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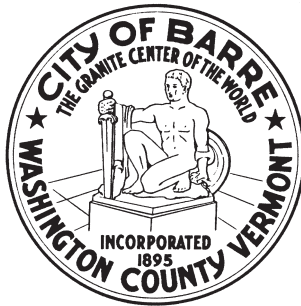
Fiscal Year
July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY SEVENTH REPORT

OF THE

CITY OF BARRE

VERMONT



For the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2022

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**THE 2022
CITY OF BARRE
ANNUAL REPORT**

**IS
DEDICATED TO
FORMER CITY MANAGER
STEVEN E. MACKENZIE P.E.**

**IN RECOGNITION OF
TWELVE YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BARRE**

After almost 12 years of service to the City of Barre as City Manager, Steven E Mackenzie P. E. retired on July 07, 2022 and remained on as a contract employee to assist in the transition of the new City Manager position until August 12, 2022



Steve is a lifelong resident of the City of Barre; he graduated from Spaulding High School in 1966 and then went on to get his Bachelors of Science in Civil Engineering at the University of Vermont in 1971 and Masters in Civil/ Sanitary Engineering in 1973. Steve began work for Dubois and King, a Randolph-based engineering firm in 1973. He left Dubois and King in 2010 as Senior VP and Senior Owner.

Prior to accepting the position of City Manager Steve served on the City Council representing the residents of Ward 2 for three consecutive terms. Steve accepted the position of City Manager seven months into his third term in October 2010.

In addition to the everyday duties of the City Manager, Steve focused on improving the downtown for businesses and residents of Barre. It all began in July of 2011 when the North Main Street “Big Dig” project got underway, kicking off what would be the beginning of the revitalization of Downtown Barre. Steve worked on many projects for the City including the reconstruction of Enterprise Alley, two major segments of the Barre City Bike Path, the Gunner Brook flood mitigation project, the Orange Reservoir spillway, Keith Avenue and Pearl Street parking lots and the Pearl Street Pedway (featured on the cover of this

annual report). The project known as his legacy was the renovation of the Barre City Swimming Pool in 2021/2022.

Steve worked behind the scenes to coordinate resources, explore funding option or offer advice when needed on many other initiatives such as City Place and Blanchard Block. Understanding the financial burdens associated with maintaining and replacing the city's aging infrastructure, through tireless perseverance Steve championed the efforts to encourage voters to support a 1% local options tax on rooms, meals and alcohol. The money raised by this tax is specifically earmarked for rebuilding streets and sidewalks. In 2022, he once again led the charge to adopt a 1% local options sales tax on general merchandise to provide funding for the replacement of antiquated capital items such as vehicles, heating and cooling systems and municipal buildings. These local option taxes will continue to provide funding for years to come while not increasing the property taxes on Barre City homeowners.

The pride that Steve has demonstrated for his hometown is unquestioned by anyone that knows him. Over his twelve year career as City Manager it was not rare to hear a staff member say, "I got an email from him at two o'clock in the morning," and another respond with, "I got one at four thirty."

The staff and the residents of Barre City want to express their sincerest gratitude to Steven E. Mackenzie P.E. and his family for all that they have sacrificed and the countless hours dedicated to making Barre the place we can all be proud of today.

IN MEMORIAM

Joanne (Jody) Norway
March 20, 1962 – June 2, 2022

**IN RECOGNITION TO HER SERVICE
TO THE CITY OF BARRE**

Jody joined the City of Barre in August of 2018 as the Executive Assistant to the City Manager. Jody had many duties for the City including the weekly creation and notices for City Council and Committee meeting agendas. She was the point person on coordination of the City of Barre Annual Reports.



She maintained the City of Barre Social Media outlets using the City website, Facebook and Front Porch Forum. She excelled at her primary role of serving the public by fielding phone calls and complaints daily.

Jody was a people person and loved the interaction with the public and staff. Her outgoing personality was perfectly suited for the position. She always made time if someone needed to voice their concerns or just wanted to chat. Her interaction with public, committee members, City Council and the staff was always genuine and personal. Although only being with the City for a short time she became a friend to all that met her.

Jody's love for her children Charlie and Sammy and grandchildren Scarlett, Savannah and Pace was always on display. Her face would light up when she was able to talk about them or show off pictures of them to anyone that walked into her office.

All that had the pleasure of getting to know her will miss her and her bubbly personality.

R.I.P. Jody

CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Emergency Services

Ambulance (Emergency Medical Services) 911

Fire 911

Police..... 911

Non-Emergency Services

Ambulance Billing 476-0254

Code Enforcement..... 476-0253

Emergency Management..... 476-0255

Fire 476-0254

Health Officer..... 476-5545

Police..... 476-6613

Other City Departments

Accounting & Payroll..... 476-0252

 Delinquent Tax Collector..... 476-0246

Buildings & Community Services..... 476-0256

 Auditorium..... 476-0256

 BOR Building 476-0258

 Cemeteries & Parks..... 476-6245

 Recreation 476-0257

City Manager..... 476-0240

 Human Resources..... 476-0241

Clerk & Treasurer 476-0242

Permitting & Planning..... 476-0245

 Assessor 476-0244

Public Works Office..... 476-0250

 Streets Superintendent..... 479-0250

 City Garage 476-0260

 Water & Sewer (billing) 476-0251

 Water & Sewer Service (regular business hours)..... 476-0251

 Water & Sewer Service (after-hours emergencies) 476-6613

 Wastewater Treatment Plant 476-0261

 Water Filtration Plant..... 476-6885

CITY HALL HOURS

Regular meetings of the City Council are held Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 6 North Main St. Barre. These meetings are open to the public.

City Hall is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All offices except the City Clerk and Treasurer's Office and the Water & Sewer Bill Collection Office are closed from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

The City of Barre observes all state holidays except Bennington Battle Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The City of Barre also observes Indigenous Peoples Day.

Dates to Remember

Property Taxes Due (Installments)

Due Dates are subject to change by the City Council

February 15, 2023

May 15, 2023

August 17, 2023

November 16, 2023

February 15, 2024

May 16, 2024

*If a property tax due date falls on a weekend or holiday,
taxes are due on the next business day.*

Water & Sewer Bills Due (Quarterly)

*March 31, 2023

*June 30, 2023

*September 30, 2023

*December 31, 2023

*March 31, 2024

*June 30, 2024

*Unless otherwise specified **on the bill.**

CITY STATISTICS
2022 Annual Report

Organized as a city March 5, 1895
Population (2020) Census 8,491

Assessed Valuation 2021 as follows, viz:

Real Property..... \$505,468,151

Assessed Valuation 2022 as follows, viz;

Real Property..... \$502,242,170

Long Term Liability

June 30, 2017..... \$18,777,341
*June 30, 2017 – Due to Granite Museum..... \$301,698
June 30, 2017 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$334,154
June 30, 2018..... \$18,091,000
*June 30, 2018 – Due to Granite Museum..... \$233,936
June 30, 2018 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$264,154
June 30, 2019..... \$18,882,496
*June 30, 2019 – Due to Granite Museum..... \$164,566
June 30, 2019 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$224,154
June 30, 2020..... \$18,618,314
*June 30, 2020 – Due to Granite Museum..... \$92,903
June 30, 2020 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$174,154
June 30, 2021..... \$24,112,521
*June 30, 2021 – Due to Granite Museum..... \$19,191
June 30, 2021 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$164,154
June 30, 2022..... \$20,854,878
June 30, 2022 – Due to Sewer Department..... \$149,154

*The Due to Vermont Granite Museum originated from a Memorandum of Understanding dated July 12, 2001 which details the City’s contribution to the capital improvements of the Museum. Final payment was made to satisfy the MOU in September 2021.

Statement of taxes raised

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Total Taxes to be Collected \$17,918,518
Total Taxes Collected \$17,719,743

CITY OF BARRE TAX BILL CHART

This chart demonstrates how your tax dollars are used. Previous years are provided for comparison purposes.

	2018-2019		2019-2020		2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023	
	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate
CITY-general tax & highway	8,217,455	1.689	8,502,190	1.728	9,007,442	1.785	9,273,768	1.844	9,538,855	1.899
Streets/sidewalks/capital	347,691	0.073	425,000	0.086	368,866	0.075	380,000	0.076	391,500	0.078
CV Public Safety Authority	31,800	0.008	-		26,500	0.007	-		15,900	0.003
Barre Area Dev. Corp marketing					40,000	0.010	-		-	
County Tax	38,739	0.009	39,921	0.008	41,703	0.010	42,305	0.009	40,419	0.008
Voter Approved Assistance	142,901	0.030	159,401	0.032	134,601	0.028	149,601	0.030	149,601	0.030
MUNICIPAL TOTAL	8,778,586	1.809	9,126,512	1.855	9,619,112	1.914	9,845,674	1.958	10,136,275	2.018
BARRE UNIFIED UNION SU	7,085,552	1.270	7,362,946	1.300	7,916,956	1.419	7,915,584	1.427	7,353,915	1.319
Local Share School Tax										
Local Agreement Rate	140,138	0.029	129,089	0.026	118,010	0.023	96,371	0.019	69,992	0.014
SCHOOL TAX TOTAL	7,225,690	1.299	7,225,690	1.326	8,034,966	1.442	8,011,955	1.446	7,423,907	1.333
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	15,862,276	3.107	16,352,202	3.182	17,654,078	3.357	17,857,629	3.404	17,560,182	3.351

School tax rate listed is for homesteads. Non-homestead tax rate is 1.5837 for FY2022-23. Call the Clerk's office with any questions: (802) 476-0242
School tax total determined by combining homestead & non-homestead rates as set by the VT Department of Taxes.

MAYORS OF BARRE

Emery L. Smith	1895-1896
John W. Gordon	1896-1900
Harvey Hersey	1900-1901
Nelson D. Phelps	1901-1902
Charles W. Melcher	1902-1903
J. Henry Jackson	1903-1904
William Barclay	1904-1907
John Robins	1907-1910
James Mutch	1910-1912
Lucius H. Thurston	1912-1913
William H. Ward	1913-1915
Frank E. Langley	1915-1916
Robert Gordon	1916-1917
Eugene C. Glysson	1917-1920
Frank E. Langley	1920-1922
Waldron Shield	1922-1926
Frank L. Small	1926-1928
Nelson E. Lewis	1928-1929
Fred W. Suitor	1929-1931
Edwin Keast	1931-1932
William W. LaPoint	1932-1934
John A. Gordon	1934-1939
Edwin E Heininger	1939-1944
Chauncey M. Willey	1944-1954
Reginald T. Abare	1954-1956
Cornelius O. Granai	1956-1958
George N. Estivill	1958-1964
Cornelius O. Granai	1964-1966
Garth W. Blow	1966-1968
Wilfred J. Fisher	1968-1978
Vergilio L. Bonacorsi	1978-1982
Robert S. Duncan	1982-1984
Robert A. Bergeron	1984-1990
Wilfred J. Fisher	1990-1992
Harry S. Monti	1992-1996
Paul A. Dupre	1996-2000
Harry S. Monti	2000-2004
Peter D. Anthony	2004-2006
Thomas J. Lauzon	2006-2018
Lucas J. Herring	2018-2022
Jake Hemmerick	2022-Present

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Effective February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2023

JPs elected at November general elections and take office February 1st.

Updated list available on City website.

Peter Anthony (D)	25 Scampini Square
Ivana Argenti (R)	88 Camp Street
Patti Bisson (D)	8 School Street
Carol Garland (R)	17 Hilltop Avenue
Amanda Gustin (D)	35 Long Street
Bob Houle (R)	7 Summer Street #202
Kimberlie Koalenz-Rosa (R)	176 Washington Street
Karen Lauzon (R)	125 Nelson Street
Lisa Liotta (D)	27 Camp Street
Brian Parker (R)	45 Hill Street
Louise Parks (D)	84 Smith Street
Joanne (Jo) Perreault (R)	455 N. Main Street
Samn Stockwell (D)	36 Elliston Street
Tess Taylor (D)	45 Granite Street
William Toborg (R)	5 Hilltop Avenue

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Effective February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2025

Peter Anthony (D)	25 Scampini Square
Ivana Argenti (R)	88 Camp Street
Rosemary Averill (R)	89 Tremont Street
Tabitha Best (R)	16 Spring Street
Patti Bisson (D)	8 School Street
Amanda Gustin (D)	35 Long Street
Thomas Kelly (R)	35 Warren Street
Karen Lauzon (R)	125 Nelson Street
Lisa Liotta (D)	27 Camp Street
Brian Parker (R)	45 Hill Street
Haley E. Pero (D)	49 Hill Street
Samn Stockwell (D)	36 Elliston Street
Tess Taylor (D)	45 Granite Street
William Toborg (R)	5 Hilltop Avenue

CITY OFFICERS
CITY GOVERNMENT
OF THE
CITY OF BARRE
ELECTED OFFICERS

– MAYOR –

HONORABLE JAKE HEMMERICK
Term expires 2024

– COUNCILORS –

WARD I

Thomas Lauzon..... 2024
Emel Cambel..... 2023

WARD II

Teddy Waszazak 2023
Michael A. Boutin..... 2024

WARD III

Samn Stockwell 2023
Michael Deering..... 2024

– CLERK / TREASURER –

Carolyn S. Dawes
Term expires 2024

First Constable Scott Gagnon
Term expires 2024 – office will be eliminated at the end of this
term as per charter change.

– CITY MANAGER –

Appointed by the City Council
Steven E. Mackenzie, P.E., City Manager

Appointments by City Clerk / Treasurer annually on April 1st

Assistant City Clerk.....Cheryl Metivier
Assistant City Treasurer.....Sherry Chase
Assistant Delinquent Tax Collector Sylvie Rivard

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

**Barre Housing Authority
Five Year Terms***

Dan Molind	Term expires 2023
Mary Ellen LaPerle	Term expires 2025
Linda Long	Term expires 2021
Brian Amones, Esq., Chair.....	Term expires 2025
Chad Bell	Term expires 2023
Executive Director – Charles W. “Chip” Castle	

*BHA terms expire on November 24th

**CAPSTONE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL
Board of directors
One Year Terms**

Jon Valsangiacomo	Term expires 2021
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**CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS
July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 *
One Year Terms**

City Manager.....	Steven E. Mackenzie, P.E.
City Attorney	Oliver Twombly, Esq.
Labor Attorney	J. Scott Cameron, Esq.
Director of Emergency Management	Douglas Brent
Energy Coordinator	Jeff Bergeron
Library Trustee Council Liaison.....	Teddy Waszazak
Health Officer†	Robert Howarth
Deputy Health Officer†	Robbie Strachan
Tax Collector	Carolyn Dawes
Administrative Officer for Zoning.....	Janet Shatney
Central Vermont Internet Board	VACANT
Central Vermont Internet Board - Alternate	Jonathan Williams

*(Unless otherwise provided by an Employment Agreement)

**July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
Two Year Terms**

Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Janet Shatney
Alternate Designate	VACANT
Central Vermont Public Safety Authority	Jim Ward
Central Vermont Public Safety Authority	Paul Charron
CVSWM Board of Directors.....	Steven Micheli
Alternate	William Ahearn, P.E.

**October 9, 2019 – October 9, 2022
Three Year Terms**

Board of Health* Peter Anthony
Steven Micheli
Carolyn Dawes

* Vermont Department of Health appoints these Officers at City Council's recommendation.

CITY MANAGER APPOINTMENTS

One Year Terms

Police Chief..... Timothy Bombardier
Fire Chief..... Douglas Brent
Chief Inspector – Minimum Housing Standards Douglas Brent
Director of Finance Dawn Monahan
Director of Planning, Permitting & Assessing Janet Shatney
Director of Public Works Bill Ahearn
Director of Buildings & Community Services (BCS) Jeffrey Bergeron
Assistant Director of BCS - Recreation Stephanie Quaranta
City Engineer..... William Ahearn, P.E.
Superintendent of Water/Wastewater Steven Micheli
Tree Warden Jeffrey Bergeron
CVRPC TAC Representative..... Michael Hellein
Building Official..... Janet Shatney
Assessor Vacant

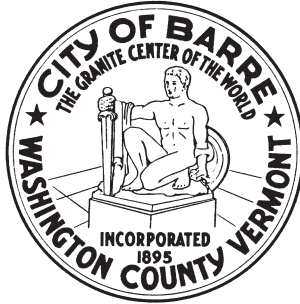
BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES*

**(Mayor is ex-officio member of all committees Appointed by the
Barre City Council)**

The City of Barre has the following Boards, Commissions
and Committees

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Committee	Development Review Board
Barre City Energy Committee	Paths Routes and Trails Committee
Cemetery and Parks Committee	Planning Commission
Civic Center Advisory Committee	Recreation Committee
Community Garden Committee	Transportation Advisory Committee
Cow Pasture Committee	Tree Stewardship Committee

Membership is fluid in nature and the member list is constantly changing. For more information about any of the boards, commissions or committees, members, agendas, meeting times or minutes from past meetings, or if you are interested in volunteer opportunities visit the City of Barre website at www.barrecity.org.



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
FY22 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MAYOR**

I begin this message with a word of thanks to Mayor Lucas Herring, who served 9 of the 12 months reported in this fiscal year, and two terms over the past four years. Lucas was an impressively dedicated mayor throughout the pandemic, and a man who values good government. Thank you, Mayor Herring.

A few accomplishments that I will highlight from the period between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022 include:

- The initiation of cross-department capital planning for the city's first-ever 10-year plan for capital investments to steward spending on buildings & facilities, streets & infrastructure, and equipment & vehicles. This was a big lift for staff and a huge step forward for long-term stewardship of aging assets.
- Rollout of the 'See Click Fix' application that helps community members identify fixes with photos and geospatial referencing.
- A successful audit of the Tax Increment Finance District that supported downtown improvements and the engagement of White & Burke Real Estate investment advisors to look at opportunities for redevelopment.
- Approval of funding and initial construction of the North End Pump Station Final Design to fix an end-of-life fixture that lifts wastewater uphill to the treatment plant.
- The establishment of a homelessness task force to help respond to the needs of the most vulnerable during the pandemic.
- Approval of updates to police policies forwarded by the Police Advisory Committee, making these policies publicly accessible for the first time in the City's history.

- Preparation of the FY23 Budget, which was successfully approved by the voters with all ballot items -- including a new local option tax to be applied to capital projects; this revenue will help the city catch up on many years of deferred maintenance.
- Ratification of collective bargaining agreements with the police and fire unions.
- Initial public outreach to better understand the community's priorities for the City's special one-time American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.
- Successful funding applications for the Ward 5 revitalization as perpetually affordable housing, which is working to fill budget gaps now.
- The establishment of a successful search committee to oversee the hire of the next City Manager, recognition of retiring City Manager Mackenzie, and appointment of the new City Manager Storelicastro.

This selection work does not do justice to all the things that got done this year, and none of this would have been possible without the dedication of City staff, elected officials, and volunteers who have 'dug deep' in so many ways to serve you and the city. As we look to Fiscal Year 2024, I hope you'll share a word of gratitude to the City's staff – who worked very hard to prepare a restrained and responsible budget that I am proud to support.

Thank you for your time and consideration and thank you for your contributions to Barre City's success. I welcome your input and participation in your local government. You are part of Barre City's future. Let's make it bright.

Mayor Jake Hemmerick

FY2022 CITY MANAGER'S ANNUAL REPORT

The FY22 Annual Report is presented to the residents of Barre on behalf of the administration of prior City Manager Steven Mackenzie and comes at a time of significant transition for the City. Between March and September of 2022, the City appointed a new Police Chief, underwent and concluded the search for a new City Manager, and saw the retirement of a long-serving Chief of Fire & Emergency Medical Services.

The City Manager is appointed and reports directly to the City Council and is responsible for overseeing all municipal functions and operations of the City, including but not limited to development and management of the annual municipal budget, personnel management, City and Department operations, and public relations with residents, businesses, and organizations within the City.

FY22 City Budget at a Glance

Voters approved a Fiscal Year 2022 budget of \$12,836,332 at Town Meeting in March, 2021.

The audit of the City's finances for FY22 was completed by our independent auditors in December. The City ended the fiscal year with a General Fund balance of \$649,638. General Fund revenue totaled \$13,125,841 exceeding budgeted revenue (\$12,836,332) by \$289,509. Actual expenses (\$12,476,203) underran budgeted expenses (\$12,836,332) by \$360,129, primarily driven by vacancies.

The Capital Improvements Fund decreased by \$37,904 in FY22, for an ending fund balance of \$1,360,847. Further, the Water Enterprise Fund ended the year with an unrestricted fund balance of \$3,263,571 (up \$390,606 FY21) while the Sewer Enterprise Fund continues to carry a deficit balance of \$535,768 (up \$67,669 from FY21). The five (5) year plan of programmed increases in the Sewer rates is working to rectify that deficit over time.

Personnel

The full time staffing level for the City was one hundred (100) employees on June 30, 2022. As of June 30, 2022, the City of had ninety (90) full time employees and ten (10) positions that remained vacant. The City has four (4) part time employees. We also employ seasonal employees that work in the cemetery and parks, pool and skating rink. Beginning July 1, 2022, the City added four (4) new positions. The positions were Assistant Public Works Director, Information Technology Specialist, Associate Planner and a facilities maintenance person.

Appreciation

There are many dedicated employees who provide services to the residents of Barre every day. From our administrative professionals, public safety employees, front-line service delivery staff, and everybody in between, everything that happens in Barre City is only possible thanks to the collective experience, knowledge, and commitment of the people who work here.

Our employees provide a remarkable range of services, including:

- Beautiful recreational facilities, parks and cemeteries;
- Around-the-clock fire, police and dispatch services;
- Safe and clear streets;
- Clean drinking water;
- Responsive sewer and wastewater operations; and
- Customer-friendly counter staff that review of development, permits, applications.

Behind the people you see and interact with everyday are dedicated administrative and professional staff that provide procurement, billing, financial, human resources, and information technology support to ensure our front line workers can deliver for our residents.

I am incredibly proud and excited to be a part of this team.

Barre is lucky to have a talented leadership team. Together, this group of leaders bring a wealth of experience, education, and dedication to our operations. I am thankful everyday for Assistant City Manager Dawn Monahan, Public Works Director Bill Ahearn, Director of Buildings and Community Services Jeff Bergeron, Director of Planning, Permitting and Assessing Services Janet Shatney, Police Chief Brad Vail, Acting Chief of Fire & Emergency Medical Services Joe Aldsworth, Deputy Police Chief Larry Eastman, Assistant Director of Buildings and Community Services Stephanie Quaranta, and Human Resources Administrator Rikk Taft. Though elected independently, Clerk/Treasurer Carol Dawes is an integral part of the City Hall leadership team, provides invaluable counsel, and participates in many of our biggest initiatives. Roxanne Pike, the Manager's executive assistant, has been a friendly and welcome addition to the Manager's office.

Many thanks are in order for Mayor Jake Hemmerick and all of our City Councilors. I am grateful for every Councilor's support, commitment to public service, and their guidance. Barre residents are fortunate to have such dedicated representatives, and I appreciate every day the privilege Council has provided me to serve the people of Barre.

I am also grateful to the many volunteers who serve on City boards, committees, and commissions for the hours, expertise, and feedback they provide. Active civic participation, I have learned, is part of the fabric of this community, and I appreciate the many residents who step up every year to make this City a better place.

Finally, my family and I are thankful to the many people who have so kindly welcomed us to this community. And I, in turn, am thankful beyond words to Allison, Maximo, and Sonny. I could not do this work without their love and support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicolas Storellicastro
City Manager

THE BARRE CITY CLERK AND TREASURER

2022 Annual Report

Most City Hall services and staffing had returned to normal by July 2021, following the shut-downs and furloughs associated with COVID-19. Some of the measures we’d put into place during the time when staff was reduced and the building was closed to the public were popular and continue to this day, including expanded use of the drop box by the front door and online ability to pay a wide variety of bills.

The Barre City Clerk/Treasurer’s Office is the repository of all City records including deeds, mortgages, vital records, council meeting minutes, and election results. We handle dog registrations and business licenses, generate property tax bills and collect payments, create marriage licenses, process vehicle registration renewals, and preside over all elections in the City, whether local, state, or national.

Most importantly, the staff deals directly with the public. Through phone calls, walk-ins, mail and email, requests for information, copies of documents or just directions to Hope Cemetery are handled on a daily basis. Many phone calls begin with the caller saying, “I know you’re not the right place to ask this question, but I’m hoping you can help me anyway.” And most of the time we can.

The fiscal year statistics of the Clerk/Treasurer’s Office are always fascinating. There were 62 civil marriage licenses issued during the 2021-22 fiscal year. The number of resident births in the City was 100, and there were 158 residents who died. The office issued 365 dog licenses. There were 2,257 documents containing 7,308 pages of land records recorded, and 343 properties changed hands. We handled 68 vehicle registration renewals during the fiscal year. The City issued 398 daytime parking permits, and 108 overnight permits.

The Clerk’s Office maintains the Barre City voter checklist, which had 5,863 registered voters on it for the March annual town meeting. As this was an odd-numbered year, there were no primaries or general elections. The office oversaw the following elections during the fiscal year:

Date	Election	Voters Participating
March 1, 2022	Annual Town Meeting election	1,276

The Collections Office oversees collection of delinquent taxes, water/sewer bills and other bills for services provided by the City. The office works closely with residents to establish payment plans and maintains records associated with tax sales.

For Fiscal Year 2022, Clerk Office staff included Assistant Clerk Cheryl Metivier, Assistant Treasurer Sherry Chase, and Delinquent Accounts Collector Sylvie Rivard, who works out of the Finance Department offices. The Clerk's office shares space with the Water & Sewer Billing Department, which is staffed by Water Department Clerk Clint Smith and Water Meter Reader Jessica LaPerle (thru January 2022).

If you have questions for the Clerk Office staff, we can be reached at (802) 476-0242 or check out the Clerk section of the City website at www.barrecity.org under City Departments.

Sincerely,

Carolyn S. Dawes
City Clerk and Treasurer

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

2022 Annual Report

The following is a summary of my activities over the past year:

1. The City continues with its enforcement against the property owner who has built a potentially unsafe wall on the side of a hill located on the property. The City took the case to the lower court and prevailed, but the citizen had taken appeal to the superior court. While the appeal was pending, the citizen deceased. The City is standing-by waiting for the heirs to petition the probate court to open an estate. It is the expectation that the City will work with the heirs to resolve the problem for the benefit of the safety of the citizens in the area.
2. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources has taken an enforcement action against the City for its claim that the City has violated the terms of its wastewater discharge permit. The City disputes that claim and has taken appeal of the enforcement action to the Environmental Court. As of the date of this writing, the appeal is pending.
3. I spent time this year reviewing ordinances that were presented to me for review by the city council.
4. I am assisting the City in the sale of 22 Hill Street following the City taking ownership of the property through the tax sale process. The City solicited purchase proposals and has accepted one from the Central Vermont Habitat for Humanity and the sale transaction is pending as of the date of this report.
5. I am also assisting the City on a zoning appeal taken to the environmental court by the St. Monica Church. The development review board denied the church's application to demolish the building it owns on West Street. The appeal is pending.
6. Throughout the year I have assisted the delinquent tax collector in conducting various tax sales of property where unpaid back taxes and unpaid water/sewer bills are concerned.
7. I assisted in performing the required legal work in connection with a community development grant that came from the State of Vermont through the City to redevelop a blighted property on Keith Avenue. The property is now upgraded and restructured and being used as transitional housing.

8. I have also assisted the police department and fire department in reviewing and evaluating the City's obligations under various Freedom of Information Act inquiries for public records.

Other than the court cases and other cases listed above, most of my efforts on behalf of the City have been involved with the usual sorts of requests for advice or opinions on contract matters, zoning matters, delinquent tax collection matters and any other matters which typically arise during the year. It is an honor to work with the Mayor, the City Council, the City Manager, the City Clerk, and all department heads, and all other City personnel and I take this opportunity to express gratitude for their invaluable assistance and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver L. Twombly, City Attorney

BUILDING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

2022 Annual Report

The Department of Buildings and Community Services consists of the Cemeteries and Parks Department, the Facilities Department and the Recreation Department.

The Facilities Department is responsible for overseeing all buildings and grounds owned by the City of Barre. This includes custodial and maintenance services for the following buildings; Municipal Auditorium, Alumni Hall, BOR, City Hall, Public Safety Building and the Wheelock House located at 135 North Main Street. We are also responsible for the mowing and upkeep of the following playgrounds and fields; Lincoln Field, Tarquinio Park, Garfield Playground, Mathewson Playground, Nativi Playground, Vine Street Playground, the Wobby Park area at the Public Safety Building and Canales Park located on Pleasant Street. We also maintain the Rotary Park area encompassing the pool, tennis courts, basketball courts, Skateboard Park, volleyball court, baseball field, and Charlie's Playground 2012. The Facilities crew also mows the two vacant lots on Hillside Avenue as well as the Route 62 entry at North Main Street up to the railroad crossing. We also maintain the areas on Brook Street and Reid Street that encompass the Gunner Brook Flood Remediation area. The Facilities crew also maintains the City "multiple use paths" by trimming and cleaning every two weeks. We also look after the trees on Main Street, as well as assisting with the seasonal decorations in the gazebo.

The Facilities Department provides assistance to groups that rent the Civic Center facilities, including set – up and custodial services for each event. Some of these events are repetitive such as, Red Cross blood drives and CVHHH flu clinics in Alumni Hall, Vermont Foodbank and VeggieVanGo monthly food distributions in the parking lot, and the Central Vermont Disaster Animal Rescue Team meetings in the BOR. The Barre City Fire and Police Departments also utilize Alumni Hall for staff meetings and trainings. The Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles rents an office in Alumni Hall and conducts CDL testing in the parking lot one (and occasionally two) days a week. We also host a men's basketball league that plays games on Sundays in the AUD from November to February.

The Cemeteries and Parks Department is responsible for the upkeep at Elmwood, Hope and St. Monica Cemeteries. We also maintain City Hall Park, Currier Park, Dente Park, the small park at the corner of Elm

and Summer Streets as well as the area surrounding the welcome sign on North Main Street at the Granite Museum and the green space at the Green Mountain Power building across from the Beverage Baron. We also provide tours of Hope Cemetery for bus groups for a fee and for the past fiscal year, we provided twenty tours.

Following are some “high lights” from the past fiscal year.

July – Aldrich Library children’s story hour, concerts, and food trucks in Currier Park. The Aldrich also offered a Theatre Workshop in the park. Day camps in Alumni Hall, High School summer basketball league in the AUD and Rotary Club drive-in movies in the Civic Center parking lot. Waste tire drop in the Civic Center parking lot.

August – Installed heat pumps in City hall to serve the Accounting Department and City Clerk’s office.

September – BOR roof assessment from previous water damage. BYSA hockey gear swap in AUD basement. Staff moved Finance office from City Hall to the third floor of Alumni hall. We also hosted a free tree give-away at the BOR and a “bulk waste” disposal in the Civic Center parking lot.

October – Repaired a twenty by twenty-four foot section of the BOR roof due to previous water damage. Pool closed and BOR opened. The UVM women and men’s teams held open practices in the AUD for the public.

November – The BOR is in full swing with youth leagues, adult leagues, figure skating, public skating and high school practices. The AUD hosts the “Granite City Shootout”, a round robin tournament featuring the State colleges.

December – The Recreation Department has the Breakfast with Santa event at the AUD and High School hockey games start.

January – The month starts with cancellations due to a surge in COVID cases. Hockey resumes a few weeks later. A Bridal Show was held toward the end of the month in the AUD.

February – The Gun Show was held the first weekend and the attendance was good for the first year back after COVID. High School hockey and basketball tournaments started up and the youth hockey program closed out the season with the Ike Lee Tournament. Figure Skating held their year-end show.

March – The High School basketball and hockey tournaments end. A corn hole tournament is held in the AUD, and Pike Industries hold their annual employee training over two days in the AUD. The initial meeting and “kick-off” for the Norwich Engineering School project for the AUD improvements begins. The City applies for the congressional earmarks funding with assistance from the BADC.

April – The batting cages open in the BOR and spring sports practices begin. The New England CYO basketball tournament is held in the AUD for the first time. Swish-White River Paper hosts a vendor’s exposition in the AUD.

May – The Central Vermont Career Centers’ Environmental Sustainability class, led by their instructor Amanda Garland, plants new trees as our established nursery at the water treatment plant. The Cemetery part-time employees start work with a full force, the first since COVID. The New England Municipal Highway Show returns to the AUD and BOR for the first time since COVID. The AUD also hosts an MMA event, and the CVEDC Job Fair. The Montpelier police department holds a training session in the BOR over two days.

June – The pool opened for the season. The Career Center’s Environmental Sustainability class planted six replacement trees on Main Street to replace those that had died, or had been damaged. Barre Town Middle/Elementary School held its eighth grade graduation ceremony in the AUD. The Career Center held its award ceremony in the AUD.

As the Director of Buildings and Community Services, I attend the meetings of the following City Committees: ADA Committee; Cemetery Committee; Civic Center Committee; the Barre City Tree Stewardship Committee and the Community Gardens Committee. I also serve as the City Tree Warden.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my staff for all their support this past year. I especially want to thank them for their patience and understanding as we wended our way through this difficult and uncertain period. I look forward to the coming year as we continue to make improvements to the City’s assets. I would also like to thank the City Manager, the Mayor, the City Council, my fellow Department Heads, and all the citizens of the City of Barre.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Bergeron
Director of Buildings and Community Services

BUILDINGS & COMMUNITY SERVICES –RECREATION

2022 Annual Report

The Recreation section falls under the Buildings & Community Services (BCS) department which covers recreation, facilities, cemeteries and parks and is administered by a Director and Assistant Director.

The start of the fiscal year began with COVID restrictions slowing down and recreational programs beginning to open back up. The department was able to secure an Expanding Access Summer grant that created opportunities for children and families to come out and play together and begin socializing again after a long period of isolation and closures. Funding provided substantial reductions in summer camps for youngsters. STEM learning camps were provided with a “Vet” camp, Lego Robotics and WOW Science. Youngsters were able to spend time together in the classroom with hands on learning experiences.

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) provided support for tennis lessons. Through their support the fee for the program included lessons, a free tennis racquet and tennis ball. The provided equipment was a plus for the program as well as the support and guidance of the USTA.

A Children’s Literacy Foundation grant (CLiF) was awarded and participants enjoyed listening as a professional Storyteller helped bring a book to life. In the end, thanks to generous CLiF foundation donations and supporters, youngsters were able to select two new books of their choice to take home and keep. This has been an asset to our program as we continue to support literacy in the community, especially during the summer months.

The Summer Matters for All grant came at a time when we were re-opening the Barre City Swimming pool after a year of renovations. The addition of the zero entry as well the resurfacing of pool, new ladders, filtration system, etc. allowed individuals a chance to feel more comfortable swimming at the pool. The pool provided free use of lifejackets, pool noodles and Adirondack chairs which was welcomed and used daily by many. The Summer Matters for All grant also allowed us to reduce the cost of season passes for families and children by 50%. The reduction allowed more children and families a chance to attend on a regular basis. The goal was to bring the community

together where they could enjoy the facilities in their own community as well as for children to be out and able to play with friends. Swim lessons were offered for levels 1 – 4 as well as the Mommy & Me – Daddy & Me – Friend & Me lesson for younger preschool and toddler age youngsters. Through an additional grant we were able to cover the cost for Lifeguard Training certifications and recertification's .

The department participated in the Summer Meal Program and a healthy lunch was provided free of charge weekdays at the pool throughout the summer. Anyone 18 years of age and under was able to participate in the program. As part of the Summer Meal program snacks were provided weekdays at the pool as well. The summer camps received the breakfast and lunch options.

The B.O.R. Ice Arena supported a good year as COVID requirements were loosened and teams were able to play against one another. The high school teams were able to have family and friends in the audience and Vermont Principal's Association (VPA) tournaments were able to be held at the B.O.R. The youth hockey and figure skating programs both had excellent seasons and were happy to return. Public Skating was popular and this was another program that had seen a cancellation in the prior year due to the COVID outbreak.

Open gyms were popular on days when school was not in session. The basketball courts were filled with primarily junior high and high school aged youngsters playing basketball. The Vermont Principal's Association (VPA) allowed family and friends to attend the Division II, III, IV semi-final and final basketball championships at the AUD. This was a welcomed decision as the stands are filled to support our high school athletes. The Barre Youth Sports basketball teams were able to return to their program and had another successful season.

The Annual Egg Hunt returned after the first year's COVID cancellation followed by the next with a drive through Egg distribution. The hunt was extremely well attended and everyone was happy to be out to support this fun event with their children and grandchildren. Breakfast with Santa was not held this year due to COVID but is scheduled for December of 2022.

The batting cages in the B.O.R. were used as teams waited for spring to arrive and the ballfields dried out and ready for their season. The high school and middle school teams benefitted from this spring option.

As COVID has slowed down we have seen more residents walking the bike path, cow pasture and spending time with youngsters as they visited our parks and playgrounds. The addition of Pickleball lines at the tennis courts offered players a fun, outdoor venue for the game.

The department is always looking for qualified Instructors to help expand program offerings.

A sincere thank you to all the volunteers who served on City committees, Barre Youth Sports volunteers, City Manager, Mayor, City Council and all the employees with the City of Barre who worked as a team to make Barre City a great place to live.

PLANNING, PERMITTING & ASSESSING SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2022 Annual Report

The Planning, Permitting & Assessing Department (PPA) continued to work through the end of the challenges due to Covid beginning in March of 2020. With City Hall reopening to the public in June of 2021, it was a slow transition to seeing the public, as many continue to call and email as the new norm. This year, with staff reductions, we continued to provide our core services, but at a slower rate. Issuing permits, holding hearings, and managing grants, maintaining a Grand List, property records, and assisting customers for any of the services stays at the top of our services.

This Department is currently staffed by 3 full-time employees (Director, Assessing Clerk, Permit Administrator). Janet Shatney is the City's Planning Director, acting Interim Assessor largely for administrative purposes, Grant Administrator and Permit Administrator, and Kathryn Bramman is the City's Assessing Clerk. This fiscal year, the Contract Assessor position continued to remain unfilled and Heather Grandfield, the Permit Administrator moved to the Finance Department in mid-September 2021 as the City's Payroll Clerk, leaving a void in the office for the remaining year, with no applicants to date. At the beginning of the next fiscal year, the newly created Associate Planner position will be able to be advertised and hopefully filled, bringing the office back to a new full staff of five people. Until then, Janet and Kathryn keep things alive and moving.

Our mission continues to be to provide efficient, supportive and professional assistance to the Barre City community and beyond, regarding assessing, planning, zoning, community development, economic development, historic preservation, and energy, among many others. The Department accomplishes this by providing general and technical assistance to individuals and various commissions, committees, and property researchers reviewing and issuing zoning, building, electrical and flood hazard permits; analyzing and revising regulations, encouraging citizen participation; and assisting in the planning and designing for any future development.

The Planning staff are the liaisons for the Planning Commission, the DRB (Development Review Board), and the Energy Committee. The Director is the appointed Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission's City Commissioner, and serves on the Project Review Committee, the Brownfields Advisory Committee, and on the Executive Committee as the

Secretary/Treasurer. The Director and the Permit Administrator also act in an administrative capacity to the Code Enforcement Office of the Fire Department.

This Department could not do all that it does without the thoughtful and hard work by our staff, other staff within City Hall, and all the individuals who volunteer on commissions and committees. We appreciate the support from local officials, and the participation of our citizens outside of City Hall. We are very fortunate to have so many motivated, interested and skilled citizens willing to give of their time, their energy and themselves to try to make things happen in our lovely City of Barre.

Planning

Planning efforts in the City have started focusing greatly on the need for additional housing. That housing could look like new housing starts, renovations of homes for accessory dwelling units, adding apartments to our larger homes, and new multi-family housing. With the Community Visit and subsequent “All in for Barre” report, a Housing Task Force was created to study the needs and desires throughout the city.

Along with housing, we have been working on making accessory dwelling units easier to permit within the city by revising some of the zoning, and signs were a hot topic throughout the fiscal year.

Permitting

Permits issued this fiscal year were; 68 zoning permits, 6 flood hazard permits, 88 building permits, 145 electrical permits generating \$32,720 to help offset the cost of reviews and processing. The Department also administered 14 Vacant Building Registrations or Renewals generating \$7,200. The Development Review Board held 3 hearings to consider 4 cases. Staff also processed invoices for rental property registration and tracked delinquencies, which generated approximately \$102,000 in additional income. Rental Registrations are not being paid either timely or at all by some of our landlords and property owners; so in the coming year, we will be working toward a more diligent method to receive their required fees, including assigning penalties and judicial tickets.

Permits are required for all land development, from grading and filling to renovating and building. We encourage anyone with questions to come in during the planning stage of a project so we can discuss your needs and assist you through the permit process. Regulations and applications are also available at www.barrecity.org under the planning and zoning department pages.

Assessing

The Assessing office is responsible for maintaining the current ownership information and the listing and Valuation of all real (exempt and taxable) in the City. Our Grand List is prepared as of April 1 of each year, and filed with the City Clerk in mid-June. Changes of Appraisal Notices are sent to owners of properties with value changes around that time. Building, electrical, flood hazard and zoning permits, property transfer tax returns, listings, and surveys are some of the tools used to update assessments.

According to the 2021 Equalization Study conducted by the Property Valuation and Review Division of the Vermont Department of Taxes, Barre City's CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) effective December 23, 2021 is 92.57%. This means that, on average, Barre City's properties are assessed at approximately 93% of current market value, according to the State's CLA analyses. The State uses a 3-year average for their calculations, so the current CLA is lower than the CLA indicates. The COD (Coefficient of Dispersion) rose from 12.28% last year to 13.67%. A COD of 10% or lower is considered as indicating relatively good equity in assessments.

Once the CLA drops to 85% or below, the Vermont Department of Taxes issues a Reappraisal Order requiring a city-wide reappraisal. Fortunately, the City decided it's time to get a reappraisal regardless of the CLA or COD. We issued an RFP in March of 2021, and New England Municipal Consultants, Ltd. of Lyndonville, VT was awarded the contract. The reappraisal will begin with extensive fieldwork and data collection beginning in the fall of 2023, with the completion date of June 2025.

In reviewing the Property Transfer Tax Returns and recordings for the City during this time frame, the number of residential transactions were approximately the same. There were 129 single family home sales in 2021, versus 120 in 2020, with an average sale price in 2021 of \$152,700, up 11.6% from \$136,800 in 2020, and up over 27% since 2019. The highest sale price of a single family home this year was \$400,000. Multi-family sales (3-family and more) fluctuated over the last 3 years, with an average sales price of \$758,854 for 16 properties in 2019, to \$265,950 for 12 properties in 2021.

The final figures in the 2021 Grand list:

For taxable properties:

	No. of Parcels	% of Grand List Value
Residential	2,372	75.5%
Commercial	257	8.2%
Commercial Apartments	94	3.0%
Industrial	59	1.9%
Utilities-Electric/Antenna	3	0.1%
Condominiums	76	2.4%
Vacant Land	280	8.9%
Total:	3,141	

Total Taxable Property Value by Category

	Total Taxable Property Value by Category
Residential	\$ 332,554,721
Commercial	\$ 96,230,810
Commercial Apartments	\$ 34,333,820
Industrial	\$ 17,892,700
Utilities-Electric/Antenna	\$ 16,908,070
Condominiums	\$ 10,570,000
Vacant Land	\$ 4,352,990
Total REAL Property:	\$ 512,843,111
PP-Cable	\$ 1,105,600
Total Taxable Property:	\$ 513,948,711

From the above Total Taxable properties, approximately \$7.3 Million in exemptions for Veterans, Tax Stabilization Agreements, and Current Use Program are deducted, resulting in a Total Municipal Grand List of \$5,066,605. Total exemptions declined by over \$1.8 million over last year.

Property Record (“Lister”) cards are available from us in the office, and we hope to make them available on line in the coming year. Property Sales lists updated monthly, previous Grand Lists and the link to our parcel mapping can all be found on the City’s website in our Department listing.

Kathryn Bramman, the City’s devoted Assessing clerk is here with me every day, and has served in this capacity for over 15 years in this office, and 37 years total with the City. She can be reached at (802) 476-0244 for a myriad of answers and copies of maps, lister cards, etc. I can be reached at (802) 476-0245 most days as well.

The office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, and closed from noon to 1:00 pm for lunch. We can be contacted via email and/or telephone, which can be found on the City's website under the staff directory.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet E. Shatney, Director
Permit Administrator | Grant Administrator | Interim Assessor
Planning, Permitting & Assessing Service



BARRE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

2022 Annual Report

On behalf of the City's law enforcement and communications personnel, please accept our gratitude for your continued support of the Barre City Police Department and our entire public safety team.

I was welcomed to this wonderful community and am pleased with the opportunity of serving as your Chief of Police. I am grateful for the confidence and support extended to me by our Mayor, City Council, the City Manager, and staff. Since arriving in March, advancing an atmosphere of trust and collaboration in addressing public safety needs has been of paramount importance to me. Furthermore, I recognize that your trust, and that of my staff is a privilege.

During 2022, several police department members celebrated tenure benchmarks serving the City of Barre. Communications Dispatcher Catherine Degreenia was recognized for 40 years of service. Officer James Baril was recognized for 25 years of service. Sergeant Steven Durgin was recognized for 15 years of service. Detective Brianna Murphy and Investigator Todd Protzman were both recognized for 5 years of service.

Staff changes within the department included the hiring of Bradley Morse and Harold "Hal" Hayden as reserve dispatchers in our communications division. We congratulated Sergeant Troy Kirkpatrick on his retirement after 32 years of dedicated service to the community. Troy has agreed to assist as a reserve officer when needed. After 19 years of service to the city, we lost our long-time Administrative Assistant, Bonnie Breault as she took a position with the City of Montpelier. Like many police agencies across Vermont and nationwide, Barre has not been immune to staffing shortages due to the challenges in recruitment and retention. Notwithstanding, our staff continued to provide quality services to the community without hesitation as we continue our recruitment efforts. As of this writing, we have one candidate slated to attend to the police academy in 2023.

Over the course of the year, we have begun an entire policy manual rewrite. All policies are written in accordance with national best practice utilizing the standards set forth by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Using this model ensures

that our staff has a validated framework of policy and procedure for guidance in which to operate and be accountable as they provide services to the community in a transparent and procedurally just manner. Other accomplishments this past year include the purchase of new firearms that replaced the aged and failing 12-year-old duty weapons, the purchase of four new administrative and detective vehicles, and much needed upgrades to our communications center with the purchase of new dispatch workstations, radio consoles, and paint and flooring.

We are in the initial stages of implementing a body-worn camera program for all uniformed personnel in the upcoming year which, in part, is designed to improve the civility of police- citizen encounters and enhance citizen perceptions of police transparency and legitimacy as well as increase public confidence in our policing. Additional upgrades to our technology and facility are incorporated into the City's FY 24-28 Capital Improvement Plan. To this end, I am committed to ensuring our staff is properly trained, equipped, supervised and supported as they continue to undertake the challenging efforts of policing in the 21st century.

In closing, we continue to strive to provide excellence in policing services and remain committed to addressing public safety concerns in a fair, professional, and responsive manner. We do so

with transparency and accountability, and continually strive for improvement through honest feedback to best serve you, the citizens. I want to thank the entire staff of the Barre City Police Department for their exemplary efforts they put forth on a daily basis in serving our community. I appreciate the support of the City Manager and the City Council to provide these services to protect and improve the quality of life for the citizens of the City of Barre.

Respectfully submitted,

Braedon S. Vail
Chief of Police



BARRE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

2022 Annual Report

This year the Barre City Fire Department has seen another busy year responding to **2,270** calls for service (**1,752** Emergency Medical Services calls & **518** fire calls). This is an increase from last year (**93 calls**). Overall these numbers also include our mutual aid and paramedic intercept responses to other Central Vermont communities. Below is a snap shot of the departments Emergency Call activities.

Structure Fires – 17	Cancelled Enroute - 75
Fire Investigations -18	No Emergency Found - 45
Cooking Fires – 6	False Alarms – 138
Burn Permits – 183	Malicious False Alarm – 7
Emergency Medical Calls – 1681	Severe Weather Event – 2
Lift Assist – 76	Power / Utility Lines Down – 14
Motor Vehicle Accidents w/Injuries – 20	Motor Vehicle Accidents w/o Injuries – 39
Gas Leak (LPG) -11	Unauthorized Burning – 21
Carbon Monoxide Incident – 14	Smoke or Odor Removal - 10



The members of the department participated in over **1,843** man hours from Fire, Emergency Medical Services, CPR, Technical Rescue, Public Fire Prevention, Emergency Management and other various training topics. The department offers CPR, First Aid and Stop the Bleed classes on an ongoing basis. If you are in need of training, please call the station and we can get you scheduled with one of our three instructors. We continue to evaluate the training level and certifications of

all of our staff and adapt training to the needs and evolving on going changes in emergency services.



We hired Fire Fighter / AEMT Brown and he successfully finished his probationary period. FF Brown comes from a legacy of Fire Fighters and is a great addition to our staff. We currently have (4) four Paramedics within the department and (1) one of whom are credentialed as a Critical Care Paramedic.

The Department currently has 4 paid on Call staff members. These individuals have stepped forward from within the community to augment our full time staff. Several are also cross trained in EMS. These folks are an asset that we continue to develop. We would like to thank Lt. Michael Charbonneau and Lt. Nicholas Benson for their leadership in training and organizing our call force staff. If you are interested, we are always looking for new members of the Call staff. Please feel free to stop by the station and ask how to become a member of our Call Force.

Our Code Enforcement and Health/Inspection division continues to have a positive impact on the quality of life here in the City of Barre conducting **4,400** inspections. The staff remains focused on health and safety and improving the quality of life for our residents and visitors alike. We would like to remind our citizens that if you have a Code Enforcement complaint, Health issue, Electrical permit, building permit or just a question in general, please feel free to call **477-7833** and speak to the Fire Marshall Robert Howarth or Inspector Robbie Strachan. If they are not available, please feel free to speak with Interim Chief Aldsworth or the Duty Officer who can help as well.

We would like to thank the Tenants and land lords of the over 2,600 apartments for their continued cooperation and support. Without their assistance the rental housing inspection program would not be a success. We look forward to working with them in the future.



The City of Barre continues to participate as an active member of the Capital Fire Mutual Aid system, Vermont Ambulance Association, Vermont Ambulance EMS District #6, and the REMC. We also work closely with the Homelessness Task Force, Treatment Court, Barre Integrated Faith Group, our Local Health Department and the Central Vermont Medical Center as well as our neighbors in Montpelier and throughout the Central Vermont Region. State agencies to continue to make the City of Barre a safer place to live and work. We also work with our Community partners such as Home Health and Hospice, Council on the Aging, Washington County Mental Health, Pathways, Pride, Turning Point and Central Vermont Medical Center Care Management to help our residents who are struggling with the lack of a treatment plan or may be struggling with their treatment plans. We work with the group to create and implement a care plan for the patient the result is a better outcome for the patient a safer environment and reduces the burden on Fire and Police responses. I would like to give a shout out to both our Mental Health Clinician and Brook Pouliot our Cities Community Outreach Specialist these two positions have made the quality of life our residents and for those individuals in our community and help prevent them from slipping through the cracks and helps reduce impacts of these folks on Fire and Police responses.

I am pleased to report a positive trend within our budgets as we continue to perform within our budget as you can see over the last three years we have continued to come in under budget. I can attribute this to full and Healthy staffing and the investment of quality equipment. It

does become very difficult to do so due to supply chain restrictions and the availability of goods and services.

FY 2019 99.92%

FY 2020 93.41%

FY 2021 96.46%

The Department is very thankful for the continued support of our citizens and taxpayers here in Barre City. I am also thankful for the men and women of the Barre City Fire Department whose service and commitment is a credit to their profession and is an asset to this Community. Lastly, we would like to thank the City Administration, Mayor Hemmerick and the members of the City Council, for their continued support of your Fire Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Interim Chief Joseph Aldsworth and the Members of the Barre City Fire Department

**PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT
FIRE MARSHAL & HEALTH OFFICER REPORT**

2022 Annual Report

The Code Enforcement and City Health Officers have continued improving the safety of our citizens and those visiting the Granite City, as well as to make it visually appealing by reducing the negative impact of vacant buildings and the amount of improperly disposed of trash and junk being seen.

For a second year in a row, our office has seen a reduction in the number of inspections performed, this year by 14%, once again due to COVID.

Our office is currently back to full staffing, and ready to assist you with any Health or Code questions, or complaints you might have. We may be contacted at 802-477-7833, or a complaint may be filed on the City’s website: www.BarreCity.org on the City of Barre Fire Department web page.

Our Building & Electrical Inspector has been busy, along with his Code Enforcement and Health Officer duties, Inspector Strachan has performed:69 Building Construction Inspections, as well as, 141 Electrical Inspections.

	FY 2022	FY 2021
Total Inspections	841	979
Trash/Garbage Complaints	8*	26
Dog Bites	22*	19
Tenant/Landlord Complaints	10*	36
Miscellaneous Complaints (vehicles, snow, chickens, etc.)	4*	25
New/Renewal License Inspections	74	76
Vacant Buildings	26	26
Time of Sale Inspections	62	72
Building Permit application evaluations		

** Numbers may be slightly higher, due to change in tracking procedure, which has been corrected.*

As you drive throughout the City you may have noticed a few of the long term vacant buildings have been given a new lease on life, and are either cleaned up and for sale, or have been rehabbed and are now occupied.

It is good to see our communities being re-vitalized and that the Vacant building program is working.



Our community SHARPS disposal program in conjunction with the Barre Regionals Vermont Department of Health office, VT CARES, and the Central Vermont Medical Center has once again been a huge success. Through six SHARPS kiosks located at the Barre Public Safety Building, and our community partners: Barre Housing Authority's North Barre Manor and Tilden House residential units, Capstone Community Action, and CVSWD (outdoor), we have once again collected over 1,250 GALLONS of needles, keeping them out of our landfills, and more importantly off of our streets and playgrounds. The Barre Public Safety Building is also equipped to collect unwanted medications. Following the success of the program, the Central Vermont Medical Center has added a SHARPS and unwanted medications collection site in their lobby.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again remind you to test your smoke/CO alarms, make sure they have not expired (date on back), and to change the batteries. Please make sure there is a fire extinguisher hanging in your kitchen that has been maintained with a yearly inspection. Over time the extinguishing agent clumps in the bottom and will not work when needed. Also, keep your chimneys, and vents clean and free of snow. If you smoke, please make sure your smoking materials are fully extinguished, and placed in an enclosed metal container, with a secure metal lid.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert "Howie" Howarth
Fire Marshal & City Health Officer



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Calendar Year 2022

The Department of Public Works is responsible for the integrating and coordinating of the functions of the following divisions: Streets, Water (Treatment & Distribution) and Wastewater (Treatment and Collection). By law the City funds the work from different sources General Funds, Bond Funds, Water Enterprise Funds and Sewer Enterprise Funds. Costs are allocated based on their function to the different funding sources. Each staff person charges their time on a daily basis to the work function completed.

A notable change this year is the retirement of Steven N. Micheli. Steve was employed by the City of Barre for nearly 44 years retiring with over 45 year of municipal service. During these years, Steve served as a Wastewater Treatment Plant operator (including Chief), Water Treatment Plant Operator (including Chief), Superintendent of Public Works overseeing all water and wastewater operations, and Acting Public Works Director. In all these roles, Steve was humble, patient, talented and dedicated to the well-being of the City. Steve worked very hard to minimize expenses as a manager finding innovative work-arounds for many problems. Please wish Steve a happy retirement when you see him, as all of here in Public Works do.

The functional work areas can be separated into:

Streets

This year the voter authorized \$ 368,866.00 for capital equipment and DPW projects and activities. The funds were used for the Reconstruction Projects, Capital Improvements, Sidewalks and Project Materials. The following Streets saw significant construction:

- Warren St
- Ayers St
- Maple Ave

Traffic calming initiatives were emphasized this year and will continue to be a focus to address unsafe driver behaviors in the City. Pedestrian accommodations were installed on Washington, Academy, South Main and Ayers St consisting of sidewalk bulb-outs to shorten crosswalk lengths, relocated or additional crosswalks and increased signage. Radar sign signs were installed on North Main St, South Main St, Washington and Prospect Streets with results mirroring speed concerns for unsafe behaviors.

In addition, Streets Division staff purchased \$6594.66 of asphalt cold patch (winter) material and \$12,041.93 of hot mix for street patching. Increased costs for asphalt materials accounted for more than half the cost increases while increased need and repairs around manholes and catch basins caused the remainder.

Winter Maintenance

The City Street Department purchased road salt @ \$68.00/ton from American Rock Salt Co. and \$69.21/ton from Cargill Deicing Technology during the early season. I note that prices increased to \$86.11 per ton for the winter 2022 and upcoming spring. The combined purchase cost total was \$1123964.84 for salt. The 7% increase from 2021 was predominantly price as we continue to enjoy milder weather. Sand was also purchased this year as the City replenished its winter sand supply. The city purchased 1000 yards of sand at \$7.50 per cubic yard FOB at the pit. It is anticipated that the City will not be required to purchase sand next year.

Water Distribution

In conjunction with our street reconstruction program we replaced mainline water pipes on the following:

Upper Warren St.

Staff also addressed water quality and hydrant performance issues with flushing activities, hydrant repair and replacement and water meter replacement and maintenance. This fiscal year was the second year in many that the flushing operations resulted in almost no complaints of dirty water during operations. The City deployed a new system flushing sequence designed to prevent the passage of residual iron and sediment from moving “along” the system with great effectiveness. The Water Distribution staff addressed 220 scheduled appointments and less than 100 direct dispatch events including 7 water main breaks

Storm and Sanitary Sewers

Throughout the year, PW staff investigated surface drainage problems that included visual inspection, dye tests or pipeline camera work. Public Works staff responded to issues to physically clean, repair or replace storm sewers in distress. The most common demand was plugged drain inlets associated with snow/ice buildup. The Public Works Department continues to rebuild storm sewer catch basins and cleaning of storm lines and drains throughout the City. More than 40

structures were rebuilt in 2022. The initiation of a methodical drainage basin cleaning program was continued throughout calendar 2022 with completion of 11 streets in the Parkside and Warren ST areas. Sanitary sewer concerns include 50 callout events (after hours) excluding routine daytime operations that encompassed cleaning siphons (river crossing) monthly, known sags in sewer lines and wastewater treatment emergencies including assistance to Barre Town. The North Main Street Pump Station project completed all earthwork, piping and tankage construction by September 2022. It was commissioned as a duplex pump in December 2022. Supply chain issues for controls and pumps will make final project completion occur in the second half of 2023 more than 12 months after orders were placed.

Wastewater Treatment Facility

The Wastewater Treatment facility operated well throughout the year. The plant treated over 752,020.000 gallons of wastewater. Operational changes included contingency planning for warm weather aeration changes to address new permit limits for ammonia nitrogen and modified sludge handling operations. The new Biosolids handling equipment was fully commissioned and operational (digester cover, dual fuel boiler and methane flare \$970k invested). Improvements to the sludge dewatering process included refurbishment of the belt dewatering press \$219k invested are projected to be recovered in less than 6 years for reduced sludge disposal costs. The staff rehabilitated all moving parts of primary clarifier #1 (of 2). The 20-year facility review is under way with known opportunities in the plant areas of headworks, primary clarification, odor control, secondary clarification, system controls and data acquisition (SCADA) and lastly equipment nearing end-of-service. The WWTF staff are all fully licensed wastewater operators as of this writing.

Water Treatment Plant

The Water Treatment Plant continuously provided high quality drinking water without exception throughout the year. Equipment improvements included the rehabilitation of filter# 2 (of 3) with new filter media, replacement of two storage tanks by providing higher redundancy in smaller tanks totaling the same volume, provision of emergency power for the Cobble Hill Meadows booster pump station and periodic (5 YR) inspection of storage tanks and water intake structures. Energy efficiency savings were realized by conversion of electric motor starter systems and lighting upgrades at the plant.

Overall assessment

During the fiscal year, DPW staff documented more than 1000 reports of citizen concerns. Most were referred for immediate action by DPW, while some were informational and yet others were so significant as to require referral to the capital program. Citizen reports help us find problem while they are small – please keep up the good work informing us. Reports were received by email, telephone and through See-Click-Fix an application that enables citizen reports by cell phone.

On behalf of all the staff in the Public Works Department, I appreciate the support from the tax payers in the City of Barre as well as the Manager, Mayor and City Council, City Clerk, Finance Director, Planning and Zoning Dept., Assessors, Accounting Dept. and Facilities Dept. I also offer thanks to all our City employees in the Street Division, Water Distribution Division, Sewer Division, Water Treatment Plant, Waste Water Treatment Plant and Engineer's Office. I note especially a thank you to Steven Micheli for his stalwart, longstanding contribution to the well-being of our City. We look forward to serving you and if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact our office at (802) 476-0250.

Respectfully submitted,

William Ahearn P.E., *City Engineer/Director of Public Works*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**Schedule of Delinquencies****June 30, 2022****DELINQUENT TAXES:**

Balance of delinquent taxes June 30, 2021	\$	264,900.56
2021 August Quarter delinquent	\$	172,737.55
2021 November Quarter delinquent	\$	274,451.88
2022 February Quarter delinquent	\$	225,349.86
2022 May Quarter delinquent	\$	247,141.59

Total Delinquent Taxes	\$	1,184,581.44
Total Amount Collected from July 2021 to June 2022	\$	(892,186.97)

Balance	\$	292,394.47
Abated and Voids	\$	(9.46)

Assessor Changes	\$	-
BOA Abatements	\$	(10,078.74)
Tax Sale - City Bid Pmt	\$	-

Balance June 30, 2022	\$	282,306.27
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DELINQUENT WATER:

Balance of Delinquent Water on June 30, 2021	\$	151,324.10
2021 September Quarter delinquent	\$	105,559.93
2021 December Quarter delinquent	\$	114,925.32
2022 March Quarter delinquent	\$	102,772.21
2022 June Quarter delinquent	\$	100,136.30

Total Delinquent Water	\$	574,717.86
Total Amount Collected from July 2021 to June 2022	\$	(436,198.18)

	\$	-
Balance	\$	138,519.68
Abated and Voids	\$	(1,233.98)
City Bid - Tax Sales	\$	-
	\$	-

Balance June 30, 2022	\$	137,285.70
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DELINQUENT SEWER:

Balance of Delinquent Sewer on June 30, 2021	\$	82,916.09
2021 September Quarter delinquent	\$	62,962.96
2021 December Quarter delinquent	\$	62,080.03
2022 March Quarter delinquent	\$	60,956.29
2022 June Quarter delinquent	\$	60,003.69

Total Delinquent Sewer	\$	328,919.06
T/Barre Delinquent Sewer	\$	-
Total Amount Collected from July 2021 to June 2022	\$	(242,097.39)
	\$	-
Balance	\$	86,821.67
Abated and Voids	\$	(877.47)
City Bid - Tax Sales	\$	-
	\$	-
Balance June 30, 2022	\$	85,944.20

DELINQUENT DEBT SERVICE:

Balance of Delinquent Debt Service on June 30, 2021	\$	698.11
2021 September Quarter delinquent	\$	443.34
2021 December Quarter delinquent	\$	443.34
2022 March Quarter delinquent	\$	443.34
2022 June Quarter delinquent	\$	665.01
	\$	-
Total Delinquent Debt Service	\$	2,693.14
Total Amount Collected from July 2021 to June 2022	\$	(1,874.72)
	\$	-
Balance	\$	818.42
Abated and Voids	\$	-
Balance June 30, 2022	\$	818.42

Respectfully submitted,
 Sylvie Rivard
 Assistant Tax Collector

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department ensures Barre City's financial resources are managed and accounted for in an effective and efficient manner. The department is responsible for daily accounting records, payroll and payable services for the city's governmental and business activities as well as preparing for the year-end audit.

In March 2021, Barre City voters approved the General Fund Budget of \$12,836,332 for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. FY22 revenues came in ahead of budget by \$289,509. This was generated by several factors outside of property tax revenue. The City received \$70,623 in EMS Provider Relief Funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; the Civic Center facilities saw an increase in rental revenues; charges for services such as ambulance revenue and interments came in ahead of budget. The City also recognized vacancy savings being unable to fill the City Assessor and Permit Administrator, as well as several Department of Public Works positions. Total FY22 General Fund expenditures were \$12,476,203. FY22 General Fund ended with a fund balance net change of \$649,638, netting a surplus fund balance of \$1,218,859. A budget to actual financial update is provided bi-weekly to the Department Heads and City Manager, or as requested; the Mayor, City Council, and Barre City residents receive financial information on a quarterly basis, or as requested.

The Finance Department consists of a team of three: Payroll Clerk Heather Grandfield, Sr. Accounting Clerk Jessica Worn, and myself. Our office is open M-F 7:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., with the exception of being closed from 12:00 P.M. to 12:30 P.M. for lunch.

Fiscal year 2022 Finance Department highlights include:

- Payroll Clerk Donna McNally retired July 2021 after 44 years working for the City.
- Heather Grandfield transferred from the permitting/zoning office and joined the Finance
- Department as Payroll Clerk in September 2021.
- Finance relocated offices from City Hall to the 3rd floor of Alumni Hall and extended office hours.

- FY22 audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that the auditors considered to be material weaknesses. This is a true testament to the hard work and attention to detail of not only the finance department but of all the Barre City employees.
- The audit was completed and received in time for publishing a portion in the annual report. You can find the full audit report on the City's website: <https://www.barrecity.org/document-library.html>

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Monahan, Director of Finance

CITY EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION**Fiscal Year 2021-2022****Employee Earnings Over \$300.00**

	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE				
Bramman, Kathryn H	\$58,030.74	\$148.17		\$58,178.91
DEPT TOTAL	\$58,030.74			\$58,178.91
CEMETERY DEPT				
Bullard, Don A	\$60,870.24	\$2,002.83		\$62,873.07
Hawkins, Graiden G.	\$1,395.00			\$1,395.00
Hebert, Sarah E	\$1,867.25	\$81.00		\$1,948.25
Kilburn, Jesse A	\$6,507.00	\$18.00		\$6,525.00
Lucenti, James V	\$927.00			\$927.00
Lewis, Brady R	\$972.00	\$13.50		\$985.50
Mahoney, Brandyn A	\$22,815.17	\$776.56		\$23,591.73
Manning, Jeffrey C	\$4,689.00			\$4,689.00
McTigue, Peter L	\$6,434.38	\$13.50		\$6,447.88
O'Grady, Peter L	\$8,575.75			\$8,575.75
DEPT TOTAL	\$115,052.79	\$2,905.39		\$117,958.18
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE				
Mackenzie, Steven E	\$119,646.36			\$119,646.36
Norway, Joanne P	\$39,516.30	\$326.58		\$39,842.88
Taft, Francis R	\$84,668.90			\$84,668.90
DEPT TOTAL	\$243,831.56	\$326.58		\$244,158.14
ENGINEER'S OFFICE				
Ahearn, William E	\$108,492.68			\$108,492.68
Morgan, Elijah R	\$55,567.40	\$6,994.13		\$62,561.53
Seaver, Debbie L	\$55,952.88	\$13,123.34		\$69,076.22
DEPT TOTAL	\$220,012.96	\$20,117.47		\$240,130.43
BUILDINGS & COMMUNITY SVCS				
Bergeron, Jeffrey R	\$74,838.15			\$74,838.15
Carminati Jr, Joel F	\$44,969.16	\$932.43	\$3,281.99	\$49,183.58
Collins, April M	\$14,216.00	\$121.10	\$186.62	\$14,523.72
Hastings III, Clark H	\$45,755.51	\$2,429.86		\$48,185.37
Parker, Rowdie Y	\$54,246.30	\$4,549.64	\$842.95	\$59,638.89
Pullman, David L	\$31,290.48			\$31,290.48
Supernault, Merton A	\$39,728.28		\$294.16	\$40,022.44
DEPT TOTAL	\$305,043.88	\$8,033.03	\$4,605.72	\$317,682.63

	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
FINANCE DEPT				
Chase, Sherry L	\$44,458.52	\$30.29		\$44,488.81
Grandfield, Heather L	\$37,447.11			\$37,447.11
McNally, Donna C	\$22,192.34			\$22,192.34
Metivier, Cheryl A	\$50,398.61			\$50,398.61
Monahan, Dawn M	\$87,816.14			\$87,816.14
Rivard, Sylvie R	\$49,904.81			\$49,904.81
Worn, Jessica L	\$57,359.75	\$137.10		\$57,496.85
DEPT TOTAL	\$349,577.28	\$167.39		\$349,744.67
FIRE DEPT				
Aldsworth, Joseph G	\$83,490.37	\$4,444.99	\$2,812.02	\$90,747.38
Benson, Nicholas J	\$58,449.58	\$16,077.02	\$202.50	\$74,729.10
Bennington, William A	\$9,115.47	\$580.56	\$143.35	\$9,839.38
Blackshaw, Brook W	\$9,019.92			\$9,019.92
Breault, Bonnie J	\$51,361.50	\$20,070.89		\$71,432.39
Brent, Douglas S	\$97,606.00			\$97,606.00
Brown, Anderson C	\$47,580.66	\$17,234.22	\$557.27	\$65,372.15
Cetin, Matthew J	\$68,876.12	\$17,528.74		\$86,404.86
Charbonneau, Michael J	\$70,347.04	\$15,913.70		\$86,260.74
Copping, Nicholas R	\$74,157.39	\$12,943.97	\$903.83	\$88,005.19
Cruger, Eric J	\$64,687.31	\$12,027.07	\$78.58	\$76,792.96
Cushman, Brian K	\$74,618.13	\$13,542.64	\$669.93	\$88,830.70
Cyr, Christopher M	\$566.16			\$566.16
Farnham, Brian D	\$65,718.75	\$11,342.68		\$77,061.43
Haynes, William D	\$47,854.73	\$4,361.21		\$52,215.94
Howarth, Robert C	\$73,842.02	\$6,208.66		\$80,050.68
Hunt, Trevor J	\$63.75			\$63.75
Morrison, Camden A	\$61,852.37	\$11,847.34	\$288.62	\$73,988.33
Poirier, Holden R	\$57,950.87	\$11,360.67		\$69,311.54
Pruitt, Brittain J	\$62,145.34	\$7,853.38		\$69,998.72
Rubalcaba, David T	\$67,648.59	\$9,864.65	\$438.80	\$77,952.04
Sheridan Jr, Gary R	\$43,125.18	\$3,602.55		\$46,727.73
Strachan, Robbie B	\$65,071.26			\$65,071.26
Strassberger, Kirk E	\$53,249.54	\$5,588.58		\$58,838.12
Tillinghast, Zachary M	\$68,310.47	\$10,169.66		\$78,480.13
Ward, James O	\$597.47			\$597.47
DEPT TOTAL	\$1,377,305.99	\$212,563.18	\$6,094.90	\$1,595,964.07
PLANNING/ZONING DEPT				
Grandfield, Heather L	\$13,045.49			\$13,045.49
Shatney, Janet E	\$81,009.29			\$81,009.29
DEPT TOTAL	\$94,054.78			\$94,054.78

	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
POLICE DEPT				
Aldsworth, Joseph G	\$82.79		\$567.50	\$650.29
Amaral, Anthony C	\$16,764.44			\$16,764.44
Baril, James A	\$77,802.63	\$25,813.48	\$3,576.79	\$107,192.90
Bombardier, Timothy J	\$53,682.61			\$53,682.61
Boutin, Sabrina N	\$5,444.40	\$1,218.65		\$6,663.05
Bullard, Jonathan R	\$74,818.64	\$18,444.19		\$93,262.83
Clark, Kailyn C	\$40,902.59	\$5,553.37		\$46,455.96
Copping, Nicholas R	\$188.06			\$188.06
DeGreenia, Catherine I	\$69,636.13	\$8,913.57		\$78,549.70
Durgin, Steven J	\$78,712.28	\$16,857.78		\$95,570.06
Eastman Jr, Larry E	\$89,559.74			\$89,559.74
Fecher, Jesse T	\$57,627.05	\$5,138.92	\$213.81	\$62,979.78
Fleury, Jason R	\$82,424.94	\$7,581.06	\$4,676.77	\$94,682.77
Frey, Jacob D	\$77,436.82	\$25,863.26	\$1,388.04	\$104,688.12
Gaylord, Amos R	\$71,175.44	\$25,812.85		\$96,988.29
Hayden, Amy L	\$1,125.00			\$1,125.00
Hedin, Laura T	\$66,438.72	\$7,412.08		\$73,850.80
Hoar, Brian W	\$73,641.82	\$20,792.32	\$4,220.05	\$98,654.19
Houle, Jonathan S	\$85,178.95	\$11,261.98		\$96,440.93
Kirkpatrick, Troy S	\$74,073.59	\$12,982.62	\$471.96	\$87,528.17
Lewis, Brittany L	\$61,118.01	\$11,221.51		\$72,339.52
Lowe, Robert L	\$61,810.70	\$50,385.76		\$112,196.46
Machia, Delphia L	\$52,549.08			\$52,549.08
McGowan, James R	\$74,401.02	\$37,085.97		\$111,486.99
Miller, Robert W	\$39,911.57	\$12,766.01		\$52,677.58
Mott, John C	\$16,248.61			\$16,248.61
Murphy, Brianna E	\$63,874.11	\$5,875.27		\$69,749.38
Morse, Bradley P	\$8,348.67			\$8,348.67
Parshley, Tonia C	\$3,196.28			\$3,196.28
Pierce, Joel M	\$70,541.71	\$5,321.07		\$75,862.78
Pontbriand, James D	\$1,038.00			\$1,038.00
Pouliot, Brooke L	\$44,971.52	\$31.83		\$45,003.35
Pretty, Alyssa A	\$41,192.55	\$4,572.91		\$45,765.46
Protzman, Todd A	\$29,152.50			\$29,152.50
Reale, Michael R	\$64,673.22	\$11,699.63		\$76,372.85
Rubalcaba, David T	\$9,511.20			\$9,511.20
Russell, Paula L	\$55,114.89	\$5,659.24	\$247.74	\$61,021.87
Ryan, Patty L	\$67,509.39	\$25,640.66		\$93,150.05
Schauer, Russell A	\$29,679.45	\$1,961.52		\$31,640.97
Stacey, Chad A	\$418.25			\$418.25
Tucker, Randall L	\$81,114.91	\$12,669.01	\$585.12	\$94,369.04
Vail, Braedon S	\$31,878.40			\$31,878.40
Wallant, David R	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00
DEPT TOTAL	\$2,006,470.68	\$378,536.52	\$15,947.78	\$2,400,954.98

	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
RECREATION DEPT				
Aldrich, Brady A	\$416.00			\$416.00
Chamberlin, Alayna G	\$3,150.34			\$3,150.34
Folland, Natalie A	\$3,234.69			\$3,234.69
Guarriello, Ava M	\$2,034.02			\$2,034.02
Heine, Samantha L	\$416.00			\$416.00
Jesmonth, Jonathan E	\$455.00			\$455.00
Kiniry, Lia K	\$2,166.61			\$2,166.61
Law, Jade M	\$3,667.50			\$3,667.50
Marcellus, John S	\$87.87			\$87.87
Peacock, Caitlin G	\$500.31			\$500.31
Packer, Caitlin M	\$416.00			\$416.00
Quaranta, Stephanie L	\$73,238.21			\$73,238.21
Spaulding, Emilygrace L	\$280.00			\$280.00
Taylor, Natalie E	\$1,880.01			\$1,880.01
Tuper-Giles, Jeffery M	\$3,149.50			\$3,149.50
DEPT TOTAL	\$95,092.06			\$95,092.06
STREET DEPT				
Abare, Lance R	\$47,417.88	\$7,120.94		\$54,538.82
Avery, Carroll A	\$42,520.25	\$10,554.82		\$53,075.07
Benjamin, Kenneth S	\$50,639.53	\$7,777.26		\$58,416.79
Demell, William M	\$54,402.59	\$5,200.97		\$59,603.56
Dexter, Donnel A	\$60,994.68	\$9,099.75		\$70,094.43
Dodge, Shawn M	\$48,348.56	\$3,174.21		\$51,522.77
Donald, Lance B	\$50,008.81	\$7,054.79		\$57,063.60
Dickinson, Ryan E	\$815.19	\$247.94		\$1,063.13
Herring, Jamie L	\$49,981.44	\$7,515.04		\$57,496.48
McTigue, Peter J	\$3,096.50	\$594.09		\$3,690.59
Morris, Scott D	\$46,730.12	\$10,530.59		\$57,260.71
Rich, Steven A	\$38,960.77	\$4,026.50		\$42,987.27
Southworth, Norwood J	\$53,614.69	\$3,735.71		\$57,350.40
Tucker, Russell W	\$61,772.27	\$7,270.44		\$69,042.71
West, Philip A	\$5,772.69	\$93.77		\$5,866.46
DEPT TOTAL	\$615,075.97	\$83,996.82		\$699,072.79
SEWER DEPT				
Emmons, Michael J	\$17,521.15	\$2,040.43		\$19,561.58
Gilbert, David P	\$51,736.89	\$4,465.77		\$56,202.66
Hoyt, Everett J	\$57,306.27	\$9,425.34		\$66,731.61
DEPT TOTAL	\$126,564.31	\$15,931.54		\$142,495.85

	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
WATER DEPT				
Avery, Carroll A	\$2,683.54	\$100.62		\$2,784.16
Kelly Jr, Joseph E	\$55,182.43	\$6,415.97		\$61,598.40
LaPerle, Jessica L	\$30,561.43	\$140.12		\$30,701.55
Noack, Rodney	\$15,884.49	\$1,332.06		\$17,216.55
Rochford, Zachary J	\$52,728.95	\$7,757.71		\$60,486.66
Smith, Clint P	\$58,627.16	\$4,020.15		\$62,647.31
DEPT TOTAL	\$215,668.00	\$19,766.63		\$235,434.63
WATER PLANT				
Drown, Jacob D	\$66,614.07	\$3,788.29		\$70,402.36
Kosakowski, Joshua D	\$55,655.83	\$3,628.19		\$59,284.02
Martel, Joell J	\$61,307.02	\$4,586.35		\$65,893.37
DEPT TOTAL	\$183,576.92	\$12,002.83		\$195,579.75
WASTEWATER PLANT				
Guyette, Brandon L	\$34,245.61	\$7,065.71		\$41,311.32
Lane, Zebulyn M	\$16,136.96	\$3,324.33		\$19,461.29
Maloney, Jason F	\$66,576.44	\$13,052.79		\$79,629.23
Micheli, Steven N	\$90,160.38			\$90,160.38
Nykiel, Bryan T	\$51,069.19	\$8,756.20		\$59,825.39
DEPT TOTAL	\$258,188.58	\$32,199.03		\$290,387.61
ELECTED OFFICIALS				
Ward 2 -Boutin, Michael A-Councilor	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Ward 1 -Cambel, Ayse E-Councilor	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Dawes, Carolyn S-City Clerk/Treasurer	\$68,966.75			\$68,966.75
Ward 3 -Deering, Michael B-Councilor	\$333.33			\$333.33
Hemmerick, Jacob M-Mayor	\$1,333.34			\$1,333.34
Ward 3 -Reil, Ericka A-Councilor	\$666.67			\$666.67
Ward 3 -Stockwell, Samn-Councilor	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Ward 2 -Waszazak III, Edward C-Councilor	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
DEPT TOTAL	\$75,300.09			\$75,300.09

*Special Projects include coordination of parking, police, fire and custodial activities at the City Auditorium/BOR, and traffic/crowd control at other functions. These costs are reimbursed to the City by the sponsoring agencies.

GRAND TOTAL	\$6,338,846.59	\$786,546.41	\$26,648.40	\$7,152,189.57
	BASE	OVERTIME	SPECIAL PROJ	TOTAL
Assessor's Office	\$58,030.74	\$148.17		\$58,178.91
Cemetery Dept	\$115,052.79	\$2,905.39		\$117,958.18
City Manager's Office	\$243,831.56	\$326.58		\$244,158.14
Engineer's Office	\$220,012.96	\$20,117.47		\$240,130.43
Buildings & Community Services	\$305,043.88	\$8,033.03	\$4,605.72	\$317,682.63
Finance Department	\$349,577.28	\$167.39		\$349,744.67
Fire Dept	\$1,377,305.99	\$212,563.18	\$6,094.90	\$1,595,964.07
Planning/Zoning Dept	\$94,054.78			\$94,054.78
Police Dept	\$2,006,470.68	\$378,536.52	\$15,947.78	\$2,400,954.98
Recreation Dept	\$95,092.06			\$95,092.06
Street Dept	\$615,075.97	\$83,996.82		\$699,072.79
Sewer Dept	\$126,564.31	\$15,931.54		\$142,495.85
Water Dept	\$215,668.00	\$19,766.63		\$235,434.63
Water Plant	\$183,576.92	\$12,002.83		\$195,579.75
Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$258,188.58	\$32,199.03		\$290,387.61
Elected Officials	\$75,300.09			\$75,300.09
GRAND TOTAL	\$6,338,846.59	\$786,694.58	\$26,648.40	\$7,152,189.57

Heather Grandfield
Payroll Clerk

2022 OVERTIME SUMMARY NARRATIVE

Overtime labor expenses are almost exclusively driven by emergency or seasonal conditions, outside requests for (reimbursed) services, city council authorized special events requiring staff support beyond the normal work-week and/or the terms of the collective bargaining agreements negotiated with each of the four (4) labor unions representing non-management Barre City employees. When overtime is required, the provisions of existing negotiated labor contracts determine the payroll requirements within each department that has a master labor agreement. These provisions include minimum (safe) staffing levels for emergency services personnel. Except in limited circumstances, overtime is not discretionary on the part of any individual employee. The city manager and department heads are proactive in monitoring and managing overtime, and are continually looking for ways to control or reduce overtime through improved operating practices, protocols and/or through labor contract negotiations. Overtime is also induced periodically due to the fact that city staffing is on the “lean” side, and most departments do not have large staffs that can fill the voids during scheduled or unplanned employee absences or seasonal workloads.

The city manager and all department heads are all salaried positions, and as such, do not receive overtime compensation. Most department heads routinely work beyond the normal workweek and/or provide uncompensated, on-call support after hours and on week-ends.

As noted in the preceding overtime summary, total general fund overtime expenses in FY22 were \$786,695, up \$183,096 from \$603,599 in FY21. Special projects overtime labor expended in FY22 was \$26,648, also up \$22,894 from \$3,754 in FY21.

These FY22 overtime costs were substantially offset by \$540,463 in revenue generated principally by ambulance billings, auditorium custodial fees, and police/fire special details.

The following summary explains what the overtime drivers are in Barre City municipal operations by department:

Police Department Overtime is incurred to meet minimum shift staffing for Police and Dispatch operations to meet safety requirements and/or service demands caused, in part, by shift shortages during vacations, and/or sick, injury, and holiday leave. In addition, overtime coverage is often required for some emergency responses or special (reimbursed) details including the following types of coverage:

Extended Emergency Responses and/or related shift continuation: (accidents, floods, fires, HazMat incidents, domestic violence calls, burglaries, drug investigations, etc.)

Council approved events: Parades (Memorial Day, Veterans Days, St. Patrick's Day, SHS Homecoming, Halloween, and Christmas), Main Street Closures (Bike Race, Heritage Festival)

Courtroom and Legal Proceedings (depositions, testimony, etc.)

Special Details: Traffic control required by contractors, safety coverage at Auditorium and BOR events (basketball, hockey, events such as the annual gun show and MMA, dances, private parties, etc.). All special details are reimbursed by the party requiring the police coverage.

Fire/Ambulance Department Overtime The basic drivers of fire department overtime are similar to the police department, including minimum shift staffing for fire and ambulance operations to meet safety requirements and/or service demands caused, in part, by shift shortages during vacations, and/or sick, injury, and holiday leave, special training sessions, and special activities such as arson investigations. However, the most notable difference between the two departments is that the preponderance of fire department overtime is triggered by calls for ambulance service including emergency responses, lift assists and/or scheduled transports. Cost recovery for ambulance calls is highly regulated by Federal CMS and State of Vermont (Medicare and/or Medicaid) reimbursement rates. Due to the changing demographics of our city approximately 70% of our ambulance calls are patients insured through government programs which reimburse us at significantly discounted reimbursement rates. The remaining 30% of our calls are reimbursed either by private insurers or self-paid. Because cost recovery is tied directly to the transportation of the patient, "no-transport" ambulance runs, in which no one is transported to the hospital, are un-billable and therefore go unreimbursed.

Street Department Overtime is required for extended workday/after-hours snowplowing, sanding, salting and snow removal operations; storm related events including high water/flooding conditions, downed trees and/or road obstructions/debris; week-end special events support (Heritage Festival, etc.), weekly nighttime street and/or non-routine highway situations needing barricades or other emergency support as may be required by the police or fire departments.

Facilities Department Overtime is required to support special projects (reimbursed scheduled events), as well as scheduled or unplanned employee absences.

Cemetery Department OT is required to support after-hours and/or week-end entombments and interments, some of which is reimbursed.

Finance Department Overtime is periodically required on a seasonal basis to prepare for and assist in the annual audit, as well as calendar and fiscal year-end accounting and payroll reporting.

Engineering Department OT is periodically required to support extended workday schedules during summer paving operations to provide paving control and inspection. Administrative overtime is also periodically required to support the significant job-costing documentation required above and beyond the normal office administrative support.

Planning/Zoning Department OT is periodically required for the permits administrator to support after-hours meetings of the development review board.

Assessor's Office Overtime is required on a limited basis assessing work, usually once a year as needed prior to the lodging of the grand list or at grievance time.

City Manager's Office is periodically required to extend workday schedules to assemble council packets and/or assist the manager with special projects.

Recreation Department. There was no compensated overtime expended in this department, principally because the staff director is salaried and any necessary overtime is uncompensated. In addition, the seasonal workers at the pool and BOR skate guards rarely, if ever, are assigned overtime work.

*While the earnings of the employees of the following departments are summarized in the overtime summary table, their wages, benefits and overtime **are not paid from the general fund budget**. They are paid from the enterprise funds (water and wastewater) for their respective departments.*

Water and Wastewater Treatment Facilities: Week-end overtime is necessitated at each of these facilities on both week-end days to check on the facilities operations and perform mandatory daily permit testing as required by the State of Vermont operating permits. In addition,

both facilities have automated alarms and dialer systems that call an operator in when there is trouble at the facility for such things as power failures or equipment malfunctions.

Water Department: During the construction season there are times when piping repairs or new installations require additional time at the end of the day to allow for recharging of the distribution system. Sub-contracted work may require extended inspection coverage if the contractor(s) work an extended day(s). Catastrophic water breaks can require a tremendous amount of emergency response overtime. Water system flushing is conducted at least once per year and is done on both a regular and overtime basis.

Sewer Department: Overtime can be required for after-hours sewer plugs on mainline sewers. Overtime may also be required to respond to homeowners' after-hours service calls for malfunctioning service lines to check the mainline before a plumber or home-owner pulls the cap on their plumbing in their basement to avoid wastewater surges into the structure. Occasionally, sewer repair or new construction work may require overtime to make a reconnection to return a (new) sewer to service at the end of the day.

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
PROJECTED TAX RATE CALCULATION & STATISTICS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

	\$	<u>Tax Rate</u> (\$/100 of Assessment)
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES		
2024 General Fund Budget	10,066,676	\$2.0042
SUMMARY OF BALLOT ITEMS:		
Streets/Sidewalks/Equipment Fund	403,245	\$0.0803
Voter Approved Assistance Requests (Allowance)	136,601	\$0.0272
Washington County Mental Health Ballot Item	10,000	\$0.0020
People's Health & Wellness Clinic Ballot Item	3,000	\$0.0006
BADC Ballot Item	20,482	\$0.0041
	10,640,004	\$2.118
GRAND LIST CALCULATION:		
TY(Tax Year) 2022 Municipal Grand List	5,022,888	
Anticipated increase as of April 1, 2023	-	
Adjusted Grand List	5,022,888	
Calculated Municipal Tax Rate	2.1183	
Base Rate ST:	2.1183	
Local Agreement Tax Rate	0.0130	
Total Projected Municipal Tax Rate:	2.1313	
	MUNICIPAL	
PRELIMINARY 2023/2024 TAX RATE	\$2.1313	
2022/ 2023 TAX RATE	\$2.032	
PRELIMINARY INCREASE (IN CENTS)	9.94	
PRELIMINARY INCREASE (IN PERCENTAGE)	4.89%	
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS:		
January 1, 2023 Increase In Social Security Benefits		8.70%
Inflation (CPI-All Items) - CY 21 (thru Nov. 2022)		7.10%

PROJECTED TAX CHANGE BASED UPON PROPERTY VALUE

	Annually	Quarterly	Monthly
EFFECT ON \$125,000.00 HOME	124.25	31.06	10.35
EFFECT ON \$150,000.00 HOME	149.10	37.28	12.43
EFFECT ON \$200,000.00 HOME	198.80	49.70	16.57

CITY OF BARRE

WARNING FOR ANNUAL MARCH MEETING

The legal Voters of the Wards of the City of Barre are hereby Warned to meet at the respective polling places of said wards at the central polling place in the municipal auditorium on Auditorium Hill on the 7th day of March, 2023 from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

At the same time and place and during the same voting hours, the voters of the Wards will meet for the purpose of electing by Australian Ballot one Councilor for each of the Wards as follows:

- Ward 1: One Councilor to serve for a term of two (2) years.
- Ward 2: One Councilor to serve for a term of two (2) years.
- Ward 3: One Councilor to serve for a term of two (2) years.

At the same time and place and during the same hours, the legal voters are Warned to meet for the purpose of acting, by Australian Ballot, on the following articles. The polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE I

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize a General Fund Budget of \$13,728,343 of which an amount not to exceed \$10,066,676 is to be raised by local property taxes for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024?

ARTICLE II

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the sum of \$403,245 for Street Reconstruction and Sidewalk Improvements, and the Capital Improvement Fund?

ARTICLE III

Shall the City of Barre withdraw from the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority as per 24 App. V.S.A. ch.901, § 48(a)(1)?

ARTICLE IV

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the sum of \$136,601 to be allocated to the following social service agencies and organizations as indicated?

Barre Area Senior Center	\$7,500
Barre Heritage Festival	\$5,000
Capstone Community Action, Inc.	\$3,000

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (Barre Learning Center)	\$7,700
Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$15,000
Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice	\$28,000
Circle (formerly Battered Women's Shelter and Services)	\$2,000
Community Harvest of Central Vermont	\$1,500
Downstreet Housing and Community Development	\$5,000
Family Center of Washington County	\$3,500
Good Beginnings of Central VT	\$1,000
Good Samaritan Haven	\$1,500
Green Mountain Transit	\$38,401
Mosaic Vermont (formerly Sexual Assault Crisis Team)	\$2,500
OUR House of Central VT	\$500
Retired Senior and Volunteer Program (RVSP)	\$3,000
Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	\$1,000
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$3,000
Washington County Diversion Program	\$2,500
Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club	\$5,000

ARTICLE V

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$3,000 for People's Health and Wellness Clinic?

ARTICLE VI

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 for Washington County Mental Health?

ARTICLE VII

Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$20,482 to Barre Area Development, Inc. (BADDC) in addition to the amount of \$60,853 included in the FY24 general fund budget?

Adopted and approved by the Barre City Council on January 31, 2023.

Jake Hemmerick, Mayor /S/
Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk /S/
City Councilors
Michael Boutin /S/
Emel Cambel /S/
Michael Deering II /S/
Thomas J. Lauzon /S/
Samn Stockwell /S/
Edward Waszazak /S/

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Independent Auditor's Report

City Council
City of Barre
City Hall, 6 North Main Street, Suite 2
Barre, Vermont 05641

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Barre, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Barre, Vermont's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Barre, Vermont, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards", issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City of Barre, Vermont and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Change in Accounting Principles

As described in Note I.F. to the financial statements, effective June 30, 2022, the City implemented GASB Statement No. 87, "Leases".

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City of Barre, Vermont

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Barre, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and "Government Auditing Standards" will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and "Government Auditing Standards", we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Barre, Vermont's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Barre, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

City of Barre, Vermont

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 14, the budgetary comparison information on Schedule 1, the Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability on Schedule 2 and the Schedule of Contributions on Schedule 3 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Barre, Vermont's basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. These schedules have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by "Government Auditing Standards"

In accordance with "Government Auditing Standards", we have also issued our report dated November 28, 2022 on our consideration of the City of Barre, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Barre, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards" in considering the City of Barre, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

November 28, 2022
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CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2022

As management of the City of Barre, we offer readers of the City's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The purpose of the management discussion and analysis is to (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, (b) provide an overview of the City's financial activity, (c) identify changes in the City's financial position, (d) identify any material deviations from the financial plan (the approved budget), and (e) identify individual fund issues or concerns.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Government-wide Statements (refer to Exhibits A and B)

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the City of Barre exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$50,416,087 (total net position). Of this amount, a combined unrestricted net position is a surplus of \$1,742,635 and \$1,999,210 represent resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.
- The City's total net position increased by \$437,828. Of this amount, net position of the governmental activities increased by \$57,099 and net position attributable to business-type activities increased by \$380,729.
- The City's total outstanding long-term debt decreased by \$1,335,513 during the current fiscal year, attributed to principal payments.

Fund Financial Statements (refer to Exhibit C, F, Schedule 4 and 12)

- Governmental funds contain many funds including General, Capital Improvement, Special Funds and Non-Major Funds.
 - Capital Improvement Fund – includes Streets, Sidewalks, and Capital Equipment Funds.
 - Special Fund – includes Re-appraisal, Donations, American Rescue Plan Act Funds, Records Retention, and Grant funds.
 - Non-Major Governmental Funds – include Community Development, Police Special Revenues, Recreation Programs, Semprebun, TIF, Shade Tree Improvement, and Cemetery Funds.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,970,981, an increase of \$814,029 in comparison with the prior year.
- The General Fund fund balance increased by \$649,638 in FY22. This was due to several factors such as the receipt of Federal funding for EMS Provider Relief Funds in response to COVID-19 pandemic, increased rentals in the Auditorium and BOR facilities, increased ambulance revenue as well as internments. The City also recognized vacancy savings being unable to fill the City Assessor and Permit Administrator, as well as several Department of Public Works positions.
- The Capital Improvement Fund had an ending fund balance of \$1,360,847 of which \$769,350 is restricted for bond-approved projects, \$70,950 is non-spendable inventory, leaving an assigned balance of \$520,547.
- The Special Fund fund balance increased by \$290,545 leaving an ending fund balance of \$589,302. This increase is mainly attributable to the timing of the receipt of the grant funding and banner and dasher board sales. While this fund balance increased in total, \$240,818 is restricted in large for records restoration and Civic Center improvements, \$425,249 is assigned mainly for reappraisal expenses, leaving a deficit of (\$76,765).
- The Non-Major Governmental Funds had a current year net change of (\$88,250) leaving an ending fund balance of \$1,801,973. Of which, \$823,892 is Non-Expendable Cemetery Trust Funds, \$934,500 is restricted by external sources, and \$43,581 is assigned for Special Recreation Programs and Shade Tree Improvements.

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2022

- The Water Fund had a current year increase of \$444,921.
- The Sewer Fund operating expenses continue to exceed the revenues, resulting a current year loss of (\$64,192).

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements, presented in three sections: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. In addition, this report also contains required supplementary information such as a general fund budget to actual comparison and combining financial statements.

The financial activities of the government unit are recorded in funds. A fund, generally, is a separate set of books for each major activity. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the City's most significant funds. There are two main operations referred to as general governmental activities, which are accounted for primarily in the general fund and supported in large part by property tax revenues and business-type activities, which are supported by user fees, and are recorded in enterprise funds.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide a general overview of the operations of the City presenting all data on the full accrual basis. There are two statements presented at the government-wide level: the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Within each of these statements, the governmental activities are presented separately from the business-type activities. The governmental activities reflect the City's basic services; including general government, public safety, public works, community development, culture and recreation, and cemetery. The business-type activities of the City include the water and sewer fund.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the City's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities reports how the City's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused leave).

The government-wide financial statements include not only the City itself (referred to as the primary government), but also other legally separate entities for which the City is financially accountable (referred to as component units). During the period under audit, the City was not responsible for any entities that qualify as component units.

The government-wide financial statements can be found in Exhibits A and B.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2022

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a group of related accounts used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate finance-related legal compliance. The funds of the City are segregated into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine financial resources that are available to finance the City's programs in the near future.

The City maintains three major governmental funds: the General Fund, the Capital Improvement Fund, and the Special Fund. In addition to this, the City maintains a number of Special Revenue Funds, Capital Project Funds and Permanent Funds which do not qualify as major funds. These funds are consolidated into the column title Non-Major Governmental Funds. Combining financial statements containing more detailed information on these funds may be found on Schedules 4 through 13.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found in Exhibits C through E. The City adopts an annual budget for its general fund. Schedule 1 is a budget to actual comparison statement demonstrating compliance with the adopted budget.

Proprietary funds account for a government's business-type activities. There are two types of proprietary funds: enterprise funds and internal service funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City maintains two enterprise funds; the Water Fund and Sewer Fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among various functions. The City has no internal service funds at this time.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Water and Sewer Funds. The proprietary fund financial statements may be found in Exhibits F through H.

Fiduciary funds account for resources for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the programs of the City. The fiduciary fund financial statements of the City can be found in Exhibit I & J.

Notes to the Financial Statements provide additional information that is necessary to acquire a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statement. The notes serve to explain, clarify, and expand upon the financial data presented in the financial statements. The notes are found immediately following the financial statements.

Supplementary information including a budgetary comparison statement for the general fund can be found immediately following the notes to the financial statements.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with non-major governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Government	
Assets:	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Cash, Restricted Cash, Cash						
Equivalents & Investments	\$ 7,458,753	\$ 6,064,430	\$ 2,408,021	\$ 3,023,498	\$ 9,866,774	\$ 9,087,928
Receivables, Net	784,413	875,460	1,687,395	1,629,065	2,471,808	2,504,525
Other Assets	(997,510)	(1,442,223)	1,647,849	1,877,623	650,339	435,400
Capital Assets	36,565,862	37,906,594	24,687,920	24,503,561	61,253,782	62,410,155
Total Assets	<u>43,811,518</u>	<u>43,404,281</u>	<u>30,431,185</u>	<u>31,033,747</u>	<u>74,262,703</u>	<u>74,438,008</u>
Deferred Outflow of Resources	<u>1,450,316</u>	<u>1,820,801</u>	<u>154,656</u>	<u>200,565</u>	<u>1,604,972</u>	<u>2,021,366</u>
Liabilities:						
Other Liabilities	1,968,101	1,032,104	753,162	1,152,868	2,721,263	2,184,972
Non-Current Liabilities	10,880,901	13,348,477	9,973,977	10,764,044	20,854,878	24,112,521
Total Liabilities	<u>12,849,002</u>	<u>14,380,581</u>	<u>10,727,139</u>	<u>11,916,912</u>	<u>23,576,141</u>	<u>26,297,493</u>
Deferred Inflow of Resources	<u>1,676,655</u>	<u>165,403</u>	<u>178,792</u>	<u>18,219</u>	<u>1,855,447</u>	<u>183,622</u>
Net Position:						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	29,722,135	30,492,021	16,952,107	17,029,653	46,674,242	47,521,674
Restricted	1,999,210	1,940,418	-	-	1,999,210	1,940,418
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(983,168)	(1,733,361)	2,727,803	2,269,528	1,742,635	516,167
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 30,736,177</u>	<u>\$ 30,679,078</u>	<u>\$ 19,679,910</u>	<u>\$ 19,299,181</u>	<u>\$ 50,416,087</u>	<u>\$ 49,978,259</u>

As noted above, net position serves as a useful indicator of a government's financial position over time. At the end of the fiscal year, the City's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$50,416,087. The City's total net position is split between governmental activities of \$30,736,177 and business-type activities net position of \$19,679,910.

The largest portion of the City's net position, 92.6%, reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment and infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc.) less any related, outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

\$1,999,210 (4.0%) of the City's net position is restricted. These assets are subject to external restrictions on their use. The remaining is unrestricted surplus of \$1,742,635.

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	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Government	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Revenues & Transfers:						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for Services	\$ 1,739,113	\$ 1,610,403	\$ 5,461,513	\$ 5,253,824	\$ 7,200,626	\$ 6,864,227
Operating Grants & Contributions	682,007	1,001,052	-	-	682,007	1,001,052
Capital Grants & Contributions	380,057	1,023,622	-	-	380,057	1,023,622
General Revenues:						
Property & Local Option Taxes	10,587,808	10,250,173	-	-	10,587,808	10,250,173
Other	(201,594)	248,434	23,080	2,052	(178,514)	250,486
Total Revenues & Transfers	13,187,391	14,133,684	5,484,593	5,255,876	18,671,984	19,389,560
Expenses:						
General Government	1,912,425	2,172,038	-	-	1,912,425	2,172,038
Public Safety	6,508,122	7,149,111	-	-	6,508,122	7,149,111
Public Works	2,986,810	2,794,837	-	-	2,986,810	2,794,837
Culture and Recreation	1,133,936	739,435	-	-	1,133,936	739,435
Community Development	118,044	111,416	-	-	118,044	111,416
Cemetery	231,923	167,987	-	-	231,923	167,987
Interest on Long-term Debt	239,032	243,599	-	-	239,032	243,599
Water	-	-	2,471,569	2,424,783	2,471,569	2,424,783
Sewer	-	-	2,632,295	2,594,563	2,632,295	2,594,563
Total Expenses	13,130,292	13,378,423	5,103,864	5,019,346	18,234,156	18,397,769
Increase in Net Position	57,099	755,261	380,729	236,530	437,828	991,791
Beginning Net Position	30,679,078	29,923,817	19,299,181	19,062,651	49,978,259	48,986,468
Ending Net Position	\$ 30,736,177	\$ 30,679,078	\$ 19,679,910	\$ 19,299,181	\$ 50,416,087	\$ 49,978,259

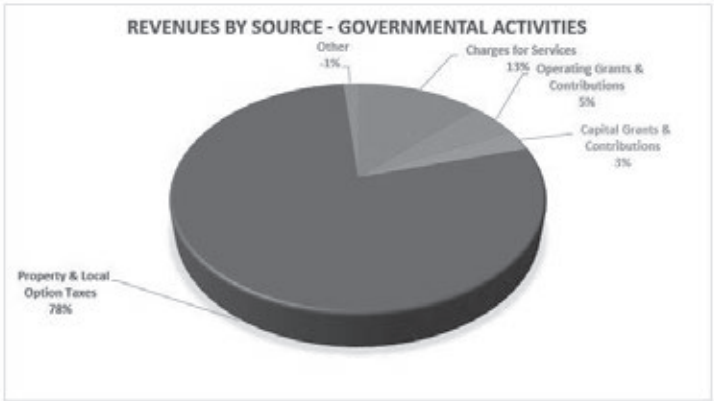
Governmental activities

Governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$57,099 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Key elements of the change are as follows:

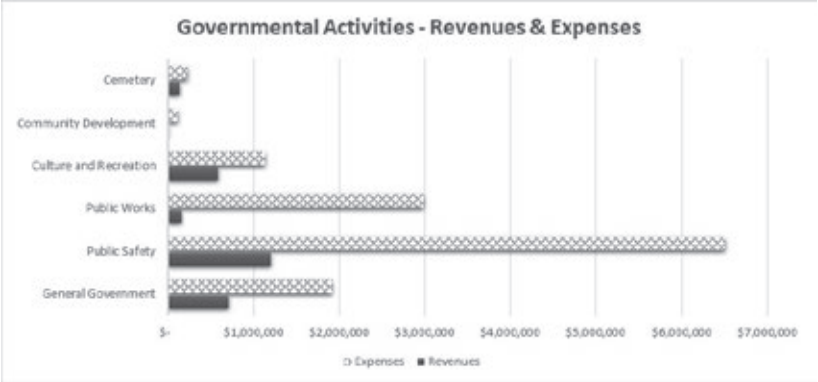
- Total governmental revenues decreased by (6.70%) or (\$946,293) from 2021 to 2022. This was driven by an increase in property taxes and charges for services but grants and contributions decreased significantly from the prior year.
- Property and local option tax revenues increased 3.29% or \$337,635 from the previous year as a result of an increase of 2.28% in the property tax rate to \$1.9578 per \$100 of assessed value from \$1.9141 in 2021.
- Total governmental activities' expenses decreased by (1.85%) or (\$248,131) from 2021 to 2022. Public safety remains the largest category of expenses year over year. Public safety expenses at the end of 2022 were \$6,508,122, which is a decrease of (9.00%) or (\$640,989).

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The majority of revenue for governmental activities comes from property and local option taxes; 78% of total revenue or \$10,587,808. Charges for services are the second largest category of revenue at 13% of total revenue or \$1,739,113. The following graph shows the distribution of governmental revenues by source.



The following chart shows how major programs are funded. The revenues included in this graph are program specific revenues such as user fees, capital grants, and operating grants. General revenues such as property revenues and interest earnings are excluded. This chart indicates that program revenues do not support program expenses requiring property taxes to pay for the bulk of the expenses.

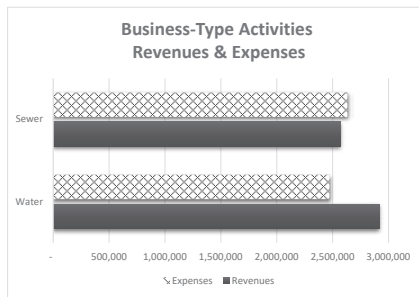


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Business-type activities (Water and Sewer Funds):

Business-type activities increased the City's net position by \$380,729 during the current fiscal year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

- Sewer Fund was (\$64,192) short of covering their expenditures with charges for services. Charges for services include user fees, including Barre Town, penalties, and connection fees. Operating expenses increased 2.07% or \$51,447. Sewer response and repairs are continuing to increase in frequency as our system ages, specifically repairs to the wastewater treatment plant.
- Water Fund ended FY22 with a change in net position of \$444,921, making the total net position of \$11,691,768. Of that total, \$8,428,197 reflects the investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt used to acquire or construct those assets and \$3,263,571 is unrestricted.



Business-type activities are accounted for in the same manner that businesses account for operations. It is necessary that revenues, operating and non-operating, plus retained earnings meet or exceed expenses to continue to operate. The graph above demonstrates that during the fiscal year expenses exceeded revenues in the sewer department and the revenues exceeded the expenses in the water department.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the City of Barre uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Information presented and discussed in this section is specific to the fund financial statements.

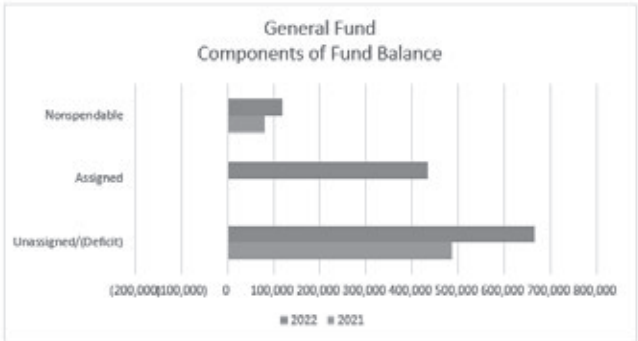
Governmental Funds

The focus of the City's governmental funds is to provide information on current year revenue, expenditures, and balances of spendable resources. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

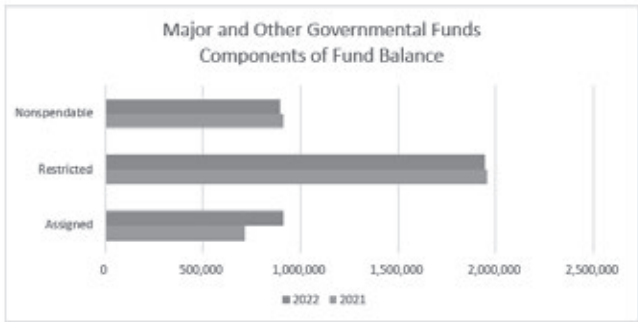
At June 30, 2022, the City's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$4,970,981, an increase 19.58% or \$814,029 in comparison with the prior fiscal year. The unassigned fund balance is \$666,584 which is an increase of 36.96% or \$179,890 from the prior fiscal year. The remainder of the fund balance is either nonspendable \$1,013,466, restricted for particular purposes \$1,944,668, or assigned by the City for specific purposes \$1,346,263. The components of each category are detailed in Footnote IV. J. Fund Balances.

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The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At the end of the fiscal year, total fund balance in the general fund was \$1,218,859 an increase of \$649,638 from the previous year. Of this amount, \$118,624 is in nonspendable form (prepaid expenses and inventory). Of the remaining amount, \$666,584 is the fund unassigned balance.



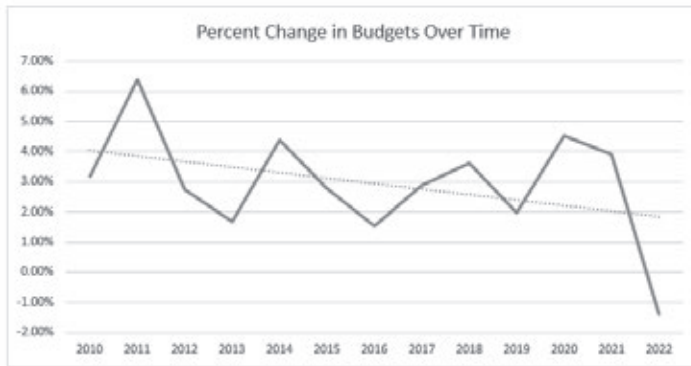
In the governmental funds other than the general fund, the most noteworthy change to the fund balance is a \$195,297 increase in the assigned fund balance of \$912,612. The capital improvement fund increased its assigned fund balance by \$131,202 and the special fund increased its assigned fund balance by \$64,743.



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GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS:

The City's budget for the year ended June 30, 2022 passed on the first vote in March of 2021. There were no budget amendments made during the year. The City's FY22 general fund budget total \$12,836,332 decreased (1.38%) from FY21 as the budget wasn't rightsized after the COVID impact. Actual results on the year were a surplus of \$649,638. Revenues came in ahead of budget by 2.25% or \$289,509. The Health Resources and Services Administration provided \$158,231 to the City in FY22 for EMS Provider Relief Funds. The City was impacted by the nationwide labor shortage and struggled to fill key city positions such as a City Assessor and Permit Administrator. Although not desired, this impact resulted in vacancy savings allowing for the expenditures to be underspent by 2.81% or \$360,129.



CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

Barre City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 202, totaled \$61,253,782 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include land, works of art, construction in progress, building and facilities, vehicles, machinery and equipment, furniture, infrastructure, cemetery developments, and distribution and collection systems. The City's combined investment in capital assets increased in FY22 by \$1,743,347. Combined depreciation for the fiscal year is \$2,856,868. With the City disposing of assets totaling \$42,852, net of accumulated depreciation, and the combined accumulated depreciation exceeding the combined investment in capital assets, caused a net decrease in capital assets of \$1,156,373.

Major capital asset transactions during the year included the following additions:

- Vehicles and equipment purchased in FY22 consisted of the following: Police Department – Ford Cruiser and Speed Cart; Fire Department – Defibrillators; Streets Department – Line Striper; City Hall – Heat Pumps; Cemetery – Scag Lawn Mower; Water – Generator, Hyundai Sonata, Backwash Pump, Potassium Permanganate Feeder, Toyota Tacoma; Sewer – Grinder Pump, Dodge Promaster Van, HVAC Unit

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- Infrastructure additions: Storm sewer: Merchant St. and Warren St.; Paving: Camp Street, Parkside Terrace, and Prospect St.; Sidewalks: Ayers St. and Perry St.
- Water Line: Perry St.
- Sewer Lines: Camp St., Orange St.
- Construction in progress: DPW Campus; Warren St. Reconstruction; Merchant St. and Warren Street Sidewalk Reconstruction; Metro-Way Bike Path; Maple St. & Merchant St. (VTrans Project); Boiler for Digester; Methane Safety Flare; North End Pump Station

Major capital asset transactions during the year include the following deletions:

- Vehicle and equipment deletions included: Chevy Impala, Chevy Tahoe, Ford Fusion, Chevy Suburban, and Defibrillators

The Police Department transferred a Nissan Titan to the Sewer Treatment Plant.

	Summary of Capital Assets					
	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Government	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Capital Assets:						
Land	3,481,713	3,467,013	319,011	319,011	3,800,724	3,786,024
Works of Art	308,184	308,184	-	-	308,184	308,184
Construction in Progress	158,369	133,629	1,305,793	542,233	1,464,072	675,862
Buildings and Building Improvements	11,431,983	11,395,102	459,559	459,559	11,891,542	11,854,661
Vehicles, Machinery, Equipment and Furniture	8,459,388	8,525,145	1,846,521	1,700,472	10,305,909	10,225,617
Infrastructure	33,111,841	32,599,821	-	-	33,111,841	32,599,821
Cemetery Developments	823,929	823,929	-	-	823,929	823,929
Distribution and Collection Systems	-	-	38,702,561	38,617,367	38,702,561	38,617,367
	57,775,407	57,252,823	42,633,355	41,638,642	100,408,762	98,891,465
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(21,209,545)	(19,346,229)	(17,945,435)	(17,135,081)	(39,154,980)	(36,481,310)
Total Assets, Net	36,565,862	37,906,594	24,687,920	24,503,561	61,253,782	62,410,155

Long Term Debt

The City began the year with \$18,509,793 in long-term debt outstanding. As of June 30, 2022 this amount had decreased by (\$1,335,513) or (7.22%) to end the current year at \$17,174,280.

	Summary of Long Term Debt			
	30-Jun-21	Additions	Deletions	30-Jun-22
Governmental Activities	8,326,079	-	713,002	7,613,077
Business-type Activities	10,183,714	-	622,511	9,561,203
Total Government	18,509,793	-	1,335,513	17,174,280

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Factors contributing to the change include the following:

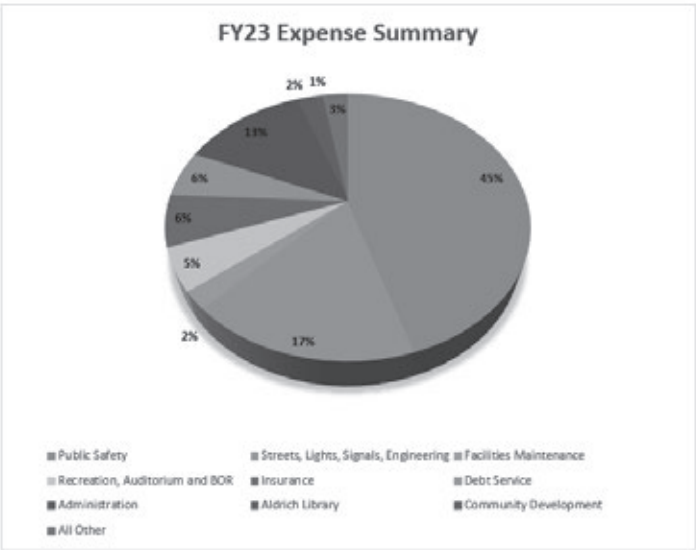
- Principal payments totaling \$713,002 were made on the governmental activities debt and principal payments totaling \$622,511 were made on the business-type activities debt.

Additional information about long-term debt can be found in Footnote IV. I.

NEXT YEAR’S BUDGET

Barre City voters approved a General Fund budget of \$13,194,159 for FY23 in March 2022. The budget represents an increase of \$357,827 or 2.79% over the FY22 budget. The municipal tax rate increased by 3.0749% to \$2.0180.

The graph below depicts how the City anticipates to spend its revised General Fund operating budget.



REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This report is designed to provide an overview of Barre City’s finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Finance Director, City of Barre, 6 N. Main St. Barre, VT 05641.

Exhibit A

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 4,973,147	\$ 200	\$ 4,973,347
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	901,819	2,407,821	3,309,640
Investments	1,583,787	0	1,583,787
Receivables (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	784,413	1,687,395	2,471,808
Internal Balances	(1,187,084)	1,187,084	0
Prepaid Expenses	28,049	0	28,049
Inventory	161,525	460,765	622,290
Capital Assets:			
Land	3,481,713	319,011	3,800,724
Works of Art	308,184	0	308,184
Construction in Progress	158,369	1,305,703	1,464,072
Other Capital Assets, (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	32,617,596	23,063,206	55,680,802
Total Assets	43,811,518	30,431,185	74,242,703
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	1,450,316	154,656	1,604,972
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,450,316	154,656	1,604,972
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts Payable	436,378	250,041	686,419
Accrued Payroll and Benefits Payable	154,057	20,440	174,497
Unearned Revenue	1,320,340	0	1,320,340
Due to State of Vermont	0	428,417	428,417
Due to Others	3,551	0	3,551
Accrued Interest Payable	53,775	54,264	108,039
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Due within One Year	726,234	643,666	1,369,900
Due in More than One Year	10,154,667	9,330,311	19,484,978
Total Liabilities	12,849,002	10,727,139	23,576,141
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	1,676,655	178,792	1,855,447
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,676,655	178,792	1,855,447
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	29,722,135	16,952,107	46,674,242
Restricted:			
Non-Expendable:			
Cemetery	823,892	0	823,892
Expendable:			
Bike Path and Non-Operating Expenditures	560,840	0	560,840
Cemetery	197,453	0	197,453
TIF District	115,444	0	115,444
Other Purposes	301,581	0	301,581
Unrestricted/(Deficit)	(985,168)	2,727,803	1,742,635
Total Net Position	\$ 30,736,177	\$ 19,679,910	\$ 50,416,087

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Exhibit B

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Primary Government:							
Governmental Activities:							
General Government	\$ 1,912,425	\$ 621,152	\$ 86,535	\$ 5,755	\$ (1,198,983)	\$ 0	\$ (1,198,983)
Public Safety	6,508,122	776,604	409,847	16,344	(5,105,237)	0	(5,105,237)
Public Works	2,986,810	0	158,231	0	(2,828,579)	0	(2,828,579)
Culture and Recreation	1,133,936	204,765	27,294	357,958	(543,919)	0	(543,919)
Community Development	118,044	0	0	0	(118,044)	0	(118,044)
Cemetery	231,923	136,502	100	0	(95,321)	0	(95,321)
Interest on Long-term Debt	229,032	0	0	0	(229,032)	0	(229,032)
Total Governmental Activities	13,130,292	1,739,113	682,007	380,057	(10,329,115)	0	(10,329,115)
Business-type Activities:							
Water	2,471,569	2,915,312	0	0	0	443,743	443,743
Sewer	2,632,295	2,546,201	0	0	0	(86,094)	(86,094)
Total Business-type Activities	5,103,864	5,461,513	0	0	0	357,649	357,649
Total Primary Government	\$ 18,234,156	\$ 7,200,626	\$ 682,007	\$ 380,057	\$ (10,329,115)	\$ 357,649	\$ (9,971,466)
General Revenues:							
Property Taxes					10,004,870	0	10,004,870
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes					80,605	0	80,605
Local Option Sales Tax					15,647	0	15,647
Royalties and Fees on Taxes					340,286	0	340,286
Unidentified Investment Earnings/(Loss)					(181,118)	2,604	(178,514)
Transfers:					(20,476)	20,476	0
Total General Revenues and Transfers					10,386,214	23,080	10,409,294
Change in Net Position					57,099	380,729	437,828
Net Position - July 1, 2021					30,679,078	19,299,181	49,978,259
Net Position - June 30, 2022					\$ 30,736,177	\$ 19,679,910	\$ 50,416,087

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Exhibit C

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	Special Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 3,297,415	\$ 0	\$ 1,276,263	\$ 399,469	\$ 4,973,147
Restricted Cash Equivalents	0	901,819	0	0	901,819
Investments	0	0	0	1,583,787	1,583,787
Receivables (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	517,649	39,935	226,829	0	784,413
Due from Other Funds	0	530,044	518,305	51,921	1,100,270
Prepaid Items	28,049	0	0	0	28,049
Inventory	90,575	70,950	0	0	161,525
Total Assets	\$ <u>3,933,688</u>	\$ <u>1,542,748</u>	\$ <u>2,021,397</u>	\$ <u>2,035,177</u>	\$ <u>9,533,010</u>
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ 397,735	\$ 32,747	\$ 3,317	\$ 2,579	\$ 436,378
Accrued Payroll and Benefits Payable	153,438	0	619	0	154,057
Advances from Other Funds	0	149,154	0	0	149,154
Due to Other Funds	1,907,575	0	0	230,625	2,138,200
Unearned Revenue	86,926	0	1,233,414	0	1,320,340
Due to Others	3,551	0	0	0	3,551
Total Liabilities	2,549,225	181,901	1,237,350	233,204	4,201,680
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable Property Taxes, Penalties, Interest and Related Fees	134,500	0	0	0	134,500
Unavailable Ambulance Fees	23,000	0	0	0	23,000
Unavailable Grants	3,008	0	194,745	0	197,753
Unavailable Miscellaneous Revenue	5,096	0	0	0	5,096
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	165,604	0	194,745	0	360,349
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable	118,624	70,950	0	823,892	1,013,466
Restricted	0	769,350	240,818	934,500	1,944,668
Assigned	433,651	520,547	348,484	43,581	1,346,263
Unassigned	666,584	0	0	0	666,584
Total Fund Balances	1,218,859	1,360,847	589,302	1,801,973	4,970,981
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ <u>3,933,688</u>	\$ <u>1,542,748</u>	\$ <u>2,021,397</u>	\$ <u>2,035,177</u>	
Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because:					
Capital Assets Used in Governmental Activities are not Financial Resources and, Therefore, are not Reported in the Funds.					36,565,862
Other Assets are not Available to Pay for Current-Period Expenditures and, Therefore, are Deferred in the Funds.					360,349
Long-term and Accrued Liabilities, Including Bonds Payable and the Net Pension Liability, are not Due or Payable in the Current Period and, Therefore, are not Reported in the Funds.					(10,934,676)
Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources related to the City's Participation in VMERS are applicable to Future Periods and, Therefore, are not Reported in the Funds.					(226,339)
Net Position of Governmental Activities					\$ <u>30,736,177</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Exhibit D

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	Special Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property Taxes	\$ 9,408,328	\$ 380,000	\$ 0	\$ 268,042	\$ 10,056,370
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes	80,605	0	0	0	80,605
Local Option Sales Tax	0	152,047	0	0	152,047
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	350,286	0	0	0	350,286
Intergovernmental	483,368	1,150	354,044	11,226	849,788
Charges for Services	2,070,509	30,424	0	7,005	2,107,938
Permits, Licenses and Fees	544,664	0	27,233	0	571,897
Fines and Forfeits	40,801	0	0	0	40,801
Investment Income/(Loss)	750	894	1,642	(184,404)	(181,118)
Donations	62,609	0	99,523	0	162,132
Total Revenues	<u>13,041,920</u>	<u>564,515</u>	<u>482,442</u>	<u>101,869</u>	<u>14,190,746</u>
Expenditures:					
General Government	2,724,456	45,230	4,461	7,359	2,781,506
Public Safety	5,968,540	5,117	130,178	10,765	6,114,600
Public Works	1,300,996	78,548	46,230	0	1,425,774
Culture and Recreation	935,181	8,821	21,860	35,780	1,001,642
Community Development	118,044	0	0	0	118,044
Cemetery	207,052	0	0	0	207,052
Capital Outlay:					
General Government	55,181	0	2,400	0	57,581
Public Safety	71,325	57,556	0	8,753	137,634
Public Works	190,246	362,620	0	0	552,866
Culture and Recreation	0	0	0	553	553
Debt Service:					
Principal	609,807	34,386	0	88,000	732,193
Interest	181,580	3,414	0	62,278	247,272
Total Expenditures	<u>12,362,408</u>	<u>595,692</u>	<u>205,129</u>	<u>213,488</u>	<u>13,376,717</u>
Excess/(Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>679,512</u>	<u>(31,177)</u>	<u>277,313</u>	<u>(111,619)</u>	<u>814,029</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):					
Transfers In	83,921	47,954	13,232	67,609	212,716
Transfers Out	<u>(113,795)</u>	<u>(54,681)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(44,240)</u>	<u>(212,716)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>(29,874)</u>	<u>(6,727)</u>	<u>13,232</u>	<u>23,369</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	649,638	(37,904)	290,545	(88,250)	814,029
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021	<u>569,221</u>	<u>1,398,751</u>	<u>298,757</u>	<u>1,890,223</u>	<u>4,156,952</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	<u>\$ 1,218,859</u>	<u>\$ 1,360,847</u>	<u>\$ 589,302</u>	<u>\$ 1,801,973</u>	<u>\$ 4,970,981</u>

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Exhibit E

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Exhibit B) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total government funds (Exhibit D)	\$	814,029
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets (\$748,634) is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense (\$2,046,514). This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.		(1,297,880)
The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales and losses on disposal of assets) is to reduce net position.		(22,376)
The City transferred a police department vehicle to the Sewer Fund during the year. This amount is the net effect on net position.		(20,476)
The issuance of long-term debt (\$0-) (e.g., bonds, notes) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt (\$732,193) consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.		732,193
Governmental funds report employer pension contributions as expenditures (\$432,978). However, in the statement of activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions (\$579,664) is reported as pension expense. This amount is the net effect of the differences in the treatment of pension expense.		(146,686)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		(10,278)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		8,573
Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit B)	\$	<u>57,099</u>

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Exhibit F

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2022

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current Assets:			
Cash	\$ 200	\$ 0	\$ 200
Restricted Cash Equivalents	1,247,361	1,160,460	2,407,821
Receivables (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	784,544	902,851	1,687,395
Advances to Other Funds - Current Portion	0	149,154	149,154
Due from Other Funds	2,446,041	0	2,446,041
Inventory	343,763	117,002	460,765
Total Current Assets	4,821,909	2,329,467	7,151,376
Noncurrent Assets:			
Capital Assets:			
Land	210,011	109,000	319,011
Construction in Progress	93,793	1,211,910	1,305,703
Buildings and Building Improvements	10,194	449,365	459,559
Vehicles, Machinery, Equipment and Furniture	275,953	1,570,568	1,846,521
Distribution and Collection Systems	23,920,944	14,781,617	38,702,561
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(10,762,156)	(7,183,279)	(17,945,435)
Total Noncurrent Assets	13,748,739	10,939,181	24,687,920
Total Assets	18,570,648	13,268,648	31,839,296
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	87,711	66,945	154,656
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	87,711	66,945	154,656
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	50,200	199,841	250,041
Accrued Payroll and Benefits Payable	10,680	9,760	20,440
Due to Other Funds	0	1,408,111	1,408,111
Due to State of Vermont - Current Portion	0	324,395	324,395
Accrued Interest Payable	38,896	15,368	54,264
Notes Payable - Current Portion	62,915	0	62,915
General Obligation Bonds Payable - Current Portion	348,906	231,845	580,751
Total Current Liabilities	511,597	2,189,320	2,700,917
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Due to State of Vermont - Noncurrent Portion	0	104,022	104,022
Compensated Absences Payable	49,670	78,741	128,411
Net Pension Liability	161,272	123,091	284,363
Notes Payable - Noncurrent Portion	197,473	0	197,473
General Obligation Bonds Payable - Noncurrent Portion	5,945,180	2,774,884	8,720,064
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	6,353,595	3,080,738	9,434,333
Total Liabilities	6,865,192	5,270,058	12,135,250
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	101,399	77,393	178,792
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	101,399	77,393	178,792
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	8,428,197	8,523,910	16,952,107
Unrestricted/(Deficit)	3,263,571	(535,768)	2,727,803
Total Net Position	\$ 11,691,768	\$ 7,988,142	\$ 19,679,910

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Exhibit G

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Operating Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$ 2,882,305	\$ 2,526,275	\$ 5,408,580
Interest and Penalties	32,388	19,557	51,945
Other	619	369	988
Total Operating Revenues	<u>2,915,312</u>	<u>2,546,201</u>	<u>5,461,513</u>
Operating Expenses:			
Payroll and Benefits	672,988	627,361	1,300,349
Administrative Costs	493,851	493,851	987,702
Professional Services	28,762	28,818	57,580
Supplies	23,400	27,832	51,232
Utilities	130,055	302,595	432,650
Maintenance	248,217	182,774	430,991
Chemicals	106,463	160,151	266,614
Permits & Testing	34,096	12,160	46,256
Taxes	57,552	0	57,552
Sludge Disposal	0	320,363	320,363
Depreciation	455,381	354,973	810,354
Other Operating Expenses	1,124	26,219	27,343
Total Operating Expenses	<u>2,251,889</u>	<u>2,537,097</u>	<u>4,788,986</u>
Operating Income	<u>663,423</u>	<u>9,104</u>	<u>672,527</u>
Non-Operating Revenues/(Expenses):			
Loss on Disposal of Assets	(827)	0	(827)
Investment Income	1,178	1,426	2,604
Interest Expense	(218,853)	(95,198)	(314,051)
Total Non-Operating Revenues/(Expenses)	<u>(218,502)</u>	<u>(93,772)</u>	<u>(312,274)</u>
Net Income/(Loss) Before Transfers	444,921	(84,668)	360,253
Transfers In	<u>0</u>	<u>20,476</u>	<u>20,476</u>
Change in Net Position	444,921	(64,192)	380,729
Net Position - July 1, 2021	<u>11,246,847</u>	<u>8,052,334</u>	<u>19,299,181</u>
Net Position - June 30, 2022	<u>\$ 11,691,768</u>	<u>\$ 7,988,142</u>	<u>\$ 19,679,910</u>

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Exhibit H

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:			
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 2,919,620	\$ 2,483,563	\$ 5,403,183
Payments for Goods and Services	(757,725)	(1,109,446)	(1,867,171)
Payments for Interfund Services	(493,851)	(493,851)	(987,702)
Payments for Wages and Benefits	(635,601)	(618,052)	(1,253,653)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>1,032,443</u>	<u>262,214</u>	<u>1,294,657</u>
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities:			
(Increase)/Decrease in Due from Other Funds	(265,237)	0	(265,237)
Increase/(Decrease) in Due to Other Funds	0	684,753	684,753
(Increase)/Decrease in Advances to Other Funds	0	15,000	15,000
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>(265,237)</u>	<u>699,753</u>	<u>434,516</u>
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(64,726)	(813,393)	(878,119)
Payment to the State of Vermont for Big Dig Project	(66,676)	(462,573)	(529,249)
Principal Paid on Long-Term Debt	(397,479)	(225,032)	(622,511)
Interest Paid on Long-Term Debt	(221,416)	(95,959)	(317,375)
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(750,297)</u>	<u>(1,596,957)</u>	<u>(2,347,254)</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:			
Receipt of Interest and Dividends	<u>1,178</u>	<u>1,426</u>	<u>2,604</u>
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	<u>1,178</u>	<u>1,426</u>	<u>2,604</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Restricted Cash Equivalents	18,087	(633,564)	(615,477)
Cash and Restricted Cash Equivalents - July 1, 2021	<u>1,229,474</u>	<u>1,794,024</u>	<u>3,023,498</u>
Cash and Restricted Cash Equivalents - June 30, 2022	<u>\$ 1,247,561</u>	<u>\$ 1,160,460</u>	<u>\$ 2,408,021</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Operating Income	\$ 663,423	\$ 9,104	\$ 672,527
Depreciation	455,381	354,973	810,354
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	4,308	(62,638)	(58,330)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	(127,691)	(77,051)	(204,742)
(Increase)/Decrease in Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	15,408	30,501	45,909
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(365)	28,517	28,152
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Payroll and Benefits Payable	5,677	2,093	7,770
Increase/(Decrease) in Compensated Absences Payable	12,283	20,654	32,937
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Pension Liability	(88,013)	(112,480)	(200,493)
Increase/(Decrease) in Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the City's Participation in VMERS	92,032	68,541	160,573
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 1,032,443</u>	<u>\$ 262,214</u>	<u>\$ 1,294,657</u>

There was \$3,515 of capital acquisitions in the Water Fund included in accounts payable at June 30, 2022.

The Water Fund wrote-off \$827 of projects that were included in construction in progress.

There was \$93,430 of capital acquisitions in the Sewer Fund included in accounts payable at June 30, 2022.

The Sewer Fund received a vehicle with a book value of \$20,476 from the Police Department.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

FY22 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO ACTUAL

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
General Tax Revenue:			
General Taxes	9,273,768	9,216,422	(57,346)
Washington County Tax	42,305	42,305	-
Voter Approved Assistance	149,601	149,601	-
Total General Tax Revenue	9,465,674	9,408,328	(57,346)
Business Licenses:			
Liquor Licenses	2,516	3,190	674
Miscellaneous Licenses	816	1,315	499
Restaurant Licenses	2,720	3,255	535
Taxicab and Driver Licenses	1,360	189	(1,171)
Theater Licenses	170	252	82
Trucking, Rubbish and Waste	3,264	5,346	2,082
Entertainment Licenses	2,856	3,630	774
Total Business Licenses	13,702	17,177	3,475
Payment in Lieu of Taxes:			
Capstone	24,000	24,684	684
Barre Housing	45,000	77,974	32,974
State of Vermont	240,000	247,628	7,628
Total Payment in Lieu of Taxes	309,000	350,286	41,286
Fees and Franchises:			
Animal Control Licenses	5,500	5,872	372
Tax Equalization	0	3,361	3,361
Hold Harmless	0	7,762	7,762
Act 68 Administrative Revenue	15,500	16,208	708
Building and Zoning Permits	48,000	39,085	(8,915)
Vehicle Registration	350	204	(146)
Delinquent Tax Collector Fees	42,000	46,682	4,682
Meters	80,000	85,768	5,768
Green Mountain Passports	50	68	18
Parking Permits	85,000	75,660	(9,340)
Marriage Licenses	600	610	10
Miscellaneous Income	4,000	19,694	15,694
Police Department Fees	5,000	3,940	(1,060)
Recording Fees	75,000	87,907	12,907
Recreation Fees	1,000	2,991	1,991
Swimming Pool/Day Camp Fees	14,000	14,103	103
Concession Fees	1,500	0	(1,500)
Vault Fees	1,000	852	(148)
Cell Tower Fees	46,818	49,159	2,341
Fire Alarm Maintenance Fees	14,000	13,650	(350)
Rental Property Registration	110,000	108,533	(1,467)
Delinquent Rental Permits	1,000	552	(448)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Burn Permits	3,500	3,730	230
Credit Card Processing Fees	4,000	10,280	6,280
FD Public Report Fee	100	100	-
EV Charging Stations	300	629	329
Time of Sale Inspection Fee	3,500	3,400	(100)
Vacant Building Registration	-	700	700
Total Fees and Franchises	561,718	601,500	39,782

Fines and Penalties:

City Ordinance Violations	2,500	3,843	1,343
Penalties and Interest on Miscellaneous Fines	2,600	1,855	(745)
Delinquent Tax Interest	26,000	33,923	7,923
Traffic Court	20,000	9,404	(10,596)
Parking Tickets	31,500	25,699	(5,801)
Total Fines and Penalties	82,600	74,724	(7,876)

Federal and State Aid:

Federal Grants	-	16,130	16,130
State Reimbursements	-	22,266	22,266
Federal Stimulus Aid - COVID-19	-	70,623	70,623
State Highway Aid	140,000	158,231	18,231
COPS Police Grant	83,332	94,707	11,375
SoV BGS PD Contract Fees		5,318	5,318
Police Grants	1,000	2,486	1,486
State SUI Grand	60,000	60,000	-
Police Federal - OVW - Circle	44,000	26,276	(17,724)
Total Federal and State Aid	328,332	456,037	127,705

Rents and Leases:

Auditorium Rental	36,935	62,318	25,383
Alumni Hall Rental/Lease	15,338	9,300	(6,038)
BOR Rents and Leases	124,428	140,017	15,589
Special Projects - Custodial Fees	6,649	8,363	1,714
Miscellaneous Rents	500	48	(452)
Total Rents and Leases	183,850	220,046	36,196

Charges for Services:

Williston Ambulance Billing	30,000	31,948	1,948
First Branch Ambulance Billing	11,000	11,301	301
East Montpelier Ambulance Billing	13,000	12,100	(900)
Ambulance Income - Lift Assist	450,000	503,697	53,697
Enterprise Funds	987,702	987,702	-
City Report - School	2,500	2,500	-
Operation/Maintenance - Jail	7,100	9,558	2,458
Dispatch Services	52,770	53,027	257
School Resource Officers	80,095	79,570	(525)
Special Projects - Police Detail	15,000	20,405	5,405
Special Projects - Fire Detail	7,000	7,998	998
Total Charges for Services	1,656,167	1,719,806	63,639

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Cemetery Revenue:			
Rents	5,253	5,252	(1)
Perpetual Care Fund Transfer	0	3,740	3,740
Flower Trust Fund Transfer	500	500	-
Trust Fund Interest	25,000	25,000	-
Entombments	1,000	200	(800)
Foundations	6,000	9,616	3,616
Interments	50,000	83,313	33,313
Markers/Posts	1,500	2,125	625
Tent Setups	500	300	(200)
Lot sales	22,500	28,284	5,784
Tours/DVD Sales	1,250	1,566	316
Total Cemetery Revenue	113,503	159,896	46,393
Miscellaneous Revenue:			
Interest Income	16,000	751	(15,249)
Transfer from Other Fund	1,105	0	(1,105)
Limelite Settlement	54,681	54,681	-
Semprebon VCF Trust Acct - Income	50,000	62,609	12,609
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	121,786	118,041	(3,745)
Total Revenues	12,836,332	13,125,841	289,509
Expenditures			
Administrative and General:			
Personnel Services	(8,000)	(6,333)	1,667
FICA	(612)	(440)	172
City Council Expenses	(30,000)	(27,706)	2,294
Telephone	(210)	(201)	9
Office Machine Maintenance	(10,200)	(9,650)	550
Annual Audit	(27,200)	(27,200)	-
City Report	(6,500)	(7,323)	(823)
Dues and Membership Fees	(26,500)	(25,791)	709
Holiday Observance	(2,000)	-	2,000
Postage Meter Contract	(1,577)	(1,861)	(284)
Advertising and Printing	(12,000)	(18,980)	(6,980)
Office Machine Supplies	(3,000)	(2,669)	331
Postage for Meter	(16,500)	(13,968)	2,532
Email Licenses	(4,000)	(4,450)	(450)
City Hall Software Expenses	(7,400)	(8,017)	(617)
City Hall Printer Expenses	(3,500)	(5,172)	(1,672)
Working Community Grant Match	(5,000)	-	5,000
Interpretive Services	(1,000)	(1,000)	-
COVID-19 Materials	-	(4,383)	(4,383)
Total Administrative and General	(165,199)	(165,144)	55

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Assessor:			
Personnel Services	(112,035)	(55,239)	56,796
Overtime	(250)	(148)	102
FICA	(4,209)	(4,200)	9
Training and Development	(300)	(30)	270
Telephone	(840)	(805)	35
SW License Fees	(5,500)	(3,459)	2,041
Advertising/Printing	(300)	(1,639)	(1,339)
Office Supplies	(200)	-	200
Office Equipment	(500)	(10)	490
Computer Equipment	(500)	(230)	270
Contracted Services	-	(315)	(315)
Total Assessor	(124,634)	(66,075)	58,559
Legal Expenses:			
Professional Services - City Attorney	(22,000)	(38,699)	(16,699)
Professional Services - Labor	(5,000)	(2,375)	2,625
Contract Negotiations	(20,000)	(28,377)	(8,377)
Total Legal Expenses	(47,000)	(69,451)	(22,451)
City Manager:			
Personnel Services	(223,400)	(234,244)	(10,844)
Overtime	-	(327)	(327)
FICA	(17,090)	(17,703)	(613)
IT Support Contract	(2,800)	(3,345)	(545)
Website Vendor Maintenance	(1,250)	(1,062)	188
Network HW/SW Expenses	(750)	(168)	582
Training and Development	(2,000)	(569)	1,431
Special Projects Manager	(1,500)	(676)	824
Secure Shred	(1,250)	(577)	673
Telephone	(3,400)	(2,888)	512
Dues and Membership Fees	(1,500)	(235)	1,265
Advertising and Printing	(1,000)	(204)	796
Car Maintenance and Supplies	(2,882)	(2,932)	(50)
Glasses	(570)	(595)	(25)
Office Supplies and Equipment	(1,500)	(1,687)	(187)
Computer Equipment and Software	(1,200)	(6,303)	(5,103)
Total City Manager	(262,092)	(273,515)	(11,423)
Finance:			
Personnel Services	(188,323)	(201,785)	(13,462)
Overtime Allowance	(2,000)	(137)	1,863
FICA	(14,560)	(14,521)	39
Consultant Fees	-	(230)	(230)
Training and Development	(750)	(98)	652
Travel and Meals	(200)	(119)	81
Telephone	(1,210)	(1,388)	(178)
Equipment Contracts	(5,150)	(5,000)	150

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Advertising and Printing	(1,000)	(1,029)	(29)
Computer Maintenance	(500)	-	500
Glasses	(565)	(726)	(161)
Computer Supplies	(500)	-	500
Computer Forms	(1,500)	(437)	1,063
Office Supplies	(1,500)	(1,865)	(365)
Computer Equipment and Software	-	(2,215)	(2,215)
Annual Disaster Recovery Fee	(575)	(580)	(5)
Total Finance	(218,333)	(230,130)	(11,797)

Elections:

Personnel Services	(3,000)	(2,359)	641
Program Materials	(5,000)	(6,183)	(1,183)
BCA Expenses	(250)	-	250
Total Elections	(8,250)	(8,542)	(292)

Clerk's Office:

Personnel Services	(165,310)	(186,736)	(21,426)
Overtime Allowance	(500)	(30)	470
FICA	(12,684)	(13,706)	(1,022)
Training and Development	(500)	(321)	179
Travel and Meals	(100)	-	100
Telephone	(1,500)	(1,208)	292
Office Machines Maintenance	(200)	-	200
Recording of Records	(14,000)	(12,630)	1,370
Advertising	(4,000)	(4,872)	(872)
Credit Card Service Charges	(7,000)	(12,735)	(5,735)
Glasses	(658)	(565)	93
Office Supplies	(1,500)	(2,079)	(579)
Program Materials	(3,500)	(3,970)	(470)
Computer Equipment and Software	(500)	-	500
Total Clerk's Office	(211,952)	(238,852)	(26,900)

Animal Control:

Personnel Services and FICA	(3,000)	(1,400)	1,600
Humane Society/Contract ACO Fees	(8,000)	-	8,000
Total Animal Control	(11,000)	(1,400)	9,600

Fire Department:

Personnel Services	(1,359,810)	(1,337,586)	22,224
Comp Time OT	(25,182)	(65,124)	(39,942)
Overtime (Embedded)	(65,000)	(58,648)	6,352
Overtime - Amb Coverage (Full-Time)	(54,438)	(37,603)	16,835
Overtime - Fire Coverage - (Full-Time)	(26,221)	(17,047)	9,174
Fire Training and Development (OT Labor Only)	(15,000)	(26,531)	(11,531)
Training (Call Force; Incl Shift Coverage)	(3,500)	(861)	2,639
Ambulance Coverage PT	(2,500)	(75)	2,425
Fire Coverage PT	(2,500)	(291)	2,209

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
FICA	(118,893)	(111,549)	7,344
Consultant Fees	(1,000)	(1,075)	(75)
Legal Claim Deductibles	-	-	-
Ambulance Revenue Tax	(14,850)	(13,798)	1,052
Training and Development	(4,500)	(1,205)	3,295
Emergency Training and Development	(5,300)	(2,533)	2,767
Travel and Meals	(1,500)	(1,385)	115
Ambulance Billing Training	(1,500)	(771)	729
Telephone	(7,500)	(8,422)	(922)
Cell Phones/Air cards	(5,400)	(5,986)	(586)
Dues and Membership Fees	(2,500)	(2,612)	(112)
Advertising/Printing	(250)	-	250
Physicals	(5,000)	(110)	4,890
Breathing Apparatus	(15,000)	(16,663)	(1,663)
Fire Hose	(5,000)	(5,433)	(433)
Radios and Pagers	(5,000)	(2,399)	2,601
Fleet Maintenance	(35,000)	(33,629)	1,371
Radio Maintenance	(4,000)	(2,551)	1,449
Fire Alarm Maintenance and Boxes	(2,000)	(4,180)	(2,180)
Secure Vacant Property	(500)	(624)	(124)
Gas (Generators, saws, pumps, etc.)	(200)	(43)	157
Vehicle Fuel	(14,830)	(19,710)	(4,880)
Clothing	(12,000)	(8,290)	3,710
Safety Equipment	(15,000)	(14,269)	731
Footwear	(4,850)	(3,410)	1,440
Glasses	(4,190)	(1,475)	2,715
Dry Cleaning	(750)	(594)	156
Furniture/Appliances	(2,400)	(2,400)	-
Office Supplies	(5,500)	(5,598)	(98)
Medical Supplies	(32,000)	(28,023)	3,977
Oxygen Supplies	(2,000)	(1,085)	915
Training Supplies	(1,000)	(1,335)	(335)
Defibrillator Preventative Maintenance	(5,500)	(74,896)	(69,396)
Fire Prevention Program Material	(500)	(571)	(71)
Fire Investigation Materials	-	-	-
Email Accounts	(2,175)	(2,466)	(291)
COVID-19 Materials	-	(3,865)	(3,865)
Computer Software	(17,400)	(17,799)	(399)
Computer Replacement	(2,000)	-	2,000
Office Equipment Leases	-	-	-
Total Fire Department	(1,911,139)	(1,944,520)	(33,381)
City Hall Maintenance:			
Personnel Services	(23,005)	(13,325)	9,680
Overtime	-	(259)	(259)
FICA	(1,760)	(947)	813
Professional Services	-	(458)	(458)
City Hall Electricity	(6,992)	(6,927)	65

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
City Hall Solar Project	(8,936)	(7,337)	1,599
Rubbish Removal	(2,800)	(2,506)	294
Water and Sewer	(3,000)	(2,339)	661
City Hall Improvements and Repairs	(25,000)	(76,918)	(51,918)
Fuel Oil	(35,474)	(36,760)	(1,286)
Clothing	(650)	(622)	28
Footwear	(100)	(83)	17
Glasses	(100)	(103)	(3)
Custodial Supplies	(2,500)	(1,676)	824
Building and Grounds Supplies	(2,000)	(1,332)	668
Total City Hall Maintenance	(112,317)	(151,592)	(39,275)

Meters:

Personnel Services	(67,517)	(67,617)	(100)
FICA	(5,165)	(4,728)	437
Electricity - Merchants Row	-	(943)	(943)
EVCS Maintenance	(600)	-	600
Towing Fees	(4,000)	(4,353)	(353)
Advertising /Printing	-	-	-
Pager/Air Cards	(1,600)	(1,169)	431
Meter Maintenance	(2,000)	(346)	1,654
Meter Coin Handling	(1,000)	-	1,000
Clothing	(750)	(1,162)	(412)
Footwear	(350)	(134)	216
Glasses	(185)	-	185
Meter Supplies	(4,500)	(2,789)	1,711
Meter Systems Software	(4,000)	(3,442)	558
Program Materials	(1,000)	(985)	15
Meter and Handhelds Replacements	(1,500)	-	1,500
Total Meters	(94,167)	(87,668)	6,499

Police Department:

Payroll Reimbursement	-	14,953	14,953
Personnel Base Salary	(1,283,300)	(1,281,919)	1,381
O/T P/R Search Warrants	(20,000)	(21,148)	(1,148)
O/T P/R 1st Shift Embedded	(27,000)	(36,954)	(9,954)
O/T P/R 2nd Shift Embedded	(25,000)	(25,883)	(883)
O/T P/R 3rd Shift Embedded	(42,000)	(60,838)	(18,838)
O/T P/R	(42,000)	(89,049)	(47,049)
O/T P/R 2%	(33,000)	(21,822)	11,178
O/T P/R 3%	(19,000)	(12,066)	6,934
Training Payroll	(37,975)	(36,570)	1,405
Part-Time Police Officers	-	(15,388)	(15,388)
Educational Incentive	(4,500)	(2,600)	1,900
Community Outreach Advocate	(51,410)	(44,255)	7,155
Mental Health Clinician	(20,000)	(20,000)	-
COPS Grant	(111,583)	(81,107)	30,476
FICA	(129,803)	(127,343)	2,460

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Professional Services - Legal	(1,000)	(375)	625
Consultant Fees	(500)	-	500
Training and Development	(5,000)	(6,031)	(1,031)
Travel and Meals	(1,000)	(2,013)	(1,013)
Telephone	(1,300)	(2,501)	(1,201)
Computer Access	(6,000)	(6,238)	(238)
Office Machines Maintenance	(13,615)	(21,688)	(8,073)
Advertising	(200)	(1,847)	(1,647)
Lock-up Meals	(3,500)	(1,449)	2,051
Physicals	(500)	-	500
Cell Phones	(9,000)	(8,102)	898
Vehicle Maintenance	(27,500)	(39,375)	(11,875)
Taser Assurance Program	(4,176)	(4,176)	-
Taser Cartridges	(2,000)	(2,181)	(181)
Radio Maintenance	(500)	-	500
Vehicle Fuel	(25,000)	(28,143)	(3,143)
Clothing	(5,000)	(6,738)	(1,738)
Safety Equipment	(9,000)	(12,004)	(3,004)
Ammunition	(7,000)	(6,533)	467
Footwear	(3,150)	(2,512)	638
Glasses	(3,330)	(613)	2,717
Dry Cleaning	(5,000)	(2,901)	2,099
Security Equipment	(1,000)	-	1,000
Office Supplies	(4,000)	(3,903)	97
Training Supplies	(1,000)	(1,070)	(70)
Juvenile Program	(500)	-	500
K-9	(3,500)	(1,742)	1,758
Investigational Materials	(4,000)	(8,790)	(4,790)
Lock-up Materials	(3,500)	(1,589)	1,911
COVID-19 Materials	-	(2,000)	(2,000)
Computer Equipment/Software	(3,500)	(5,595)	(2,095)
OVW Grant Transfer	-	(1,035)	(1,035)
Radios	-	(2,232)	(2,232)
Total Police Department	(2,000,842)	(2,045,365)	(44,523)

Dispatch Services:

Base Salary, inc Longevity & Holiday	(382,670)	(361,567)	21,103
Overtime 1st shift Embedded	(35,393)	(14,903)	20,490
Overtime 2nd shift Embedded	(25,281)	(17,118)	8,163
Overtime 3rd shift Embedded	(17,697)	(50,240)	(32,543)
Dispatcher O/T P/R	(8,989)	(15,587)	(6,598)
Dispatcher O/T P/R 2nd Shift	(6,742)	(4,309)	2,433
Dispatcher O/T P/R 3rd Shift	(3,933)	(2,155)	1,778
Dispatcher Training P/R	(2,247)	(66)	2,181
Dispatcher Training PT	(562)	-	562
Part-Time Dispatchers	(29,949)	(27,539)	2,410
Incentive Pay	(400)	-	400
FICA	(39,310)	(36,650)	2,660

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Training/Development	(1,000)	(454)	546
Travel/Meals	(1,000)	-	1,000
Telephone	(4,600)	(4,185)	415
Computer Access	(9,000)	(5,158)	3,842
Office Machine Maintenance	(1,000)	(4,599)	(3,599)
Radio Maintenance	(4,000)	(5,977)	(1,977)
Glasses	(1,110)	(301)	809
Tower Rental Fee	(2,100)	(2,087)	13
Office Supplies/Equipment	(2,000)	(1,242)	758
Dispatch Capital Transfer	(25,000)	(25,000)	-
Computers	(1,500)	(1,685)	(185)
Total Dispatch Services	(605,483)	(580,822)	24,661
Street Lighting:			
Electricity	(150,000)	(153,748)	(3,748)
Pedway/Keith Ave Lot Lighting	(1,600)	(1,568)	32
Total Street Lighting	(151,600)	(155,316)	(3,716)
Traffic Control:			
Traffic Light Electricity	(8,000)	(6,589)	1,411
Traffic Light Maintenance	(15,000)	(20,814)	(5,814)
Total Traffic Control	(23,000)	(27,403)	(4,403)
Aldrich Library:			
Aldrich Library	(234,600)	(234,600)	-
Total Library	(234,600)	(234,600)	-
Facilities:			
Personnel Services	(68,810)	(73,811)	(5,001)
FICA	(5,264)	(5,442)	(178)
Electricity - 135 N. Main St	(2,000)	(907)	1,093
Electricity - Pool	(2,500)	(6,990)	(4,490)
Water and Sewer	(10,000)	(10,739)	(739)
Fleet Maintenance	(1,500)	(1,371)	129
Field Maintenance	(5,000)	(6,310)	(1,310)
Pool and Building Maintenance	(5,000)	(8,184)	(3,184)
Fuel - 135 N. Main St	(2,634)	(3,942)	(1,308)
Vehicle Fuel	(2,837)	(4,572)	(1,735)
Clothing	(500)	(581)	(81)
Footwear	(200)	(349)	(149)
Glasses	(190)	-	190
Office Supplies	(500)	(180)	320
COVID-19 Materials	-	(270)	(270)
Computer Equipment and Software	(1,200)	-	1,200
Machinery and Equipment	(1,500)	(1,415)	85
Total Facilities	(109,635)	(125,063)	(15,428)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Auditorium:			
Personnel Services	(89,355)	(82,009)	7,346
Overtime	(500)	(1,683)	(1,183)
FICA	(6,874)	(6,220)	654
Electricity	(6,374)	(14,105)	(7,731)
Solar Project	(21,256)	(17,451)	3,805
Rubbish Removal	(7,000)	(5,084)	1,916
Telephone	(2,400)	(3,060)	(660)
Water and Sewer	(3,000)	(2,692)	308
IT	(3,900)	(4,407)	(507)
Building and Grounds Maintenance	(20,000)	(41,899)	(21,899)
Alumni Hall Maintenance	(5,000)	(7,607)	(2,607)
Fuel Oil	(19,800)	(25,338)	(5,538)
Propane	(3,710)	(4,852)	(1,142)
Clothing	(2,400)	(3,116)	(716)
Footwear	(400)	(357)	43
Glasses	(400)	-	400
Custodial Supplies	(4,000)	(4,232)	(232)
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	(2,000)	(2,794)	(794)
Total Auditorium	(198,369)	(226,906)	(28,537)

BOR:			
Personnel Services	(86,184)	(96,837)	(10,653)
Overtime	(2,000)	(4,813)	(2,813)
FICA	(6,746)	(7,595)	(849)
Electricity	(26,969)	(29,607)	(2,638)
Solar Project	(31,885)	(26,184)	5,701
Telephone	(750)	(675)	75
Water and Sewer	(13,800)	(13,658)	142
Building and Grounds Maintenance	(20,000)	(62,677)	(42,677)
Propane	(13,440)	(14,405)	(965)
Clothing	(2,000)	(2,990)	(990)
Footwear	(400)	(484)	(84)
Glasses	(400)	(384)	16
Custodial Supplies	(2,000)	(1,361)	639
Computers	(1,800)	(3,695)	(1,895)
Supplies and Equipment	(10,000)	(7,749)	2,251
Total BOR	(218,374)	(273,114)	(54,740)

Public Safety Building:			
Personnel Services	(23,005)	(31,511)	(8,506)
Overtime	(4,601)	(1,988)	2,613
FICA	(2,112)	(2,743)	(631)
Electricity	(19,470)	(17,739)	1,731
Solar Project	(23,073)	(16,530)	6,543
Rubbish Removal	(3,500)	(3,917)	(417)
Water and Sewer	(4,500)	(3,999)	501
Building and Grounds Maintenance	(25,000)	(50,381)	(25,381)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Fuel	(650)	(1,238)	(588)
Propane	(22,169)	(27,240)	(5,071)
Clothing	(500)	(680)	(180)
Footwear	(100)	(82)	18
Glasses	(95)	(103)	(8)
Custodial Supplies	(5,000)	(2,654)	2,346
Total Public Safety Building	(133,775)	(160,805)	(27,030)

Recreation:

Personnel Services	(71,000)	(72,976)	(1,976)
Skate Guard Personnel	(3,000)	(1,528)	1,472
Pool Personnel	(26,750)	(19,583)	7,167
FICA	(7,707)	(6,707)	1,000
Training and Development	(1,000)	(525)	475
Travel and Meals	(150)	(168)	(18)
Telephone	(1,000)	(700)	300
Dues and Membership Fees	(300)	(310)	(10)
Advertising and Printing	(250)	(728)	(478)
Pool Equipment	(1,000)	(80)	920
Tennis Court Equipment	(500)	(889)	(389)
Glasses	(190)	-	190
Office Supplies	(500)	(12)	488
Recreation Supplies	(2,000)	(1,328)	672
Recreation Programs	(2,500)	(695)	1,805
Computer Purchase	-	-	-
Total Recreation	(117,847)	(106,229)	11,618

Sanitary Landfill:

CVSWD Assessment	(8,900)	(8,528)	372
Total Sanitary Landfill	(8,900)	(8,528)	372

Engineering:

Personnel Services	(212,715)	(221,444)	(8,729)
Overtime	(4,000)	(19,319)	(15,319)
FICA	(16,579)	(17,625)	(1,046)
Training and Development	(1,500)	(4,977)	(3,477)
Travel and Meals	-	(335)	(335)
Telephone	(2,266)	(2,091)	175
Office Machine Maintenance	(500)	(299)	201
Engineering Equipment	(4,500)	-	4,500
Vehicle Maintenance	(2,500)	(1,647)	853
Radio Maintenance	(500)	(440)	60
Clothing	(500)	(387)	113
Safety Equipment	-	(39)	(39)
Footwear	(430)	(664)	(234)
Glasses	(565)	(565)	-
Office Supplies and Equipment	(1,500)	(1,176)	324
Computer Equipment/Software	(500)	(3,959)	(3,459)
Total Engineering	(248,555)	(274,967)	(26,412)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Permitting, Planning and Inspections:			
Personnel Services	(109,200)	(92,758)	16,442
Overtime	(1,000)	-	1,000
Contracted Services	(10,000)	-	10,000
FICA	(8,430)	(6,670)	1,760
Professional Services	(10,000)	-	10,000
Training and Development	(1,000)	(198)	802
Travel and Meals	(250)	-	250
Telephone	(1,260)	(1,131)	129
Dues and Membership Fees	(250)	(80)	170
Advertising and Printing	(2,000)	(793)	1,207
Glasses	(380)	-	380
Office Supplies	(1,500)	(637)	863
Computer Equipment/Software	(7,000)	(6,095)	905
Total Permitting, Planning and Inspections	(152,270)	(108,362)	43,908
Community Development:			
Barre Partnership	(66,300)	(66,300)	-
Barre Area Development	(51,744)	(51,744)	-
Main Street Maintenance	(1,000)	-	1,000
Total Community Development	(119,044)	(118,044)	1,000
Public Parks and Trees - Maintenance:			
Electricity	(900)	(771)	129
Tree Removal	(15,000)	(17,785)	(2,785)
Total Public Parks and Trees - Maintenance	(15,900)	(18,556)	(2,656)
Street Department - Public Works:			
Overtime	-	(69,056)	(69,056)
Personnel Services	(701,785)	(548,269)	153,516
FICA	(53,687)	(45,547)	8,140
Claims/Deductibles	(2,000)	(428)	1,572
Consultant Services	(5,000)	(833)	4,167
Storm Water Permit	(5,500)	(5,051)	449
Training and Development	(1,500)	(10,119)	(8,619)
Travel and Meals	(250)	-	250
Electricity	(10,000)	(9,382)	618
Rubbish Removal	(4,000)	(3,502)	498
Telephone	(4,700)	(1,806)	2,894
Equipment Rental - Snow	(5,000)	(9,951)	(4,951)
Equipment Rental - Streets	(7,500)	-	7,500
Advertising/Printing	(1,000)	(795)	205
Vehicle Damage	(2,000)	(1,000)	1,000
Plow Damage	(2,500)	(315)	2,185
Barricades - Lights	(500)	(145)	355
Culverts - Surface Sewer	(3,500)	-	3,500
Guardrails	(5,000)	(2,209)	2,791
Tiles and Grates - Surface Sewer	(10,000)	-	10,000

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Radio Maintenance	(1,000)	(441)	559
Building and Grounds Maintenance	(10,000)	(6,626)	3,374
Equipment Maintenance - Streets	(55,000)	(22,116)	32,884
Snow Equipment Maintenance	(20,000)	(17,660)	2,340
Truck Maintenance - Streets	(70,000)	(77,728)	(7,728)
Bridge Maintenance	(1,500)	-	1,500
Street Painting	(7,500)	(15,228)	(7,728)
Yard Waste	(2,200)	(2,318)	(118)
Roadside Mowing	(6,000)	-	6,000
Tire Disposal Event	(2,500)	(2,422)	78
Bulk Waste Removal Fees	(17,500)	(661)	16,839
Fuel Oil - Garage	(15,226)	(19,203)	(3,977)
Fuel Reimbursement	-	99,111	99,111
Vehicle Fuel	(56,327)	(131,110)	(74,783)
Bottled Gas	(250)	-	250
Vehicle Grease and Oil	(7,000)	(3,328)	3,672
Clothing	(12,000)	(13,076)	(1,076)
Safety Equipment	(3,000)	(2,050)	950
Physicals	(540)	-	540
Footwear	(2,720)	(1,392)	1,328
Glasses	(2,700)	(189)	2,511
Office Expense	(500)	(240)	260
Small Tools	(2,500)	(1,269)	1,231
Garage	(30,000)	(17,418)	12,582
Supplies SW	(5,000)	(17,208)	(12,208)
Supplies NSC	(3,000)	(11,543)	(8,543)
Supplies Surface Sewer	(7,500)	(19,748)	(12,248)
Supplies STS	(7,500)	(12,799)	(5,299)
Supplies Snow Removal	(6,000)	-	6,000
Asphalt SW	(2,000)	(1,584)	416
Bituminous Hot Mix - Streets	(12,500)	(11,351)	1,149
Bituminous Hot Mix - Surface Sewers	(2,500)	(691)	1,809
Chloride - SNO	(1,250)	-	1,250
Concrete - SW	(5,000)	(3,570)	1,430
Gravel - Sts	(500)	-	500
Kold Patch - STS - Streets	(8,500)	(6,595)	1,905
Salt - Sno	(180,000)	(112,494)	67,506
SNO - Snow (Streets) Sand	(6,000)	(1,588)	4,412
Street and Parking Signs	(4,000)	(14,272)	(10,272)
KA Parking Lot/SW Expense	-	(2)	(2)
Street Light Maintenance	(500)	-	500
Computer Equipment/Software	(1,250)	(1,833)	(583)
Total Street Department - Public Works	(1,404,385)	(1,159,050)	245,335
Cemetery:			
Personnel Services	(87,300)	(107,331)	(20,031)
Overtime	(750)	(2,132)	(1,382)
FICA	(6,736)	(8,374)	(1,638)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Training and Development	(150)	-	150
Travel and Meals	(100)	-	100
Telephone	(1,200)	(1,553)	(353)
Electricity	(600)	(603)	(3)
Veterans Flags	(2,100)	-	2,100
Car and Truck Maintenance	(1,200)	(1,429)	(229)
Hope Maintenance	(1,500)	(2,121)	(621)
Mausoleum Maintenance	(1,500)	-	1,500
Building and Grounds Maintenance - Elmwood	(2,500)	(1,577)	923
Contracted Services	(1,500)	(350)	1,150
Hope Grounds Maintenance	(5,000)	(6,445)	(1,445)
St. Monica Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	(2,000)	(2,763)	(763)
Grounds and Buildings	(1,750)	(1,145)	605
Equipment Maintenance	(2,000)	(4,094)	(2,094)
Fuel Oil - Office	(500)	(827)	(327)
Vehicle Fuel	(3,500)	(5,989)	(2,489)
Clothing	(850)	(1,214)	(364)
Equipment -Safety	(200)	-	200
Footwear	(200)	(460)	(260)
Glasses	(190)	-	190
Office Supplies/Equipment	(500)	(782)	(282)
Small Tools	(750)	(12)	738
Cemetery Trust	(5,500)	(5,421)	79
Foundations	(3,000)	(3,749)	(749)
Seeds/Trees/Shrubs/Bulbs	-	-	-
Machine/Equipment	(7,500)	(6,305)	1,195
Total Cemetery	(140,576)	(164,676)	(24,100)
Insurance:			
Health Insurance	(1,275,791)	(1,017,697)	258,094
Life Insurance	(57,281)	(41,571)	15,710
Dental Insurance	(36,705)	(31,873)	4,832
Consultant Services	-	-	-
Total Insurance	(1,369,777)	(1,091,141)	278,636
City Pension Plan:			
City Pension Plan	(425,871)	(499,187)	(73,316)
Consultant Services	(3,000)	(6,470)	(3,470)
Total City Pension Plan	(428,871)	(505,657)	(76,786)
Debt Service:			
Principal Payments	(699,526)	(624,808)	74,718
Interest Expense	(150,187)	(181,948)	(31,761)
Total Debt Service	(849,713)	(806,756)	42,957
General Insurance:			
Worker's Compensation	(581,221)	(495,163)	86,058
Property and Casualty	(203,300)	(208,135)	(4,835)

Account Description	FY 22 Budget	FY 22 Actual/Audited	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Unemployment Insurance	(25,000)	(18,505)	6,495
Total General Insurance	(809,521)	(721,803)	87,718
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Washington County Tax	(42,305)	(41,117)	1,188
Voter Approved Assistance	(149,601)	(149,601)	-
VC Public Safety Authority	-	-	-
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	(191,906)	(190,718)	1,188
Special Projects:			
Special Projects - FICA	(2,192)	(1,904)	288
Special Projects - Custodial	(6,649)	(4,606)	2,043
Special Projects - Fire	(7,000)	(6,095)	905
Special Projects - Police	(15,000)	(15,734)	(734)
Total Special Projects	(30,841)	(28,339)	2,502
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Granite Museum Parking Lot	(15,965)	(15,976)	(11)
Barre Energy Committee	(1,000)	(1,000)	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	(10,000)	(8,754)	1,246
BCJC Stipend	(7,000)	(7,000)	-
VT VYCC	(7,500)	(7,675)	(175)
COVID-19 Expenditures	(15,000)	-	15,000
Semprebon VCF Trust Projects	(50,000)	(62,609)	(12,609)
SoV COVID Vaccination Pay	-	(4,080)	(4,080)
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	(106,465)	(107,094)	(629)
Total Expenditures	(12,836,332)	(12,476,203)	360,129
Grand Total	-	649,638	649,638

PROPERTY LISTS FOR FY22
Fiscal Year 2021-2022

BUILDINGS & LANDS, by DEPARTMENT ADDRESS

CEMETERY & PARKS DEPARTMENT

Department office 201 Maple Ave.

CEMETERIES

Elmwood Cemetery Washington St.
Hope Cemetery Maple Ave.
St. Monica’s Cemetery Beckley St.

PARKS

City Hall Park, and Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Memorial... Washington St.
Currier Park Park St.
Dente Park & Italian-American Stonecutters Monument ... Maple Ave
Robert Burns Monument Academy St.
Canales Woods Pleasant St.

CITY HALL

Municipal Offices and Opera House 6 North Main St.

BARRE CIVIC CENTER

Alumni Hall 20 Auditorium Hill
BOR Shelter 25 Auditorium Hill
Municipal Auditorium 16 Auditorium Hill

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Fire Department 15 Fourth St.
Police Department 15 Fourth St.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Department office 20 Auditorium Hill

BARRE RECREATION AREA

Bike Path.....Fairview St.-Bridge St
..... Depot Square – Granite St.
..... Berlin St –Blackwell St.
Rotary Park Parkside Terrace off S Main St.
Basketball Courts, Picnic Shelters, Charlie’s Playground 2012
Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts

PLAYGROUNDS

Farwell St. Recreation Area	Farwell St.
Garfield Playground.....	Lincoln Ave.
Lincoln Recreation Field	Camp St.
Mathewson Playground	Wellington St.
Nativi Playground.....	River St.
North Barre Skating Rink.....	49 Treatment Plant Rd.
Tarquinio Recreation Field.....	Farwell St.
Vine St. Playground.....	Vine St.
Wobby Memorial Park	15 Fourth St.

SEWER DEPARTMENT	12 Burnham St.
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STREET DEPARTMENT	6 Burnham St.
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WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT	69 Treatment Plant Rd.
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WATER DEPARTMENT	4 Burnham St.
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WATER STORAGE TANKS

Bailey St. Storage Tank	190 Bailey St.
Pierce Rd. Storage Tank	23 Pierce Rd.

WATER FILTRATION PLANT	164 Reservoir Rd.
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Thurman W. Dix Reservoir Dam	Reservoir Rd.
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MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTIES

PARKING LOTS

Campbell Parking Lot.....	West St.
Keith Ave. Lot	Keith Ave.
Merchants Row Parking Lot.....	Merchants Row
Pearl St. Parking Lot.....	Summer St.
Rinker Parking Lot	Seminary St.
South Main St. Parking Lot.....	South Main St.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT PROPERTIES

Vacant Lot	16 Enterprise Aly
Vacant Lot	Elm St.
Property	22 Hill St
Sculpture Park.....	219 North Main St.
Wheelock Building.....	135 North Main St.
Gunner Brook Mitigation Project.....	Reid St and Harrington
City Cow Pasture	Maplewood Ave.
McFarland Springs	Jockey Hollow, S. Barre Rd.
Pecks Pond.....	VT Route 63

VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT LIST

Fiscal Year 2017-2022

Department	Year	Make	Model
BCS - CEMETERY	2016	Ram 3500	Dump/Plow
	2008	Carry-On	Utility Trailer
	2016	Kubota	Zero Turn Mower
	2016	Kubota	Zero Turn Mower
	2009	Toro	Z Master Pro Lawn Mower
	2016	John Deere	Gator
	2021	Simplicity	Simplicity Prestige Mower
	2021	Simplicity	Simplicity Prestige Mower
	2005	New Holland	Backhoe
	1999	Scagg	Walk Behind Mower
BCS - FACILITIES/RECREATION	2016	Ram 3500	Dump/Plow/Sander
	2009	Ford	F150 Truck
	2021	Ford	F250
	2000	Big Tex	16' Car Hauler
	1973	Zamboni	Ice Resurfacers
	2002	Zamboni	Ice Resurfacers
	2016	Kubota	Zero Turn Mower
	2004	Scagg	Zero Turn Mower
FIRE			
	2022	Chevrolet	Equinox
	2020	Dodge	2500 Tradesman
	2004	Pace	Cargo Trailer
	2006	Pace	Cargo Trailer
	2008	Ford F350	Ambulance A3
	2019	Ford F550	Ambulance A1
	2012	International	Ambulance A2
	2016	HME	Ladder Truck T-30
	2010	HME	Pumper E2
	2012	HME	Pumper E1
	1993	Sutphen	Pumper E3
	2022	Chevrolet	Malibu
	2018	Ford	Explorer (intercept)
POLICE			
	2015	Chevrolet	Equinox
	1986	General	Hummer
	1990	General	Hummer

	2015 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2016 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2017 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2018 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2018 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2020 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2021 Ford	Explorer (pursuit)
	2013 AEP	Speed Cart
	2021 SAM	Speed Cart
SEWER DEPARTMENT	2018 Camel	Vactor Truck
	2015 Dodge Ram	Prostar Van
	2003 C.H.&E	Sewer Pump
WASTE WATER TREATMENT	2004 Komatsu	Loader
	2002 International	Dump Truck
	2009 Chevrolet	Silverado
	1995 International	Dump Truck
STREET	2011 International	Dump Truck
	2007 International	Dump Truck
	2010 International	Dump Truck
	2010 International	Dump Truck
	2011 International	Dump Truck
	2011 International	Dump Truck
	2011 International	Dump Truck
	2017 International	Dump Truck
	2017 International	Dump Truck
	2019 International	Dump Truck
	2004 Ford	F250 Truck
	2020 International	CV515 Dump
	2021 International	HV507 Side Dump
	2012 Ford	F350 Dump Truck
	2010 Ford	F350 Dump Truck
	2016 Ford	F250 Truck
	2017 Nissan	Titan
	2010 Bobcat	Skidsteer
	2011 Bobcat	Skidsteer
	2015 Bobcat	Skidsteer
	2000 Volvo	EW 170 Excavator

2008	Komatsu	Loader
2012	John Deere	Loader
2019	John Deere	Loader
2009	Ingersoll Rand	Compressor
1973	SNO-GO	Snow Blower
1978	SNO-GO	Snow Blower
2014	Falcon	4 Ton Hot Box
2017	Johnston Freightliner	Street Sweeper
2001	SuperPac	2 Ton Roller
1980	Bryant	Sidewalk Sander
1980	Bryant	Sidewalk Sander
1980	Bryant	Sidewalk Sander
1980	Bryant	Sidewalk Sander
2000	Homemade	Equipment Trailer
2005	Homemade	Equipment Trailer
2020	Avant	Sidewalk plow
2018	Case	Double Drum Roller
2019	Genie	Lighting Trailer
2019	Genie	Lighting Trailer
2021	Grayco	Line Striper
2021	Grayco	Drive Cart

WATER

1986	Ingersoll Rand	Air Compressor
2016	Ford	F250 Truck
2020	Utility Trailer	
2013	Hyundai	Sonata
2022	Toyota	Tacoma

WATER TREATMENT

2001	International	Bucket Truck
2020	Case	590SN Backhoe (DPW)

SHARED

ANNUAL MEETING RESULTS

CITY OF BARRE

MARCH 1, 2022

***OFFICIAL RESULTS ***

At the Annual City and School District Meeting legally warned and holden in the several wards of the City of Barre, Vermont, on the first Tuesday of March 2022, various questions having been duly taken, sorted, counted and also tabulated, the following had the number of votes annexed to their names/items, respectively, for the several offices and items stated:

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
MAYOR				
Two-Year Term				
JAKE HEMMERICK	300	211	151	662
RICH MOREY	243	149	169	561
Write-ins	3	1	2	6
Overvotes	1	0	1	2
Undervotes	20	13	12	45
Totals	567	374	335	1276

CLERK & TREASURER

Two-Year Term				
CAROL DAWES	518	337	297	1152
Write-ins	1	0	2	3
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	48	37	36	121
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FIRST CONSTABLE

Two-Year Term				
SCOTT GAGNON	479	312	272	1063
Write-ins	1	1	0	2
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	87	61	63	211
Totals	567	374	335	1276

COUNCILOR

Two-Year Term				
SUE HIGBY	254	-----	-----	254 ward I
THOMAS LAUZON	301	-----	-----	301 ward I
MICHAEL BOUTIN	-----	283	-----	283 ward II
MICHAEL DEERING II	-----	-----	160	160 ward III
ERICKA REIL	-----	-----	145	145 I ward II
Write-ins	2	10	0	12
Overvotes	0	0	2	2
Undervotes	10	81	28	119
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article I - Shall the Barre City Voters authorize a General Fund Budget of \$13,194,159 of which an amount not to exceed \$9,579,274 is to be raised by local property taxes for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023?

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	323	233	200	756
No	225	129	132	486
Overvotes	1	0	0	1
Undervotes	18	12	3	33
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article II - Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the sum of \$391,500 for Street Reconstruction and Sidewalk Improvements, and the Capital Improvement Fund?

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	471	327	273	1071
No	85	43	61	189
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	11	4	1	16
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article III - Shall Chapter I, Section 104 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Chapter 1. Incorporation and General Provisions. (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	395	266	222	883
No	143	93	96	332
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	29	15	17	61
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article IV - Shall Chapter III, Section 307 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Chapter III. City Council (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	434	283	261	978
No	104	73	60	237
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	29	18	14	61
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article V - Shall Chapter IV, Section 407 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Sec. 407. City Officials (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	413	285	252	950
No	126	72	69	267
Overvotes	1	0	0	1
Undervotes	27	17	14	58
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article VI - Shall Chapter IV, Section 409 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Chapter IV. City Officials (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	482	318	278	1078
No	64	46	45	155
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	21	10	12	43
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article VII - Shall Chapter V, Section 501 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Chapter V. Departments and Boards (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	405	283	237	925
No	135	79	82	296
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	27	12	16	55
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article VIII - Shall Chapter VI, Section 605 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows: Chapter VI. Taxation (complete text appears on warning and ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	304	200	159	663
No	247	164	163	574
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	16	10	13	39
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article IX - Shall the Barre City voters authorize cannabis retailers and integrated licensees pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 863?

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	349	220	198	767
No	201	137	125	463
Overvotes	1	1	0	2
Undervotes	16	16	12	44
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Article X - Shall the Barre City Voters authorize the sum of \$149,601 to be allocated to the following social service agencies and organizations as indicated?

Barre Area Senior Center	\$ 7,500
Barre Heritage Festival	\$ 5,000
Capstone Community Action	\$ 3,000
Central Vermont Adult Basic Education	\$ 7,700
Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$ 15,000
Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice	\$ 28,000
Circle	\$ 2,000
Community Harvest of Central Vermont	\$ 1,500
Downstreet Housing and Community Dev.	\$ 5,000
Family Center of Washington Co.	\$ 3,500
Good Beginnings of Central VT	\$ 1,000
Good Samaritan Haven	\$ 1,500
Green Mountain Transit	\$ 38,401
Mosaic Vermont	\$ 2,500
OUR House of Central VT	\$ 500
Peoples Health and Wellness Clinic	\$ 3,000
Retired Senior and Volunteer Program	\$ 3,000
VT Assoc. for the Blind & Visually Impaired	\$ 1,000
VT Center for Independent Living	\$ 3,000
Washington Co. Diversion Program	\$ 2,500
Washington Co. Mental Health	\$ 10,000
Washington Co. Youth Service Bureau	\$ 5,000

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	446	306	246	998
No	109	63	84	256
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	12	5	5	22
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Central Vermont Public Safety Authority Meeting FOR AT LARGE
BOARD MEMBER (vote for not more than one) Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
KIMBERLY B. CHENEY	377	250	231	858
Write-ins	5	1	0	6
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	185	123	104	412
Totals	567	374	335	1276

ARTICLE I - Shall the voters of the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority (CVPSA) appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (\$15,900 from Barre City and \$14,100 from the City of Montpelier) for A Central Vermont Public Safety Authority Operating Budget and Phase II Part 1 of Telecommunications Improvement & Acquisition Plan which CVPSA will oversee for the budget fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023?

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	361	257	213	831
No	146	86	91	323
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	60	31	31	122
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Barre Unified Union School District FOR MODERATOR (vote for not more than one) One-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
THOMAS F. "TOM" KOCH	451	289	262	1002
Write-ins	1	0	0	1
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	115	85	73	273
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FOR CLERK (vote for not more than one) One-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
TINA LUNT	444	281	256	981
Write-ins	1	0	0	1
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	122	93	79	294
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FOR TREASURER (vote for not more than one) One-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
CAROL DAWES	486	310	286	1082
Write-ins	0	0	0	0
Overvotes	1	1	0	2
Undervotes	80	63	49	192
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FOR SCHOOL BOARD (vote for not more than one) Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
SONYA SPAULDING	339	240	197	776
WILLIAM TOBORG	178	89	107	374
Write-ins	1	0	1	2
Overvotes	3	3	0	6
Undervotes	46	42	30	118
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FOR SCHOOL BOARD (vote for not more than one) Two Years remaining on Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
GIULIANO CECCHINELLI II	319	195	166	680
JOHN F. LYONS, JR	188	121	119	428
Write-ins	0	0	0	0
Overvotes	1	2	2	5
Undervotes	59	56	48	163
Totals	567	374	335	1276

FOR SCHOOL BOARD AT-LARGE (vote for not more than one) Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
GINA AKLEY	241	129	128	498
NANCY LECLERC	255	182	150	587
Write-ins	0	1	0	1
Overvotes	1	0	2	3
Undervotes	70	62	55	187
Totals	567	374	335	1276

ARTICLE V - Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District approve compensation to be paid to the officers of the district as follows? (amounts on the ballot)

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	408	281	243	932
No	141	79	85	305
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	18	14	7	39
Totals	567	374	335	1276

ARTICLE VI - Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District authorize the District to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the State Education Fund by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from the date provided?

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	411	269	241	921
No	130	85	80	295
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	26	20	14	60
Totals	567	374	335	1276

ARTICLE VII - Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$53,254,319, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,252 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.99% higher than spending for the current year.

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	308	207	178	693
No	245	154	150	549
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	14	13	7	34
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	400	266	230	896
No	150	94	98	342
Overvotes	1	0	0	1
Undervotes	16	14	7	37
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	418	276	243	937
No	120	81	77	278
Overvotes	0	0	3	3
Undervotes	29	17	12	58
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Voted Item	Ward I	Ward II	Ward III	Totals
Yes	390	260	228	878
No	145	98	96	339
Overvotes	1	0	0	1
Undervotes	31	16	11	58
Totals	567	374	335	1276

Date _____

CITY OF BARRE

MARCH 1, 2022

*****OFFICIAL RESULTS *****

**SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARDS MEETING RESULTS -
CREATION OF
CENTRAL VERMONT CAREER CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT**

At the Special Election of the following School Districts legally warned and holden in the member Vermont municipalities, on the first Tuesday of March 2022, various questions having been duly taken, sorted, counted and also tabulated, the following had the number of votes annexed to their names/items, respectively, for the several offices and items stated:

School Districts and Member Municipalities

Barre U. U. School District	Montpelier - Roxbury School District
Barre City	Montpelier
Barre Town	Roxbury
Cabot School District	Washington Central U. U. School District
Cabot	Berlin
Harwood U. U. School District	Calais
Duxbury	East Montpelier
Fayston	Middlesex
Moretown	Worcester
Waitsfield	Twinfield U. U. School District
Warren	Marshfield
Waterbury	Plainfield

Article I-Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District vote to establish the Central Vermont Career Center School District as described in the Governance Planning Committee Report approved by the State Board of Education on December 15, 2021?

Voted Item	Tabulator #1	Tabulator #2	Totals
Yes	3231	4262	7493
No	750	938	1688
Overvotes	0	0	0
Undervotes	329	325	654
Totals	4310	5525	9835

BUUSD At-Large CVCC Director (vote for not more than one) Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Tabulator #1	Tabulator #2	Totals
J. GUY ISABELLE	2698	3844	6542
Write-ins			40
Overvotes			10
Undervotes			3243
Totals			9835

Harwood At-Large CVCC Director (vote for not more than one) Three-Year Term

Voted Item	Tabulator #1	Tabulator #2	Totals
JIM HALAVONICH	2668	3543	6211
Write-ins			56
Overvotes			4
Undervotes			3564
Totals			9835

Montpelier - Roxbury CVCC Director (vote for not more than one) One-Year Term

Voted Item	Tabulator #1	Tabulator #2	Totals
Write-ins: LYMAN CASTLE			170
Write-ins: OTHER			242
Overvotes			0
Undervotes			9423
Totals			9835

WCUUSD At-Large CVCC Director (vote for not more than one) Two-Year Term

Voted Item	Tabulator #1	Tabulator #2	Totals
Write-ins			299
Overvotes			0
Undervotes			9536
Totals			9835

At the Polling Places of this municipality, the foregoing persons/items received the number of votes indicated on this page of this Official Return of Votes.

Carolyn S. Dawes, Presiding Officer /S/
Other Election Official /S/

March 8, 2022

Date

Chapter 3 -- ANIMALS AND FOWL
(chapter revised 4/26/16, 11/24/20, 12/21/21)

#2021-06

The City Council of the City of Barre, Vermont will hold a second reading and public hearing on Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at 7:15 P.M. in the City Council Chambers to discuss the following revision to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 3 – Animals and Fowl, as follows:

The City Council of the City of Barre hereby ordains that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Barre, Vermont is hereby amended by revising Chapter 3 – Animals and Fowl, to read as follows:

Note: **Bold/Underline indicates additions**

[brackets/Strikeout indicates deletions]

ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Secs. 3-1 – 3-5.

ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS. Sec. 3-6.

ARTICLE III. ADMINISTRATION, APPEALS & ENFORCEMENT. Secs. 3-7 - 3-[14] 10.

ARTICLE IV. OWNERS/KEEPERS RESPONSIBILITIES. Secs. 3-[15] 11 – 3-[40] 21.

ARTICLE V. ANIMAL QUARANTINE AND IMPOUND. Secs. 3-[40] 22 – 3-[42] 23.

ARTICLE VI. ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE. Sec. 3-[43] 24.

ARTICLE VII. EXEMPTIONS. Sec. 3-[44] 25

ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 3-1. Authority.

The city council has enacted this ordinance under the authority granted to the city through its Vermont Statutes Annotated, 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59, **authority under 24 V.S.A. § 2291(10) and authority under 20 V.S.A. § 3549.**

Sec. 3-2. Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect, preserve and promote the health, safety, and welfare of all citizens of the city through establishment of an enforceable ordinance regarding animals maintained and/or visiting within the city limits. Additionally, this ordinance establishes a complaint/reporting process that is equitable to ~~[both the]~~ **all** parties ~~[and the animal owner alike].~~

Sec. 3-3. Severability.

If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

Sec. 3-4. Effective Date of Ordinance.

Amendments to this ordinance shall be effective twenty (20) calendar days after the adoption (by majority vote of the city council) and shall remain in effect until repealed or amended in accordance with the city charter (sec. 107 and 108).

Sec. 3-5. Designation of Effect

This ordinance shall constitute a civil ordinance within the meaning of 24 V.S.A., Chapter 59.

ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS**Sec. 3-6. Definitions.**

For the purposes of this chapter definitions of the terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall be as defined in chapter 1, section 1-2 of the code of ordinances, the City of Barre, Vermont. Otherwise, the following listed words shall have the meanings indicated:

ANIMAL means every living being, not human or plant.

ANIMAL HOSPITAL means an establishment conducted by a licensed veterinarian, for the care, or care and boarding of animals.

ANIMAL YARD means every enclosure, **kennel**, shed or structure used to confine, keep and/or house animals, domestic quadrupeds, **poultry**, or wild animals[~~and also a kennel~~].

AT LARGE means off the premises of the owner or keeper, or the premises of another person who has been given permission for the animal to be at-large, or outside of a designated dog park, and not under the control of the owner, a member of their immediate family or the keeper, either by leash, collar, or chain.

CAT means both male and female of the genus felis.

DOG means both male and female of the genus canis. Dog can also mean any animal which is considered to be a wolf-hybrid as defined by state law.

DOG PARK means a location established by the City Council for dogs to exercise and play off-leash in a controlled environment under the supervision of their owners.

DOMESTIC QUADRUPED means animals used for labor, transportation or riding including but not limited to cows, goats, horses, pigs, sheep and rabbits. Domestic Quadrupeds are not dogs or cats.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER when used herein shall mean any health officer, code enforcement officer, animal control officer, pound keeper or other individual specifically designated by the City Council to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

INDIGENOUS ANIMALS means wild animals that are native to Vermont.

KEEPER means any person, other than the owner, that has the possession and control of an animal. Persons who are involved in programs such as Trap, Neuter & Return (TNR) shall not be considered keepers.

KENNEL means an enclosure or structure, other than a building used as a human residence, or an animal hospital or pet shop, used to confine two (2) or more dogs or cats.

OWNER means any person or persons, firm, association or corporation owning, keeping or harboring an animal. Persons involved in programs such as Trap, Neuter & Return (TNR) shall not be considered owners.

PET SHOP means an establishment for selling dogs, cats, birds, fish, hamsters or other small animals for profit.

POULTRY means domesticated ~~[birds used as a source of food, either eggs or meat, for sport or for their feathers]~~ **fowl, such as chickens, turkeys, ducks, and geese.**

POULTRY ENCLOSURE means every enclosure, shed or structure used to confine, keep and/or house poultry.

STATE OR STATE LAW shall mean Vermont.

VICIOUS ANIMAL shall mean any animal which attacks or bites a person or other domestic pet while the animal is off the premises of the owner or keeper, and the person or pet attacked or bitten requires medical attention. Vicious animal complaints shall be investigated pursuant to Sec. 3-~~43~~**24**(b).

WILD ANIMAL means an animal which is not, by custom in the state devoted to the service of human beings, excluding birds, fish, guinea pigs, hamsters, small amphibians, turtles and earthworms. An exotic wild animal is a wild animal not indigenous to the state. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 1.1.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 1983-1, 1-13-83, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

ARTICLE III. ADMINISTRATION, APPEALS & ENFORCEMENT

Sec. 3-7. Duties and Powers

a. The city manager shall appoint the chief inspector who shall hereby be authorized and directed to administer and enforce the provisions of this ordinance. The chief inspector shall have the authority to render interpretations of the ordinance. Such interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent of this ordinance.

b. The chief inspector may delegate this authority to any enforcement officer.

c. The city manager shall make all necessary and appropriate arrangements for the impounding of animals; this may be done by utilizing outside resources that would be contracted by the city for the containment of animals (such as private kennels and animal hospitals) and shall, if necessary, appoint a pound-keeper. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

d. As a condition of owning or keeping an animal within city limits the individual agrees that the enforcement officer may with the owner's consent or when otherwise authorized by law enter upon the premises, for the purpose of inspecting the premises to determine compliance with the provisions of this article.

Sec. 3-8. Enforcement Process, Appeals and Penalties

a. Complaint Initiation

1. A person must complete the paper or electronic complaint form.
2. Forms must be signed and dated in order to investigate the complaint.
 - i. ~~[Contact information must be provided which shall be kept confidential.]~~
 - ii. Complaint form must be returned to City Hall or the Public Safety Building for review physically or electronically.
 - iii. Handwriting must be legible.
3. Complaints will be investigated within 5 business days of receipt by the enforcement officer.
4. Frivolous complaints shall be a violation of this ordinance. A frivolous complaint shall be one in which there is no basis for the complaint outlined within this ordinance and this is known to the complainant at the time of submission of the complaint.

b. Written Notice of Violation

1. Where a violation of this ordinance exists, the enforcement officer shall issue written documentation notifying the party responsible of the existence of the violation(s). The written notification shall include the following:
 - i. Summary of violation.
 - ii. Specific Ordinance and or State Statute violated.
 - iii. Actions taken by the enforcement officer. This may include seizure of the animal or animals.
 - iv. Specific actions needed to remedy the violation, which

may include any accumulated fines or fees.

- v. Time frame allowed for remediation.
- vi. Actions to be taken by enforcement officer if not remediated. This may include seizure of the animal or animals.
- vii. Appeals process language in this ordinance.

c. Appeals

1. An individual may appeal the enforcement officer's decision in writing to the chief inspector within 5 business days of receiving the notice of violation. Once received the chief inspector will provide a written determination within 5 business days.
2. The aggrieved party may further appeal to the Animal Control Committee within 5 business days of receiving the chief inspector's determination.
3. Additional appeals would be made to the Vermont Superior Court Civil Division. Pursuant to 20 V.S.A. 3550(i).
4. The appeals process will not prevent the enforcement officer from completing the required actions set forth in this ordinance or those required by state statute or the Vermont Health Code.

d. Penalties

1. An enforcement officer may issue, or direct to have issued, a Municipal Complaint and pursue enforcement before the Judicial Bureau in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. §1974 and §1977 with penalties as prescribed below:
 - i. A first offense in any twelve month period shall be punishable by a fine of \$150.00. The waiver fee shall be \$100.00.
 - ii. second offense in any twelve month period shall be punishable by a fine of \$250.00. The waiver fee shall be \$200.00.
 - iii. Third and subsequent offenses in any twelve month period shall be punishable by a fine of \$500.00. The waiver fee shall be \$300.00. An enforcement officer may also issue and order to revoke the license or permit to the Chief inspector, which is subject to Sec. 3-9. Appeals. of this chapter.
2. An enforcement officer may notify the City Attorney of the violation, who can take action in Superior Court seeking injunctive relief with penalties as prescribed by law.
3. Each day that a violation continues after the initial notice shall constitute a separate offense.

This ordinance does not stop certified law enforcement officers from issuing civil and criminal citations in accordance with state law.

Sec. 3-9. License—Required for dogs.

All dogs and wolf-hybrids shall be licensed in accordance with 20 V.S.A § 3581.

Sec. 3-10. Exhibitions or parades; permit required; fee imposed; investigation thereof.

Exhibitions or parades of animals which are *ferae naturae* (wild) in the eyes of the law may be conducted only upon securing a permit from the city clerk. Forms for all licenses and permits and applications therefore shall be prepared by the city clerk. Before a permit is granted, the police department shall investigate to determine whether such exhibition or parade will be conducted so that there is no risk of harm to any person or property. Once the permit is approved by the police department, it shall be considered for approval by the city clerk. The fee for the permit shall be designated by the city council and upon adoption of the rates the council shall publish in the local newspaper the rate change thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the rate change. The permit shall expire at the end of the exhibition or parade, or one month after issuance, whichever time is the earlier. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 2.1.03, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2005-1, 8/18/05, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

ARTICLE IV. OWNERS/KEEPERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Sec. 3-11. Ownership; termination.

A person who is the owner of an animal shall be deemed to continue to be its owner until they have sold or donated their right, title and interest in such animal to another person, or, in case of an indigenous wild animal, until the animal has escaped and has returned to its natural state. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 1.1.02, 6-12-73)

Sec. 3-12, Keeper; termination.

A person who is the keeper of an animal shall be deemed to continue to be its keeper until he/she has returned such animal to the custody and control of its owner, and in the case of an indigenous wild animal, until it has been returned to the custody and control of the owner or has escaped and returned to its natural state. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 1.1.02, 6-12-73)

Sec. 3-13. Animal bites.

It shall be the duty of every person bitten, or parent or guardian to report to the city health officer within twenty-four (24) hours the

name, address and telephone number of the owner or keeper of the animal which bit the person and the complete circumstances. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

Sec. 3-14. Exposure to public prohibited if infected with contagious disease.

An owner or keeper of an animal affected with a contagious or infectious disease shall not expose such animal in a public place whereby the health of other animals is affected, nor harbor an animal under quarantine, pursuant to section 3-22 of this chapter, in or on any part of any premises open to public visitors. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 3.2.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

Sec. 3-15. Nuisance animals.

No owner, keeper or other person having control shall permit an animal to be a nuisance animal. For the purposes of this section, nuisance animal means any animal or animals which:

- (1) Molests or harasses passersby or passing vehicles, or otherwise creates a public safety hazard;
- (2) Attacks other animals;
- (3) Damages property other than that of its owner;
- (4) Defecates off the premises of the animal's owner, and the owner, or other individual in control of the animal, fails to remove such deposit immediately;
- (5) Barks, whines, howls, cries, or makes a noise commonly made by such animals in an excessive and continuous fashion so as to disturb the peace and quiet of any other person. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)
- (6) Causes persistent odors perceptible at the property boundaries that are not temporary in nature.
- (7) **The property owner shall take all necessary action to reduce the attraction of predators and rodents and the potential infestation of insects and parasites that may result in unhealthy conditions to human habitation.**
- (8) **If an animal dies, it must be disposed of promptly and in a sanitary manner.**

Sec. 3-16. Running at large, use of sidewalks and streets, etc.; regulations.

(a) It shall be unlawful to permit any owned animal or indigenous wild animals to run at large in the city except for cats. Any such animal found running at large may be impounded.

(b) It shall be unlawful at any time to permit any domestic quadruped, exotic wild animals or indigenous wild animals to use a sidewalk within the city, or to lead any such animal thereon, or to ride any such animal thereon, except to enter or leave a street or other public highway.

(c) Between sunset and sunrise it shall be unlawful to keep, lead, drive or ride any domestic quadrupeds in the streets or public highways of the city, unless such animal is in a properly lighted vehicle, or is so illuminated as to be visible at a distance of not less than one hundred (100) feet, or is lawfully upon a sidewalk, or crossing a street or public highway by the shortest possible route, or is off the traveled portion of the street or highway.

(d) No domestic quadrupeds, poultry, exotic wild animal or indigenous wild animal shall be permitted in any public park or cemetery in the city without permission of the council. It shall be unlawful to keep or allow to remain any such animal in any such park or cemetery without such permit. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 3.3.01, 6-12-73)

(e) No animal shall be permitted in any part of a city owned cemetery within a 20 foot radius of a gravestone, monument, or marker without the permission of the Council. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

(f) Exceptions: Dogs may be off leash in a dog park and in the cow pasture in accordance with the rules set forth by the dog park and cow pasture committees.

Sec. 3-17. Collars on dogs and collars or microchips for cats required; rabies tag to be worn.

All dogs and cats kept and harbored within the city shall wear a collar or harness when off the premises of the owner. All dogs and cats traveling through or visiting within the city shall wear a collar or harness at all times while in public areas. The collar or harness shall have firmly attached thereto the name and address of its owner, its current rabies tag, and a current license tag. If a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) microchip containing owner information has been implanted it is not necessary for the dog [or cat] to wear an attached name plate. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 3.2.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

~~Sec. 3-18. Animal yards; prohibited in certain areas; waiver; duty of operator.~~

~~(a) It shall be unlawful to maintain within the city, any animal yard within thirty (30) feet of any building used for residential purposes by anyone other than the person maintaining the animal yard, members of the household, or an adjoining property owner who has waived the~~

provisions of this section with respect to their residence. Such waiver shall be in writing and filed with the health officer. Provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to a kennel, pet shop or animal hospital, which is located in the commercial zone or industrial zone of the zoning ordinances of the city, or which, on the effective date of this ordinance, lawfully exists in a residential zone.

(b) It shall be the duty of every person maintaining an animal yard to keep the same clean and sanitary and free from all refuse. Refuse from such yards shall be collected daily and kept in airtight containers until disposed of by burying, removed to a disposal area outside the premises, or applied as a fertilizer or mulch. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 3.1.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

(c) Animal yards shall not apply to poultry. For requirements on poultry enclosures see Sec. 3-25(d).]

{Sec. 3-19. Cruelty to animals.

A person that commits the crime of cruelty to animals as outlined in 13 V.S.A., Chapter 8 Sec. 352 shall be considered in violation of this ordinance. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)]

Sec. 3-[20] 18. Poultry.

(a) Number **and types** of poultry allowed: The maximum number of poultry allowed is fifteen (15) and shall be based on providing three (3) square feet of space in the [enclosure] **coop (maximum 45 sq ft)** and four (4) square feet of fenced area per bird, regardless of how many dwelling units are on the lot. **Only female chickens are allowed.** A [variance] **waiver** may be requested in writing to the Health Officer, who will take into consideration any complaints from abutters and may bring any [variance] **waiver** for consideration before the animal control **committee.** **Adjoining property owners shall be notified and maintain appeal rights to the animal control committee.**

{(b) Only female chickens are allowed. Poultry species are limited to chickens, turkeys and quail.}

([e] **b) Commercial Restrictions.** [The sale of poultry eggs/the breeding of poultry]:

- 1) {Prior to the sale of poultry eggs the owner must register his/her home as a home business occupancy with the city planning and permitting office.} See Unified Development Ordinance, section 3204, Home Business (p. 115) for sale of any product. {Persons that engage in the sale of eggs shall follow all applicable state health and food handling laws.} No persons shall engage in poultry breeding, or fertilizer production

~~for commercial purposes. The sale of eggs shall follow all applicable state health and food handling laws.~~

- ~~2) [No person shall engage in poultry breeding or fertilizer production for commercial purposes.]~~
- (d) ~~[Poultry enclosures shall meet the following requirements:~~
 - ~~1) Poultry must have access to an enclosure or poultry tractor, or be kept in a fenced area (poultry pen) at all times during daylight hours. Enclosures must be clean, dry and odor-free, kept in a neat and sanitary condition at all times, and in a manner that will not disturb the use and enjoyment of neighboring lots due to noise, odor or other adverse impact.]~~
 - ~~2) [Poultry shall be secured within an enclosure during non-daylight hours. The structure shall be enclosed on all sides and shall have a roof and doors. Access doors must be able to be shut and locked at night. Opening windows and vents must be covered with predator and bird proof wire of less than one (1) inch openings. The use of waste board, or other waste materials is prohibited. The henhouse must be well maintained.]~~
 - ~~3) [All poultry enclosures such as henhouses, shed enclosures, and poultry tractors, shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet from any and all property lines. They must also be a minimum of thirty (30) feet from an occupied dwelling other than the owner's occupied dwelling.]~~
 - ~~a. [In the case where the lot is a rental property, the applicant must also obtain signature from the lot owner acknowledging what is being requested:~~
 - ~~b. In the case of a multiple unit structure (apartments) the poultry enclosure must be a minimum of thirty (30) feet from the entire occupied structure, even if the owner resides in the multiple unit (apartment) structure.]~~
 - ~~4) [Poultry enclosures shall not exceed forty-five (45) square feet in size.]~~
- (e) ~~[Odor and noise impacts. Odors from poultry, poultry manure, or other poultry related substances shall not be perceptible at the property boundaries. Perceptible noise from poultry shall not be loud enough at the property boundaries to disturb persons or reasonable sensitivity.]~~
- (f) ~~[Predators, rodents, insects, and parasites. The property owner, and/or poultry owner shall take all necessary action to reduce the attraction of predators and rodents and the potential infestation of insects and parasites that may result in unhealthy conditions to human~~

habitation.}]

(g) [~~Feed and water. Poultry must be provided with access to feed and clean water at all times; such feeds and water shall be unavailable to rodents, wild birds and predators.~~

1) Ponds—/swimming areas provided for poultry shall be prohibited.}]

(h) [~~Waste storage and removal. Provision must be made for the storage and removal of poultry manure. All stored manure shall be covered by a fully enclosed container or compost bin. No more than one (1) thirty (30) gallon container of manure shall be stored on any one property housing poultry. All other manure shall be removed. Ground composting of poultry manure shall not be allowed (i.e. placing manure on the ground and mixing with hay or wood chips).~~]

(i) [~~If a poultry dies, it must be disposed of promptly in a sanitary manner.~~]

Sec. 3-[48] 19. Animal yards; prohibited in certain areas; waiver; duty of operator.

(a) It shall be unlawful to maintain within the city, any animal yard **less than ten (10) feet from any and all property lines, and less than [within] thirty (30) feet [of] from** any building used for residential purposes by anyone other than the person maintaining the animal yard, members of the household, or an adjoining property owner who has waived the provisions of this section with respect to their residence. Such waiver shall be in writing and filed with the health officer. Provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to a **licensed commercial** kennel, pet shop or animal hospital, which is located in the commercial zone or industrial zone of the zoning ordinances of the city, or which, on the effective date of this ordinance, lawfully exists in a residential zone.

(b) In the case where the lot is a rental property, the applicant must also obtain signature from the lot owner acknowledging what is being requested. In the case of a multiple unit structure (apartments) the enclosure must be a minimum of thirty (30) feet from the entire occupied structure, even if the owner resides in the multiple unit (apartment) structure.

([b] **c**) It shall be the duty of every person maintaining an animal yard to keep the same clean and sanitary and free from all refuse. Refuse from such yards shall be [~~collected daily and~~] **composted or kept in the equivalent of one(1) thirty (30) gallon** airtight container until disposed of by burying, removed to a disposal area outside the

premises, or applied as a fertilizer or mulch. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 3.1.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

~~[(c) Animal yards shall not apply to poultry. For requirements on poultry enclosures see Sec. 3-25(d).]~~

Sec. 3-[24] 20. Reptiles transported off the owners property.

No person shall remove a reptile from its home or owners property unless the animal is transported in an animal travel container or similar storage container that ensures the animal does not escape and that the reptile shall not endanger the general public.

Sec. 3-21. Reserved.

ARTICLE V. ANIMAL QUARANTINE AND IMPOUND

Sec. 3-22. Quarantine.

(a) Whenever an animal of a species, subject to rabies, bites a person, the city's enforcement officer shall be notified within 24 hours of the bite occurring. If on investigation the enforcement officer finds that the animal did bite a person, the enforcement officer shall order the animal to be quarantined for a period of ten (10) days, unless such animal develops active signs of rabies within that time, in which case the animal shall be killed under direction of the health officer. Quarantine shall be as follows:

- 1) In-home quarantine requirements – the **Health Officer's** decision to allow the animal to remain quarantined by the owner will be dependent on the following:
 - a) The animal has an active rabies vaccination that has not expired (with confirmation from a qualified veterinarian practice).
 - b) The animal's past history.
 - c) The animal owner's ability to meet quarantine requirements and the cooperation shown by the animal's owner.
- 2) If the enforcement officer feels that the quarantine requirements shall not be complied with, or the animal does not have a valid rabies vaccination, the enforcement officer shall have the animal placed with an approved keeper for the length of the quarantine. All costs associated with placing the animal in quarantine with a third party shall be the responsibility of the animal owner/keeper.

(a) At the end of ten (10) days, the animal shall continue to be quarantined until it has been examined by a veterinarian and certified

free from rabies[.], has been brought up to date on all required vaccinations, and has been registered with the city.

(b) Animals ordered to be quarantined under this section shall be confined in an animal hospital, professional kennel, or in a locked enclosure approved by the health officer as being so constructed and maintained that the animal cannot escape. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Sec. 4.2.01, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

Sec 3-23. Impoundment.

(a) Authority to impound per 20 V.S.A. Section 3806 or court order. The enforcement officer may, in lieu of boarding and when in the public interest and consistent with the public safety, allow an impounded dog to remain confined in the custody of its owner on the owner's recognizance that the animal shall remain confined to the owner's property, follow the terms of impoundment set by the enforcement officer and shall not be in violation of any provision of this chapter. Confinement in lieu of boarding shall continue until such time as the violation or condition authorizing impoundment has been abated.

(b) Impoundment fees. Any owner or keeper of an animal impounded under the provisions of this chapter shall be responsible for all impoundment fees which shall be paid in full before released.

(c) Boarding fee. In addition to the impoundment fee charged herein the owner of the animal shall be responsible for all fees associated with the boarding of the animal while impounded.

(d) All board fees and impound fees shall be paid in full to the appropriate party before releasing the animal is allowed.

(e) Unlicensed animals to be licensed before release. If an impounded animal requiring a license is unlicensed, in addition to the impounding and boarding fees set forth herein, the animal shall not be released without the payment of the license fee required by Sec. 3-9, except that if the impounded animal has not had its proper vaccinations.

(f) Disposition of unredeemed animals. If any impounded animal with a current and effective license established by proof of an animal license tag or other means, is not redeemed within (7) days of its impoundment, it shall be sold or given away. If any impounded animal without a current and effective license established by proof of a license tag, is not redeemed within (5) days of its impoundment, it shall be sold or given away. Any proceeds from the sale of any impounded animal shall first be allocated to taxes, fees and other charges related to the impoundment. Any balance then remaining shall be paid to the owner if any is found. If proceeds from the sale of the unredeemed animal do not cover the costs associated with the impoundment, the balance

of sums owed under this chapter may be collected in a civil action brought under this section. The impoundment period may be waived by the pound keeper in case of a severely injured animal whose owner cannot be located or is unwilling to claim the animal.

(g) Interference with impoundment. Any person who interferes with the impounding of an animal under provisions of this article, or who releases, or attempts to release an impounded animal contrary to this article shall be in violation of this chapter.

(h) Notice of impoundment. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the impoundment of any animal under this chapter, the enforcement officer shall make every reasonable attempt to notify the owner of the impounded animal of such impoundment. Such notice shall include either personal contact with the owner or a written notice posted at the dwelling house of the owner. (Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

State law references: Notice by impounder, 20 V.S.A. § 3413.

ARTICLE VI. ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Sec. 3-24. Animal control committee.

(a) Animal control committee established. For purposes of this section, an animal control committee is established. The animal control committee shall consist of not less than three (3) members to be appointed on an as needed basis by the City Council. The animal control committee shall hold appeals hearings for animal and fowl ordinance violations.

b. Powers of the Animal Control Committee

1. Request to impound or quarantine an animal
2. Require medical care for animals, including but not limited to spaying, neutering, or vaccinations
3. Stipulate a financial responsibility and the terms thereof. This includes but is not limited to legal fees, staffing time, services rendered and collections fees
4. Order to seize an animal to be terminated, given away, or sold.
5. Require education and or training for the animal or keeper/owner
6. Require inspections
7. Request additional information and legal or professional opinions
8. Ban an animal from the city limits

9. Rule on [variance] waiver requests.

c. Hearings and Convening of the Animal Control Committee –
Hearings for dog bites must occur within 7 days of the dog bite

(per State Statute: 20 V. S. A. § 3546 (b)).

1. Hearing and meetings must be warned 3 days prior.
2. Minutes must be recorded
3. Robert's Rules of Order to be used
4. Meeting Agenda to be provided and should be similar as follows
 - i. Call to order
 - ii. Testimony from enforcement officer; verbal summary and written details and provide a recommendation for action
 - iii. Testimony of aggrieved party
 - iv. Additional testimony from attendants
 - v. Closing statements from the aggrieved party and the enforcement officer
 - vi. ~~[Executive session for deliberation]~~ **Go into Deliberative Session**
 - vii. Reading of determination and action to be done if any
5. Any action must be provided in writing to the aggrieved party before acted on

ARTICLE VII. EXEMPTIONS.**Sec. 3-25. Exemptions.**

- a. A person operating a farm of ten (10) or more **contiguous** acres [~~wholly in the city or in part within the city and contiguous to the part without the city~~] **as one property**, [~~as to animals kept on such farm, or the use of such farm for keeping animals,~~] shall be exempt from the provisions of this ordinance.
- b. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to a person while showing or exhibiting an animal in the municipal auditorium, or while transporting an animal for such purposes to and from the auditorium, or to an animal while so shown, exhibited, or transported or in a parade. As to such animals, auditorium regulations shall apply.
- c. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to a public officer or employee or to a common carrier, while carrying out a duty imposed by law, or while an animal is in transit under control of a common carrier, or while an animal is being transported through the city under control of the person so transporting.
- d. Any dog used to assist law enforcement officers in the City of Barre shall be exempt from the provisions of this ordinance.
- e. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to indigenous wild animals, except when such animals are owned by a person. (Ord. No. 1966-3, Secs. 1.2.01--1.2.05, 6-12-73, Ord. No. 2010-01, 7-6-10)

ADOPTION HISTORY

- First Reading at regular City Council meeting held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021.
- Second Reading and Public Hearing set by Council for Tuesday, December 21, 2021.
- Summary of proposed language printed in Times Argus newspaper on Saturday, December 18, 2021.
- Second Reading and Public Hearing held on Tuesday, December 21, 2021. Adopted at regular City Council meeting held on December 21, 2021, and entered in the minutes of that meeting which are approved on January 4, 2022.
- Posted in public places on December 22, 2021.
- Notice of adoption published in the Times Argus newspaper on December 28, 2021.
- Effective January 11, 2022.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 2021.

Carolyn S. Dawes
City Clerk/Treasurer

BARRE CITY HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE

2022 Annual Report

The Barre City Homelessness Committee has been working diligently this past year on many different projects as the seasons and needs have changed for the unhoused population of Barre City. Our primary focus has been to bring public attention that is growing to the crisis in Barre.

With some of the people that have been on the committee have left we have gained new members. But the drive is still there to open new members and new ideas to help those in need in Barre.

This year we have secured the library as a warming shelter and hopefully will continue for following years. We also had members go to other meetings such as the BIG meetings (Barre Interfaith Meetings), Montpelier Homelessness Task Force, Vermont Interfaith Homelessness Task Force, Vermont Homeless Days of Action, Speak at the Barre Platform of Homelessness and Transportation Meetings.

At our meetings we have had members of Capstone Community Action, Street Medics, Good Samaritan Haven, Salvation Army and Another Way speak and give updates to our committee.

We have been able to update the community meal guide, give updates to each other around housing, people living on the streets, people living in hotels, trends in the community, resources and what kind of outreach activities we could align ourselves with.

We meet every first Wednesday of the month in the Public Safety Building

Our current make is:

Ericka Reil- Chair

Stephen Finner- Vice Chair

Brooke Peuliot

Chip Castle

Phillip Moros- Security

Loron Polk

CIVIC CENTER COMMITTEE REPORT

We are fortunate to have the Civic Center in Barre City. This group of three building serves Barre City and the greater community, and brings us all closer together. Whether it's the cheers from the spectators watching a hockey game, basketball game, or Figure Skating show, the procession of towns people coming into vote, or a group of people gathering for a special event, the pride in our city and commitment to the community is always evident.

The Barre City Civic Center consists of Alumni Hall, the BOR, and the Auditorium. Alumni Hall hosts group meeting, lectures, educational workshops, youth camps, and much more in several different rooms capable of servicing small or large groups of up to 100 people. The BOR holds our local Ice Rink and is awash in activities. It serves as the home rink for the Spaulding Boys and Girls Ice Hockey Teams, the Vermont Black Bears, the Barre Figure Skating Club, Public skating, and adult leagues, and can be rented by the hour for birthday parties or group skates. The Auditorium is always busy and has the historic basketball court, a main stage, a commercial kitchen, and additional meeting space. It hosts municipal voting, the state basketball championships, recreational basketball leagues, trade shows, craft shows, company parties, training sessions, Red Cross blood drives, Vermont Food Bank distributions, emergency shelter, and much more.

At the Civic Center Committee, we are honored to serve in an advisory role to Barre's City Manager and City Council on matters concerning the Complex. We help assess the facilities, make recommendations for facility maintenance and repairs, help maintain current (and attract new) renters, and assist with financial decisions.

We are currently focused on the condition of the buildings and are excited about two opportunities. First, we are grateful to be working with students and professors at Norwich University after they chose the Auditorium to be the focus of a Senior project. Professor Kelly, Professor Atwood, and Assistant Professor Forcier are leading a team of bright and energetic students that will inspect and analyze the building. The Engineering and Architectural teams will work together to provide detailed drawings and recommendations to improve the facility. Their hard work and creative thinking are much appreciated. We are also grateful to have had \$3.4 million included in the 2023 Senate Appropriations bill, and will be working on the heating and ventilation systems, electrical upgrades, ADA compliancy, and other project.

We are excited for all the good things that are happening at the Civic Center, and are fortunate to be part of a great team. Thanks to Nicolas Storrellicastro, Jeff Bergeron, Jim McWilliam, Stephanie Quaranta, all of the great sponsoring local businesses, clubs, and organizations, the Barre City Staff that help with the facilities, and the members of the Civic Center Committee.

Submitted by Charlie Atwood, Chair, Civic Center Committee

Members of the Civic Center Committee, 2023:

Charlie Atwood, Chair
Sue Higby, Vice Chair
Arthur Dessureau
Rick Dente
Brent Gagne
Jon Valsangiacomo
Paula Dolan
Burnie Allen



COW PASTURE COMMITTEE

2022 Annual Report

The Cow Pasture Stewardship Committee was established in 2013 to guide management of the Barre City Cow Pasture property. The all-volunteer Committee operates under administrative oversight of the City of Barre.

The ‘Cow Pasture’ is a 67-acre municipally owned property zoned by the City of Barre as a Conservation District. The property has an extensive network of trails through open meadows and woodland. In addition to the trails on city-owned property, the Cow Pasture trails lead to privately owned undeveloped space, giving the impression that the city-owned space is larger than it actually is. The primary access to the city-owned trail system and trailhead parking are located at the end of Maplewood Avenue.

The Committee’s primary focus in fiscal year 2021-2022 (July 2021 through June 2022) was implementing the management goals and objectives outlined in the Management Plan for the Barre City Cow Pasture (Brodsky Emily; March 4, 2017). The Barre City Council approved the plan in 2017. The document articulates the management goals and objectives in terms of:

- Property’s Usage Policies
- Management of Trails and Infrastructure
- Non-Native Invasive Species Management
- Sustainable Forest Management
- Water Resources Management
- Public Outreach, Education and Volunteer Activities
- Community Resources and Partnership Opportunities
- Future Acquisition Opportunities/Adjacent Lands
- Committee Member Roles
- City of Barre Roles and Responsibilities
- Procedures

Appendices to the management plan include detailed maps of trails, non-native species locations, forest stands, water resources, and management priorities. The plan is available on the Barre City website: <https://www.barrecity.org/cow-pasture-stewardship-committee>

Policies & Procedures Established by the Committee:

Cow Pasture Stewardship Committee Member Recruitment and Expectations

Canine Code of Conduct & Incident Report Form

Communication Agreement & Mission Statement
(read prior to each meeting)

Committee Activities Between July 2021 - June 2022 Included:

- State of Vermont Enhancement of Recreational Stewardship and Access (ERSA) Trail Grant: The Committee obtained Council approval to apply for an ERSA Grant on behalf of the city. The Grant did not require matching funds. The grant was extremely competitive with 98 applications submitted. In June of 2022 the city was awarded one of only 12 ERSA Grants. The grant request of \$50,600 was fully funded. So far, the grant has not been officially issued. The Committee is waiting to receive the grant agreement to proceed with the work.

Committee members were actively involved in applying for the grant: members attended state-sponsored grant application training sessions and worked closely with Janet Shatney (PPA Director and City Grants Administrator). Janet supported the application and presented the application to City Council for approval to apply; Janet also submitted required letters, forms and the grant application. Committee members wrote a letter of interest and provided information including: a project narrative, work plan, and budget; letters of support from community members and the Committee; and obtained the required ANR Project Review Sheet. One of the goals of the grant was to acquire an abutting property owned by the Ford family. Committee members communicated with the Fords and established a verbal agreement to hold the property for future acquisition. The landowner has been kept informed on the status of the ERSA Grant.

The ERSA Grant will provide funds for the purchase of land to permanently protect and conserve the property's only trailhead parking lot and a popular paper street used by pedestrians to access the City Cow Pasture property. Additionally, a pedestrian bridge will be constructed over the stream to provide a safe crossing as part of developing approximately one mile of new trail. This trail will provide walkers with an alternate route to the VAST connector trail. A Trail Assessment of the Cow Pasture property will be completed and will

provide recommendations for wayfinding signs, trail improvements, and alternate routes. The Project budget also dedicates funds for the installation of these wayfinding signs and kiosk trail map updates. Funds are earmarked for a replacement gate that will allow equipment and emergency vehicle access from RT 14. The Committee will have funds to purchase trail maintenance tools to support volunteer efforts.

- **Training:** The Committee requested and received training from the Barre City Diversity & Equity Committee with a focus on the Barre City Equity Assessment Tool.
- **Educational Outreach:** The Committee has maintained signage on the Cow Pasture kiosk and property, and continued messaging on the Committee's web page, social media, and Front Porch Forum. Outreach included: Dog Policy reminders, safety recommendations related to possible hunting activity on adjoining Barre Town properties, property maintenance activities, and temporary trail closures. The Committee also met with SnoBees—the local VAST chapter—representatives to discuss concerns over the shared trail and requested speed limit signs and posting of sensitive areas, such as on the sliding hill and at blind spots. The Committee also responded to citizen complaints and concerns.
- **Social Media and Front Porch Forum:** A Committee member continues to manage the Cow Pasture's social media channels. We have 680 followers on Facebook. The Committee posts educational outreach messaging mentioned above.
- **Land Conservation:** Land conservation priorities will be advanced through the pending ERSA grant.
- **Council Presentation and Actions:** The Committee presented to the City Council on the past year activities (2-16-2021) and requested Council approval to apply for the ERSA Grant. The Committee also reviewed and commented on the City of Barre Strategic Plan FY2021-FY2025 and completed the Barre City Board and Committee Strategic Planning Form.
- **Property Management:** The Committee coordinated with the City Manager, the Public Works Director, the City Engineer, the Central Vermont Career Center, Enough Ministries, and several 'Friends' of the Committee (see Community Volunteer Engagement below). The

Public Works Director and City Engineer have also committed in-kind labor to support the ERSA Grant. Management activities include:

Brush Hogging: The Committee requested that the Cow Pasture property be included in the RFP for City contracted brush-hogging work. Approximately 16 acres is being managed as an open meadow. The management plan recommends brush-hogging every 2-3 years after the month of August. The area was brush-hogged in the Fall of 2018 as part of the City contract and was scheduled to be brush hogged in the Fall of 2021. The Committee decided to postpone until the Fall of 2022 with the hope that the RT 14 access route would be open for equipment access to the meadow.

Annual Kiosk Inspection: Support posts are inspected by the Committee to ensure they are structurally sound as per the advice of the manufacturer.

Downed Tree & Limb Removal: ‘Friends’ of the Committee have removed downed trees and limbs that have fallen across trails.

Green-Up Day: Committee members continue to participate in Green-up Day (see Green-up Day). City work crews assist by removing trash consolidated at accessible points.

Fenced Enclosure: The Committee continues to coordinate and establish a time for City staff to remove a dilapidated fence enclosure. The Committee discovered that the site was used to dispose of sludge from the wastewater treatment plant.

- **VAST Connector Trail:** The Committee coordinated with the local VAST snowmobile Club (SnoBees), to obtain a signed 2021-2022 agreement for the grooming, tree trimming, management, and use of the VAST connector trail that passes through the property. The Committee provides specific terms and conditions to be included as an attachment to the VAST Landowner Permission Form presented to the City Council for approval. The Committee also requested Club emergency contact information and shared City/Committee contact information. The Committee also responded to pedestrian concerns regarding the shared trail.
- **Green-up Day:** For the 6th consecutive year, several Committee members and two community members participated in Green-up Day.

Invasive species: Thousands of small burning bush plants as well as several mature shrubs were removed from the western side of the property.

Trail Work: Participants removed a large fallen tree from the main trail and cleared other trails of debris. Water-bars were reset, extended and added to areas in need.

Encampment and trash clean-up: Debris from two abandoned encampments on the western side of the property was removed along with trash from the woods surrounding the encampments.

- **Community Volunteer Engagement:**

Central Vermont Career Center: Partnered with Stephanie Olson to establish a project for her Exploratory Class. Stephanie developed a curriculum focused on a Project in the Cow Pasture. Her class pulled large invasive buckthorn shrubs prior to them going to seed and explored the property to identify other potential property management project sites. The partnership will continue into the future with plans for another class project in the spring of 2023.

Enough Ministries: The Committee supported a request from Enough Ministries to engage a youth group in a community service project. Approximately 40 youth and 6 adults assisted in the removal of thousands of invasive euonymus shrubs (burning bush) in an area across from Hope Cemetery.

Friends of the Cow Pasture: The Committee continued to send messages of appreciation to City residents that volunteer to mow designated paths and the Maplewood Avenue entrance, assist with downed tree removal from trails, clean bluebird boxes, and assist with other property management tasks.

**Note: Due to an abundance of caution concerning COVID19 several Community Events normally hosted by the Committee that include Nature Walks and a Winter-Fest were not scheduled.*

Committee Members (July 2021 – June 2022): Chris Russo-Fraysier (Chair), Timothy Rapczynski (Co-Chair), Fab Pattison, Carl Hilton VanOsdall, Jim Deshler and Janette Shaffer.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

2022 Report

This report is for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. The Development Review Board (DRB) for the City of Barre, VT consists of nine members from the community, two from each of the three City Wards, and three at-large members, meaning these three members can be from any Ward. They meet to hear Subdivision, Site Plan, Conditional Use, Variance, Waiver, curb cut request and Permit Administrator appeals, among other items. The DRB has a regular standing meeting on the first Thursday of every month, unless there are no applications to be heard or a date change to a special meeting is needed.

The board met a total of three times this fiscal year for four applications. Hearing requests included a façade change to a building along N. Main Street; a sign variance request; fencing around a dog daycare; and approval for the work next to the Aubuchon's store on S. Main Street. Our members as of the end of the fiscal year were:

<u>Ward 1</u>	<u>Ward 2</u>	<u>Ward 3</u>	<u>At-Large</u>
Linda Shambo, Chair	Denise Ferarri	James Hart, III	Jessica Egerton
Jeffrey Tuper-Giles, Vice-Chair	David Hough	Katrina Pelkey	Michael Hellein
			Ulysse "Pete" Fournier

At the beginning of the fiscal year, elections took place for Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. Both Linda and Jeffrey were re-elected, and the Secretary is served by staff.

Richard Deep resigned from his seat on the Board as a Ward 2 representative at the August 5, 2021 to take effect after the September 2, 2021 hearing, leaving his Ward II seat Vacant. Richard had been a member in good standing for 38 years. Richard's knowledge of the city and his years of experience brought a grounding to the Board.

Ulysse "Pete" Fournier rejoined the Board as an at-large member December 7, 2021 with a seat-switch from Mr. Deep's resignation. At the end of the fiscal year, Denise Ferrari and James Hart, III resigned from their seats in mid-May 2022 effective at the end of the fiscal year. Jessica Egerton was reappointed for another 4-year term as one of our at-large members.

The Permit Administrator typically staffs the DRB, and with that staff vacancy, back up staff is the Department Director Janet Shatney.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Shambo, DRB Chair

PLANNING COMMISSION

2022 Annual Report

The City of Barre Planning Commission is a seven-member board charged with developing and planning future regulations and guideline with assistance from the City Planning Director. The Planning Commission had standing meetings scheduled for the second Thursdays of each month. All meetings are open to the public. For updates and more information, visit <https://www.barrecity.org/planning-commission/>.

Housing

The Planning Commission worked on a whitepaper relating to housing in the City. It focused on provisions relating to housing in the City Plan and how ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds might be leveraged to provide more housing in Barre. That whitepaper was finalized in August 2021, and presented to Council on September 28, 2021.

Other Items Discussed During the Year:

- Window Signage
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning – a municipal planning grant was applied for to create a plan for the City, but was not funded
- Diversity & Equity Committee presented their Assessment Tool
- Housing Density
- CVRPC met and performed their Municipal Plan Check-in
- Temporary signage
- Accessory Dwelling Units
- Cannabis

Meetings and Commission Membership

The Planning Commission held twelve meetings via the hybrid method with both in-person and online attendance options. Meetings were changed to once per month starting in December.

Over the year, the Planning Commission welcomed and said goodbye to several long-serving members. Rachel Rudi resigned in August 2021, after serving 3 years on the Commission and Jackie Calder resigned at the end of the fiscal year, after having served ten and a half years. She was originally appointed on December 8, 2011. Jim McWilliam and Thom Lauzon also resigned after serving for brief periods of time.

In March 2022, the Commission welcomed new members Becky Wigg, Joe Reil, and Rosemary Averill.

The Commission began the year with David Sichel as Chair, Jackie Calder as Vice Chair, and Michael Hellein as Secretary. At the end of FY22, serving officers were Michael Hellein as Chair, Amanda Kay Gustin as Vice Chair, and Joe Reil as Secretary.

Barre City Planning Commission Members at the end of FY22:

Dave Sichel, Chair

Jackie Calder, Vice Chair

Michael Hellein, Secretary

Amanda Gustin

Joe Reil

Rosemary Averill

Becky Wigg

Staff Liaison: Janet Shatney, Planning Director

POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Police Advisory Committee was created to facilitate transparency and provide civilian advice to the Barre City Police Department, Manager and Council. The five member committee meets on the second Monday of each month at the Public Safety Building. Meetings are hybrid and are open to the public.

2022 was a busy year for the committee as they worked with Chief Vail to review and approve more than 25 policies and procedures. The committee expects to be just as busy in 2023 as we continue to update Barre City Police policies and procedures.

Members

Bob Nelson, Chair

Steve England, Vice Chair

Kristin Tousignant, Secretary

Abby Blum

Sandy Rousse

Staff Liaison: Chief Braedon Vail

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Nelson, *Chair*

BARRE CITY ENERGY COMMITTEE

2022 Annual Report

This Committee's mission is to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy, reduce energy costs to Barre City municipal operations and its residents, and benefit the environment. It meets the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30pm in the City Council Chambers or through virtual meetings.

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 through to June 30, 2022, the Barre City Energy Committee, like all other City committees, continued to adapt to the challenges of the COVID-19 Pandemic in procedures and communication, as well as membership.

A small but mighty committee of 3, the committee persevered and finished with the community engagement consultant, EcoStrategies, LLC and finalized a Roadmap of work and engagement for the future.

The committee held 7 regular meetings and 5 special/work session meetings to finish the work of the energy engagement strategies for the future.

Other 2022 BCEC activities included:

- Landord initiatives from the Council charge last year;
- Worked with GMTA's MyRide folks to try to get a transportation pilot project here in the City.

In April 2022, the three remaining members of the Committee resigned from their volunteer duties on the Committee. Elaine Wang and Phil Cecchini were on the committee as founding members when it was known as BEAR (Barre Energy Awareness Resource) in 2012. Elaine has since taken a post as the Winooski City Manager, leaving the Barre Area, and Phil is very busy as the Weatherization Business Manager for EnergySmart VT at Capstone Community Action Council. Our remaining member, Conor resigned as he moved out of the area and wants to pursue energy initiatives in his new town. BCEC became dormant after this without any volunteers.

Barre City Energy Committee Members

Elaine Wang, Chair

Phil Cecchini

Conor Teal (Vice Chair)

Staff Liaison: Janet Shatney, Planning Director and Barre City Energy Coordinator

Technical Advisor/Community Engagement Manager: Brad Long, Efficiency Vermont

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY/BOARD OF ABATEMENT 2022 Annual Report

The Board of Civil Authority and Board of Abatement are nearly identical in makeup, but have different statutory duties.

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

The Board of Civil Authority (BCA) is made up of all elected Justices of the Peace, the Mayor and all City Councilors, and the Clerk/Treasurer. The BCA's duties include:

- Oversight of elections.
- Maintenance of voter checklists.
- Property tax assessment appeal hearings.
- Reapportionment of legislative districts and wards following decennial census.

During FY22 the BCA continued to observe enhanced COVID-related safety measures during the 2022 annual town meeting election, including access to hand sanitizer, single-use writing utensils, plexiglass barriers, and frequent cleaning of commonly used surfaces.

During FY22 the BCA conducted the following activities:

- September 2021 – Semi-annual review of the voter checklist to identify those to be mailed a challenge letter, asking them to confirm they still live in Barre City and confirm they want to remain on the checklist. There were 1,337 letters sent.
- There were no property tax assessment appeal hearings during the fiscal year.
- October 2021 – reviewed reapportionment plans from VT Reapportionment Board. Drafted letter of support for the proposed plan that would maintain Barre City's two-member district.
- March 1, 2022 annual town meeting election at the Auditorium.

BOARD OF ABATEMENT

The Board of Abatement (BOA) is made up of all the same people in the BCA plus the City Assessor, who, by City charter, is a non-voting member of the Board. The BOA's primary duty is to hold abatement hearings to hear requests for abatement of taxes, water, sewer, late penalties, and/or interest charges. The Board's decisions are based on a specific set of criteria set out in state statute.

After holding no hearings in FY21, the BOA held hearings in late July 2021, and again in June 2022.

Sincerely,

Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk and Treasurer

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2022 Annual Report

At the outset of Fiscal Year 2022, the committee adopted a new resolution process for citizen concerns, available on the committee's page on the Barre City website. This process was created in response to the lack of action and accountability our prior process had demonstrated, where public input and committee discussion had no clear outcome or resulting action items.

In keeping with the results of public surveys from the Planning Commission and City Council, resident concerns have been predominantly focused on reducing vehicle speed and increasing safety from vehicles.

While the backlog of resident transportation concerns, raised to the Department of Public Works and via SeeClickFix, has been growing, FY2022 saw only one project (a proposed crosswalk across Allen Street at Prospect Street) begin the process. However, a revised design was never created and no action has been taken to address the resident concern. At the end of FY2022, the committee awaited this design, along with two other promised designs in response to resident concerns.

In this fiscal year, we saw the construction of safety improvements to the intersection of Hill Street and Perry Street. This project followed the committee's process effectively and the outcome seems strongly positive. However, public input to a subsequent meeting of the committee left no doubt that these design changes were not sufficient to create a safe and pleasant environment on Perry Street.

Curb extensions were constructed on Ayers Street to improve safety around Spaulding High School. The committee approved and the city installed four digital speed signs inbound at the city's gateways. These collect vehicle speed data, and they are intended to inform the Department of Public Works and this committee about what interventions may be appropriate, but the data has proved consistently difficult to obtain.

A 20-year-old design for a state highway project will soon add a left turn lane from Route 14 onto Merchant Street at Hope Cemetery. The Barre City Municipal Plan states "Non-local traffic from Route 14 onto Merchant Street should be discouraged". VTrans provided an updated model that shows "a left turn lane is not warranted here based on capacity". VTrans public crash data shows only four accidents near this location in the past 10 years, none of which caused injury. The committee passed a motion to inform City Council of these facts and ask

that they request VTrans to consider a design revision that did not include a left turn lane. The Director of Public Works strongly objected that nonetheless safety was the reason to retain a turning lane, and City Council voted against requesting a new design.

The committee's adherence to Open Meeting Law has improved significantly from last year, with all agendas and minutes posted as appropriate. As was the case with many aspects of municipal government, the end of our fiscal year was impacted by the sudden and tragic death of Jody Norway, the city's Executive Assistant who kept many things running smoothly. She is greatly missed.



COMMUNITY HARVEST OF CENTRAL VERMONT (CHCV)

2022 Annual Report

Community Harvest of Central Vermont (CHCV), founded in 2014, brings the community together through gleaning. We recover surplus food produced from 55 Central Vermont farms and growers and utilize this recovered food to feed those in our community who have limited access to healthy, fresh local food, and in the process educate the community about the local food system, healthy eating, and waste reduction.

The produce CHCV recovers is donated to 36 organizations throughout Washington County such as food shelves and senior meal programs that collectively serve 16,800 individuals with limited access to healthy nutritious food. These recipient partners serve people of all ages, from families and young children, to single adults to our community elders.

In particular in Barre City, CHCV donates to and partners with Capstone Community Action, the Salvation Army, and City Hotel Cafe/the Galley Senior Meals on Wheels program. In addition, CHCV partners with other sites such as the Family Center of Washington County and Good Samaritan Haven which provide services to Barre City residents. Last year CHCV donated 105,834 servings of produce to Barre City sites. The funding that CHCV receives from Barre City helped us to continue to serve the above-mentioned sites and provide them with even more nutritious food.

This is the fourth year CHCV has requested and received funding from Barre City although individuals in the City have been benefiting from our work for the last nine years. When the pandemic hit and food insecurity increased in our communities in 2020, we expanded our work so that we could also support pandemic-specific food security programs and doubled our food donations. We continued this expanded work into '21 and '22, while public health and economic challenges persisted. 2021 marked the second year in a row that CHCV donated more than 138,000 pounds of food that would otherwise have gone to waste. We are continuing to operate at this new expanded level as public health and economic stresses continue.

We look forward to continuing to serve even more Central Vermonters and those in Barre City as we work to expand the amount of food we can glean and donate each season.

On behalf of CHCV, and especially on behalf of our recipient partners that serve Barre City, thank you for your support of our work to provide all in the community access to healthy fresh local food.

For more information or to become involved with CHCV please visit our website or contact Allison Levin the Executive Director any time.

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THE BARRE PARTNERSHIP

2022 Annual Report

The Barre Partnership is a non-profit membership organization that works in both private and public sectors in our efforts to develop and coordinate strategies “to stimulate and sustain economic development in Barre’s historic downtown, ensuring a vibrant community that is the social, cultural and economic hub of the greater Barre area.” The Barre Partnership is a Designated Downtown Organization of the Vermont Downtown Program and provides downtown Barre building owners, lessees and the City of Barre with a variety of benefits including eligibility for historic, façade improvement and code improvement tax credits, qualifications for grant funding for projects in the district, and more. Since 2011, property owners have been able to access over \$1 million in tax credits which have leveraged over \$7 million in private development.

The end of fiscal year, June 30 2022, was a great year as the community began to recover from the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Partnership presented the 7th Annual Granite City 5K Run/Walk for Veterans in November, 2021, where the Barre Partnership, in collaboration with the Sons of the American Legion Squadron #10 and Barre Elks Lodge #1535, helped raise over \$22,000 for the Veteran’s Place.

The Barre Farmer’s Market had its third and biggest season yet in the Pearl Street Ped-Way! Some weeks we had over 20 vendors and sooo many shoppers. Food Truck Thursdays with Concerts in Currier Park Series had another hugely successful and popular year.

The Partnership was hard at work in early 2022 putting together plans for the Barre Heritage Festival coming back in July, 2022, after a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19. New events and features were planned for the largest annual event in the City.

We depend on a core group of volunteers for our Board of Directors, committee teams and events and rely on one staff member to engage downtown stakeholders in helping to develop and deliver meaningful growth and impact within budget constraints. We look forward to working with the City of Barre and engaging Barre stakeholders in all that we do to further the mission of the Partnership.

Sincerely,

Tracie A. Lewis
Executive Director



PEOPLES HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC

2022 Annual Report

People's Health & Wellness Clinic (PHWC) has been providing free health care to uninsured and underinsured Central Vermont residents since 1994. Our services include primary medical care, dental hygiene, mental health services and bodywork (acupuncture and massage). In addition, we also assist with Medicaid/VT Health Connect/YOU FIRST enrollment, tobacco cessation, and referrals.

If approved, funds from Barre residents will help to support the operations of PHWC and the services described above. Contributions to our general fund cover the cost of essential equipment, supplies, pharmaceuticals, and the staffing that allow PHWC to continue to serve the healthcare needs of Barre residents and the wider Central Vermont community.

In 2022, PHWC cared for 408 unduplicated patients, 159 of whom were new to the clinic. Patients visited the clinic (in person and via telemedicine) for 545 medical visits, 285 dental visits, 499 mental health visits. 73 patients received assistance in enrolling in Medicaid, another health insurance plan, and financial assistance programs. Patients came from 62 cities and towns in the region.

Even though PHWC serves all Vermont residents, most of our patients reside in the city of Barre. PHWC provided 155 Barre City residents with healthcare services in 2022 for a total of 728 different interactions, including visits with a doctor, consults, referrals, and application assistance.

This also included 115 visits with a primary care physician and 76 visits with a dental hygienist. Of these patients served, 99 were below 100% of the federal poverty level and 42 were from households making less than 200% of FPL (approximately less than \$28,000 a year for a single person). Additionally, six of our volunteers live in Barre City.

The patients, volunteers, and staff members of PHWC are grateful to the voters of Barre for their many years of support and are pleased to be able to provide free and accessible healthcare to our Central Vermont community.

Daniel Barlow (he/him/his)

Executive Director

People's Health & Wellness Clinic

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BARRE AREA SENIOR CENTER

2022 Annual Report

- Barre City Voter Approved Donation for 2021-2022: \$7500.00
- Total Budget for 2021-2022: \$156,000.00
- Website Address: www.barreseniors.org
- Telephone Number for Services: 802-479-9512
- Physical Address: 131 South Main Street #4 Barre, VT 05641
- Written Report/Job Title by: Cathy Hartshorn, Interim Director

Barre Area Senior Center (BASC) suffered a setback on two fronts this past year: the pandemic and the untimely passing of our Executive Director, Jeannie Bone. Adhering to safety protocol, BASC was closed for prolonged periods of time during the past year. However, BASC kept in contact with its members using social media, direct contact via phone, updating them on safety procedures, procuring masks for members, and continued weekly takeout weekly lunches. The COVID setbacks included a drop in membership due to our closures and diminished programming. BASC currently serves 271 members, 92 from Barre City.

Our mission is to provide access to programs and resources that help older adults live independently and remain active. Programs have ranged from arts & crafts, dance, fitness, trips, health & social services and nutrition, and others. A sampling of the day trips taken in our senior center van included Tunbridge Fair, Echo Leahy Center, Joseph Smith Holiday Lights, and others.

We have a volunteer base that allows each of them to share their expertise in different areas of need. We thank our volunteers and participants for their dedication in making these programs successful. BASC is looking forward to the next year with hope and excitement to grow our membership, making new community connections, increase programming, trips and wellness activities. BASC relies on donations, fundraisers, voter-approved funding, grants and monetary gifts for its operating costs. Currently BASC is open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday through Friday and later hours when needed to accommodate programs and events.

Our community partners include Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice, Rehab Gym in Barre, AARP, COVE and CVCOA. Community collaboration allows BASC to share knowledge and resources that benefit participants of BASC.

BASC wishes to thank Barre City voters for the generous support you have given us throughout the year. Without your support we would not be able to offer the programs and events to our members and the Barre community.



CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

~~~*Local Partnerships in Learning*~~~

### 2022 Annual Report

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Barre City residents for fifty-six years.

CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16 - 90+) in:

- Basic skills programs: reading, writing, math, computer and financial literacy
- English Language Learning and preparation for U.S. citizenship
- High school diploma and GED credential programs
- Academic skill readiness for work, career training and/or college

Barre City is served by our learning center in Barre City. The site has welcoming learning rooms with computers, laptops and internet access to support instruction. CVABE staff and volunteers also teach students at the library or other local sites as needed.

**CVABE provided education services to 59 Barre City residents last year. Further, seven Barre City residents volunteered with CVABE.** Teachers instruct students one-to-one and/or in small groups. Each student has a personalized education plan to address his/her learning goals. These goals might include: getting or improving a job, earning a high school credential, helping one's children with homework, budgeting and paying bills, reading important information, obtaining a driving license, preparing for college, gaining citizenship, and more.

***Children of parents with low literacy skills have a 72% chance of being at the lowest reading levels themselves, and 70% of adult welfare recipients have low literacy levels. By helping to end the cycle of poverty, your support changes the lives of Barre City residents for generations to come.***

CVABE provided services to 380 people in the overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. It currently costs CVABE \$4,435 per student to provide a full year of instruction. Nearly all students are low income. Over 70 volunteers work with CVABE's professional staff to meet the large need for these services while keeping overhead low.

We deeply appreciate Barre City's voter-approved past support. This year, your level support is again critical to CVABE's free, local education services. Only a portion of CVABE's budget is comprised of state and federal support. Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, to ensure we can help the neighbors who need education for a better life.

For more information regarding CVABE's adult education and literacy instruction for students, or volunteer opportunities, contact:

**Barre Learning Center**  
46 Washington Street – Suite 100  
Barre, Vermont 05641  
**(802) 476-4588**



## **CAPSTONE COMMUNITY ACTION**

### **2022 Annual Report**

Since 1965, Capstone Community Action (formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council) has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington Counties and nine communities in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland Counties. We help people build better lives for themselves, their families and their communities. This year, Capstone Community Action served 12,989 people in 8,845 Vermont households through Head Start and Early Head Start, business development, financial education, food shelves and nutrition resources, housing counseling, tax preparation, teen parent education, emergency heating assistance, home weatherization, workforce training, and more.

Programs and services accessed by 1112 Barre City households representing 1902 individuals this past year included:

- 620 individuals in 315 households accessed nutritious meals and/or meal equivalents at the food shelf.
- 87 households with 184 family members were able to keep heating their homes with help from our Crisis & Supplemental fuel programs as well as other utility costs.
- 225 individuals in 100 households worked with housing counselors to find and retain affordable, safe, secure housing.
- 29 homeless individuals with 137 homeless family members worked with housing counselors to find and retain affordable, safe, secure housing.
- 75 children were in Head Start and Early Head Start programs that supported 101 additional family members.
- 7 pregnant and parenting teens and their children gained literacy skills through our Family Literacy Center supporting 15 family members.
- 17 households received emergency furnace repairs and 9 household furnaces were replaced at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient for residents.

- 25 households were weatherized at no charge, making them warmer and more energy efficient for 34 residents, including 10 seniors and 11 residents with disabilities.
- 7 multi housing units were weatherized supporting 8 occupants.
- 10 people attended classes or met one-on-one with a financial counselor to be better able to manage and grow family finances.
- 43 entrepreneurs received counseling and technical assistance on starting or growing a business.
- 301 residents had their taxes prepared at no charge by Capstone's IRS certified volunteers ensuring them all the refunds and credits they were due.
- 2 people saved towards an asset that will provide long-term economic security. With savings, homes were purchased; businesses were capitalized and people enrolled in higher education or training.
- 7 childcare providers received nutrition education and were reimbursed for the cost of serving nutritious meals and snacks to the 62 children in their care.
- 6 people participated in an intensive 12-week workforce training program for the food service sector.
- 5 people participated in the MileageSmart program and are now driving a gas hybrid or electric vehicle purchased used from a local car dealer.
- 5 households participated in the Central Vermont Everyone Eats program which provides nutritious meals to those impacted by COVID-19, and stabilizes income sources for Vermont restaurants, farmers and food producers.

Capstone thanks the residents of Barre City for their generous support this year!





## CENTRAL VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL 2022 Annual Report

Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the mission of supporting Central Vermonters to age with dignity and choice. For over 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters aged 60 and up to remain independent and in their homes for as long as possible. CVCOA connects aging persons in our communities to the network of benefit programs and services they need to thrive and implements special projects and programs that help reduce social isolation and loneliness for older adults. All services are made available to our clients at no charge without regard to health, income, or resources.

Some of the services we make available include:

- CVCOA Help Line - (802) 477-1364 - has the answers to hundreds of common questions from older Vermonters, their families, and caregivers.
- Information & Assistance staff counsels older Vermonters and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, housing, and more.

Case Managers work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement and coordinate individualized long-term care plans.

- Nutrition Services oversees the menu development and technical assistance for home-delivered and Community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals.
- State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, Medicare & You workshops (now on Zoom), and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans.
- Family Caregiver Program promotes the well-being of the family members serving as caregivers to loved ones, including administration of the Dementia Respite Grant, which provides much needed financial assistance for respite, training, and Memorable Times Café/Memorable Times Online.

- Volunteer Programs provide direct service to community members. Volunteers offer companionship, transportation, assistance with technology, organizing, wellness classes, meal delivery, special event support, errands and grocery shopping, yardwork, creative guidance, and more.
- Special Projects and Programs are designed to help alleviate social isolation and loneliness, addressing the accessibility gap for home-bound older adults and enhancing social connection through arts and technology opportunities.

There is a great need for CVCOA’s aging services in Barre City. Low-income older adults face many challenges such as housing, transportation, fuel assistance, home maintenance, social isolation, and health insurance coverage issues, especially with prescription drugs. The need for aging services continues to increase in Vermont. During the last fiscal year (7/1/21-6/30/22), Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the above services to 483 (unduplicated) Barre City residents. In FY22, CVCOA case manager Diane Leuschner worked directly with clients in Barre City.

| <b><u>Data by Type of Service: Barre City</u></b> | <b><u># Residents</u></b> |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Case Management</b>                            | <b>119</b>                |
| <b>Information and Assistance</b>                 | <b>140</b>                |
| <b>Nutrition Program[1]</b>                       | <b>214</b>                |
| <b>Family Caregiver Services</b>                  | <b>9</b>                  |
| <b>Self-Neglect</b>                               | <b>1</b>                  |
| <b>Total</b>                                      | <b>483</b>                |

Additionally, CVCOA staff provided nutrition counseling and education, caregiver training and support, access to technology and resources, and opportunities to connect with volunteers for direct service, creativity, and technology. CVCOA’s case managers and options counselors provide individualized support for benefits and services access (legal services, transportation, mental health, elder abuse, health insurance counseling, food and fuel assistance, and more).

In the past year, 82 volunteers in Barre provided over 1450 hours of direct service, with many others from surrounding areas volunteering in Barre. AmeriCorps Senior and RSVP volunteers help lead wellness and exercise classes, deliver meals on wheels and support nutrition sites, provide companionship and more. Direct service volunteers through our Good Neighbor Volunteer Program are integral for helping older adults remain at home.

Over the past year, CVCOA has continued to develop opportunities to enhance social connection through our Creative Care Kit program and technology training. CVCOA continues to expand our wellness offerings and developing new initiatives that focus on healthy aging.

**All staff, board members, and volunteers at Central Vermont Council on Aging extend our gratitude to the residents of Barre City for their ongoing commitment to the health, independence, and dignity of older adults in Central Vermont.**

[1] Central Vermont Council on Aging does not directly operate a Nutrition Site. The CVCOA Nutrition Program provides federal funding, technical assistance and Nutritional Counseling and Education to 14 Nutrition Sites including City Café in Barre City. The Nutrition Program supports home-delivered Meals on Wheels, congregate meals, and grab and go meals, a new offering that emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**CIRCLE****2022 Annual Report**

The Covid-19 pandemic has put a spotlight on numerous ongoing public health crises, including domestic and sexual violence. The pandemic has highlighted how much work needs to be done to ensure that people who experience abuse can continue to obtain access to supports. As Circle continues to serve our Washington County community, we have adjusted and developed programs and procedures which respond to these increasingly complicated times.

Throughout the FY22 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022) fiscal year, Circle staff and volunteer advocates have provided the following services:

- Staff and volunteer advocates responded to 3,977 hot line calls.
- Shelter services were provided to 18 women and 21 children for a total of 2,744 bed nights.
- Our prevention based programs in schools reached a total of 411 students through 14 presentations.
- Circle provided community presentations to 586 individuals through the 29 trainings and workshops offered throughout Washington County.
- Advocates provided support to 159 plaintiffs during Final Relief from Abuse Hearings, and assisted 69 individuals file for temporary orders.
- Our Court Hour Program, which offers one-on-one support to plaintiffs as they prepare for their final hearings, was offered to 87 individuals.
- We assisted 220 individuals with other civil legal matters; 47 people received support from an attorney through our legal clinic referral program.
- Advocates supported 97 individuals whose (ex) partners were facing criminal charges.
- Circle held 66 support group sessions, which 42 unduplicated women attended.
- 2,200 people, of which, 411 were unduplicated, received direct services from Circle, which are maintained by trained staff and volunteer advocates.

- Our organization continues to rely heavily on the vast support of its many dedicated volunteers; Board Members, Hotline Advocates, and Shelter Support have all contributed 7,116 hours to the work of Circle.

**Our services include:**

- SHELTER: Emergency Shelter for women and children fleeing from domestic abuse
- SHELTER YOUTH PROGRAM: Available to children staying in shelter
- TOLL FREE CONFIDENTIAL 24-HOUR HOT LINE (1-877-543-9498)
- EMERGENCY, CIVIL and CRIMINAL COURT ADVOCACY
- SUPPORT GROUPS
- PREVENTION EDUCATION OFFERED TO SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT WASHINGTON COUNTY
- EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS and TRAININGS: offered to civic organizations and businesses.
- INFORMATION AND REFERRAL: information about domestic violence and community resources, as well as individualized advocacy and referral to social service, legal, employment, counseling, and housing options.



**CENTRAL VERMONT  
HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE**

*A Century of Caring and Quality*

**2022 Annual Report**

Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice (CVHHH) is a full-service, not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association that provides intermittent, short-term medical care, education, and support at home to help Central Vermonters recover from an illness, surgery, or hospital stay and manage their chronic disease. We serve 23 communities in Washington and Orange Counties and care for people of all ages. Our services include home care, hospice, and maternal-child health care. We also offer public foot-care and flu vaccine clinics. In addition, we offer long-term care and private care services and free grief support groups.

CVHHH is guided by a mission to care for all Central Vermonters regardless of a person’s ability to pay, their geographic remoteness, or the complexity of their care needs. CVHHH embraces new technology and collaborates with other local providers to ensure that central Vermonters’ care needs are met. To learn more, visit [www.cvhhh.org](http://www.cvhhh.org).

| <b>CVHHH Services to the Residents of Barre City<br/>Jan 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022 *</b> |                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Program</b>                                                                             | <b># of Visits</b> |
| <b>Home Health Care</b>                                                                    | <b>9,141</b>       |
| <b>Hospice Care</b>                                                                        | <b>1,693</b>       |
| <b>Long Term Care</b>                                                                      | <b>6,626</b>       |
| <b>Maternal Child Health</b>                                                               | <b>737</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL VISITS/CONTACTS</b>                                                               | <b>18,197</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL PATIENTS</b>                                                                      | <b>669</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL ADMISSIONS</b>                                                                    | <b>888</b>         |

*\*Audited figures are not available at the time of report submission. These preliminary figures are prorated based on the number of visits from January 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022, and are not expected to vary significantly.*

Town funding is imperative in ensuring that CVHHH will provide services in Barre City through 2023 and beyond. For more information contact Sandy Rousse, President & CEO, or Kim Farnum, Director of Community Relations & Development at 223-1878.



## DOWNSTREET HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### 2022 Annual Report

In great appreciation of your support of our mission and services with an appropriation of \$5,000 as decided on Town Meeting Day of 2022, we are delighted to share with you a summary of our past year's impact and outcomes that your contribution supported.

In Barre City specifically, Downstreet...

- ❖ provides **55 households** and **99 Barre City residents** with safe, decent, and affordable apartments, 86% of which are low-income housing
- ❖ stewards **32 single-family homes** in Barre City as part of our community land trust model that ensures that each of these homes is forever affordable in comparison to the surrounding real estate market.
- ❖ offers the award-winning **SASH®** (Support and Services at Home) program to **226 seniors and disabled adults** in Barre City, improving health care outcomes in our elderly and disabled communities by getting participants the support they need to live longer at home.
- ❖ in the last year, has served **66 Barre households with homebuyer education classes**, post-purchase, credit score and budget counseling, and/or low-interest loans for health, safety, and energy upgrades to their homes.
- ❖ in the last year, has helped **7 Barre households access the Vermont Emergency Rental Assistance Program**, and assisted 23 Barre households with eviction prevention services.
- ❖ has administered the Rental Rehab and Vermont Housing Improvement programs, helping landlords **renovate 19 units with code violations** since the beginning of the pandemic. Once complete, landlords work with Downstreet and the Continuum of Care to rent the units to those experiencing homelessness, and agree to rent units at or below HUD Fair Market Rents for five years.

- ❖ is in the process of **creating a sober living home** for up to six moms and their kids.
- ❖ is in pre-development to convert the old Ward 5 building into **9 affordable apartments**.
- ❖ remains actively involved in community development and efforts in the pursuit of forwarding growth and progress for Barre City (i.e., Barre City Place, Downstreet Street Apartments).
- ❖ **is headquartered in Barre** and employs 31 full-time staff, many of whom live in the Barre area.

As you may know, Downstreet is a private, non-profit affordable housing and services provider that strengthens the health and future of our rural Vermont communities. Downstreet achieves this through the power of housing and its ability to connect people to the resources they need to thrive.

All of us at Downstreet are tremendously grateful for the support of Barre City citizens and look forward to continuing our mission work as we seek to strengthen the communities of Central Vermont.





**FAMILY CENTER OF  
WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
*....serving families in Barre City*

**2022 Annual Report**

The Family Center provides services and resources to all children and families in our region. In FY22 we offered services for children, youth and families, including: Early Care and Education, Children's Integrated Services-Early Intervention, Family Support Home Visiting, Child Care Financial Assistance, Child Care Referral, Welcome Baby Outreach, Family Supportive Housing Services, Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project, Specialized Child Care Supports, Reach Up Job Development, Food Pantry, Diaper Bank, Parent Education, and Playgroups for children from birth to five. We are grateful for the support shown by the voters of Barre City. For more information about Family Center programs and services, please visit: [www.fcwcv.org](http://www.fcwcv.org).

**Among the 957 individuals in Barre City who benefited from the Family Center's programs and services from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 were:**

- **8 children** who attended our 5 STARS **Early Childhood Education** program.
- **42 families** who received Information & Referral, including consulting our **Child Care Referral services**, receiving assistance in finding child care to meet their needs, answering questions related to child care and child development, and receiving information about other community resources available.
- **110 families** who received **Child Care Financial Assistance**.
- **39\* children** and caregivers who participated in our **Playgroups**. Playgroups are free, open to all families with children birth to five, and have no eligibility requirements. Children have a chance to play with others in a safe, stimulating and nurturing environment. Parents talk to other parents, draw upon each other for support, learn new skills from Playgroup Facilitators and get information about community resources.
- **148 individuals** who were served by one of our **Home Visiting** services, providing parent and family education and support or Early Intervention with a child aged birth to 3.

- **228 children and adults** who received food and household items from our **Food Pantry** delivered to their residence by our home visitors to help supplement their family's nutritional and basic needs and **\*93 children** who received diapers from our **Diaper Bank**.
- **\*143 children and parents** who attended our **Community Events** or received activity bags.
- **4 young parent** who received wrap around support in our **Family Support Group**.
- **2 young parents** who received wrap around support in our **Families Learning Together** program.
- **38 individuals** who received employment training in our **Reach Up Job Development** program.
- **92 children and adults** who received permanent housing through our **Family Supportive Housing services** for homeless or at-risk-families with minor children in Washington County.
- **10 children and young adults**, aged 0 – 24 years, who received assistance with obtaining and maintaining housing as well as life skills development through our **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project**.

*Building resourceful families and healthy children to create a strong community.*



## GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT

*Getting you where you need to go!*

### 2022 Annual Report

## WHO WE ARE

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

## OUR SERVICES

### Individual Special Service Transportation

GMT provides essential medical and non-medical transportation service to those who qualify for Medicaid, Elderly and Disabled, non-Medicaid medical, human service and/or critical care funds. We offer individual coordinated services for those who qualify and who are in need of scheduled rides through GMT volunteer drivers, special shuttle service or general public routes.

In FY22 Barre City residents including East Barre, Websterville, Graniteville, and South Barre were provided special transportation services, totaling 11,033 rides. GMT does not track non-duplicated ridership. Special services offered direct access to:

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

### General Public Transportation

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

**In FY22, total GMT ridership was 236,010.** This general public transportation ridership was in addition to Special Service ridership, (above), and is available through a variety of services including:

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

**GMT Volunteer Driver Program**

In addition to shuttle vehicles, GMT uses an extensive network of Volunteer Drivers to provide coordinated and caring rides throughout our rural service area. Volunteer Drivers are essential in providing cost effective and community driven services, and are the foundation of our special services. Drivers are reimbursed for the miles they drive and provide services under the management of GMT.

**Barre City General Service Snapshot**

Towns serviced include Barre City, Barre Town, Williamstown, Montpelier, Waterbury, Waitsfield, Berlin, Washington, East Montpelier, Calais, Cabot, Plainfield, Marshfield, Northfield, St Johnsbury, Middlesex and Orange. GMT provides direct or connecting services to the City of Barre through general public transportation routes, including, but not limited to:

| Route                      | FY 22 Ridership |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| City Commuter              | 25,753          |
| City Route Mid-Day         | 18,618          |
| Barre Hospital Hill        | 26,190          |
| Hannaford Shopping Special | 1905            |
| Montpelier LINK Express    | 39,603          |

*(GMT does not track ridership based on income status)*

**Thank You**

Thank you to Barre Town taxpayers and officials for your continued financial support of GMT’s public transportation service and for your commitment to efficient transportation solutions.

**Information**

Please feel free to contact Jamie Smith, Director of Planning and Marketing with questions or to request additional information on GMT services at 802-540-1098 or [jamie@RideGMT.com](mailto:jamie@RideGMT.com).



## GOOD BEGINNINGS OF CENTRAL VERMONT REPORT

### 2022 Annual Report - Barre City

The mission of Good Beginnings is to bring community to families and their babies. Founded in 1991, we offer the following programs at no cost to any Central Vermont family with a new baby. Last year, we served 230 families throughout the region, including 27 Barre City families.

- **Postpartum Angel Family Support Program:** Trained community volunteers visit families weekly to provide respite, community connections, and hands-on help during the postpartum period. Anyone caring for an infant in Central Vermont is eligible, regardless of income or circumstance.
- **The Nest:** Our cozy community space in Montpelier is open again! Stop by Wednesday through Friday from 9 till 1 to browse our resource library, get babywearing tips, or just get out of the house with your little one. We also host a weekly online peer support group, as well as a variety of outdoor meet-ups and Stroller Walks, as the weather allows.
- **Early Parenting Workshops:** Free workshops for expectant parents on what happens after bringing baby home. Topics include newborn and infant care, babywearing and other soothing techniques, caring for yourself, attachment parenting. Also helpful for grandparents, child care providers, and anyone else caring for an infant!
- **Assistance with Basic Needs:** Our Childbirth Education Scholarships help low income families cover the cost of childbirth education classes. Our Perinatal Support Fund provides financial assistance to low-income families to help with basic or critical needs such as respite child care, birth support, transportation, stable housing, or connectivity. We have seen an increase in need for all these types of support during and since the pandemic.

#### **How We've Helped Families in Barre City:**

- A total of 27 families served (including 37 adults and 35 children) in FY20-21
- Our volunteers provided 65 hours of respite, support, and community connections to 3 families
- 10 families received free infant carriers and 4 families received \$915 in emergency funding

- 10 families attended Baby Circle Time and/or our outdoor parent meet-ups
- 2 family attended our early parenting workshops

**What Families Say:**

- If it weren't for my volunteer I wouldn't have known that postpartum anxiety was a thing. I thought it was just normal new-mom nervousness. But I actually wasn't sleeping. [Thanks to my volunteer,] I ended up calling my doctor. - ATC
- It was so wonderful to have someone to assist with my child and give me a break as well as just having another adult to talk to! - EL
- The program is a life saver...it made me feel capable, supported, more relaxed, better rested, and more connected. Thank you! - RK
- I didn't realize how challenging my postpartum time would be and how much support I would need. Good Beginnings has been such a wonderful resource. My volunteer was awesome - her texts and calls of support really made a difference. We talked about nutrition, breastfeeding, really anything. I felt comfortable bringing things up with her that I didn't always feel comfortable bringing up with family. It was really amazing to have an advocate cheering me along and checking in regularly- LO
- Thank you so much for this carrier. I had a hand me down from a relative, but it was 20 years old and I couldn't even find any instructions on how to use it on the internet. So then I googled carriers and I saw this style and I knew it was what I needed but it was so expensive. My home health nurse told me to reach out to Good Beginnings, and I'm so glad I did...my baby is much happier! - infant carrier recipient
- Thank you to Good Beginnings and [workshop facilitators]! I felt seen, heard, and I learned so much. Mothering became easier that very day for me. - workshop participant

**Contact Us:**

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## GREEN UP VERMONT

### 2022 Annual Report

Green Up Day on May 7, 2022 was a wonderful success thanks to 19,141 volunteers statewide who participated on Green Up Day. The infographic shows that all your hard work to beautify Vermont is crucial and that it makes where we get to live, work, and play, a truly special place. As one of Vermont's favorite unofficial holidays, it is imperative for today and future generations to build pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment, as well as keep residents civically engaged.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are requesting level funding again for Green Up Day 2023.

Green Up Vermont initiatives are year-round for further our impact with waste reduction initiatives, additional clean-up efforts, and educational programs.



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

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

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont). [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org) 802-522-7245





## 2022 Annual Report

- **2022 Annual Report** Over **5,000** direct responses to harm were provided.
- **330** individuals were served due to incidents of sexual violence. **60** were children.
- **26** people received support from an advocate at a forensic medical exam at CVMC.
- **31** children received support during forensic interviews.
- Advocates fielded **535** questions regarding housing and shelter.
- Mosaic's shelter supported **7** people, including 3 children, for **708** bed nights.
- Mosaic engages in community-wide culture-change efforts to connect, share resources, increase accessibility to programming for all people, and to help end violence. This year, advocates and educators engaged over 1,200 youth and 150 adults across 5 public schools in addition to others throughout Washington County.

*"You were the only one willing to help me. That's all I needed...  
to talk to someone." ~Mosaic Client*

Mosaic's work is led by the people who have been impacted by sexual harm. Through the provision of services such as our 24-hour helpline; safety planning; advocacy at Sexual Assault Nurse Examinations; emergency shelter; assistance applying for victim's compensation; support in court hearings or at crime related appointments or interviews; referrals to and support in accessing community resources; parent, friend, and caregiver support; and case management; we help people begin to heal. We provide additional, specialized services for people who have experienced sex trafficking, adult survivors of child sexual abuse, and children and youth who have experienced sexual violence.

Mosaic's services are highly confidential, and people are not required to disclose their town of residence to receive services. Many do not. At least **94** people volunteered that they were residents of Barre City when receiving services during this period. We are deeply grateful to the cities and towns of Washington County for your continued support as our advocates undertake highly complex and confidential work. Your steady allyship and preservation of privacy have saved lives.

In hope and healing,

Anne Ward, MEd

Executive Director, Mosaic Vermont



## OUR HOUSE OF CENTRAL VERMONT

### 2022 Annual Report

OUR House of Central Vermont is a non-profit Children's Advocacy Center and Special Investigations Unit located in Barre and serving all of Washington County. OUR House's mission is to provide a safe and supportive setting for child victims of physical & sexual abuse, their non-offending family members as well as adult survivors of sexual assault.

OUR House (which stands for One Unified Response) implements a multidisciplinary approach to the issue of physical and sexual abuse. We work very closely with the Dept. for Children and Families, Law Enforcement, the State's Attorney's Office, CVMC, and MOSAIC along with other local organizations to ensure investigations whenever possible are conducted in a child friendly environment, with staff whom are trained in the area of trauma. We also offer therapy referral, case management, safety planning, training, and referral services to children and adults.

Every town in Washington County has used our services in one way or another in the year of 2020. This year we did see a decrease due to COVID and sadly we forecast quite an uptick in cases over the next year as children are given the opportunity to see someone and reach out for help.

Within your town/city OUR House assisted with 95 cases and within Washington County:

- Out of those cases, 15 were children under the age of 6.
- 9 of those cases were abused by unknown offenders.
- 13 offenders were under the age of 18.
- Law enforcement took the extra time to review 17 cases that were ultimately not accepted.
- There was an increase in adult sexual assaults, with 19 adult cases.
- There was an increase in numbers of people experiencing homelessness and an increase in people identifying within the LBGTQI community.

While it is difficult to monetarily quantify an abuse/assault investigation, national statistics show that on a per-case basis, traditional investigations were 36% more expensive than CAC investigations. Because of this cost savings, OUR House asks Washington County towns for financial support from all towns. OUR House provides its case management tools and law enforcement services free of charge, which in turn removes the need for the towns to directly provide the services via staff and training themselves.

Thank you for your support in our mission and your community!

Rebecca Duranleau, Executive Director

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## **VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED**

### **2022 Annual Report**

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired's 2022 Fiscal Year saw the organization's continued success in adapting to the ever-evolving COVID-19 pandemic.

This is an excellent time for VABVI not only to reflect on changes from the past several years, but also set goals based on an increased number of clients and schools and other public environments being re-opened. As projected in recent years, the aging population of our state promises a continued increase of clientele. We believe that the innovations developed as a result of the pandemic are a demonstration of VABVI's ability to accommodate increased demand in even the least ideal circumstances. Moving forward, it is exciting to imagine the strides we will make in enabling blind and visually impaired Vermonters to be more independent, develop adaptive skills, and improve their quality of life.

**SMART Device Training Program:** The SMART Device Training Program has served a higher number of Vermont seniors each year we've offered it, especially because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to social distancing protocols, technology has become essential for our clients to be able to live independently while remaining social and connected to their communities. Clients who received technology training prior to COVID-19 have reported that the skills learned in this program have been invaluable throughout the pandemic, and clients who sought out our help during the pandemic will continue to use SMART Technology in the future.

**PALS (Peer-Assisted Learning and Support) Group:** PALS Groups, held throughout Vermont, are monthly meetings where members share coping strategies and discuss the practical, social and emotional challenges of vision loss. While PALS groups have been operating remotely via Zoom and telephone over the past two years, arrangements are being made to resume in-person meetings by the end of 2022.

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

IRLE Summer Camp (Intensive Residential Life Experience): IRLE camp helps VABVI students develop social skills, meet fellow visually impaired peers, learn independent living skills, and improve self-advocacy skills. This year's camp took place in Upstate New York at Six Flags Great Adventure Lodge and nearby attractions such as rail biking and bowling.

Thus far in calendar year 2022, VABVI has served 1,001 clients from all fourteen counties in Vermont, but we estimate based on previous years that we will serve approximately 1,200 people by the year's end. In 2022 VABVI has provided services to 23 adults and 11 students in Barre, and 69 adults and 24 students in Washington County.

For more information about VABVI's services or volunteer opportunities, please contact Samantha

Gougher, Development Associate, at [sgougher@vabvi.org](mailto:sgougher@vabvi.org). Thank you very much for your support!



## THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

### 2022 Annual Report

For over 43 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'22 (10/2021-9/2022) VCIL responded to thousands of requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **158** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and 6 peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **172** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **80** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **91** individuals with information on assistive technology; **39** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **454** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of **60**. Our Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) served **29** people and provided **16** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone. Due to the pandemic VCIL was able to start a new (temporary) program, Resilience and Independence in a State of Emergency (RISE) which served approximately **500** people in its final year. The Rise Program helped provide an array of items or services if the needs were directly related to the Covid-19 epidemic.

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

During FY'22, 88 residents of Barre City received services from the following programs:

- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)  
(\$24,290.00 spent on meals for residents)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)  
(\$1,653.00 spent on assistive technology)
- RISE Fund (Resilience and Independence in a State of Emergency)  
(\$10,790.00 spent on pandemic related needs)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling (PAC)
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)



## WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM

### 2022 Annual Report

*Serving the Communities of Washington County  
including Barre City for over 39 years.*

#### **Who We Are and What We Do:**

**The Washington County Diversion Program (WCDP)** is a local non-profit organization that provides a range of restorative justice programs for the communities within Washington County. WCDP addresses unlawful behavior, supports victims of crime and promotes a healthy community. We follow a balanced and restorative justice model that strives to put right the wrongs that have been done and address the needs of all stakeholders, including the victim, the community and those who violated the law, holding the latter accountable in a manner that promotes responsible behavior.

**WCDP runs six separate programs:** Court Diversion (adult and youth), the Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program, the Balanced and Restorative Justice Program, the Tamarack Program, Pretrial Monitoring and the Driving with License Suspended Program. During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP worked with 458 participants across those programs.

#### **Court Diversion**

This restorative justice program is for youth with a delinquency petition and adults charged with a crime. Recognizing that people and relationships have been harmed when someone commits an offense, Diversion empowers all stakeholders to collectively address the needs of the victim, the community and the person who violated the law. Participants must take responsibility for their actions and engage in a restorative process aimed at repairing the harm. Completion of the Diversion Program results in a dismissal of the delinquency/criminal charge.

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's Diversion Program worked with 244 diversion participants 31% of whom were Barre City residents.**

#### **Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program (YSASP)**

YSASP provides an alternative to the civil court process for youth who violate Vermont's underage alcohol or marijuana laws. YSASP helps young people understand the impact on themselves and others of using substances and to lower their risk of future use, while connecting those identified as using at high-risk levels to professional substance use clini-



cians. YSASP follows an approach known as Screening, Brief Intervention & Referral to Treatment (SBIRT).

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's YSASP Program worked with 55 youth 15% of whom were Barre City residents.**

#### **Balanced and Restorative Justice Program (BARJ)**

These services are provided to youth who are charged with a delinquency, have been adjudicated delinquent or are at-risk for involvement in the juvenile justice system. BARJ services vary depending on each individual, but consist of restorative interventions that reduce and eliminate further involvement in the juvenile justice system such as: restorative panels, restitution services, risk screening, and restorative classes/skills development.

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's BARJ Program worked with 41 youth 39% of whom were Barre City residents.**

#### **Tamarack**

This restorative justice program is for adults charged with a crime who have a substance use or mental health treatment need regardless of their criminal history. Pretrial Service Coordinators quickly connect those referred to substance use, mental health and other supportive community-based services. Participants must take responsibility for their actions and engage in a restorative process aimed at repairing the harm. Completion of the Tamarack Program results in a dismissal of the criminal charge.

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's Tamarack Program worked with 34 participants 47% of whom were Barre City residents.**

#### **Pretrial Monitoring**

Pretrial Monitoring is for adults with substance use or mental health treatment needs who are going through the court process and awaiting case resolution. Monitoring may be ordered by the court. Individuals may also choose to engage with pretrial services. Pretrial Service Coordinators quickly connect people to substance use, mental health and other supportive community-based services. They also support individuals to meet conditions of release and attend scheduled court appearances.

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's Pretrial Services program worked with 83 individuals 36% of whom were Barre City residents.**

#### **Driving with License Suspended**

The Civil DLS Diversion Program works to restore people's privilege to drive by helping people to determine requirements for driver re-licensing and by providing alternative affordable means to satisfy those require-

ments whenever possible. Among other forms of assistance, staff file motions, including proposed reductions and payment plans, on behalf of participants with the Vermont Judicial Bureau (VJB) and collect payments for the VJB.

**During Fiscal Year 2022, WCDP's DLS program worked with 46 individuals. Unfortunately, this data is not tracked by town.**

**We continue to need - and deeply appreciate - your support!**

The people we serve have complex lives. They arrive at WCDP with multiple barriers to success: mental health issues, substance misuse problems, low educational attainment, challenging work histories, poverty and/or homelessness. As a result, our engagement and case management with them is more intense as we work to connect them with the resources they need.

**The town funds we receive from Barre City allow us to keep offering the level of services we do. Thank you!**

**YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU**  
The Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club

**THE WASHINGTON COUNTY  
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU  
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

**2022 Annual Report**

*The Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club  
Is An Important Resource To The Residents Of Barre City*

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*Youth  
Service  
Bureau*



During the past year (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022) The Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club provided the following services to **87 young people and families** in Barre City (unduplicated total, some youth received multiple program services). A total of **497 direct service hours** were provided, **290 nights of housing** were provided and **97% of youth served received intensive services:**

- **3 Teens** participated in the **Basement Teen Center** in Montpelier that provides supervised drop-in time, leadership opportunities, research-based prevention programming, activities & events for youth ages 12-18. These teens spent **102 hours** at the BTC.
- **35 Youths** and their Families were assisted by the **Country Roads Program** that provides 24-hour crisis intervention, short-term counseling, and temporary, emergency shelter for youth who have runaway, are homeless, or are in crisis. **122** direct service hours were provided.
- **23 Youth** were provided with **Substance Abuse Treatment** through the **Healthy Youth Program**. This service includes substance abuse education, intervention, assessments, treatment and positive life skills coaching. Support is also available for families. **169** direct services hours were provided.

- **10 Youth** received critical supports through the **Transitional Living Program** that helps homeless youth ages 16-21 make the transition to independent living. This program teaches life skills and budgeting; assists with employment and education goals; and provides direct rent assistance. **68** direct service hours were provided.
- **6 Young men** were served by **Return House** that provides transitional housing support and intensive case management services to young men who are returning to Barre City from jail. **290 nights** of supervised housing were provided.
- **16 Youth** were served through the **Youth Development Program** which provides voluntary case management services to youth ages 15-22, who are, or have been, in the custody of the State through the Department for Children and Families.

This year's funding request represents a cost of approximately \$57 per person served. This is only a small fraction of the cost of the services provided by the Bureau. Most of the services provided to Barre City residents have involved multiple sessions, were provided by certified or licensed counselors, and emergency temporary shelter included 24-hour supervision, meals, and transportation. The Washington County Youth Service Bureau is a private, non-profit, social service agency. All programs and services are funded by foundations, state and federal grants, Medicaid and other insurance, private donations, area towns, and fundraising activities. Thank you for your support!

**For Information and Assistance Call 229-9151 – 24 Hours a Day  
– 7 Days a Week**



## ALDRICH PUBLIC LIBRARY

### 2022 Annual Report

*The Aldrich Public Library is a free public library serving Barre City, Barre Town, and their neighbors. Our mission is to inspire the joy of reading, promote lifelong learning, and strengthen community.*

Strong communities come from connection, communication, and belonging; and we have been so grateful to provide place and opportunity for Barre to cultivate these bonds at Aldrich Public Library. People come to the library each day to find themselves in books, learn about others, and to connect with neighbors in ways that can bring us closer together.

In the past year, the library has again proven this value as connection and the need for community have grown due to pandemic isolation. Many neighbors welcomed the return of regular programs at the library beginning in the summer of 2021, and utilized our large spaces to meet in socially distanced settings. People new to Barre came into the library to sign up for a card, wander the stacks, and browse through our collection of over 100,000 items. With an additional grant from the City, we opened our doors early in the coldest months of 2022, welcoming those seeking community and access to resources for pandemic support. And those still needing to be cautious in shared spaces benefitted from our continued offering of online virtual programs, databases and online learning resources available through our website, and ‘curbside’ pickup services.

In 2021 and 2022, we were able to paint stair railings and replace stair treads and tiles at the back entrance, which annually welcomes over 50,000 visitors each year. It was a great way to welcome both new and familiar faces to the library, and the first step to update facilities that have experienced over twenty years of wear and tear with minimal updates. Additionally, this year we established maintenance and inspection agreements with arborists, roof, HVAC, and masonry specialists. These experts will help to preserve our historic building and keep it open and flourishing.

#### **A Special Thank You!**

Aldrich Library has benefitted from the support of local community members through our 125-year history. Each year Barre voters commit to providing library services to all residents through municipal appropriations that support 36% of our budget. Private donations support over 33% of our operating budget, and includes estate donations which have helped to build investments for the library – used to annually contribute to the operations budget in perpetuity.

Thanks is also due to the Friends of the Library, a volunteer organization dedicated to support of the library, who offered their first Light up the Library event in December 2021. The event was a welcome way to decorate the library, welcome visitors out of the cold, and show creative and inspiring gift ideas from local vendors. Friends of the Library donations from this and other fundraisers through the year support books and program costs for children and adults.

Each year our programs, visitors, and checkouts – all numbering in the thousands – build connections to strengthen our community. People come to the library to apply for jobs, get help with taxes and Medicare sign-up, learn or strengthen science and tech skills, find stories and share their own.

On behalf of the library staff and trustees, I want to thank you for your support, patronage, and love for Aldrich Library. We are honored to be your partner in creating a strong Barre City, and we can't wait to bring another exciting year of stories and experiences to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Loren Polk,  
AldrichDirector@gmail.com

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**Barre Opera House**

## **BARRE OPERA HOUSE**

### **2022 Annual Report**

Upon its completion in 1899, the Barre Opera House was considered the finest theater in the state. John Philip Sousa and his band, Helen Keller and Annie Sullivan, George M. Cohan, socialist Eugene V. Debs, anarchist Emma Goldman, Tex Ritter, and Tom Mix and his horse are among the many legends to have graced its stage over the years.

Through the 1930s and into the 40s the Opera House functioned primarily as a movie theater with occasional breaks in the schedule for variety shows, boxing and wrestling matches. However, with the addition of more modern movie theaters in town, the facility closed its doors in January, 1944. Windows broke and pigeons took up residence in the abandoned space. For almost 40 years the Opera House stood neglected.

A growing national interest in historic preservation inspired a small but dedicated group of local citizens to save the theater. Their efforts led to the building being placed on the National Register of Historic Sites in 1973 and culminated in the reopening of the Opera House in October of 1982. After almost 40 years of silence, the walls once again rang with the sounds of music, laughter and applause. In 1983, Barre Opera House, Inc. was formed (from the former citizen organization Friends of the Barre Opera House) with the charge of restoring, preserving and operating this historic theater.

The ensuing decades have seen continued improvements - heat and comfortable seats, velour stage curtains, a Steinway concert grand piano. An elevator and the addition of a new entrance in 1993 made the Opera House physically accessible. A new sound system and an assisted hearing system were installed in 1996, followed by an acoustically pure heating/ventilation/air-conditioning system in 1998, and the restoration of our beautiful fir floors in 2001.

Our Second Century Capital Campaign (2019-21), which overlapped with COVID-forced closure of the theater, facilitated major improvements – a new rigging system and orchestra-level seats, repainting of the theater, lobby and stairways, safety upgrades to our electrical system and smoke vents added to the stage house. In addition, we added new sound and LED lighting equipment. As always, our community came forward and made all of this work possible. Thank you for your support!

More than 25,000 people visit the Barre Opera House annually. It serves a broad range of ages, hosting our signature Celebration Series and other BOH-presented shows, student matinees, summer theater camps and rentals by other non-profit organizations and for-profit presenters.

For information about membership, volunteering, tours or upcoming events, call the box office at 802-476-8188 or visit us online at [www.barreoperahouse.org](http://www.barreoperahouse.org), on Facebook and on Twitter. The Board of Trustees and staff look forward to a great schedule in 2023 and hope to see you here at central Vermont’s premier performing arts center.

The BOH lobby, box office and theater are accessible to those with physical and hearing disabilities and other special needs.

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## **BARRE COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER**

### **2022 Annual Report**

The Barre Community Justice Center (BCJC) addresses conflict and crime by engaging citizens to promote shared responsibility for a safe and healthy community through education and involvement. Using the principles of restorative justice, which provides a way for those who have been affected by crime to have a voice and those who have committed wrongdoing to put things right. Restorative justice encourages responsibility, communication and amends making, ultimately promoting better relationships within the community. The BCJC has programs at various points along the continuum of criminal justice, primarily delivered by community members trained in the restorative justice principles and process.

This year we served many individuals through our restorative programs:

- Our Restorative Justice Panels, comprising 6 trained community volunteers, addressed 55 cases of low level crime referred by the courts, State's Attorney and police. Together, with input from victims, the Panels work collaboratively with each offender to create an individualized plan to deepen the understanding of the impact by his/her actions; to repair the harm to the victim and community; make a more positive connection with the community; and support behaviors that decrease the likelihood of future crimes. The Restorative Justice Panel members volunteered 198 hours.
- Our Safe Driving class is designed to teach about the real consequences of unsafe, impaired or distracted driving and the effects on the driver, his/her family and members of the community, and create a safe driving plan. A panel of victims who have either been injured themselves or lost loved ones during a car crash tell their stories. We gave the class 4 times this year and served 72 people.
- Our Window/Tire Replacement program delivers financial relief to those who qualify whose car windows or tires were damaged by crime in Barre. In partnership with the Barre City Police and the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services.
- Conflict assistance is offered to community members who are having quality of life issues and would like help to settle them. Cases are referred from the Barre City Police, City Hall and Department of Corrections.

- Our Restorative Reentry Program, which promotes the principle of “no more crimes, no more victims,” works with people who have significant ties with the Barre community who committed serious offenses and have been released from prison to serve the remainder of their sentence in the community. By establishing and enforcing clear expectations of its participants for positive community behavior, the program helps to interrupt the cycle of criminal offending.

Participants engage in a weekly meeting of a Circle of Support and Accountability (COSA) team, made up of trained community members, and the reentry specialist, who guide the core member towards success, while holding him/her accountable. We also offer transitional housing and case management support without a COSA in our CJC Transitional Housing Program which served 36 participants, 22 of which moved on to independent living situations. The programs also collaborate with the local Probation and Parole Office, Barre City Police and other agencies and organizations. We also served 80 clients with our service navigation program, which helps participants connect to local services and find housing. We had 11 clients participate in our COSA program. We had 23 community (COSA) volunteers. Our COSA volunteers gave 541 hours of service.

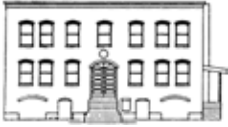
Our work couldn't happen without the devotion of our 35 community volunteers. We continue to provide training so that they can do their best work as well as provide the community connections for our restorative responses. We have a volunteer Board of Directors that consists of 7 volunteers. In total our volunteers gave a total 868 hours of service!

We thank our volunteers, the City of Barre, Barre City Police Department, the Washington County State's Attorney's office and all those who support the Barre Community Justice Center and look forward to continuing our restorative services to our community.

Jeannie MacLeod  
Executive Director

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## LABOR HALL BARRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2022 Annual Report



As our citizens and communities emerge from the pandemic of 2020-2021, we are grateful to be returning to our regular schedule of events here at the Labor Hall! For the past two years, community organizations like ours have faced the unique challenge of survival during a pandemic. With quiet on our hands, we took time during the lock down to complete the renovation of several underused rooms and raise funds for a new lift. The lift will provide access to a classroom/meeting space and library plus an office on the building's top floor! We look forward to celebrating these new spaces soon and will welcome the Barre community and all our friends to an open house as soon as the work is done! Meanwhile, here is a review of recent activities held here at the Hall:

**Rise Up Bakery.** On March 15, Mayor Jake Hemmerick issued a proclamation honoring Jim and Larissa Haas and the Rise Up Bakery. Jim and Larissa are the operators of the bakery, originally known as the Union Cooperative Store Bakery (1913) that was built to provide fresh bread for the Union Cooperative Store in the Socialist Labor Party Hall. In his proclamation, Mayor Hemmerick declared that the good works of the Haases brought the bakery back to life after years of neglect. With 26 years of experience baking bread in Kyiv, Ukraine, they have brought Ukrainian pride and solidarity to Barre during the invasion of Ukraine and have raised funds to send medical supplies there through the group "Vermonters for Ukraine." They have hosted bread-baking workshops for over 100 people and acquired many loyal customers throughout the Covid pandemic. Be sure to sample the bread from Rise Up Bakery, and if you wish, get more details at: [www.riseupbakeryvt.org](http://www.riseupbakeryvt.org).

**United Steelworkers Local #4** opened its office in the Labor Hall just as 2022 was getting underway. Staffed by President Ray Bettis, USW Local #4 represents 425 union members in the Barre granite quarries and manufacturing plants, and in elsewhere in municipal offices, libraries, paper mills and mines. Local #4 represents employees in a region that includes Vermont, New Hampshire and parts of New York. We are proud to host Ray and all the officers and members of Local #4!

Bread and Puppet Theater. A high point of every year at the Hall is a performance by the world-famous troupe of Bread and Puppet Theater from Glover. We were lucky to welcome them to Barre as the kick-off for their spring tour on March 19, and this year's theme, "Finished Waiting," was profoundly moving. We took the opportunity to convey our condolences to founder Peter Schumann, whose wife Elka had recently passed away. We presented him with a memorial gift in her honor – a watercolor portrait of the Socialist Labor Party Hall by Italian artist Osvaldo Brighenti – in appreciation for the many years of theater performances the Schumanns and the puppeteers have presented at the Hall. Special thanks are due to the event sponsors: the Harris and Frances Block Foundation, Capital Candy Co., Dessureau Machines, Miles Supply, R K Miles, Spruce Mountain Granite Co., and Oreste Vansangiacomo, Esq.

Primo Maggio. Again this year, we celebrated May 1 online, this time with a superb presentation by film scholar Rick Winston on "The Labor Movement in Film," followed by a virtual discussion. Primo Maggio or "May Day" is celebrated around the world as International Workers' Day in commemoration of the events of May 1886 in Chicago's Haymarket Square during the campaign for the 8-hour work day. From the founding of the Socialist Labor Party Hall in November 1900, Primo Maggio has been a treasured annual event. We are proud to continue the tradition.

Soiree Sucree, held for several years during the annual Barre Heritage Festival in late July, was sadly absent for the past two years during the pandemic. We were thrilled to have it make a come-back on July 28, 2022! We are proud to host this event in memory of Chet Briggs, president of the Barre Historical Society from 2004-2014. He believed that Barre's rich diversity should be celebrated and that, in addition to the Italian community of Barre who built the Hall, we should salute other ethnic groups like the Franco American citizens of Barre who were likewise responsible for making Barre the wonderful community that it is. Special thanks to Tracie Lewis and Mary Jane Magnan of the Barre Partnership for welcoming everyone and for sponsoring the event. Enormous thanks to Tim Boltin and his staff at Delicate Decadence bakery for the array of delicious Franco American desserts they provided to all our guests. We thank Michele Choiniere and her band for the bringing us the lively music of Vermont's Franco American community, and we congratulate the winners of the annual baking contest: Ellen Sivret and Laila and Naomi Fenton. Judges for the contest were Tim Boltin of Delicate Decadence, Jim Haas of Rise Up Bakery, and Marissa Benson.

“Labor Conquers All Things.” Mystery solved! Enormous thanks to Barre historian Paul Heller for uncovering the origin of the granite marker we acquired last year dated 1887. The stone appeared along a country road in northern Vermont last spring and was brought to the Labor Hall as a keepsake. The lettering on the marker includes the year 1887, the letter “B” and the phrase “Labor Conquers All Things.” The mystery was: who made it, why, and where did it come from? We expressed the hope that someone someday would be able to tell us more about the stone, and meanwhile, Joey and Teo Calcagni had set it carefully in front of the Labor Hall, where its inspiring words can be read and appreciated. Thanks to Paul Heller’s research, we learned that a newspaper clipping from the June 16, 1887 edition of the Morrisville News and Citizen told the story: that the stone was commissioned by the “B” class of the Johnson Normal School and placed in front of the school, which is no longer in existence. Our sincere thanks to Paul for discovering the real history of the stone. Again, thanks to Carolyn and Andrew Shapiro for conveying it to its new location in front of the Socialist Labor Party Hall!

Best Thing Since Sliced Bread! The Rise Up Bakery now has a handsome, well-loved Oliver Bread-Slicing Machine owned from the time it was new by the nearby Wayside Restaurant, Bakery & Creamery. After decades of slicing bread for the restaurant’s bakery, owners Brian and Karen Zecchinelli felt it was time to replace the 81-year-old machine with a new model! As it turned out, they purchased the very first brand-new model Oliver Select On-Demand Bread Slicer fresh from the manufacturer! The Zecchinellis in turn donated their classic 1918 Oliver Bread-Slicing Machine to Rise Up Bakery, where it is making perfectly-sliced loaves of delicious sourdough bread every week. Be sure and try some!

Oil Painting Classes Offered. Osvaldo Brighenti of Barre is now offering oil painting classes on Thursday mornings at the Labor Hall. The Hall, which once held drawing classes for prospective artists preparing for jobs in the granite industry, also hosted language classes in English and Italian in the early days of the 20th century. Brighenti, who is originally from Italy, goes by the name “Nitya,” and is retired from a career in architecture. He works in watercolors, acrylic and oil and brings a deep knowledge of art history to his students. For further information, contact [o.brighenti@me.com](mailto:o.brighenti@me.com) or call (808) 358-8185.

Norwich Cadets brought high energy and willingness to the Labor Hall on November 5 and lent their strength and skill to various tasks that needed doing in and out of the Hall. They moved furniture, assembled

shelves, sorted cans of paint for recycling, weeded, even painted over graffiti. It was fun working with them, and we are grateful for their famous “can-do” attitude! Many thanks to them all!

Rent the Hall. The Hall is available for use by members of the community. You can reserve this National Historic Landmark for your event. Check the calendar on our website for availability. Charges vary depending on the length of the event and the number of attendees. Forms and policies are posted on our website at [www.oldlaborhall.org](http://www.oldlaborhall.org)

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## BARRE HOUSING AUTHORITY

### 2022 Annual Report

The Barre Housing Authority (BHA) owns and manages seven public housing properties in Barre City and Barre Town with a total of 361 units of affordable housing. BHA also administers 185 Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers with private landlords. BHA makes payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) to Barre City and Barre Town annually based on federal law and formula from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

BHA is governed by a five member Board of Commissioners that are appointed to five- year terms by the Mayor of Barre. The Board of Commissioners meets every second Wednesday of the month at the BHA central office located at 30 Washington Street in Barre across from the City Park. Meetings start promptly at 4:00 PM and are open to the public.

BHA works closely with all human service agencies in Central Vermont.

Operating Statement for BHA Properties for the 12 Months Ending March 31, 2022.

|                                 |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Operating Income</b>         |                     |
| Dwelling Rental                 | 1,460,434.71        |
| Excess Utilities                | 0.00                |
| Interest on Investments         | 0.00                |
| Laundry                         | 49,550.95           |
| Other Grant Revenue             | 209,154.00          |
| Other Income                    | 140,463.09          |
| Operating Subsidy               | 1,535,758.50        |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>   | <b>3,395,361.25</b> |
| <b>Operating Expenses</b>       |                     |
| Administration                  | 549,299.55          |
| Tenant Services                 | 181,475.58          |
| Utilities                       | 831,954.76          |
| Maintenance                     | 838,320.13          |
| General Expenses                | 687,770.80          |
| Non-Routine Expenses            | 0.00                |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b> | <b>3,088,820.82</b> |
| <b>NET INCOME (Loss)</b>        | <b>306,540.43</b>   |



## CENTRAL VERMONT PUBLIC SAFETY AUTHORITY

*Working Together to Improve Regional Public Safety Telecommunications*



### **2022 Annual Report**

Nov 2022 Central Vermont Public Safety Authority (CVPSA) was an essential partner with the City of Montpelier, Barre City and Capital Fire Mutual Aid System (Capital Fire - a 30 town membership) in obtaining a \$2.5million Department of Public Safety (DPS) grant for Central Vermont public safety communication equipment. CVPSA hired Televate, a prominent public safety consultant firm, to do a Central Vermont Telecommunications Needs Assessment Report, which was completed August 2021. This report was used in 2022 to advocate for state support of and allocation of funds for regional public safety dispatch centers. Governor Scott's FY23 budget had over \$11m for regional dispatch centers. The legislators reduced that to \$6.4m.

June 2022 CVPSA hired Televate to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) that could be sent to vendors to acquire the specific equipment as outlined in its Needs Assessment Report. August 2022 the new DPS Commissioner Jennifer Morrison issued a lengthy competitive application process for regional dispatch capital funds.

Central Vermont public safety entities used CVPSA's Needs Assessment Report and the RFP for Equipment to corroborate their DPS funding request. However, there was a tight turnaround from the August application announcement and early Sept due date. Neither city had enough staff to dedicate time to completion of the DPS application. CVPSA hired Televate for to assist the Cities and Capital Fire with compiling all the required information, data and vendor prices. They were able to timely submit an application for \$3.5m for communication equipment with City of Montpelier taking the lead as grant applicant and administrator of any funds obtained. The press has mistakenly reported that CVPSA submitted a DPS application and was awarded funds; it did not. CVPSA provided indispensable consultant work that enabled the Cities and Capital Fire to submit a winning application that was awarded \$2.5m. This funding is merely the beginning of replacing the 1990s obsolete equipment, and upgrading the seriously flawed Central Vermont public safety telecommunications system.



Nov 2022 DPS Commissioner Morrison told the Joint Financial Committee the department's plan to eliminate the current practice of giving many towns free public safety dispatching services, and to shift towns from free state dispatching to regional dispatch centers. This would create a more equitable and effective dispatch system with every town paying their share and maximizing local, regional and state resources. The first round in 2022 would be given to make that switch in as many towns as possible. Montpelier's award was in round 2, which will happen next year. Additional DPS asked the cities of Barre and Montpelier to incorporate more towns into their dispatching services which would impact staffing, office space and equipment. Dec 2022 both cities asked CVPSA for funds to do dispatch capacity planning. CVPSA approved \$26,000 of its \$32,000 fund balance to do these needed impact studies and assessment of their dispatch operations.

The past four years CVPSA Board has chosen to not spend money on staff and an office, but rather to maximize funds available for public safety consultant work which resulted in the above progress. However, CVPSA has been less successful with countering unsubstantiated negative attacks by a few that have damaged its partnerships and reputation. In eight years of operations, CVPSA has not succeeded in becoming a direct provider of any regional public safety service. Capital Fire is no longer a CVPSA member and both Cities are asking voters in March to approve withdrawing from CVPSA. Yet a less formal regional working group has formed around CVPSA's various consultant projects and looks promising to become more solid within the state's initiative to have regional public safety dispatch centers statewide, which fulfills CVPSA's vision.

At the time of printing, the CVPSA Board is considering dissolving CVPSA as allowed in its charter or going dormant until regional centers become more established. After the above consultant fees, it will have \$6,000 for legal fees to respond to a lawsuit related to CVPSA using ORCA Media to record and post its remote board meetings instead of recording through Zoom and maintaining copies itself, and other such procedural matters.

In 2006, as Chair of the CV Chamber of Commerce I and CV Chamber President George Malek were the catalyst to regional discussions. In 2009 we formed a working group of Barre City, Barre Town, Berlin, Montpelier, and CV Chamber that developed the charter with governance and a proposed cost allocation system. In Spring of 2014 the VT Assembly approved the charter with two voters approved members of

Barre and Montpelier, the CVPSA Board was formed August.

Since 2014 I've served on the board as various board officers and am proud of CVPSA's improvements to public safety in Central Vermont and its influence on the state finally supporting locally controlled regional dispatch centers. I'm disappointed that the cities did not embrace regional governance of any public safety services through CVP-SA. However, it's the regional collaboration that is important and the acquisition of 21st century communication equipment, not the entity who administration it. I greatly appreciate the steady voter support that allocated funds to do regional work these past eight years, including getting all dispatchers in Barre and Montpelier federally certified.

### **2022 Board of Directors**

Dona Bate, Chair, At-Large Elected term expires March 2023\*\*

Doug Hoyt, Vice Chair, Montpelier Council Appointed term expires March 2023\*\*

Justin Drechsler, Secretary, Montpelier Council Appointed term expires March 2024

Kimberly Cheney, At-Large Elected term expires March 2025

Emel Cambel, Barre City Council Appointed term expires March 2024

Jim Ward, Barre City Council Appointed term expires March 2023\*\*

\*\*Three board members have served maximum terms allowed, must leave Mar'23.



## CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### 2022 Annual Report – City of Barre

**Regional Commissioner:** Janet Shatney  
**Transportation Advisory Committee:** Michael Hellein

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) provides planning, development, and project implementation services to its 23 municipalities in Washington and western Orange Counties. Municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by a locally appointed member to the governing Board of Commissioners. CVRPC has no regulatory or taxing authority; each year, we request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to help offset costs and provide local matching funds needed for state and federal funding. Your continued support for local and regional planning is appreciated! CVRPC is your resource – please contact us at 802-229-0389 or [cvrpc@cvregion.com](mailto:cvrpc@cvregion.com) for assistance.

#### **FY22 Barre City Activities**

- ❖ Hosted multi-town discussion on the Central Vermont Path focused on steps to support municipal efforts to build segments of the path.
- ❖ Participated in VCRD Community Visit “All in for Barre”.
- ❖ Worked with Barre City TAC representative to develop a planning study for inclusion in the CVRPC Transportation Planning Initiative (TPI) work program. The funded study will look at opportunities for traffic calming and pedestrian improvements along Berlin Street.
- ❖ Discussed the proposal for a new traffic signal at Fourth and North Main Streets with town stakeholders.
- ❖ Provided information and guidance on ARPA project eligibility and prioritization process.
- ❖ Maintained communications regarding progress of grant award for study of Trestle 308.
- ❖ Assisted in development of a proposal to include bridge over Gunners Brook on Brook Street for inclusion in the VTRANS capital plan as a regional priority. Completed project intake form and necessary mapping.

- ❖ Researched history and located regional comments of AOT intersection project at Route 14 and Merchant Street.

### **CVRPC Projects & Programs**

- ❖ ***Municipal Plan and Bylaw Updates:*** Focus on predictable and effective local permitting through educational initiatives, bylaw modernization and municipal plan updates.
- ❖ ***Brownfields:*** Complete environmental site assessments so properties can be sold, developed or redeveloped to benefit the economy, create/protect jobs and increase housing opportunities.
- ❖ ***Transportation Planning:*** Provide studies, plans, data collection, and traffic counts. Coordinate local involvement in transportation planning through the Transportation Advisory Committee.
- ❖ ***Emergency Planning:*** Prepare the region for natural disasters and other emergencies by coordinating with local volunteers and the State on emergency planning, exercises, and training.
- ❖ ***Climate and Energy Planning:*** Support projects to reduce municipal and residential energy burdens, reduce total energy consumption, expand renewable energy resources, and build climate and energy resilience.
- ❖ ***Natural Resource Planning:*** Protect water resources, improve water quality, promote ecological function, preserve forest blocks and habitat connectors, enhance recreational opportunities and support the agricultural and forest products industries.
- ❖ ***Regional Plans:*** Coordinate infrastructure, community development, and growth at the regional level through the preparation, adoption, and implementation of a regional plan.
- ❖ ***Geographic Information System Services:*** Collect, analyze, store and distribute data for regional projects and programs. Offer fee-for service GIS support to municipalities and non-governmental organizations.
- ❖ ***Clean Water Service Provider:*** Engage watershed and land conservation organizations, Regional Planning Commissions, Natural Resources Conservation Districts and municipalities to identify and fund water quality projects to achieve phosphorous reduction targets
- ❖ ***Special Projects:*** Complete special projects, such as downtown revitalization, recreation paths, farmland preservation, economic development, and affordable housing projects.
- ❖ ***Grants:*** Identify appropriate grant sources, define project scopes, and write grant applications.



## CENTRAL VERMONT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

### 2022 Annual Report

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District (CVSWMD) serves 19-member cities and towns and approximately 52,000 residents. CVSWMD's mission is to provide education, advocacy, and services for residents and businesses in reducing and managing their solid waste in order to protect public health and the environment. CVSWMD is committed to providing quality programming, meeting state mandates, and providing information and resources to our member communities. The per capita assessment has been established at \$1.00 for fiscal year 2024.

Barre City's appointed representative to CVSWMD's Board of Supervisors is William Ahearn.

CVSWMD continues to provide valuable programs and services to its residents, including:

- **Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC):** The ARCC is located in Barre City, Vermont. We work with the State of Vermont to recycle TVs, computers and computer peripherals, architectural paint, household batteries, mercury bulbs and thermostats for free for Vermont residents. We also accept dozens of hard-to-recycle items that cannot be recycled in curbside recycling. In FY22, 403,896 lbs. of materials were collected and diverted from the landfill.
- **Grants:** In FY22, CVSWMD awarded \$33,218 in grant funding to towns, businesses, organizations and schools in our District. Through our Municipal Services Program (MSP), the city of Barre received \$5,000 and the town of Chelsea received \$2,764 for solid waste management projects. Samuel Morey Elementary School and Walden School were granted \$2,000 and \$2,500 respectively through our School Zero Waste (SZW) program to reduce solid waste and achieve sustainability goals. And, finally, the Green Mountain Returned Peace Corp Volunteers received \$285 from our Organizational Waste Reduction and Reuse Program (OWRRP) for their Pedals for Progress collection event in Montpelier. Green-Up Day grants of \$400 are available to each of CVSWMD's member municipalities.

- **Outreach and Education:** CVSWMD maintains its website with useful information on what can (and can't) be recycled, what is landfill banned (and how to dispose of those), what can be recycled at our Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC), what can be composted, how to safely store and dispose of household hazardous waste, leaf and yard waste disposal, and an A-Z Guide providing guidance to dispose of all types of waste. CVSWMD provides monthly newsletters and is active on social media, communicating waste management information and program updates to residents. Our knowledgeable staff provides guidance to residents and local businesses regarding all their waste management questions and concerns.
- **Household Hazardous Waste:** In FY22, CVSWMD held five one-day collections throughout the District and helped 637 resident households dispose of their hazardous waste. CVSWMD continues to work to acquire land and site a year-round collection facility within the District that will be conveniently accessible to all residents, and small business generators of waste.
- **School Program:** The School Zero Waste Program continued to deliver services to CVSWMD member schools in FY22. A total of 941 students in grades K-12 were reached through the delivery of 97 programs and initiatives that included: programs on living sustainably, recycling, and composting; support of student Farm-to-School groups, recognition of student leadership efforts in on-campus food scrap disposal, school community zero-waste events, field trips to the Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC), and support for the 2022 VT Youth Climate Rally. Informational take-home packets were provided for primary grade students, which reached upwards of 350 households. School food services departments continued to be supported in reducing cafeteria waste, and school custodial and facilities staff were supported in proper disposal of books, batteries, mercury-containing bulbs, and electronic waste through the ARCC, as well as the management and proper disposal of school-generated hazardous waste via District collection events. Our School Zero Waste Coordinator also tabled at 3 farmers markets and one community event.
- **Compost and Zero Waste:** CVSWMD sells Green Cone food digesters, Soil Saver composting bins, recycling bins, and kitchen compost buckets to district residents at discounted rates. We also continue to offer our Event Kit and Bin Loan programs on a first-come, first-serve basis to help reduce and manage waste at events held within the District.



## CENTRAL VERMONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

### 2022 Annual Report

The most recent fiscal year saw continued challenges for businesses following the Covid-19 pandemic. While we saw amazing pivots in the way we all do work, connect, and communicate in the pandemic's first days and months, these changes began to impact our supply chain, workforce, and to cause other disruptions for our regional businesses.

CVEDC joined Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation to represent the 12 RDCs of Vermont as two "spokes" of the 9 organizations supporting 2022's Community Navigator Pilot Program. While other spokes in the social services and nonprofit spaces offered listening spaces and seminars, the RDCs chose to turn the funding from the program back to the businesses directly in the form of technical support grants to respond to Covid-19 impact.

To date (11/21/22) over \$600,000 of funding has been allocated to businesses in technical assistance grants, using funding from both the Small Business Association through the CNPP program and the Community Development Block Grants through the CARES Act. The program also supported local vendors or service providers who assisted clients through the program.

In addition to this technical assistance programming, CVEDC has continued to offer its traditional and pandemic-responsive business support. We now are able to reach a wider number of businesses through Zoom meetings, and have hosted many conversations this year for Barre area businesses looking for support in grant requests and access to other state programs, commercial real estate requests, and in networking with our other partners.

CVEDC's revolving loan program, which comes with annual technical assistance grants to borrowers, includes three Barre businesses in its portfolio totaling \$150,000 of loans and over \$10,000 of technical assistance grants accompanying those loans in the last fiscal year.

CVEDC has been in close touch with Barre Area Development and welcomes its recent hire Aimee Green, Executive Director, as we were with BADC's previous Executive Director Cody Morison and Interim Executive Director Karl Ricker. Through this partnership, BADC and

CVEDC have shared multiple opportunities with each other bringing new businesses, business growth, and other shared projects in Barre to the table to work on collaboratively. We look forward to partnering with you on present and future projects.

Our work supporting the businesses of Central Vermont is greatly assisted by the generous contributions of our municipal partners, as well as the amazing support and referrals we receive through you. We appreciate Barre Town's continued support of CVEDC's work and request level funding of \$2,500 for FY24.

Jamie Stewart, Executive Director  
Melissa Bounty, Assistant Director  
Nicky Zambon, Project Manager





## THE VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

### 2022 Annual Report

#### *Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government*

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities, with a mission to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. It is directed by a 13-member Board of Directors elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state.

**Member Benefits** - All 247 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 142 other municipal entities that include villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts. Members have exclusive access to a wide range of specialized benefits, expertise, and services, including:

- **Legal and technical assistance**, including prompt responses to member questions that often involve how to comply with state and federal requirements. During the past year, staff responded to thousands of member questions and published guidance, templates, research reports, and FAQs. In 2022, VLCT began offering additional government finance training and consulting services and launched the new Federal Funding Assistance Program (FFAP). FFAP offers communities advice on complying with federal rules surrounding pandemic funding, provides direction and insight on accessing billions of dollars in federal infrastructure funding, and provides input to state leaders on designing and implementing grant programs for municipalities.
- **Trainings and timely communications on topics of specific concern to officials** who carry out their duties required by state law. The League provided training via webinars, onsite classes, and during the hallmark annual event, Town Fair, the largest gathering of municipal officials in the state. VLCT's Equity Committee also published an online equity toolkit that assists municipalities in centering the work of justice, diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging in their decision making, policies, practices, and programs.

- **Representation before the state legislature, state agencies, and the federal government**, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and as a single, united voice. VLCT's recent legislative efforts have helped provide cities and towns additional resources to respond to the pandemic, address road and bridge repair, tackle cybersecurity, improve housing and economic growth, promote renewable energy, provide emergency medical services, address equity and inclusion, and ensure the quality of our drinking water. Specific success in 2022 includes securing \$45 million in funding to help municipalities make energy improvements in their buildings, securing \$250,000 for VLCT's Federal Funding Assistance Program, increasing Municipal Planning Grants to \$870,000, securing \$250,000 for the Vermont Office of Racial Equity to launch the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership Program, and increasing municipal authorities in statute. Members are also represented at the federal level to Vermont's Congressional delegation and through our partner, the National League of Cities.
- **Access to insurance programs.** The Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) provides comprehensive and cost-effective property, liability, and workers' compensation insurance coverage, programs, and services that protect the assets of your community. The VLCT Unemployment Insurance Trust provides unemployment insurance at stable pricing. VLCT also provides members with the option to purchase life, disability, dental, and vision insurance products at a competitive price. All the programs offer coverage and products that members need and ask for, help Vermont municipalities stretch their budgets, and are only available to VLCT members.

Members are welcome to contact VLCT anytime to ask questions and to access resources to help them carry out the important work of local government. To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, visit [vlct.org](http://vlct.org). Recent audited financial statements are available at [vlct.org/AuditReports](http://vlct.org/AuditReports).



## 2022 LOCAL HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT REPORT FOR BARRE CITY

### 2022 Annual Report

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. Your district office is at the address and phone number above. We provide essential services and resources to towns in Washington and Orange counties in order to protect and promote the health and well-being of people in Vermont. For example, in the past year and beyond, the Barre Local Health Office:

**Protected communities from COVID-19:** Since the pandemic began three years ago our doors have remained open, and we've been able to serve communities thanks to individuals, families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless others that worked with us to meet the needs of local towns. We provided vaccine, testing, and information, along with other key public health services.

**Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease:** In collaboration with community partners, since response efforts began, we hosted over 100 COVID-19 vaccination clinics and provided over 7,900 COVID-19 doses. Since August 2021, all local health offices have also documented and helped manage 8,125 COVID-19-related situations, including 1,271 COVID-19 outbreaks.

**Ensured local preparedness for future emergencies:** We worked with partners like schools, skilled nursing facilities, shelters, and emergency personnel to ensure effective pandemic response and support preparedness to distribute medicine, supplies, and information during public health emergencies. This year, we responded to the emergence of human monkeypox virus by sharing information and providing vaccine to community members. As of November 15, 2022, 25 hMPXV vaccine doses have been administered locally.

**Stayed attentive to people and communities most underserved:** We provided services and resources to people who are more likely to experience adverse health outcomes due to health inequities. For example, we provided vaccine at schools, shelters, senior housing, farms, food distribution sites, and more.

**Collaborated with Town Health Officers around environmental health:** To help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health, we collaborated with towns and other local partners. Find information about environmental health including lead, cyanobacteria (blue-green algae), food safety, drinking water, climate change, healthy homes, healthy schools, and more at [www.healthvermont.gov/environment](http://www.healthvermont.gov/environment).

**Provided WIC services and resources to families and children:** Provided WIC nutrition education and support to 1,337 individuals between July 1, 2021 and June 31, 2022, while enabling them to save on groceries so they can have more to spend on other things their family needs. WIC also empowers families with breastfeeding/chestfeeding support and provides referrals to other health and nutrition services. Learn more at [www.healthvermont.gov/wic](http://www.healthvermont.gov/wic).

**Supported student health and youth empowerment:** According to the Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey, only 58% percent of students in Washington County, and only 54% in Orange County, agree or strongly agree that they “believe they matter to people in their community.” Regionally, efforts like mentoring and after-school enrichment programs help to ensure youth feel valued and included.

**Promoted health in all policies:** Health is not just individual behaviors and access to care, it’s also housing, transportation, food access, education, natural resources, and other social determinants of health. We worked with towns, schools, worksites, healthcare providers, and other community organizations to establish plans, policies, and programming that improve health and wellness. To achieve health, we must continue to work together to improve opportunities for health across all sectors and periods of our lives.





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