



Annual Report of the
Town Officers of

Arlington, Vermont

For the year ending
December 31, 2021

Vermont's First Capital
Chartered 260 years ago
July 28, 1761

ARLINGTON, VERMONT

P.O. Box 268
3828 Vermont Route 7A
Arlington, VT 05250-0268

Chartered – July 28, 1761
Area – 26,668 Acres
Population: 2,457

2022 Arlington Town Meeting

Town Meeting

Monday, February 28, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

**At the Arlington Memorial High School Gymnasium
541 East Arlington Road, Arlington, VT 05250**

Hours of Balloting:

Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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If you would like an absentee ballot mailed to you, please call the

Town Clerk at 375-2332

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Warning

February 28, 2022

The inhabitants of the Town of Arlington, Vermont, qualified to vote in Town Meeting, are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Arlington Memorial High School – Gymnasium in said Arlington on Monday evening, February 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of acting upon and deciding the following Articles 1 through 5, specified below.

After completion of these articles, the meeting will stand recessed until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2022 to act upon Articles 6 through 45. The polls will be open at the Arlington Memorial High School – Gymnasium, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.

- Article 1. To hear the reports of the town officers
- Article 2. To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.
- Article 3. To see if the voters authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the previous fiscal year to reduce taxes in the current fiscal year.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be issued by September 2, 2022, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer or postmarked, on or before November 4, 2022.
- Article 5. To transact any further business found necessary and proper when met. After any further business under Article 5, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 1, 2022.
- Article 6. To elect the following Town Officers:

Moderator	1 year term
Clerk	3 year term
Treasurer	3 year term
Selectman	2 year term
Selectman	3 year term
Lister	3 year term
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year term
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year term
Trustee of Public Funds	3 year term

- Article 7. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$80,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.
- Article 8. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$10,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington Fire Department extraction tools.
- Article 9. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$50,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.
- Article 10. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$15,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington backhoe, excavator, and loader.
- Article 11. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town of Arlington grader.
- Article 12. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.
- Article 13. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$5,000.00 into a Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance/removal of diseased and hazardous trees.
- Article 14. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$20,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.
- Article 15. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$30,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for Town bridges & culverts.
- Article 16. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.
- Article 17. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers.
- Article 18. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance park equipment.

- Article 19. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$15,000 into the Audit Fund to pay for audit work.
- Article 20. To vote by ballot to see if the Town of Arlington shall create a sinking fund named the Arlington Climate Mitigation Fund for the purpose of reduction and/or offsets of CO2 emissions from fossil fuel usage by the Town of Arlington.
- Article 21. To vote by ballot to see if the Town of Arlington will vote the sum of \$50,000 into the Arlington Climate Mitigation Fund for the purpose of reducing CO2 emissions from fossil fuel usage by the Town of Arlington contingent upon the creation of the Arlington Climate Mitigation Fund.
- Article 22. To vote by ballot to see if the Town of Arlington shall seek to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from fossil fuels used by the Town of Arlington, through energy efficiency, carbon sequestration, and adoption of renewable energy, subject to the budgetary constraints in the Arlington Climate Mitigation Fund, with the goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2027 relative to 2020 baseline levels.
- Article 23. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$45,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.
- Article 24. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.
- Article 25. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community House.
- Article 26. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.
- Article 27. To vote by ballot to see if the voters of Arlington authorize to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$21,500.00 for the support of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library, Inc. to provide services to the residents of the voters.
- Article 28. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.
- Article 29. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.

- Article 30. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.
- Article 31. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').
- Article 32. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.
- Article 33. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc.
- Article 34. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$1,500.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).
- Article 35. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.
- Article 36. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern VT Council on Aging.
- Article 37. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.
- Article 38. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.
- Article 39. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.
- Article 40. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.
- Article 41. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.
- Article 42. To vote by ballot to see if the voters authorize the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNATTV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.

- Article 43. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of the Battenkill Grange 487 from property taxes for the next five years.
- Article 44. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of the Red Mountain Lodge 63 from property taxes for the next five years.
- Article 45. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of the Arlington Arts and Enrichment Project (“Arlington Commons”) from property taxes for the next five years.

Dated this January 24, 2022

Town Officers – Elected

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2022	John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk	3 year	3/2022	Robin S. Wilcox
Town Treasurer	3 year	3/2022	Tiffany Mays
Selectman	2 year	3/2022	Cynthia Browning
	3 year	3/2024	Glenn Sherman Jr.
	3 year	3/2022	Mathew Bykowski
	2 year	3/2023	Daniel Harvey*
	3 year	3/2023	Todd Wilkins
Listers	3 year	3/2022	Lee Cross
	3 year	3/2024	Joseph Garger
	3 year	3/2023	Earl LaBatt
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year	3/2022	Linda P. Crosby
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year	3/2023	William J. Bryan
	3 year	3/2022	Nathalie Caler
	3 year	3/2024	John Wilcox
Trustees of Public Funds	3 year	3/2022	Heidi Sherman
	3 year	3/2023	Paula Shulman
	3 year	3/2024	Ali Zaiac
Town Representative	2 year	11/2022	Seth Bongarts
	2 year	11/2022	Kathleen James
Justice of the Peace	2 year	2/2023	Judy Bryan
			MaryAnn Carlson
			Susan Jennings
			Keith Squires
			Gerald Woodard
			Susan Wirkki

* Denotes Chairperson

Town Officers – Appointed

Term expires in year shown.

Health Officer	3 year	4/2024	Dan Harvey
Deputy Health Officer	3 year	4/2024	Nick Zaiac
Tree Warden	2 year	4/2022	Keith Squires
Inspector of Lumber	3 year	4/2023	Matt Bykowski
Fence Viewers	3 year	4/2023	Gerald Woodard, Dan Harvey, Tim Williams
Land Use Administrator	1 year	4/2022	Jessica Roberts
Fire Chief	1 year	12/2022	Mike King
Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2022	Vince Thompson
Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2022	Jay Coonradt
Fire Warden	5 year	6/2025	Jamie Paustian
Town Planning Commission	3 year	4/2023	John Williams
	3 year	4/2022	Elliott Nachwalter
	2 year	4/2022	Michael Murno
	3 year	4/2023	Sebastian Massey (Alternate)
	4 year	4/2022	Chris Heins
	2 year	4/2023	Charles Moore *
	3 year	5/2024	Garrett Siegel
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2 year	4/2022	Marc Colety*
	2 year	4/2023	Ron Weber (Alternate)
	3 year	4/2024	Caitlyn Hawley
	3 year	4/2023	Travis Evans
	2 year	4/2023	Michellanne Sylvester
	3 year	4/2024	Andrew Rodriguez
	2 year	4/2023	Teresa Sweet
	4 year	4/2025	Cynthia Browning
Emergency Mgt. Director	2 year	4/2022	Josh Williams
BCRC Representative	3 year	4/2024	Nick Zaiac
	2 year	4/2022	Cynthia Browning
Town Energy Coordinator	1 year	4/2022	Matt Bykowski
Sign Administrator	3 year	4/2022	Jessica Roberts
Animal Control Officer		Indefinite	Robyn Champine

* Denotes Chairperson

Town School District Officers

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2022	John L. Whalen II
School District Clerk	3 year	3/2022	Robin S. Wilcox
School District Treasurer	3 year	3/2022	Tiffany Mays
School Directors	2 year	3/2023	Daniel Wood
	2 year	3/2022	Robert Zink
	3year	3/2023	Mathew Bykowski
	3 year	3/2022	Nicol Whalen
	3 year	3/2024	Todd Wilkins *

* Denotes Chairperson

**Schedule of Salaries, Wages, and Allowable Expenses
2021
Town of Arlington**

CLERK	\$19,100.00	+ FEES PER YEAR
TREASURER	\$18,000.00	PER YEAR
SELECTMEN: CHAIRMAN	\$2,000.00	PER YEAR
SELECTMEN: PER MEMBER	\$1,800.00	PER YEAR
MODERATOR	\$200.00	PER YEAR

BY DISCRETION OF SELECTMEN

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$18.04	PER HOUR
CLERK & TREASURER ASSIST.	\$12.02	PER HOUR
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	\$18.04	PER HOUR
LISTERS	\$14.30	PER HOUR
HEALTH OFFICER	\$300.00	PER YEAR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$6,000.00	PER YEAR
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	\$2,634.62	BIWEEKLY
HIGHWAY		
ROAD FOREMAN	\$27.00	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$21.60	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$20.00	PER HOUR
PARK AND RECREATION		
SUPERVISOR	\$19.79	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$17.39	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$14.70	PER HOUR
MILEAGE	Current Federal Rate	PER MILE

Section One: Financial Reports of Elected Town Officials

Report of the Treasurer's Office Calendar Year 2021

Dear Residents,

When I took office three years ago it was my goal to update the processes in the Treasurer's office to make better use of the programs and reporting functions that we have at our disposal. My first year was spent learning about our Town. I gained a great understanding of our many different funds and how all of the data is processed through my office and what steps would need to be taken to update the Treasurer's office. I spent the next two years fine tuning procedures and creating new forms. All Town funds/accounts were entered into our accounting system (NEMRC), liability accounts were created, and fund lines have been modified to better utilize all of the functions that create transparency and clarity in our reporting. I also was able to introduce two new methods of paying your property tax bill.

In the coming years it is my goal to continue to fine tune our fund accounting program. There will be a clean-up of many of our programs which have built up data that can be inactivated (i.e., chart of accounts, as well as employee, vendor and fund line maintenance). I will be learning more about our "Fund Balance" lines in NEMRC. The goal is to have true fund accounting, with all funds held in one bank account and the separation of those funds occurring only within our accounting program. I also hope to introduce an ACH option for paying taxes this year.

Overall, it has been a very productive three years in my office, and I am looking forward to continuing to serve our residents for another term. It has been a pleasure working with the new Town Administrator as we all make these transitions together. I again would like to thank Robin and Janet and all of the other staff who have made this year flow as smoothly as possible. We have a really good team here in Town Hall; between that and our mostly smiling residents, it makes coming to work a pleasure. Please feel free to reach out to me either through email or phone if you have any questions regarding your property tax bill or Homestead declaration.

Best wishes for the coming year,
Tiffany Mays
Town of Arlington – Treasurer
tiffany.mays@arlingtonvermont.org
(802) 375-1260

Town Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS		
2021 Property Taxes Collected		\$4,484,638.81
2020 Property Tax Adjustment from ASD		64,567.39
Loan from Grader Fund		125,000.00
General Receipts Fund 11		9,442.88
State of VT/US Treasury – Not Grants		51,747.53
Delinquent Tax Collector: Delinquent Taxes		308,430.23
Interest		19,315.23
General Highway Receipts Fund 12		218.90
State of VT Class 2 & 3 Roads		76,304.72
State of VT Highway Supplement		4,222.56
State of VT Grants in Aid		9,632.08
General Fire Department Receipts Fund 13		8,303.29
	Service to Sandgate and Sunderland	81,656.00
	Donations for the Volunteers	204.16
Cemetery Receipts Fund 14		3,519.00
Park & Recreation Receipts Fund 15		211.76
	Sandgate, Sunderland, ASD	12,500.00
	Golf & Park Donations	4,460.97
Arts and Enrichment Program Fund 16 Income		8,275.00
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund 25		331,460.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$5,604,111.26
DISBURSEMENTS		
2021 Voted Appropriations to CRF and Audit Funds *		\$208,000.00
2020 Highway surplus to CRF as Voted *		90,000.00
Orders #1 - 25 Operating & Voted Appropriations		957,732.33
Orders #1 - 52 Payroll		568,906.06
Payroll and Expense Liability Line Adjustments		14,657.24
Loan Reimbursement to Grader Fund		125,105.45
Refund - Tax Over Payments		9,449.87
Taxes Paid to School District		3,911,900.59
2021 Budget line surplus to:	Audit Fund	9,130.13
	Restoration & Pres	114.00
Arts and Enrichment Program Fund 16 Expenses		65,017.79
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$5,960,013.46
<i>*Details can be found on page 24</i>		

CASH ACCOUNTS	
Cash on Hand 01/01/2021 TBOB #1065	\$375,001.16
Cash on Hand 12/31/2021 TBOB #1065	19,098.96
Petty Cash	123.00
Cash on Hand	\$19,221.96
TREASURER'S RECONCILIATION WITH DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR	
Uncollected Taxes 1/1/2021	\$244,603.86
2021 Taxes to Collector	245,058.65
Total Uncollected	489,662.51
Less 2021 Receipts from Del Tax Collector	-299,413.18
12/31/2021 Un-remitted Taxes	\$190,249.33
Net Tax Bill Adjustments	-339.46
Less received from DTC – JAN 2021	-12,229.03
Adjusted Un-remitted Taxes	\$177,680.84
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS - 20	
ASTCHR - Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$2,648.28
Interest Received	5.52
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$2,653.80
Evidenced by #0397 @ TBOB	\$2,653.80
BRHR - Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$29,699.65
Interest Received	61.94
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$29,761.59
Evidenced by #0389 @ TBOB	\$29,761.59
REAPPRAISAL FUND - 21	
Balance in Checking 1/1/2021	\$79,358.06
CD #0290 Balance 1/1/2021	58,107.27
1/1/2021 Account Total	\$137,465.33
Interests Received	543.01
Received from State of Vermont	13,518.50
2021 Reappraisal Expenses	-2,776.50
Paid Reappraisal Contract to New England Mun. Resource Ctr.	-31,200.00
Paid Reappraisal Payroll Orders	-2,301.40
Reappraisal Accounts Balance 12/31/2021	\$115,248.94
Evidenced by #2988 @ TBOB &	56,733.50
CD #0290 @ TBOB	58,515.44

AUDIT FUND - 24	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$65,302.05
2021 Voted Appropriation	5,000.00
2021 Audit Budget Surplus	9,130.13
Interest Received	130.65
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$79,562.83
Evidenced by #0546 @ TBOB	\$79,562.83
DISCRETIONARY FUND - 22	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$6,177.46
Interest Received	12.88
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$6,190.34
Evidenced by #0554 @TBOB	\$6,190.34
GRANTS FUNDS - 23	
General Grants Checking – Non-Interest-Bearing Account	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$14,651.91
Miscellaneous Grant income	1,343.32
Arts & Enrichment funds from State of Vermont	8,275.00
Arts & Enrichment funds Transferred to Fund 16	-8,275.00
Operating orders and Misc Expenses	-1,343.32
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$14,651.91
Evidenced by #3537 @ TBOB	\$14,651.91
BATTENKILL DREDGING FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$5,592.32
Interest Received	1.56
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$5,593.88
Evidenced by #0917 @ Berkshire Bank	\$5,593.88
FEMA – IRENE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$32,401.67
Interest Received	67.57
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$32,469.24
Evidenced by #1213 @ TBOB	\$32,469.24

PUBLIC FUNDS 61 - MANAGED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS	
<i>Please note that these funds are managed by the Trustees of Public funds and the values listed are pulled directly from our reporting system (NEMRC). For further details please see the Trustee's report. Investment accounts will be populated into NEMRC starting January of 2022.</i>	
Cemetery Perpetual Care funds	\$10,370.10
Edith & Emmitt Smith Funds	4,848.01
Florence Holden & Tricentennial Funds	5,283.15
Trustee Accounts Balance 1/1/2021	\$20,501.26
Perpetual Care Income	2,600.00
Interest Income	38.97
Trustee Accounts Balance 12/31/2021	\$23,140.23
Evidenced by Perpetual Care #1400 @ TBOB &	\$13,641.81
Edith & Emmitt Smith #0860 @ TBOB &	\$4,205.80
Florence Holden & Tricentennial #3174 @ TBOB	\$5,292.62
COMBINED CAPITAL RESERVE FUND MONIES	
12/31/2021 Fund Balance	\$1,298,378.66
CAPITAL RESERVE CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$452.01
Interest Received	23.25
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$475.26
Evidenced by NOW #1405 @ TBOB	\$475.26
TOWN BACKHOE AND LOADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$105,658.16
2021 Voted Appropriation	15,000.00
2020 Hwy Surplus per vote	25,000.00
Excavator, Backhoe & Loader Auction	43,880.52
Interest Received	114.86
Loader Purchase	-75,472.50
Excavator Purchase	-81,100.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$33,080.52
Evidenced by NOW #1464 @TBOB	\$33,080.52

TOWN BRIDGES FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$74,512.88
2021 Voted Appropriation	30,000.00
2020 Hwy Surplus per vote	50,000.00
Interest Received	154.51
2021 Bridge Expenses, Warrants 11-14	-15,279.56
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$139,387.83
Evidenced by NOW #1502 @TBOB	\$139,387.83
BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$36,828.08
2021 Voted Appropriation	3,000.00
Interest Received	76.87
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$39,904.95
Evidenced by NOW #1510 @ TBOB	\$39,904.95
COMPUTER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$19,743.16
2021 Voted Appropriation	3,000.00
Interest Received	36.10
2021 Computer Expenses, Warrants 6-8, 10	-10,423.80
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$12,355.46
Evidenced by NOW #1529 @ TBOB	\$12,355.46
FIRE TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$409,232.16
2021 Voted Appropriation	75,000.00
Income from Action of old Equipment	967.50
Donation Received	500.00
Interest Received	827.91
Fire Truck Purchase	-27,500.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$459,027.57
Evidenced by NOW # 1448 @ TBOB	\$459,027.57
GENERATOR FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$5,516.44
Interest Received	11.50
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$5,527.94
Evidenced by NOW #2147 @ TBOB	\$5,527.94

GRADER FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$176,093.56
2021 Voted Appropriation	6,000.00
General Fund BM Principal & Interest Repay	125,105.45
Income from Action of old Equipment	12,600.00
Interest Received	261.98
Loan To General Fund	-125,000.00
Balance in fund 12/31/2021	\$195,060.99
Evidenced by NOW #1472 @ TBOB	\$195,060.99
HAZARDOUS TREE FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$10,021.95
2021 Voted Appropriation	5,000.00
2020 Hwy Surplus per vote	15,000.00
Interest Received	20.90
Chipper Purchase	-20,000.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$10,042.85
Evidenced by NOW #7388 @ TBOB	\$10,042.85
RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$1,508.62
Land Records Income	498.00
Interest Received	3.30
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$2,009.92
Evidenced by NOW #7421 @ TBOB	\$2,009.92
SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$26,230.53
2021 Voted Appropriation	6,000.00
Interest Received	54.79
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$32,285.32
Evidenced by NOW #1499 @ TBOB	\$32,285.32

SPECIAL HIGHWAY	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$139,605.65
2021 Voted Appropriation	20,000.00
Sandgate Road Grant	104,276.00
Income from Action of old Equipment	221.00
Interest Received	291.51
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$264,394.16
Evidenced by NOW #1480 @ TBOB	\$264,394.16
TRUCK FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$146,651.56
2021 Voted Appropriation	40,000.00
Sale of Dump/Plow Truck	21,900.00
Interest Received	185.76
Highway Truck Purchase	-122,994.00
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$85,743.32
Evidenced by NOW #1456 @ TBOB	\$85,743.32
YELLOW BARN FUND	
Balance in Fund 1/1/2021	\$21,757.17
Interest Received	42.55
2021 Yellow Barn Expenses	-2,717.15
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021, Warrants 2, 5,7 & 9	\$19,082.57
Evidenced by NOW #1413 @ TBOB	\$19,082.57

2021 Tax Rate Set – August 9, 2021

Town of Arlington Taxes:

2021 Voted Municipal General Budget		\$771,880.00
2021 Voted Municipal Highway Budget		<u>\$661,937.00</u>
Total 2021 Voted Municipal Budget		\$1,433,817.00
Less 12/31/2020 Cash on Hand		
(Minus voted Hwy surplus transfers of \$90,000)		-285,124.16
Less Anticipated Income		<u>-268,506.00</u>
Net Town Taxes to be Raised		\$880,186.84
Municipal Grand List	\$3,189,299.00	
Municipal General Tax Rate of \$00.0730 raises		\$232,818.83
Municipal Highway Tax Rate of \$00.2100 raises		<u>\$669,752.79</u>
		\$902,571.62

Local Agreement Rate:

Locally Voted Exemptions of \$684,600.00 x Non-homestead Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4798, amount to be raised		\$10,130.71
Voted Veterans Exemptions of \$270,000.00 x Homestead Education Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4507 amount to be raised		<u>\$3,916.89</u>
Total to be Raised for Local Agreements		\$14,047.60
Municipal Grand List	\$3,189,299.00	
Local Agreement Tax Rate of \$0.0045 raises		\$14,351.85

Total Municipal Tax Rate Set \$00.2875

Arlington Education Tax Rate as set by VT Tax Department:

Homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.4507
Non-homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.4798

Tax Rates established and duly approved by the Selectmen per authority voted at 2021 Annual Town Meeting.

Total Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.7382
Total Non-homestead Rate	\$1.7673

Property Tax Collection – 2021

Current Taxes: By annual Vote – Property tax bills available by September 4th.

Payment due date is November 4th.

Partial payments accepted January 1st to November 4th.

Delinquent Taxes: Delinquency is immediately after November 4th due date.
Partial delinquent tax payments are negotiable.

Interest: Per Statute 32 VSA 5136, 1% interest accrues per month or portion thereof from the due date until paid.

Penalty: Per Statute 32 VSA 1674, 4% penalty from the due date until December 31st of the property tax year; 4% additional penalty is added after December 31st.
Total penalty is not to exceed 8%.

Tax Sale: When necessary.

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December 28, 2021

To: The Town of Arlington Select Board

Re: Details of 2021 Borrowed Money and Voted transfers

This year we borrowed once from our Reserve funds, this transaction took place on June 24, 2021 in the amount of \$125,000. This amount was reimbursed with interest on December 21, 2021 with the following figures: from the Town of Arlington Operating Account to CRF Grader Account \$125,000 plus accrued interest in the amount of \$105.45 totaling \$125,105.45.

The 2020 Highway Department surplus of \$90,000 was distributed to the CRF funds as voted upon in Article 4 of the March 2021 Warning. \$25,000 went to the Backhoe/Loader fund on April 29, 2021 to aid in the purchase of new equipment in the second quarter of the year. On December 28, 2021 the final amounts were transferred, \$50,000 to Town Bridges and \$15,000 to Hazardous Trees.

Also on December 28, 2021 the transfers for the Voted Articles from the March 2021 Warning were processed which include: number 20, into the Audit fund for \$5,000 and numbers 8 & 10-18, into the CRF funds totaling \$203,000, breakdown as follows:

Fire Truck	\$ 75,000
Highway Trucks	\$ 40,000
Backhoe/Loader	\$ 15,000
Grader	\$ 6,000
Sidewalk Maint. & Equip.	\$ 6,000
Diseased Tree Removal	\$ 5,000
Highway - Road Resurfacing	\$ 20,000
Town Bridges	\$ 30,000
Town Building Maint.	\$ 3,000
Computers	<u>\$ 3,000</u>
CRF transfers total	\$203,000

Town of Arlington Budget and Proposed Expenditures for 2021 and 2022

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
11-6 TOTAL REVENUE			
11-6-01 PROPERTY TAX REVENUE			
11-6-01-001.00 Property taxes	\$524,425.00	-\$232,995.25	\$567,577.00
11-6-01-001.01 Prior Yr State Adjustment	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-01-002.00 Taxes, Delinquent	0.00	308,430.23	0.00
11-6-01-003.00 Taxes, Delin., Interest	8,000.00	19,315.23	8,000.00
11-6-01-004.00 Delinquent Taxes Penalty	8,000.00	1,803.26	8,000.00
11-6-01-005.00 Tax Sale Redemption	0.00	15.00	0.00
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	\$540,425.00	\$96,568.47	\$583,577.00
11-6-02 GENERAL REVENUE			
11-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$30,000.00	\$2,397.15	\$30,000.00
11-6-02-001.01 Income from Fines	1,500.00	241.00	1,500.00
11-6-02-001.02 State of VT - GT PTA Disb	0.00	15,953.38	0.00
11-6-02-001.03 State of VT - GT LUC Disb	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-02-001.04 State of VT Hold Harmless	0.00	33,156.00	0.00
11-6-02-002.00 School Tax Prior Year	0.00	64,567.39	0.00
11-6-02-003.00 US Treasury	1,0000.00	0.00	10,000.00
11-6-02-005.71 AWD Payroll Exp. Reimb	7,600.00	0.00	7,600.00
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	\$49,100.00	\$116,314.92	\$49,100.00
11-6-03-001.01 Town Clerk/Fees	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
11-6-03-001.02 Town Clerk/Dog Licenses	2,000.00	1,152.00	2,000.00
11-6-03-001.03 Town Cl.Liq.&Toba. Licen	800.00	830.00	800.00
11-6-03-002.00 Animal Control	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-03-003.00 Rentals	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-03-004.00 Zoning Fees	2,100.00	4,200.00	3,600.00
11-6-03-005.00 Zoning Fines	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-05-001.00 Interest	2,000.00	1,317.88	2,000.00
11-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	329.34	0.00
11-6-09-099.01 Misc. Property Payment	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.03 Misc. Donations	0.00	18.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
11-6-09-099.27 Act 137 COVID Reimburse	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.71 AP Reimburse. from WD	0.00	220.59	0.00
11-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	1,375.07	0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$616,425.00	\$222,326.27	\$646,077.00

11-7 TOWN EXPENSES

11-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS

11-7-10-110.01 Salaries/Chair. Select Bd	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
11-7-10-110.02 Salaries/Selectmen (4)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
11-7-10-110.03 Salaries/Town Clerk	19,100.00	19,099.86	20,055.00
11-7-10-110.04 Salaries/Treasurer	25,000.00	18,111.34	22,000.00
11-7-10-110.05 Clerical	26,300.00	24,250.27	27,615.00
11-7-10-110.06 Listing/Labor	25,000.00	18,146.70	26,250.00
11-7-10-110.07 Town Clerk Assistant	3,000.00	2,202.68	3,000.00
11-7-10-110.08 Treasurer/Assistant	4,500.00	1,887.15	4,500.00
11-7-10-110.09 Town Elections/Poll Worker	650.00	237.94	650.00
11-7-10-110.10 Auditor/Labor	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-10-110.11 Board of Civil Authority	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.12 Health Officer	300.00	0.00	300.00
11-7-10-110.13 Land Use Labor	7,500.00	8,587.04	9,000.00
11-7-10-110.14 Land Use Permits	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
11-7-10-110.15 ZBA/Clerical	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.16 Planning Clerical	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.17 Town Administrator	68,500.00	68,500.12	68,500.00
11-7-10-110.18 Tax Collectors Fees/penalty	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
11-7-10-110.19 Salary/Moderator	200.00	200.00	200.00
11-7-10-110.20 Town Clerk Fees	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00
11-7-10-110.21 T.Clk Dog Licenses	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
11-7-10-110.22 T.Clk Liq. Licenses	80.00	0.00	80.00
11-7-10-210.01 T.Clrk Health Ins	5,000.00	4,000.00	5,000.00
11-7-10-210.02 Treas. Health Ins	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-7-10-210.03 Admin. Asst. Health	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	14,500.00	26,414.21	27,700.00
11-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	5,500.00	11,968.79	11,000.00
11-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	1,209.00	1,147.65	1,209.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
11-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	1,304.00	1,603.50	1,304.00
11-7-10-530.01 Cellular Stipend	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	\$279,143.00	\$223,557.25	\$279,863.00
11-7-20 OFFICE OPERATIONS			
11-7-20-330.01 Repair, Pur., Train- Equip	\$7,000.00	\$2,243.07	\$7,000.00
11-7-20-340.00 Town Clerk/Microf/Restor.	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-7-20-431.00 Xerox/Copier	800.00	633.62	800.00
11-7-20-530.00 Telephone	3,500.00	4,926.02	3,500.00
11-7-20-530.01 Comm&Data Sharing Sftw	5,000.00	5,946.00	6,000.00
11-7-20-531.00 Office Operations Postage	2,000.00	1,263.06	2,000.00
11-7-20-540.01 Planning Comm./Notices	2,000.00	682.84	1,000.00
11-7-20-540.02 ZBA/Legal Notices	1,500.00	901.32	1,000.00
11-7-20-550.01 Auditor/Town report/Print	1,500.00	1,408.36	1,500.00
11-7-20-550.02 Zoning by laws	150.00	0.00	150.00
11-7-20-580.01 Meetings & Mileage	400.00	138.24	400.00
11-7-20-610.01 Supplies	4,000.00	4,858.67	4,000.00
11-7-20-610.02 Office Expense	3,000.00	1,772.35	3,000.00
11-7-20-610.03 Computer Expense	1,500.00	1,415.67	3,500.00
11-7-20-610.04 Listers/office expenses	2,000.00	3,279.32	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.05 Website	150.00	135.00	150.00
11-7-20-610.13 Office - Software Expense	2,000.00	1,323.74	2,000.00
TOTAL OFFICE OPERATIONS	\$38,000.00	\$32,427.28	\$39,500.00
11-7-30 TOWN HALL			
11-7-30-411.00 Water Service	\$470.00	\$458.36	\$470.00
11-7-30-421.00 Rubbish Removal	1,200.00	1,612.86	1,200.00
11-7-30-423.01 Janitorial	7,500.00	8,060.00	8,000.00
11-7-30-423.02 Snow Removal	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-30-450.00 Repairs & Services	18,000.00	5,426.11	18,000.00
11-7-30-520.00 Insurance	2,908.00	2,752.12	2,908.00
11-7-30-610.00 Equipment & Supplies	600.00	167.30	600.00
11-7-30-622.00 Electricity	4,000.00	3,963.40	4,000.00
11-7-30-624.00 Fuel	5,000.00	4,411.13	4,800.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
TOTAL TOWN HALL	\$39,678.00	\$26,851.28	\$39,978.00
11-7-70 GENERAL EXPENSES			
11-7-70-320.01 Professional Consulting	\$2,000.00	-\$8,200.00	\$1,500.00
11-7-70-330.01 Animal Control	6,000.00	5,250.00	6,000.00
11-7-70-330.02 Arlington Green Up	600.00	208.46	600.00
11-7-70-330.03 Audit by outside firm	0.00	24,000.00	20,000.00
11-7-70-330.04 Public Safety	29,000.00	15,744.14	27,000.00
11-7-70-330.05 B.C.R.C.	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
11-7-70-330.06 Landfill/Solid Waste/Recy	20,000.00	16,735.83	20,000.00
11-7-70-330.07 Land fill/Regional(ISWAP)	1,400.00	1,299.28	1,400.00
11-7-70-330.08 Household Haz. Waste	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-330.09 Emerg. Care Animal Ctrl	400.00	0.00	400.00
11-7-70-330.10 BCSWA	11,500.00	13,187.83	16,032.00
11-7-70-330.11 Town Plan	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-331.01 Water Co Appraisal	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-333.00 Legal Fees	6,000.00	5,195.36	6,000.00
11-7-70-340.00 Tax Mapping	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
11-7-70-340.01 NEMRC SERVICES	7,100.00	10,840.00	11,000.00
11-7-70-411.00 Hydrants	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-424.00 VT Comm. Work serv/lawn	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-490.00 Taxes/County	24,000.00	20,377.88	24,000.00
11-7-70-520.00 Insurance	11,300.00	10,548.10	11,300.00
11-7-70-530.01 General Other Comm.	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-540.00 Legal Notices	1,200.00	50.00	1,200.00
11-7-70-550.00 Town Elections/Ballots	2,800.00	4,139.34	5,000.00
11-7-70-560.01 Mem/Dues/VLCT	4,000.00	4,036.00	4,000.00
11-7-70-560.02 VT Assoc. Consv. Districts	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-70-610.00 Emergency Management	4,000.00	2,076.21	3,000.00
11-7-70-610.01 General COVID Expenses	500.00	0.00	500.00
11-7-70-622.00 Street Lights	20,000.00	12,808.70	20,000.00
11-7-70-622.01 Fees Due to Solar Panels	0.00	4,651.25	0.00
11-7-70-740.00 Forest Fire Warden	1,500.00	4,804.86	2,500.00
11-7-70-840.00 Tax Sales/Land Use/Abate	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-840.01 Prior Year School Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
11-7-70-990.01 Town Flags	500.00	555.59	500.00
11-7-70-990.02 Misc. Refunds	0.00	100.00	0.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	\$161,900.00	\$154,408.83	\$189,032.00
11-7-80 DEBT SERVICE			
11-7-80-830.00 Borrowed money	\$800.00	\$105.45	\$800.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$800.00	\$105.45	\$800.00
11-7-90 VOTED CRF TRANSFERS			
11-7-90-810.03 CRF - Town Buildings	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
11-7-90-810.04 CRF - Computer	5,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
11-7-90-810.24 CRF - Audit Fund	0.00	5,000.00	15,000.00
11-7-90-810.35 CRF – Restoration & Pres.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL VOTED CRF TRANSFER	\$8,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$23,000.00
TOTAL TOWN EXPENSES	\$527,521.00	\$448,350.09	\$557,173.00
11-8-95 APPROPRIATIONS			
11-8-95-950.01 Arlington Area Childcare	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
11-8-95-950.02 Arl. Community Club, Inc.	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
11-8-95-950.03 Arlington Community Nurs.	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-8-95-950.04 Benn. Coalit. For Homeless	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.05 Benn. Cty. Conserv. Dist.	360.00	360.00	360.00
11-8-95-950.06 Burdett Commons	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-8-95-950.07 Sunrise Fam. Resource Ctr.	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.08 BROCC	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
11-8-95-950.09 Assoc. for the Blind	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.10 Martha Canfield Library	21,500.00	21,500.00	21,500.00
11-8-95-950.11 Neighbor to Neighbor	750.00	750.00	750.00
11-8-95-950.12 Project Against Violence	450.00	450.00	450.00
11-8-95-950.13 Ctr. Restorative Justice	540.00	540.00	540.00
11-8-95-950.14 Benn. Project Independence	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
11-8-95-950.15 SWVT Council on Aging	1,530.00	1,530.00	1,530.00
11-8-95-950.16 The Tutorial Center	450.00	450.00	450.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
11-8-95-950.17 Rescue Squad	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
11-8-95-950.18 R.S.V.P.	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-8-95-950.19 VT Center Indepen. Living	295.00	295.00	295.00
11-8-95-950.20 Habitat For Humanity	779.00	779.00	779.00
11-8-95-950.21 GNAT-TV	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$88,904.00	\$88,904.00	\$88,904.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$616,425.00	\$537,254.09	\$661,077.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$0.00	-\$314,927.82	\$0.00
12-6 HIGHWAY REVENUE			
12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$661,937.00	\$688,744.34	\$692,650.00
12-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.01 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.02 State of VT Class 2 RDs	30,000.00	33,801.69	30,000.00
12-6-02-001.03 State of VT Class 3 RDs	40,000.00	42,503.03	40,000.00
12-6-02-001.04 State of VT HWY Suppl.	0.00	4,222.56	0.00
12-6-02-001.05 State of VT Grants in aid	0.00	9,632.08	12,000.00
12-6-02-001.06 State of Vermont	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-04-001.00 ASD Fuel Reimb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-06-001.00 Water Dept.	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
12-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	218.90	0.00
12-6-09-442.01 Hwy Equip. Hrs Reimb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-09-650.00 Hwy Materials Reimb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUE	\$737,937.00	\$779,122.60	\$780,650.00
12-7 HIGHWAY SUMMARY			
12-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
12-7-10-110.00 Labor	\$151,000.00	\$138,289.30	\$151,000.00
12-7-10-130.00 Overtime	28,000.00	20,223.05	28,000.00
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	43,207.00	60,539.69	73,000.00
12-7-10-210.01 DOT Physicals	600.00	0.00	600.00
12-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A	13,100.00	6,841.22	13,100.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
12-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	10,000.00	10,558.49	10,000.00
12-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	12,809.00	12,023.05	12,809.00
12-7-10-290.01 VT Unemployment	4,811.00	5,280.50	4,811.00
12-7-10-290.03 Uniforms/T Shirts	3,000.00	2,706.70	3,000.00
12-7-10-530.00 Pager service	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-10-530.01 Cellular Stipend	0.00	210.00	420.00
12-7-10-580.00 Training/workshops	500.00	2,150.00	500.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	\$267,027.00	\$258,822.00	\$297,240.00
12-7-30 TOWN GARAGE			
12-7-30-411.00 Water Service	\$470.00	\$458.36	\$470.00
12-7-30-421.01 Rubbish	1,200.00	1,599.80	1,200.00
12-7-30-421.02 Oil removal	500.00	0.00	5,000.00
12-7-30-430.00 Maintenance	4,000.00	1,951.36	4,000.00
12-7-30-490.00 Petroleum Tank Assess.	50.00	525.00	50.00
12-7-30-520.00 Insurance	3,425.00	3,318.61	3,425.00
12-7-30-610.01 Supplies	2,000.00	4,503.61	4,000.00
12-7-30-610.02 Equipment	1,000.00	1,213.65	1,000.00
12-7-30-622.00 Electricity	1,500.00	1,387.69	1,500.00
12-7-30-623.00 Oxygen & Propane	700.00	906.72	700.00
12-7-30-624.00 Fuel Oil	3,000.00	2,647.37	3,000.00
12-7-30-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL TOWN GARAGE	\$17,845.00	\$18,512.17	\$24,345.00
12-7-40-422.00 Outside Plow Labor	\$0.00	\$2,502.50	\$0.00
12-7-42 CLASS 2 ROADS			
12-7-42-330.00 Striping/Sealing	\$12,000.00	\$5,489.00	\$12,000.00
12-7-42-450.01 Blacktopping	2,500.00	2,631.20	2,500.00
12-7-42-450.02 Guard rails	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-42-450.03 Tree & Brush	7,000.00	7,465.00	7,000.00
12-7-42-450.04 E. Arlington Wall	200.00	0.00	200.00
12-7-42-460.00 Culverts & Bridges	3,000.00	1,414.50	3,000.00
12-7-42-460.01 Permit Fees	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
12-7-42-610.01 Signs	700.00	104.84	1,500.00

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12-7-42-610.02 Grass Seed, etc.	400.00	227.88	400.00
12-7-42-650.01 Gravel/Stone	12,000.00	10,513.31	11,000.00
12-7-42-650.02 Salt	30,000.00	20,753.13	28,000.00
12-7-42-650.03 Sand	12,000.00	9,342.88	12,000.00
12-7-42-650.04 Chloride	3,000.00	4,014.34	4,000.00
12-7-42-650.05 Hot Mix	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-42-650.06 Cold Patch	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-42-650.07 Sidewalk Maintenance	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
TOTAL CLASS 2 ROADS	\$91,300.00	\$61,956.08	\$90,100.00
12-7-43 CLASS 3 ROADS			
12-7-43-330.01 Sidewalks	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
12-7-43-330.02 Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-43-422.00 S. Arlington Plowing	15,000.00	15,525.00	15,000.00
12-7-43-450.01 Tree Removal	7,000.00	5,875.00	7,000.00
12-7-43-450.02 Guard Rails	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-43-460.01 Bridges & Culverts	4,000.00	1,558.17	4,000.00
12-7-43-460.02 Rebuilding	35,000.00	32,140.39	35,000.00
12-7-43-490.00 Permits & Fees	1,500.00	1,590.00	1,500.00
12-7-43-520.00 Bridges/Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-43-610.01 Signs	600.00	400.01	1,000.00
12-7-43-610.02 Grass Seed, etc.	1,000.00	1,679.03	1,000.00
12-7-43-650.01 Gravel/Stone	30,000.00	20,832.50	30,000.00
12-7-43-650.02 Salt	12,000.00	13,621.46	12,000.00
12-7-43-650.03 Sand	35,000.00	18,685.74	30,000.00
12-7-43-650.04 Chloride	4,000.00	6,015.96	6,000.00
12-7-43-650.05 Hot/Cold mix	500.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL CLASS 3 ROADS	\$146,200.00	\$117,923.26	\$143,600.00
12-7-60 TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT			
12-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	\$18,000.00	\$30,621.79	\$18,000.00
12-7-60-432.02 Inspections	400.00	100.00	400.00
12-7-60-442.00 Rental equip.	3,500.00	4,852.63	6,500.00
12-7-60-520.00 Insurance	5,565.00	5,350.51	5,565.00
12-7-60-610.00 Supplies	25,000.00	31,745.95	20,000.00

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12-7-60-610.01 Safety Equipment	600.00	482.44	600.00
12-7-60-627.00 Oil/Gas/Lubricants	4,000.00	2,454.97	4,000.00
12-7-60-627.01 Diesel	28,000.00	17,001.27	28,000.00
12-7-60-740.00 Equip. purchase/lease	7,000.00	13,867.67	7,000.00
TOTAL TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT	\$92,065.00	\$106,477.23	\$90,065.00
12-7-70 MISC. EXPENSES			
12-7-70-442.01 WD Equip. Hours Reimb.	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
12-7-70-530.01 General Other Comm.	1,200.00	2,898.86	3,000.00
12-7-70-580.00 Mileage	0.00	518.00	0.00
TOTAL MISC. EXPENSES	\$1,500.00	\$3,416.86	\$3,300.00
12-7-90 VOTED CRF TRANSFERS			
12-7-90-810.01 CRF – Special Hwy/Roads	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
12-7-90-810.02 CRF – Backhoe/Loader	15,000.00	40,000.00	15,000.00
12-7-90-810.03 CRF - Grader	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
12-7-90-810.04 CRF - Town Trucks	40,000.00	40,000.00	50,000.00
12-7-90-810.05 CRF - Sidewalk Maint.	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
12-7-90-810.07 CRF - Bridges & Culverts	30,000.00	80,000.00	30,000.00
12-7-90-810.08 CRF - Hazardous Tree Fund	5,000.00	2,0000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL VOTED CRF TRANSFERS	\$122,000.00	\$212,000.00	\$132,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES	\$73,7937.00	\$78,1610.10	\$78,0650.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND	\$0.00	-\$2,487.50	\$0.00
13-6 FIRE DEPT REVENUE			
13-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$148,558.00	\$102,057.08	\$164,485.00
13-6-04-001.00 Service to Sandgate	24,276.00	24,276.00	24,521.00
13-6-04-002.00 Town of Sunderland	57,380.00	57,380.00	66,208.00
13-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
13-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
13-6-09-099.01 Misc. Don. for Volunteers	0.00	204.16	0.00
13-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	8,303.29	0.00

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TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT REVENUE	\$230,214.00	\$192,220.53	\$255,214.00
13-7 FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSES			
13-7-10-110.00 Salaries	\$13,050.00	\$13,028.33	\$13,050.00
13-7-10-220.00 FICA	800.00	471.20	800.00
13-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	3,241.00	3,028.44	3,241.00
13-7-10-290.01 Medical	5,500.00	4,425.00	5,500.00
13-7-10-290.02 Insurance	12,630.00	8,780.05	12,630.00
13-7-20-530.00 Phone/Pagers	5,000.00	7,038.30	6,000.00
13-7-20-580.00 Training School	5,000.00	-420.00	5,000.00
13-7-20-610.00 Off.Supply/Computer Rprt.	2,500.00	1,747.39	2,500.00
13-7-30-624.00 Fuel for Fire Houses	7,000.00	6,172.34	7,000.00
13-7-60-432.00 Maintenance	45,000.00	25,920.77	45,000.00
13-7-60-627.00 Oil/Gas/Lubricants	750.00	746.54	750.00
13-7-60-627.01 Diesel	2,500.00	2,351.57	2,500.00
13-7-70-441.00 Rental on Houses	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
13-7-70-500.00 S. Arl/Cambridge Agrment.	1,350.00	0.00	1,350.00
13-7-70-610.00 Medical Equip/Supplies	10,000.00	5,434.07	10,000.00
13-7-70-740.00 New Equipment	38,000.00	34,621.23	47,000.00
13-7-70-990.00 Emergency Contingency	893.00	1,875.30	893.00
13-7-90 VOTED CRF TRANSFERS			
13-7-90-810.00 CRF - Fire Truck	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$80,000.00
13-7-90-810.36 CRF - Extraction Tools	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
TOTAL VOTED CRF TRANSFERS	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$90,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT EXPENSES	\$230,214.00	\$192,220.53	\$255,214.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
14-6 CEMETERY REVENUE			
14-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$20,375.00	\$15,245.78	\$20,375.00
14-6-03-001.00 Sale of Lots	1,000.00	1,519.00	1,000.00
14-6-04-001.00 Burial/Recording/Cornerst	750.00	2,000.00	750.00
14-6-04-002.00 Cremation Fee	0.00	0.00	0.00

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14-6-05-001.00 Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CEMENTARY REVENUE	\$22,125.00	\$18,764.78	\$22,125.00
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14-7 CEMETARY EXPENSES			
14-7-10-110.00 Cemetery Salaries	\$1,000.00	\$850.00	\$1,000.00
14-7-10-220.00 FICA	75.00	65.03	75.00
14-7-20-990.00 Office Misc.	50.00	0.00	50.00
14-7-30-300.00 Operating Contract	15,000.00	14,750.00	15,000.00
14-7-30-300.01 Operating Maintenance	6,000.00	3,099.75	6,000.00
14-7-70-990.00 Perp Care	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.01 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.02 Veteran Mem. Flags	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CEMETARY EXPENSES	\$23,625.00	\$18,764.78	\$22,125.00
TOTAL CEMETERY	-\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
15-6 PARK REVENUE			
15-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$75,522.00	\$41,408.98	\$92,122.00
15-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-02-002.00 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-001.00 Reimb. Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-002.00 Town of Sandgate	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
15-6-04-003.00 Town of Sunderland	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
15-6-04-004.00 Arlington School	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
15-6-04-005.00 Arlington Lions Club	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-006.00 Golf Assoc./Membrshp	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-06-001.00 Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-09-001.00 Golf Donations	3,000.00	3,931.02	3,000.00
15-6-09-002.00 Park Donations	100.00	529.95	100.00
15-6-09-003.00 Concession Stand Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00

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15-6-09-099.00 Misc. Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	211.76	0.00
TOTAL PARK REVENUE	\$91,122.00	\$58,581.71	\$10,7722.00
15-7 PARK EXPENSES			
15-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
15-7-10-110.00 Labor	\$38,000.00	\$31,790.28	\$22,000.00
15-7-10-130.00 Overtime	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	0.00	0.00	31,200.00
15-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	2,800.00	2,431.98	2,800.00
15-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	0.00	0.00	1,400.00
15-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	1,983.00	1,904.25	1,983.00
15-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	3,302.00	3,045.50	3,302.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	\$46,085.00	\$39,172.01	\$62,685.00
15-7-20 OPERATIONS			
15-7-20-520.00 Insurance	\$297.00	\$391.57	\$297.00
15-7-20-530.00 Telephone	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-20-610.01 Office Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$497.00	\$391.57	\$497.00
15-7-30 PARK BUILDINGS			
15-7-30-411.00 Water	\$820.00	\$463.44	\$820.00
15-7-30-421.00 Rubbish	1,100.00	798.40	1,100.00
15-7-30-450.00 Maintenance	4,000.00	1,289.22	4,000.00
15-7-30-520.00 Insurance	420.00	394.47	420.00
15-7-30-610.00 Supplies	2,000.00	1,182.51	2,000.00
15-7-30-622.00 Electricity	2,000.00	2,627.04	2,000.00
TOTAL PARK BUILDINGS	\$10,340.00	\$6,755.08	\$10,340.00
15-7-41 GOLF COURSE			
15-7-41-411.00 Water	\$500.00	\$299.80	\$500.00
15-7-41-610.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	500.00	1,115.00	500.00

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15-7-41-610.01 Course Supplies	1,000.00	724.77	1,000.00
TOTAL GOLF COURSE	\$2,000.00	\$2,139.57	\$2,000.00
15-7-42 FIELDS & GROUNDS			
15-7-42-460.03 Ice Rink	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
15-7-42-622.00 Electric Soccer	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-42-622.01 Electric Softball	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-42-622.02 Electric Tennis	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-42-650.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	2,000.00	840.00	2,000.00
15-7-42-650.01 Maintenance	12,000.00	2,971.80	7,000.00
TOTAL FIELDS & GROUNDS	\$14,000.00	\$3,811.80	\$9,000.00
15-7-60 EQUIPMENT			
15-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	\$6,000.00	\$3,646.05	\$6,000.00
15-7-60-627.00 Gas/Oil/Lubricants	1,200.00	338.41	1,200.00
15-7-60-627.01 Diesel	500.00	1,093.77	500.00
15-7-60-740.00 Equip. Purchase	10,000.00	1,233.45	12,500.00
15-7-60-740.01 Equipment Lease	500.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$18,200.00	\$6,311.68	\$20,700.00
15-7-90 VOTED CRF TRANSFERS	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-90-810.37 CRF - Park Equipment	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
TOTAL VOTED CRF TRANSFERS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
TOTAL PARKS EXPENSES	\$91,122.00	\$58,581.71	\$107,722.00
TOTAL RECREATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
16-6 ARTS & ENRICHMENT REVENUE			
16-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$0.00	\$8,275.00	\$0.00
16-6-09-099.00 Income from Art & Enr. Pr	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ARTS & ENRICHMENT REV	\$0.00	\$8,275.00	\$0.00

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16-7 ARTS & ENRICHMENT EXP			
16-7-70-990.00 Expenses for A&E Prog.	\$0.00	\$65,017.79	\$0.00
TOTAL ARTS & ENRICHMENT EXP	\$0.00	\$65,017.79	\$0.00
TOTAL ARTS & ENRICH. PROJ.	\$0.00	-\$56,742.79	\$0.00
20-6 MISC. ACCOUNTS REVENUE			
20-6-05-001.01 ASTCHR Interest	\$0.00	\$5.52	\$0.00
20-6-05-001.02 BRHR Interest	0.00	61.94	0.00
TOTAL MISC. ACCOUNT REVENUE	\$0.00	\$67.46	\$0.00
TOTAL MISC. ACCOUNTS	\$0.00	\$67.46	\$0.00
21-6 REAPPRAISAL REVENUE			
21-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	\$0.00	\$12,095.50	\$0.00
21-6-02-002.00 State of VT Equalization	0.00	1,423.00	0.00
21-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	543.01	0.00
21-6-08-001.00 Transfers In	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL REVENUE	\$0.00	\$14,061.51	\$0.00
21-7 REAPPRAISAL EXPENSES			
21-7-10-110.06 Lister Wages	\$0.00	\$2,137.85	\$0.00
21-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	0.00	163.55	0.00
21-7-20-531.00 Postage	0.00	743.54	0.00
21-7-20-550.00 Printing	0.00	1,749.00	0.00
21-7-20-580.00 Training/Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-610.00 Supplies	0.00	283.96	0.00
21-7-70-330.00 Reappraisal Contract	0.00	31,200.00	0.00
21-7-90-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$36,277.90	\$0.00
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL	\$0.00	-\$22,216.39	\$0.00

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22-6 DISCRETIONARY REVENUE			
22-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	\$0.00	\$12.88	\$0.00
22-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
22-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY REVENUE	\$0.00	\$12.88	\$0.00
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY	\$0.00	\$12.88	\$0.00
23-6 GRANTS REVENUE			
23-6-02-001.01 Wastewater	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
23-6-02-001.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.03 Enhancement/Church St	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.06 HSU Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.07 PL Grant Water Co Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.08 Public Safety EMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.09 Public Safety EMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.10 FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.11 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.12 Yellow Barn Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.16 MPG-Town Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.18 EOC Improvement Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.22 Cl2 Rd Gt PO155305	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.24 Cls2 Gt PO1736	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.26 Mun Rds Grts-in-Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	1.56	0.00
23-6-05-001.10 FEMA	0.00	67.57	0.00
23-6-05-001.11 RadiosEMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.14 VT Structures BC1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.20 FED HGWY ER0090	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.21 7A Sidewalk CA0374	0.00	4,423.50	0.00
23-6-06-001.26 Mun Rds Grnts-in-Aid	0.00	104,276.00	0.00
23-6-06-001.27 Act 137 COVID Relief Fd	0.00	0.00	0.00

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23-6-09-099.10 FEMA Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GRANT REVENUE	\$0.00	\$108,768.63	\$0.00
23-7 GRANT EXPENSES			
23-7-70-990.01 Wastewater	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
23-7-70-990.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.03 Enhancement/Church St	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.06 HSU	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.07 PL Grant Water Co Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.08 PublicSafetyEMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.09 PubSafetyEMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.10 FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.11 RadiosEMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.13 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.14 VT Structures BC1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.15 VT Struct BC1496	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.16 MPG- Town Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.17 VT Struct BC1414	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.18 EOC Improvement Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.20 FED HGWY ER0090	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.21 7A Sidewalk CA 0374	0.00	4,423.50	0.00
23-7-70-990.22 Class2 Gt PO155305	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.23 Yellow Barn	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.24 Cls 2 Road Grant PO1736	0.00	10,4276.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.26 Mun Rds Grants-in-Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.27 Grants Gen. Misc. Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.28 Act 137 COVID Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GRANTS EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$108,699.50	\$0.00
TOTAL GRANTS	\$0.00	\$69.13	\$0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
24-6 AUDIT FUND REVENUE			
24-6-01-001.00 Appropriation	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
24-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	130.65	0.00
24-6-08-001.00 Transfer In	0.00	14,130.13	0.00
24-6-09-099.00 MISC	0.00	0.00	0.00
24-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL AUDIT FUND REVENUE	\$5,000.00	\$14,260.78	\$0.00
24-7 AUDIT FUND EXPENSES			
24-7-70-330.00 Contract	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
24-7-70-330.03 Audit by Outside firm	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL AUDIT FUND EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL AUDIT	\$0.00	\$14,260.78	\$0.00
25-7 ARPA REVENUES			
25-6-06-101.00 ARPA Funds	\$0.00	\$331,460.75	\$5,000.00
TOTAL ARPA REVENUES	\$0.00	\$331,460.75	\$5,000.00
31-6 CAPITAL			
31-6-03-001.35 Rest. & Pres. NEMRC fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
31-6-04-001.23 Fire Truck Ins.	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-04-001.35 Rest./Pres. NEMRC Income	0.00	384.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	23.25	0.00
31-6-05-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	42.55	0.00
31-6-05-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	827.91	0.00
31-6-05-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	185.76	0.00
31-6-05-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	114.86	0.00
31-6-05-001.26 Grader	0.00	367.43	0.00
31-6-05-001.27 Spec Highway	0.00	291.51	0.00
31-6-05-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	54.79	0.00
31-6-05-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	154.51	0.00
31-6-05-001.30 Hazardous Tree Fund	0.00	20.90	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
31-6-05-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	76.87	0.00
31-6-05-001.32 Computers	0.00	36.10	0.00
31-6-05-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.34 Generator	0.00	11.50	0.00
31-6-05-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	0.00	3.30	0.00
31-6-08-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	75,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	40,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	40,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.26 Grader	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	80,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.30 Hazardous Tree Rev	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	3,114.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.32 Computers	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.21 Yellow Barn Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	1,467.50	0.00
31-6-09-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	21,900.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	43,880.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.26 Grader	0.00	12,600.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.27 Special Highway	0.00	104,497.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.30 Hazardous Tree Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.31 Tn Buildings GRT Monies	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.35 Restoration/Preservation	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.36 FD Extraction Tools	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.37 Park Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-002.21 YB - Dog Park	0.00	0.00	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
31-6-09-099.21 YB Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-400.21 YB Comm. Garden Don	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE REV	\$0.00	\$480,053.74	\$0.00
31-7 CAPITAL RESERVE EXP			
31-7-09-400.21 YB Comm. Garden Exp	\$0.00	\$560.00	\$0.00
31-7-80-700.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	2,157.15	0.00
31-7-80-700.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.23 Fire Truck	0.00	27,500.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.24 Town Truck	0.00	122,994.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	156,572.50	0.00
31-7-80-700.26 Grader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.29 Town Bridges	0.00	15,279.56	0.00
31-7-80-700.30 Hazardous Tree Expenses	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.31 Town Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.32 Computers	0.00	10,423.80	0.00
31-7-80-700.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.35 Restoration/Preservation	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.36 FD Extraction Tools	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.37 Park Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE EXP	\$0.00	\$355,487.01	\$0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$0.00	\$124,566.73	\$0.00
61-6 PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUE			
61-6-04-001.01 CEM Perp.Care SOL Inco	\$0.00	\$2,600.00	\$0.00
61-6-04-002.01 CEM Perp. Care Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.01 CEM Perp. Care Int.	0.00	21.71	0.00
61-6-05-001.02 E&E Smith Interest	0.00	7.79	0.00
61-6-05-001.04 F. Holden & Tricen. Int.	0.00	9.47	0.00

Account	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2021	Budget FY - 2022
61-6-05-002.01 CEM Gains/Losses	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-08-001.01 CEM Transfers in	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUE	\$0.00	\$2,638.97	\$0.00
61-7 PUBLIC FUNDS EXP			
61-7-70-950.02 E&E Smith Award/Appro	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
61-7-70-950.04 F. Holden Award/Approp	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS EXP	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$0.00	\$2,638.97	\$0.00

Trustees of Public Funds

Happy 2022! This year the Trustees of Public Funds maintained the accounts and did not make any changes to the accounts or roles. We did meet in the spring and created a Trustee of Public Funds email. If you have any questions or would like to apply for the Edith and Emmet Smith Fund please email now: **arlingtonvtTPF@gmail.com**.

Edith and Emmet Smith Fund	\$4,204.74
Holden and Tricentennial Fund	\$5,291.30
Perpetual Care Fund	\$13,638.39
Equitable Investment for Perpetual Care Fund	\$114,352.40

We hope you have a good year!

Ali Elwell Zaiac
Paula Shumlin and
Heidi Sherman.

Section Two: Reports of Elected Officials

Arlington Cemetery Commission

The Commissioners are pleased to inform the citizens of Arlington that our proposed budget for 2021 is the same as the past year. We continue to address the maintenance needs of the cemeteries at only modest taxpayer subsidy.

We thank the Bennington Elks for supplying American flags for each cemetery. We have been very pleased with our grounds keeper, Ransom Goodell, who is under contract until 2022. We encourage all visitors, lot owners, and residents to feel free to make comments and/or suggestions to make our cemeteries better. Further, we encourage all those who plan to be buried in Arlington public cemeteries to make arrangements early. Each year we are engaged in stone straightening and attempt to make these cemeteries as attractive as possible. If you have an interest in serving as a cemetery commissioner in the future, please reach out to the town office and we'd be happy to give an introduction into how Arlington's cemeteries are run.

We are thankful for the support of the Select Board, the Town Administrator, the Town Clerk, and the employees of the Town of Arlington.

Nathalie Caler, Bill Bryan, John Wilcox

Arlington Select Board

In this report the Arlington Select Board will summarize some of the most important developments of the past year and for the future.

Facilities

The Arlington Town Hall is currently open to the public, with masks required for all staff and visitors regardless of vaccine status. We strive to avoid closing town hall as in the past, and will work with you to ensure we can provide public services safely to all citizens.

During this past year the Board undertook installation of upgraded teleconferencing equipment. This has made attending meetings easier than in the past, both making it simpler for citizens to air their concerns, and ensure committee members can attend meetings on their terms.

A major topic of discussion in 2021 was the proposed Red Mountain project. While the Board did not decide to move forward in the end, we feel that the process was well-reviewed and deliberated, and all sides had a chance to have their thoughts heard. We thank the dozens of Arlingtonians who submitted comments.

Highway Safety

After some turnover we were back at full strength in our Highway Department in the spring. The new hires are Highway supervisor Mark Towslee and returning crewperson Brian Hawley, with crew member Mike Finnegan continuing from before. Thanks to all of them for their hard work.

Please remember not to crowd the plow when the snow flies, and not to deposit snow in the roadways as you clear your own driveway.

Another important reminder is to obey speed limits. This Board hears concerns about speeding on State and Town highways perhaps more than any other problem. Law enforcement patrols have been ongoing, but it is clear that patrols, warnings, and even tickets will never solve this problem. The safety of the travelling public can only be assured if we all obey the rules of the road together. We urge all of you to stick to the speed limit and to avoid distractions. As a community we must make it as unacceptable to go faster than the speed limit as it should be to drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs or while texting.

The Benedict Crossing bridge remains closed, but we continue to seek both grant funding and ongoing budgeted funding so we're ready when funds are available. Moving forward, we'll explore a bond that would potentially replace both Benedict Crossing and the East Arlington Road bridge over Warm Brook. In 2022, we will be seeking prices on replacement of both bridges and expect to put the associated bond before the voters at the next town meeting. We're pleased voters set aside extra money last town meeting in preparation for these improvements.

We were pleased to have earned a grant to replace the decade-old pine decking on the West Arlington covered bridge with oak to address the increased wear and tear in the meantime.

We updated our highway equipment strategy to spend much less time fixing old machines and much more time doing highway work. Focusing on good used equipment where possible, between the beginning of 2021 and the end of 2022 town major highway equipment will have gone from an average age of 16 years to an average age of less than five years. Look for our newly-purchased grader to be active on the roads this spring.

Another emerging issue is the fact that the invasive Emerald Ash Borer has been found in Arlington. This insect will likely kill many ash trees and we will need to remove those that are dead or dying along the Town highways for safety. Contact the town administrator if you have ash trees in the town right of way that should be checked for signs of infestation. This year, we purchased a quality used wood chipper for use with hazardous tree removal, and have increased lines in the highway budget to remove more branches overhanging town roads.

Property Taxes

The Arlington municipal budget to be put before the voters represents an attempt to balance the urgent needs to invest in facilities, equipment, and operations for the townspeople and the burden of property taxes on property owners. The proposed budget represents efforts to catch up on previously-unfunded obligations, and account for the effect on inflation on the town's purchasing power. This budget manages spending while addressing important needs, including improved fire equipment, revamped park staffing, more tree work and fuel tank removal in the highway department, and funds to help pay for regional projects like the year-round hazardous waste facility in Bennington.

Water Department and Wastewater

This past year the Arlington Water Department continued to work along on upgrades and repairs to the system. We will continue with upgrades going forward. We are pleased to report that the Water Board was able to keep its commitment to not raising water rates for the five years ending in early 2021. Midyear, the board raised water rates \$10 per bill per ratepayer, which will pay for ongoing improvements. After planning meetings in the fall related to

American Rescue Plan Act funding, it was made clear that the town's greatest needs for the money will come in the water department, and the board expects to allocate the majority of these funds to water projects the next few years, with ratepayers receiving the equivalent of one-to-two years-worth of annual billable water in federal funds to be spent on departmental capital projects.

If you have an overdue balance on your water bill it is best to pay whatever you can in order to lower accumulating interest charges, just like with property taxes. It is possible to set up a payment plan by contacting the Town Administrator. Large unpaid overdue balances without a payment plan in place can lead to disconnection of service, and ultimately to the imposition of a lien on the property in question. We were pleased to see a number of ratepayers behind on their bills applying for and receiving VCAAP II relief program funds from the state. It is important to note that the funding of the Arlington Water Department is completely separate from the property tax dollars that finance Town operations, and is completely financed by water ratepayers. Those who do not pay for their service put a greater burden on the overwhelming majority who do pay their bills.

The Select Board recently convened a subcommittee, consisting of 3 current board members and 4 members of the public, to look at options for wastewater management. This group's meetings are public, and we encourage those interested to make their opinions and insight known.

New Public Officials

The Town welcomed a number of new individuals entering Arlington public service for the first time. Jessica Roberts has made great strides in modernizing the Land Use Administrator's office, updating our schedule of fees and proving pivotal in making the case for state funding to make our zoning bylaw easier to use and more conducive to addressing the region's housing crisis.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment welcomed a number of first-time officials, including Caitlyn Hawley, Andrew Rodriguez, Theresa Sweet, Michaelanne Sylvester, and Travis Evans.

The Planning Commission saw Charles Moore elevated from member to chairperson, and added Sebastian Massey as an alternate member. After many years of service, Traci Mulligan moved on from her role as Animal Control Officer, replaced by Robyn Champine, who has ably filled the role.

And the Select Board itself welcomed Glenn Sherman, replacing Tim Williams after Town Meeting last year. Anyone interested in public service should contact the Town Administrator to be considered when positions become available.

Meetings

The Arlington Select Board continues to meet Monday nights at 7 every two weeks. You may attend in person or Zoom, or on the phone. The Select Board office is at (802) 375-6474 and Administrator Zaiac is at (802) 379-9916 (call or text). Go to www.arlingtonvermont.org for more information about all Town departments and activities.

Town of Arlington Capital Plan

PURPOSE: The Arlington Capital Plan provides an outline of future proposed capital expenses and funding in a way that maintains a level municipal budget.

GOAL: Planning for future projects and equipment purchases that are significant costs - in a way that will prevent large increases in single year budgets.

PROCEDURE:

1. A Capital Plan will outline projects and equipment purchases in a 5 to 10 year schedule with proposed date and estimated cost for each purchase.
2. A yearly expenditure for each item will be included.
3. The Capital Plan will be updated each year for approval by the Select Board, and included in the annual Town Report.

PROJECT QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A project that will be a significant loss to the Town if it is not repaired or replaced;
2. A project for which the estimated future cost will be \$25,000.00 or more.
3. A project that - if it is not repaired or replaced would cost \$25,000.00 or more in the future.
4. A project that would require debt obligation or borrowing.
5. A project that requires purchases of land for future municipal buildings or highways.
6. Construction of new municipal buildings or rehabilitation of existing buildings.
7. A project purchasing major equipment or vehicles with a life expectancy of five years or more and a cost of \$25,000.00 or more.

FUNDING:

1. Capital projects and funding requests will be presented as individual articles to be voted by Australian ballot each year at the annual Town Meeting.

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS:

1. Capital funds shall be commingled for investment and expenditure purposes.
2. Capital funds shall only be used for listed capital projects or be used in lieu of short-term borrowing by the Town of Arlington in anticipation of taxes.
3. Capital funds that are used by the Town in lieu of borrowing in anticipation of taxes shall be repaid to the Capital fund in the same fiscal year that funds are borrowed, and within twenty (20) days after the due date of collection of taxes. The amount repaid shall include lost interest on the borrowed money.
4. A separate and complete accounting of all capital funds shall be included in the annual Town Report.

Capital Plan

Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Town Highway Trucks			Projected Life							
2021 International CV Plow/Salt	2031	TH-1	10 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2015 International Plow/Sander	2027	TH-2	12 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225,000.00	\$0.00
2019 International Plow/Sander	2031	TH-3	12 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Replacement Cost				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225,000.00	\$0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
Balance CRF Trucks (as of 12/31)			\$85,743.32	\$135,743.32	\$185,743.32	\$235,743.32	\$295,743.32	\$355,743.32	\$195,743.32	\$260,743.32
Town Highway Equipment										
2015 Doosan Loader	2033	TH-101	18 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2022 Deere Grader*	2048	TH-102	26 Yrs	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2017 Wacker Neuson Excavator	2042	TH-103	25 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2017 Yanmar Excavator	2042	TH-104	25 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2016 John Deere 3039 Tractor	2028	TH-105	13 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00
Total Replacement Cost				\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Balance CRF Equipment+Grader (as of 12/31)			\$228,141.51	\$68,141.51	\$83,141.51	\$103,141.51	\$123,141.51	\$143,141.51	\$163,141.51	\$108,141.51
*Deere Grader moves to operating budget at annual cost of \$16,803 2023-2029 under lease-purchase										
**CRF Equipment does not include wood chipper replacement around 2030, paid via CRF Hazardous Trees										
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
(7 Year rotation)										
Town Fire Trucks										
2004 Rescue/Pumper	2032	FD-74	28 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1990 Pumper	2020	FD-75	28 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$438,256.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2013 Pumper	2041	FD-76	28 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1999 Pumper	2027	FD-77	28 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00
2004 Brush Truck	2034	FD-78	30 Yrs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Replacement Cost				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$438,256.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$80,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00
Balance CRF Firetrucks (as of 12/31)			\$459,027.57	\$539,027.57	\$624,027.57	\$270,771.57	\$355,771.57	\$440,771.57	\$530,771.57	\$170,771.57
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Town Bridges & Culverts										
BR. # 13, TH #29	2040	BR #13		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BR # 4, TH # 1	2025	BR #4		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BR # 17, TH #22	2024	BR #17		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BR # 24, TH #23	2050	BR #24		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CULVERT #1202, TH #12	2030	CL #1202		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Replacement Cost*				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Payment to CRF (Projected)				\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Balance CRF Bridges & Culverts (as of 12/31)			\$139,387.83	\$169,387.83	\$199,387.83	\$399,387.83	\$104,387.83	\$109,387.83	\$114,387.83	\$119,387.83

* Note: Amounts shown on this line represents the Town's 10% share of town highway projects funded with State & Federal monies. Except BR#17 and BR#4

** Denotes to-be proposed bond to speed reconstruction of BR#17 Benedict Crossing and BR#4 East Arlington Road bridges.

**Bond payments would range \$30k-\$50k depending on length

2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$240,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$360,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
\$325,743.32	\$390,743.32	\$95,743.32	\$160,743.32	\$225,743.32	\$290,743.32	\$355,743.32	\$420,743.32
2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
\$143,141.51	\$178,141.51	\$213,141.51	\$248,141.51	\$183,141.51	\$223,141.51	\$263,141.51	\$303,141.51
2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00
\$260,771.57	\$350,771.57	\$440,771.57	\$80,771.57	\$175,771.57	\$70,771.57	\$165,771.57	\$260,771.57
2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
\$124,387.83	\$89,387.83	\$94,387.83	\$99,387.83	\$104,387.83	\$109,387.83	\$114,387.83	\$119,387.83

Delinquent Tax Collector's 2021 Report

Outstanding Taxes

2013 - 2015	1 Parcel	\$770.05
2016	2 Parcels	\$850.57
2017	8 Parcels	\$6,604.35
2018	12 Parcels	\$12,767.37
2019	19 Parcels	\$24,305.23
2020	30 Parcels	\$44,799.55
2021	57 Parcels	\$87,583.72
Total		\$177,680.84

Total delinquent taxpayers for above parcels: 62

Parcel detail information is available at the Treasurer's office.

Linda P. Crosby, Delinquent Tax Collector

Listers Annual Report

Our general reappraisal of all town properties has been completed successfully and on time. There were difficulties involved, mainly because of the COVID (access to properties, face to face conversation, closing of the Town Hall, etc.). But the end result was very satisfying, as witnessed by the numbers from the state and a successful answering of all grievances and questions. Again, we thank all the Arlington property owners and taxpayers for their cooperation during this project.

Every year we remind you to file your HS-122 along with your state tax return. It is mandatory that you do so, and if you have your tax work done by a service, make sure your HS-122 is included. The state tax department uses that information to calculate your property tax rebate, if you are eligible, and at what rate you will be taxed.

Please stay safe and healthy,
The Arlington Listers

Town Clerk's Report

While trying to navigate safely during 2021, we have learned many new ways of providing services to the public. Services like dog licensing, absentee ballots and copies of deeds and tax bills can all be handled with an email, phone call or drop box. When in-person services like Notary or signing a marriage license are necessary, thankfully we are now open to the public. There are lots of options available and of course we love seeing our residents stop in as well.

We continue to learn and cope with the current pandemic situation and are here to help in any way we can. Please call 375-2332 with any questions, concerns or if any of these services are required.

- Dog Licensing (\$11.00 spayed/neutered & \$15.00 non) Renewal due April 1st
- Absentee Ballots 2022– Town Meeting, August Primary, November General Election
- Marriage Licenses
- Tax Bill copies
- Notary

Robin S. Wilcox, Arlington Town Clerk

Section Three: Reports of Appointed Officials

Animal Control Officer's Report

In June 2021 I was selected to be the new Animal Control Officer (ACO) for Arlington, although new to this job I have many years of experience with both dogs and cats. I would like to thank the previous Animal Control Officer Tracy Mulligan for the years of service that she provided to the community and to her dedication to helping lost dogs. Luckily I have only impounded two dogs from the town of Arlington into my care. One was quickly reunited with her owners, she was not wearing any identification but with the help of social media we were able to track them down so they could be reunited. If your dog ever gets loose please don't hesitate to reach out to me, it's also always a good idea to have a collar on your dog with proper licensing and identification, it is much easier to get them home in a timely manner.

The second dog that was impounded unfortunately seemed to have been abandoned on 313 off the highway. This beagle was probably a hunting dog, she was wary and hard to catch. Again thank you to the community for coming together and helping trap this dog who had been running at large for over a month. She was brought to Second Chance Animal Center and after being spayed and vaccinated was adopted out into a loving home rather quickly. Also a good reminder that the local animal shelter is a great resource for spaying and neutering your pets as well as finding them a loving home if you are no longer able to care for them.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns about local dogs. I have gotten quite a few calls regarding wild animals, I do not have the qualifications to handle those types of calls but can point you in the right direction if need be. Thank you for your time and for welcoming me aboard as the new ACO

Sincerely,
Robyn Champine
802-430-9564
Animalcontrol@shaftsburyvt.gov

Arlington Fire Department Annual Report

Moving through yet another year of being impacted by COVID-19, the Arlington Fire Department has been able to get back to training and conducting business as much as we can, while still taking necessary precautions.

2021 ended without highest number of calls in a year in at least a decade. The volunteer members of the Arlington Fire Department responded to 161 calls for assistance in our regular coverage area and offering mutual aid to our surrounding towns.

The officers and members have been making changes to catch up with the times and technology available to us. We have been replacing and thinning out some of our gas powered equipment and adding battery powered equipment onto our apparatus. Don't worry, the equipment is just as useful and reliable as the equipment, with less maintenance.

We have also replaced our outdated thermal imaging camera with 12 personal thermal imaging cameras so now most of our interior firefighters carry one on their person when

entering fire situations. This will assist the firefighter with locating the fire and people much faster than older techniques.

In 2021, with approval of the Select Board, we are happy to announce that a new Engine/Rescue truck has been ordered. This truck will replace our 1990 engine. The new truck will serve the purpose of two of our existing trucks and hold more water than the one it is replacing.

As with every volunteer Fire Department across the state, we are operating with a low membership count. 57% of our calls this year were covered by between 4 and 8 members. Serving as a volunteer firefighter is easier than you think. To learn more, drop by the station most Tuesdays to learn more or to apply.

As always, please post your home's 911 numbers so first responders can see them from the road and be sure to check your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors regularly, and change the batteries twice year. This can save you, or a loved one's, life.

Visit us on Facebook at "Arlington VT Fire Department", or visit our website at arlingtonvermontfire.org. For an emergency call 911. To call the fire house, call 802-375-2323.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Michael R King, Arlington Fire Department

Fire Warden's Report

The Arlington Fire Wardens issued 91 permits to kindle an open fire in 2021. We had no reportable grass & brush fires in Arlington but responded to 2 controlled burns that were not permitted. Please be attentive of your surroundings when approaching a ground fire with downed trees as power lines are sometimes involved, which can also cause electrocution.

We hope to conduct several live fire trainings this spring. If you have a field that is being overgrown please contact one of the Wardens to see if it is suitable to use.

Please remember it is illegal to burn trash or debris all the time and you must have a permit to burn brush, leaves, and clean wood anytime unless there is 3" of snow cover. Please call for a permit before burning and to see that the State has not issued a "RED FLAG". This means no outside burning is permitted due to weather conditions. This could result in a fine and potentially a bill for the cost to extinguish a fire.

Fire Warden	James Paustian	802-733-1961
Deputy Warden	Brian Hawley	802-558-2230
Deputy Warden	Mike Wood	802-681-8230

Respectfully Submitted,
James Paustian, Fire Warden 2019-2023

Health Administrator's Report

In June 1, 2021 I was officially reappointed to the position of Town Health Officer for the Town of Arlington after serving in the same role for the 2018-2021 term. Town Health officers are appointed for a three-year term. The Town Health Officer is an appointed position by the Department of Health of the State of Vermont and this position is over 100 years old. The Selectboard recommends a candidate to fill the position and the State then make the appointment. In this respect, the position is similar to the Forest Fire Warden in each town in Vermont.

Each Town has a Town Health Officer and a local Board of Health (composed of the Town Health Officer and the Selectboard.) The position originally involved controlling communicable disease. Today however, the majority of the Town Health Officer's work has shifted toward environmental health issues such as failed septic systems, unsafe drinking water, rental housing sanitation, and animal bites. To facilitate this work, the town appointed Nick Zaiac as Deputy Town Health Officer in August 2020.

In this capacity, in conjunction with Deputy Zaiac, I investigated 5 complaints about health and safety issues in 2020 and sent notices of violation to the relevant property owners. We continue to work with property owners to safely address public health and tenant safety issues on their properties. Please feel free to contact me with any health-related concerns through Deputy Town Health Officer Zaiac at 802-379-9916 or nick.zaiac@arlingtonvermont.org

Daniel M. Harvey
Town Health Officer

Land Use Administrator's Report

On March 10th, I was appointed as the Land Use Administrator to administer and enforce the zoning bylaws of Arlington. Including February (no permits were issued in January), a total of 50 permits were issued in 2021 compared to 24 in 2020 and 34 in 2019.

Permits issued in 2021 involved the following:

Accessory Buildings:	12
Remodel/Additions:	11
Pools/Spa:	5
Extension/Decks:	5
Subdivisions:	2
Conditional Use:	3
Sign Permits:	3
Fencing:	1
New Residences:	5
Change of Use:	2
Boundary Line Adjustment:	1

I also issued 27 Letters of Compliance in 2021. My office updated our applications, created new worksheets to assist applicants, and revised a simplified fee schedule. Our bylaws

and other helpful forms and links including ways to view your property's information online are now easily accessible on the zoning page of the town's website at arlingtonvermont.org/zoning-planning.

I would like to thank the Arlington Select Board for this opportunity to serve Arlington, Nick Zaiac for his aid and assistance, the Arlington Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Adjustment for their time and expertise, and Robin Wilcox for her excellent support as Town Clerk. I thank Seth Peeler and Linda Snyder for their volunteer help as we continue to update and organize our files by lot number to ease the public's use of them.

My office hours at the Arlington Town Hall are from 10:00 to 1:00 each Wednesday and Thursday. If these times are not convenient, please call me at 375-1008 or email jessica.roberts@arlingtonvermont.org.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Twardy Roberts

Planning Commission Report

The Arlington Planning Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month except for November and December. One meeting is usually held in early December for both November and December. These meetings are open to the public and community participation is encouraged. We now have a complete seven-member board. If you are interested in becoming a member in the future, please contact the Town Administrator or the Land Use Administrator.

The Planning Commission is principally responsible for preparing municipal plans, bylaws, and related reports, and for conducting public outreach, including public hearings. The Planning Commission is also responsible for site plan, subdivision, and planned development review.

This year the Planning Commission has reviewed a number of applications, including minor subdivisions, conditional use site plans, and heard reports relating to how the Zoning Bylaw could be updated to better serve Arlingtonians. We supported the Town's application, together with BCRC, for a Municipal Planning Grant to conduct these updates at low cost to taxpayers. In December, we were pleased to learn we received this grant, and look forward hearing from you as we move forward on the bylaw revision process.

I would like to call special attention to new state law, Act 179, regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Resident homeowners may now build or convert an up to 900 square foot (or 30% of home size, whichever is greater) apartment if they have enough wastewater capacity to serve the unit and certain other minor conditions are met. This represents an exciting opportunity for Arlingtonians to add new housing and town staff look forward to helping you through the ADU permitting process.

I would like to thank my fellow commission members, the Land Use Administrator, the Town Administrator, and the Select Board for their time, support, and expertise throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Moore, Chairman

Town Administrator's Report

While 2020 was a year of transition, 2021 proved to be a year of growth, reflection on how the town operates, and taking time to think about how we can better serve Arlingtonians of all sorts. While the pandemic posed new challenges, they were not too much for our staff to handle. All in all, we hope citizens can walk away from 2021 knowing that the town is in capable hands. Let's look at some highlights.

Early in the year, the Highway Department welcomed Mark Towslee as the department's supervisor, and later welcomed Brian Hawley back to the crew. Mark set about assessing every aspect of the department's equipment, practices, and facilities. Noting how much time was being spent repairing aging machines, under his leadership we undertook a long-delayed renewal of the department's equipment. To do this at reasonable expense to taxpayers, we sought good-quality used equipment where possible, including the loader and main excavator. We took delivery of a new salt truck in the summer, and the new grader to replace the 26 year old machine should be here by Town Meeting. Using money set aside at town meeting last year, the department bought a quality used wood chipper, and began catching up on efforts to remove low-hanging branches town-wide. Auctioning all disused machines allowed the department to free more interior storage to extend the lifespan of its equipment, as well as maximizing taxpayer return. The department capably got the roads back open after a late July natural disaster caused widespread damage.

We also had a successful year in grant work. The Highway Department undertook state-funded improvements to Crow Hill Road. State grants also paid to re-deck the West Arlington covered bridge in oak, which we hope will hold up for many years to come. Together, they saved taxpayers nearly \$20,000. The department will take delivery of an 80-percent-grant-funded hydroseeder this year. We'll get more than 90% of funds spent on July storm repairs reimbursed from FEMA, nearly \$15,000. We also got a number of smaller grants, including funding new jackets for the highway department, a pickleball net and funds for installing a new water bottle filling station at the park, and funds toward setting up a disk golf course at the Yellow Barn property. A more than \$10,000 Municipal Planning Grant will fund a revision of the town zoning bylaw to make it more cohesive and better support the needs to Arlingtonians. We received the first half of the town's ARPA COVID-19 relief funds, and held multiple meetings to plan how they'll be used.

In administration, we improved a variety of processes and updated rules for accounting, auditing, procurement (including emergency purchasing rules). We updated our vacation time policy, making the town more competitive for hiring and retaining capable staff. We completed procurement of a new fire truck, and took the first steps to explore a potential replacement for the aging East Arlington station. We welcomed a number of new appointees to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and thank those who volunteered to serve. We procured equipment to make for easy hybrid meetings, making attending public hearings easier than ever before. Stay tuned, there's more to come, and call (or text) me any time at 802-379-9916 or email nick.zaiac@arlingtovermont.org.

Nick Zaiac, Town Administrator

Section Four: Arlington Water Department

Select Board's Water Department Report

Account Description	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022
71-6 WATER DEPT REVENUE			
71-6-04-001.00 Metered Water Receipts	\$275,000.00	\$279,750.80	\$290,000.00
71-6-05-001.00 Interest	3,000.00	6,972.89	3,408.00
71-6-05-001.01 Project Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-06-001.00 Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-07-001.00 Borrowed Money	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-09-099.99 Refunds/Rebates/Misc.	0.00	2,359.61	0.00
71-6-09-442.01 WD Equip. Hours Reimb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-09-990.01 Misc Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-70-820.01 Bank Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-6-70-860.01 EPA Grant Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL WATER DEPT REVENUE	\$278,000.00	\$289,083.30	\$293,408.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$278,000.00	\$289,083.30	\$293,408.00
71-7 WATER DEPARTMENT EXPENSES			
71-7-09-990.01 Misc Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
71-7-10-110.00 System Operator Salary	\$55,794.00	\$55,793.92	\$58,584.00
71-7-10-110.01 Operator Assistant	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
71-7-10-110.02 Clerical	7,600.00	4,338.74	7,775.00
71-7-10-110.03 Water Department Labor	0.00	921.05	0.00
71-7-10-210.01 Health Insurance	11,278.92	11,279.64	11,278.92
71-7-10-220.00 Taxes/FICA	4,700.00	4,655.63	4,700.00
71-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	3,300.00	3,722.96	3,800.00
71-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	5,020.00	4,132.52	5,020.00
71-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	879.00	1,203.50	1,200.00
71-7-10-530.01 WD Cellular Stipend	0.00	140.00	420.00
TOTAL PAYROLL & BENEFITS	\$89,571.92	\$86,047.96	\$93,357.92
71-7-20 ADMINISTRATION			
71-7-20-320.00 Operator Training	\$150.00	0.00	\$150.00
71-7-20-330.00 Computer Training/Repair	200.00	0.00	200.00

Account Description	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022
71-7-20-441.00 RR Lease	92.00	92.00	92.00
71-7-20-490.00 Permits & Fees	3,500.00	3,592.30	3,500.00
71-7-20-520.00 Insurance	2,028.00	2,389.41	2,400.00
71-7-20-530.00 Telephone	750.00	260.84	750.00
71-7-20-530.01 Pager Service	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-20-560.00 Memberships/Subscriptions	300.00	0.00	300.00
71-7-20-610.00 Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,086.29	1,200.00
71-7-20-610.01 Office Equipment	100.00	188.98	100.00
71-7-20-610.02 Water Quality Rprt	700.00	573.00	700.00
71-7-20-850.00 Purchased Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-20-990.00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$9,020.00	\$8,182.82	\$9,392.00
71-7-60 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE			
71-7-60-432.00 Vehicle Maintenance	\$500.00	\$361.00	\$500.00
71-7-60-620.00 Fuel	1,000.00	1,112.71	1,000.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$1,500.00	\$1,473.71	\$1,500.00
71-7-70 SYSTEM OPERATION			
71-7-70-330.00 Traffic Control	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
71-7-70-340.00 Sample Testing	2,000.00	2,390.00	2,600.00
71-7-70-422.00 Snow plowing	0.00	850.00	850.00
71-7-70-424.00 Grounds Care	200.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
71-7-70-430.00 Building Maintenance	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
71-7-70-431.00 System Equipment - Repair	5,000.00	899.95	5,000.00
71-7-70-442.00 System Equipment - Rental	500.00	0.00	500.00
71-7-70-442.01 Equipment Hours to Hwy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
71-7-70-450.00 Town Services	5,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
71-7-70-460.00 Infrastructure Repair/Main.	3,000.00	4,101.34	5,500.00
71-7-70-530.01 General Other Communication	1500.00	526.80	900.00
71-7-70-530.01 Internet Services	0.00	589.60	600.00
71-7-70-610.00 Supplies	5,000.00	511.45	5,000.00
71-7-70-611.00 Chemical Supplies	200.00	156.93	200.00
71-7-70-622.00 Electric	11,000.00	12,912.63	13,000.00
71-7-70-650.00 Materials paid to Hwy	1,000.00	0.00	500.00
71-7-70-741.00 System Equipment - New	3,000.00	559.53	10,000.00
71-7-70-742.00 Capital Asset Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-70-860.01 EPA Grant Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SYSTEM OPERATIONS	\$41,900.00	\$24,998.23	\$53,150.00

Account Description	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022
71-7-80 OTHER EXPENSES			
71-7-80-820.01 Bank Payment	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-80-820.02 Repay Loan RF3-333	135,933.22	135,933.22	135,933.22
71-7-80-830.00 Interest Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
71-7-80-860.00 Grant Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$135,933.22	\$135,933.22	\$135,933.22
TOTAL WATER DEPT EXPENSES	\$277,925.14	\$256,635.94	\$293,333.14
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$277,925.14	\$256,635.94	\$293,333.14
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$74.88	\$32,307.36	\$345.14

Treasurer's Water Department Report

	Reserve Funds	Operating Funds	Account Totals
Cash on Hand 1/1/2021	\$225,000.00	\$16,951.26	\$241,951.26
Metered Water Receipts & Interest		\$286,228.59	
Miscellaneous: Refunds & Rebates		\$2,359.61	
Bank Interest		\$535.85	
Paid Operating Orders 1-24		-\$55,528.46	
Paid Payroll Orders 1-27		-\$65,651.76	
Previous Year Payroll correction			
Vermont Municipal Bond Bank Payment 6/1/2021	-\$135,933.22		
Qtrly Reserve (\$35,000 each in March, June, Sept., Dec.)	\$140,933.22	-\$140,933.22	
Balance in Fund 12/31/2021	\$230,000.00	\$43,961.87	\$273,961.87
Evidenced by Acct. 7989 @ TBOB			\$273,961.87
VERMONT MUNICIPAL BOND BANK - EPA Loan RF3-333			
30 Payments of \$ 135,933.22 per year. Payments due June 1, 2019 – June 1, 2048			
Final Project Balance as of 12/31/2018 - Total Loan Due		\$ 3,835,601.93	
Total Administrative Cost		\$242,394.67	
30 Year Project Cost		\$4,077,996.60	
Payments Made to Date	2019	-\$135,933.22	
	2020	-\$121,073.18	
	2021	-\$135,933.22	
Loan Balance due		\$3,685,056.98	

Section Five: Arlington Community Agency Reports

Arlington Area Childcare

Arlington Area Childcare (formally known as Happy Days) has provided quality early childhood education to the town of Arlington for 38 plus years with the focus on families and child centeredness. In January, Arlington Area Childcare hired a new Executive Director: Jennifer (Jenny) Edwards. As an active professional in the Early Childhood Sector, she has administered and taught award winning, non-profit preschools. Her hard work in NY has earned her local awards and state and national recognition. Jenny is an active member in NAEYC (National Association for Education of Young Children) and is an active member in the NY and VT chapters. She is also an active member in Starting Points Director's Network for Bennington County, as well as part of the advocacy effort for childcare through Let's Grow Kids. Additionally, Jenny is the Chair of the Advisory and Review Boards for HVCC's Education Department and serves as a member of HVCC's President's Board.

During last school year (January 2021 – May 2021) the childcare operated under all Covid-19 safety protocols. We built our enrollment back from our 2020 closure, and only had one empty classroom during this time. We took this time to repair, repaint, and refurbish each classroom. At the same time, we were able to provide high quality care for the families we currently had enrolled. We provide services to the children of the area, providing vision screenings, partnering with Children's Integrated Services, Vermont Childcare subsidy, and many other support services. Additionally, our outdoor playgrounds got some much needed care and updating through some grant money.

When Jenny settled in, she realized that the center serves a variety of demographics, but the majority of the families qualified for free or reduced lunch. Therefore, in March we created a new Family Advocate Position. We could not think of a better person to do this important work than our own Kayla Croft. Through our Family Advocate Program we have been able to help our families secure federal and state assistance, such as WIC. We also help the families apply for subsidized childcare and navigate all the necessary paperwork. Word got around and some local citizens donated to the program. That began our Family Assistance Fund. Through this fund we help with groceries, gas cards, diapers, and clothing for the children. In our lobby we have a mini food pantry for the families to take what they need. If their need is more, then we have partnered with the Arlington Food Pantry to assist certain families. We also have a scholarship fund that helps parents catch up on their tuition bills. When families are asked to quarantine with their young children, it makes paying bills almost impossible. Through our Family Advocate Program, we ease some of the burden.

Each year Arlington Area Childcare strives to bring families together and host individual classroom family events, fundraisers, and center-wide gathers. With the pandemic we were not able to gather and make connections like we used to, yet this summer we did host a Family Fun Day and Open House. One way we have made up for the lack of in-person connection is through our newsletters. In our monthly newsletters, that the executive director authors, she has a page dedicated to parental education. We strive to make new ways to connect with families and still be part of our little community that we love so much. We hope to get back to being able to gather and make those connections and build stronger relationships with families.

One way that Arlington Area Childcare stays connected with families is through our childcare software called Procare. Through this program we post pictures and interact with families throughout the day. This software helps us stay connected with families and make them feel like they are part of the classroom. This way families are able to stay connected with the classroom teachers as well. Families are allowed in the building to drop their children off and converse with the teacher as long as the visit is kept under fifteen minutes. We were able to conduct our parent-teacher conferences outside this last spring. Winter conferences will be either in person or video calls.

Arlington Area Childcare supports staff development by offering online training through Childcare Education Institute (CCEI). Our staff clocks over 30 hours of training in the Early Childhood Profession every year. We currently have 6 staff members continuing their education in early childhood. One is enrolled in Fundamentals. We have five other staff enrolled in the early childhood education classes at the Community College of Vermont in Bennington.

Thank you to the Arlington Community for continuing to support our programs, goals, and mission. As members of this community, we invite you all to come and visit our beautiful childcare. Feel free to call our office and set up a tour.

Arlington Community House

The Arlington Community House is a historic landmark located in the center of downtown Arlington. Dorothy Canfield Fisher donated this historic brick building to the people of Arlington, and surrounding communities, as a place for groups to gather and meet. Today the house continues to be a meeting place for many local groups as well as a place to host small venue events such as baby showers, bridal showers, and birthday events. The Arlington Community House is overseen by a Board of Directors.

Martha's Used Books is housed in the Arlington Community House giving residents and visitors an opportunity to shop for quality books at very low prices. This used bookstore is run by volunteers and all proceeds benefit the Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library. Anyone interested in donating used books should contact the library.

Fundraising has become a part of ongoing events at the house as well. This year the board once again held its annual yard sale in June and Christmas tree and wreath sale in December. Events like these continue to help us pay for the many repairs, restorations, and upkeep of this house.

Many projects have taken place over the past few years. These include the complete replacement of the heating system, exterior brick work renovations on the chimneys and building, and replacement of doors on the annex. Work to maintain this house is always ongoing. Our most recent project has been repainting of the kitchen and dining room.

This past summer, the board replaced the antiquated windows with energy efficient and historically correct units. Window shutters have most recently been replaced on the front of the House as well. The shutters truly add to the elegance of the building. We received many generous donations toward making these projects possible.

In the spring new window boxes will be installed, thanks to the Arlington Garden Club, who also does a great job landscaping the grounds of the house. The Arlington Garden Club is responsible for many beautification projects throughout the town, including at the town hall, post office, and the Rec Center.

The window renovations and shutters along with past renovations have been financed by gifts and donations from our local community members, the town voters approving the appropriation, and others. As a non-profit organization, the board remains very appreciative of all the donations we have received throughout the years. Without local support these projects would not have been possible as the board remains committed to the upkeep of this important piece of Arlington's history. Along with these generous donations, the board has also secured loans when necessary to help finance completion of projects.

Future needs for upkeep of this historic building include renovation of the annex where ceiling and floor restoration are needed, and the sidewalk repair that leads to Martha's Used Books. The painting of the walls, ceilings, and woodwork in the main part of the house is also on the list of projects for maintaining this house.

We urge people to visit our webpage, (www.arlingtoncommunityhouse.com) and our Facebook page, (Arlington Community House) for further information about the history of the Arlington Community House. If you or your organization are interested in using the Community House as a place to gather contact Lynn Williams (802-375- 6119)

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Webster, President of the Arlington Community House Board of Directors

Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service

As I finish my third year as President for the Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service, (ACPHNS), I continue to be so grateful to be involved with such dedicated individuals that care so much for the communities they live in. We are truly a unique group that offer many services to individuals in need from Arlington, Sunderland and Sandgate.

In 2021 we received 9 applications for healthcare financial assistance. The committee approved full or partial payments to all the applicants. Eight grants were towards dental care and one was toward hearing aids.

We were able to provide the following scholarship assistance to children in need that live in the communities we serve:

Five scholarships were awarded to children who attended Burdett Commons and Camp Ondawa; Three scholarships were for overnight camps and two were for day camps.

We collaborated with the Martha Canfield Library to fund and provide weekly activities for area youth. Activities were distributed through the Summer Lunch Program and at the Martha Canfield Library. Sixty-four children from twenty-five families received activities through Summer Lunch distribution and another 25-30 children picked activities up at the Martha Canfield Library.

The JISP/KAP program was offered this year and we funded fifteen students for scholarships and ski rentals/purchases. We used the extra money from camp and activities line items.

Our scholarship committee remains active with offering four \$1500 rolling scholarships to individuals from our communities pursuing a career in healthcare.

The dental program continues to be on hold because of covid but the committee is actively involved and hoping to start it up again by the next school year.

Our budget includes VNA homecare services to those who are un-insured and in need from our communities. We continue to support the Red Stocking Program, and the School Nurse Supply fund.

We invite members of the community who would like to learn more about what we do to attend one of our quarterly meetings held at the Martha Canfield Library on February 2, May 4, August 3 and November 2, 2022 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Gunther, President

Arlington Energy Committee

Since its founding in March 2019, the Arlington Energy Committee (AEC) has been working with the Select Board to prepare our municipal infrastructure for the electricity-based future mapped out in Vermont Act 174. This landmark initiative aims to attain 90% renewable energy by 2050 and was affirmed by the town with the adoption of our own town Energy Plan. At the same time, we have worked to assist Arlington residents, businesses and schools to reduce energy consumption and costs through conservation, increased energy efficiency, conversion to renewable energy sources and the promotion of energy education and awareness.

With the easing of the pandemic through most of 2021, we have been pleased to be more actively involved in the community while maintaining our integral work with town government. The AEC put together and presented to the Select Board a cost-benefit analysis of a variety of energy efficiency projects, leading to the start of a continuing project to convert town hall lighting to LED. In addition, we have been happy to see the town preparing insulation upgrades at town hall, heating system maintenance to boost energy efficiency as well as to see the town begin to eye analogous projects in other town buildings. It is our core belief that municipal and private energy efficiency upgrades will have long-term positive effects on property & school taxes as well as each Arlington residents' personal finances.

Our biggest project in the community this past year was our organization and participation with other regional energy committees and local volunteers in the first community home insulation project sponsored by WindowDressers, a Maine-based group that promotes energy conservation through the building of window inserts for installation in private homes and public buildings. Two all-volunteer community builds were held in Bennington County, including one at the new Arlington Common, from November 11-15, 2021. We are happy to report that this "Shires" build was the third largest build in all of ME/NH/VT in its first year with over 400 inserts being constructed of which 25% were for people/organizations requiring financial assistance. We also continue to maintain an energy information booth at the Arlington Farmer's Market as well as to produce videos on DIY energy-saving projects and on things anyone can do to protect the environment, in a series available on GNAT-TV, called Climate Hacks.

In 2022, we aim to increase our community outreach projects as we seek new ways for distributing information where it is most needed while continuing to work with the town government on energy efficiency projects. We plan to have a significant hand in the organization and promotion of - and participation in - the next WindowDressers community

build project scheduled to take place next fall and to resiliently serve our town in identifying and disseminating new ways to enact cost-effective energy efficiency projects in Arlington. The AEC meets on the first Wednesday of every month and as always invites the community to attend our meeting whether remotely or in person at the town hall. Meeting dates, agendas as well as all minutes to our past meetings can be found on the town website. If you are interested in joining us, please feel free to contact us at arlington.energy.committee@gmail.com or contact our Town Administrator, Nick Zaiac at Nick.Zaiac@arlingtonvermont.org.

Arlington Food Shelf, Inc.

We have now gone a full year under COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions. During the year, the Food Shelf continued to practice CDC recommendations regarding safe distancing and mask wearing. Despite this, we are nearly back to where we were pre-pandemic.

Clients from Arlington, Sunderland and Sandgate visit us at our Old Mill Road location and are able to “shop” for a variety of healthy and nutritious food items as well as other necessities. No one is ever turned away. When available, we are also able to provide locally grown produce.

Our mission is to eliminate hunger and to adequately address food insecurity issues in our community. With the help of individuals and area organizations, we are able to accomplish our mission. This community has been most generous this year, providing cash donations and dropping off food items at our various locations throughout the area.

We would be remiss if we didn’t thank local churches for their support; the assistance we receive from employees and management at Mack Molding for their assistance during Thanksgiving; and the many activities the Arlington Lions and the local Masons have hosted to raise money and awareness for the Food Shelf.

We are fortunate that we have not had the need to solicit funds from local residents or run any type of capital campaign, as the donations that naturally come in have been sufficient to meet our needs. For this we are truly thankful.

We are also thankful for those who willingly volunteer their services at the Food Shelf. Whether stocking our shelves, serving on the Board of Directors or maintaining our building, we thank you one and all.

Lastly, we would like to welcome all visitors to stop by at our Old Mill Road location during our regular hours (1st Tuesday of each month from 1:30pm until 4:00pm and the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 3:30pm until 5:30pm).

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Gunther, President

Arlington Lions Club



The Arlington Lions Club has been an organization serving Arlington since 1952. Over the years the club has been an important part of serving the Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland communities. Our motto is “WE SERVE”. Lions Club International is a worldwide organization of over 1.7 million members and our local community benefits from the Arlington Lions Club affiliation with Lions Club International.

The Arlington Lions Club holds many fundraising projects to help with financial assistance for programs focused on vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian programs.

In 2021 the Arlington Lions Club received the “Club of the Year Award” from the Vermont Lions District 45. This is a great honor for our club.

The largest project the club has done was installing the Lions Pool in 1960, located at the Arlington Rec Park. The club still maintains the pool for the enjoyment of the entire community. This year we are starting a capital fund drive to help with much needed improvements to the pool. With fundraising and grants the Lions Club hopes to have this project done in the near future. The Lions Pavilion was built in 1980 and has been a gathering place for community and private events.

Another special project the Arlington Lions Club supports through financial aid is the Green Mountain Lions Camp. The camp is located in Cabot, Vermont and brings together boys and girls who are hearing impaired to enjoy summer activities.

Our club sponsors girls and boys to attend the Lions Twin State Soccer Cup tournament between New Hampshire and Vermont. Donations are made to the Vermont Lions Pediatric Cancer Fund, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, and the Diabetes Foundation. Local charitable groups and youth groups also benefit from our efforts with donations. Three scholarships are awarded to graduating high school students. We had 12 students from Arlington Middle School participate in the Lions Club International Peace Poster contest. One of our students was awarded second place in the state.

The club does eye screening in the local schools and also provides the assistance to the “Back to School Backpacks” program, also. Our group also packed backpacks of personal items and provided them to homeless shelters. Eye glasses are collected in containers that are placed in businesses around the town. These glasses are then recycled and provided to those in need. In addition, the Lions Club has an eye glass program to help purchase glasses. We participated in our local Memorial Day parade and Bennington Battle Day Parade. The Haunted House at Halloween time saw donations of food and money going to the Arlington Food Shelf. The proceeds from the gold panning event went to a local organization. This year we also participated in the Town Picnic by providing a food concession. We recently purchased new lights for the trees in the Village Green and in front of the Town Hall for the holiday season and have been providing this festive delight for many years.

Other projects the Arlington Lions Club has done this year include sponsoring the Christmas Light Tour, Halloween decorating contest and collected 5000 pounds of “crinkly” soft plastics which were recycled into a park bench.

The Arlington Lions Club added three new members to the club this year from our community. The Arlington Lions Club is dedicated to helping others. If you would like to have fun and take pride in helping the members of your community and the world around you, contact Susan Toth, membership chair, at arlingtonvtlions@gmail.com, attention Susan Toth, or

any Lions Club member. For information on eye glasses applications or “Sand Buckets for Seniors” contact the same address or call 802-430-3013.

Arlington Rescue Squad



Arlington Rescue Squad Inc is a nonprofit organization that provides Emergency Medical Services to your town. Our mission shall be to maintain a twenty-four (24) hour ambulance, first aid, and rescue services to the surrounding communities, by preparing the membership and staff to care for and answer any emergency that comes within the scope of medical services and to perform other services as may be deemed appropriate by the organization. Every day, our volunteer members and staff work hard to provide the highest level of care to all our patients and communities. And we say Thank you. Thank you for all your support, without which, Arlington Rescue Squad Inc could not do the things we do for our community.

Just like everyone else, COVID has played a huge part in our world over the last 2 years. We have seen the impact of this pandemic on our community and we have seen the devastation it has brought on individuals and their families. Our jobs are not easy as we use personal protective equipment on every call to help everyone in their time of need. Protecting our providers and our community is our top priority. Because without healthy providers and first responders our community could not get the service we guarantee. Our providers and first responders have been amazing in the help they provide and continue to provide our friends and families. The help we have received from new first responders and providers has been a lifesaver for our organization and allows us to continue providing advanced-level life support to our community.

Our goals over the next year are simple. Continue our work of providing a very high level of care to our community and find people like you, to help provide that care. Now, with the help of a new Vermont EMS Rules (effective Jan 1st, 2022), it is very easy to get involved. We can start folks out with a weekend-long class and from there, we can help you become a provider. We understand that not everyone wants to be a provider. First responders provide a very important role in any emergency. They help our providers on scenes, they help with basic things like CPR, stopping bleeding, even driving ambulances, and helping out with community events. The first responder program is open to any able person over the age of 16.

We also offer an Explorer program for ages 14 to 20. (If you fall into the age range of the Explorer program, you will be enrolled in that program. It is full of useful training above and beyond regular monthly EMS training like Leadership, Wilderness First Aid, and Search and Rescue.) With the everchanging rise in health costs, Arlington Rescue Squad needs your help and support. The money we receive from town appropriations does a lot for us and our community. It helps us continue our operations to pay staff and maintain equipment. Without volunteers, our cost to provide you with the medical protection you are accustomed to will **double**. Right now, just to staff our organization for one year, that cost is over \$220,000. To staff a paid nighttime crew 7 days a week, that crew would be an additional \$220,000 per year.

Currently, our infrastructure will not support 24/7 paid coverage. Our station is designed for a daytime crew. It is not a facility where a crew can sleep, cook, and shower. For over 50 years, Arlington Rescue Squad has relied on our community to help provide evening and nighttime coverage for emergencies. I believe we can still follow this model of support. I

believe we still have community members that want to help their friends and neighbors. With your help, we can continue to provide life-saving services.

Without Arlington Rescue Squad, our community could wait up to **20 to 35 minutes longer** for help and an ambulance. In a true emergency, minutes are what saves lives. Help us continue the legacy started 54 years ago of neighbors helping neighbors. Support Arlington Rescue Squad in any way you can. Visit our website for information on getting involved as a provider, as a first responder, and to donate. Thank you.

Josh Williams the Executive Director of Arlington Rescue Squad Inc.
jwilliams@arsvt.org

Please remember that in order for emergency agencies to find you and your residence, house numbers must be clearly posted. If you have a long driveway, please have your numbers by the road. Number signs are still available at the rescue squad building.

Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm



The volunteer committee of the Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm would like to thank the Arlington Select Board, Arlington Water Dept. and various town employees for their support.

This past growing season, five core volunteers and a few friends and family worked to improve and expand the Gardens at Yellow Barn Farms. The gardening effort was enhanced with a washstand for the vegetables, a picnic table for meetings, and a produce stand at the East Arlington Federated Church all built by volunteers.

The original 900 sq. ft. giving garden was improved with the addition of raised growing rows. Between these rows, cardboard and wood chips were laid down creating walking paths. It was very successful in reducing weed growth and eliminated the tilling of those rows which was a major goal.

We had planned to start a community garden with plots for rent this summer and had prepped a second 1,750 square foot garden in the Fall of 2020. COVID stalled our efforts, so, instead, we planted that space also to be a giving garden. We acquired a large volume of seeds from the Vermont Community Garden Network as well as contributions from volunteers and got both gardens planted in late May. To improve production for next year, we purchased and spread mulch over this second garden at the end of the season, creating raised rows at the same time.

And, concerned with the continued rapid decline of pollinators in the world, several members prepared a 1200 sq. ft. area pollinator garden. The plot was covered with cardboard and then, all summer long, the cardboard was covered with grass clippings. In early Fall the garden was covered with mulch and then seeded with native wildflower seeds both purchased and gathered from other local gardens. We're looking forward to seeing the impact of this effort next spring.

We were also the fortunate recipient of a donation from Home Depot of two skids worth of garden soil as well as a crate of pavers that have been placed as a center walkway in each garden. We are very appreciative of their contribution.

The two giving gardens produced 840 lbs. of produce that we contributed to the Arlington Food Shelf, the Summer Lunch Program and the community produce stand at the Federated Church of East Arlington - more than double the year before when we donated 320 lbs.

Goals for 2022 – more produce, more volunteers, community member plots?, fundraising, and more shared enthusiasm. For more information visit: Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm on Facebook.

Respectfully submitted, Gardens at Yellow Barn Farm
Project Organizers
Heather Hamilton
Roger Hanson
Julie Hutchinson-Smith
Anandaropa Nguyen
Dottie Sundquist

Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library

The Martha Canfield Library is here to help you read, learn and expand your horizons in a variety of ways. Even with a pandemic, we have worked to find ways that you can still access the majority of our services with curbside pickup for books, movies, games and puzzles, interlibrary loan, and printing services. We have 24/7 online access to audio and ebooks, along with other databases for research and classes through the links on our website: marthacanfieldlibrary.org. All you need is your library card barcode. Our library assistant Holly has held virtual storytimes on Facebook, and we have offered virtual programs for adults as well as children. And, thanks to a grant from the Berkshire Bank, we were able to provide activity kits and free books for over 125 children during our summer reading program, Tails & Tales.

Despite fewer in person research visits 2021 was an active year for the Russell Collection. Researchers from as far away as Finland and Oregon contacted us for research on family history and genealogy building histories, local and Vermont history, yearbook and cemetery research, and church history.

There were several important donations. These included two ledgers from a local general store from the 1850 period and one ledger from Kelley Stand hotel from the 1860s (thanks to Kevin Walsh and Tim Thomas). We also received a valuable collection of personal letters between Dorothy Canfield Fisher and Drs. Julita and Carlos Layug following World War II with the help of Don Keelan and Brian Allen. Randy and Claire Clayton donated the Harrington Newspaper Collection containing newspapers from about 1855 through the 1880s. Other items include the early sign from the State Seal Pine site, genealogy of the Prince family, World War II Civil Defense Records and pennant donated by St. James Episcopal Church, photographs, and Vermont history books.

In conjunction with the Arlington Common and Don Trachte, Jr. we installed the popular Rockwell and Arlington exhibit at the Watkins House. We also gave a short outdoor

presentation on Lucy Prince. As always, donations of photographs, family history, memorabilia, and local ephemera are always welcome.

We greatly appreciate your support through the years as we strive to provide services essential to a well-informed community. Let us know how we can help: check our webpage, follow us on Facebook, email with requests and questions, call us.
Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Skidmore, Director
Laura Crosslin, President, Board of Trustees

Red Mountain Masonic Lodge #63 Arlington, VT



Freemasonry has had a presence in Arlington since 1799. Red Mountain Lodge was Chartered in 1863. In the Community the Lodge awards a scholarship each June to an Arlington High School senior towards their further education. Some years multiple scholarships have been awarded. For over 35 years the Lodge has also prepared and maintained the Ice Skating Rink in the Rec Park (weather permitting) and held an Annual Ice Skating Party at the rink for the public with free refreshments.

The Lodge has also donated to Arlington Food Pantry; local Boys Scouts; Club Scouts, Little League; Vermont Special Olympics; Shriner's Hospital; and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. In the past donations were made to Arlington sports teams, Rescue Squad, Fire Department and Martha Canfield Library. All donations were made possible by generous gifts by Lodge members and Lodge Fund raisers.

Section Six: Reports of County, Regional and State Agencies

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity



Habitat for Humanity International (HfHI) is a global non-profit housing organization whose vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Habitat works in all 50 of the United States and in 70 countries. Since its founding in 1976 by Linda and Millard Fuller, Habitat has helped more than 35 million people achieve strength, stability and self-reliance through safe, decent and affordable shelter.

Bennington County Habitat for Humanity (BCHfH) is an affiliate of HfHI. BCHfH works in partnership with Bennington County residents who cannot otherwise become homeowners or afford needed home repairs. Applicants must have a need for better housing, the ability to pay, and the willingness to partner with BCHfH. Once accepted into the homeownership program, each adult family member must complete 200 hours of sweat equity. Homebuyers who become homeowners pay an affordable mortgage thru monthly payments that include escrow for property taxes, insurance, and Homeowner Association fees, where applicable. Homebuyers' monthly payments do not exceed more than 30% of their income. The monthly mortgage payments help build more affordable homes.

BCHfH is locally run and funded. With the exception of some contract services, volunteers build Habitat houses. Businesses, subcontractors, and individuals help build, donate materials, and provide financial support. Town appropriations purchase building supplies and materials for our construction programs.

In Fiscal Year 2021 (July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021), BCHfH brought two families home to houses that had been under construction the previous year when the Pandemic hit. The Greene family moved into their new house at 22 Peggy's Way in the Jennifer Lane Neighborhood of Manchester Center in August 2021; the Furciniti-Julius family moved home to their new house in Bennington in December 2021. By the end of June 2021, we were close to finishing a second house on Peggy's Way in partnership with the Brown Family, who will move home by the time you receive this report. Our home repair program currently is accepting applications from income-qualified homeowners who need minor exterior home repairs, including ramps, to stay safely in their homes.

Our Resale Store in Manchester sells, at reasonable prices, new and gently used furniture, building supplies, appliances, housewares, tools, and home improvement products that have been donated to us. Not only does the store provide people with quality furnishings they can afford, it also keeps items out of the landfill. The proceeds from the store provide meaningful support for our construction programs.

Two of our 31 homes are located in East Arlington, providing safe, affordable housing for two East Arlington families. Two of our home repair projects have been in Arlington. Many Arlington residents have volunteered with our construction programs. We encourage residents of Arlington to apply for homes and home repair projects. We are grateful for the Town of Arlington's continued support and hope we can count on your assistance in the future. None of our projects would be possible without the support we receive from area towns, businesses,

houses of worship, and individuals. Together, we do make a difference in the lives of hard-working, lower-income area residents. For more information about our work, please visit our website www.benningtoncountyhabitat.org.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Hoyt, President, Board of Directors

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless



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

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

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

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

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

As is true nationwide, a lack of local affordable housing has presented additional challenges both for our guests and our shelters. Guests are having a hard time transitioning into permanent housing due to limited housing options, which makes our need for funding and

support even greater. This is compounded as more families are struggling with poverty and homeless in Bennington County than ever before, with over one hundred twenty residents currently utilizing the motel voucher program in Bennington County. We anticipate that when the motel voucher program ends, we will be incapable of meeting the need for emergency housing. We strive to do as much as we can for our community and those experiencing homelessness,

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

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

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

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

Bennington County Conservation District



The mission of the Bennington County Conservation District is to protect natural resources and promote rural livelihoods in southwestern Vermont. The goals of the District are, to the extent possible, to:

1. Promote agriculture in Bennington County and adjacent areas.
2. Promote open space and natural resource conservation in Bennington County.
3. Strengthen the county's rural economic base by promoting resource-conserving rural livelihoods.
4. Promote conservation and science education for primary and secondary school-aged children in Bennington County.
5. Build an educated and skilled staff and Board and a secure, predictable funding base so as to guarantee the District's effectiveness and longevity.

Here are a few of the projects that we have been working on this past year.

Trees for Streams: We have partnered with the Poultney-Mettawee Conservation District, the Climate Advocates of Bennington, 350VT and Vermont DEC to plant riparian buffers throughout the county. Over 2,000 trees/shrubs were planted in the Batten Kill, Mettawee, and Walloomsac watersheds this year.

Agricultural: We continue to partner with the Poultney-Mettawee Conservation District to provide local producers with technical assistance, free no-till seed drill rentals, soil sampling and exclusion fencing.

Culvert Replacement: We continue to work with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Trout Unlimited, and environmental engineers to develop designs for a large culvert replacement in Danby. Replacing this culvert will improve the natural dynamics of the stream while improving aquatic organism passage including native Brook Trout.

Outreach: The District is providing technical assistance to landowners who wish to learn more about improving their property to enhance water quality and wildlife habitats.

We all have a role to play in local natural resource conservation. Your support enables us to champion the working lands in our community and we are sincerely grateful for your help.

Jim Henderson
Bennington County Conservation Chair

Bennington County Regional Commission



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

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

During the past year, the BCRC has worked to implement its comprehensive plan through a variety of programs and cooperative work with member municipalities. Economic development planning at the BCRC is conducted by dedicated staff and supported by a committee with representatives appointed by the regional development corporation. The goal of this BCRC program is to support business retention, growth, and recruitment. Related BCRC planning and community development initiatives support redevelopment initiatives in downtowns and village centers, grant assistance for local businesses, and have produced reuse planning studies for key properties such as the former SVC campus and the recently idled

Energizer complex. Concern over the state's water quality has led the BCRC to identify and implement local projects that not only reduce stormwater runoff, but also protect roads, bridges, culverts, and private property from damage. Other important activities have included: an assessment of land use regulations affecting housing in each town and village, expanded staff capacity to assist with implementation of local energy plans, village center and neighborhood development area designations, implementation of the regional solid waste management plan, and planning for roadway, bicycle and pedestrian, and public transportation improvements.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Sullivan, Director

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance



The Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance works to reduce the amount of waste disposed in landfills by promoting recycling and reuse as well as resource conservation. The Alliance offers education and outreach to businesses, schools, institutions, and event organizers in complying with the Universal Recycling Law and other solid waste management requirements primarily by increasing reuse and recycling. These programs help residents, businesses, schools, and institutions find solutions to recycling, food scrap diversion and the disposal of items such as electronic waste, fluorescent bulbs, paint, and others that are banned from landfills.

The Alliance launched an expanded website at www.bcswa.org and hosts a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/solidwastealliance) which provide information on:

- battery recycling through the Call2Recycle program
- disposal of used motor oil at retail establishments and transfer stations that accept motor oil
- recycling of paint through the PaintCare program, including retail stores that accept paint
- prescription drug disposal including drop-off locations
- recycling of textiles by the Apparel Impact, Goodwill, and others
- events for disposing household hazardous waste
- disposing of fluorescent bulbs, compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) and other mercury items at transfer stations and retail establishments

- disposal of E-Waste at area transfer stations, Goodwill, and retail establishments
- diverting food scraps by composting and annual sales of compost bins and kitchen containers
- resources for businesses, schools, events, institutions and residents

During 2021 the Alliance assisted forty businesses, several major event organizers including Garlic Town, made a recycling presentation to summer campers at Lake Paran, and hosted tables at several farmers markets. On-site presentations were provided to Bennington Elementary and Sunderland Elementary schools to teach students about recyclable materials. Forty pieces of composting equipment were also sold through two distribution events.

The Alliance held three household hazardous waste events serving 666 households, a number that continues to increase each year. In 2022, three household hazardous waste events will be held for residents and small businesses of all thirteen towns within the Alliance. The spring event will be in Bennington and the fall in Dorset. A third event will be held for residents and businesses of Searsburg and Stamford to accommodate the greater distance they have to either of the other events. Visit bcswa.org for updates and details. The Alliance receives most of its funding from the thirteen towns along with grants from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture and Markets.

Bennington Project Independence

Bennington Project Independence (BPI) is proud to have had the opportunity to provide exceptional Adult Day Services for older persons, younger adults with disabilities and their family caregivers from Arlington for over 43 years.

BPI provides a safe, sensitive and supportive day program for adults age 18 and over who face the challenges of aging and/or disability. We serve people who feel isolated without the support of family and friends, persons dealing with bereavement or other emotional issues such as anxiety or depression, persons with delicate or chronic medical conditions that would benefit from personal care or health monitoring, persons facing end-of-life challenges, younger persons with acquired brain injury as well as serving persons in all stages of Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive impairments who would benefit from compassionate, specialized assistance. Our Members have the opportunity to receive care and support during the day and then return to the comfort of their own homes or their family's homes in the evening.

Bennington Project Independence was able to provide a wide range of individually-tailored services including meaningful, life-enriching adult activities, educational presentations and mentally stimulating activities, nursing, wellness and personal care, social work support, delicious and healthy meals, opportunities for socialization, intergenerational experiences, pet visits, fitness groups, art therapy, our nustep and cubii personal fitness training programs, as well as community trips and tours. We are also a VA Adult Day Health Center dedicated to supporting our veterans and their families. The comprehensive services provided by BPI and the innovative Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center facility are considered to be models for our State and the Nation.

With the arrival of the COVID 19 pandemic and concerns for the at-risk individuals who attend day services like BPI, the Governor and the Vermont Dept. of Health ordered the suspension of in-person services at all of the Adult Day Services in Vermont. BPI suspended in-person services in Mid-March of 2020. Realizing that the pandemic may take longer to get

under control and seeing the effects of isolation and the loss of our support and services on individuals and families, BPI developed an Adult Day without Walls model. We made weekly telephonic check in calls with our members and their families. Our Nurse provided telehealth support as needed. Our Social Worker provided support and assistance for individuals and families and converted our monthly Families Together caregiver support program to a zoom format. Our creative Activity Staff embraced both the telephonic personal contact with a wide variety of zoom activities and establish a BPI You Tube channel for on-going exercise and fitness programs. Our vans could be seen delivering personalized activity packets and home baked goodies to our Members. All the while, BPI developed and implemented comprehensive COVID 19 infection control protocols and procedures. We made additional alterations to the Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center to meet facility upgrades that helped provide the healthiest and safest environment for our members and staff when we were able to resume in-person services. The well-being and safety of our members, their families, our staff continues to be our primary concern.

We were able to resume limited in-person services to fully vaccinated members in May of 2021. Following the State's strict healthcare guidelines, we were only able to reopen with a capacity limit of only 10 members a day. We have gradually been able to increase our census. We are currently at 65% of our pre-COVID daily capacity. We are accepting new members.

Being able to resume in-person services has been tremendous help to both our members and their family caregivers mentally and physically. BPI is continuing the telephonic and virtual services for people who are not yet able to return.

Bennington Project Independence is honored to be of service to the residents of Arlington. We are extremely grateful for the continued support and look forward to continuing to provide the highest caliber of care and range of Adult Day Services for the residents of Arlington well into the future.

BROC Community Action



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

Over the past year, BROC Community Action assisted **114** residents in the Town of Arlington. Whether they need food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling and resources and referrals; we are here.

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

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

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

Center for Restorative Justice



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

In Bennington County, CRJ works in partnership with the courts, State's Attorney's Office, defense attorneys, Department of Children and Families, Department of Corrections, schools and other community partners to deliver programs using restorative justice principles. The Restorative Justice philosophy involves the community in the process of holding offenders accountable for repairing the harm caused and helps him/her gain the skills necessary to become a productive member of our society. Restorative Justice also empowers victims and the community to have an active role in the process.

This past year, CRJ was challenged with delivering quality restorative justice programs and services while confronted with the COVID pandemic. CRJ is proud to have successfully served 1,531 Bennington County residents this past year. CRJ is a unique, one-stop restorative justice agency providing a full range of services from helping at-risk youth get on the right track to assisting individuals coming back to the community from incarceration. In addition to CRJ's traditional programs such as Court Diversion, Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program, Truancy Programs, Pre-Charge Programs, and Reparative Probation, CRJ helps hundreds of people each year get their driver's license reinstated, file petitions to get their records expunged and support victims to have a voice and be compensated with restitution. A unique program run by CRJ which started in 2020 (unique to anywhere else in the state) is Threads – a clothing boutique that provides free clothes and accessories to all Bennington County teens. The simple gift of clothing and contemporary accessories in many cases is all it takes to help a teen feel good about themselves and succeed in school. Some teens have even gained new confidence to go on job interviews with some new "threads"!

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

Respectfully Submitted by:
Leitha Cipriano, Executive Director

Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT)



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

In 2021 alone, we aired and archived 35 Arlington select board, school board, and other town government meetings on cable and online (and nearly 200 in total across our region in 2021). We produced interviews and discussions with your legislators, and aired Governor Scott's weekly press conferences; helping to bring the implications of statewide issues to the local level, so you can be better informed.

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

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

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

Green Mountain RSVP



Green Mountain RSVP (GMRSVP), an AmeriCorps Seniors program, is for people aged 55 and older who want to volunteer in their community. We help local non-profit organizations by recruiting and matching volunteers to meet community needs. Your town's funds help us to continue to support and develop programs for seniors who wish to volunteer. Our staff and administrative costs are covered by federal funds from the AmeriCorps Seniors Program. Our program covers Bennington, Windham, and Windsor Counties.

Currently in the town of Arlington, our AmeriCorps Seniors Volunteers are donating their time at the Arlington Food Shelf, leading Bone Builders at the Arlington American Legion- Post 69, assisting at the front desk and within the Russel Collection at the Martha Canfield Library, as well as registering donors at monthly American Red Cross blood drives. Volunteers residing in Arlington also generously spend their time assisting with preparing taxes through the AARP Tax-Aide Service, assisting with delivering Meals on Wheels, and grocery shopping for clients through the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging. Each of these services have been beneficial to both the volunteers.

Due to the pandemic, we have had to shift some of our programming. One shift we have made is to our elder justice education initiative, otherwise known as “Fraud Squad.” One of our AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers from Arlington assisted with the creation of our online video which helps to teach elders about scams from material provided by the Federal Trade Commission. Another shift we have made is to our MLK Day of service project. This year we created the Sunshine Postcard Project. Our volunteers wrote cheerful messages on postcards that we provided and helped to distribute them to isolated individuals residing in Bennington County by coordinating with our partner agencies.

GMRSVP has not seen an increase in funding through any of the stimulus packages provided by federal or state entities. Our program did not meet the criteria or apply for any of the other funding opportunities. 75% of our volunteers continue to safely serve during COVID-19 and we are pivoting our programming to continue to serve the community, focusing on addressing social isolation, wellness, and food insecurity.

Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Lenora Volkmer in our Bennington County office at (802) 447-1546 to learn how you can volunteer in Arlington.

Green Up Vermont



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

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

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

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

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

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont). greenup@greenupvermont.org 802 229-4586

Neighbor to Neighbor



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

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

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Galguera, Executive Director

Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE)



**PROJECT AGAINST
VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS**

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

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

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

Our advocates worked hard to continue offering support to survivors, while working remotely providing 101 interactions through internet contact alone. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, PAVE remained available and vital to the Bennington community. PAVE served 6 survivors from the town of Arlington providing them 9 supportive interactions in the past year. Our supervised visitation program also remained active providing remote visit options to parents and children, to keep them connected, despite not being able to physically see each other. This program offered 376 visits throughout the past year and has moved back to offering in person visits.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Brillon, M.Ed LSW Executive Director

Dara Zink, Board President

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging



This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to elders in Arlington in 2021:

Nutrition Support

The Council helped provide 2,785 meals that were delivered to the homes of 26 elders in your community. This service is often called “Meals on Wheels”. In addition, 20 Arlington elders came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 646 meals were provided.

Additionally, SVCOA provided 45.75 hours of one-on-one nutrition support, including nutrition assessments and resource connections and referrals, to 24 residents of Arlington.

Case Management Assistance:

SVCOA case management and outreach staff helped 30 elders in your community for a total of 224.5 hours. Case managers meet with an elder privately in the elder’s home or at another agreed upon location and assess the elder’s situation. They will work with the elder to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the elder desires, the case manager will link the client to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help elders connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to frail elders facing long term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

Other Services and Support:

- 1) “Senior Helpline” assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Senior HelpLine staff provide telephone support to elders and others who need information on available programs and community resources;
- 2) Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program;
- 3) Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project;
- 4) Information about elder issues and opportunities via various agency articles and publications
- 5) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA’s Registered Dietician;
- 6) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders;
- 7) Outreach services to elders dealing with mental health issues through our Elder Care Clinician. This service is provided in cooperation with Rutland Mental Health;
- 8) Transportation assistance;
- 9) Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing much needed help to elders in need of assistance;
- 10) Money Management programs that offer either a volunteer bill payer or representative payee services to elders and younger disabled individuals.

State Representatives Legislative Update



Reps. Kathleen James and Seth Bongartz
Bennington-4 District: Arlington, Manchester, Sandgate, and part of Sunderland

The 2022 legislative session started on January 4 and will continue through May.

Rep. Kathleen James serves as clerk of the Education Committee and in December 2021 was elected Assistant Majority Leader. Rep. Seth Bongartz serves on the Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife Committee and the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules.

A key focus of the legislature’s work this session is investing Vermont’s remaining federal ARPA dollars — more than \$500 million — to boost recovery and lay the groundwork for a stronger future, as well as tackling the interconnected challenges of workforce, childcare and housing. These are top priorities.

In October 2021, Bongartz and James hosted an all-day housing summit in Arlington. Leading state, regional and local officials presented a series of nuts-and-bolts workshops on how communities can build more housing for low- and middle-income residents. Bongartz and James have introduced a bill (H.511) that builds on these ideas and will make it easier to build housing in our town centers.

On May 2, 2022, they are hosting a Career Expo at Burr and Burton Academy that will feature dozens of leading Bennington County employers, business leaders and entrepreneurs, as well as reps from the Vermont State Colleges, UVM and VSAC. With a focus on long-term workforce development, the goal is to inform high-school students and job-seeking adults about Vermont’s best-bet career pathways and training programs.

During the 2022 session, all floor and committee meetings are live-streamed and available for public viewing on YouTube at legislature.vermont.gov.

James and Bongartz are also hosting online constituent coffee hours on the second Saturday of each month. The meetings are held via Zoom for now, and future dates are February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14 and June 11 from 9 to 10 a.m. The informal conversations will offer constituents the opportunity to hear updates from the statehouse and to share ideas, questions, and concerns with Kath and Seth.

To join the coffee hour, please email KJames@leg.state.vt.us at least 30 minutes prior to each Saturday's meeting for the Zoom link. She'll also post the information on her legislative Facebook page (@Kathleen James VT State Representative).

Both legislators are active in several tri-partisan issue-oriented caucuses, including the Rural Economic Development Working Group, the Tourism Caucus, the Climate Solutions Caucus, and the Social Equity Caucus. They work closely together on a wide range of issues and encourage constituents to reach out and stay in close touch.

Rep. Kathleen James (KJames@leg.state.vt.us, cell 802.733.1435). Learn more and sign up for her newsletter at her website: kathjamesforstaterep.com. Follow on Facebook: Kathleen James VT State Representative.

Rep. Seth Bongartz (SBongartz@leg.state.vt.us, cell 802.598.3477). Learn more and sign up for his newsletter at his website: seth4house.com. Follow on Facebook: Seth Bongartz for VT State Representative.

Sunrise Family Resource Center



Covid 19 was a challenge for us. It forced us to rethink everything we do. It required an approach that considered both the health and wellbeing of our staff and the families we serve. We learned to adapt, to be creative in our approach of providing vital concrete services. Using safe outdoor contact protocols and zoom when we couldn't, we assisted over 1255 families. We continued our attendance and engagement with almost 37 different agencies and initiatives across Bennington County. With support from Bennington College, we were able to construct an easily accessible Food Pantry for our families here at SFRC. Food, diapers, wipes, menstrual products, household goods, toiletries and cleaning products are just some of the offerings. This Pantry also houses a washer and dryer, available to our program participants as needed. We were finally able to designate and renovate one of our four buildings specific to Parent Engagement Activities and our Learning Together High School Diploma Program with assistance from the State of Vermont. Sunrise works cooperatively with MAUHS to offer this alternative High School Completion Program for parenting and pregnant youth up to the age of 24. We've seen a 100% increase in attendance from the previous year and are anticipating continued growth. This newly renovated space is also home to our Parent Educator, who facilitates county wide events such as playgroups, story walks, parent education workshops and delivers welcome baby bags in partnership with SVMC. Another campus wide project completed with support from the State VT CRF Funding and VT Community Development Block Grant was the installation of 18 heat pumps. These heatpumps were an energy efficient upgrade that allowed us to increase the fresh air flow campus wide.

For 2021-2022

Continuing from last year, Sunrise will move to the self-assessment and implementation phase for the nationally adopted Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening and Support. This assessment will allow us to integrate and operationalize the Principles of Family Support Practice and the Strengthening Families Framework with research-based evidence informed 5 Protective Factors.

As the Covid 19 Pandemic continues to evolve, we too must remain vigilant and flexible. We will continue to move our important work forward, meeting families where they are. Whether it's childcare, resource and referral information, homelessness, food insecurity and more, we are here to support, to guide, to educate, and to comfort families.

Denise Main, Executive Director

The Tutorial Center



The Tutorial Center's mission is to assist individuals and organizations interested in meeting their educational and vocational needs for both youth and adults. The Center is committed to a philosophy which respects student goals, builds on students' strengths, and seeks educational approaches most appropriate for each student.

The Tutorial Center works closely with the social service agencies in the area, such as the Depts. of Labor, Economic Services, PAVE, DCF, CRJ, and UCS to name a few. Though our main mission is education, we know that our students face many barriers. We work closely with our students and have a transition counselor to help students overcome these barriers, as well as direct them to the specific services they may need.

Our education services include tutoring for all ages; Adult Education and Literacy (which includes an alternate pathway to a high school diploma-the High School Completion program); English language classes for non-English speakers (ESL); GED preparation and testing; job readiness training; basic technology training for individuals and businesses; and our long-standing Youth Agricultural Program (YAP), as well as Integrated Educational Training.

Arlington's town appropriation funds support our tutoring work, enabling us to offer scholarships to students who need assistance. In addition, we work closely with the area schools to be a resource for them. We currently have 2 Arlington students in our Adult Ed classes and are working closely with Arlington Middle/High school to help educate 2 students. Last year we had 2 Arlington students receive their HS diploma,

Respectfully submitted by Sean-Marie Oller
Executive Director seanmarie.o@tutorialcenter.org

Vermont 211



Help navigating health and human services for information and resources is only 3 digits away...**211**. Vermont 211 is a statewide Information and Referral program of the United Ways of Vermont. The Vermont 211 system is at the fingertips of every resident and every phone **24/7**. 211 is cost-effective, high-quality, personal, flexible and community-based.

Can't find what you need? You can always reach one of our trained Information & Referral Specialists by phone or by text. Vermont 211 is here to offer help and to offer hope.

- One call gives you access to resources across your community. 211 is efficient, fast and easy to use.
- No more wrong numbers; no more wasted time trying to find the right resource(s).
- 211 is a private and confidential call; most often the name of the caller is not even taken.
- 211 maintains the integrity of the 9-1-1 system; saving that vital community resource for life and death emergencies.
- 24/7 availability every day of the year; 211 is always there for you by phone, at **www.vermont211.org**, and by texting your zip code to 898211 Monday-Friday 8:00am-10:00pm.
- 211 is an easy way to find or give help in your community.
- Language translation services are also available.

In times of disaster, Vermont 2-1-1 plays a critical role in bringing information to the people most affected by the events and relaying the needs of callers back to the government officials and the first responders.

What are the needs in your community?

Vermont 211 collects town, county and statewide data and feeds it back to communities to help make systemic change. Monthly reports showing the needs of your county are available on our website.

In Fiscal Year 2021, residents of Arlington contacted 211 by phone or text **66** times, resulting in **82** referrals. Agencies receiving the greatest number of referrals for Arlington were: Department for Children and Families—Economic Services Division; Vermont Department of Health; Vermont Foodbank; BROCC Community Action; Arlington Food Shelf; and the Southwestern VT Council on Aging. There were **24** searches of the vermont211.org database conducted by people identifying themselves as Arlington residents.

Overall, residents of **Bennington County** contacted 211 by phone or text 1,468 times in between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. There were 488 searches of 211's database conducted by people identifying themselves as Bennington County residents during that period.

The top areas of need were: Basic Needs, Income Support and Employment, Organizational and Community Services, Health Care, and Environmental and Public Health/Safety. The top services sought were housing/shelter, public assistance, and public health and safety, primarily related to COVID-19 concerns.

Agencies receiving the greatest number of referrals included: Department for Children and Families—Economic Services Division; Vermont Department of Health; Vermont Foodbank; BROCC Community Action; Greater Bennington Interfaith Community Services; Help Me Grow

Vermont; Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging; and Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless.

Want to subscribe to our monthly newsletter?

Our e-newsletter shares monthly statistics on the needs of Vermonters, highlights resources and keeps you up-to-date on new initiatives. To see or subscribe to our newsletter, go to: <http://www.vermont211.org/news/monthly-newsletter>.

Vermont 211 Partners with Help Me Grow Vermont

Help Me Grow VT provides a centralized resource center that promotes family well-being by connecting children and their families to community-based services and resources for children birth through age eight. They offer care coordination and help with navigating services to ensure families connect to the resources and services they need. Help Me Grow Child Development Specialists also answer questions about children's behavior and development and offer developmental screenings to help identify children who are at risk for delays, so that services can begin as early as possible. Help Me Grow Child Development Specialists are available from 8:00am-5:00pm Monday-Friday by dialing 211, extension 6. Or text **HMGVT** to **89821** or email: info@helpmegrowvt.org.

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Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired



Vermont Association
for the Blind and
Visually Impaired

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired's 2021 Fiscal Year was filled with "outside the box" solutions to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the absence of in-person fundraising events, we designed a virtual family-friendly scavenger hunt called the Great Brave Little State Challenge. Our new referral system, developed in fall 2020, has successfully resulted in an increased number of people in need of vision rehabilitation being connected to our services. In addition, the overall number of clients we serve has grown over the past year due to the aging population of our state, and this trend is expected to continue well into the future.

As government mandates have begun to be lifted, our staff has been able to be flexible with providing both in-person and remote services depending on client preference. In-person services take place with physical distancing and PPE guidelines that are continuously being revised based on the Governor's recommendations. The main goal of our programs over the past year has been to ensure that clients have the resources they need, in the manner most comfortable for them to ensure their safety, and to prevent feelings of social isolation during these troubled times.

It is clear to us at VABVI that our mission and services will play a critical role in the lives of many Vermonters well into the future. As the world transitions "back to normal," we continue to work nonstop to support anyone living in Vermont who is experiencing vision loss.

SMART Device Training Program: The SMART Device Training Program served a record-breaking 366 clients across Vermont in FY21. Due to social distancing protocols,

technology has become essential for our clients to be able to live independently while remaining social and connected to their communities. In addition, with many healthcare providers transitioning to seeing patients via "telehealth," (which is an ideal option for clients who cannot travel to appointments) it is critical that our clients know how to utilize technology. Clients who received technology training prior to COVID-19 have reported that the skills learned in this program have been invaluable throughout the pandemic.

PALS (Peer Assisted Learning and Support) Groups: PALS Groups, held throughout Vermont, are monthly meetings where members share coping strategies and discuss the practical, social and emotional challenges of vision loss. PALS groups have been operating remotely via Zoom and telephone over the past year due to social distancing requirements, but arrangements are being made to resume in-person meetings by early fall 2021.

HAPI (Helping Adolescents Prepare for Independence): The HAPI program enables Teachers of the Visually Impaired and Certified Vision Rehabilitation Therapists to work one-on-one with students to practice daily living skills.

IRLE Summer Camp (Intensive Residential Life Experience): IRLE camp helps VABVI students develop social skills, meet fellow visually impaired peers, learn independent living skills, and improve self-advocacy skills. The 2021 IRLE Camp was redesigned to accommodate COVID-19 restrictions, and students participated in a virtual group setting from their own homes. For maximum peer mentoring opportunities, IRLE Camp was combined with the LEAP (Learn, Earn, And Prosper) Program, which provides blind and visually impaired youth with the opportunity to gain work experience and participate in their communities.

During Fiscal Year 2021, we served 1,195 clients from all 14 counties in Vermont. This included 1 adult and 2 students in Arlington, and 43 adults and 17 students in Bennington County.

For more information about VABVI's services or to volunteer, please contact Shannon Turgeon, Development Associate, at sturgeon@vabvi.org. Visit our website at www.vabvi.org and feel free to "like" us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/vabvi802/>.

The Vermont Center for Independent Living



For the last 42 years, 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.

In FY'21 (10/2020-9/2021) VCIL responded to thousands of 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 **186** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **4** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **141** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **65** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **74** individuals with

information on assistive technology; **42** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **497** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **35** people and provided **24** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone. Due to the pandemic VCIL was able to start a new (temporary) program, Resilience and Independence in a State of Emergency (RISE) which served 418 people in its first few months. The Rise Program can help provide an array of items or services if the needs are directly related to the Covid-19 epidemic (computers for tele-med appointments, cleaning supplies, etc.).

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During FY'21, **7** residents of **Arlington** received services from the following programs:

- Meals on Wheels (MOW) (over **\$1,200.00** spent on meals for residents)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program (PAC)
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)

Section Seven: 2021 Statistics

Births 2021

Surname	Name	Parents	
Barnhart	Meredith E.	Richard	Kaylyn
Clark	Isabelle G.	Cody	Mary
Delaney	River O.	Ryan	Hannah
Galusha	Grit C.	Richmond	Natasha
Hankins	Grant	Sean	Cristina
Hoyt	Wilder G	Jonathan	Kristina
Irwin	Charlotte R.	Benjamin	Kati
Jeffery	Briggs W.	Franklin	Chelsea
Johnson	Marcus T.	Brandon	Carrie
Miller	Roisin J.D.	Brent	Heather
Murdock	Sylas D.	Liam	Brittany
Osgood	Eva A.	Derek	Kathleen
Secoy	Piper S.	Joel	Heather
Snow	Emma E.	Darren	Caryn
Witmer	Kylie R.	N Harlan	Eunice

Deaths and Burial Permits 2021

Death Certificates

Ameden	Janice	M.
Brumaghim	Jeanne	L.
Canon	Kathryn	S.
Clancy	John	J. Jr.
Croft	Tony W. II	A.
Cross	Tommy	L.
Fletcher	Elsa	E.
Howell	Gloria	D.
Johnson	Mark	T.
Loring	Mary	A.
Mattison	Sonja	A.
McHale	Joseph	F.
Shores	Allen	M.
Sparks	John	
Thompson	John	F.
Williams	David	A.
Wreaks	Grace	B.

Burial Permits

Babcock	Arabella	D.
Bowam	Lewis	
Brumaghim	Jeanne	
Brumaghim	Benjamin	J.
Clayton	Alford	Sr.
Clayton	Janet	
Crawford	Walter	E.
Crofut	Donald	M.
Crofut	Mabel	F.
Dinizo	Alice	M.
Fisher	Doris	G.
Johnston	Dorothy	J.W.
McAneny	John	
Nelson	Robert	
Skarka	Howard	K.
Thomas	David	L.

Marriage Licenses 2021

Couple		Officiant
Durrler, Melinda Rene'	Stevenson, Alan Kent	Mark Atwood
Knotts, Olivia Suzanne	Ondash, Kurt Stephen	Ann Williams
Simon, Rebeca Anne	Torres, Virgilio Davincoy	Rachel Ghiraldi
Greene, Angela Marie	Lindquist, William John	Judy Bryan
LaCavalla, Jaclyn Eve	Quisenberry, Graham O'Brien	Allan Rego
Budd, Kelly Ann	Schicchi, Vincent Thomas	David B. Shaffe
Evans, Travis Truman	Olivier, Francois	Mary E. Wert
Verga, Frank Anthony	Dicharry, Nichole Layton	Paul Voltmer
Redmond, Robert Driver	Laskoski, Madeline Frances	Amanda Choi
Hetherington, Daniel A	Oceanna-Kolb, Rosalie Tsuha	Ronald Murphy
Brown, Nicole Marie	O'Brien, Eric Allan	Wayne E. Bell
Keating, Hailey Kersti	Morton, Peter Philip	Mitzu McInnis
Bishop, Katherine Dick	Dunn, Thomas James	Eric J Fernandes
Weinberg, Andrea Megha	Dicks, JohnPaul Cashel	Greg Trulson
Chen, PanPan	Hasse, James Michael	Derek M.R. Nye
Lacoste, Julia Anne	Hayes, Caleb Edward	Tyson M. Kinney
Murray, Wallace Joseph	Murray, Carolyn Louise	Mary Ann Carlson
Ehrman, Rachel Morgan	Fishman, Adam Royal	Liza Pugh
Henry, Amanda Jane	Speck, Peter Bennett	Howard A. Cohen
Kohilakis, Roxanne	Wiener, Matthew Aaron	Mary Ann Carlson

Section Eight: Town Meeting Minutes and Ballot results

Town of Arlington Australian Ballot Informational Session via Zoom

Monday March 1, 2021 6:30 pm

Those present; Selectboard members, Chairman Dan Harvey, Cynthia Browning, Todd Wilkins, Matthew Bykowski, Timothy Williams and Moderator John L. Whalen II. Approximately 150 attendees were remotely connected to the zoom meeting.

Dan Harvey, Chairman of the Selectboard opened the meeting for the Town of Arlington by stating the rules and regulations regarding the electronic format as put forth by Governor Scott as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. He noted, for the record that all voting would be done by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 2nd at the American Legion Post 69.

The meeting began with a roll call of members of the Selectboard and Moderator John Whalen. Those board members present were Dan Harvey, Tim Williams. Cynthia Browning, Matthew Bykowski and Todd Wilkins.

A motion to turn meeting over to John Whalen, Moderator was made by Todd Wilkins and seconded by Matt Bykowski. The motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.

Moderator Whalen gave a brief introduction of the 3 panels who would be presenting: Budget Panel, Governance Panel and Other Questions Panel. He explained how to submit a question during the informational meeting since there would be no discussion or votes taken in this remote format. He then turns over the meeting to Kathleen James and Seth Bongartz our legislative representatives.

Kathleen James gave an overview of her current work as a member of the House Education Committee touching on topics including budgetary progress pertaining to the and statewide property tax rate. Seth Bongartz touched on his work going on in the Natural Resources Committee including wetland protection, the updated bottle bill, current use program.

Moderator Whalen then read two Memorial Resolutions to be made part of the record of this meeting as well as being adopted by the Selectboard at their next regular meeting.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS 2021

WHEREAS, Alan W. Hess, a lifelong resident of Arlington died on July 13,2020 after serving his community for many years;

WHEREAS, Alan was a member of the Arlington Town Selectboard and was also dedicated to many Town organizations in Arlington;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Alan Hess and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 1st, 2021.

WHEREAS, David. L. Thomas, a resident of Arlington, died on March 2, 2020 after serving as curator and advisor of the Russell Vermontiana Collection beginning in 1978; and

WHEREAS, David served the Arlington Townscape Association from 1985 to 2019; and

WHEREAS, David served on the Board of Directors of the Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library from 1987 through 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of David L. Thomas, and that this

RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 1st, 2021.

Panel 1- Budget- presented by Cynthia Browning, Nick Bykowski and Nick Zaiac.

Cynthia Browning gave an overview of the Spending, Revenues, as well as Reserve Funding. She showed a pie chart which indicated the expenses for each department of the town, with the Highway department making up the largest portion of the chart. She said that spending in the current budget is up by \$60,000 due to operating expenses, a full year's salary of the Town Administrator position as well as the purchasing of new equipment. The revenue lines look different from previous years because of the changes in the accounting software. With the addition of liability lines as opposed to revenues lines that were used in the past, the accounting software will reflect more accurate figures. The reserve funds are the town's way of saving for future expenses. She noted that it is very impressive that the town's people are supportive of these appropriations every year. This year there is an article asking voters how they want the surplus funds to be spent. One article is asking if the funds should be added to specific funds including bridges, hazardous trees, and backhoe/loader. Another article asks if the excess funds should be applied to the 2021 budget in order to reduce taxes. She noted that the entire town budget will be voted on by Australian ballot on Tuesday March 2nd, as opposed to being voted from the floor meeting that usually takes place. Nick added that anyone who is interested in seeing how our money is being spent, is welcome to contact him anytime throughout the year. Mike and Eleanor Murno asked what was being done about the

Benedict Crossing Bridge. Cynthia explained that the board has to investigate whether to repair or replace the bridge first. Everyone is in favor of having a bridge at this location, it will just take some time to consult with the state as to our options for repairs, replacement and financing. It will take some time, and nothing will be done immediately. A few residents asked about putting up a temporary bridge while waiting for funds and about using left over Irene funds for the bridge. Nick Zaiac made note that there isn't nearly enough money in the Irene fund for this project.

Matt Klare asked if there are any plans for paving Ball Mt. Road. Nick Zaiac explained that there are no plans for paving this particular road, however, there have been many improvements to the drainage situation. An anonymous attendee stated that Ball Mt. Road near Birch Grove Rd, has ice issues due to the lack of sunshine and is extremely dangerous. They would like to see more drainage improvements, tree removal and a higher level of sanding in this area. Town Administrator Nick Zaiac said he appreciates the reports on Ball Mt. Rd., and he will investigate the matter to see what can be done to improve the drainage further.

Denise Monte wanted to know the status of the new drain on Old Mill Road. Nick Zaiac assured her that was the next project to be worked on as soon as the weather permits.

One viewer asked about internet on Black Hole Hollow Rd. Cynthia Browning said she is aware of the need for internet availability for all residents, even in rural areas., which is the purpose of the CUD. She hopes to see new relief money for this purpose and suggests the resident contact the providers in this area.

The question about mud season preparations for Berwal Road was brought up and Town Administrator Nick Zaiac said that although he was not here for that, he has heard plenty about it and will be monitoring the situation when spring thaw arrives.

Panel 2- Governance – Presented by Dan Harvey, Ron Smith (outside Auditor) & Tiffany Mays, Treasurer

Dan Harvey began by explaining Article 6, which is to eliminate the office of Town Auditors. We currently elect 3 town auditors, as well as hiring outside firm every three years for auditing of the town financials. Ron Smith added that the duties of the elected/volunteer auditor has morphed into a bigger job and at a higher level than the town auditors wanted to tackle and that more expertise in auditing and accounting was necessary and he agrees with them. He thinks Arlington would benefit from hiring and outside firm to do monthly reconciliations, as well as yearly audits. As for the position of elected Treasurer, he feels the complexities of the job are something bigger than an elected person can handle. It is much larger a job than it used to be. Tiffany spoke about making these changes over time, in baby steps as opposed to rushing into it. She agreed with the auditors that the town has not been utilizing the NEMRC accounting software to its full capabilities. She has begun overhauling the financial records for the past year and has recently created new liability accounts in order to portray a clearer picture of the revenue accounts. Todd Wilkins added that in order to fund large projects, the town will

need use bonds and the financial records must be in tip top shape for that process. He thinks that best practices and the complex nature of the treasures position requires a professional candidate. Bryan Dalton asked what the cost impact would be on the budget. Bill Bryan questions whether it will save the taxpayers money or cost them more. Mr. Murno said he notices the significant increase in the Treasurers salary line of the budget and wonders why. Dan Harvey said that it may not cost much more, and that the town would be getting more bang for the buck. Tiffany Mays let the attendees know that a professional in the treasurer position has added \$25,000 to the budget for the remainder of 2020 and a full year position next year would add \$50,000. It is a significant increase from the \$15,000 in last year's budget. Todd Wilkins adds that over time it may save money. Jessica Roberts wanted to know about hiring or electing a treasurer with credentials and what would be required. Ron Smith said there are 2 pieces to the requirements. One is the statutory requirements of what the treasure shall and must do. The other is the major accounting functions that are required in the world of finance. It would allow the Selectboard to require the treasurer to have set hours for the best welfare of the town and to fulfill the basic public expectations. Timothy and Melanie Counts asked to hear from our current treasurer, Tiffany Mays on her concerns about making the position non-elected. Tiffany spoke about the Selectboards lack of understanding of the accounting software as well as what really needs to be done for best practices and policies and procedures of the treasures office. She does not feel they are ready for this type of move just yet and wonders how they would be qualified to hire someone for this position. Todd Wilkins agrees that they may not be qualified to hire someone for that position, but that Ron Smith would help them with the hiring process. More questions arose concerning the elimination of the elected auditors pertaining to the cost of such a move. Ron Smith answered that the cost would be \$10,000-\$14,000 for outside audit each year. When asked what grade he would give Arlington he said a "D" as compared to other towns he has audited. Nicol Whalen wanted to know if an RFP (request for proposal) would be required to hire an outside auditor, and how many other surrounding towns have made these moves from elected to appointed. Nick Zaiac said they would have an RFP and that an overwhelming number of towns (about 90%) have moved to appointed auditors, but a lot less for the treasurer position.

Panel 3- Other Questions-

Joe and Susan Gervais asked if the Town Administrator has secured enough grants to pay for his new position as presented at last year's town meeting. Todd Wilkins said that Nick Zaiac has been on the job for the past 6 months and he is constantly searching for grant money. He has found many grants; however, the board is not always interested in obtaining them due to the nature of the grant regarding the town's needs. Nick Zaiac talked about how some grants are utilized to offset the highway budget or add value to the town in other ways. One grant that was secured and spent was used to digitize the land records and another for security upgrades. Erynn Hazlet asked why there wasn't any money in the budget for veterans flags this year. She was told that new flag poles were erected at both cemeteries and a memorial stone was placed next to them to honor all veterans from our area instead of buying separate flags. Mardi Crane asked for a report on the board's decision not to secure the purchase of the Red Mountain property. Dan Harvey said they will be dedicating an entire meeting to that discussion at the end of

March and may reconsider the proposal. Cynthia Browning answered a question about the purchase of a much need fire truck. She reported that there is money set aside for a fire truck and we vote each year to increase that fund. It currently has \$75,000+ for a new fire truck, however, the prices have come in much higher than that. Todd Wilkins said there is a truck committee made up of Selectboard members and Fire Dept. members who will bring a proposal to the board for a decision on the new truck. One resident requested putting up speed signs near Wayside Store on Route 313. Dan Harvey said they will contact VTRANS for that request. Tim and Melanie Counts had a question about the reappraisal and why their notice came a week after someone visited their property.

With no more questions coming in, Todd Wilkins made a motion to adjourn the Zoom meeting. Cynthia Browning seconded the motion.
With a roll call vote, the motion carried at 8:20 pm

Minutes submitted by Robin S. Wilcox, Town Clerk

**Official Ballot Results
Annual Arlington Town Meeting
Tuesday, March 2, 2021**

- Article 1. Shall the voters authorize to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be issued by September 4, 2021, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer or postmarked, on or before November 4, 2021? 376 YES
9 NO
- Article 2. Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$ 1,405,419 of which \$ 1,136,913 shall be raised by taxes and \$ 268,506 by non-tax revenues? 330 YES
50 NO
- Article 3. Shall the voters authorize the election of the following Town Officers?:

For Moderator for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Cemetery Commissioner 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
JOHN L. WHALEN II	402	JOHN A. WILCOX	404
Write-In	3	Write-in	1
For Selectman for 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 Years (term expires 2022) Vote for not more than ONE	
DANIEL M. HARVEY	342	HEIDI L. SHERMAN	385
Write-In	20	Write-in	7
For Selectman for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds For 3 years (term expires 2023)	
GLENN SHERMAN	392	PAULA M. SHULMAN	371
Write-In	10	Write-in	7
For Lister for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds For 3 years	
JOSEPH GARGER	372	ALEXANDRA (ALI) ZAIAC	354
Write-In	3	Write-in	5
For Delinquent Tax Collector for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Auditor for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
LINDA P. CROSBY	411	VACANT	
Write-in	2	Write-in	33

Article 4.	Shall the voters authorize the transfer of \$50,000 from the 2020 Highway Department surplus into the Capital Reserve Fund for bridges and structures, \$15,000 to the Capital Reserve Fund for the removal of hazardous trees in the town right of way, and \$25,000 to the Capital Reserve Fund for replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington backhoe, excavator, and loader?	307 YES 27 NO
Article 5.	Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds other than those approved for allocation by voters in other articles on this ballot from the 2020 fiscal year to reduce taxes in the 2021 fiscal year?	383 YES 47 NO
Article 6.	Shall the voters of the Town of Arlington authorize the elimination of the office of Auditor, with future audits to be provided by a public accountant licensed in this State in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651b(a)?	294 YES 133 NO
Article 7.	Shall the voters of the Town of Arlington authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651f?	211 YES 223 NO
Article 8.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$75,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks?	386 YES 44 NO
Article 9.	Shall the town establish a reserve fund to be called the Extraction Tools Fund to be used for the purchase of extraction tools in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?	337 YES 88 NO
Article 10.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks?	391 YES 39 NO
Article 11.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$15,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington backhoe, excavator, and loader?	384 YES 46 NO
Article 12.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town of Arlington grader?	380 YES 47 NO
Article 13.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment?	369 YES 61 NO

Article 14.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$5,000.00 into a Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance/removal of diseased and hazardous trees?	378 YES 50 NO
Article 15.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$20,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads?	394 YES 34 NO
Article 16.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$30,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for Town bridges & culverts?	388 YES 40 NO
Article 17.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings?	396 YES 34 NO
Article 18.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers?	368 YES 62 NO
Article 19.	Shall the town establish a reserve fund to be called the Park Equipment Fund to be used for the purchase of capital equipment for the Arlington Recreation Park in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?	347 YES 84 NO
Article 20.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$5,000 into the Audit Fund to pay for audit work?	357 YES 72 NO
Article 21.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$45,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad?	401 YES 30 NO
Article 22.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc?	305 YES 123 NO
Article 23.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$3,000.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community House?	366 YES 66 NO
Article 24.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing?	385 YES 45 NO
Article 25.	Shall the voters of Arlington authorize to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$21,500.00 for the support of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library, Inc. to provide services to the residents of the voters?	375 YES 55 NO
Article 26.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless?	353 YES 79 NO

Article 27.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District?	320 YES 110 NO
Article 28.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service?	356 YES 73 NO
Article 29.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council')?	315 YES 113 NO
Article 30.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice?	281 YES 140 NO
Article 31.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc?	341 YES 87 NO
Article 32.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$1,500.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.)?	362 YES 65 NO
Article 33.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center?	294 YES 132 NO
Article 34.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern VT Council on Aging?	356 YES 73 NO
Article 35.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center?	324 YES 103 NO
Article 36.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?	382 YES 48 NO
Article 37.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living?	353 YES 76 NO
Article 38.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program?	361 YES 69 NO
Article 39.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity?	331 YES 100 NO

Article 40.	Shall the voters authorize the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNATTV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings?	353 YES 79 NO
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TOWN OF ARLINGTON DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY CALLS (AMBULANCE, FIRE & POLICE)

911

A

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER – Robyn Champine(802) 430-9564
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 ARLINGTON FOOD SHELF (JACK GUNTHER)(802) 375-6328
 Hours: 1:30-4:00 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month
 ARLINGTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL(802) 375-2589
 ARLINGTON POST OFFICE(802) 375-6904

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BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING(802) 442-0713

C

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