

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, VERMONT 2003



Town Hall Handicap Entrance

OUR 144TH TOWN REPORT

FISCAL YEAR: JULY 1, 2003 - JUNE 30, 2004

TOWN MEETING: MARCH 1, 2004 - 7:00 P.M.

POLLS OPEN (Wallingford Fire Station):

MARCH 2, 2004 10:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Town Calendar

Selectboard	1st & 3rd Monday, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Listers	1st & 3rd Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Zoning Administrator	Monday & Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Planning Commission	2nd Monday, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Board of Zoning Adjustment	On Call by Chairperson
Recreation Committee	On Call by Chairperson
Wallingford School Board	1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m., WES
Mill River School Board	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., MRUHS
Prudential Committee	2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Historical Society	Last Tues. of each mo., 7:00 p.m., Location Varies

Town Hall - 446-2336

Monday - Thursday	8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. - Noon

Transfer Station - 446-2524

Monday & Wednesday	Noon - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. - Noon

Gilbert Hart Library - 446-2685 ghlib@vermontel.net

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - Noon

Phone & E-Mail

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Burn Permits-E. Wallingford	259-2277	
Listers	446-2974	listers@wallingfordvt.com
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Selectboard	446-2872	selectboard@wallingfordvt.com
Town Clerk	446-2336	townclerk@wallingfordvt.com
Town Administrator	446-2872	townadmin@wallingfordvt.com
Town Garage	446-2472	roads@wallingfordvt.com
Wallingford Elementary School	446-2141	wes@rssu.org
Wallingford Fire District #1	446-2964	Wallfired1@aol.com
Zoning Administrator	446-2974	zoning@wallingfordvt.com



Wallingford on the Web <http://www.wallingfordvt.com>

Town of Wallingford
Rutland County, Vermont
 Population: 2,274 (2000 Census)
 Area: 27,136 acres

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Dedication

"To our children, they are our future."



Town Officers Elected Town Officers

Officers Elected at Town Meeting (1-year term)

Moderator.....	A. Jay Kenlan
School Moderator.....	A. Jay Kenlan
First Constable.....	Nelson Tift
Second Constable.....	Cindy Kennedy
Town Agent.....	A. Jay Kenlan
Delinquent Tax Collector.....	Lee Perry
Grand Juror.....	John MacLeod

	Year Elected	Term Expires
Selectboard		
William Lohsen, Chair	2003	2006 (3 yrs)
Edmund Crelin	2001	2004 (3 yrs)
Gene Gilman	2002	2004 (2 yrs)
Frank Bruce	2003	2005 (2 yrs)
Christine Davenport	2002	2005 (3 yrs)
Auditors		
Richard Smith (appointed)	2003	2004 (3 yrs)
Kurt Brown (appointed)	2003	2005 (3 yrs)
Carie Dinnan	2003	2006 (3 yrs)
Listers		
Russell Lattuca	2003	2004 (3 yrs)
Jay Johnstone (appointed)	2001	2005 (3 yrs)
Bradford Kelley	2003	2006 (3 yrs)
Town Clerk & Treasurer		
Joyce Barbieri	2002	2005 (3 yrs)
Town School Directors		
Kenneth Fredette, Chair	2001	2004 (3 yrs)
Judith Edmunds	2002	2004 (2 yrs)
Tracy Crelin	2003	2005 (2 yrs)
John McTaggart	2002	2005 (3 yrs)
Dave Lambert (resigned)	2003	2006 (3 yrs)

School Directors for Union #40	Year Elected	Term Expires
Gordon McClure (appointed)	2003	2004 (3 yrs)
Deborah Morse	2002	2005 (3 yrs)
Trustees of Public Funds		
Clovis Leach	2001	2004 (3 yrs)
Melissa Whitmore	2003	2005 (3 yrs)
David Ballou	2003	2006 (3 yrs)

Justices of the Peace (Elected)

Ruth Ann Barker, Kurt Brown, Ann Buffum, Marjorie Eddy, Thomas French,
Charles Gauthier, William Lohsen, Thelma Perry,
William Seward7, Frank Stafford

Town Officers

Assistant Town Clerks & Treasurers Susan Gilman & Julie Sharon
 Civil Defense/Emergency Management Charles Gauthier
 Deputy Fire Warden David Gilman
 Deputy Health Officer Dr. Joseph Donohue
 Dog Warden VACANT
 Fence Viewers Alan Davenport, Carol Ann Martin & John MacLeod
 Fire Protection Budget Committee... Fred Thurlow, Richard Kendall & Allan Baker
 Fire Warden Lowell Seward
 Health Officer VACANT
 Inspector of Lumber, Shingles & Wood Walden Day
 Road Commissioner Frank Bruce
 Sanitation Systems Officer William Lohsen
 Town Administrator Julie Sharon
 Town Service Officer Gerald Roberts
 Transfer Station Administrator Julie Sharon
 Tree Warden Robert Barker
 Weigher of Coal Paul Young
 Zoning Administrator Robert Inglis

Wallingford Planning Commission (3-Year Terms)	Term Expires
Melissa Whitmore, Chair	2004
David Seward	2004
Robert Soule	2004
A. Jay Kenlan	2005
William Scranton	2005
Richard Smith	2005
Robert Barker	2006
Douglas Blodgett	2006
Christopher Dinnan	2006

Zoning Board of Adjustment (3-Year Terms)	Term Expires
Lowell Seward, Chair	2004
Lawrence Miller	2005
Fred Thurlow	2005
Jay Johnstone	2006
John McTaggart	2006

Conservation Commission (4-Year Terms)	Term Expires
Donald Carlson, Chair	2007
David Klock	2005
Dawn White	2005
Debbie Scranton	2006
Robert Soule	2006
Peter Upton	2006
Paul Dilonno (resigned)	2007
Kim Blodgett	2007

Rep. to Rutland Regional Planning Commission	Kenneth Fredette
Alt. to Rutland Regional Planning Commission	John MacLeod
Rep. to Solid Waste District	Richard Crowley
Alt. to Solid Waste District	Stearns Stewart
Rep. to Rutland Region Transportation Council	Harold Weidman
Alt. to Rutland Region Transportation Council	Beatrice Tanner

Wallingford Recreation Committee

Susan Duskiwicz, Chair, Gene Bourne, Frederick Day, Judith Kennedy,
Richard Sharon, Jr., Michelle Wade, Charles Watts

ANNUAL MEETING WALLINGFORD TOWN MINUTES
March 3, 2003

Moderator A. Jay Kenlan called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 118 people present saluted the flag. He welcomed the youngest member of the meeting Amelia Jones and also Kristin Wallace a Canadian citizen that lives in East Wallingford.

State Representative Gail Fallar gave an update on happenings in Montpelier. She handed out paperwork with her e-mail address and phone numbers.

Chair of the Selectboard, Bill Lohsen introduced the board members present Ed Crelin, Gene Gilman, Suzanne Gilmore, Christine Davenport, Town Clerk/Treasurer Joyce Barbieri, Town Administrator Julie Sharon.

The Moderator read the warning and Article 1 regarding election of officers (to be voted on by Australian ballot).

The Moderator read Article 2 regarding scholarships. Rob Barker moved the article; Nancy Gondella seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 3 regarding tax due dates. Clovis Leach moved the article; Ann Miller seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 4 regarding borrowing money. Rob Carey moved the article; Nelson Tift seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 5 regarding reports. Town Clerk Joyce Barbieri read a letter from Auditor Curtis Conover covering the six-month budget. Clovis Leach moved the article; Bill Scranton seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 6 regarding the budget. Hans Huessy moved the article; Clovis Leach seconded the motion. Bill Lohsen said the budget is basically level funded (under \$1200) including all the special articles. The article was adopted by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 7 regarding the Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council. Ron Boucher wanted to remind Bill that he had a bet with him for \$5 that it would take more than 20 minutes to go over articles 7-24. The Moderator thought there was a state law against wagering in the voting place or he would take a piece of the bet.

Rob Barker moved the adoption of articles 7-24. The Moderator said the meeting could agree to this and discuss every article. Pat Goetz seconded the motion. Rob Carey objected to the motion. The Moderator accepted the objection and agreed to go on and take the articles separately. Joyce asked for point of order. Could this objection be overruled? The Moderator said no – we could overrule his ruling - but it would prolong the meeting and take longer than it would to go through the articles. Michael Aleshire brought the point that we hadn't voted on the motion that was already on the floor. The Moderator had voided that on the basis of the objection and ruled the motion out of order.

Article 7 was read by the Moderator regarding the Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council. Rob Barker moved the article; Don Emery seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 8 was read by the Moderator regarding the George D. Aiken Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc. Hans Huessy moved the article; Don Carlson seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 9 was read by the Moderator regarding Green Up Vermont. Ann Miller moved the article; Chris Dinnan seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 10 was read by the Moderator regarding the Paramount Theatre. Deb Scranton moved the article; Sarah Green seconded the motion. Michelle Wade asked how the tickets were distributed and didn't involve a lot of work. Bill said 100% were sold, auctioned off, given for fundraisers, and all were used. Julie Sharon did an admirable job administrating it. We realized \$288. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 11 was read by the Moderator regarding the RSVP & The Volunteer Center. Nan Dubin moved the article; Rob Barker seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 12 was read by the Moderator regarding the Regional Ambulance Service Inc. Clovis Leach moved the article; Don Emery seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 13 was read by the Moderator regarding the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice. Bob Soule moved the article; Bill Scranton seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 14 was read by the Moderator regarding the Rutland County Humane Society. Rob Barker moved the article; Hans Huessy seconded the motion. Nelson Tift asked if the society had changed it's policy and we had to pay extra when dogs were taken to the facility. The board didn't hear that they had to. Ron asked if the dog warden knew. Michelle Wade didn't know. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 15 was read by the Moderator regarding the Rutland County Parent/Child Center, Inc. Nan Dubin moved the article; Joan Lattuca seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 16 was read by the Moderator regarding the Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter. June Leach moved the article; Ann Miller seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 17 was read by the Moderator regarding Rutland Economic Development Corporation. Clovis Leach moved the article; Bill Scranton seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 18 was read by the Moderator regarding Rutland Mental Health Services. Don Emery moved the article; Joan Lattuca seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 19 was read by the Moderator regarding Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District. Ann Miller moved the article; Charles Watts seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 20 was read by the Moderator regarding the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging. Michael Aleshire moved the article; Walden Day seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 21 was read by the Moderator regarding the Vermont Adult Learning. Joan Lattuca moved the article; Nan Dubin seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 22 was read by the Moderator regarding Vermont Association for the Blind. Christa Aleshire moved the article; June Leach seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 23 was read by the Moderator regarding Vermont Cares. Sarah Green moved the article; Rob Barker seconded the motion. Clovis asked what the article was. The Moderator said there was supporting information on page 56 of the town report. Rob Carey asked if this was one that we had all the controversy on last year. The Moderator called the question. The Moderator was in doubt of the voice vote and called for a division of the house. The count was 60 yes and 43 no.

Article 24 was read by the Moderator regarding Vermont Center for Independent Living. Joan Lattuca moved the article; Christa Aleshire seconded the motion. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 25 was read by the Moderator regarding changing the term of the Delinquent Tax Collector. Jim Marquis moved the article; Clovis Leach seconded the motion. Rob asked what the genesis of the article was. Ed thought the tax collector had asked however Lee Perry (tax collector) hadn't asked but was in favor of it. Ed apologized. Ron asked again why it was brought. Joyce said the discussion began when the town went from a calendar to a fiscal year. The person would now be collecting much less for 8% fees. Bill said the \$130,000 warrants of past are now going to \$5,000. Rob Carey didn't agree with the article. Peg Soule had concerns also. Michael Aleshire agreed with the article. Ron wanted to know Lee's intentions for the next nine years. Channing Greene asked for clarification of the statute. Jay said it allowed for three-year term, it didn't require it. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 26 was read by the Moderator regarding eliminating the Second Constable position. Clovis Leach moved the article; Nan Dubin seconded the motion. A lengthy discussion ensued. Rob asked again what was the genesis since it would eliminate someone's public service position. Bill explained that as elected officials the board has no accountability over them. The board feels the money could be better used for special

officers. Don Emery asked if this would be the beginning of a police department. Dale Davenport and Tim Kennedy asked where the money for fines, etc. was used. Joyce explained that most of it is spent offsetting the constables expenses. Ed explained the differences between elected position and hired or appointed. He reviewed the history of the positions and explained why the board wants to be prepared for the future and use the budgeted money effectively. We can't utilize the vehicle to its fullest unless the people using it are fully qualified. Chris Dinnan asked if the special officer worked with the constable. Ed said the boards instructions would be relayed to the special officer through the constable. The board had discussed making the second constable position appointed however decided against it. Pat Goetz said the previous budget article voted in already approved the elimination of the position. It appeared to her that this would be a blended model of law enforcement and a good move. Michael Aleshire had trouble with the wording of the article. The Moderator said the language was taken out of statute. Brad Kelley asked if there was only going to be one special officer. Bill said a qualified person or possibly the sheriff's department as Rob Carey asked. Eric Davenport asked who did the hiring. Ed answered under specific contract by the board. Bill feels it is fairly easy to blend the two together truthfully, because Nelson is not available at times. We'd like the opportunity to have flexibility when we are given complaints. This is an article that was supported by Nelson. It was discussed at length at meetings and we would like to try. Rob pointed out that the argument that the second constable is unaccountable to the Selectboard is also true for the first constable, and that their power, duties and authority are identical. Bob Soule said it sounds like the first constable would supervise the special officer and it would be important that they coordinate duties but that the special officer would report to the Selectboard. Ed said that it's not our choice; it's by statute. Bill said the special officer is under the control of the first constable, but under the direction of the Selectboard. Nelson Tift withdrew his support of this article. Cindy Kennedy said she has never been told of any complaints. She also responds to calls from the State, when Nelson is unavailable. Ed said this has nothing to do with the current second constable; it's an overall approach to handling the fact that we are now funding public safety at a much higher rate than we use to. Public safety has grown over the years and the town needs to be sure there are plans to staff. We want qualified people to use the equipment we have to do the work. Ron feels this could be taken that the voters aren't capable of electing constables and are we giving the Selectboard too much power. Nan Dubin disagrees that we aren't smart enough to elect constables, the issue is accountability and personally if an issue came up in her neighborhood, she could call someone to come to her house. Dave Klock said that along with our fire district and Selectboard, it sounds like we're getting a third branch of government, which is elected law enforcement. Law enforcement is a bigger part of government unfortunately, and he would like to see accountability, direct control and full-time people who have direct control and accountability over how the law enforcement is carried on. Jay asked everyone to keep comments brief. Gary Fredette asked how the special officer would be contacted if there were an emergency. Ed said this new direction isn't for emergency calls. Vicky Ward wanted to know if Cindy was called as backup if Nelson went up to Sugar Hill. Ed said it is not organized at this point. Gerry Roberts asked if this would make a Nelson a full time officer here. Bill said Nelson would still be working in Mendon. Gerry felt with Nelson being in Mendon; it would be good to have someone in town. Tracy said this has been an issue for sometime. Chris Dinnan didn't think this gave the board any more control. Suzanne said this would be

appointed i.e. Halloween night or memorial day parade. Carol Ann Martin didn't think the second constable needed to have attended the academy or be trained in radar control, sometimes they are elected because of their character. Tim said we wanted to set more speed traps. The board said no. Bill said an example would be to serve papers on several of our ordinances. The Moderator clarified the budget by saying the town budget that was voted was not a line item budget for every line item exactly as warned in the budget. It was a total amount of money. The budget itself is the Selectboard's best estimate of how that money will be spent. He cited a snowstorm as an example for overage. He didn't want us to think that the budget as voted was specifically for those line items exactly as written. Peg asked how much interaction Nelson and the special officer had to have. Ed said as little as time sheets, use of the car, etc.

The Moderator caught Mitch Green as he was leaving the meeting to thank him for his past services on the Planning Commission.

Kim Osmer asked if the board was prepared to direct the special officers. Bill said yes.

The Moderator called the question. The Moderator was in doubt of the voice vote and called for a division of the house. The count was 50 yes and 49 no.

Article 27 was read by the Moderator regarding the creation of a conservation commission. Clovis Leach moved the article; Don Emery seconded the motion. Dave Seward asked what would take place. Don Carlson gave a brief summary. The commission comes from a statute in 1977, 89 towns in Vermont now have commissions. They exist to promote stewardship of a towns natural resources. Some useful projects could be nature trails, clean riverbanks, purchase or receive gifts of land. The town budget could fund it, however none is being asked now since there are grants available. Christa Aleshire asked how commissioners would be chosen. Don said the Selectboard would appoint. The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 28 was read by the Moderator regarding the advisory resolution. Rob Barker moved the article; Clovis Leach seconded the motion. Rob Carey moved we table the article. Michael Aleshire seconded the motion. By voice vote the motion to table was defeated. A lengthy discussion ensued. Rob explained this was an advisory article and was not binding. It gives us an opportunity to say how we feel about our energy in Vermont and sends a message to our legislature. Carol Ann asked if trees would be renewable and oil wells are not. Rob said wood would be and others would be hydro. Christa was supportive of the sentiment however didn't agree with the article since it was not actionable and was left wide open to interpretation. Rob Carey didn't agree with the article and thought it was opening a "can of worms". Betty Emery said it was worth getting people together to discuss the issue. Channing thought the article was vague and if people were upset about a cellular tower they should see a windmill field. Ed said it is basically making a statement and he supports it. Ron thought it was a marshmallow approach - what are we doing with this. Rob Barker is happy with the way we are going in Vermont with renewable energy. Peg thought it was time to restate this Vermont value very strongly. Charles Watts said we could show our support by the people we elect to Montpelier. Ken Fredette said resolutions can become laws and it makes a positive statement. Don Carlson said one of our fundamental problems in the United

States today is our dependency of foreign oil. He thinks this resolution will do something in Montpelier. Rob Carey said the vagueness will haunt us and the details will come back to bite us.

The article was adopted by voice vote.

Article 29 regarding other business. The Moderator welcomed the first time attendees to town meeting. Steve and Mary Jean Hochberg, Rachel Fredette, Kim Osmer, Vicky Ward, Keith and Tara Lidstone, Malcolm and Rita Swogger, Bob Inglis, and Bob Allen. Bill thanked outgoing Selectboard member Suzanne Gilmore for her dedication.

The Moderator called on Dave Seward to speak on behalf of tax stabilization properties in town for non-profits that were not on the warning. The Mt. Moriah Lodge, Maple Valley Grange, Wallingford Memorial Rotary would like a five-year stabilization. He made the following motion to get a sense of the meeting. "To request the Wallingford Selectboard to schedule a special town meeting as soon as possible to vote on granting tax stabilization for the Mt. Moriah, South Wallingford Grange and Wallingford Rotary properties." Rob Barker said it was a good idea and the meeting could be held at a regular Selectboard meeting and no one would vote against it.

The meeting recessed at 8:45 p.m.

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Dear Voters:

If you have issues or concerns and need to contact me, there are a number of ways. In Montpelier, you can call the Sargent at Arms at 800-322-5616, leave a message, and I'll call you back; send mail to 115 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602; send e-mail to gfallar@leg.state.vt.us; or my home address is 515 North End Road, Tinmouth, VT 05773. My telephone number is 446-2870.

The website for the legislature in Montpelier, where you can find e-mail addresses for legislators and read what projects and laws are being discussed each day, is www.leg.state.vt.us. Rutland County Senators are John Bloomer, Hull Maynard, and Kevin Mullin. Their e-mail addresses can be found at the above web site.

If you have any issues or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. I look forward to continuing to serve you in the statehouse.

Gail Fallar, State Representative

SPECIAL WALLINGFORD TOWN MEETING
April 21, 2003

Moderator A. Jay Kenlan called the Special Town Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Selectboard members present were Bill Lohsen, Ed Crelin, Christine Davenport and Gene Gilman. Frank Bruce was out of town.

The Moderator read the warning.

Article 1 for stabilizing the real estate taxes of the Wallingford Memorial Rotary Club at \$150 annually for five years commencing with 2003 and continuing through 2007 was moved by Dave Seward, and seconded by Bill Seward. The article was so voted.

Article 2 for stabilizing the real estate taxes of the Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 96 F. & A. M. at \$150 annually for five years commencing with 2003 and continuing through 2007 was moved by Rob Carey, and seconded by Carl Buffum. The article was so voted.

Article 3 for stabilizing the real estate taxes of the Maple Valley Grange at \$150 annually for five years commencing with 2003 and continuing through 2007 was moved by Charlie Gauthier, and seconded by Bill Seward. The article was so voted.

The meeting recessed at 7:04 p.m.



Warning March 1, 2004

The legal voters of the Town of Wallingford, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Wallingford Elementary School Auditorium in said Wallingford on Monday evening, March 1, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following articles. The Polls will be open on Tuesday, March 2, 2004 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the WALLINGFORD FIRE STATION for the purpose of voting Australian Ballot.

- ARTICLE 1. To elect the following Town Officers by Australian Ballot: **two Selectboard members**, one (1) for a two-year term and one (1) for a three-year term; **two Auditors**, one (1) for one year to complete a three-year term, and one (1) for a three-year term; **two Listers**, one (1) for one year to complete a three-year term, and one (1) for a three-year term; **Trustee of Public Funds** for a three-year term; **Delinquent Tax Collector** for a three-year term, and **Town Moderator, Grand Juror, Town Agent and First Constable**, each for one-year terms.
- ARTICLE 2. Shall the Town vote to have scholarships provided under Title 16 VSA, Section 2535, the same to be applied for on or before April 30, 2004 at the Supervisory Union Office?
- ARTICLE 3. Shall the Town vote to have one-half (1/2) of the fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005) property taxes and fire protection taxes paid to the Town Treasurer on or before October 18, 2004 at 4:30 P.M. and the remaining one-half of the fiscal year 2005 property taxes and fire protection taxes paid to the Town Treasurer on or before April 18, 2005 at 4:30 P.M.? Payments are physically due in the Town Office; post-marked dates WILL NOT be accepted.
- ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money from time to time as may be required?
- ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town approve the Reports of the Town Officers as submitted?
- ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town vote to raise not more than \$427,188.22 in property Taxes for its General Operation for fiscal year 2005?
- ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$500 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support the Association for Retarded Citizens?
- ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$500 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support BROCC?
- ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$50 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support George D. Aiken Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$25 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Green Up Vermont?

- ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$900 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support the Paramount Theatre?
- ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$500 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Preservation Trust of Vermont?
- ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$250 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support RSVP & The Volunteer Center?
- ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$1,137 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Regional Ambulance Service Inc.?
- ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$2,860 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice?
- ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$500 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland County Humane Society?
- ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$500 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland County Parent/Child Center, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$200 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter?
- ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$250 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland Economic Development Corporation?
- ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$1,379 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland Mental Health Services?
- ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$200 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District?
- ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$100 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services?

- ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$1,000 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?
- ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$1,000 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Vermont Adult Learning?
- ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$100 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired?
- ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$200 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Vermont Cares?
- ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town approve the expenditure of \$280 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, to support Vermont Center for Independent Living?
- ARTICLE 28. Shall the Town approve to appropriate \$5,000 in addition to such amounts as may be approved under Article 6, for recreational development of what is commonly known as "the pit"?
- ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town approve to appropriate \$10,000 as a Building Grant Match, contingent upon receiving matching funds, for improvements to the windows at Town Hall?
- ARTICLE 30. Shall the Town, starting in budget year 05-06, vote by Australian ballot for donations to non-profit organizations? (This will not include donations to the Gilbert Hart Library, the Irving Smith Scholarship, the Mt. Holly Rescue Squad, the Ralph Stafford Scholarship, and the Wallingford Rescue Squad.)
- ARTICLE 31. To conduct such other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

WALLINGFORD SELECTBOARD

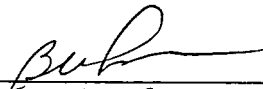
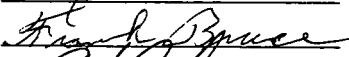
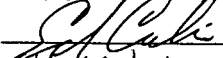
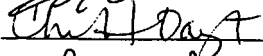
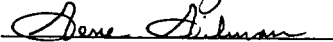
Bill Lohsen

Frank Bruce

Ed Crelin

Christine Davenport

Gene Gilman

Dated this 19th day of January, 2004

Statement of Revenues

Revenues	Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
4501 · Green Mtn National Forest PILT	10,777.00	8,000.00	12,340.00	12,000.00
4502 · State Aid (Highway)	74,174.84	74,000.00	74,000.00	74,000.00
4503 · Ordinance Fines	50,150.01	28,100.00	14,050.00	5,000.00
4504 · Town Share RR Taxes	443.47	350.00	400.00	400.00
4505 · Rent (Office Space)	2,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
4506 · Motor Vehicle Reg. Renewal	483.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
4507 · Share of Town Report	417.01	400.00	400.00	400.00
4510 · Dog License/Fines	2,019.00	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
4511 · Liquor & Tobacco Licenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
4512 · Marriage/Civil Union Licenses	902.00	400.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
4513 · Building/Zoning/BZA Permits	3,750.00	1,750.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
4514 · Transfer Station Permits	48,522.85	45,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
4515 · Heavy Metal	7,330.45	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,300.00
4516 · Hunting/Fishing Licenses	205.00	150.00	300.00	300.00
4517 · Recording Fees	19,221.50	15,000.00	20,000.00	24,000.00
4518 · Restoration Fees	3,199.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
4519 · Copier Service	1,970.07	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,500.00
4521 · 1% Interest	4,034.23	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
4522 · Earned Fin. Mgmt & Svcs	1,664.94	2,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
4523 · Current Property	269,749.82	429,536.00	400,000.00	427,188.22
4524 · Previous Year's Balance	26,963.12	20,000.00	8,590.48	0.00
4525 · Fire Protection	2,823.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
4526 · Delinquent Property	122,511.94	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
4527 · Fernfield Farms Income	6,060.78	5,628.00	5,628.00	5,378.78
4528 · Ralph Stafford Scholarship	4,116.99	3,995.00	3,995.00	3,660.48
4529 · GMNF Gravel Reimbursement	0.00	900.00	468.00	450.00
4530 · Overweight Permits	230.00	150.00	200.00	200.00
4533 · Green Mt. Passports	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
* 4534 · Zoning Grant	3,150.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
4535 · BROOC loan payoff	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4540 · Miscellaneous				
4540-B · Insurance Reim. (of 5025)	653.10	200.00	260.00	260.00
4540-I · Fire District Reimbursements	255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4540-J · Street Excavation Permits	0.00	0.00	75.00	100.00
4540-L · Land Use Reimbursement	4,781.00	3,500.00	5,106.00	5,000.00

Revenues		Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
	4540-M · Building Fund	208,148.81	0.00	20,204.19	0.00
	4540-O · Paramount	358.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
	4540-P · Passports	885.00	0.00	425.00	425.00
	4540-Q · Fax Income	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
	4540-R · Summer Recreation Program	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
**	4540-S · Recreation-Soccer	4,415.00	4,700.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
	4540-T · Lease Payment (Cell Antenna)	0.00	10,400.00	0.00	0.00
	4540-U · Building Use Rent	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
	4540-V · Miscellaneous-Paving Grant	3,500.00	0.00	16,823.07	0.00
	4540-W · Miscellaneous-Other	3,434.65	0.00	0.00	0.00
	4540-X · Vehicle Fund	4,508.35	4,500.00	0.00	18,000.00
	Total 4540 · Miscellaneous	230,938.91	24,300.00	48,893.26	29,285.00
	TOTAL REVENUES	902,817.79	711,565.00	696,870.74	701,468.48

Statement of Expenses

Administration					
	5000 · Auditors	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
	5001 · Selectboard	3,800.00	3,800.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
	5002 · Listers				
	5002 · Listers Salaries	4,877.76	7,600.00	5,000.00	6,544.00
	5002-B · Lister Expenses	461.50	1,930.00	1,000.00	1,850.00
	5002-C · Tax Map Update	1,150.00	1,275.00	1,275.00	1,275.00
	5002-D · Professional Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Total 5002 · Listers	6,489.26	10,805.00	7,275.00	11,669.00
	5003 · Town Administrator	17,107.20	16,700.00	16,700.00	17,702.00
	5004 · Zoning Administrator				
	5004 · Zoning Administrator Salary	3,499.09	4,950.00	4,000.00	4,100.00
	5004-A · Zoning Adm. Expenses	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
*	5004-B · Zoning Adm. Grant Salary	1,533.25	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
	Total 5004 · Zoning Administrator	6,282.34	4,950.00	4,000.00	14,300.00
	5005 · Town Clerk & Treasurer	31,999.76	32,960.00	32,960.00	34,608.00
	5006 · Road Crew	80,106.22	80,340.00	80,340.00	81,400.00
	5007 · Overtime (Road Crew)	6,905.43	8,240.00	8,240.00	8,240.00
	5008 · Transfer Station Attendants	14,647.21	14,935.00	14,935.00	15,800.00
	5009 · Assistant Town Clerk	15,517.93	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00

Administration	Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
5010 · Road Commissioner	4,400.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
5023 · FICA Employer	16,030.79	18,000.00	18,000.00	19,000.00
5024 · VT Mun. Empl. Retirement	6,561.88	6,180.00	6,500.00	7,000.00
5540 · Miscellaneous Expense				
5540-P · Passports	585.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
5540 · Miscellaneous Expense-Other	1,952.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5540 · Miscellaneous Expense	2,537.50	0.00	150.00	150.00
Total ADMINISTRATION	212,385.52	220,610.00	216,600.00	237,369.00

Expenditures				
5201 · George D. Aiken RC&D Council	50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
5202 · R. Stafford Scholarship	4,116.90	3,995.00	3,995.00	3,660.48
5203 · Rutland Visiting Nurse & Hospice	2,860.00	2,860.00	2,860.00	0.00
5204 · So. Western Vt. Council on Aging	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
5205 · Gilbert Hart Library	28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	30,000.00
5206 · Rutland County Humane Society	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
5207 · Rutland Mental Health Services	1,379.00	1,379.00	1,379.00	0.00
5208 · BROOC	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
5209 · RSVP & The Volunteer Center	105.00	105.00	105.00	0.00
5210 · Wallingford Rescue Squad	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00
5211 · Mt. Holly Rescue Squad	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
5212 · Reg. Ambulance Service, Inc.	1,137.00	1,137.00	1,137.00	0.00
5213 · Rutland Co. Women's Network	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
5214 · VT Center for Independent Living	280.00	280.00	280.00	0.00
5215 · Vermont Adult Learning	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
5216 · VT Association for the Blind	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
5217 · Rutland Economic Development	100.00	500.00	250.00	0.00
5218 · Green Up Vermont	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
5219 · Rutland Nat'l Resources Conserv.	75.00	75.00	75.00	0.00
5220 · Rutland Co. Parent/Child Center	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
5222 · Irving Smith Scholarship	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
5224 · Paramount Theatre	900.00	900.00	900.00	0.00
5225 · Vermont Cares	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Total EXPENDITURES	51,452.90	52,131.00	51,881.00	42,360.48
Insurance				
5025 · Unemploy,PACIF,Health,Dental	54,159.25	50,000.00	50,000.00	56,500.00
Total INSURANCE	54,159.25	50,000.00	50,000.00	56,500.00

Highway Department	Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
5301 · Town Garage Operating Expense	10,076.87	8,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00
5302 · Equipment-Misc.	825.52	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
5303 · Loader 1998 Kawasaki	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
5304 · Truck 1995 International	111.73	1,500.00	300.00	1,500.00
5305 · Truck 2001	16,140.49	1,000.00	6,200.00	8,000.00
5306 · Truck 1999	20,823.58	1,500.00	1,200.00	1,500.00
5307 · Grader 2000	19,515.34	15,000.00	19,000.00	1,000.00
5308 · Backhoe 1990	132.54	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
5310 · Sanders/Plows	281.51	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
5311 · Tools/Equipment	376.25	300.00	0.00	300.00
5314 · Hired Equipment	1,475.00	1,500.00	900.00	2,000.00
5315 · Diesel Fuel	12,811.78	7,000.00	6,000.00	13,000.00
5316 · Gasoline	55.00	100.00	50.00	100.00
5317 · Tree Service/Landscaping	411.00	500.00	500.00	1,000.00
5318 · Winter Sand & Screening	17,992.80	18,000.00	18,042.00	20,000.00
5319 · Winter Salt	15,556.31	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
5320 · Chloride	640.00	1,500.00	1,529.00	1,500.00
5321 · Culverts	1,404.80	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
5322 · Oil and Grease	1,383.77	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
5323 · Gravel	42,509.12	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
5324 · Blades, Chains & Shoes	1,129.44	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
5325 · Paving	23,431.08	20,000.00	32,500.00	20,000.00
5327 · Traffic Control Devices	176.09	200.00	150.00	500.00
5328 · Uniforms	0.00	500.00	0.00	300.00
5329 · Sand Shed	64.30	250.00	0.00	200.00
5330 · Truck 2002 (3 of 4 payments)	267.74	20,000.00	23,000.00	21,000.00
5332 · Special Projects				
5332-A · Garage Roof (2 of 4 payments)	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
5332-B · Radios	0.00	1,500.00	240.00	1,500.00
5332-C · Special Projects	3,500.00	4,000.00	2,100.00	2,000.00
5332-D · Mowing	0.00	2,300.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
Total 5332 · Special Projects	3,500.00	12,800.00	8,340.00	11,500.00
Total HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	191,092.06	171,950.00	181,011.00	172,700.00

Public Safety	Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
5401 · Constables	15,000.00	15,000.00	7,500.00	0.00
5401-A · Constable pay Jan/June 02	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5402 · First Constable Expense	2,057.88	3,500.00	2,000.00	250.00
5403 · 2nd Constable Salary	372.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
5404 · 2nd Constable Mileage	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
5405 · 2nd Constable Expense	109.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5406 · Special Officers	50.00	3,600.00	500.00	7,500.00
5407 · Constable Veh. (3 of 3 payments)	6,123.00	6,500.00	6,230.00	6,200.00
5408 · Dog Warden	271.94	1,000.00	200.00	500.00
5409 · Training	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00
Total PUBLIC SAFETY	28,983.82	30,000.00	16,580.00	14,450.00

Town Government Operations				
5112 · Election & Meeting	2,775.82	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
5113 · Town Report	1,750.50	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
5114 · Office Expense	8,649.13	7,000.00	7,000.00	8,000.00
5114-A · Del. Collector Office Expense	199.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
5114-B · Vault Loan	1,760.67	2,250.00	1,633.00	0.00
5115 · Legal Expenses	1,325.00	1,500.00	10,500.00	3,000.00
5116 · Planning & Zoning Notices	317.23	150.00	50.00	150.00
5117 · Ads & Warnings	378.64	500.00	100.00	500.00
5118 · Seminars, Meetings, Etc.	-150.00	500.00	250.00	200.00
5119 · Interest Tax Anticipation	0.00	500.00	58.12	200.00
5120 · Recreation Field Mowing	2,180.00	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
5123 · Memorial Day	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
5125 · VLCT Dues	1,774.00	1,774.00	1,774.00	1,889.00
5126 · Rutland Regional Commission	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
5131 · Septic Inspection	375.00	700.00	300.00	350.00
5150 · Transfer Station	73,085.75	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00
5151 · Town Hall Operating Expense	9,352.95	11,000.00	10,000.00	11,000.00
5151-A · Town Hall Maintenance	2,426.28	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
5152 · Sidewalks	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
5153 · Cemeteries	725.00	700.00	700.00	1,000.00
5155 · Rutland County Tax	0.00	15,300.00	15,300.00	15,800.00
Total TOWN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS	109,424.97	132,674.00	137,465.12	133,889.00

Capital Expenses	Actual Jul 02-Jun 03	Budget Jul 03-Jun 04	Estimated Jul 03-Jun 04	Budget Jul 04-Jun 05
5701 - Bridge Project	2,400.58	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
5702 - Bridge Rental	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
5706 - Town Hall Repairs (2 of 2 payments)	10,000.00	15,500.00	15,500.00	15,500.00
5707 - Building Fund	0.00	10,400.00	0.00	0.00
5707-A - Building Fund (3 of 3 payments)	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Total 5707 - Total Building Fund	12,000.00	22,400.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
5708 - Building Grant Match	212,648.81	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total CAPITAL EXPENSES	238,249.39	41,100.00	30,700.00	31,700.00

Recreation				
5901 - Recreation Salaries	3,768.50	4,500.00	3,600.00	4,500.00
** 5902 - Soccer Expense	3,731.90	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,500.00
5903 - Recreation Summer Program	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
5904 - Recreation-Capital Expense	979.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	2,000.00
5905 - Recreation-Paving Fund	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total RECREATION	8,479.40	13,100.00	12,200.00	12,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	894,227.31	711,565.00	696,437.12	701,468.48

* Revenue from 4534 (Zoning Grant) offsets Expenditure 5004-B (Zoning Admn. Grant Salary).

* * Revenue from 4540-S (Recreation-Soccer) offsets Expenditure 5902 (Soccer Expense).

2003 Fund Balances

Town Reappraisal Fund

Beginning Balance
2003 interest
2003 income
Ending Balance

\$41,294.78
545.86
8,022.00
\$49,862.64

Town Paving Fund

Beginning Balance
2003 Paving Project
2003 interest
Ending Balance

\$10,139.43
-3,500.00
170.84
\$6,810.27

Vehicle Replacement Fund

Beginning Balance
2003 interest
Ending Balance

\$4,493.65
14.70
\$4,508.35

Town Bridge Fund

Beginning Balance
2003 interest
Ending Balance

\$5,069.72
93.25
\$5,162.97

Recreation Paving Fund

Beginning Balance
2003 interest
Ending Balance

\$4,004.12
73.66
\$4,077.78

West Hill Cemetery Fund

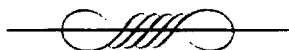
Beginning Balance
2003 interest
Ending Balance

\$1,621.15
7.59
\$1,628.74

10-Year Tax Comparison (Estimated)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GRAND LIST</u>	<u>TAX RATE TOWN</u>	<u>TAX \$ TOWN</u>	<u>TAX RATE SCHOOL</u>	<u>TAX \$ SCHOOL</u>
1994	1,130,255	0.2808	320,268	1.2700	1,435,100
1995	1,153,165	0.3200	372,635	1.2900	1,483,517
1996	1,147,410	0.2850	317,518	1.4400	1,591,991
1997	1,155,548	0.2559	293,883	1.5400	1,768,452
1998	1,158,625	0.2990	343,062	1.3660	1,693,600
1999	1,166,884	0.3290	371,133	1.4730	1,758,174
2000	1,169,672	0.3279	387,912	1.5332	1,794,749
2001	1,178,972	0.3619	429,886	2.0002	2,353,200
2002	1,194,661	0.3606	423,491	2.0900	2,578,836
2003	1,202,827	0.3571	429,536	2.1553	2,570,998
2004 *	1,202,827	0.3500	427,188	1.7811	2,142,355

*Estimated



Auditors

We, the undersigned auditors for the Town of Wallingford, have examined the accounts and records for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2003. This audit included a review of bank statements, selected accounts payable, financial statements, and payroll records. It also included a review of the Delinquent Tax Collector's records as well as the records of the Trustees of Public Funds.

After examination, we are of the opinion that the records mentioned, to the best of our knowledge and belief, accurately represent the financial status of the accounts of the Town of Wallingford for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003.

Kurt Brown
Carie A. Dinnan
Richard S. Smith

January 12, 2004

Selectboard Report

We're happy to report that the construction of Phase I at the Town Hall was completed within budget. The Town has one more payment next year, and the loan for these renovations will be paid off. There is a new handicap accessible entrance, an elevator, a handicap accessible bathroom, and a new fire escape. There is also a handicap parking space behind Town Hall. We encourage community organizations and businesses to use the second floor auditorium during the warm months (until we have heat installed someday). The Wallingford Historical Society renewed its free lease at town hall until 12/31/08.

New appointments made during 2003 were as follows: Gene Bourne and Charles Watts joined the Recreation Committee, Kurt Brown and Rick Smith were appointed auditors, Jay Johnstone was appointed a lister to replace Mitchell Green who passed away, Gordon McClure was appointed to the Mill River School Board, Frank Bruce is now the Road Commissioner, and Robert Flatt and Chris Dinnan volunteered to serve on the Vermont State Police Community Advisory Board.

Portions of Wallingford Village, South Wallingford and East Wallingford are now designated "Village Centers" by the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. Tax Credits are available on income producing or commercial buildings. Contact the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for further information at (802) 828-3211 or (800) 622-4553.

Improvements to the traffic lights and sidewalks were made to the intersection of Route 7 & 140 by the State, and we were successful in having the railroad spur removed at the Maple Street crossing. The Town Garage received a new roof last summer. The civil defense siren should be put back into service as the Fire Department received a grant to purchase a new siren.

The Selectboard is currently participating in regional planning activities with area towns like the regional recreation center, and roadside dumping and illegal burning. The newly created Conservation Commission has been busy meeting monthly.

The Selectboard continues to strive to keep expenses down. Unfortunately, the Town was notified that Adelphia filed for bankruptcy, which ended our monthly cell lease income. We were also served with a petition from Vermont Railway regarding their intentions to build a salt shed in South Wallingford. This unexpected matter has caused our legal expenses to exceed budget. The Selectboard has discussed ways to cover this deficit by changing telephone plans, changing cleaning contractors, and doing our best to find the lowest price whenever possible. Wallingford Pond Road was damaged by a flood in the fall; however, we were fortunate to receive reimbursement for the work that had to be done.

As you will recall, crematories were added to the list of businesses not allowed in the Town of Wallingford last spring. The pedestrian bridge over Otter Creek is still being

discussed. We're still working with the Listers to start the process of a town wide reappraisal, since a reappraisal has not been done since 1989.

We continue to apply for grants and have received our share of them. We received a Solid Waste Implementation Grant for \$7,250 to buy two top roll-off containers at the transfer station, so that we no longer have to rent them. The Town received a Better Backroads Grant for nearly \$5,200, issued by the Northern Vermont Resource Conservation and Development Council, to fix the erosion problem caused by Otter Creek on Hartsboro Road. \$500 was awarded by the Vermont Old Cemetery Association to help towards repairing and resetting stones at the Doty Cemetery. The Planning Commission has been awarded a \$10,000 municipal planning grant to help finalize the zoning regulations. We have made a fourth attempt for a \$10,000 grant with the State Historic Preservation for window restoration at Town Hall. We received approval for a \$1,000 grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Program to provide nominal patrol of the school traffic and other areas of town.

In closing, there are many people who deserve thanks as they continue to make Wallingford great, by volunteering and overseeing boards and committees that serve this town.

Wallingford Selectboard

Bill Lohsen, Frank Bruce, Ed Crelin, Christine Davenport, Gene Gilman



Town Clerk

It is extremely important this year that all residents owning Vermont property complete a declaration of Vermont Homestead form (HS-131) no later than April 15, 2004. This form was mailed to you earlier by the Vermont Tax Department. Extra copies are available in the town office. You can also complete these forms on line by going to www.state.vt.us. You must file a declaration to receive the correct school property tax rate. Wallingford school district code is 216 and your SPAN number can be found on the 2003-2004 tax bill. Remember the April 19, 2004 tax payment.

AARP will again be offering free tax service to low to moderate-income people and senior citizens (under \$40K or over 60 years old) until mid April. Call the town office at 446-2336 to set up an appointment.

Veterinarian Linda Squires will be holding a rabies vaccination clinic for both dogs and cats on Saturday March 27th from 10:00 a.m. – Noon in the Town Hall. Dogs can be registered at that time. The deadline for dog registration is April 1st.

Joyce Barbieri, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Tree Warden

Wallingford's Tree Budget is historically spent largely on hazardous trees or storm damaged trees. 2003 was no exception. Three sugar maples died and were removed along Main Street and replacing these trees is not a safety issue but is desirable nonetheless. This year the Town applied for a "Trees For Local Communities" Grant from the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. Although tree removal is not eligible, planting and maintenance are, and grants will be awarded in March.

Trees on public property belong to us all. Trees along our highways can be assets or liabilities: assets because of shade, pollution reduction, erosion and storm water control; liabilities because of interference with vision or being in a hazardous condition. If you have questions about trees in the town right-of-way near you, please contact me.

Rob Barker, Tree Warden



Planning Commission

In 2003, 47 zoning permit applications were received, with three requiring reviews by the Board of Zoning Adjustment. One application for a restaurant on Route 103 was denied after the applicant failed to appear. The approved applications represent work approximating \$2,489,000 in new construction and renovations.

The Planning Commission continues its work of updating Town Zoning Regulations. A planning grant to the town from the Department of Housing and Community Affairs was approved in November. Grant funds will be used to pay for consultant services in the final stages of the Zoning Regulations Update Project. Once a draft is complete, public meetings will be held to review and comment on the proposed regulations. If anyone has questions or concerns in the meantime, please feel free to attend a meeting.

A grant-supported project to computerize zoning records was completed in June. Village Center Designated boundary recommendations were made to the Selectboard in August.

Commissioners Mitch Greene and William Brooks resigned in March and were replaced by Chris Dinnan and Rick Smith.

I would like to thank fellow commissioners Robert Barker, Douglas Blodgett, Chris Dinnan, A. Jay Kenlan, William Scranton, Dave Seward, Rick Smith, and Robert Soule for their continued dedication and hard work during 2003.

Regular Planning Commission meetings are held the second Monday of each month at the Town Hall. I encourage all town residents and those interested in development and planning issues to attend.

Melissa Whitmore, Chair

LISTERS

The 2003 Grand List totaled approximately \$119.6 million and Personal Property (business equipment) totaled approximately \$1.1 million.

For the 2004 tax year (based on 2003 Grand List) our ratio of listed value to sales price (Common Level of Appraisal - CLA) is 83.10%. This value is used to equalize all the towns in Vermont for education tax purposes. In theory the CLA brings all towns' Grand Lists (and property values) to Fair Market Value (what your house would sell for on the open market), making the whole state equal. Our Coefficient of Dispersion (COD), which measures the deviation from the norm, is 15.97%. Both of these values are within acceptable limits. A town-wide reappraisal is not mandated by the state, but a town-wide reappraisal is needed to bring variations back into line and to correct the value of anyone whose improvements have not been added to their property value. A full town-wide reappraisal has not been done since 1989 and is regularly done every six or seven years.

Russell Graphics, on an annual basis, will continue to update the tax maps with the information we bring to them. We hope you will continue to bring new information to us. If you survey your property, please file a copy with the Town Clerk.

With all the continuing changes and requirements by the state, the job of listing has become very complicated. It has gone beyond volunteerism. It is time for the Town of Wallingford, like many other towns, to seek help from an outside professional appraisal firm. The listers will still oversee the grand list, but all of the work will be done by professionals who have the knowledge and expertise to do the job correctly and stay current with all state-mandated changes. The town has tentatively entered into a contract with Vermont Municipal Assessors of Waitsfield, VT to serve this function and to perform the town-wide reappraisal. They are a reputable firm with many years of experience and are a Vermont State Certified appraisal firm. At present they serve the lister's function in 8 towns in Vermont, including Mendon and Manchester.

As part of Act 60, each town in the state of Vermont receives \$6 per parcel per year to use towards a town-wide reappraisal. This money has been accrued over the past six years in a special fund, placed in a Certificate of Deposit, and now totals \$49,862.64 with another \$8,000 payment expected in February (see "2003 FUND BALANCES" page 21). With continued state funding, and the proposed payment schedule of Vermont Municipal Assessors, there will be no additional cost for the town-wide reappraisal to the taxpayers of Wallingford.

Bradford C. Kelley, Jay Johnstone, Russell L. Lattuca, Listers

Trustees of Public Funds

The Trustees of Public Funds have responsibility for the investment of monies in Trust Funds, all of which are long-term in nature. The Principal is not to be invaded and the earnings are to be used for specified purposes. The funds in these accounts have been invested in well-diversified mutual funds. The status of these accounts is as follows:

Fernfield Farms:	Original Investment	5,040 shares \$ 75,977.03
	1997 Market Value	6,566 shares \$116,683.70
	1998 Market Value	7,052 shares \$122,293.96
	1999 Market Value	7,468 shares \$117,557.83
	2000 Market Value	7,698 shares \$122,717.01
	2001 Market Value	7,805 shares \$123,478.56
	2002 Market Value	7,844 shares \$112,562.33
Ralph E. Stafford:	2003 Market Value	7,796 shares \$133,941.86
	Original Investment	3,573 shares \$ 49,986.27
	1997 Market Value	4,474 shares \$ 79,512.47
	1998 Market Value	4,805 shares \$ 83,335.47
	1999 Market Value	5,089 shares \$ 80,108.10
	2000 Market Value	5,238 shares \$ 83,502.76
	2001 Market Value	5,311 shares \$ 84,019.45
	2002 Market Value	5,337 shares \$ 76,598.00
	2003 Market Value	5,305 shares \$ 91,155.19

The current market values reflect the growth in fund values minus the brokerage fee. Due to the decrease in the dividend rate starting in December 2002, the number of shares show a decline, however, the net value has increased with a stronger market.

Ralph E. Stafford left \$50,000 to the Town of Wallingford, the principal to be invested by the Trustees of Public Funds, and the net income to be used to grant scholarships to worthy and needy students who are residents of Wallingford and wish to attend schools of higher learning beyond high school level.

2003 recipients were: Heather Carey, Erin Benger, Lindsey Underwood, Amelia Paini, Nicole Gondella, Hillary Reynolds, Greg MacFarlane, Lauren Keyes, Aileen Butler, Robert Bagnall, and Aaron Grabowski.

The Irving Smith Scholarship Fund, in the amount of \$1,000, is made available annually to eligible Wallingford students by the taxpayers in memory of Irving Smith. Mr. Smith served as Town Clerk and Treasurer, Administrative Assistant and School Treasurer.

2003 recipients were: Kristen Blodgett, Rachel Fredette, Devin Soule, Kelly Socia, Carie Dinnan and Mara Carey.

Applications are available at Mill River Union High School or at Town Hall. Application deadline is April 30, 2004.

David Ballou, Clovis Leach and Melissa Whitmore, Trustees, Town of Wallingford

Fire Protection Fund Treasurer's Report

Fire Protection Fund	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 BUDGET
Balance on Hand: January 1, 2003	\$18,454.83	\$18,454.83	\$8,424.21
INCOME:			
Contract Payment from Town	\$46,493.09	\$48,493.08	\$60,540.80
Miscellaneous		100.00	100.00
Interest: Checking Account	200.00	60.52	50.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$46,693.09	\$48,653.60	\$59,334.45
Proceeds From Tax Anticipation Note			
Proceeds From Other Accounts			
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$65,147.92	\$67,108.43	\$59,334.45
EXPENSES:			
Administrative Expense	\$ 4,745.00	\$4,745.00	\$4,887.35
Advertising/Warnings Expense	150.00	.00	150.00
Donations	200.00	.00	200.00
Emergency Fire Phone	275.00	373.82	275.00
State Dispatching Annual Fee	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Office Equipment Expense	660.00	948.71	1,000.00
Utilities	4,550.00	3,198.00	4,700.00
Chief's Expense Account	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Firemen's Benefits	300.00	300.00	300.00
F.I.C.A. Employer	50.00	7.25	50.00
Attorney Fees	\$ 500.00	\$.00	\$ 500.00
Insurance Expense	8,800.00	8,656.74	\$10,034.74
Miscellaneous Expense	100.00	20.00	.00
E-One Fire Truck (Pumper) Note-Interest	\$ 6,137.36	\$ 6,137.36	\$6,137.36
Tax Anticipation Note-Interest	300.00	300.00	
Education/Training Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,180.00	\$ 2,000.00
Hydrants	3,500.00	.00	3,500.00
Hydrants Assessment	2,400.00	.00	4,800.00
Fire Fighter Equipment	5,000.00	5,262.04	5,000.00
Fire Fighter Equipment: Pager Repairs	300.00	643.95	400.00
Fire Vehicles Expense	4,000.00	7,924.15	4,000.00
Fire Vehicles-Gasoline/Diesel	1,300.00	154.64	1,300.00
Station Expense	3,100.00	4,050.95	3,100.00
South Wallingford Station	1,200.00	2,502.05	1,200.00
Truck Replacement Fund	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Truck Refurbishing			
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$55,267.36	\$48,803.66	\$59,234.45

Fire Protection Fund	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 BUDGET
E-One Fire Truck (Pumper) Note-Principal	\$ 9,880.56	\$9,880.56	\$9,880.56
Tax Anticipation Note-Principal			
Transfer to Other Accounts			
GRAND TOTAL	\$65,147.92	\$58,684.22	\$69,115.01
Balance on Hand: December 31, 2003		\$8,424.21	

Notes:

E-One Fire Truck (Pumper) Note:

Balance August 7, 2003:	\$123,987.00
2003 Payment	<u>9,880.56</u>
Balance December 31, 2003:	\$114,106.44

Special Funds:

Truck Replacement Fund:

Balance January 1, 2003:	\$19,136.37
Withdraw: Down Payment New Truck	
Deposit:	
2003 Allotment	<u>4,000.00</u>
Insurance Payment-GMC Truck	
Sale of Mack Truck	
Interest YTD	<u>96.06</u>
Balance December 31, 2003:	\$23,232.43



Town Hall New Stairway

Recreation Committee

The Wallingford Recreation Committee is a seven-person Board. The current members are Sue Duskwicz, Chair, Gene Bourne, Fred Day, Judy Kennedy, Larry Sharon, Michelle Wade, and Charles Watts. After many dedicated years, Bill Lohsen and Linda MacFarlane have resigned, and we wish to thank them for their valuable time.

Some of the projects that we are considering for the spring of 2004 are: landscaping the area around the newly-paved area, upgrading and replacing some of the ancient playground structures, repairing the cracks on the tennis courts, and repairing the area around the water faucet where erosion has created a rough area. We are still researching the possibility of bringing electric power to the rec field. The paving (with shur pak) of the main parking is being held off until power lines can be buried. The footbridge project, a bridge that would cross Otter Creek and physically join the Park Association property (the pit) and the current rec field is still in progress and hopefully will happen in the next year.

The baseball, softball and summer rec programs have existed for many years in our town. The spring and fall soccer programs are very successful and are directed by Fred Day. For the 15th year, the Wallingford Summer Recreation Program was enjoyed by many of our local youths. This program provided games of all types and various crafts. As in past years, this six-week program begins in late June. This year's program was planned and supervised by Sue Duskwicz, Michelle Baker, and Cindy Daubenspeck.

The Wallingford Recreation Association genuinely thanks our residents and taxpayers for their support. We gratefully accept donations of sports equipment, games, craft supplies, etc.

Sue Duskwicz, Chair

Recreation Field Rules & Safety Precautions

1. Keep off the fences.
2. Glass containers are prohibited.
3. The Recreation Department and the Town of Wallingford ARE NOT responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
4. Be aware of Otter Creek (it is not visible from the field and is dangerous).
5. All motorized vehicles are prohibited from being on the field.
6. There is to be no fighting, foul language, or any other behaviors of that nature on the field.
7. The recreation field is CLOSED from DUSK to DAWN.

Delinquent Tax Collector

BALANCE 12-31-02	\$ 3,831.95
Warranted 4-21-03	<u>\$158,689.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$162,520.95</u>
Less Collected and Remitted to the Town	\$146,593.47
Less Abated	<u>\$183.36</u>
BALANCE	\$15,744.12

	Real Estate	Fire
1998		
AT&T Capitol	7.18	
AT&T Capitol	16.15	
TOTAL	\$23.33	

1999		
Newcourt Leasing	21.39	
TOTAL	\$21.39	

2001		
Clark, Robert	124.31	
Information Leasing Corp.	49.42	8.86
Peck, Ida	35.43	.98
Seward, Dorothy	349.59	
TOTAL	\$558.75	\$9.84

2002 APRIL		
Information Leasing Corp.	25.45	4.43
Lambert, John	73.44	33.23
Seward, Dorothy	27.90	
Smyrski, William	22.57	
Tanner, Raymond	224.50	
Witham, Carol	19.98	
TOTAL	\$393.84	\$33.66

2003		
Burke, Michael	76.78	
Canon Financial Services	13.40	
Corey, Archie & Sylvia	1,114.02	26.50
Greene, Lauretta	102.78	
Houghton, Kurtiss	1,515.24	
Lincoln, Dale	650.41	
Maynard, Tracy	409.78	9.74
Minter, Robert & Susan	655.41	
Nimtz, Spencer	33.33	
Peck, Ida	18.40	.44
Phelps/Jarrosak, Ann	375.71	
Pickett, James & Sylvia	1,416.46	

	Real Estate	Fire
2003 (cont'd)	23.31	.55
Reed, Alvin	196.30	4.67
Reed, Jessie	18.22	
Ryan, John	363.16	
Seward, Dorothy	4,334.64	76.88
Skakel, Tara	814.66	
Stocker, Richard	2,071.31	
Tanner, Raymond	12.50	
Tyrrell, Alice & Peck, Ted	155.56	
Wade, Charles	375.43	
Witham, Carol	\$14,746.81	\$118.78
TOTAL		

Lee Perry, Delinquent Tax Collector

Conservation Commission

Establishment of the Wallingford Conservation Commission was approved at the March 2003 Town Meeting. Since that time, we have focused on recruiting commission members, getting organized, identifying what the town would like us to do, and starting to do it. We currently have seven members - David Klock, Kim Blodgett, Debbie Scranton, Bob Soule, Peter Upton, Dawn White and myself - and have met every month (except one) since being formed.

An important early task for us was to determine how we could be of most value to the town. To do this, we met with a wide range of official and civic organizations in Wallingford to seek their input -- the Selectboard, the Planning Commission, the Recreation Committee, the Historical Society, the School Board, Rotary, and several others. Based on their suggestions, we have taken on three tasks: (1) planning the reclamation and development of "The Pit" (the sand/gravel pit between Otter Creek and Elfin Lake) for recreational and conservation purposes, (2) organizing "Green-up Day", and (3) cleaning up walking/hiking paths around town. We have been working with the Park Association and the Recreation Committee to plan development of "The Pit" and will discuss our progress at this year's town meeting.

We meet on the fourth Monday of each month at Town Hall. Everyone is invited. Additional ideas for conservation projects are most welcome. And we have room for two additional active Commission members.

Don Carlson, Chair

Gilbert Hart Library

The year 2003 has been an interesting year for the library. The main emphasis has been the library expansion and we have had to plan many things around this project.

Nan Dubin, children's programming coordinator, continued monthly programming and six weekly summer programs. Some programs were co-sponsored by the school PTA and were held at the school. The Rotary Club generously let us use their building for the summer programs. Nan also arranged to have each of the elementary classes visit the library. Many children signed up for library cards.

Wallingford Day Care children continued to come each week for story time. With parents' permission, the children get library cards and a homemade book bag.

Fewer groups used the library this year due to expected construction dates. The exercise group and Friends of the Library were able to continue their programs until the closing in October.

The board studied and updated the safety policies for the library, had fire extinguishers inspected, improved exit signage and updated the smoke alarms. This will continue to be updated when construction is finished.

Michael Aleshire took on the project of the restoration of the portrait of Gilbert Hart, which will have a place of honor when we reopen. He took the portrait to a meeting of the Historical Society where his presentation was received with great interest.

In spite of the confusion, our circulation figures through September were down only 51 books from last year. Considering many children's events were not held at the library, this shows excellent interest in the books, audios and videos that we offer.

We continue to depend on volunteers for help during library hours and they logged about 400 hours. We thank Millie Shook, Lois Johnstone, Helen Weidman and Anna Pykosz, a student, for their help. The gardens were cleaned up by Lois Johnstone and Carol Kenlan.

Construction Manager Peter Stevenson, Architect Ralph Nimtz and coordinator Russ Lattuca have worked very hard on the construction project and we appreciate their efforts. Jay Kenlan has led the Capital Campaign and we appreciate his volunteer effort.

The next year should be one of many changes and greater planning for our new spaces. Thanks to the staff for all their hard work and patience.

Circulation - 8,858 books, audios and videos 749 periodicals
Interlibrary loans - 185 borrowed, 164 loaned

Carole McClure, President

Gilbert Hart Library Association

Proposed Budget for 2003-2004

Operating Income:	
Town Funding	30,000
Memberships	6,000
Interest & Dividends	3,500
Memorials	200
Sales, Fines, Misc.	50
Total Revenue	39,750
Operating Expenses:	
Salaries	18,100
Payroll Taxes	1,390
Insurance	1,800
Electric	1,250
Fuel Oil	1,300
Telephone	1,000
Equipment Expenses	500
Maintenance	1,400
Inter-Library Postage	900
Library Supplies	1,000
Printing, Fund Raising	850
Technical Support	1,200
Workshops, Dues	300
Water & Sewer	550
Administrative Expenses	1,000
Total Expenses	32,540
Library Resource Expenses:	
Books	6,500
Periodicals	500
Audios, Videos	1,500
Programming	3,000
Computer Software	250
Total Resource Expenses	11,750
Reserve for Technology	2,000
Reserve for Repairs	3,000
Total Expenses:	49,290
Deficit	\$(9,540)

Wallingford Historical Society

The town has completed the first phase of construction at the town hall and now the museum area on the second floor is handicap accessible. We had to put many items in storage due to space limitations but have changed many displays and created an attractive environment. The collection consists of costume accessories, clothing, photographs, furniture, and other town memorabilia. Genealogical records are also available. Our plan is to have rotating displays so by visiting the museum at different times you will see different artifacts. The museum can be viewed during town office hours or by special arrangement. **Contact Person:** Don Emery, 446-3366. There is no charge for access to the museum but donations are always welcome. When we are able to acquire sufficient funds to build our new museum on South Main Street we will rotate displays at both locations. We presently have about 40% of the funds needed to build. If you can help with a donation please make it out to the Wallingford Historical Society and send it to the address below.

The Wallingford Historical Society is a 501 (c) 3 corporation, founded in 1977, a not-for-profit, membership supported, organization that exists to collect, preserve, and interpret Wallingford's history for present and future generations. According to I.R.S. guidelines, contributions over the value of goods and services are tax deductible.

The general membership meetings are held monthly May through October and are open to the public. After a brief business meeting, a program of local interest is presented followed by complimentary refreshments. Joyce Barbieri and Fred Thurlow head up the Program Committee so if you have an idea for programs please contact one of them. The last meeting of the season was a Trivia Night where questions were asked on Vermont and Wallingford history and the group with the most correct answers won prizes. I have received so many positive responses on that program we plan to make it an annual event. This event will probably be held at the June meeting when many of the members are in town.

Society Mailing Address: Wallingford Historical Society
c/o Donald F. Emery
294 S Main US 7 S
Wallingford, VT 05773-9517

Officers (2003-2004):
Donald Emery – *President*
Gerald Roberts – *Vice President*
Diane Cooney – *Secretary*
William Lafferty – *Treasurer*

Board of Directors:
Dorothy Roberts – *term expires in 2006*
Carol Seward – *term to expire in 2006*
Carolyn Patch – *term to expire in 2005*
Fred Thurlow – *term to expire in 2005*
Lester Congdon – *term to expire in 2004*
Gordon McCouch – *term to expire in 2004*

"Perspectives" Editors:
Lowell Klock
Donald Green

Memberships:
Donald Emery

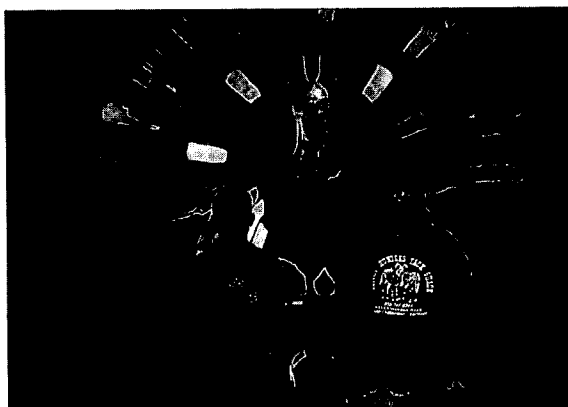
Green Hill Cemetery Association

The Green Hill Cemetery is a beautiful site at the South end of the town, which has been in use for over 200 years as a place of burial. Since 1870, it has been managed and cared for, at no expense to the taxpayers, by the Green Hill Cemetery Association. The constitution and initial by-laws, drawn up by the founders of the Association, continue to form the basis for ongoing management of the Cemetery by a Board of Trustees. Membership in the Association is open to residents of the town, as well as lot owners. Meetings of the Board are open to the public, and are notified in at least three public places at least 7 days before each meeting.

The Association is able to maintain such a lovely, restful burial place thanks in large part to the foresight of past Trustees, who have on several occasions expanded the cemetery grounds (most recently in 1997) and made frugal use of the income from generous gifts over the years from Trustees and interested members of the public, as well as proceeds from lot sales and burials. (The Association is a 501(c)3 organization, so that any gifts to the Association are tax-deductible.)

A milestone event in the history of the Green Hill Cemetery Association occurred on 12/31/03, when Fred Thurlow retired after 17 years as Superintendent. His responsible and enthusiastic stewardship has made an indispensable contribution to the maintenance of the Cemetery as a place of rest and beauty. For the coming year, Shawn Holden will be taking over the superintendent's duties, and the Board looks forward to working with Shawn to maintain the high standards Fred established.

June Leach, President



Wallingford Rescue, Inc.

2003 was a record-breaking year for Wallingford Rescue, Inc., responding to a total of 170 calls. This included 30 calls in Tinmouth and 14 Mutual Aid calls.

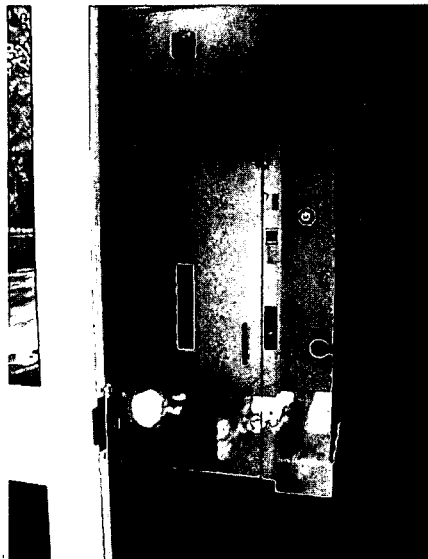
Members of Wallingford Rescue were deeply saddened last year by the passing of longtime member Clint Jackson. He retired recently after more than 15 years of services to the community, serving as a responding member, medical supply officer and a member of the Board of Directors. We will miss him.

Thank you for the town constables who assist us from time to time throughout the year. And a thank you to Fire Chief Warren Allen and the Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department for lending a hand when needed. We are always grateful to any help given to us.

Wallingford Rescue is always looking for new responding members. Training will be provided. This is a voluntary position. The only payment is an occasional thank you or a kind word from a patient. If interested, please call President Eric Davenport at 446-2007.

The people of the Town of Wallingford deserve a big thank you for their constant support, monetary donations, and 50/50 raffle ticket purchases. We look forward to serving you in 2004.

Eric Davenport, President



Town Hall Elevator Lift

Wallingford Rescue, Inc.
For the Year Ended September 30, 2003

RECEIPTS

Fundraising 50-50 Raffle		\$6,725
Town Allocations:		
Wallingford	\$6,500	
Tinnmouth	<u>\$2,500</u>	\$9,000
Transport		\$30,007
Donations		\$5,810
Interest Income		<u>\$8,953</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$60,495

DISBURSEMENTS

Fundraising 50-50 Raffle		\$3,114
Program Services:		
Medical Equipment	\$454	
Medical Supplies	\$476	
Uniforms	\$756	
Insurance	\$7,291	
Vehicle Expense	\$1,061	
Vaccine	\$168	
Courses	\$800	
Telephone	<u>\$1,039</u>	\$12,045

General & Administration:

Accounting Fees	\$600	
Banquet	\$2,626	
Commissions	\$2,949	
Flowers	\$103	
Postage	\$176	
Supplies	\$1,435	
Dues	\$90	
Other miscellaneous	\$108	
Treasurer & Secretary Compensation	\$1,350	
Public Relations	<u>\$1,459</u>	\$10,896
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>\$26,055</u>

Excess Cash Receipts over Cash Disbursements	\$34,440
Cash Balance, October 1, 2002	<u>\$114,751</u>
Cash Balance, September 30, 2003	<u>\$149,191</u>

As of September 30, 2003, cash consisted of the following:

Cash-Checking	\$39,718
Salomon Smith Barney	\$101,126
Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$5,547
Scudder Capital Growth Fund	\$2,253
Merchants Bank - Money Market	<u>\$547</u>
38	\$149,191

Marriages

GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE	DATE	PLACE
Roland B. Griffin	Wallingford	Ronna L. Murray	Wallingford	01/04/03	Rutland
Robert F. Klie	Manhasset, NY	Amy P. Fletcher	Manhasset, NY	02/07/03	Wallingford
Richard F. Serrentino	Manhattan, NY	Jennifer L. Maniaci	Manhattan, NY	03/01/03	Wallingford
Sidney A. Clark, Sr.	Wallingford	Denise M. Taylor	Wallingford	03/28/03	Rutland
Adam M. Paladino	Mechanic Falls, ME	Michelle L. Earle	Mechanic Falls, ME	04/25/03	Wallingford
Thomas R. Strong, Jr.	Wallingford	Lynda D. LaMay	Wallingford	04/26/03	Wallingford
Patrick J. Tamburro	Wallingford	Corrie A. Dostaler	Wallingford	05/03/03	Wallingford
Michael R. Holly, Jr.	Whitman, MA	Vanessa R. Haney	New Bedford, MA	05/10/03	Wallingford
Adam C. Sitze	St. Paul, MN	Mary E. Strunk	St. Paul, MN	06/03/03	Wallingford
Robert P. Kallinicos	Worcester, MA	Jennifer M. Joyce	Worcester, MA	06/13/03	Wallingford
Henry H. Keyser	Philadelphia, PA	Sally A. Schrum	Philadelphia, PA	06/19/03	Wallingford
Matthew E. Johnson	Wallingford	Jordan E. Auer	Wallingford	06/21/03	Wallingford
Joseph D. Hale	North Clarendon	Robin L. Hale	North Clarendon	06/21/03	Wallingford
Thomas M. Gilbert	Springfield	Jacqueline E. McCuin	Wallingford	06/22/03	Springfield
David C. Morris	Danby	Sandra J. Patch	Danby	07/12/03	Wallingford
Stephen T. Gee	Carboro, NC	Dawn K. Lockman	Carboro, NC	07/22/03	Wallingford
Michael B. Lynch	Farmville, VA	Tammi L. Scott	Farmville, VA	07/26/03	Wallingford
John P. Lambert, Jr.	Wallingford	Misty M. Drake	Wallingford	07/26/03	Clarendon
Craig S. Scharf	Greenville, KY	Lucinda L. Humphrey	Greenville, KY	07/26/03	Wallingford
Jeremy P. Wade	Liverpool, NY	Rebecca E. Hartman	Liverpool, NY	08/09/03	Wallingford
Richard C. Shum	E. Wallingford	Karen L. Lacroix	E. Wallingford	08/16/03	Pittsfield
Robert J. Gould	Wallingford	Evelyn C. Ellis	Wallingford	08/22/03	Rutland Town
Jeffrey D. Larimer	Brighton, MA	Brooke E. Willis	Brighton, MA	08/23/03	Middlebury
Daniel M. Adams	Rochester, NY	Stacey L. Wetherby	Rochester, NY	08/23/03	Wallingford
John W. Lawson	Sarasota, FL	Jennifer L. Holland	Sarasota, FL	08/26/03	Wallingford
Stephen M. Lambert	Wallingford	Diana L. Flagg	Wallingford	08/30/03	Wallingford
Ellis E. Christian	Fall River, MA	Debra S. McClellan	Fall River, MA	08/30/03	Wallingford

Marriages

GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE	DATE	PLACE
Douglas R. Foote	Brooklyn, NY	Elizabeth A. Hart	Brooklyn, NY	09/06/03	Wallingford
Eric L. Dalla Mura	Mesa, AZ	Jackie L. Butler	Mesa, AZ	09/07/03	Wallingford
Scott N. Jensen	E. Wallingford	Tina M. Wyman	E. Wallingford	09/20/03	Bethel
Robert M. Inglis	Wallingford	Nannette M. Molleur	Wallingford	10/03/03	Wallingford
Robert Schmitt	Wallingford	Sue C. Schmitt	Wallingford	10/04/03	Manchester Ct
Yung Y. Lee	Alexandria, VA	Anika E. Juhn	Alexandria, VA	10/09/03	Wallingford
David E. Sabourin	Ludlow, MA	Corinia M. Hervieux	Ludlow, MA	10/20/03	Wallingford
Mark A. Pepin	Peterborough, NH	Donna Crutchfield	East Haven, CT	10/23/03	Wallingford
John F. Acker	Revere, MA	Patricia A. Culp	Revere, MA	11/18/03	Wallingford
James C. Murray	Mays Landing, NJ	Matilde I. Orlando	Mays Landing, NJ	11/25/03	Wallingford
Bevan R. Gould	Irving, TX	Gloria M. McDonald	Irving, TX	11/28/03	Wallingford

Civil Unions

PARTY A	RESIDENCE	PARTY B	RESIDENCE	DATE	PLACE
Andrea J. Coleman	The Colony, TX	Susan M. Bird	The Colony, TX	06/10/03	Danby



Births

NAME OF CHILD	SEX	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
Abbie Lin MacJarrett	F	01/09/03	Rutland	Raymond MacJarrett	Trudy Keener
Emma Paige Egbert	F	02/07/03	E. Willingboro	Charles Egbert	Jill Farrell
Bonnie Elizabeth Moore	F	02/11/03	Rutland	William Moore, III	Patricia Stapleton
Patience Rose Beaucage	F	03/11/03	Rutland	James Beaucage	Jessica Mouchon
Evan Richard McPhee	M	04/08/03	Rutland	Christopher McPhee	Debora Callahan
Alexander Scott Stamper	M	04/08/03	Rutland		Jessica Stamper
Caleb Sean Dundas	M	04/09/03	Randolph	Richard Dundas	Orla Kelly
Ethan Zachary Gutmann	M	05/26/03	Albany, NY	Ethan Gutmann	Nixi Cura
Natalie Monroe Shaw	F	06/26/03	Rutland	Ronald Shaw	Kelly Dezero
Benjamin Richard Walker	M	07/01/03	Rutland	Robert Walker	Amy Pelletier
Molly Elizabeth Ward	F	07/16/03	Rutland	Rodney Ward	Vikki Morey
William Jesse Tyminski	M	08/01/03	Rutland	Dean Tyminski	Sandra Smith
Ella Jensen Lowkes	F	08/31/03	Rutland	Patrick Lowkes	Katherine Jensen
Amber Mae Prescott	F	09/05/03	Rutland	Eric Prescott	Tara Godette
Justin Andre Conover	M	10/03/03	Rutland	Curtis Conover	Marie-France Eloi
Krista Rae Eddy	F	10/07/03	Rutland	Barry Newton	Darcy Eddy
Elise Ann Lidstone	F	11/12/03	Rutland	Keith Lidstone	Tara Trombley
Christopher Wayne Burnett	M	11/21/03	Rutland	Burton Burnett	Michelle Hance



Did you knowA lifetime hunting, fishing or combination license may be purchased for children less than 1 year old at 5 times the current adult license price.

Deaths

NAME	SEX	AGE	DATE	RESIDENCE
Dorothy Lawson	F	81	01/25/03	Wallingford
Clyde Patch	M	83	03/08/03	Wallingford
Eleanor Lappe	F	92	03/20/03	Wallingford
Sue Armbruster	F	93	04/29/03	Wallingford
Gary VanGuilder	M	59	04/30/03	Wallingford
Clinton Jackson	M	72	07/02/03	Wallingford
Stanley Stewart	M	77	07/04/03	Wallingford
Maxwell Senecal	M	61	07/14/03	Wallingford
Barbara Ferrara	F	75	07/29/03	Wallingford
Sarah Bailey	F	80	08/04/03	Wallingford
William Blanchard	M	80	08/11/03	Wallingford
Dorothy Young	F	72	08/13/03	Wallingford
Raymond Petrossi, Jr.	M	53	08/26/03	Wallingford
Mitchell Green	M	72	09/05/03	Wallingford
Joseph Duda	M	85	09/28/03	Wallingford
Washington Crossman	M	76	12/04/03	Wallingford

This year's town report is a tribute to the people of Wallingford that passed away in 2003. The numerous contributions to our country, community, and their various families will be greatly missed.

Many were lifelong residents of the Town. They served their country in World War II and the Korean Conflict, and then came back home to serve their town. They were active with the Friends of the Library, St. Patrick's Church, two were originating members of the Wallingford Historical Society, one a lister and planning commission member, another the road commissioner for many years, a volunteer at the school, a rescue squad volunteer, and much loved husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers.

Their common interest was their love of Wallingford.

Green Up Vermont

Green Up Day: May 1, 2004

For over 30 years, "Green Up Day" is a special day when Vermonters clean and spruce up their communities. We were the first state in our nation to designate a day for such cleaning of the entire state. Working together, we can keep our unique Green Up spirit growing for Vermont.

Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501© (3) organization that promotes litter-free communities by supporting Green Up Day, civic pride and education.

Over 13,000 Vermonters participated in Green Up Day 2003, using over 33,000 Green Up bags, collecting over 200 tons of trash, piles of mixed metals and tires. Green Up Vermont arranged widespread promotional support in excess of \$25,000.

The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue our unique, annual Vermont tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children can grow up with Green Up.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 15 percent of our budget. The rest comes from gifts from towns, individuals and businesses. These funds pay for supplies, promotion and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population, to keep Green Up growing for Vermont.

(www.greenupvermont.com)

Dear Citizens:

For the past two years, the Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and the Maple Valley Grange #318 have held a Fun Day and Fireworks. We would like to invite you all to attend this free event once again, on **July 17, 2004**. Come enjoy fine food, games, and fireworks, followed by an evening dance. We would like to thank all that attend this great event because without your attendance and participation, this event would not be possible. Thank you again.

Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department & Maple Valley Grange #318

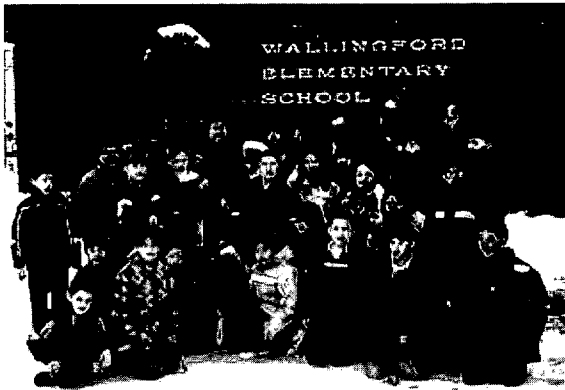
Rutland Mental Health Services

In the year 2003, 27 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as Wallingford assures that quality services are available for their families, friends and neighbors. Town giving dollars support services, which include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services

During 2003, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 1,034 hours of services to 51 Wallingford residents. We value our partnership with the Town of Wallingford in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

Mark G. Monson, *President and Chief Executive Officer*



Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc.

The Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad would like to thank everyone in the town for your support throughout the year. During the last fiscal year (July 1, 2002 thru June 30, 2003) the squad provided ambulance service 33 times for the residents of East Wallingford, or about 35% of our calls for the year. The money the town provides helps to meet the shortfall between our expenses and our income. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Patricia Woods, *President*

RSVP & The Volunteer Center

RSVP is an "Invitation to Serve" program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service to non-profit organizations. Needs are met in critical areas such as human service, health, state and local government, education, literacy, and the arts, just to name a few. RSVP involves individuals in service that matches their personal interests and makes use of their varied life and professional experiences. Through such efforts, RSVP is meeting the needs that strained local budgets cannot afford. RSVP enables people to contribute to their communities and feel good about themselves through the rewarding experience of volunteering. Additionally, over the past 5 years, RSVP has implemented new programming to address pressing community needs. These programs include an America Reads program called Rutland County Reads aimed at enhancing literacy among elementary school children, an osteoporosis prevention program, RSVP Bone Builders, which provides free strength and balance exercise classes with RSVP volunteer instructors to Rutland County residents, and Operation Doll, in which RSVP volunteers restore and refurbish donated dolls including sewing outfits and providing accessories. These dolls are then distributed to over 200 needy children through 20+ local organizations.

Locally, RSVP is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services serving the people of Rutland County with 700+ volunteers. From July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, volunteers provided 68,870 hours of community service. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals \$1,027,540.

The monies we are requesting this year will be used to help defray costs of providing volunteer placements, support, insurance, transportation, and recognition. RSVP continues to strive to provide needed and supplemental services that enhance the quality of life for citizens of all ages throughout Rutland County.

Currently in Wallingford, 12 volunteers donate their services to the following non-profit organizations: Rutland Regional Medical Center, Gilbert Hart Library, Wallingford Elementary, Wallingford Library, Meals on Wheels, Vermont ETV, Godnick Adult Center, One-2-One, Mount Holly School, Christ the King School, Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the American Red Cross, RSVP Bone Builders program, USDA Soil Conservation Office, RSVP Rutland County Reads, and RSVP Operation Doll. In addition, Bone Builders classes are offered in Wallingford to area residents.

I would like to thank the residents of Wallingford for their support in the continuation of the RSVP program. As financial constraints effect more and more non-profit organizations, the need for volunteers increases. With your help, RSVP will continue to respond to this need.

Nan M. Hart, Director

Regional Ambulance Service

We are pleased to present our annual report to the Citizens of the Town of Wallingford. "Medic One", or one of our advanced life support equipped ambulances, meets incoming patients that require advanced life support when needed and requested.

Training is very important to keep our Paramedics up to date in their skills. Training has been provided in Pre-Hospital Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and Advanced personnel's National Paramedic certifications.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. Regional Ambulance Service Inc. is a not for profit corporation. The funds communities contribute helps to keep this program available to incoming patients from outside of the Regional Ambulance Service area. Our "Medic One" is a vital part of our goal of "Serving People 1st with Pride, Proficiency and Professionalism."

The Wallingford Rescue Squad is a valuable and professional community resource. Our staff works closely, as a team, with your community ambulance and first response personnel. We thank you for your past support and hope we can continue to serve with your local volunteer emergency personnel.

James A. Finger, Chief Executive Administrator



Rutland Economic Development Corporation

Ever since its beginning in 1937, REDC has sought to bring together local business and community members to grow the Rutland region economy. From our first project to provide parking for downtown merchants to the many loans we currently provide to local business owners, we have remained committed to the concept that the standard of living and quality of life of the region's citizens can best be served by a vibrant, healthy economy, sensitive to the environment and preservation of our cultural heritage.

Our goal, therefore, is to recruit and retain businesses that will provide quality job opportunities so that all of our citizens benefit. By working with companies to find suitable buildings in which to grow, obtaining state tax credits, arranging low-interest financing through various means, arranging employee training programs, and assisting with export assistance, REDC helps many small businesses grow and prosper in Rutland County. Our partnership with the Small Business Development Center and Vermont Manufacturing Extension Center means that we can support these small businesses even further with other services that will increase their efficiency and profitability. Our website is www.rutlandeconomy.com.

William P. McGrath, Executive Director

Rutland County Solid Waste District

The Rutland County Solid Waste District offers a variety of solid waste, recycling, waste education, household hazardous waste, composting and administrative support programs for our 16 member municipalities. Some services are also available to non-District communities on a fee for service basis. In addition, the District operates a regional drop-off center and transfer station at Gleason Road in Rutland City. District program, facility and rate information is now available on our web site, www.rcswd.com.

Waste Disposal: During 2003, residents and businesses in our member municipalities disposed of approximately 37,000 tons of municipal solid waste, nearly all of through the District's master disposal contract with Casella Waste Management. The cost of disposal, handling and transportation from the District Transfer Station at Gleason Road to the landfill was \$68.04 per ton. State taxes, district surcharge and the Rutland City Host Community Fee totaled \$23.97, for a final disposal cost of \$92.01 per ton.

Recycling: The District owns a Material Recovery Facility (MRF), or recycling center, off West Street in Rutland City that is leased by Casella Waste Management for their operations. The MRF accepts 17 recyclable commodities from transfer stations, commercial haulers and large generators for processing and sale for re-use.

Household Hazardous Waste: RCSWD operates an extensive Household Hazardous Waste program for district residents. The program operates year-round from the Gleason Road facility, and scheduled collections at 20 town transfer stations through the spring, summer and fall. The HHW program collects and safely disposes of dozens of hazardous, flammable and toxic materials, anti-freeze, pesticides, used motor oil, asbestos, fluorescent tubes, computers and electronics.

Other Programs: The District also offered other waste management, education and reduction programs, including construction and demolition waste, clean wood, food waste and concrete and asphalt "earth materials" recycling. The District is continuing with its "Merry Mulch" program in collecting and processing over 1,200 Christmas trees annually. The District's food waste program is operated in cooperation with the Rutland County Natural Resource Conservation District. Customers include supermarkets, greenhouses, and produce distributors. The district also received a grant from the Agency of Natural Resources to offer a "clean sheetrock" waste drywall program for contractors and homeowners.

Planning: As required by the new state solid waste plan, we updated our "Implementation Plan" which serves as a business plan for the next five years. This plan was approved of by the Board of Supervisors in April and sent to the state for their review. The District is anticipating the State's comments on the plan, with a revision ready for public review in 2004.

James O'Gorman, District Manager

Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice

For more than 57 years, the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice has brought high-quality, affordable community based home health and hospice services to people in the comfort of their homes.

In the face of rising healthcare costs, nursing shortages, shrinking reimbursement and regulatory changes to the health care system, RAVNAH has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective health care services to some of Rutland County's most vulnerable individuals. We are proud to report that we continue to be a community leader in guiding and shaping the future of home health, preventative and long-term care services, including home care, hospice, maternal-child health and community programs. We are proud to report on the number of successes we have achieved:

- Provided over 1,200 hours of volunteer service in our Hospice Program.
- Initiated Hospice Palliative Care Program.
- Instituted Options Counseling for nursing home admissions.
- Collaborated with Wilcox Pharmacy in the Synagis® Program for patients with respiratory syncytial virus.
- Provided over 3,700 flu vaccinations.
- Prepared for compliance with the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act.

We could not have been successful without our dedicated staff. RAVNAH's staff and volunteers made over 84,000 visits to 2,494 different patients. In the town of Wallingford we provided 4,267 visits to 105 individuals. To the individuals and organizations of the town of Wallingford that have supported us during 2003, we are truly thankful. With your support, RAVNAH will continue to meet our mission "to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services". Again, we say thank you for your support.

Ronald J. Cioffi, Executive Director



Rutland County Parent/Child Center, Inc.

Rutland County Parent/Child Center, Inc. is a private, community-based non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and meeting the need of parents, children and families. RCPCC provides all services at low cost (or no cost) to all families throughout Rutland County. Currently, RCPCC provides services to all 28 Rutland County cities and towns, with weekly outreach occurring in a minimum of 13 of these communities. In total, RCPCC provided services to over 2,750 individuals and 642 families in 2003.

Tammy DeRosia, Program Director

Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District

The Rutland NRCD is committed to fostering an awareness of the link between stewardship of the natural environment and the agricultural community as well as other landowners.

A sample of the programs/projects the District was involved in during 2003 is: Arbor Day Festival; Make A Splash Festival; Working Farms & Forests; Seedling Sale; Trout Sales; Fall Bulb Sale; Newsletters; Agricultural Food Waste Compost Program; Nutrient Management Program; Better Backroads Assessments; Vermont Backyard Forest Stewardship Program; and the Vermont Envirothon.

For further information on these programs/projects or to be added to our mailing list, please contact Nanci McGuire anytime at 775-7192, ext. 17.

Nanci McGuire, District Manager



Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter

The Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter is a non-profit agency working within Rutland County to provide safety and support services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We have been in Rutland County for almost 25 years serving men, women and children who live in danger.

This year the shelter has been constantly busy. In addition to families needing immediate housing for their safety, we gave counseling and other support services to well over 3,400 people. We assist people with counseling, support groups, help with relocation, a 24-hour crisis line for domestic violence and rape, assist with family court advocacy, and other services necessary keep families safe.

The families, volunteers, and staff of the shelter thank the voters of Wallingford for their continued support of our program. Because of your consistent support, we are able to continue to provide a safe haven for those survivors of domestic violence from your town.

Rebecca Roguen, Assistant Director

Paramount Theatre

The Paramount Theatre and Wallingford have together developed the Accessible Arts Program to provide great accessibility to events at the Paramount Theatre for the residents of Wallingford. This program provides complimentary tickets to the Playhouse Series featuring professional touring artists presenting theatre, dance, music and family entertainment.

The Paramount Theatre is requesting \$900 from the Town of Wallingford for the continuation of the program for the 2004-05 season.

Ronald Naples, Executive Director



Silent Auction--The Town can receive complimentary tickets for certain Paramount Theatre performances. The next performance is the Blue Grass Gospel Project on Saturday, March 13th. If you'd like to bid, forms are available at Town Hall or by calling 446-2872. Contact the Town Administrator for a list of performances. Tickets go fast and performances are selling out. **Bid today!**

Vermont Adult Learning

Vermont Adult Learning works with adults age 16 and over who are not enrolled in school and want to finish secondary school, improve their skills, or prepare for college or a career. We provide instruction in reading, writing, math, English for speakers of other languages, as well as commutation, problem solving, decision making, interpersonal, and lifelong learning skills. VAL also helps adults prepare for the CDL, U.S. citizenship, or GED exam or the Adult Diploma Program.

Classes and tutoring are offered at our learning center in Rutland, in various community sites, and in students' homes and workplaces.

Vermont Adult Learning collaborates with seven supervisory unions, Rutland County Head Start, Rutland County Parent Child Center, and the Vermont Center for the Book, Neshobe Family Network to provide family literacy services.

With the recent trend toward reform of the welfare system, we have also collaborated with PATH (formerly known as Department of Social Welfare), Department of Employment and Training, and the Stafford Technical Center to combine our services. In partnership with those agencies, we are designing and delivering intensive and comprehensive services to help adults move into paid employment that will enable them to support their families.

Last year Vermont Adult Learning served 16 adult residents of Wallingford and provided 579 hours of instruction. Two students obtained a high school diploma or GED. Other student achievements include: acquiring job readiness skills; obtaining employment; retaining or improving employment; improving parenting skills; and increased participation in children's education.

The cost of providing educational services, in relation to Wallingford's appropriation of \$1,000 is: 16 total students served in FY03, 579 total hours of instruction provided, and \$1.73 total cost to Wallingford per instructional hour.

In regards to the breakdown of expenditures, Wallingford's appropriation of \$1,000 will be used to support the salary of the educator who provides instruction in your community.

Vermont Adult Learning expects to see the same types of outcomes in FY04 that were achieved in FY03. Due to our current restructuring of programs, we expect to see an increase in total instructional service hours provided and an increase in student achievements overall.

We appreciate your support.

J. Clark Postemski, Regional Manager

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Our mission is to enable Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence. We were established with assistance from Helen Keller and the American Foundation for the Blind in 1926. Since then, our agency has provided services to any visually impaired Vermonter who needs them, at no cost to the client, due to the financial support we receive from individuals, businesses, civic organizations, municipalities, and state and federal grants. Last year we served 1,413 people statewide – 1,128 adults and 285 children.

Our services for children include teaching and support at home and in the classroom. Our Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVI) instruct in Braille, and acquire materials such as textbooks in alternative formats appropriate for each child's visual impairment, whether it's Braille, large print or on audiotape. They also assist classroom teachers in instructing with less emphasis on visual learning, such as writing on the blackboard. We also plan educational overnight camps each year, so the students can exercise their independent and daily living skills in a supportive environment. In addition, we also provide transitional services for teens looking beyond high school to higher learning or independent living. We served two children in Wallingford last year.

For adults, we make visits to homes to help adapt the home for safety and ease of mobility. We mark stoves, microwaves, thermostats and other appliance for ease of use and help organize pantries and closets to make cooking and other daily living tasks manageable and reasonably efficient. We provide orientation and mobility lessons, including white cane instruction, so that people can get around on their own. We sponsor Peer Assisted Learning and Support (PALS) groups, bi-monthly meetings for peer education and group support, which meet in 11 locations around the state, including Pittsford. We served one adult in Wallingford last year.

Volunteers are an important part of our organization. Last year 204 VABVI volunteers drove 181,206 miles and donated 14,631 hours of service – the equivalent of seven and a half full time employees – either by driving, reading, shopping, brailing, working in our offices or other capacities. It is in large part because of these volunteers that we spent 87 cents out of every dollar on direct services in your community last year. To become a volunteer or to learn more about our services, contact us at 1-877-350-8839 or general@vabvi.org or visit our website at www.vabvi.org.

Steven Pouliot, Executive Director

Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council

First, BROC would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Wallingford who have supported the agency over the years, acknowledging the important work we do for residents in Wallingford. This past year BROC continued to experience a large increase in limited income families who needed help just meeting their *basic* needs -- enough food on the table; heat for warmth through the winter; and a roof over their heads.

Last year, **BROC helped meet the basic needs of 29 families in the Town of Wallingford.** In addition, BROC weatherized 2 homes, comprised of 4 individuals through our Weatherization & Energy Conservation program. BROC's Child and Adult Care Food Program reimbursed 2 day care home providers (\$3,237.88) in Wallingford for serving nutritious meals to nearly 20 children in their care. BROC's Micro Business Development Program worked with 4 Wallingford residents interested in pursuing starting or expanding a small business. BROC also created several new partnerships and collaborations throughout the year with local organizations and businesses to help raise food for our emergency food shelf; as well as to help raise much needed funds through events and fund raising so that the needs of our neighbors continue to be met.

BROC staff work hard each and every day to not only address immediate crisis, but to work on developing prevention plans with each person who needs our help. We are very proud of moving an individual or family up from the effects of poverty in their lives.

Linda G. Rooker, Executive Director



Rutland County Humane Society

During 2003, the Rutland County Humane Society handled a total of 4 dogs and 12 cats from Wallingford. Citizens brought in three dogs, and one was surrendered by the owner. Two of these dogs were returned to their owners, one was adopted and one was euthanized. Citizens brought in two cats, and 10 were surrendered by their owner. Ten of these cats were adopted and two were euthanized.

The Rutland County Humane Society strives to work with the citizens of Rutland County to create a more humane community by promoting spay/neuter, providing behavioral advice and resources to pet owners, and serving as a safe haven for homeless or unwanted animals. The Rutland County Humane Society offers financial assistance for spay/neuter, dog obedience classes, a never-ending selection of loving and needy dogs and cats looking for new homes, and more.

Please visit www.rchsvt.org, call 483-6700, or visit us at 765 Stevens Road in Pittsford for more information on any of our services.

Jessica Morris, RCHS Shelter Manager

Vermont Cares

For close to two decades of the AIDS epidemic Vermont CARES has been providing support services to Vermonters living with HIV/AIDS and their family members. In addition, Vermont CARES has provided education and training to Vermonters of all ages on how to prevent the further spread of HIV infections to themselves and loved ones. In 1997 Vermont CARES helped to develop and open 600 Dalton Drive in Colchester, Vermont's only residential facility for people living with HIV.

The support of the Town of Wallingford in Vermont CARES' effort continues to be absolutely essential. Support from Wallingford has included individual financial contributions from community members, volunteer work and forums for HIV education presentations. In addition, many volunteers are residents of Wallingford and surrounding areas.

In 2003, the number of HIV + people accessing services from us increased by over 150% from the previous year. In the past year, we have provided support services to over 150 Vermonters living with HIV/AIDS and close to 500 family members, some of whom are from Wallingford. These services include service coordination, advocacy, support, transportation, and emergency financial assistance. We also assisted dozens of HIV+ people locate and access safe and affordable housing using federal rental assistance programs through scattered site apartments in and around Wallingford.

Vermont CARES' Prevention Programs are designed to help individuals, at risk for HIV, develop knowledge and skills that they can use to protect themselves from contracting the virus that causes AIDS, and to encourage HIV testing and treatment. Vermont CARES offers prevention programs for individuals at risk of HIV including peer outreach, needle exchange and oral HIV testing. During the past year, 25 individuals living with and at risk of HIV have been involved in community outreach and education. That work included one-on-one outreach to individuals at risk, presentations at schools as well as public information tables at community events in Wallingford and other communities. Over the past 12 months, we've reached over 5,000 Vermonters directly with HIV prevention education information.

With continued support, Vermont CARES will be able to take on the new challenges facing us as more and more people believe that "AIDS is over" or there is a cure for AIDS. The fact remains that there is no cure for AIDS... current treatments are exceedingly expensive, toxic and often have limited effect. The growing media hype about the "end of AIDS" has led to an alarming increase in the number of people, particularly young people, who report that they have stopped protecting themselves against HIV infection. We have a lot of work to do to actually bring this epidemic to its end. Thank you for your continued support. If you are in need of any additional information, documentation or have any questions, please call 802 863-2437 or 800-649-2437.

Kendall Farrell, Executive Director

The Vermont Center For Independent Living

The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) teaches people with significant disabilities how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. We also conduct public education and systems change activities that promote the full inclusion of disabled people into community life.

An estimated one in five Vermonters has a disability. VCIL, a private not-for-profit corporation, is Vermont's first and only cross-disability center for independent living and the first organization in the state to be directed and staffed by a majority of people with diverse disabilities.

Statewide, from October 1, 2002 through September 11, 2003, VCIL responded to 1,974 requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information and referrals on a broad range of subjects related to living with a disability. We provided one-on-one peer counseling to 342 individuals to help increase their independent living skills and life opportunities; provided 405 households with financial and technical assistance for making their bathrooms and entrances accessible to a disabled family member; provided over 340 with personal assistance and/or assistive technology; provided communications equipment to 67 Deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired individuals through our Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program, and served home-delivered meals to almost 533 Vermonters through VCIL's Meals On Wheels program for Individuals Under 60 with Disabilities.

VCIL's central office is in downtown Montpelier with three smaller regional offices in Bennington, Brattleboro and Burlington. The Montpelier office houses our resource library and our toll-free information line, which provides answers to disability-related questions from every Vermont community. Our locally-based Peer Advocacy Counselors are available to people with disabilities in every municipality in Vermont.

During FY 2003, VCIL provided direct services to Vermonters, utilizing the following services/programs:

1. Information & Referral
2. Home and Community Access program
3. Meals on Wheels (people with disabilities under the age of 60)
4. Peer Advocacy Counseling
5. Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program
6. Sue Williams Freedom Fund

To learn more about VCIL, call us toll-free at 1-800-639-1522.

Sandra Nall, Development Officer

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging

This report provides information about the different ways the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging helped elders in Wallingford during the past year. These included:

Senior Meals. The Council provided funding for meals served to elder residents of Wallingford. This funding helped make available 4,557 meals that were prepared and delivered to the homes of 25 older persons in your community who were in need of this special support. This service, provided through contract, is often referred to as "Meals on Wheels." We also supplied "Blizzard Bags" to Meals on Wheels participants and other isolated elders, containing "shelf-stable" meals for use in a weather-related or other emergency situation. In addition, 17 elders participated at one or more of the luncheon sites available in our region, enjoying 589 meals.

Case Management Assistance. 37 elder residents were served by SVCOA Case Management staff that provided help with applications and problem solving around programs such as Fuel Assistance, SSI, Medicaid, Food Stamps, etc. Case Managers also helped frail elders who were facing long term care placement, assisting those who wanted to and were able to remain independent connect with available supports.

Other Services. The Council also provides Telephone support through our "Senior HelpLine" 786-5991, which provides easy phone access to elders and others in need of information about programs and supports; Health benefit counseling information and form filing assistance through our SHIP Program; Legal service support through a contract with the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project; Nutrition education and counseling provided by a registered dietician to elders who need to improve their dietary intake; Elder Care Clinician outreach services to elders struggling with mental health issues provided through a contract with Rutland Mental Health; Transportation through the Elders on the Go Program and One-2-One Program; Community Development assistance; and Caregiver information and support for family members and others who are providing help to elders in need of care.

Diane Novak, Executive Director

George Aiken Resource Conservation & Development Council

The George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) has been "making things happen" with natural resource conservation and rural development projects over the past year. We are here to serve your community. We coordinate and facilitate assistance to town governments, school districts, fire departments, watershed groups, and nonprofit organizations in the six southern Vermont counties. By bringing together help from our extensive network of resources, we can focus technical and financial resources on your specific needs. We get technical assistance and staff help through the U.S. Department of Agriculture but private sources make up most of our budget. The Council is a self-supporting 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization. Highlights of our work in the six counties in 2003 include:

- 14 towns received funding to improve water quality and upgrade backroads through our better backroads grants - **\$5,200 to the Town of Wallingford.**
- Two towns received complete water supply plans identifying all potential useable water sources for fire fighting in the town.
- 16 towns received funding and engineering assistance to design and install dry hydrants as a source of water to fight fires.
- Six towns received Jeffords fire safety grants to purchase personal protective gear for firefighters.
- Numerous farmers received technical and marketing assistance with agritourism ventures.
- Five farmers received grants to support agritourism on their farms.
- Ten towns received assistance to help prepare for an ISO (Insurance Service Office) evaluation. Towns are rated 1-10 and many insurance companies use that rating to set their rates. If a town can lower their ISO rating it may lead to lower insurance costs for businesses and residents in that town.
- We continue to serve as the fiscal agent for the White River Partnership and Connecticut River Birding Trail.
- Teams of high school students from throughout the area participated in the Vermont Envirothon.

Other current projects include helping a town with flooding problems, erosion control and streambank stabilization in several locations, helping to develop community centers and recreation fields. We currently have funding available for low interest loans to develop agritourism ventures on farms. Do you have a project or program that could use some assistance to "make it happen"? Over the years the George D. Aiken RC&D Council has helped many communities and organization on a variety of projects. We work on a request basis, so the first step is up to you, giving us a call. For information and free consultation call Kenneth Hafner our RC&D Coordinator at (802) 728-9526 or email: Kenneth.hafner@vt.usda.gov.

Frank Farnsworth, Chair

ENHANCED 911 BOARD REPORT

The Vermont E-911 system continues to perform within established benchmarks.

The Enhanced 911 Board operates ten 911 call answering points, known as Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP). They are located at the Springfield Police Department, the Hartford Police Department, the Montpelier Police Department, the Lamoille County Sheriff's Office, the Saint Albans Police Department, the Shelburne Police Department, and the State Police Barracks at Williston, Rutland, Rockingham, with Derby to be operational by Jan 2004.

E 9-1-1 Address Confidentiality

In 1996, the General Assembly passed a law requiring Towns that created new street addresses for enhanced 9-1-1 to provide a confidentiality option to residents.

This option allows residents to prevent their names from being linked with their new street addresses in municipal public records, such as the Grand List. If you choose to exercise this option, you are required by law to provide the Town Clerk with an alternate mailing address, such as a Post Office box. Copies of the "Confidentiality Option Form" and instructions are available at your Town Office or on the internet @ www.state.vt.gov/e911. Your Confidentiality Option Form is not a public record and is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Law. Town officials are required to preserve your privacy.

Statewide System Operations

The following information is from the period 1 January 2003 to 30 November 2003.

Total 911 Calls Received 113,763
Total Wireless 911 Calls Received 60,374
Average Time to Answer 5 seconds
Average Call Duration Systemwide 1 minutes, 54 seconds
Total 911 Calls from Wallingford 276

TO ALL RESIDENTS OF WALLINGFORD:

Please look at your house numeral(s) from the road. If it is not visible, than change it to make sure it can be seen from the road. Have only ONE set of numeral(s) on your house. The green and white numerals that were given to each resident is the house number and the only one that is on record for emergencies and mail. You may change the color or increase the size of the numerals, but please make sure it is reflective. IF WE CAN'T SEE YOUR NUMERALS, WE CAN'T FIND YOUR HOUSE.

If you have any questions, call Clovis Leach, 911 Coordinator, at 446-2102.



Rutland Regional Planning Commission

THE RRPC's MISSION:

To provide leadership and technical expertise to encourage cooperative planning with and among the region's communities and area wide interests; and, strive to improve the quality of life for people in the region by promoting harmony between sustainable economic development, environmental interests and other planning issues.

2003 ACTIVITIES:

In pursuit of its Mission, the RRPC continued to work closely with the region's 27 communities on a wide range of projects:

- Provided **technical assistance** on community development issues - including assisting in the update and implementation of town plans, zoning & subdivision regulations, telecommunications ordinances in virtually every member community.
- Assisted 18 communities to successfully apply for and/or implement **Municipal Planning Grants**.
- Continued the RRPC's very successful **cooperative fuel purchasing program**, saving towns, schools and non-profit organizations substantial amounts on fuel oil, and gasoline.
- Used **GIS (Geographic Information Systems)** tools to work on transportation, watershed planning, and emergency management initiatives.
- Continued **support of the Rutland Region Transportation Council** in their planning for the future transportation needs of the Rutland Region; continued to work with communities to create bridge, culvert and network inventories.
- Worked with the **Rutland Economic Development Corporation**, and the **Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce** on a regional strategy to better coordinate community development, economic development and travel and tourism activities. Both organizations have become permanent ex-officio members of the Commission's Policy Board.
- Assisted communities with **emergency management planning**, including the re-formation of the Rutland Local Emergency Planning Committee, and beginning Hazard Mitigation planning.
- Received a \$200,000 Federal **Brownfields Assessment** grant and began the organization of a steering committee and the identification of potential sites.
- Continued to offer **education, training, and information programs** to municipal officials and to pay for those program related to planning and zoning and other community development issues.
- Worked with others on the **watershed plans** for the Poultney-Mettowee and Upper Otter Creek basins.

Mark Blucher, Executive Director

Rutland Region Transportation Council

The Rutland Region Transportation Council provides a forum for the development of regional transportation planning and transportation projects that may have regional impacts. In addition, it coordinates policies and priorities with the Vermont Agency of Transportation and promotes cooperation on transportation issues in the Rutland region. The Council is the primary method for public involvement in transportation planning. State and federal funds are obtained by the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, which provides support for the Council. The Planning Commission also provides planning, administrative, and geographic information system staff.

All municipalities in the Rutland Region are encouraged to be active in the Transportation Council and those with representatives named to the Council may vote on issues. Municipalities are not obligated to participate in the Council and those that do participate may cease their involvement any time.

Over the last fiscal year (October 2002-September 2003), the RRTC and its staff have been working for improved transportation planning in Rutland County in the following ways:

- Continued to assess the Rutland region's top transportation problems including whether planned projects conform to the Rutland Regional Plan. From a regional perspective, improvements to the Route 7 and 4 corridors are always high priorities;
- Participated in discussions regarding transportation projects such as improvements to VT 73 and the Pittsford-Brandon Route 7 upgrades;
- Provided comments to the Vermont Agency of Transportation on the development of Vermont's FY 2004 transportation Capital Budget and Program and the FY 2004-2006 State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP);
- Continued to discuss the potential for a roundabout to reduce the number and severity of accidents at the US7/VT103 intersection in Clarendon;
- Continued to assist towns with road network (culvert, bridge and road condition) inventories. Utilizing the RRPC's simple system of aerial photos and data collection (condition, etc.) sheets, 2 towns have completed culvert inventories and 5 are in progress.
- Continued to address seasonal transportation problems along VT 103, VT 100, and US 4 by working with staff of neighboring Regional Planning Commissions and ski area representatives;
- Collected traffic data at multiple locations for two towns;
- Worked with the Rutland Physical Activity Coalition to increase bicycle and pedestrian opportunities in the area (including a map of walking trails in Rutland City);
- Worked with transit providers and human service agencies to improve transportation service to those with special needs including elders;
- Began work with towns along Route 30 for possible Byways designation;
- Assessed the region for existing and potential locations for Park and Ride lots;
- Distributed reports, bulletins, fliers, and newsletters, and maintained a Web page.

In the current federal fiscal year, the Rutland Region Transportation Council is continuing many of these efforts. A stronger focus on access management is expected in the coming year.

Meetings of the Rutland Region Transportation Council are held once each month, normally on the fourth Thursday, in Rutland. All those with an interest in transportation and related issues are invited to attend. Questions about the Transportation Council may be directed to the following individuals: Susie Leonard or Susan Schreibmen, Senior Planners (775-0871) or Richard Baker, Chairman (247-6366).

Vermont League Of Cities And Towns

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns' mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. Most government services used by Vermonters on a daily basis are those provided by its cities and towns. These include highways, police, fire, recreation, sewer and water. Vermont municipal officials are responsible for raising and expending nearly one-half of the non-federal taxes raised in the state.

Volunteer elected and appointed municipal officials lead these governments. VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns to serve and strengthen the ability of the these officials to provide quality services at affordable levels of taxation:

- **Advocacy representation before the State legislature, administration and judiciary, ensuring that municipalities have the resources and authority to serve their citizens.** VLCT is a leader in the education finance debate and in securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs.
- **Training, technical assistance and publications to strengthen the ability of municipal officials to serve their communities.** In the past year, we have responded to almost 50,000 telephone calls, 21,200 of them from local officials on the toll-free telephone line available to them. Our Municipal Assistance Center and Group Services staffs provided over 750 workshops and small group training sessions attended by over 4,000 municipal officials and answered over 2,300 legal questions posed by municipal officials. VLCT distributed over 575 copies of local government publications and distributed over 3,200 hard copies or electronic mail versions of VLCT's *Weekly Legislative Report* to municipal officials each week during the legislative session.
- **Purchasing opportunities to provide needed services at the lowest cost.** These include an array of municipal insurance programs, among many others. Examples of how this saves local taxpayers dollars are the securing of municipal employee health insurance and liability coverage for town operations. The VLCT Health Trust represents the most affordable option available to provide health insurance to your employees. The value of VLCT PACIF to all our members was made painfully clear last year when the major re-insurer for the largest private sector option available for municipal property and casualty insurance was declared insolvent by the State of Pennsylvania, threatening the payment of claims made under those policies.

All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 140 other municipal entities including villages and fire districts. Membership dues are \$.72 per capita plus a \$250 service fee per year. VLCT maintains its offices in Montpelier and employs 42 staff members. It has an annual operating budget of approximately \$3.0 million.

Individuals interested in finding out more about Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including reviewing its audited financial statements can visit its website at www.vlct.org.

Steven E. Jeffrey, Executive Director

Association for Retarded Citizens

Our mission is to advocate for the rights of individuals and families with developmental disabilities to be regarded as valued citizens with the same entitlements as a non-disabled individual, including the right to lifelong opportunities for personal growth and full participation in the community.

In 2003, we were representative payee for about 65 clients referred to us by Social Security and mental health centers. We assisted these clients in managing within their budget limitations; quite an accomplishment for people living on the limited resources of SS and SSI. We were involved in every operation from payment of bills, rent, etc. to dispensing personal expense monies on a weekly basis. We negotiated and mediated between landlords, service providers and businesses in cases where a client was unable to resolve an issue independently. The man hours involved in managing one's case averages from several hours monthly to 3-4 hours weekly, dependent on need. We assisted about 12 clients in filling out annual accounting forms for probate court.

Six dances were provided over the year. These events were attended by over 200 people with developmental disabilities, friends and families. The dances are our biggest events that bring people together in the community. There are also ongoing weekly events such as art and music & movement classes.

ARC-Rutland Area supports the local Self-Advocacy group for people with developmental disabilities by doing the minutes and preparing the agendas for the group and then helps with facilitating the meeting. The Self-Advocates have currently been trained in Disability Awareness Training and have presented the training at Rutland High School. They will be going into elementary schools around the county as well. Many citizens are getting to know the self-advocates better through this service and the self-advocates are gaining valuable public speaking and advocacy skills. This year the self-advocate group helped out at the annual Green Mountain Self-Advocates' Voices and Choices conference in Killington, by helping people find their way around.

Our Executive Director is a member of the Rutland Family Support Network, which is lead by parents to gather information that families need, create goals to some system changes and network via the internet, brochure, forums and newsletters. She also is on the Local Standing Committee of Community Access Program. By staying in touch with other state level organizations and working collaboratively with local advocates, families and organizations, ARC-Rutland Area stays on top of the services being provided to people with developmental disabilities and has an outlet to advocate for those services that are not being offered. On behalf of the Board Members, friends, and families, we would be grateful for support from the citizens of Wallingford. We receive neither state nor federal funding, and our main sources of income continue to be United Way, Rutland City and other towns such as Wallingford. In 2003 residents of Wallingford took advantage of all the services we offer. Our request for funding from Wallingford is \$500.

Lisa S. Lynch, Executive Director

The Preservation Trust of Vermont

The Preservation Trust of Vermont is a charitable, nonprofit organization founded in 1980 to initiate, stimulate and assist local and statewide efforts to preserve and use Vermont's rich collection of historic, architectural cultural and community resources.

Here's a sampling of the other work we accomplished during the past year:

- Our Field Service Program, a partnership with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, provided technical support and encouragement to over 200 community preservation projects.
- We worked with the Brattleboro Arts Initiative to acquire the Latchis Theaters and Hotel. As a downtown arts center and hotel, the complex will play a key role in the continuing effort to build a better Brattleboro.
- Our Robert Sincerbeaux Fund provided 72 seed grants to support local preservation efforts. Libraries, museums, art centers, town halls, affordable housing, churches, and grange halls were all supported.
- With support from the Vermont Country Store, we began a mentoring program to help strengthen village stores.
- In partnership with the Vermont Forum on Sprawl and the Vermont Downtown Program, we worked with the Legislature to provide new incentives to redevelop downtown buildings.
- We published a new work on the importance of Vermont's Homegrown Economy.
- Check out our website www.ptvermont.org.
- \$20,000 was given to the Town of Wallingford to help cover a portion of the costs to install the new lift at the town offices.

This year we provided direct support to over 200 community projects in Vermont, but there are at least 175 projects ahead of us for next year. Please join us in preserving our communities and our heritage.

No organization could do all this work without extraordinary help from many sources. Knowing you support us, in spirit and in giving, has made all the difference. Our work continues... and we hope your support will continue too. Please consider a contribution today, so that we can continue to reach out to hundreds of communities in Vermont. Thank you!

Paul Bruhn, Executive Director

Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services

Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc. is changing the look of neighborhoods throughout Rutland County. This year the consortium of towns serviced by Rutland West has grown to include 26 towns, three of which are in Addison County. Year to date, we have invested \$441,956 in loans for homeowners as well as rehabilitation of existing homes.

With the Vermont Community Development grant of \$375,000 from the years 2002-2003 almost completed and our new grant of \$375,000 just beginning, the work of the rehab construction department continues at an industrious rate. The Rehab department assisted 37 families from Rutland County thus far this year addressing health and safety issues in homes. Families interested in applying for help are encouraged to call Rutland West.

88 families from Rutland County, who attended the HomeBuyer Education class were counted among our list of 39 new homeowners in 2003. The HomeBuyer Education classes are now offered in West Rutland, Middlebury and Bennington. Call Rutland West for a schedule and to register.

The Emergency Shelter Program at Rutland West assists those in crisis with housing arrangements or utility bills. Our shelter fund assisted 110 families in Rutland County this year. Grant funds are received from the Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity, Department of Mental Health, Federal Emergency Management Agency, as well as other generous donations from special benefactors.

Another point of major interest for the consortium of towns is the upcoming move of Rutland West to a new building across the street from our current office. Beginning in 2002 into 2003, a tremendous effort was made to coordinate funds to buy and renovate the historic Kazon building on Marble Street in West Rutland. This building will provide much needed, expanded office space for Rutland West. The second story of the Kazon building will be renovated into affordable apartments. We hope to move into the new office space in March of 2004. The apartments will be available for rent later in 2004.

We welcome participants from residents of Wallingford. If you would like to volunteer your time for one of our committees, call me at 438-2303 or stop by our office located at 71 Marble Street in West Rutland.

Together we can build strong communities!

Ludy Biddle, Executive Director

**WALLINGFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL REPORT
(Fiscal Year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003)**

PERSONNEL: (School Year 2003-2004)

A. School Board	Term / Date Expires
Ken Fredette, Chairperson.....	Three Year/2004
David Lambert.....	Three Year/2006
Judy Edmunds.....	Two Year/2004
John McTaggart.....	Three Year/2005
Tracy Crelin.....	Two Year/2005
Mill River Board: Gordon McClure.....	Appointed/Three Year/2004
Mill River Board: Debbie Morse.....	Three Year/2005
B. Administration and Supervisory Union Programs	
Walter J. Goetz.....	Superintendent of Schools
Sharon Reynolds.....	RSSU Director of Special Services
Lori Hancock.....	RSSU Business Manager
Nancy Jarrosak.....	Speech Pathologist/Early Education
Dee Bort.....	Early Education Teacher
Kathy Faulkner.....	Early Education Teacher Assistant
C. Faculty and Staff	
Mulholland, Theresa.....	Principal
Akin, Ian.....	Special Education Individual Assistant
Allen, Donald.....	Bus Driver
Allen, Steve.....	Health/Physical Education
Baker, Michelle.....	General Education Teacher Assistant
Bartlett, Patricia.....	Title I
Birdsey, Kenneth.....	Crossing Guard
Bowen, Patricia.....	Grade 5
Cassel, Sandra.....	Secretary
Crosby, Jane.....	Grade 4
Dinnan, Carrie.....	Library Assistant
Durgin, Tammy.....	Special Education Individual Assistant
Duskiewicz, Susan.....	Special Education Program Assistant
Fredette, Gary.....	Custodian/Bus Driver
Fredette, Julie.....	Art
Frohloff, Debra.....	Special Education Individual Assistant
Gallus, Carla.....	Library/Media
Grabowski, Mary.....	Guidance
Kafarski, Mary Ellen.....	Grade 2
LaBate, Christopher.....	Grade 6
Lattuca, Joan.....	Special Education Teacher
Lundeen, Charlene.....	Nurse
Luzader, Kathryn.....	Music
Maniery, Cheryl.....	Kindergarten
Merrill, Lisa.....	4 th Grade Special Ed & General Ed Assistant
Nauton, Barbara.....	Grade 3
Poczobut, Stephanie.....	Grade 2
Retaleato, Linda.....	Special Education Program Assistant
Senecal, Raymond.....	Bus Driver
Seward, Nancy.....	6 th Grade Assistant

Stanley, Kevin	Grade 1
Stockton, Becky	Special Education Teacher
Tatro, Danny	Custodian
Usher, Agnes	Special Education & General Education Assistant
Valente, Chiarina	Grade 1
Veilleux, Pamela	Special Education & General Education Assistant
Viccarone, Erika	Reading /Language Arts Teacher Grades 4,5,6
Welch, Laura	General Education Teacher Assistant
Yrsha, Melinda	Special Education and General Education Assistant

Enrollment

The 2003-2004 enrollment at the Wallingford Elementary School is 171 students as of our January count. Presently, there are 170 Wallingford students attending Mill River Union High School.

ENROLLMENT Grade	Actual 2001-2002	Actual 2002-2003	Actual 2003-2004	Estimated 2004-2005
K	31	23	18	20
1	18	29	26	19
2	19	19	30	27
3	23	22	19	30
4	22	23	25	20
5	18	26	27	25
6	31	20	26	27
Total Elementary	162	162	171	168
7	27	34	26	26
8	36	28	29	26
9	36	38	33	29
10	32	34	29	33
11	29	27	25	29
12	40	31	28	25
Total Mill River	200	192	170	168
Total	362	354	341	336

Teacher Salary Schedule

The Wallingford teacher salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year has a base salary of \$25,678. The top of the salary schedule is \$51,613. To reach this top salary, teachers must have advanced degrees and at least 20 years of teaching experience.

Budget, Taxes and State Aid

The school board is proposing a budget for the 2003-2004 school year with expenditures of \$2,364,537.71 for the operation of the elementary school and special education, and \$134,406.54 for Stafford Technical Center tuition. The proposed budget is contained within the financial reports on the ensuing pages. The proposed expenditure budget for the elementary school and special education represents approximately a 8.22% increase from the current year. Please see the superintendent's report for further information.

Federal Programs

Rutland South Supervisory Union receives a limited amount of federal funds which support educational programs in all of our schools. **Title I** supports remedial reading and mathematics instruction; **Title II** supports improvements in mathematics and science instruction; **Title IV** (Safe and Drug Free Schools) provides drug and alcohol abuse education for students; and **Title VI** provides funds for mini-grants for teachers, the purchase of instructional materials, curriculum development and class size reduction. Parents or others wishing to have additional information or to comment on these programs are encouraged to contact Walter J. Goetz, Superintendent of Schools (775-3264).

Special Education

Rutland South Supervisory Union offers comprehensive special education services to ensure that eligible students with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. In an effort to respond to the unique learning characteristics which result from disabilities, special education is offered in various ways and includes: consulting teacher programs, resource rooms, speech and language services, EEE (Essential Early Education), consulting services and special placements. Anyone with knowledge of children in need of services (including preschool) is encouraged to contact Sharon Reynolds, Director of Special Services (775-3264). All special education costs and state revenues are included in the financial reports.

School Board Meetings

The Wallingford School Board meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., in the multipurpose room of the elementary school. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings. Also, the Board holds special meetings to transact other business such as personnel negotiations, budget workshops and other Rutland South Supervisory Union Committee meetings.

Non-discrimination Policy

The Wallingford School Board offers employment and educational opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or handicap. Inquiries regarding this policy may be directed to Walter J. Goetz, Superintendent of Schools. Telephone (802) 775-3264.

REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

March 2004 marks two years that Tracy Crelin, Judy Edmunds, John McTaggart and I have worked together as a board, with David Lambert joining us last year. Looking back, I cannot help but be taken by how people with divergent opinions can learn to work together for the greater good.

At the beginning of the school year we welcomed Rebecca Stockton back to Wallingford. Ms. Stockton fills the vacancy created in Special Education with the retirement of Lois Johnstone. We also welcome Erika Viccarone as the newest member of our staff. Ms. Viccarone teaches math and literacy curricula at grade levels 4, 5 and 6, and helps the Board fulfill one of its stated goals: to "concentrate efforts on increasing student achievement and general welfare of children within a cost-effective environment."

We were able to complete the lighting retrofit project in 2003. As with the first phase, the return on investment from energy savings should be approximately 3 years, thus being both fiscally and environmentally responsible. Rebates received from the State and from Efficiency Vermont for the

project were used to replace the glycol in the heating system, avoiding costly repairs in the future. Other major projects in the near future include replacement of the roof and the underground fuel tank. Current estimated cost to replace the fuel tank is \$60,000. It should be noted that of the \$23,000 the Board is requesting for the Building Maintenance Sinking Fund, \$15,000 is earmarked as the first of four installments for this.

Wallingford joined other boards across the state in '03 in lobbying the Legislature to properly support the Education Fund and not use property tax dollars for non-educational purposes. Actions from Montpelier provided some tax relief in this fiscal year, and many towns in the state should realize further savings in FY '05. Appropriate levels of staffing for student populations continues to generate much discussion in Wallingford and throughout Vermont.

Our second Board Goal is to "improve communication within the school and throughout the community". I refer you to the Principal's Report in this Town Report for a look at how our students are doing, and we look forward to answering your questions at Town Meeting.

March 2004 also marks something of an unusual event in that 3 out of the 5 WES Board seats, as well as one Mill River seat, are up for election. I trust that whomever fills those seats will recognize that balancing the needs of the students with the support of the taxpayers is the paramount task at hand, and that they will learn to work together for the greater good of the school and the town. May they find rising up to meet this challenge as gratifying as I have.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Fredette

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I am pleased to make this annual report to the Wallingford community. This will be my first report as superintendent after submitting 15 prior reports as Wallingford Elementary School principal.

One of the strengths of the Wallingford Elementary School is the staff. I commend the staff for their efforts on behalf of the children.

Our supervisory union, like most school districts in the country, is beginning to understand and implement the provisions of the new federal education legislation, "No Child Left Behind". The law, aimed at improving the performance of America's schools and student achievement, is very complex. I am hopeful that the nation's school children will benefit from this legislation.

All schools in the Supervisory Union review a variety of assessment data, both informal and formal, and implement Action Plans as required by the Vermont State Department of Education and federal law. Wallingford's Action Plan is being implemented and reviewed in light of new information. Test scores alone, however, cannot measure the quality of a school. The Principal's Report gives a good overview of the school's assessment results.

Sue Decarolis, the Rutland South Supervisory Union's Director of Curriculum and Assessment has shown a great deal of leadership in heading many curriculum and instructional initiatives. In addition to providing needed professional development to faculty in order to enhance their teaching skills and strengthen content-based knowledge, Ms. Decarolis is providing guidance in our efforts to improve our curricula. The reading program introduced during the last school year has been expanded to all grades. Work has begun to develop a new science curriculum. The math curriculum will receive attention next. As a supervisory union, we are reviewing our Teacher Evaluation Process.

The FY05 budget for the elementary school and special education has increased approximately 8.22%. The overall budget increase, including Mill River and Stafford Technical School, is 2.29%. This figure is a bit misleading as Act 68 requires that state paid expenditures to Stafford Tech on Wallingford's behalf be included in the expenditure budget. A similar figure is included on the revenue side resulting in no additional cost to taxpayers. Excluding the additional Stafford Tech amount, the entire Wallingford school district expenditures reflect less than a 1% increase. These figures exclude proposed sinking fund amounts. The School Board has decided to earmark \$100,000 from estimated, unaudited surplus to offset taxes.

As you may know, Act 68 is the new and improved Act 60. Its overall purpose is to simplify Act 60. Act 68 creates a two tier tax system. Primary homesteads are assessed at \$1.10 per \$100 of fair market property value, while secondary homes and commercial property are assessed at \$1.59. These figures are subject to change. Income continues to be used as an alternative to property taxes, presently 2%. As of this writing, the House has passed a bill, H540 that reduced these numbers to \$1.05, \$1.54 and 1.9%. The bill is in committee in the Senate. Until this technical correction bill is passed, we are not able to predict accurate tax rates.

You will see an article on the enclosed warning that requests the town's financial support to investigate the possibility of consolidating services within the supervisory union. A Rutland South Supervisory Union Study Group, consisting of citizens and staff from district towns, has recommended that a formal study be undertaken to investigate all possibilities.

The building sinking fund article has been increased to \$23,000. This includes the \$8,000 annual request that voters are familiar with plus an additional \$15,000 earmarked as the first of three requests to cover the cost of removing an underground storage tank.

Special thanks to RSSU Business Manager, Lori Hancock, for keeping the district's finances in order; and Ken Fredette (chairman), Judy Edmunds, Tracy Crelin, John McTaggart and David Lambert for their dedication as School Directors.

Many thanks to the Wallingford community for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter J. Goetz

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Wallingford Elementary School continues to review and revise our curriculum. In reading we are in our second year of implementing the Houghton Mifflin "A Legacy of Literacy" in grade K-5 and the Prentice Hall series in grades 6-8.

In math we continue to use "Math for Everyday Living" in grades K-5. Our sixth grade is using MathThematics. This particular series is now being implemented in grades 6-8.

The focus of our present science curriculum, for grades K-6, is hands on exploration.

We continue to work with our district curriculum coordinator in science, language arts and social studies - as well as math and reading. The staff is taking courses and going to workshops to help ensure that our Wallingford children are receiving a solid education.

I have included our State Assessment results for the 2002-2003 school year. Please be advised that all testing results are a small snapshot of our school and NOT the entire picture.

We know teaching, learning and assessment are connected. A wide variety of assessments help us build a learning environment for our students. However it is continual assessments, in different formats, that provides the important information teachers need to created the learning goals and modes of instruction to meet the needs of all students.

The Vermont Developmental Reading Assessment - Grade 2

WES	100% met the standard
STATE	82% met the standard

New Standards Reference Exam - Mathematics - Grade 4

Math Skills	WES	89% met the standards
	STATE	73% met the standards
Math Concepts	WES	44% met the standards
	STATE	46% met the standards
Math Problem Solving	WES	39% met the standard
	STATE	41% met the standard

New Standards Reference Exam - English Language Arts - Grade 4

Reading:	Basic Understanding	WES	100% met the standard
		STATE	80% met the standard
	Analysis & Interpretation	WES	79% met the standard
		STATE	70% met the standard
Writing:	Effectiveness	WES	90% met the standard
		STATE	60% met the standard
	Conventions	WES	69% met the standard
		STATE	62% met the standard

Vermont PASS Science Assessment - Grade 6

Total Science Performance	WES	46% met the standard
	STATE	46% met the standard

Overall our students are doing well. We will continue to refine and adjust our educational goals as needed.

The staff and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the citizens of Wallingford, for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted:

Theresa Mulholland, Principal

WALLINGFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Description	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
Total Revenue	4,157,285	4,036,023 (2)	4,044,393 (2)	4,116,359
Total Expenditures	4,153,804	4,121,902 (1)	4,121,902	4,216,359
Excess (Rebate) of Revenue	3,481	(85,879)	(77,509)	(100,000)
Beginning Bal July 1	240,234	134,583	243,715	166,206
Transfers	0	0	0	0
Ending Bal June 30	243,715	48,704	166,206	66,206

OPERATIONAL FUND REVENUE

Code	Account	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
	LOCAL REVENUE				
1322	Tuition	18,000	15,000	15,000	8,700
1314	Tuition school choice	1,837	0	0	0
1422	Transport	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000
1510	Investments	3,866	7,500	5,000	5,000
1990	Other Local	(4,870)	0		0
	Total Local	37,832	41,500	39,000	32,700
2000	SUB-GRANTS	52,973	44,999	44,999	46,234
	STATE REVENUE				
	Act 60 Above Block Grant	940,079	1,276,023	1,220,203	0
	Act 60 Block Grant	2,482,372	2,080,811	2,139,360	0
	ACT68 Res/Non Res EEGL Support	0	0	0	3,307,185
	ACT68 Technical Support Payment	0	0	0	81,800
	Act 60 Debt Service Aid	10,572	9,169	6,441	0
	Act 60 Transport Aid	51,234	37,500	48,369	31,321
3201	Spec Ed Block Grant	101,102	102,934	102,934	105,474
3202	Spec Ed Intensive	423,482	382,575	382,575	443,340
3203	Spec Ed Extraordinary	41,843	33,409	33,409	41,843
3204	Spec Ed EEE	12,164	11,386	11,386	18,962
3205	Spec Ed State Placed	2,300	0	0	0
	TOTAL STATE REVENUE	4,065,147	3,933,807	3,944,677	4,029,925
4810	Federal Forest	7,408	7,717	7,717	7,500
5000	Refunds/Other, approved	(6,076)	8,000 (2)	8,000 (2)	
	TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	1,332	15,717	15,717	7,500
	TOTAL REVENUE ALL SOURCES	4,157,285	4,036,023	4,044,393	4,116,359
5000	Refunds/Other, pending approval	0	0	0	37,000 (3)

Note: (1) 2003/2004 Total Expense budget reduced by \$4,121 to reflect change in Union School Assessment & increased by \$8,000 to reflect transfer from sinking fund
(2) Revenue increased by \$8,000 to reflect voter approval to appropriate monies to the building maintenance sinking fund; (3) Separately warned article pending approval

WALLINGFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXPENDITURES - TABLE I

Code	Account	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
1100	INSTRUCTION				
	Salaries	553,896	561,653	561,653	696,035
	Salaries Homework Club	8,951 (1)	0	0	0
	Benefits	132,742	159,957	159,957	181,024
	Purchased Services	2,529	2,550	2,550	2,550
	Tuition to LEA's	3,674	0	0	0
	Books and Supplies	32,235	34,050	34,050	37,000
	Equipment	2,234	1,200	1,200	1,200
	Total Instruction	736,261	759,410	759,410	917,809
1120	ACTIVITIES	3,019	3,983	3,983	3,996
1200	SPECIAL EDUCATION				
	Salaries	230,538	200,406	200,406	192,004
	Benefits	66,484	63,586	63,586	57,153
	Purchased Service	46,376	54,803	54,803	42,872
	Repair/Maintenance	0	850	850	850
	Rent/Facility	0	0	0	0
	Tuition	312,934	284,321	284,321	315,229
	Books and Supplies	4,486	6,300	6,300	6,300
	Travel	91	200	200	200
	Psychological Services	24,554	36,560	36,560	40,825
	Speech Services	25,695	21,136	21,136	17,799
	Administration	51,877	59,649	59,649	60,682
	Other Support Services	16,412	6,200	6,200	6,200
	Equipment	2,085	2,400	2,400	2,400
	Total Special Education	781,532	736,411	736,411	742,514
1400	TITLE I	52,787	57,725	57,725	46,234
2120	GUIDANCE	53,448	56,816	56,816	57,150
2130	HEALTH SERVICES	41,001	41,336	41,336	44,443
2210	IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	18,882	23,583	23,583	26,765
2220	LIBRARY/MEDIA				
	Salaries	48,000	54,175	54,175	59,211
	Benefits	11,552	13,084	13,084	14,482
	Repair & Maintenance	537	1,000	1,000	1,500
	Books & Supplies	11,868	9,500	9,500	9,500
	Equipment/Technology	7,958	9,700	9,700	9,700
	Total Library/Media	79,914	87,459	87,459	94,393
2310	BOARD OF EDUCATION	8,355	9,267	9,267	9,267
2320	ADMINISTRATION, RSSU	34,641	29,140	29,140	35,651
2400	ADMINISTRATION, SCHOOL				
	Salaries	77,620	80,621	80,621	86,067
	Benefits	19,321	22,235	22,235	21,468
	Telephone/Postage	5,122	4,500	4,500	5,000
	Books and Supplies	1,151	1,200	1,200	1,700
	Equipment	0	500	500	500
	Dues and Fees	608	750	750	750
	Total Administration	103,821	109,806	109,806	115,485

WALLINGFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXPENDITURES - TABLE I

Code	Account	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
2520	FISCAL SERVICES				
	Audit	3,050	3,500	3,500	4,667
	S.U. Assessment	20,344	16,390	16,390	20,054
	Supplies	0	0	0	0
	Interest	1,847	2,000	2,000	2,000
	Total Fiscal Services	25,241	21,890	21,890	26,721
2600	BUILDING/GROUNDS/EQUIPMENT				
	Salaries	52,814	54,952	54,952	58,512
	Benefits	29,897	33,757	33,757	31,837
	Water and Sewer	2,350	2,500	2,500	2,500
	Repair and Maintenance	8,160	8,200	8,200	10,200
	Repair and Maintenance, phone system	13,676 (2)	0	0	0
	Copier Rental	8,783	8,000	8,000	8,136
	Insurance	7,359	8,400	8,400	9,240
	Supplies-Bldgs	5,886	6,500	6,500	7,000
	Electricity	21,769	20,000	20,000	22,000
	Fuel Oil	13,032	10,500	10,500	11,025
	Equipment & Furniture	3,357	2,800	2,800	3,000
	Total Building/Grounds	167,083	155,609	155,609	163,450
2711	TRANSPORTATION				
	Salaries	28,677	28,557	28,557	30,550
	Benefits	4,297	4,197	4,197	5,419
	Maintenance	8,696	6,000	6,000	6,000
	Transportation Contracts	25,864	29,000	29,000	29,000
	Insurance	1,908	1,750	1,750	1,925
	Diesel Fuel & Supplies	2,287	5,000	5,000	5,250
	Total Transportation	71,730	74,504	74,504	78,143
2720	TRANSPORT, ACTIVITIES	1,533	1,133	1,133	1,133
2790	TRANSPORT, FIELD TRIPS	807	1,133	1,133	1,133
5100	DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0
5200	ADJUSTMENTS	0	7,750	7,750	250
5390	TRANSFER, approved	8,000	8,000 (3)	8,000 (3)	0
TOTAL ELEMENTARY & SPECIAL ED		2,188,054	2,184,955	2,184,955	2,364,537
1100	TUITION-STAFFORD TECH	48,926	55,081	55,081	134,407
1100	UNION SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	1,916,824	1,881,866 (4)	1,881,866 (4)	1,717,415 (5)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		4,153,804	4,121,902	4,121,902	4,216,359
5390	TRANSFER, pending approval	0	0	0	37,000 (5)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES, pending transfer		4,153,804	4,121,902	4,121,902	4,253,359

Note: (1) Homework club, \$8,951, financed with federal grant money; (2) Building repair, \$13,676, paid with reserved sinking fund money; (3) Expenses increased to reflect voter approval to appropriate monies to the building maintenance sinking fund; (4) Union School assessment reduced by \$4,121 to reflect approved Mill River 2003/2004 budget;

(5) Separately warned article pending approval

Wallingford Town School District

ESTIMATED COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET As Of June 30, 2003			
	General Fund	School Lunch	Student Activities
Assets			
Cash	651,122	1,046	5,640
Accounts Receivable	367,608	7,543	0
Due from Other Funds	6,937	0	0
Inventory	0	904	0
Prepaid Expenses	0	0	0
Total Assets	1,025,667	9,493	5,640
Liabilities & Fund Balance			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	300,779	0	0
Payroll Accruals	246,173	0	0
Notes Payable	235,000	0	0
Due to Students		0	5,640
Due to Other Funds		6,937	0
Fund Balances			
Fund Balance	153,836	0	0
Reserve Sinking Fund	89,879	0	0
Reserve for School Inventory		2,556	0
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	1,025,667	9,493	5,640

Note: An update balance sheet will be available once the reconciliation of accounts and audit is complete.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	Operational Fund	School Lunch	Total
Description	Fund	Lunch	
Revenue	4,157,285	45,189	4,202,474
Expenditures	4,153,804	43,272	4,197,076
Excess of Revenue	3,481	1,917	5,398
Fund Balance: July 1, 2002	240,234	640	240,874
Transfers	0	0	0
Adjustments	0	0	0
Fund Balance: June 30, 2003	243,715	2,557	246,272

SINKING FUND SUMMARY

Description	Bus Fund	Bldg. Fund	Total
Ending Balance, June 30, 2002	74,300.00	20,614.00	94,914.00
Taxes From Operational Fund	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Interest From Operational Fund	503.32	137.69	641.01
Adjustments / Transfers			
Telephone System		(13,675.80)	(13,675.80)
Ending Balance, June 30, 2003	74,803.32	15,075.89	89,879.21
Taxes From Operational Fund	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Interest From Operational Fund	171.15	33.71	204.86
Adjustments / Transfers			
Bus Purchase	(62,840.00)		(62,840.00)
Lighting Retrofit		(10,568.00)	(10,568.00)
Estimated, June 30, 2004	12,134.47	12,541.60	24,676.07

District: **Wallingford**
County: **Rutland**

LEA: **219**
S.U.: **Rutland South**

Expenditures

Budget (local budget approved in prior years)

82% of base payment per FTE paid to tech centers by the State on behalf of the district in FY2005

S.U. assessment (included in local budget)

Deficit (if included in local budget)

Block grant paid by State to tech center in prior years

1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting

Act 144 Expenditures, (excluded from "Education Spending")

Act 68 local adopted budget

Union school or joint school district assessment

Deficit if not included in budget or revenues

Special programs expenditures (if not included in local budget)

Gross Act 68 Budget

Act 144 expenditures (if any - excluded from "Education Spending")

Revenues

Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuition, etc., including Act 144 revenue)

Capital debt aid

Special program revenues (if not included in local budget)

Deficit if not included in budget or expenditures

Act 144 revenues

Fund raising (if any)

Adjusted local revenues

Education Spending (Act 68 definition)

Equalized Pupils

Education Spending per Equalized Pupil

Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil (if any)

Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment

District spending adjustment

(minimum of 100%)

(\$9,166 / \$6,800)

Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized

(134.647% x \$1.10)

Household Income Percentage for Income sensitivity

(134.647% x 2.0%)

	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	
1.	2,170,140	2,173,340	2,232,036	2,498,944	
2.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	81,900	
3.	180,915	194,420	190,309	193,214	
4.	-	-	-	not applicable	
5.	71,042	80,707	89,067	not applicable	
6.	14,000	-	-	14,000	
7.	8,000	8,000	9,000	23,000	
8.	-	-	-	3,500	
9.	-	-	-	-	
10.	2,283,162	2,282,047	2,339,103	2,639,444	
11.	1,789,041	1,919,824	1,861,868	1,717,415	
12.	-	-	-	-	
13.	-	-	-	-	
14.	4,052,223	4,178,871	4,210,989	4,266,959	
15.	-	-	-	-	
16.	423,005	665,141	747,899	867,874	
17.	7,037	10,572	6,441	-	
18.	-	-	-	-	
19.	-	-	-	-	
20.	-	-	-	-	
21.	430,042	676,713	764,340	867,874	
22.	-	-	-	-	
23.	430,042	675,713	754,340	867,874	
24.	3,622,181	3,503,158	3,456,629	3,386,985	
25.	411,88	367,46	363,55	370,13	
26.	8,794	8,814	9,012	9,156	
27.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	-	
28.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	9,156	
29.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	134.647%	
30.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	\$1,481	
31.	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	2.69%	

RUTLAND SOUTH SUPERVISORY UNION

OPERATING FUND REVENUE

	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
ASSESSMENTS TO SCHOOLS				
Central Office Administration				
Clarendon	67,618	64,538	64,538	83,040
Shrewsbury	27,492	26,017	26,017	27,853
Wallingford	54,985	45,530	45,530	55,705
Mill River UHS	217,559	214,127	214,127	262,297
Total Central Office	367,654	350,212	350,212	428,895
Computer Service/Curriculum				
Clarendon	14,100	17,168	17,168	17,535
Shrewsbury	6,267	7,630	7,630	6,460
Wallingford	12,534	13,353	13,353	12,920
Mill River UHS	45,435	57,226	57,226	55,373
Total Curriculum/Comp	78,336	95,377	95,377	92,288
Total Assessments	445,990	445,589	445,589	521,183
Interest	1,347	3,000	3,000	2,000
Service to Other LEA'S	37,636	39,511	39,511	44,059
Other	11,109	20,000	20,000	20,000
TOTAL REVENUE	496,082	508,100	508,100	587,242

EXPENDITURES

Computer Technology Services	77,863	95,377	95,377	92,289
Central Office Administration	180,210	180,545	186,740	188,790
Improvement of Instruction	44,976	45,000	45,000	51,072
Fiscal Services	167,155	165,097	165,097	182,031
Buildings/Grounds/Equipment	21,733	22,570	22,570	19,818
Transportation	39,728	39,511	39,511	61,559
Adjustments				
Total Expenditures	531,665	548,100	554,295	595,558

Summary of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes to Fund Balance

Total Revenue	496,082	508,100	508,100	587,242
Total Expenditures	531,665	548,100	554,295	595,558
Excess of Revenue	(35,583)	(40,000)	(46,195)	(8,316)
Beginning Balance July 1	90,094	110,942	54,511	8,316
Ending Balance June 30	54,511	70,942	8,316	0

RUTLAND SOUTH SUPERVISORY UNION

FUND 3 REVENUE

	ESTIMATE 2002-2003	BUDGET 2003-2004	ESTIMATE 2003-2004	BUDGET 2004-2005
Clarendon	28,926	22,868	22,868	18,990
Shrewsbury	12,856	10,163	10,163	7,844
Wallingford	22,499	17,786	17,786	14,449
Total Speech	64,281	50,817	50,817	41,283
Clarendon	51,419	53,747	53,747	47,278
Shrewsbury	22,853	23,887	23,887	19,528
Wallingford	39,992	41,803	41,803	35,972
Total EEE / Early Ed	114,264	119,437	119,437	102,778
Clarendon	66,699	76,691	76,691	79,753
Shrewsbury	29,644	34,085	34,085	32,941
Wallingford	51,877	59,649	59,649	60,682
Total Spec Ed Admin	148,220	170,425	170,425	173,376
Clarendon	14,099	15,670	15,670	18,303
Shrewsbury	6,266	6,964	6,964	6,743
Wallingford	12,533	12,188	12,188	13,486
Mill River UHS	45,531	52,234	52,234	57,799
Total Psych Srv.	78,429	87,056	87,056	96,331
Total Programs	405,194	427,735	427,735	413,768
Other Local	76,196	0	0	0
State Revenue IDEA-B	150,845	129,163	129,163	166,408
State Revenue IDEA-B Preschool	3,191	3,352	3,352	3,173
Grants	350,767	273,177	273,177	296,682
Adjustments/Refunds	115			
TOTAL REVENUE	986,308	833,427	833,427	880,031

EXPENDITURES

Summer Programs	20	0	0	0
Special Education	51,457	57,763	57,763	66,445
EEE Early Ed.	102,356	130,289	130,289	105,951
Hearing Impaired	0	0	0	0
Title I	6,780	9,500	9,500	0
Psychological Services	85,828	94,556	94,556	96,332
Speech Services	200,575	187,480	187,480	207,690
Special Ed Administration	98,905	120,161	120,161	106,931
Grant Expenditures	199,198	155,265	155,265	166,682
Subgrants/Other	129,909	108,413	108,413	130,000
Total Expenditures	875,028	863,427	863,427	880,031

Summary of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes to Fund Balance

Total Revenue	986,308	833,427	833,427	880,031
Total Expenditures	875,028	863,427	863,427	880,031
Excess of Revenue	111,280	(30,000)	(30,000)	0
Beg Bal July 1	436,227	112,864	547,507	
Ending Bal June 30	547,507	82,864	517,507	0

Title I Funds Included in Fund 3

Total Revenue	127,970	108,413	149,084	120,000
Total Expenditures	127,970	108,413	149,084	120,000
Excess of Revenues	0	0	0	0

Note: 1. Actual 2001/2002 Ending balance of \$131,048 adjusted to \$436,227 based on final audit. 2. Estimated carry forward from 2003/2004 reflected as zero as determination of restricted funds is not yet complete.

ANNUAL MEETING WALLINGFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES
March 3, 2003

Moderator A. Jay Kenlan called the meeting to order at 9:00 p.m.

Chairman, Ken Fredette introduced the Board Members present, Paul Dilonno, Judy Edmunds, John McTaggart, and Tracy Crelin. He also introduced Deb Morse and Peg Soule, our representatives on the Mill River Board. Ken thanked Paul and Peg for filling the positions open on the Boards last year. He introduced the administrators, Principal Theresa Mulholland, who recently signed a three-year contract and Business Manager Brian Turbitt. Brian will be moving June 30, 2003 and Ken will miss him as a colleague and a friend. Dr. Brothers had already left and will also be retiring.

The Moderator read the warning and Articles one through three to be voted on by Australian Ballot on Tuesday.

Jay read Article four regarding compensation for school directors. Ken said the members each receive \$700 and the chair received \$1,000. They didn't take their pay this year, however, it is budgeted next year.

Clovis Leach moved we adopt the article for \$3,800. Nancy Gondella seconded the motion.

Nan Dubin asked if there was any way we can make the members take their money this year. Ken said it would be an individual's choice. John said the board voted for a motion that until the board offered a level funded budget or one with cuts, or brings per pupil cost down, they would forego their salary. Goals have been met and it was a good example to set.

Peg Soule was concerned that the board didn't accept the stipend set by the town. A lot of the budget is out of their control and the board puts in a tremendous amount of work. She suggests they accept it collectively or turn it down individually.

The Moderator said that in his 28 years of attending town meetings, it was the first time he has heard the board criticized for not spending money.

The article was so voted.

Article V regarding the building maintenance sinking fund. John McTaggart said the clarifications could be found on the paperwork left on the chairs. It would include roof repairs, fuel tank replacement and energy savings investments.

Article VI regarding the budget was reviewed by Ken. He also referred to the further paperwork. Ken spoke about the fund balance they had learned about late in January from state revenues that they hadn't anticipated. The Business Manager and Dr. Brothers recommended \$90,000 of the money be used to reduce tax increase by

approximately seven cents. The balance will be carried forward for a rainy day. The budget was held pretty flat at 2.56%. There were no questions.

Article VII regarding borrowing will be voted Australian ballot.

The meeting recessed at 9:13 p.m.

Joyce Barbieri, Clerk

Wallingford Neighborhood Watch

What It Is:

The Program was started in Wallingford purely as an effort to increase communication, awareness and personal security in our town. It was modeled after the National Neighborhood Watch Program. It is designed to alert community members to issues and/or suspect activity as it takes place in our region. This is purely an effort from the people for the people.

This Is How It Works:

Currently, it is an email-based program with a growing number of participants. Anyone with Internet access can post a message to: wallingfordwatch@hotmail.com. As events take place in town and get reported to the email address, everyone in the database is alerted to the event or situation in a quick and easy fashion, as email is checked regularly. This information can then be forwarded to other family members and friends. An established email base has proven to be successful in circulating the information to alert members of the community and enhance security.

What It's Not:

Wallingford's Neighborhood Watch *is not intended to be a policing agent*, rather an open line of communication between community members, our town constable, and state police in an effort to reduce crime in Wallingford.

What You Can Do:

Neighborhood Watch began with a handful of volunteers coming together to organize the program and get it off the ground. Since that initial surge a few years ago, several of those people have moved and/or are pursuing other endeavors. In my opinion, this does not have to be a time consuming program, although community participation is needed to ensure the future success of the Wallingford Neighborhood Watch. Please email us at the above mentioned address if you can commit some time to assist with the following:

1. Wallingford Watch Email Point Person to Manage the Flow of Information
 2. Posting Signs [Street signs have been purchased and sign posts have been donated to signify Wallingford as a neighborhood watch community. We have obtained approval from the town to post these signs on town roads. We will be doing this once the weather breaks.]
 3. New energy, ideas and leaders to keep the program moving forward.
- As I conclude my active duty, I would truly like to thank all who have participated in this worthy community program and urge others to get involved. It's simple. All we need is your name, email address and watchful eyes in our community.

Yours in Health,
Joseph P. Donohue, DC

WARNING
WALLINGFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The legal voters of the Town School District of Wallingford, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Wallingford Elementary School in the auditorium at seven (7:00) P.M., in the evening on Monday, March 1, 2004, for the annual town school district meeting. The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at the Wallingford Fire Station. Polls will be open at ten (10) o'clock in the morning and close at seven (7) o'clock in the evening for the purpose of voting by Australian Ballot. The business to be transacted will include:

- ARTICLE I To elect a Town School District Moderator for the ensuing year. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE II To elect one town school director for a term of three years. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE III To elect one town school director for a term of two years. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE IV To elect one town school director for two years to complete a three year term. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE V To elect one director to the Mill River Union District #40 Board for a term of 3 years. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE VI Will the Town School District vote compensation for the School Directors and if so, at what rate?
- ARTICLE VII Will the Town School District vote to appropriate the sum of \$23,000 to be raised by taxes and to be placed in the Building Maintenance Sinking Fund? (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE VIII Will the Town School District vote to appropriate the sum of \$14,000 to be raised by taxes and to be placed in the Bus Sinking Fund? (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE IX Will the Town School District vote to approve a total budget of \$2,498,944.25 for the operation of the elementary school and tuition to Stafford Technical Center? (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE X Will the school district of Wallingford appropriate \$3,500 as the share of the district in order to finance the study of the advisability of forming a union school district with some or all of the following school districts: Clarendon, Mill River and Shrewsbury and the school directors be authorized to appoint a planning committee for that purpose? (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XI Will the Town School District vote to authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money temporarily from time to time, as may be required to pay orders? (By Australian Ballot)

Tracy Crelin

Judy Edmunds

Kenneth H. Fredette, Jr.

David Lambert

John McTaggart

Dated at Wallingford, Vermont this 22 day of January 2004.

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