oxbow Park funded by Village Special Project Reserve Fund

VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

Policy Name:	Special Projects Fund	Department:	Village Trustees
Policy Number:		Version:	
Date Authorized by Village Trustees	February 6, 2019	Authorized Signature & Title	

HISTORY. At various Annual Village meetings, voters have approved Articles that, in addition to the grand list tax rates, have raised tax dollars for special projects in or for the benefit of the Village.

POLICY. Organizations, individuals, or the Village itself can make funding requests for proposed Special Projects. The Village Trustees are charged with evaluation of proposals and determining which are funded at their sole discretion.

GUIDELINES. The following serve as guidelines for the Special Projects Fund:

1. At the end of each fiscal year, but no later than the first Monday of April of the succeeding year, the Village Trustees will review the balance of the Special Projects fund.
2. At the Annual Village Meeting held the second Monday in April each year, Village voters have approved, and in the future may approve, Special Projects Fund dollars.
3. After the Annual Village Meeting, if funds are available for projects, the Manager will post a Notice in the locations listed below informing the public that funds are available and applications for projects will be accepted. If funds are not available, no communication with the general public will be made. Locations for the Notice to include at a minimum:
 - the Village Office;
 - the Town Office;
 - the local newspaper; and
 - Front Porch Forum email list-serve.
4. Request for funds shall be made to the Village Trustees in writing. Adequate detail must be provided in order for the Trustees to ascertain the suitability of providing funding for the proposed project.
5. The Trustees will approve or disapprove projects for funding as requests are received. The General Manager will respond to all requests on behalf of the Trustees on the first day following the Trustee meeting during which projects were approved or disapproved.

6. Projects are expected to be completed prior to December 31 of the current calendar year that the award is received. Projects not completed before December 15 run the risk of not being reimbursed unless there were unforeseen circumstances as determined at the sole discretion of the Village Trustees.
7. In November, The Village Clerk will collect any funds that may have been approved by Village voters under Article 5 of the Village Annual meeting.
8. Reimbursement for projects will only be made after Village Taxes have been collected in November, unless subject to (13) below.
9. Payment will be made either directly to qualified vendors, or as reimbursement to individuals or organizations, following satisfactory completion of the project and satisfactory documentation of expenses.
10. General guidelines for Special Project requests are: beautification; recreation; safety; business promotion and general environmental projects. Special Projects may be above and beyond those that can be reimbursed by the Amy Wade fund. Examples include, but are not limited to: flowers; trees; VAST trail maintenance; cross walk signs and other pedestrian improvements; downtown and business informational signs; and recycling containers.
11. The following guidelines apply to projects that consist of individual tree or shrub planting projects on residents' private property:
 - a. Each 911 address can apply every other year.
 - b. Tree planting has to be a native species of tree or shrub with a high survival rate.
 - c. The award amount will not exceed \$75 per address.
 - d. Trees cannot be planted in any electric, water, or sewer right of way.
 - e. Individuals need to provide a photo of tree in final location, including home, road or other landmark for visual verification.
 - f. Individuals must provide the Trustees with a copy of purchase invoice.
 - g. All trees or plants must be purchased from a nursery in Lamoille County.
 - h. The Trustees will consider a reasonable number of grants per year based upon number of requests received and funds available.
 - i. Projects need to be completed by December 15 of each year.
12. The Amy Wade Fund, a separate fund, is governed by a separate Policy.
13. The Village of Morrisville Water or Sewer Dept. may, at its sole discretion, provide advance reimbursement of completed projects prior to November.

However, such advance reimbursement will be on a case-by-case basis and only as authorized by the Village Trustees.

The Village Trustees will review this policy from time to time, and revise it as they deem appropriate.

Special Project Fund Time Line	
Jan	
Feb	
Mar	Amount of Dollars Available Determined for Amy Wade Fund for the year.
Apr	Amount of dollars (if any) determined for the Special Project fund per Village Annual Meeting Article plus rollover dollars from prior year. Warn availability of funds (if any).
May	Start to Accept Applications
Jun	Approve Project Requests starting with the First Trustees Meeting of June Continue to accept and approve project requests for unspent funds Project Work – May 15 to Dec. 15
Jul	↓
Aug	↓
Sep	↓
Oct	↓
Nov	↓ Collect tax monies. Reimburse Approved Completed Projects.
Dec	Projects complete by December 15. Close out all projects – Funds not spent returned to Fund Balance December 31.
	Approved Projects will be reimbursed only upon completion and proper documentation of costs.

**Village of Morrisville
Balances of Amy Wade Fund
as of December 31, 2020**

	<i>Total Assets</i>	<i>Fund Balances</i>			
		<i>Reserved</i>	<i>Unreserved</i>	<i>Approp.</i>	<i>Total</i>
Balances, 12/31/2019	140,465	21,487	118,978	0	140,465
2020 Activity					
Donation-Copley Country Club				0	0
Interest earned on Union Bank CD	3,082			3,082	3,082
Verizon Wireless Lease Pymt to Village	2,400			2,400	2,400
Inflation adj added to principal ^[1] **			5,079	(5,079)	0

Balances, 12/31/2019	145,947	21,487	124,057	403	145,947
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Account Summary:

Union Bank Certificate of Deposit	145,947	(invested through Electric Dept)
	<u>145,947</u>	

^[1] 12 mos inflation rate as of Dec 2020 1.40%

Definitions:

Reserved: Those portion of the assets that are restricted by the donor of the original gift. This is a legal restriction that can not be changed except by a Probate Court.

Unreserved: Those portion of the assets that are restricted by vote of the Board of Trustees. This restriction can be changed, modified and/or removed by vote of the Board of Trustees.

Appropriated: Those portion of the assets set aside for a future expenditure as determined by the designated authority.

AMY WADE FUND

Alexander Hamilton Copley owned a one-family home in Brockton, Massachusetts, and he provided his long-time secretary, Amy Wade, with a life lease in the residence. Following her death in 1961, and at Mr. Copley's direction, this real estate became the property of the Village of Morrisville. Village voters approved its sale which yielded proceeds totaling \$12,000. Over the next 19 years, this sum was invested and increased to \$21,487.25. Beginning in 1980, voters approved utilization of additional interest earned toward beautification of village streets and properties. In 2002, Village voters authorized the sale of .8 acres off Elmore Street, with the proceeds to be dedicated to the Amy Wade Fund. In 2004, \$80,000 was invested from the sale proceeds and interest income.

The Trustees have determined the following guiding principles for use of income earned from the Amy Wade Fund:

1. At the end of each fiscal year, but no later than February 1st of the succeeding year, the Village Trustees will review how much interest was generated but not spent on eligible projects.
2. The Trustees will then decide if unspent interest will remain classified as interest, or if it is converted to principal. In making this decision, the Trustees will be guided by their desire to ensure that the current principal increases each year by at least the rate of inflation.
3. The Trustees have full authority to spend any interest generated in a current year, as well as any unspent interest accumulated from previous years but not converted to principal.
4. Village voters must approve any expenditure that will require a reduction in principal of the Fund.
5. MWL staff has no authority to authorize expenditure of Amy Wade Funds.
6. Request for funds shall be made to the Village Trustees in writing by May 1st of each calendar year. Adequate detail must be provided in order for the Trustees to ascertain the suitability of the proposed project.
7. The Trustees will review, consider, and respond to all requests by June 1st of each calendar year.
8. Payment will be made directly to qualified vendors or as reimbursement following satisfactory completion of the project.

February 05, 2021

Richard Sargent, Co-Trustee
PO Box 696
Morrisville, VT 05661

Gloria Wing, Co-Trustee
PO Box 641
Morrisville, VT 05661

RE: Copley Fund

Dear Dick and Gloria:

The following is a listing of the Book Value and Market Value of assets held by the Copley Fund on December 31, 2020

	<u>Book Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
Money Market Accounts	\$ 26,238.27	\$ 26,238.27
Equities plus UB Shares	\$ 425,864.12	\$ 4,923,571.05
	<u>\$ 452,102.39</u>	<u>\$ 4,949,809.32</u>

Distributions were made as follows:

Lamoille Community Food Share	\$ 21,500.00
Lamoille County Civic Association	\$ 30,000.00
Lamoille Adult Day Services	\$ 5,000.00
River Arts	\$ 10,000.00
Lamoille County Meals on Wheels	\$ 10,000.00
Morristown Centennial Library	\$ 6,000.00
Lamoille Home Health & Hospice	\$ 30,000.00
Lanphear Memorial Library	\$ 6,000.00
Johnson Public Library	\$ 6,000.00
Johnson Food Shelf	\$ 6,000.00
Cambridge Food Shelf	\$ 5,500.00
Varnum Memorial	\$ 6,000.00
Glee Merritt Kelley Library	\$ 6,000.00
Stowe Free Library	\$ 6,000.00
Central Vermont Council of Aging	\$ 31,071.00
Home Share Vermont	\$ 1,000.00
Capstone	\$ 30,000.00
134 checks @ \$1,000.00	<u>\$ 134,000.00</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 350,071.00</u>

Sincerely,

Lura L. Jacques

Lura L. Jacques, CTFA
Senior Vice President/Managing Director

THE COPLEY FUND
2020

Account of Richard Sargent and Gloria Wing, as Trustees under agreement and letters of trust with Alexander H. Copley, dated July 8, 1942 as amended August 29, 1945, providing, in substance, for the establishment of a home for elderly ladies in Morrisville, Vermont, under the terms, conditions and circumstances in said trust letters set forth at length; and including additions to said trust purposes pursuant to the late Levi M. Munson, Esquire of said Morrisville, VT.

Trust Assets forward December 31, 2019 \$ 553,711.54

Credits:

Dividends	\$ 216,775.93	
Interest on Money Market Account	\$ 614.14	
Donations Received	\$ 1,520.00	
Realized Gain/Loss	\$ 77,455.38	
		<u>\$ 296,365.45</u>
		\$ 850,076.99

Debits:

Management Fee	\$ 13,099.66	
Legal/Tax Prep Fees	\$ 1,661.94	
Taxes	\$ 1,642.00	
Gifts	\$ 350,071.00	
Union Bank Shares Delivered*	\$ 31,500.00	
		<u>\$ 397,974.60</u>
		<u>\$ 452,102.39</u>

Trust Assets December 31, 2020

THE COPLEY FUND

Pro Rata Share of Equities	\$ 63,294.34	
Pro Rata Share of Money Market Accounts	\$ 27,126.14	
		\$ 90,420.48

MUNSON ESTATE

Pro Rata Share of Equities	\$ 253,177.34	
Pro Rata Share of Money Market Accounts	\$ 108,504.57	
		<u>\$ 361,681.91</u>
		<u>\$ 452,102.39</u>

We certify that the foregoing is a true accounting:

Richard Sargent
Richard Sargent

Gloria Wing
Gloria Wing

Subscribed and Sworn to before me
this 22 day of February, 2021

Subscribed and Sworn to before me
this 23 day of February, 2021

Melissa Bowen
Notary Public

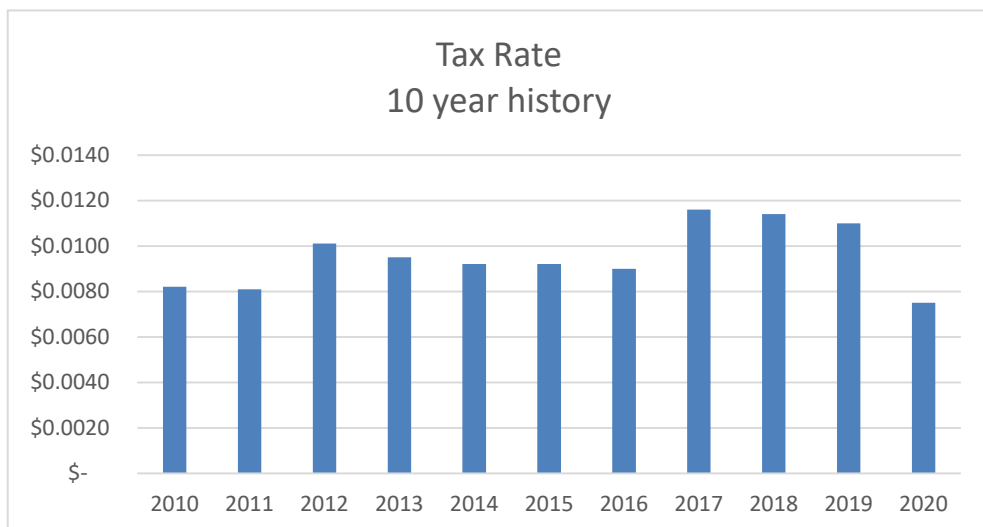
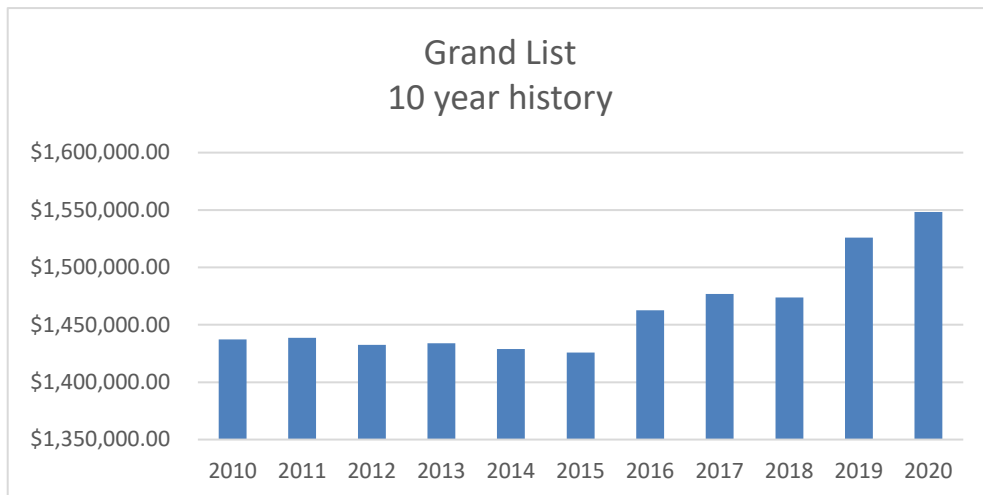
Melissa Bowen
Notary Public

*Union Bank Shares delivered to Broadridge to avoid impending rate increase.

Melissa A Bowen
Notary Public, State of Vermont
My Commission Number: 157.0012878
My Commission Expires - 1/31/21

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VILLAGE GRAND LIST AND TAX RATE 10 Year History		
Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
2010	\$ 1,437,310.16	\$ 0.0082
2011	\$ 1,438,582.89	\$ 0.0081
2012	\$ 1,432,566.67	\$ 0.0101
2013	\$ 1,433,938.06	\$ 0.0095
2014	\$ 1,429,007.13	\$ 0.0092
2015	\$ 1,425,863.93	\$ 0.0092
2016	\$ 1,462,766.63	\$ 0.0090
2017	\$ 1,476,893.27	\$ 0.0116
2018	\$ 1,473,847.61	\$ 0.0114
2019	\$ 1,525,851.00	\$ 0.0110
2020	\$ 1,548,178.00	\$ 0.0075



Morrisville Water & Light
Municipal Utility Service Quality & Reliability Plan Reporting Form
Report Period: January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

Performance area		4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	Annual Rolling Average	Baseline
1	Call Answer Performance						
2a	Percent of bills not rendered within 7 days of monthly billing cycle	-	-	-	-	0	
A	Bills not rendered within 7 days of scheduled billing cycle	12,489	12,441	12,428	12,392	12,438	
B	Total bills scheduled to be rendered	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
C	(A/B)						<=1.0%
2b	Bills found inaccurate	-	4	1	2	2	
A	Number of bills rendered inaccurate	12,489	12,441	12,428	12,392	12,438	
B	Total number of bills rendered	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
C	(A/B)						<=1.0%
2c	Payment posting complaints	-	-	-	-	0	
A	Number of customers complaining about payment posting	13,172	13,158	13,088	12,918	13,084	
B	Total Number of Customers	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
C	(A/B)						<=0.05%
3	Percent of actual meter readings per month	2	1	-	1	1	
A	Number of meter readings not read	13,172	13,158	13,088	12,918	13,084	
B	Number of meter readings scheduled	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
C	(A/B)						<=10.0%
4a	Percent of customer requested work not completed on or before promised delivery date	-	-	-	-	0	
A	Number of jobs not completed on or before promised delivery date	161	188	182	113	161	
B	Total number of jobs promised complete in reporting month	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
C	(A/B)						<=5.0%
4b	Average number of days after the missed delivery date	-	-	-	-	0	
A	Total days of delay	-	-	-	-	0	
B	Total number of delayed jobs in the reporting month	-	-	-	-	-	
C	(A/B)						<=5 days
5	Rates of complaints to DPS/Consumer Affairs as reported to Utility	-	-	-	-	0	
A	Number of escalations to DPS/Consumer affairs	4,391	4,386	4,363	4,306	4,361	
B	Total number of customers	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.00	
C	(A/B)						<=.07%, minimum 2
6a	Lost time incidents (report annually in January)					0	
A	Total incidents that cause injury to an employee, occur while employee is working for utility and result in missed work beyond day of injury						<=2
6b	Lost time severity (reported annually in January)					0	
A	Cumulative number of work days missed by utility employees in calendar year as a result of injuries sustained while performing work for utility						<=18
7a	System average interruption frequency (reported annually in January)					1.10	
A	SAIFI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms						3.00
7b	Customer average interruption duration (reported annually in January)					2.70	
A	CAIDI as defined in PSB Rule 4.901 with the exception of Major Storms						2.50
7c	Worst performing areas: Attach worst performing areas analysis (reported annually in January)						

Service guarantees

List service guarantees provided by utility and indicate number of times each guarantee was provided to customers during the month and quarter

Guarantee	4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter
1a) Line Crew Appointments	0	0	0	0
1b) Meter Work				
Customer requested Meter Readings	0	0	0	0
Meter Accuracy Verification	0	0	0	0
Final / Initial Meter Readings	0	0	0	0
1c) Delay Days	0	0	0	0

MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

AUGUST 26, 2020

VILLAGE MEETING

The inhabitants of the Village of Morrisville, who are legal voters of said Village were notified and warned to meet in Annual Village Meeting at the Morrisville VFW, 28 VFW Street in said Morrisville, Vermont on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 6:30 o'clock in the evening local time. Moderator Shapleigh Smith Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. There were 10 Village voters in attendance. Attention was drawn to the dedication of the 2019 Annual Report to Dana Wildes. Crag Myotte shared a few words about Dana Wildes and his time serving as a Village Trustee for 14 years.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Village Moderator for the year ensuing.

Brad Limoge nominated Shap Smith for moderator. Shapleigh Smith Jr. was elected moderator of the Village Meeting for the ensuing year on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all Village Officers required by law:

- **Village Clerk:** **one year term**
Todd Thomas nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Village Clerk on a voice vote.
- **Village Treasurer:** **one year term**
Brad Limoge nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Village Treasurer on a voice vote.
- **Village Trustee:** **five year term**
Todd Thomas nominated Bob Heanue. Bob Heaune was elected Village Trustee on a voice vote.
- **Collector of Delinquent Taxes:** **one year term**
Todd Thomas nominated Sara Haskins. Sara Haskins was elected Collector of Delinquent Taxes on a voice vote.
- **Village Agent to Convey Real Estate:** **one year term**
Jonathan Sturges nominated Todd Thomas. Todd Thomas was elected Village Agent to Convey Real Estate on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for the Village General Government operating expenses of \$10,607.43 all of which shall be raised by taxes?

Jonathan Sturges made a motion to accept the article. Steve Leach seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Village raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 approximately \$.0007 on the Village grand list, to fund the Village Special Projects Reserve Fund?

Brad Limoge made a motion to accept the article. Jonathan Sturges seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 16, 2020 by delivery to the Village Treasurer before 4:00pm on that date with only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks accepted as postmarked mail. Delinquent taxes and assessments will have charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty after the due date and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, one and one half percent (1 1/2%) per month. Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month. (32 V.S.A. § 5136)

Jonathan Sturges made a motion to accept the article. Bob Heanue seconded it. After a brief discussion about the deadline and temporary legislation surrounding property tax billing due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the motion passed as presented on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Village of Morrisville vote to approve, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248(c)(1), the reconstruction, ownership and operation of 1.5 miles of a 34.5 kV line, from the area of the Cady's Falls hydro plant to the Morrisville Substation #3 in the Town of Morristown, as addressed by the Vermont Public Utility Commission in Case No. 19-4464-PET?

Todd Thomas made a motion to accept the article. Craig Myotte seconded it. Penny Jones gave a brief explanation of the project. It is an upgrade project that Morrisville Water & Light was planning to do in the next five to seven years. Green Mountain Power is planning to do the work plus pay for 80% of the project but the asset will still remain as a joint asset of Morrisville Water & Light and Johnson Water & Light. The motion passed on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters vote to indemnify and hold all elected and appointed officials harmless from and against all liability claims and suits of any type brought against them as a

consequence of their service, except those caused by and arising out of their intentional or willful misconduct, said indemnity to include all damages, costs and attorney's fees?

Jonathan Sturges made a motion to accept the article. Craig Myotte seconded it. The motion passed on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 8: To do any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

No other business was presented at the meeting.

With no further business to legally come before the said meeting, the 2020 Annual Village Meeting was adjourned upon motion by Steve Leach and seconded by Craig Myotte at 6:55 PM.

I certify that this is a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this meeting.



Sara Allyn Haskins, Village Clerk

Attest:



Shapleigh Smith, Jr., Moderator



Shelley Nolan, Board of Civil Authority

Morrisville or Morristown

It's all the same, right?

WRONG!

Morrisville is a Village, and Morristown is the Town which includes three villages, Morrisville being one of them. Some Towns may have six or seven villages, several like Baltimore and Kirby have none. Vermont has 255 Towns, Cities, Gores, and one Grant.

If you are a New Englander, the political boundaries are essentially the same. The land was surveyed and divided into Towns or Townships in the early days, and chartered for sale to large groups of prospective settlers. Most Vermont Towns were chartered to settlers from Connecticut, and Morristown is no exception. Morristown is a plot of land with about 31,000 acres, chartered in 1781 to a group of settlers from (mostly) Connecticut who hoped to settle in Morristown at some future time.

Some settlers came north, only to find their particular township, and in particular their lot of land within the township, was at a high elevation, or swampland or otherwise foreboding and untillable. The western part of Morristown, and adjacent towns of Sterling and Mansfield were just such locations, and while some of the early settlers struggled with the land for years, the large majority either joined other groups in the purchase of new Town charters, or looked for land in the west. In the 1790s that would be western New York, Pennsylvania or Ohio. Even today, some towns or Townships have no population, but are still Towns. Lewis, in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom is such a Town, high in elevation having no residents, and no roads, but plenty of forest, mountains and swamp.

A village, however, doesn't come into existence until there is at least a small number of people in one locale. A village normally has some public services available such as a store, church, and Post Office, although many are just too small. Morrisville, however, is a Village of 1,900 residents who made the decision to incorporate and establish a village government, to establish street lights, side walks, street signs, and other amenities of a modern community. The nearby villages of Cady's Falls and Morristown Corners within the town are far too small to incorporate to provide such services. The Town of Morristown has more than 5,000 residents in the census of 2000 for the first time. Morristown has the unique distinction of being the most steadily growing of all Towns in Vermont, having increased in population in every US Census from 1791, except in 1850, when the goldfields of California took many young men from the town westward. Morristown lost population of sixty one between 1840 and 1850.

Village Streets

Z	W	W	H	C	B	R	W	C	L	A	R	K	O	Z	G	D	S
Z	P	I	S	D	H	G	A	O	O	C	S	U	M	M	E	R	W
B	O	F	N	L	R	E	N	I	X	P	T	G	E	C	Y	O	W
P	R	B	H	T	I	O	R	J	L	O	G	R	O	O	I	L	H
B	L	O	P	U	E	N	R	R	T	R	P	P	J	N	M	I	A
R	R	E	O	C	T	R	C	I	Y	T	O	V	A	G	V	V	R
W	C	I	A	K	O	C	A	O	A	L	G	A	H	R	I	E	R
M	B	O	G	S	L	P	H	I	L	A	Y	W	D	E	K	R	I
B	E	X	U	H	A	Y	L	I	U	N	I	O	N	S	D	P	S
G	H	L	Z	R	A	N	N	E	N	D	N	A	Q	S	U	W	O
K	Y	O	Z	W	T	M	T	J	Y	S	J	M	A	P	L	E	N
Q	L	H	N	K	A	M	N	O	L	L	H	O	W	A	R	D	G

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

BRIGHAM
BROOKLYN
CHERRY
CLARK
CONGRESS
COPLEY
COURT

HARRISON
HOWARD
HUTCHINS
LINCOLN
MAPLE
OLIVE
PARK

PLEASANT
PORTLAND
RAILROAD
SUMMER
UNION
WINTER

THE VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

“Whereas application in writing has been made to the undersigned selectmen of the Town of Morristown in Orleans County, State of Vermont, signed by more than seven freeholders of said town requesting us to lay out and establish bounds and limits to the village near Safford’s Mills in said Morristown, we hereby certify that in compliance with said application, we have layed out and established limits and bounds to said village as follows: viz. beginning at the bridge below Jedediah Safford’s mills and running up the Lamoille River on the south side thereof to the east line of Jedediah Safford’s land and running thence south on said Safford’s line to the south east corner of the Safford’s land thence west on said Safford’s south line to the brook that crosses the road near Calvin Burnett’s; thence down said brook to the river thence up said river to the bridge or bound begun at.

Given under our hands at Morristown the 18th of February, 1829.

Luther Brigham
Isaac Allen
Selectmen”

(From Morristown Two Times.)

The Village of Morrisville was created by Public Law No. 255 of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont in 1888. In its first meeting on June 13, 1890, the Incorporated Village of Morrisville voted to accept the act of the legislature.

LAND AREA: 3.5 square miles

POPULATION: 2,009 inhabitants in the 2000 Census
1,958 inhabitants in the 2010 Census

**Village of Morrisville
PO Box 748
Morrisville, VT 05661**

**Morrisville Water and Light Dept.
857 Elmore Street
Morrisville, VT 05661**

**Please bring this Annual Report to the Village Meeting
Monday, August 30, 2021**