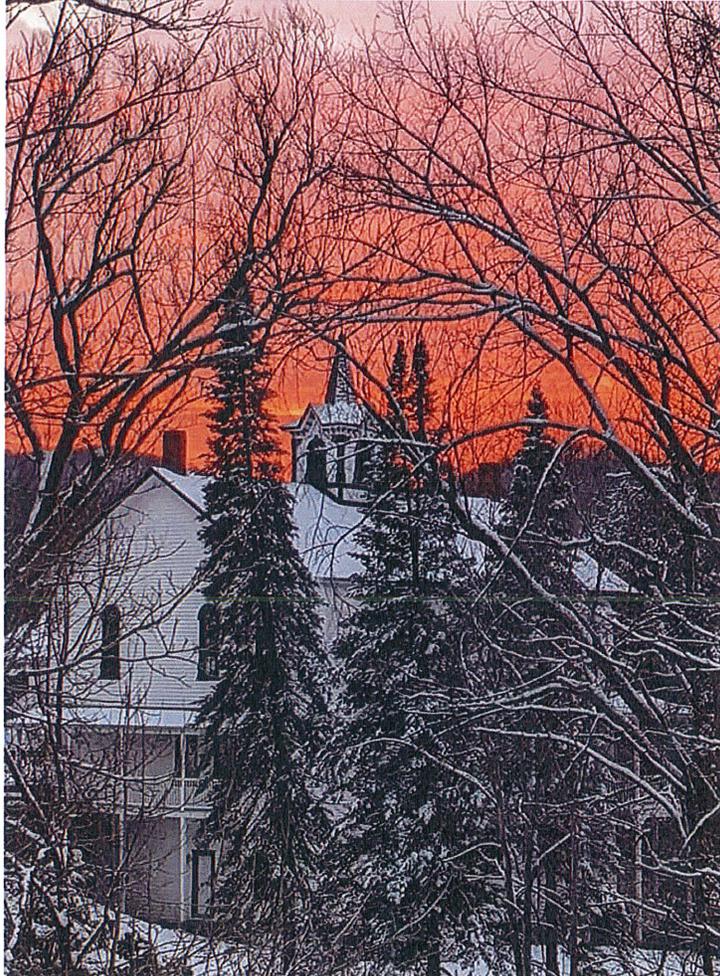


# *THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAWLET, VERMONT*



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## *ANNUAL REPORT*

*Town and School District  
Financial Reports & Information  
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021  
Officers & Organizational Reports 2021  
Community Information for 2022*

## TOWN OF PAWLET – 2022 COMMUNITY INFORMATION

**SELECTBOARD MEETINGS:** Held at Pawlet Town Hall, every other Tuesday at 7:00 PM  
Selectboard Administrative Assistant: Kristin Powers: [pawletselectboard@gmail.com](mailto:pawletselectboard@gmail.com)

**PAWLET PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS:** at Town Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 7:30 PM

**TOWN CLERK: Deb Hawkins** Tel: 802-325-3309, Ext. 1 Fax: 802-325-6109

**Office Hours:** Monday - Wednesday: 10:00 – 3:00; Thursday: 10-1 (please call ahead)

**TOWN TREASURER: Julie Mach** Tel: 802-325-3309, Ext. 2 Fax: 802-325-6109

**Office Hours:** Monday – Wednesday: 10-4 (please call ahead)

**TOWN ASSESSORS: Tel. 802-325-3309, Ext. 4** Call for hours or an appointment.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:** Jonas Rosenthal (interim).....802-325-3309, Ext. 3

**HIGHWAY DEPT: Foreman: Keith Mason**.....Garage: 802-325-3467

**PUBLIC LIBRARY: Librarian: Lyndsi Barnes** .....Tel: 802-325-3123

**Hours:** Sunday/Monday.....Closed Thursday.....11:30 to 5:00

Tuesday..... 11:30 to 5:00 Friday.....10:00 to 5:00

Wednesday.....11:30 to 5:00 Saturday(curbside).....10:00 to 1:00

### Law Enforcement, Emergency Responders, and Officers:

**Animal Control Officer:** David Ricard, Sr.....802-645-0344

**Constables:** 1<sup>st</sup> Constable: David Ricard, Sr.....802-645-0344

2<sup>nd</sup> Constable: William Humphries.....518-361-8685

**State Police:** Rutland.....Emergency: 911, or 1-802-773-9101

Castleton..... Emergency: 911, or 1-802-468-5355

**Granville Rescue Squad**..... Emergency: 911 or call 1-518-747-3325

**Pawlet Volunteer Fire Department**....Emergency: 911 or 1-518-747-3325; Social: 802-325-3222

**West Pawlet Volunteer Fire Dept**..... Emergency: 911 or 1-518-747-3325; Social: 802-645-0276

#### **Burning/Fire Permits:**

Forest Fire Warden: Dale Decker (Pawlet residents call).....802-325-3721

Deputy Forest Fire Warden: Dave Hosley (West Pawlet residents call).....802-645-0158

**Pawlet Health Officer:** Jennifer Sullivan.....(H)802-783-8951; Cell: 603-767-3881

**Pawlet Emergency Management Director:** Robert J. Morlino..(H) 325-2116; Cell: 201-637-8465

**State Game Warden:** Dustin Circe.....Dispatcher (State Police): 802-773-9101

(H)802-287-2208, (C)802-793-6629

**Pawlet Planning Commission:** Chairman: Jessica Van Oort.....802-325-3541

**Wastewater Treatment Plant:** VTums (VT Utility Mgmt. Services).....802-377-2316

**Mettawee Community School**.....802-645-9009

**Granville High School**.....1-518-642-1051

**School Superintendent (BRSU) Office**.....802-362-2452

**Mountain View Cemetery, West Pawlet**.....Joan Beecher: 518-642-1697

**Mettawee Valley, Old Pawlet, & North-East Cemeteries:**..... Myron Waite: 802-325-3052

Jami Brooks: 802-417-7963

**Post Office in Pawlet**.....802-325-3065

**Post Office in West Pawlet**.....802-645-0278

**Earth, Waste & Metal -Washington County Recycling Center, Granville, NY**....1-518-642-3026

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***call 2 recycle***<sup>®</sup>  
**Batteries**

- Single-Use Batteries
  - AA, AAA, C, D
  - 9-Volt
  - Button Cell
  - Hearing Aid
- Rechargeables (up to 11 lbs)
- Cell Phones (all types, entire phone)

Drop Off At Pawlet Town Hall

- SOLID WASTE ALLIANCE COMMUNITIES -

[www.rutlandcountyswac.org](http://www.rutlandcountyswac.org)

Steve Sgorbati, Chair - Sudbury  
John Garrison, Vice Chair - West Haven  
Bonnie Rosati, Secretary/Treasurer - Fair Haven

Pamela Lavoie Clapp, Administrator  
Telephone: (802) 342-5701  
Email: [solidwastealliancecommunities@gmail.com](mailto:solidwastealliancecommunities@gmail.com)

**Act 148 - Universal Recycling Law - Fully Implemented**

**July 1, 2020**

Haulers must offer food scrap collection to businesses, schools, transfer stations, and apartment complexes with more than four units.

**July 1, 2020**

Food scraps are banned from landfills. 20 mile limit no longer applies.

**July 1, 2017**

Transfer stations must accept food scraps.

Generators of 18 tons of food scraps (1/3 ton per week) must divert if facility exists within 20 miles.

**July 1, 2016**

Leaf, yard waste and clean wood are banned from landfills Haulers must offer leaf and yard debris collection.

Generators of 26 tons/year (2 tons per week) of food wastes must divert if composting facility exists within 20 miles.

**July 1, 2015**

Residential trash must be charged based on volume or weight.

Recyclables are banned from landfills.

Transfer stations must accept leaf and yard waste.

Haulers and transfer stations must

SWAC is composed of the towns of Benson, Chittenden, Fair Haven, Middletown Springs, Pawlet, Rutland Town, Shrewsbury, Sudbury, Tinmouth, and West Haven and serves a population of approximately 14,000 people. These towns work cooperatively to comply with State laws and mandates managing solid and hazardous waste issues in an environmentally responsible and cost effective manner.

In 2021, SWAC successfully complied with Year One Act 148 / ANR Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) requirements. The SWIP meets the requirements of the State's Material Management Plan and outlines how solid and hazardous waste will be managed in the SWAC towns for a five-year period. All towns in Vermont are required to be included in a SWIP, and the requirements are extensive. The currently approved and adopted SWIP is available for review on the SWAC website.

SWAC acts as a liaison to the State of Vermont representing the SWAC town's interests on issues such as legislation and rule changes, SWIP requirements, and Product Stewardship.

SWAC is a member of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council and Product Stewardship Institute. These groups have been instrumental in getting Environmental Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation passed in Vermont. The EPR legislation requires manufacturers to be financially responsible for the end of life collection of their product(s) thereby saving Vermont's resident's disposal/recycling costs. Active programs are in place for the collection of architectural paint, batteries, automobile switches, mercury thermostats, mercury lamps, compact fluorescent bulbs, and electronics waste. Efforts are still ongoing to pass new legislation requiring manufacturers of household hazardous waste products and paper and packaging to pay for end of life disposal of their products. Contact your local representative to support these efforts.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW):** HHW collection is the most costly endeavor undertaken. SWAC contracted with US Ecology to hold three household hazardous waste (HHW) events. 5.6 tons of hazardous waste was collected from 127 households. Products included oxidizers, acids, alkalines, reactives, pesticides, aerosols, flammable liquids, ammonia, mercury devices, mercury, batteries, latex, oil based, and flammable paints, propane tanks, batteries, asbestos, pcb ballasts, and antifreeze.

Thank you for participating in SWAC's efforts to properly recycle and dispose of solid and hazardous waste. To keep your communities HHW and solid waste collection costs down, remember to **Refuse, Reduce Reuse, Recycle, and Repurpose**. Consider buying less-toxic products that do not need to be disposed of as hazardous waste. If you do buy a product, use it up for its intended purpose, or give it to a friend, neighbor, or relative to use. Visit the SWAC website (What Do I Do With page) for locations where electronics, paint, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and waste oil are accepted for **FREE** year round. No need to wait for the HHW events.

**2022 HW Schedule - April 30**, Rutland Town Transfer Station, 218 Northwood Park; **October 8**, Fair Haven Transfer Station, 175 Fair Haven Avenue. These event times are 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. These events are free to all SWAC residents. In addition - shared event with Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance (BCSWA) - **September 17** -- For BCSWA residents and Pawlet residents at Dorset School, 130 School Drive, Dorset. Time for this event is 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The SWAC website provides additional information on these events.

**Between events:** Residents of SWAC towns may purchase a non-district permit to utilize the Rutland County Solid Waste District Gleason Road transfer station and hazardous waste depot. This permit allows access to the Gleason Road facility and provides drop-off of household hazardous waste and, trash disposal at current rates, and access to recycling drop-offs. Permit purchase is available at the scalehouse or hazardous waste depot at the transfer station or at the RCSWD offices, located at 1 Smith Road, Rutland, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Permits are not available for sale on weekends at either location. Telephone 802-775-7209 for additional information and current rates.

2021 was another unprecedentedly difficult year. Special thanks to town staff and transfer station attendants who kept operations going despite the difficulties involved. Also many thanks to the SWAC representatives, many town clerks, and administrators. They spend countless hours assuring SWAC continues to run efficiently and effectively.

Your town was represented by:

Town of Benson Wes Bowen, Daphne Bartholomew  
Town of Fair Haven Bonnie Rosati (Secretary/Treasurer)  
Town of Pawlet Lenny Gibson  
Town of Shrewsbury Bert Potter

Town of Chittenden Elmer Wheeler, Julie Fredette  
Town of Middletown Springs Glen Moyer, Terry Redfield, Patty Kenyon  
Town of Rutland Larry Delveneri, William Bauer  
Town of Sudbury Steve Sgorbati (Chair)

**2022**  
**COMMUNITY EMERGENCY INFORMATION, DOG LICENSES,**  
**BURNING GUIDELINES & PERMITS, SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION,**  
**ZONING PERMITS**

**Note to Residents:** Calls to 911 for law enforcement services should be followed up immediately, if possible, with a call to one of our two constables: David Ricard, Sr., at 802-645-0344 or William T. Humphries at 518-361-8685.

**Dog Licenses: All dog licenses are issued at the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Hall in Pawlet.**

All dogs six (6) months of age or older **MUST BE LICENSED ANNUALLY on or before April 1st** to avoid a late fee. Before any dog 6 months or older may be licensed, a current RABIES certificate signed by a licensed Veterinarian must be provided to the Town Clerk. A copy is kept in the Clerk's file. All dogs 6 months or older must have a current rabies certificate. There is a reduced fee for neutered or spayed dogs. To qualify, the Clerk must receive a copy of your certificate showing that the dog was neutered or spayed.

<b><u>Dog License Fees:</u></b>	<b><u>Prior to April 1</u></b>	<b><u>April 1 &amp; Later</u></b>
Neutered or spayed dogs:	\$10.00	\$14.00
Not neutered/not spayed:	\$14.00	\$20.00

**Burning or Fire Permits: Forest Fire Warden: Dale Decker**  
**Deputy Forest Fire Warden: Dave Hosley**

A permit from the Town Forest Fire Warden is required for burning wood, brush, weeds, or grass, if within 200 feet of woodland or fields containing dry grass or other inflammable plant material adjoining woodland, except when there is snow on the site.

A person is not required to have a permit for a campfire (any fire for cooking or warming) on their own land.

**Forest Fire Warden Dale Decker**  
1951 Route 133  
Pawlet, VT 05761  
(h)802-325-3721  
(w)802-325-3467  
(c)802-342-7423

**Deputy Forest Fire Warden David Hosley**  
2391 Route 153  
West Pawlet, VT 05775  
(h)802-645-0158  
(c)802-558-6450  
email: wp5801@aol.com



**Applications for Zoning Permits:** Applications for zoning permits are available in the Town Hall at the Town Clerk’s office or from the Zoning Administrator. Zoning fees are doubled for permits acquired late or after-the-fact. Completed applications are to be submitted to the Zoning Administrator. Applicants will be notified of the Administrator’s decision by mail.

**Subdivision Fees:**

Boundary Line Adjustment/Two-Lot Subdivisions Application.....	\$200.00
Subdivision Application (up to 5 lots).....	\$300.00
Allowable Density & Density Remaining.....	\$300.00

**Zoning Permit Fees by Area of Structure:**

0-499 square feet.....	\$ 50.00
500-2,000.....	\$200.00
Over 2,000 square feet.....	\$200.00
	+\$ .25 per additional Square foot
Signs and all other permits.....	\$ 25.00
All Appeals.....	\$ 35.00
Any Procedure, other than above, before the DRB required by Zoning Regs.....	\$ 15.00
Confirmation Letters for lawyers and banks.....	\$ 50.00

Every permit submitted must be accompanied by a \$15.00 recording fee in addition to the permit fee as posted above.

**School Closing Information:** Check local TV channels and radio stations for closing information as well as changes in bus routes (such as main road pickup) in the event of bad weather or emergency situations.

**Electronics Recycling:** Electronic devices may be taken to any Vermont e-cycles location for recycling. Computers, monitors, TVs, printers, and computer peripherals **are free**. Other electronic devices may require a recycling fee. For a list of locations or questions, visit: [www.vtecycles.org](http://www.vtecycles.org) or call the free hotline at 1-855-6ecycle.

**Green up Day – May 7, 2022: Coordinator: Deanna Mach**

**Green Up Day** takes place May 7<sup>th</sup> this year. Residents walk along our roadsides picking up trash. Green plastic bags are provided at the Town Hall and by the fire departments. Filled bags are left at designated drop-off points and collected by the Town. Additional information is available at [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

**Food Pantry:** There is a food pantry drop-off at the Town Hall, the Pawlet Post Office, and other designated places. A thoughtful monetary donation or non-perishable food items are very much appreciated. Checks should be made payable to the Pawlet Food Pantry and sent to the attention of Tim Bryant-Treasurer, c/o Pawlet Community Church, PO Box 116, Pawlet, VT 05761. The Food Pantry is located at the Pawlet Community Church and is open on the Fourth Friday of every month unless it falls on a holiday.

**Fuel Assistance:** In need of fuel assistance? Contact Tim Bryant or Robert Schoenemann by calling 802-325-3309 (Town Clerk) for contact information. Please do not give your name when you call, just simply ask for how to contact Mr. Bryant or Mr. Schoenemann. Donations can be made and sent to the Fuel Assistance Fund at the same address listed above for the Food Pantry. Please make checks payable to the Pawlet Community Church Fuel Assistance Fund. Requests for assistance are kept confidential!

**Keep Informed:** To stay on top of what is happening in and around Pawlet log into <https://pawlet.vt.gov> for up-to-date information, meeting dates, minutes, events, town report, etc....

**PEG-TV:** Selectboard Meetings are being filmed by PEG-TV and can be viewed on Channel 21 if you have cable or viewed online at <https://www.pegtv.com/> and on the Town Clerk Facebook Page. Current and previous meetings can be viewed by clicking the VIDEO ON DEMAND tab and then going to the PLAYLISTS tab. Scroll down until you find PEG-TV Municipal (click), then scroll down to Pawlet Selectboard.



## Vermont 2-1-1

### Need help finding help?

Reaching out to Vermont 2-1-1 is your first step.

*Are you facing difficult times and don't know where to turn?*

Vermont 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember three-digit phone number that connects you with the services that can help.

### Looking for help with everyday needs?

At 2-1-1, you will speak to someone who will provide the human touch, help to problem solve, and link callers throughout Vermont with government programs, community-based organizations, support groups, and other local resources.

### WHEN should you contact 2-1-1?

**Call 2-1-1: 24 hours/7 days**

(or 1-866-652-4636 toll-free in Vermont or 1-802-652-4636 from outside Vermont)

**Text your zip code to 898211: Mon-Fri: 8am-8pm**

Standard message & data rates apply. Text STOP to opt out.

Also visit [www.vermont211.org](http://www.vermont211.org)

## TOWN OF PAWLET OFFICIALS AS OF MARCH 2022

<u>Elected Office Held</u>	<u>Term Length</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<b>Moderator - Town:</b>			
John C. Thrasher.....	(1 year).....		March 2022
<b>Town Clerk:</b>			
Debra Hawkins.....	(3 year).....	<a href="mailto:pawletclerk@vermontel.net">pawletclerk@vermontel.net</a> ....	March 2023
<b>Town Treasurer:</b>			
Julie Mach.....	(3 year).....	<a href="mailto:pawlettreas@vermontel.net">pawlettreas@vermontel.net</a> ....	March 2023
<b>Selectboard (5 members):</b>			
Michael Beecher.....	(3 year).....		March 2022
John W. Malcolm.....	(1 year).....		March 2022
Jessica Van Oort.....	(3 year).....		March 2022
Bob Jones.....	(3 year).....		March 2023
Richard H. Hulett.....	(1 year).....		March 2021
Kristin Powers, Selectboard Assistant – <a href="mailto:pawletselectboard@gmail.com">pawletselectboard@gmail.com</a>			
<b>First Constable:</b>			
David Ricard, Sr.....	(2 year).....		March 2023
<b>Second Constable:</b>			
William Humphries.....	(2 year).....		March 2022
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector:</b>			
Kim Ayers.....	(1 year).....		March 2022
<b>Town Agent:</b>			
Edgar Cleveland.....	(1 year).....		March 2022
<b>Grand Juror:</b>			
Edgar Cleveland.....	(1 year).....		March 2022
<b>Mettawee School District Directors: (all 3 year terms)</b>			
Scott McChesney.....			March 2022
Julie Mach.....			March 2023
Cori Rail.....			March 2024
Cintia Morrissey.....			March 2024
<b>Pawlet Library Trustees: (all 3 year terms)</b>			
Martin Kravitt.....			March 2022
Kathryn Lawrence.....			March 2022
Jacki Becker.....			March 2023
Sue LaPorte.....			March 2023
Diane Mach.....			March 2024

**Officers Elected at General Election**

**Term Expires**

**RUT-BEN District:**

Sally Achey, Pawlet State Representative.....(2 year)....November 2022

**Justices of the Peace.....(2 year).....February 2023**

Beth Moser Duquette      Allen Turner      John Malcolm      Leon Corey  
Raymond R. Duquette, Sr.      Sue LaPorte      Michael Bellemare

**Appointed Offices:**

**Zoning Administrator:**

Jonas Rosenthal (interim).....(2 yr)..... March 2022

**Public Health Officer:** Jennifer Sullivan...(3 yr).....August 2024

**Emergency Management Director:** Robert Morlino...(3 yr)..... August 2024

**Pawlet Planning Commission: (3 Yr)**

Vacant.....March 2023      Mark Frost.....March 2022

Gary Baierlein.....March 2023      John Sabotka.....March 2023

Rik Sassa.....March 2022      Frank Nelson.....March 2024

Jessica Van Oort Chair .....March 2024      Wayne Clarke, Alt

Clerk: (Open)

**Development Review Board: (2 & 3 yr Terms, 5 members required)**

Keith Mason (Chair).....(2 yr)....March 2022      Gary Baierlein, Sec’y..(3 yr)...March 2024

Jonathan Weiss.....(2 yr)...March 2022      Brian Rawls .....(2 yr)...March 2022

James Glick...Vice Chair)..(3 yr)...March 2023      Sarah Ludlam, 1<sup>st</sup> Alt..(1 yr)...March 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Alt...(Open).....(1 yr)

**Rutland Regional Planning Commission: (2 yr):** John Sabotka, Representative...March 2022

Alternate: Vacant.....March 2022

**Other Appointments (1 year terms expire).....March 2022**

Town Attorney.....Atty. Merrill Bent

Grand Juror.....Edgar Cleveland

Fence Viewer.....Platt Herrick, Jr.

Public Health Officer.....Jennifer Sullivan

Emergency Management Director.....Robert Morlino

Inspector of Coal, Wood, Shingles & Lumber.....Tim Waite

Weigher of Coal & Tree Warden.....Tim Waite

Energy Coordinator.....Frank Nelson

Pound Keeper for Large Animals.....Bob Jones

Pound Keepers for Small Animals.....David Ricard, Sr. and William Humphries

Liquor Control Board.....Selectboard

Sewer Commissioners.....Selectboard

Solid Waste Alliance Communities (SWAC) Representative.....Lennie Gibson

Tax Collector.....Julie Mach

Official News Publication.....Lakes Region Free Press

**TOWN OF PAWLET**  
**Warning for Virtual Annual Meeting**  
**Information Meeting Via Zoom – February 28, 2022**  
**Town Meeting Day – March 1, 2022**

The legal voters of the Town of Pawlet are hereby warned and notified to meet Virtual Via Zoom on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM to act upon any business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be done by ballot; said meeting to be adjourned and to reconvene in the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 to vote for Town Officers and to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot to begin at 9:00 AM and to close at 7:00 PM.

**Town of Pawlet is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

**Topic: Pawlet Town Meeting**  
**Time: Feb 28, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

**Join Zoom Meeting**  
**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3494892532>**

**Meeting ID: 349 489 2532**  
**One tap mobile**  
**+19294362866,,3494892532# US (New York)**

**Dial by your location**  
**+1 929 436 2866 US (New York)**  
**Meeting ID: 349 489 2532**

**Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kb2X82Zktz>**

The legal voters of the Town of Pawlet, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to vote on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Town Hall, 122 School Street, Pawlet.

Article:1 To elect all Town Officials as required by law as follows:

- Moderator (Town) – 1 year term
- Selectboard - 1 year term
- Selectboard - 1 year term
- Selectboard – 3-year term
- Second Constable – 2-year term
- Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 year term
- Pawlet Library Trustee – 3-year term
- Pawlet Library Trustee – 3-year term

The following appear as Article 8 on the Mettawee School District Warning  
To elect the following positions:

- Moderator to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023
- School District Clerk to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023
- School District Treasurer to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023
- Pawlet – One Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2025

Article:2 Shall the Town vote to approve a budget of \$469,155.83 to meet the Town General Fund expenses and liabilities? YES/NO

Article:3 Shall the Town vote to approve a budget of \$616,122.00 to meet the Town Highway expenses and liabilities? YES/NO

Article:4 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate, and expend the sum of \$25,000.00 to the Town Equipment Fund? YES/NO

Article:5 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$17,000.00 to the Capital Budget Fund for the purpose of maintaining town-owned buildings? YES/NO

Article:6 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$15,000.00 for the upgrade and maintenance of the Wastewater Treatment Plant? YES/NO

Article:7 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$145,000.00 to be divided equally between the Pawlet and West Pawlet Volunteer Fire Departments, so that these services can be maintained? YES/NO

Article:8 Shall the Town of Pawlet vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$8,000.00 for the support of Granville Rescue Squad to provide services to residents of the Town? YES/NO

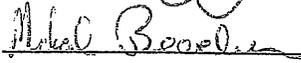
Article:9 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of the American Red Cross New Hampshire and Vermont Region? YES/NO

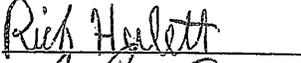
- Article:10 Shall the Town of Pawlet vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the support of the programs and services of BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont to provide services to residents of the Town? YES/NO
- Article:11 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the support of Dorset Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice’s homecare, hospice, and community health services? YES/NO
- Article:12 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for the support of the Pawlett Historical Society? YES/NO
- Article:13 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of the Mettowee Valley Community Center, Inc., a 501 (c) (3) organization? YES/NO
- Article:14 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$100.00 for the support of Green Up Vermont, a 501 (c) (3) organization? YES/NO
- Article:15 Shall the Town of Pawlet vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$8,000.00 for the support of West Pawlet and Mettowee N.E. Cemeteries to provide services to residents of the Town? YES/NO
- Article:16 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of NewStory Center, (formerly) the Rutland County Women’s Network & Shelter, Inc.? YES/NO
- Article:17 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,192.00 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services (formerly) Rutland Area Community Services so that these services can be maintained? YES/NO
- Article:18 Shall the Town of Pawlet vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging to provide elder services to residents of the Town? YES/NO
- Article:19 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$200.00 for the support of Vermont Adult Learning (Rutland County) for providing education services to adults in the region, including teaching materials? YES/NO
- Article:20 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$100.00 for the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI)? YES/NO
- Article:21 Shall the Town Vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$300.00 for the support of the Rutland County Parent Child Center to provide services to families with young children in the Town? YES/NO

- Article:22 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Child First Advocacy Center to continue efforts in supporting families in the community? YES/NO
- Article:23 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District? YES/NO
- Article 24 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of NeighborWorks of Western Vermont? YES/NO
- Article:25 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$100.00 for the support of Rural Fire Protection Program? YES/NO
- Article:26 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$450.00 to the Preservation Trust of Vermont? YES/NO
- Article:27 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$100.00 for the support of Advocacy Resources Community – Rutland Area? YES/NO
- Article:28 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$250.00 for the support of Vermont Family Network? YES/NO
- Article:29 Shall the Town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$250.00 for the support of Big Heavy World? Yes/NO
- Article:30 Shall the town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$250.00 for the support of Rutland County Court Diversion and Restorative Justice Center (dba Rutland County Restorative Justice Center) a 501(c)(3) nonprofit agency? YES/NO
- Article:31 Shall the town vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,000.00 for the support of Park Street Healthshare, Inc. d/b/a The Rutland Free Clinic, a 501 (c) (3) organization? YES/NO
- Article:32 Should the Town of Pawlet Select Board issue a letter in support of the placement of a monument on the Town Green commemorating Pawlet's contributions to the Revolutionary War, to be funded by grants and donations? YES/NO

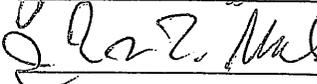
PAWLET SELECTBOARD on this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2022

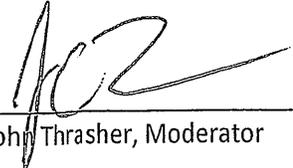
  
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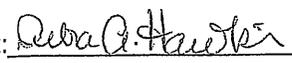
  
Michael Beecher, Chair

  
John Malcolm, Vice-Chair

  
Jessica Van Oort

  
Richard Hulett

  
John Thrasher, Moderator

Attest:   
Debra A. Hawkins

\*\*Article 32 to be corrected as follows:

Article: 32      Shall the voters of the Town of Pawlet vote to direct the select board to draft a letter in favor of placing a monument on the town green, commemorating Pawlet's contribution to the events of the Revolutionary War with a rendition of a Herrick Ranger. Troops were deployed under Col Benjamin Lincoln from Pawlet to defeat Burgoyne's British Army at Saratoga. It was one of the threads of the web that entangled and destroyed Burgoyne and that destruction was momentous for American history. Funded by GRANTS & DONATIONS (non-binding) YES/NO

There will be a discussion at the annual town meeting on February 28, 2022 to discuss the correction of Article 32.

The corrected wording of Article will be reflected on the ballot to be voted on, March 1, 2022.

METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL INFORMATIONAL HEARING

WARNING

The legal voters of Mettawee School District, consisting of the towns of Pawlet and Rupert, are hereby notified and warned to meet for an Informational Hearing virtually via Zoom on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 7:00 PM to consider and act upon the following articles.

**Zoom Link:** <https://brsu.zoom.us/j/3082117370>

**Meeting ID:** 308 211 7370

**Passcode:** meeting

**To be acted upon on Wednesday, February 23, 2022:**

Article 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the School District Directors and Officers.

Article 2: To discuss articles to be voted upon by Australian ballot.

Article 3: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

**To be voted by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 1, 2022:**

Article 4: Shall the voters approve the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Mettawee School District be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 7:00PM at the Mettawee Community School?

Article 5: Shall the voters authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023?

Article 6: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$6,009,284, 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 \$17,734 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 9.4% higher than spending for the current year.

Article 7: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the Building and Grounds Maintenance Reserve Fund?

Article 8: To elect the following positions:  
Moderator to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023  
School District Clerk to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023  
School District Treasurer to serve from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023  
Pawlet - One Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2025  
Rupert - One Director for a three (3) year term expiring in March 2025

**For the purpose of voting by Australian ballot:**

Pawlet voters will vote at the Town Clerk's Office in Pawlet. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 9:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Rupert voters will vote at the Rupert Town Office in West Rupert. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 10:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

The legal voters of Mettawee School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Section 706(u) of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Dated this 10th day of January 2022.

On behalf of the Mettawee School Directors:

Julie Mach  
Julie Mach, Chair

Received for the record and recorded this 19 day of January 2022 by:

Deb Hawkins  
Deb Hawkins, Clerk of the District

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
PAWLET, VERMONT 05761  
..... day of January A.D. 2022  
..... o'clock ..... minutes ..... m.,  
received and recorded in book ..... at  
page .....  
Attest Deb Hawkins  
Town Clerk

Town of Pawlet  
Annual Informational Meeting  
Via Zoom  
March 1, 2021

Members: John Thrasher-Moderator, Chuck Weeden, Julie Mach-Treasurer, Deb Hawkins-Clerk, Kristen Powers-Selectboard Administrative Ass't, Bob Jones, John Malcolm-Vice Chair, Ed Cleveland, Mike Beecher-Chair

Called to order at 7:00PM

John Thrasher reviewed some housekeeping rules for Zoom.

Roberts Rules of Orders

All are muted and asked to turn off video until wanting to speak.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of the Warning

Article 1: Candidates for Town

Ray Duquette, Sr. – Ed Cleveland running as a write in for Selectboard 1 year, Town Agent, and Grand Juror

Ed Cleveland – Confirmed same.

Article 2: General Fund –

Martha Schoenemann – Line by line or questions now.

John Thrasher - We don't usually do line by line.

Martha Schoenemann - Page 24-25 amount for an assistant treasurer and assistant clerk and then an amount for administrative assistant. What is the difference?

Julie Mach – Ass't Clerk is Deb Hawkins' assistant; Ass't Treasurer is for Treasurer and the administrative assistant is the assistant to the selectboard, Kristin Powers.

Martha Schoenemann – Page 27 what is other items to be included in taxes to be raised. \$256,652.

Julie Mach – Interfund is voted appropriations on page 10 article 4, 5, 6. Interfund XFER USDA is payment on the wastewater. Appropriations are all articles from 7 to almost the bottom.

Meeting turned over to Sally Achey our state representative:

Sally Achey – Statehouse has been virtual and remote. Decision was made that entire session will be remote. Focus is on budget and policy bills helping our state recover from COVID. Balanced without raising taxes. Due to federal stimulus money announce \$210 million available for projects including Broadband deployment. Task given to Energy and Technology committee. I have been assigned to this committee. Vermont has tried many strategies to provide affordable and reliable broadband. Grant

funds are not at the scale that can address the cost. The CUD's are shy about lending money. The COVID epidemic has made it clear that Broadband is essential to access school, health and government. A Bill proposed to coordinate, facilitate support, and accelerate community broadband deployment. We are open to supply financial and technical assistance to CUD's. Commends Pawlet Planning Commission and Selectboard on joining a CUD. We asked organizations what is slowing you down. Workforce was the answer. Not enough skilled laborers to get the technology to the homes. Broadband is a priority across the nation. Setting up a pilot training program at VTC. Dept. of labor is setting up a certified apprenticeship program. No other training program in the northeast for this type of training.

Not proposing WiFi hotspots or broadband down a street. 100 mbs up per sec and down. Committed to getting access to this fiber to underserved Vermonters. Will start as soon as the bill is passed. Please contact me for further discussion.

Go to Legislative website and look up representatives, Sally Achey is the first name on the list. I am proud and honored to represent you in virtual Montpelier.

Joanne Van Meter – Thank you to Sally for stressing the focus on communication. Wants to know if she voted yay or nay on capital riots. No communication; not answering emails.

John Thrasher – this is not a matter for this meeting. We are not going to digress. We need to stay focused on town business.

Back to Reading of Articles

Continuation of Article 2:

Article 3: Highway Budget –

Martha Schoenemann – Page 29 Total equipment and maintenance 21-22, 37.5% increase. What is that?

Keith Mason: If you look back to previous years, we have been overspending that line item so it was decided to bring that up to meet the actual expenses.

Martha Schoenemann – Thank you Mr. Mason.

Article 4: Town Equipment – No discussion

Article 5: Capital Budget Fund – no discussion

Article 6: Wastewater Treatment Plant – no discussion

Article 7: Volunteer Fire Departments – no discussion

Article 8: Granville Rescue Squad – no discussion

Town Clerk usually has info on organizations that have requested appropriations.

Julie Mach – I am a fan of Dr. Google and finding out about the organizations.

Article 9: Red Cross – no discussion

Article 10: BROCC – no discussion

Article 11: Dorset Area Visiting Nurses – no discussion

Article 12: Pawlett Historical Society – no discussion

Article 13: Mettowee Valley Community Center – no discussion

Article 14: Green Up Vermont – no discussion

Article 15: West Pawlet & Mettowee NE Cemeteries – no discussion

Article 16: NewStory – no discussion

Article 17: Rutland Mental Health Services – no discussion

Article 18: SW Vermont Council on Aging – no discussion

Article 19: Vermont Adult Learning – no discussion

Article 20: VT Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired – no discussion

Article 21: Rutland County Parent Child Center – no discussion

Article 22: Child First Advocacy Center – no discussion

Article 23: Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District – no discussion

Article 24: NeighborWorks of Western Vermont – no discussion

Article 25: Rural Fire Protection Program – no discussion

Article 26: Preservation Trust of Vermont – no discussion

Article 27: Advocacy Resources Community – Rutland – no discussion

Article 28: Vermont Family Network – no discussion

Article 29: Big Heavy World – no discussion

Article 30: Pawlet Community Church Parking Lot – no discussion

Article 31: Rutland County Court Diversion and Restorative Justice Center – no discussion

Article 32: Park Street Healthshare, Inc d/b/a Rutland Free Clinic - no discussion

Article 33: Cannabis Opt In – no discussion

Any questions on any articles?

Harley Cudney – Doesn't know what some of the agencies are specifically NeighborWorks?

John Thrasher – housing services, loans for home improvement, 1<sup>st</sup> time homebuyer classes.

Harley Cudney - Big Heavy World

John Thrasher – Music Based per Deb Hawkins

Julie Mach – I googled Big Heavy World. They promote Vermont Music.

Joanne Van Meter – Article 33, what happens if we don't opt in on cannabis sales? Do we then not receive the tax benefits?

Julie Mach – Please repeat question.

Question repeated.

Julie Mach – If a town chooses not to opt in then they would not be able to later have a company or business start up for the purpose of distributing cannabis.

John Thrasher – suggested reaching out to our representative.

John Thrasher going back to Article 5, Capital Budget Fund.

Martin Kravitt – 17,000 town facility maintenance. What is in that \$17,000.00?

John Malcolm – this budget line item is for normal maintenance. Caught up with the painting scheme that we had started with. Involves roof and porch repair. Mostly for the high maintenance of the buildings.

Candidate Introductions:

Kristiin Powers – Anyone that needs to be sworn in is encouraged to attend the virtual organization meeting on Wednesday at 7:00 PM.

John Thrasher – confirmed this statement.

Moderator – John C. Thrasher

Selectboard 1 year:

Daniel S. Banyai – not present

Martin Kravitt – I am running for either the 1 year or 3 year and basically, I am running on a platform on accountability and professionalism. How are monies being allocated. Safety is a big issue. I have been on the library board. I bring a background of being a licensed architect. Well acquainted with working with small towns and all their boards. I understand how they work and how many of them think. I would like to bring that level of professionalism to the board. Like to see more planning in the town as we look forward. Have had people of West Pawlet say they would like to see a revitalization to their downtown area. I have a good understanding of the town which I have lived in since 1997. I can work with other people and come to consensus.

Estella Leach – not present

John. Malcolm – I am running for the 1-year seat. I am finishing up my 3<sup>rd</sup> one year term and have learned a lot. We have done a lot on some town issues. I can bring the leadership. Been a dairy farmer all my life until a few years ago. I can bring judgement to the nuts and bolts of the job. I have a vision for Pawlet for the future.

Jessica Van Oort – I am running for the 1-year seat that Mr. Cleveland has vacated. I live in Pawlet and currently am the chair of the Planning commission and have been working very hard. Working on the bylaws on going from 1 acre to 10-acre town. First public hearing will be March 22. Planning Commission recommended to join the Otter Creek Initiative. I will bring the same ability to get things done to the Selectboard. Running in tandem with Maureen who is running for the 3-year seat. I am committed to this town and my home. I look forward to the chance to represent you.

Ed Cleveland – not present

Selectboard 3 year

Daniel S. Banyai – not present

Maureen Brown – I have lived in Pawlet since 2006. Raising my 3 children. I have served on the Pawlet school board and the USD 47 school board. Active volunteer of NAACP. Volunteer for the social justice system at son's school. I wish for us to have an inclusive and welcoming community for everyone here and to support some local and small business development. Would be honored to serve.

Richard H. Hulett – not present

Martin Kravitt – I would add that one of the priorities on my agenda would be a good part of the town budget goes to road maintenance. The Highway Garage is a disaster. I am extremely interested in the town facilities. Snow guards on the library roof is a goal. That easy type of maintenance has not been addressed. The stairs to the library are crumbling and this is a safety issue.

Estella Leach – not present

No write in campaign

First Constable

David Ricard – not present

Delinquent Tax Collector

Kimberly Ayers – not present

Town Agent & Grand Juror

Ed Cleveland – not present

Mettawee School District

Cori Rail – I have been on the board for several years and would like to continue to run.

Write in Candidate

Cintia Morrissey – not present

Eve Schaub – \$295,000 on last year ballot. Since that article was defeated. What has the selectboard done to address the handicap access.

Michael Beecher – There has been very little discussion about the access, but we do not intend to leave the discussion. We have not come up with a suitable plan to come up with a handicap access.

Inadvertently skipped library trustee

Library Trustee –

Diane Mach – not present

Martin Kravitt – When it was designed in 2002 it met all the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. When the room was put in downstairs those needs were not met. Reiterated that snow guards are a simple resolve for falling ice.

The handicap ramp has heating coils in it. All you need is snow rails above it to make it totally safe. I had opposed the expansion. The issue can be resolved very simply with snow guards. I consulted with the original roofing consultant and we felt that there was a good inexpensive solution to the problem.

Mary Duquette – I would like to concur with Mr. Kravitt on the expense. Thanks to Chuck Weeden on the handicap access. The downstairs is not safe. The main floor is accessible. Through technology screens can be upstairs if there is a meeting downstairs. Mr. Shehadi and I discussed the work that was needed because of the sound. The library is a community hub and is an asset. Our director is doing a fine job. Snow guards was discussed before. Maybe a solar panel can help offset the electric bill. This building shouldn't cost the taxpayers any more money.

Chuck Weeden – I am here on my final hoorah. This is my final meeting of being a selectboard member. I truly appreciate the time with my fellow board members. I wish the newcomers all the best. Thank you to the taxpayers for their support.

John Thrasher – We appreciate all the long hours and thank you for your service.

Robert Schoenemann – I am excited to see a lot of new candidates that want to get involved. I would like to say thank you to Chuck Weeden for his great service over the years and his knowledge of the roads and buildings. Thank you, Chuck, for your service to the town.

John Thrasher – Thank you to everyone for the efforts of keeping our town functioning. Stay Safe, Stay Well. Get out and vote if you have not already.

Meeting closed at 8:31

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra A. Hawkins  
Municipal Clerk



*Photo courtesy J. Coolidge*

TOWN OF PAWLET – March 2, 2021  
CERTIFICATE OF VOTES FOR TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS – ARTICLES 1 & 8  
ANNUAL TOWN ARTICLES 2-33 (TOWN)  
ANNUAL METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT ARTICLES 4-7

ARTICLE 1: TOWN & TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

POSITION	TERM	WINNER	VOTES
MODERATOR (TOWN)	1 YEAR	JOHN C. THRASHER	445
SELECTBOARD (2)	1 YEAR	JOHN W. MALCOLM JESSICA VAN OORT	379 243
SELECTBOARD (1)	3 YEARS	RICHARD H. HULETT	323
FIRST CONSTABLE	2 YEARS	DAVID P. RICARD, SR	452
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR	1 YEAR	KIMBERLY A. AYERS	462
TOWN AGENT	1 YEAR	EDGAR CLEVELAND (WRITE-IN)	37
GRAND JUROR	1 YEAR	EDGAR CLEVELAND (WRITE-IN)	29
METTAWEE SCHOOL DIRECTOR (2)	3 YEARS	CORI RAIL CINTIA MORRISSEY (WRITE-IN)	398 66
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	3 YEARS	DIANE MACH	453

TOWN OF PAWLET ARTICLES

ARTICLE 2:	GENERAL FUND	YES – 434	NO – 79
ARTICLE 3:	HIGHWAY	YES – 415	NO - 97
ARTICLE 4:	EQUIPMENT	YES – 423	NO - 89
ARTICLE 5:	CAPITAL BUDGET	YES – 408	NO - 106
ARTICLE 6:	WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT	YES – 398	NO – 113
ARTICLE 7:	PVFD & WPVFD	YES – 454	NO - 57
ARTICLE 8:	GRANVILLE RESCUE SQUAD	YES – 466	NO - 45
ARTICLE 9:	AMERICAN RED CROSS	YES – 400	NO - 108
ARTICLE 10:	BROC	YES – 380	NO – 130
ARTICLE 11:	DVNA	YES – 433	NO - 80
ARTICLE 12:	PAWLETT HISTORICAL SOCIETY	YES – 403	NO - 104
ARTICLE 13:	METTOWEE VALLEY COMMUNITY CTR.	YES – 339	NO - 166
ARTICLE 14:	GREEN UP VERMONT	YES – 412	NO - 97
ARTICLE 15:	WP AND METTOWEE NE CEMETERIES	YES – 424	NO – 84
ARTICLE 16:	NEWSTORY CTR	YES – 381	NO - 127
ARTICLE 17:	RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	YES – 388	NO - 123
ARTICLE 18:	SW VT COUNCIL ON AGING	YES – 429	NO - 83
ARTICLE 19:	VERMONT ADULT LEARNING	YES – 354	NO - 153
ARTICLE 20:	VT ASSOC. FOR THE BLIND/VISUALLY IMPAIRED	YES - 411	NO - 100
ARTICLE 21:	RUT COUNTY PARENT CHILD CTR	YES – 376	NO - 134
ARTICLE 22:	CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY	YES – 357	NO - 149
ARTICLE 23:	POULTNEY METTOWEE NAT RES CONS DIST	YES – 362	NO – 146
ARTICLE 24:	NEIGHBORWORKS	YES – 304	NO - 196
ARTICLE 25:	RURAL FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM	YES – 408	NO – 100

ARTICLE 26:	PRESERVATION TRUST OF VERMONT	YES - 321	NO - 181
ARTICLE 27:	ADVOCACY RESOURCES COMMUNITY	YES - 269	NO - 221
ARTICLE 28:	VERMONT FAMILY NETWORK	YES - 313	NO - 184
ARTICLE 29:	BIG HEAVY WORLD	YES - 194	NO - 289
ARTICLE 30:	CHURCH PARKING LOT	YES - 262	NO - 249
ARTICLE 31:	RUTLAND COUNTY RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CTR	YES - 294	NO - 209
ARTICLE 32:	PARK ST HEALTHCARE-RUTLAND FREE CLINIC	YES - 305	NO - 200
ARTICLE 33:	CANNABIS OPT IN	YES - 301	NO - 204

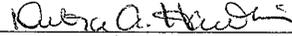
METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT (CO-MINGLED WITH RUPERT)

ARTICLE 4:	MEETING PLACE	YES - 626	NO - 63
ARTICLE 5:	BORROW MONEY NOT IN EXCESS	YES - 524	NO - 167
ARTICLE 6:	BUDGET	YES - 509	NO - 188
ARTICLE 7:	B & G MAINTENANCE	YES - 441	NO - 210

MSD MODERATOR:	1 YEAR	JOHN C. THRASHER	631
MSD CLERK	1 YEAR	DEBRA HAWKINS	646
MSD TREASURER	1 YEAR	JUDY ZINN	632

PAWLET REGISTERED VOTERS: 1158  
 ABSENTEE BALLOTS: 259  
 VOTES CAST AT POLLS: 258  
 TOTAL VOTES CAST: 517    2021 voter turnout 45%    2020 voter turnout 49%  
 TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT CO-MINGLE: 813

A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF VOTES FOR TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS ELECTED AND TOWN ARTICLES ELECTED AND VOTED BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON MARCH 4, 2020.

ATTEST:   
 DEBRA A. HAWKINS, TOWN CLERK

  
 SUE LAPORTE, ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

PREPARED: March 4, 2021  
 DATED: March 4, 2021

**TOWN OF PAWLET GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2023**

	Budget FY 2021	Actual FY2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
<b>REVENUES</b>					
11-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$546,563.00	\$417,380.21	\$567,332.00	\$569,904.83	0.45%
11-6-01-002.00 Int on Del Taxes	\$22,000.00	\$9,718.77	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	0.00%
11-6-01-003.00 Interest on Taxes	\$4,000.00	\$4,537.30	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	0.00%
11-6-02-001.00 Current Use Hold Harmless	\$110,476.00	\$113,015.00	\$113,015.00	\$121,803.00	7.78%
11-6-02-002.00 St of VT Lister's Ed Moni	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-02-003.00 State of VT Fine Reimburs	\$0.00	\$304.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-04-001.00 Recording Fees	\$10,000.00	\$20,049.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	0.00%
11-6-04-001.05 Copy Fees	\$0.00	\$718.60	\$0.00	\$500.00	—
11-6-04-001.06 Miscellaneous Fees	\$4,000.00	\$538.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,000.00	-75.00%
11-6-04-002.00 Vault Time	\$0.00	\$3,418.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	—
11-6-04-003.00 Dog Licenses	\$900.00	\$759.00	\$900.00	\$500.00	-44.44%
11-6-04-004.00 Beverage Licenses	\$0.00	\$485.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	—
11-6-04-005.00 Zoning Fees	\$2,500.00	\$4,390.50	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
11-6-04-006.00 Marriage Licenses	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-05-001.00 Community Connector Grant Tx	\$5,840.00	\$9,761.31	\$3,695.00	\$0.00	-100.00%
11-6-08-001.04 COVID Election Grant	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-08-001.05 LEGR Covid Grant	\$0.00	\$1,872.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-08-001.06 VT Election Reimb COVID	\$0.00	\$630.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-09-001.00 Interest on Investments	\$1,000.00	\$1,232.56	\$2,500.00	\$1,250.00	-50.00%
11-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$485.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-09-099-.01 Transfers from Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-09-099.02 SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-6-09-099.12 SURPLUS USED TO DEFRAY TA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$707,279.00</b>	<b>\$594,346.97</b>	<b>\$719,942.00</b>	<b>\$725,707.83</b>	<b>0.80%</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
<b>PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>					
11-7-10-110.00 Selectmen	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.01 Town Clerk	\$26,735.00	\$26,735.02	\$27,136.00	\$28,492.83	5.00%
11-7-10-110.02 Assistant Treasurer	\$9,000.00	\$497.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.03 Treasurer	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.10	\$30,450.00	\$31,972.50	5.00%

**TOWN OF PAWLET GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2023**

	Budget FY 2021	Actual FY2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
11-7-10-110.04 Assistant Clerk	\$9,000.00	\$9,884.18	\$9,150.00	\$9,424.50	3.00%
11-7-10-110.06 Zoning Administrator	\$8,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.07 Election Workers	\$1,000.00	\$168.76	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.08 Constables	\$4,300.00	\$2,304.00	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.09 Website Administrator	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	_____
11-7-10-110.10 Health Officer	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
11-7-10-110.11 ADMIN. ASST. to Select Board	\$9,360.00	\$6,971.60	\$9,360.00	\$10,000.00	6.84%
11-7-10-110.13 Librarian	\$28,080.00	\$28,080.00	\$22,349.00	\$26,208.00	17.27%
11-7-10-110.14 LIBRARIAN ASSISTANT	\$7,280.00	\$6,854.72	\$7,390.00	\$8,320.00	12.58%
11-7-10-110.16 ASSESSOR ASSISTANT	\$15,860.00	\$14,000.20	\$16,950.00	\$18,460.00	8.91%
11-7-10-110.17 Planning Commission Clerk	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	_____
11-7-10-110.18 Community Connector	\$5,840.00	\$13,994.24	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	_____
11-7-10-110.19 Retirement Funding	\$4,500.00	\$3,173.62	\$4,700.00	\$3,500.00	_____
11-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	\$19,000.00	\$17,333.28	\$19,500.00	\$19,500.00	0.00%
11-7-10-220.00 Payroll Taxes	\$13,000.00	\$14,984.49	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>\$197,955.00</b>	<b>\$185,981.21</b>	<b>\$195,285.00</b>	<b>\$205,677.83</b>	<b>5.32%</b>

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**OFFICE OPERATION**

11-7-20-310.00 ASSESSOR	\$14,000.00	\$7,273.75	\$12,000.00	\$9,750.00	-18.75%
11-7-20-330.00 Legal	\$15,000.00	\$21,338.95	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00	33.33%
11-7-20-330.01 Audit	\$10,000.00	\$9,200.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-330.03 Computer & Accounting Svc	\$7,000.00	\$5,908.39	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-340.00 Rep/Maint Town Records	\$3,500.00	\$3,506.11	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-340.01 Rep/Maint Office Machinery	\$2,500.00	\$1,280.42	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	-33.33%
11-7-20-490.00 Real Estate Taxes	\$25.00	\$10.91	\$25.00	\$25.00	0.00%
11-7-20-490.01 County Tax	\$15,000.00	\$11,152.14	\$15,000.00	\$13,500.00	-10.00%
11-7-20-530.00 Phones	\$4,500.00	\$3,898.39	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	0.00%
11-7-20-531.00 Postage	\$5,500.00	\$4,627.94	\$6,000.00	\$6,500.00	8.33%
11-7-20-540.00 Advertising	\$500.00	\$1,519.08	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	200.00%
11-7-20-540.01 Meetings	\$1,200.00	\$86.40	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00	-16.67%
11-7-20-550.00 Printing Town Reports	\$2,200.00	\$1,812.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
11-7-20-550.01 Ballots & Election Material	\$5,000.00	\$3,577.27	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00%

**TOWN OF PAWLET GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2023**

	Budget FY 2021	Actual FY2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
11-7-20-550.02	\$250.00	\$327.78	\$250.00	\$250.00	0.00%
11-7-20-550.03	\$3,650.00	\$3,899.44	\$3,650.00	\$1,650.00	-54.79%
11-7-20-560.00	\$12,000.00	\$10,632.28	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-580.00	\$4,700.00	\$3,106.16	\$4,700.00	\$4,700.00	0.00%
11-7-20-580.01	\$500.00	\$238.80	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
11-7-20-580.02	\$6,000.00	\$5,825.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	-100.00%
11-7-20-610.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,032.08	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-610.01	\$2,000.00	\$59.40	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	50.00%
11-7-20-610.02	\$200.00	\$189.50	\$200.00	\$200.00	0.00%
11-7-20-610.03	\$8,597.00	\$6,888.62	\$8,530.00	\$8,853.00	3.79%
11-7-20-610.04	\$7,500.00	\$506.60	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	0.00%
11-7-20-610.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	—
11-7-20-611.00	\$0.00	\$1,988.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
11-7-20-743.00	\$3,000.00	\$859.92	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	-50.00%
11-7-20-810.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%
11-7-20-810.01	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	0.00%
11-7-20-990.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	0.00%
11-7-20-990.02	\$0.00	\$7,300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OPERATION</b>	<b>\$141,072.00</b>	<b>\$121,045.54</b>	<b>\$140,305.00</b>	<b>\$136,178.00</b>	<b>-2.94%</b>
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>					
11-7-30-210.00	\$55,000.00	\$43,966.50	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00	0.00%
11-7-30-423.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,334.50	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	0.00%
11-7-30-424.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,069.37	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	0.00%
11-7-30-430.00	\$20,000.00	\$12,010.98	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	0.00%
11-7-30-430.13	\$20,000.00	\$3,422.63	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	0.00%
11-7-30-622.00	\$3,900.00	\$4,539.03	\$3,900.00	\$4,500.00	15.38%
11-7-30-622.01	\$2,400.00	\$2,078.58	\$2,400.00	\$2,100.00	-12.50%
11-7-30-622.02	\$4,000.00	\$3,866.95	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	0.00%
11-7-30-622.13	\$3,200.00	\$2,305.80	\$3,200.00	\$2,500.00	-21.88%
11-7-30-624.00	\$6,000.00	\$3,558.35	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	0.00%
11-7-30-624.13	\$6,000.00	\$6,350.17	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	0.00%

**TOWN OF PAWLET GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2023**

	Budget FY 2021	Actual FY2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
<b>TOTAL BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>	<b>\$126,200.00</b>	<b>\$87,502.86</b>	<b>\$126,200.00</b>	<b>\$125,800.00</b>	<b>-0.32%</b>
<b>SOLIDWASTE</b>					
11-7-60-421.00 Hazardous Waste Collectio	\$1,500.00	\$1,567.05	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL SOLIDWASTE</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,567.05</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$466,727.00</b>	<b>\$396,096.66</b>	<b>\$463,290.00</b>	<b>\$469,155.83</b>	<b>1.27%</b>
<b>Other items to be included in Taxes to be Raised</b>					
11-7-80-820.01 INTERFUND XFER USDA	\$17,510.00	\$17,510.00	\$17,510.00	\$17,510.00	0.00%
11-8-95-950.00 Appropriations	\$166,042.00	\$155,792.00	\$182,142.00	\$182,042.00	-0.05%
11-8-95-950.01 Interfund Txfr/Voted Appro	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL OTHER ITEMS</b>	<b>\$240,552.00</b>	<b>\$230,302.00</b>	<b>\$256,652.00</b>	<b>\$256,552.00</b>	<b>-0.04%</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$707,279.00</b>	<b>\$626,398.66</b>	<b>\$719,942.00</b>	<b>\$725,707.83</b>	<b>0.80%</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		\$ (32,051.69)			

**TOWN OF PAWLET HIGHWAY BUDGET FY 2023**

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
<b>REVENUES</b>					
12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	\$515,778.00	\$515,878.00	\$519,258.00	\$530,022.00	2.07%
12-6-02-001.00 State Aid	\$94,500.00	\$98,481.49	\$94,500.00	\$94,500.00	0.00%
12-6-08-001.00 St Paving/Bridge/Culvert	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
12-6-08-001.02 Local Roads Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
12-6-08-001.03 Better Back Roads Grant	\$0.00	\$25,432.60	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	—
12-6-08-001.04 FEMA grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
12-6-08-001.06 VTRANS Grant	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
12-6-09-001.00 Interest on Investments	\$600.00	\$459.40	\$600.00	\$600.00	0.00%
12-6-09-099.00 MISC. INCOME	\$0.00	\$181.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$610,878.00</b>	<b>\$660,432.49</b>	<b>\$634,358.00</b>	<b>\$645,122.00</b>	<b>1.70%</b>
<b>PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>					
12-7-10-110.00 Highway Labor	\$152,000.00	\$143,847.99	\$154,280.00	\$161,994.00	5.00%
12-7-10-110.01 Highway Retirement Funding	\$4,000.00	\$4,271.68	\$4,200.00	\$4,400.00	4.76%
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	\$28,000.00	\$25,999.92	\$28,700.00	\$28,700.00	0.00%
12-7-10-220.00 Payroll Taxes	\$11,628.00	\$9,160.56	\$11,628.00	\$11,628.00	0.00%
12-7-10-250.00 Unemployment	\$1,500.00	\$534.61	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0.00%
12-7-10-290.00 Uniforms	\$2,700.00	\$3,339.22	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>\$199,828.00</b>	<b>\$187,153.98</b>	<b>\$203,308.00</b>	<b>\$211,222.00</b>	<b>3.89%</b>
<b>OFFICE OPERATION</b>					
12-7-20-530.00 Phone	\$2,000.00	\$2,178.87	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%
12-7-20-580.00 Meetings	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%
12-7-20-580.01 Travel	\$400.00	\$241.92	\$400.00	\$400.00	0.00%
12-7-20-610.00 Small Tools & Repairs	\$1,500.00	\$486.40	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0.00%
12-7-20-610.01 911 Expenses	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	0.00%
12-7-20-610.02 Grant Expenses	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$950.00	—
12-7-20-830.00 Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$1,524.06	\$0.00	\$50.00	—
12-7-20-990.00 Miscellaneous Expense	\$50.00	\$184.46	\$50.00	\$50.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OPERATION</b>	<b>\$4,350.00</b>	<b>\$4,815.71</b>	<b>\$4,350.00</b>	<b>\$5,350.00</b>	<b>22.99%</b>

**TOWN OF PAWLET HIGHWAY BUDGET FY 2023**

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>					
12-7-30-430.00	\$500.00	\$246.57	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
12-7-30-430.01	\$3,000.00	\$1,016.50	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
12-7-30-430.02	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00	-66.67%
12-7-30-622.00	\$1,000.00	\$860.57	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
12-7-30-622.01	\$600.00	\$279.91	\$450.00	\$300.00	-33.33%
12-7-30-622.02	\$350.00	\$282.41	\$350.00	\$350.00	0.00%
12-7-30-622.03	\$300.00	\$557.83	\$450.00	\$450.00	0.00%
12-7-30-624.00	\$6,700.00	\$3,478.78	\$6,700.00	\$6,700.00	0.00%
12-7-30-627.00	\$45,000.00	\$27,406.79	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>	<b>\$72,450.00</b>	<b>\$49,129.36</b>	<b>\$72,450.00</b>	<b>\$62,300.00</b>	<b>-14.01%</b>
<b>ROAD MAINTENANCE</b>					
12-7-40-442.00	\$9,500.00	\$22,523.15	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	0.00%
12-7-40-460.02	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	0.00%
12-7-40-460.21	\$0.00	\$23,453.24	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
12-7-40-650.00	\$100,000.00	\$13,267.25	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	0.00%
12-7-40-650.01	\$30,000.00	\$18,849.21	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
12-7-40-650.02	\$2,000.00	\$2,940.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%
12-7-40-650.03	\$18,000.00	\$26,129.74	\$18,000.00	\$20,000.00	11.11%
12-7-40-650.04	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	0.00%
12-7-40-650.05	\$40,000.00	\$84,401.49	\$40,000.00	\$45,000.00	12.50%
12-7-40-650.06	\$25,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$30,000.00	20.00%
<b>TOTAL ROAD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>\$265,250.00</b>	<b>\$206,564.08</b>	<b>\$270,250.00</b>	<b>\$282,250.00</b>	<b>4.44%</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>					
12-7-50-431.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,975.74	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	0.00%
12-7-50-431.01	\$10,000.00	\$22,235.33	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>\$40,000.00</b>	<b>\$53,211.07</b>	<b>\$55,000.00</b>	<b>\$55,000.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**TOWN OF PAWLET HIGHWAY BUDGET FY 2023**

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	% Change
<b>Capital Purchasing</b>					
12-7-70-741.00 Equipment Purchases	\$0.00	\$38,900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PURCHASES</b>		<b>\$38,900.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	—
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$581,878.00</b>	<b>\$539,774.20</b>	<b>\$605,358.00</b>	<b>\$616,122.00</b>	<b>1.78%</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>					
12-7-80-820.05 2018 MACK TRUCK	\$29,000.00	\$26,385.42	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>\$29,000.00</b>	<b>\$26,385.42</b>	<b>\$29,000.00</b>	<b>\$29,000.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Total to be Raised in Taxes</b>	<b>\$610,878.00</b>	<b>\$566,159.62</b>	<b>\$634,358.00</b>	<b>\$645,122.00</b>	<b>1.70%</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		\$ 94,272.87			

TOWN OF PAWLET WASTEWATER BUDGET FY 2023

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	%Change
<b>REVENUES</b>					
21-6-01-001.00 INTERFUND TRANSFERS	\$ 16,400.00	\$ 32,510.00	\$ 20,910.00	\$ 15,000.00	
21-6-03-001.00 User Fees	\$ 97,010.00	\$ 96,785.60	\$ 103,700.00	\$ 113,410.00	9.36%
21-6-03-002.00 Int. on Current & Del. UF	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,114.99	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
21-6-03-003.00 Pen & Int on Del User Fee	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,251.80	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	0.00%
21-6-09-001.00 Interests on Investments	\$ 100.00	\$ 108.11	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.00%
21-6-09-099.00 Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 2.83	\$ -	\$ -	
21-6-09-099.01 SALE OF TOWN OWNED PROPER	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 119,010.00</b>	<b>\$ 131,773.33</b>	<b>\$ 130,210.00</b>	<b>\$ 134,010.00</b>	<b>2.92%</b>
<b>OFFICE OPERATIONS</b>					
21-7-20-330.00 LEGAL	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	-100.00%
21-7-20-340.00 BioSolids Mgmt & Dispos	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 29,627.50	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	14.29%
21-7-20-460.00 Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 16,901.22	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	100.00%
21-7-20-530.00 Telephone	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,158.27	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,200.00	9.09%
21-7-20-611.00 Testing	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,747.74	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 3,200.00	-37.25%
21-7-20-611.01 Chemicals	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 1,604.55	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,600.00	
21-7-20-622.00 Electricity	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,964.15	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	-10.00%
21-7-20-624.00 Fuel	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,135.16	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	-14.29%
21-7-20-810.00 Contingency Reserve	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%
21-7-20-830.01 INTEREST EXPENSE	\$ -	\$ 14,624.99	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL OFFICE &amp; OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 35,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 72,763.58</b>	<b>\$ 46,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 50,500.00</b>	<b>8.14%</b>
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>					
21-7-30-430.00 Operations & Maintenance	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 60,011.08	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 66,000.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 66,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 60,011.08</b>	<b>\$ 66,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 66,000.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
Loan Payment USDA	\$ 17,510.00	\$ 17,510.00	\$ 17,510.00	\$ 17,510.00	0.00%
<b>Total to be Raised in Fees</b>	<b>\$ 119,010.00</b>	<b>\$ 150,284.66</b>	<b>\$ 130,210.00</b>	<b>\$ 134,010.00</b>	<b>2.92%</b>
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$	\$ (18,511.33)	\$	\$	

TOWN OF PAWLET PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET FY 2023

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	%Change
<b>REVENUES</b>					
13-6-08-001.00 GRANTS	\$500.00	\$10,850.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
13-6-08-001.01 Community Connector Grant	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,330.00	—
13-6-09-001.00 INTEREST	\$30.00	\$539.39	\$30.00	\$20.00	-33.33%
13-6-09-001.02 Investment Gains/Losses	\$0.00	\$16,842.52			
13-6-09-001.03 Investment Expenses	\$0.00	-\$1,190.88			
13-6-09-002.00 DONATIONS	\$120.00	\$917.80	\$120.00	\$120.00	0.00%
13-6-09-002.01 ANNUAL APPEAL LETTER	\$7,780.00	\$13,928.65	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	25.00%
13-6-09-003.00 SALES & PROGRAMS	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	0.00%
13-6-09-003.01 ANNUAL BOOKSALE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,000.00	\$13,000.00	—
13-6-09-003.04 PROGRAMS	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%
13-6-09-003.05 Book Sales-Special Orders	\$0.00	\$257.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	—
13-6-09-003.06 FALL FUNDRAISER	\$6,000.00	\$8,773.58	\$9,000.00	\$6,000.00	-33.33%
13-6-09-004.00 RENT	\$150.00	\$25.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%
13-6-09-009.00 COPY FEES	\$0.00	\$73.13			
13-6-09-099.00 Misc. Income	\$150.00	\$30.27	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%
13-6-09-100.00 Previous Year's Surplus	\$10,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,300.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$37,630.00</b>	<b>\$51,046.56</b>	<b>\$32,350.00</b>	<b>\$34,970.00</b>	<b>8.10%</b>
<b>OFFICE OPERATION</b>					
13-7-20-330.00 PROGRAMS	\$1,500.00	\$1,004.72	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	33.33%
13-7-20-330.01 STORY HOUR	\$1,000.00	\$1,146.80	\$1,645.00	\$1,650.00	0.30%
13-7-20-330.02 ASSISTANT TO LIBRARIAN	\$995.00	\$1,224.12	\$995.00	\$2,170.00	118.09%
13-7-20-340.00 TECHNOLOGY	\$2,500.00	\$3,725.52	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00	-40.00%
13-7-20-340.01 AUTOMATION	\$800.00	\$961.49	\$800.00	\$800.00	0.00%
13-7-20-530.00 TELEPHONE	\$650.00	\$532.94	\$650.00	\$650.00	0.00%
13-7-20-531.00 POSTAGE	\$500.00	\$366.57	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
13-7-20-560.00 DUES & REGISTRATIONS	\$650.00	\$500.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	0.00%
13-7-20-580.01 MILEAGE/GAS	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$1,250.00	212.50%
13-7-20-580.02 EDUCATION	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	100.00%
13-7-20-610.00 LIBRARY SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00	\$1,261.02	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%
13-7-20-610.01 GIFTS FOR VOLUNTEERS	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%

TOWN OF PAWLET PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET FY 2023

	Budget FY - 2021	Actual FY-2021	Budget FY - 2022	Budget FY - 2023	%Change
13-7-20-640.00 ADULT BOOKS	\$3,785.00	\$2,609.70	\$3,785.00	\$4,285.00	13.21%
13-7-20-640.01 CHILDREN'S BOOKS	\$1,500.00	\$854.75	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0.00%
13-7-20-640.02 MAGAZINES	\$300.00	\$192.96	\$300.00	\$300.00	0.00%
13-7-20-640.04 YOUNG ADULT BOOKS	\$800.00	\$125.33	\$800.00	\$1,000.00	25.00%
13-7-20-640.05 AUDIO/DVD	\$1,200.00	\$500.81	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00	-16.67%
13-7-20-810.01 BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$0.00	\$121.02	\$0.00	\$100.00	-----
13-7-20-810.03 CC ONLINE FEES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00%
13-7-20-990.00 MISC. LIBRARY INC.	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	0.00%
13-7-20-990.01 BOOKSALE EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$103.75	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00	-10.00%
13-7-20-990.02 GRANT EXPENSES	\$500.00	\$6,644.10	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
13-7-20-990.03 COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$15,169.00	\$3,967.21	\$3,695.00	\$4,170.00	12.86%
13-7-20-990.04 APPEAL LETTER EXPENSES	\$720.00	\$1,307.85	\$1,270.00	\$1,270.00	0.00%
13-7-20-990.05 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$986.00	\$496.31	\$985.00	\$900.00	-8.63%
13-7-20-990.06 COURIER SERVICE-ILL	\$375.00	\$415.50	\$375.00	\$375.00	0.00%
13-7-20-990.07 GIFT SHOP EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	#DIV/0!
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OPERATION</b>	<b>\$37,130.00</b>	<b>\$28,162.47</b>	<b>\$31,850.00</b>	<b>\$34,470.00</b>	<b>8.23%</b>
<b>BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS</b>					
13-7-30-423.00 CUSTODIAN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-----
13-7-30-430.02 BUILDING MAINT.	\$500.00	\$256.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$256.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$37,630.00</b>	<b>\$28,418.47</b>	<b>\$32,350.00</b>	<b>\$34,970.00</b>	<b>8.10%</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>\$22,628.09</b>			

**TOWN OF PAWLET GENERAL FUND BALANCE FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

11-1-00-101.00	General Fund Checking	\$3,425.51
11-1-00-101.01	General Fund Money Market	\$383,350.67
11-1-00-101.03	TOP Newsletter Account	\$5,780.56
11-1-00-101.04	TOWN OF PAWLET TAX SALE A	\$1,032.90
11-1-00-103.00	PETTY CASH	\$200.00
11-1-00-120.02	Delinquent Taxes Receivable	\$70,946.77
11-1-00-122.01	Property Aquired by Town Via Tax Sale	\$1,544.15
11-1-00-131.00	Due to/From Other Funds	\$0.00
11-1-00-180.00	Prepaid Insurance	\$20,529.70
11-1-00-180.01	Other Prepaid Expenses	\$2,400.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>\$489,210.26</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

11-2-00-401.01	Due to Del. Collector	\$413.78
11-2-00-410.01	Dog Fee to State	\$841.00
11-2-00-410.02	Marr/CU Fees to State	\$750.00
11-2-00-421.00	Accounts Payable	\$4,021.26
11-2-00-471.01	Federal Deposit Accounts	\$0.00
11-2-00-471.05	Health Insurance Payable	\$4,722.12
11-2-00-481.00	Deferred Rev/Prop Taxes	\$58,679.11
11-2-00-490.01	Overpaid Taxes	\$16,367.54
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b><u>\$85,794.81</u></b>

**FUND BALANCE**

11-3-00-760.00	Reserved Fund Balance	\$22,929.70
<b>11-3-00-760.01</b>	Designated Fund Balance	\$6,813.46
11-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$405,723.98
<b>Total Prior Years Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$435,467.14</u></b>

<b>Fund Balance Current Year</b>		<b><u>\$ (32,051.69)</u></b>
		<b><u>\$403,415.45</u></b>

<b>Total Liability Reserve Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$489,210.26</b>
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**TOWN OF PAWLET HIGHWAY BALANCE SHEET FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

12-1-00-101.00	Highway Fund Money Market	\$438,129.06
12-1-00-131.00	Due From/To Other Funds	\$0.00
12-1-00-150.00	Grant Monies Receivable	\$20,000.00
12-1-00-150.01	Accounts Receivable	<u>\$4,384.25</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>\$462,513.31</u></b>

12-2-00-421.00	Accounts Payable	\$14,322.88
12-2-00-461.00	Accrued Salary & Wages/Hi	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b><u>\$14,322.88</u></b>

**FUND BALANCE**

12-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	<u>\$353,917.56</u>
<b>Total Prior Years Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$353,917.56</u></b>

Fund Balance Current Year	<u>\$94,272.87</u>
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$448,190.43</u></b>

<b>Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$462,513.31</u></b>
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**TOWN OF PAWLET WASTEWATER BALANCE SHEET FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

21-1-00-101.02	Money Market	\$3,176.32
21-1-00-103.00	Petty Cash	\$80.00
21-1-00-110.01	Savings Account	\$38,509.50
21-1-00-120.00	Del. WW User Fees Receivable	\$23,029.58
21-1-00-122.01	Property Aquired by Town via Tax Sale	\$2,720.50
21-1-00-200.00	Wastewater Land	\$4,452.00
21-1-00-210.00	Wastewater Treatment Plan	\$1,550,765.00
21-1-00-211.00	Accum. Dep. WW Treatment Pl	-\$1,550,765.00
21-1-00-231.01	Accum Dep Bldg Improvements	-\$370,668.00
21-1-00-240.00	Machinery & Equipment	\$31,050.00
21-1-00-241.00	Accum Dep Mach & Equip	-\$31,050.00
21-1-00-280.00	WW PLANT UPGRADE	\$1,365,629.59
21-1-00-280.01	RBC UNIT REPAIRS 2018	\$60,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>\$1,126,929.49</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

21-2-00-490.01	Overpaid WW Fees	\$230.47
21-2-00-521.00	Long Term Debt USDA	\$548,763.96
21-2-00-521.01	Long Term Debt-Current	\$20,908.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b><u>\$569,902.43</u></b>

**FUND BALANCE**

21-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$605,549.39
<b>Total Prior Years Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$605,549.39</u></b>
<b>Fund Balance Current Year</b>		<b><u>-\$48,522.33</u></b>
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$557,027.06</u></b>
<b>Total Liability, Reserves and Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$1,126,929.49</b>

**TOWN OF PAWLET PUBLIC LIBRARY BALANCE SHEET FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

13-1-00-101.00	Checking Account-Peoples	\$29,433.15
13-1-00-101.02	VT Community Foundation Growth Fund	\$25,979.70
13-1-00-101.03	VT Community Foundation Reserve Fund	<u>\$46,554.68</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>\$101,967.53</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

13-2-00-421.00	Accounts Payable	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>

**FUND BALANCE**

13-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	<u>\$79,399.44</u>
<b>Total Prior Year Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$79,399.44</u></b>

<b>Fund Balance Current Year</b>		<u>\$22,568.09</u>
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b><u>\$101,967.53</u></b>

<b>Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$101,967.53</b>
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**TOWN OF PAWLET DESIGNATED FUNDS BALANCE SHEET FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

31-1-00-101.01	EQUIP. FUND BANK OF BENN.	\$110,248.51
32-1-00-101.00	Town Hall Renovation Fund	\$1,244.41
32-1-00-101.01	TOP Grant Mgmt Account	\$25.00
33-1-00-101.00	TOP Reappraisal Fund	\$44,050.62
34-1-00-101.00	TOP Records Preserve	\$18,620.85
36-1-00-101.00	Landfill Money Market	\$49,033.04
41-1-00-101.00	Pawlet Capital Maint. Fun	\$78,079.02
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$301,301.45</b>

**FUND BALANCES**

31-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$134,598.35
32-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$3,970.48
33-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$37,031.68
34-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$11,592.50
36-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$48,989.54
41-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance	\$61,047.83
<b>Total Fund Balances Prior Year</b>		<b>\$297,230.38</b>

Fund Balance Current Year Equipment Fund	-\$24,349.84
Fund Balance Current Year Town Hall	-\$2,701.07
Fund Balance Current Year Reappraisal	\$7,018.94
Fund Balance Current Year Records Rest.	\$7,028.35
Fund Balance Current Year Landfill	\$43.50
Fund Balance Current Year Capital Maint.	\$17,031.19
<b>Total Fund Balances Current Year</b>	<b>\$4,071.07</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITY, RESERVES, AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$301,301.45</b>
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**TOWN OF PAWLET DESIGNATED FUNDS ACTIVITY FY 2021**

31-1-00-101.01	<b>Equipment Fund Bank of Benn</b>	\$110,248.51	
31-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$134,598.35
31-6-01-001.00	Town Appropriation		\$25,000.00
31-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$313.16
31-6-09-003.00	Transfer In	\$49,663.00	
		<u>\$159,911.51</u>	<u>\$159,911.51</u>
32-1-00-101.00	<b>Town Hall Renovation Fund</b>	\$1,244.41	
32-1-00-101.01	<b>TOP Grant Management Account</b>	\$25.00	
32-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$3,970.48
32-6-08-001.00	Grant Monies		\$0.00
32-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$6.13
32-6-09-002.00	Donations/Town Hall Ren.		\$0.00
32-7-30-730.00	Town Hall Renovations	\$2,707.20	
32-7-30-730.01	Transfers to Other Funds	\$0.00	
		<u>\$3,976.61</u>	<u>\$3,976.61</u>
33-1-00-101.00	<b>TOP Reappraisal Fund</b>	\$44,050.62	
33-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$37,031.68
33-6-02-001.00	State Per Parcel Payment		\$6,953.00
33-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$65.94
		<u>\$44,050.62</u>	<u>\$44,050.62</u>
34-1-00-101.00	<b>TOP Records Preservation</b>	\$18,620.85	
34-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$11,592.50
34-6-04-001.00	Restoration Recording Fee		\$7,005.00
34-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$23.35
34-7-30-730.00	Records Restoration	\$0.00	
		<u>\$18,620.85</u>	<u>\$18,620.85</u>
36-1-00-101.00	<b>Landfill Money Market</b>	\$49,033.04	
36-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$48,989.54
36-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$43.50
36-7-30-990.00	Landfill Closure Expenses	\$0.00	
		<u>\$49,033.04</u>	<u>\$49,033.04</u>
41-1-00-101.00	<b>Pawlet Capital Maintenance Fund</b>	\$78,079.02	
41-3-00-770.00	Fund Balance		\$61,047.83
41-6-07-001.00	Voted Appropriations		\$17,000.00
41-6-09-001.00	Interest on Investments		\$31.19
		<u>\$78,079.02</u>	<u>\$78,079.02</u>

**TOWN OF PAWLET CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

61-1-00-210.01	Land	\$ 189,030.00
61-1-00-230.00	Buildings	\$ 1,680,195.00
61-1-00-240.00	Vehicles & Equipment	\$ 1,132,532.00
61-1-00-240.01	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 11,388.00
61-1-00-610.00	INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 1,323,944.00
61-1-00-710.00	GRAVEL PIT	\$ 90,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 4,427,089.00</b>

Less:

61-1-00-231.00	Accum. Dep. Buildings	\$ (892,204.00)
61-1-00-241.00	Accum. Dep. Veh. & Equip.	\$ (654,716.00)
61-1-00-241.01	ACC. DEP. OFFICE EQUIPMEN	\$ (7,740.00)
61-1-00-611.00	ACC. DEP. INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ (260,006.00)
61-1-00-711.00	ACC. DEP. GRAVEL PIT	\$ (90,000.00)
<b>TOTAL DEPRECIATION</b>		<b>\$ (1,904,666.00)</b>

**NET CAPITAL ASSETS** **\$ 2,522,423.00**

**TOWN OF PAWLET WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION FY 2021**

**ASSETS**

21-1-00-200.00	Wastewater Land	\$ 4,452.00
21-1-00-210.00	Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$ 1,550,765.00
21-1-00-240.00	Machinery & Equipment	\$ 31,050.00
21-1-00-280.00	WW PLANT UPGRADE	\$ 1,365,629.59
21-1-00-280.01	RBC UNIT REPAIRS 2018	\$ 60,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 3,011,896.59</b>

Less:

21-1-00-211.00	Accum. Dep. WW Treatment Pl	\$ (1,550,765.00)
21-1-00-231.01	Accum Dep Bldg Improvements	\$ (370,668.00)
21-1-00-241.00	Accum Dep Mach & Equip	\$ (31,050.00)
<b>TOTAL DEPRECIATION</b>		<b>\$ (1,952,483.00)</b>

**NET CAPITAL ASSETS** **\$ 1,059,413.59**

Town of Pawlet, VT Tax Rate  
Fiscal Year 2021-2022

**TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**  
PAWLET, VERMONT 05761  
30 day of Aug, A.D. 2021  
2 o'clock 00 minutes m.,  
received and recorded in book 124 at  
page 563-564  
Attest: ASST Town Clerk

General Fund Budget \$ 463,290.00  
Appropriations \$ 238,892.00  
Wastewater Plant Upgrade \$ 17,510.00  
\$ 719,692.00

Less Anticipated Income:  
Fees & Licenses \$ 18,000.00  
Interest on Taxes \$ 14,000.00  
Interest on Investments \$ 2,500.00  
Current Use Hold Harmless \$ 121,803.00  
\$ 156,303.00  
Surplus to reduce taxes \$ 100,000.00  
Total \$ 256,303.00

Amount to be raised in taxes \$ 463,389.00  
Grand List \$ 1,746,787.47 \$0.2653

Highway Budget \$ 605,358.00  
2018 Mack Truck \$ 29,000.00  
\$ 634,358.00

Less Anticipated Income:  
State Aid \$ 94,500.00  
Interest on Investments \$ 600.00  
\$ 95,100.00

Amount to be raised in taxes \$ 539,258.00  
Grand List \$ 1,746,787.47 \$0.3087

Local Agreement  
Non-approved Voted Exemptions \$ 354,830.00  
Over \$10000 Voted Veterans Allowance \$ 270,000.00  
\$ 624,830.00

6248.3000 x non-homestead ed tax rate 1.5231 \$ 9,516.79  
Grand List \$ 1,746,787.47 \$0.0054

Homestead Educational Tax Rate \$ 1.3347  
Non-Homestead Educational Tax Rate \$ 1.5231

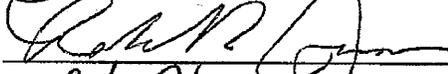
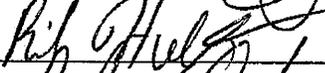
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The Board of Selectmen on 7/27/2021:

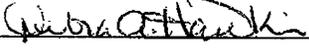
Town of Pawlet, VT Tax Rate  
Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Municipal	\$0.5740
Homestead Educational	\$1.3347
Local Agreement	<u>\$0.0054</u>
	\$1.9141

Municipal	\$0.5740
Non-Homestead Educational Tax Rate	\$1.5231
Local Agreement	<u>\$0.0054</u>
	\$2.1025

Board of Selectmen:

  
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Attest:   
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Town Clerk

Town of Pawlet  
 Wastewater User's Fee  
 Fiscal Year 2021-2022

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
 PAWLET, VERMONT 05761  
 30 day of Aug, A.D. 2021  
 2 o'clock 00 minutes 00 m.,  
 received and recorded in book 124 at  
 page 565  
 Attest: *S. C. [Signature]*  
 ASST Town Clerk

Wastewater Budget	\$112,700.00
Wastewater Upgrade Loan Payment	\$17,510.00
	<u>\$130,210.00</u>
Less Anticipated Income:	
Interest on User Fees	\$ 2,250.00
Interest on Investments	\$ 100.00
From Transfers	\$ 15,000.00
	<u>\$ 17,350.00</u>

Amount to be raised:	\$112,860.00	\$925.08 Rate/hookup
Number of Users	122	\$231.27 Quarterly payment

The following rate was established by  
 The Board of Selectmen on : 7/27/2021

*André Boile*  
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*[Signature]*  
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*[Signature]*  
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*[Signature]*  
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 Board of Selectmen

Attest: *[Signature]*  
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 Town Clerk

**STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED 2020-2021**

2020-2021 Levy	\$	3,362,218.75
Adjustments: Homestead/Current Use Credits	\$	(11,753.13)
Adjustments: Homestead Current Use Increases	\$	8,957.69
State Payments	\$	(412,179.94)
Taxes Collected by Treasurer	\$	<u>(3,114,080.12)</u>
Delinquent Tax Levy	\$	(166,836.75)

**TOWN OF PAWLET DEBT AS OF 6/30/21**

<u>Owed To:</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Int. Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/19</u>
Estimated Landfill Post closure Cost			2031	\$66,065.00
USDA Rural Development	Bond WWTP upgrade	2.50%	2042	\$548,763.96
Bank of Bennington	2018 Mack	3.40%	2022	\$29,634.36
<b>Total Long Term Debt</b>				<b>\$644,463.32</b>

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Selectboard  
Town of Pawlet, Vermont

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

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 Town of Pawlet, Vermont (the Town) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

#### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

#### ***Opinions***

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 Town of Pawlet, Vermont as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in

financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Other Matters***

***Required Supplementary Information***

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

***Supplementary Information***

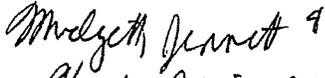
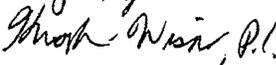
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules 3 and 4 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying schedules 3 and 4 are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying schedules 3 and 4 are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 3, 2021 on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting; on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and on other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Montpelier, Vermont  
November 3, 2021

**TOWN OF PAWLET  
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES  
AS OF 12/31/2021**

**2008/2009-2012/2013**

Campbell, Elizabeth	\$	1,128.28 B	
			\$ 1,128.28

**2013/2014-2016/2017**

Campbell, Elizabeth	\$	738.80 B	
Lizotte, Timothy	\$	80.76	
			\$ 819.56

**2017/2018-2018/2019**

Lizotte, Timothy	\$	167.58	
Lurvey, Nicole	\$	251.84	
			\$419.42

**2019/2020-2020/2021**

Campbell, Elizabeth	\$	49.72	
Dunster, Nelson	\$	1,708.16	
Goulds Mountain	\$	8,380.97	
Haynes, Jonathan	\$	1,701.37	
Kibling, Ronald	\$	1,073.32	
Legg, Cynthia	\$	3,144.63	
Lizotte, Timothy	\$	167.90	
Lurvey, Nicole	\$	2,563.14	
Moulton, Linda	\$	3,962.92	
Mason, Regina & Todd	\$	178.48	
O'Rourke, Joshua	\$	911.99	
Peterson, Stanley	\$	13,683.22	
Rees, Isreal Robert	\$	1,150.50	
Smith, David & Bonnie	\$	120.84	
White, Clifford	\$	1,372.02	
			\$40,169.18

**B denotes Bankruptcy**

**No tax sale action can be taken if Bankruptcy or Federal Forfeiture**

		As of 06/30/2021		As of 12/31/2021
Total Delinquent Property				<b>\$70,946.77</b>
				<b>\$42,578.42</b>
Total Property Collected	07/01/2020-12/31/2020			\$29,974.32 ^^
Total Property Collected	01/01/2021-6/30/2021			\$116,965.05 ^^
Total Property Collected	07/01/2021-12/31/2021			\$22,083.62 ^^

^^Amount collected on principal, this amount does not include collection for interest and penalties

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Ayers, Delinquent Tax Collector**

TOWN OF PAWLET  
DELINQUENT WASTEWATER  
As of 12/31/2021

2019/2020

Atkins, Thomas	\$232.17	
Lurvey, Nicole	\$764.00	
Mead, Jolene	\$573.00	
Parker, Gary	\$526.40	
Ward, Jeremy	\$190.30	
White, Clifford	\$317.50	
		\$ 2,602.92

2020/2021

Atkins, Thomas	\$196.50	
Biondi, Andrew	\$598.48	
Breton, Lance & Susan	\$500.04	
Brown, Maureen	\$794.00	
Crum, Scott & Mary	\$794.00	
Diefendorf, Robert	\$544.92	
Dykstra, James	\$198.50	
Lewis, Tammy	\$794.00	
Lurvey, Nicole	\$794.00	
Lyng, Robert	\$214.05	
Mead, Jolene	\$794.00	
Sirjane, Bruce	\$794.00	
White, Clifford	\$794.00	
		\$7,810.49

**No tax sale action can be taken if Bankruptcy or Federal Forfeiture**

Total Delinquent Wastewater		As of 06/30/2021	As of 12/31/2021
		<b>\$23,029.58</b>	<b>\$11,509.41</b>
Total Wastewater Collected	07/01/2020-12/31/2020	\$12,295.57 ^^	
Total Wastewater Collected	01/01/2021- 6/30/2021	\$4,064.49 ^^	
Total Wastewater Collected	07/01/2021-12/31/2021	\$10,652.90 ^^	

^^Amount collected on principal, this amount does not include collection for interest and penalties

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Ayers, Delinquent Tax Collector

## Report from the Town Treasurer

Greetings Pawlet residents!

It has been, as usual, a busy year in the Treasurer's office. I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve my community in this role. Kim Ayers has continued on as my assistant, helping with tax collection and monthly reconciliations and I am happy to have her help.

John Mudgett of Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C., in Montpelier, performed our annual audit this year with minimal adjustments. A copy of the final audit is on file here in the Town Office.

I would like to take this time to remind our residents that **YOU MUST FILE YOUR HS-122 AND HI-144 FORMS WITH THE STATE OF VERMONT ANNUALLY, regardless of whether or not you file income tax,** in order to receive the homestead tax rate and an education tax credit from the state. Although the state gives extensions it is very important to get the forms in by April 15<sup>th</sup> or before. Timely filing ensures that the credit shows up on the first bill and will limit the number of revised bills that must be issued and the ensuing confusion and additional late fees. I understand the frustration of having to file EVERY year but until/unless something changes in Montpelier it is a requirement. Should you need assistance you can reach out to my office.

As a reminder the tax bill that you will receive this coming summer will be the only bill that you get. Please save it as a reminder for the February installment and as a record for your income tax filing.

If there is any way that I can be of assistance please feel free to call the Town Hall or send an email. I have office hours Monday – Wednesday and regularly check my email throughout the week. It is a pleasure to work as part of a great team here in Pawlet. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

*Julie Mack*

pawlettreas@vermontel.net

## Town Clerk Report, 2022

It feels like just yesterday I was writing a report for last year's town report and looking back not much has really changed:

- We are still navigating through a pandemic,
- We are still mitigating and following safety protocol,
- We are still adapting to changing legislation with regard to running safe/healthy elections,
- We are still requiring properly fitting masks (covering nose and mouth) to enter all town buildings.

As a result of pandemic related mitigation measures, the state will be mailing November General Election ballots to all registered voters, as was done in 2020. General Elections occur in even numbered years with Presidential Elections every 4<sup>th</sup> year. In 2022 we will have a Primary Election in August and a mid-term General Election in November.

Dog licenses are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Renewal reminders have already been sent out to all previously registered dog owners. By law, all dogs 6 months and older MUST be registered.

For March Town Meeting, we will duplicate the procedures put in place for the 2021 Town Meeting in order to run a safe & healthy election for all. This includes, but is not limited to: early voting, voting in vehicles, voting on the porch, allowing only a limited number of people in the building at one time, properly fitting masks over nose and mouth, hand sanitizing, etc.

Thank you all for the kindness, respect, patience, cooperation and words of support offered these last two years. It is truly appreciated. I would be remiss if I didn't mention those in the office, Sue, Julie, Karen & Jonas. We have all been working together to keep each other moving forward throughout these unprecedented times.

In 2021 we lost some community members who, each in their own way, touched our lives in. Learning of the passing of friends and neighbors always prompts a moment of reflection. While I may not be aware of all of those that have passed on from our community, I do offer the sincerest and heartfelt condolences whose lives have been affected by the loss of a loved one. While we no longer publish detailed information on vital statistics for the year in the town report, I feel compelled to take a moment to honor their memory: Chris, Wilson, Cynthia, Perley, Thelma, JoAnne, Glenn, Doris, Lorraine, Harris, Joyce, Dorothy, Kathleen and any others that I am not aware of or may have missed.

The Secretary of State Office of Elections, has informed town clerks that we will be receiving new vote tabulator machines. Our current tabulator has served us very well since 2008 without fail. After procuring bids from multiple companies, the state has made the decision, much to the relief of many, to stay with our current provider, LHS Associates. I am personally very happy to be maintaining the relationship we have built with LHS whose customer service is exemplary and swift when needed. I believe the intent is to have the tabulators up and running for the August Primary, however the timing could very well change.

So here we are off on another busy election year. Stay well, stay healthy, be kind and respectful to one another, offer compassion when needed and smile.



## 2021 Annual Report from the Pawlet Selectboard

Greetings from the Town of Pawlet Selectboard! The Board welcomed two new members in 2021, Jessica Van Oort and Rich Hulett. Jessica and Rich joined Mike Beecher, John Malcolm and Bob Jones. Together these five Board members have combined their knowledge and efforts to perform the legislative, administrative, and supervisory roles of a Vermont Selectboard, as outlined by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

The Selectboard continues to meet bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00pm, both in person at the Town Hall as well as on Zoom. Meetings are recorded and made available for viewing by PEG-TV. All meetings are open to the public and are forewarned accordingly. The Board has been pleased to see positive engagement and involvement from community members in 2021, and is looking forward to continued community participation and connection in 2022.

The Selectboard considered and addressed many subjects in 2021, with significant focus on the Town's zoning bylaws and approved land uses. The Board adopted a statement of inclusivity and diversity, affirming Pawlet's commitment to welcoming people of all backgrounds, status, and identity to live, to work, and to visit our Town. In an effort to help keep Pawlet and West Pawlet better connected, the Town also now has free public WiFi available at the West Pawlet rail trail parking lot, as well as around the Pawlet town green.

The Town also welcomed Sean Ruck as our new Web Coordinator. Sean has seamlessly stepped into this role, and helps keep the residents of Pawlet and West Pawlet in the know via our Town's website and e-newsletter. Sincere thanks to Elizabeth Gibson for her many years as Sean's predecessor in this role. Jennifer Sullivan has taken over for Bob Morlino as Pawlet's Health Officer, bringing with her a passion for the wellness of all. The Board thanks Bob Morlino for his numerous years of service and dedication to this role, and appreciates his hard work as the Town's Emergency Management Director. The Board extends immense gratitude to all Town officials and employees, new and seasoned, for another year of commitment and enthusiasm for our community.

This year, the Board has actively sought out several grant-funded opportunities to support improvements throughout the community. In addition to grant programs which focus on roadway improvements, the Town is also hoping to utilize grant funding to improve upon local infrastructure as well as the Town Plan. Pawlet was awarded its first allocation of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), and the Selectboard actively engaged and surveyed the community to determine the most valuable [approved] uses for this resource. The Town was also awarded a grant for the Pedestrian Scoping Study. This was first introduced in 2020 and is managed by the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, alongside an outside engineering firm. This scoping study will focus on the roadway between the Pawlet Volunteer Fire Department on Rte. 153 and the Library on School Street, and Sheldon's Store and The Barn Restaurant on Rte. 30. Progress continues on these efforts, most recently including an opportunity for public input and engagement, which occurred in early December 2021. The Selectboard thanks the local committee who has helped to propel these efforts forward.

The Town Highway Department accomplished many valuable projects this year, keeping Pawlet on track towards fulfilling local and state goals/standards for our roadways. The Board extends gratitude to their

continued skill and dedication to keeping our roads in good and safe condition. Some notable projects include: the repaving of the Danby/Pawlet Road, as well as re-graveling the roadway shoulder. The southern segment of Herrick Brook Road was opened up and resurfaced, and the brook edge was stabilized (among other tasks), completing improvements to Pawlet's portion of the road – a two season project. Stormwater drainage and flooding issues were addressed in West Pawlet, with new drain inlets and piping added. The Selectboard has also supported the Highway Dept. through the sale of an outdated member of the fleet and adding a new truck, sander and plow. The Town has also purchased a used tractor, with mower and PTO leaf blower, to complete our own roadside mowing and maintenance. Lastly, Pawlet has invested in mobile radar-controlled speed signs, located in West Pawlet and Pawlet villages, in an effort to enforce speed and safety in our community. These signs will be relocated periodically to help address speeding on area roads.

The Selectboard continues to work with Vermont Utility Management Services (VTUMS) to strive for better performance and amenity at the West Pawlet Wastewater Treatment Facility. The Selectboard looks forward to investigating and pursuing upcoming funding opportunities to promote a more cost efficient and effective wastewater system for our West Pawlet residents.

Finally, the Selectboard would like to thank our capable and wonderful assistant, Kristin Powers, who keeps everything organized from managing correspondence, minutes and agendas to writing grants and advising on meeting protocol. We also thank our community members for their trust, support, involvement and kindness. We look forward to continuing to serve our community in 2022!

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Beecher, Chair and Liaison to West Pawlet Waste Water Treatment Facility

John Malcolm, Vice-Chair and Liaison to Assessor's Office and Town Highway Department

Bob Jones, Selectperson and Liaison to Buildings and Development

Jessica Van Oort, Selectperson and Liaison to Town Highway Department and Buildings and Development

Rich Hulett, Selectperson and Liaison to West Pawlet Waste Water Treatment Facility

Kristin Powers, Assistant to the Selectboard

## 2021 ASSESSOR ANNUAL REPORT

Professional appraiser Lisa Wright, of Wright Appraisal Company, was hired by the Town in 2018 to replace the Board of Listers, after a town vote in favor of a professional assessor.

Due to the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, 2021 was especially challenging for assessors. Karen continued to work at the Town Hall, where safety protocol was put in place, and Lisa worked remotely from her home as much as possible. Per State Guidelines, grievances were conducted via Zoom or phone, with an in-person meeting option, and minimal interior inspections were performed, following social distancing requirements. These same safety protocols will continue to be followed until the pandemic is under control.

Out of 811 taxable parcels, 11 were formally grieved. There were 3 appeals to the BCA.

Our current equalization study reports a Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) of 91.26% and a Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) of 20.77%. A CLA below 85% or over 115% necessitates a reappraisal. A COD over 20% necessitates a reappraisal.

The Town will most likely be receiving a reappraisal order in 2022, due to the current COD. Given the shortage of firms qualified and available to complete town-wide reappraisals, most towns are looking at securing bids no earlier than an effective date of 4/1/2025, and likely beyond that. We will be at the 10-year mark for 2026, so this is a reasonable time frame to expect that a reappraisal will be needed.

Pawlet GIS (geographic information system) mapping is available to the public through the Pawlet website. It can be accessed on the Assessor page: <http://pawlet.vt.gov/town-offices/assessor/>, and property record cards can be printed. PDFs of the full assessor's PRCs are now available from the website as well.

We have been working very closely with our mapping company to improve upon the accuracy of our GIS maps, including correcting previously missing or incorrect parcel information. Inactive parcels are now merged with their contiguous, active parent parcels, and clicking on any of these parcels should now show owner information. This will be an on-going process, and we welcome any input regarding inaccuracies you may find.

Watch the Pawlet Website Assessor Page for information regarding grievance hearings, special notes and updates from the Assessor's Office.

We are always happy to answer taxpayer questions; however, we have limited office hours in the Assessor's Office. Karen is typically available on Monday and Wednesday mornings, and Lisa provides office hours on one or two Mondays per month. Please call us at 325-3309 x4 or e-mail us at [pawletlister@vermontel.net](mailto:pawletlister@vermontel.net) and we will arrange a time to speak with you.

We are now working on our regular assessing work for April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022.

Our current challenges: Homestead Filings (HS-122s), Mapping maintenance, Sales Analysis, Appeals, Property Transfers, Permit Inspections, and Current Use maintenance.

**A REMINDER THAT HS-122s (HOMESTEAD DECLARATIONS) NEED TO BE FILED ANNUALLY (BY APRIL 15) TO RECEIVE THE VERMONT RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE.** Please be sure to file your Homestead Declarations on a timely basis to avoid late fees.

If you have a complicated business or rental use, it is helpful to explain that to us so we can allocate the property accurately to homestead/non-homestead use.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Wright, Assessor  
Karen Folger, Assistant Assessor

# ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

## FY 2020 - 2021

During this past Fiscal Year, thirty-two (32) zoning applications were approved.

In summary, the type of permit applications received and approved included:

Single family residential (includes removal & replacement and / or construction of a new single-family residence)	3
Renovations & additions to existing buildings (includes decks & Porches)	7
Replacement and / or construction of accessory structures (Sheds, garages and other structures over 64 sq. ft.)	8
Change of use (Single family to multi-family and new commercial construction)	2
Miscellaneous Permits	3
Subdivision (includes minor lot line adjustments)	4
Agriculture Buildings / Uses	5
Withdrawn, denied or appealed Zoning Administrators decisions	3

In addition to my duties as Interim Zoning Administrator, I attend Planning Commission meetings and participate in reviewing Zoning Bylaws to consider changes and updates. The Planning Commission meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

If you are uncertain about whether a permit may be required, please ask your Zoning Administrator. I prefer to assist property owners rather than issue Notices of Violations. My scheduled office hours are Wednesdays from 9:30 A.M. - 1:30 PM and by appointment. Please call (802) 325-3309 extension 3.

Jonas Rosenthal  
Interim Zoning Administrator

# **Pawlet Emergency Management**

## **Annual Report 2021**

- The Town of Pawlet Emergency Management instituted a COVID 19 daily update on its Facebook page starting on March 12, 2020 and continued up to the Governor's cancellation of the health emergency declaration in June of this year.
- Sponsored a Covid 19 vaccine clinic on June 11 at the Pawlet Firehouse in conjunction with the Rutland Free Clinic on June 11.
- Participated in 13 conference calls with State officials on the Covid 19 pandemic.
- An Emergency Operations Center (EOC) review/training was conducted at the EOC at Mettawee Community School with the Pawlet EOC team (Jay Luebke and Leon Corey) on July 29.
- Prepared and submitted the Town of Pawlet Tier II reports to the State.
- Completed and submitted the annual update to the Local Emergency Operations Plan.
- Performed a test of the Town of Pawlet Emergency Notification System through the State of Vermont VTAlert system on Oct. 26.
- At the request of Vermont Emergency Management (VEM) and FEMA, a tour of 10 culverts was accomplished on Nov. 15. Two participants from VEM and two from the FEMA Massachusetts Region 1 office attended.
- Updated and submitted the Rutland Regional Planning Commission Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement.
- Attended (virtually) the Vermont Emergency Preparedness Conference in September (9/15 – 9/16).

Bob Morlino, Emergency Management Director

## **PAWLET HEALTH OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT**

**01/01/2021-6/30/21**

- Performed 2 rental housing code inspections.
- Registered 2 animal bite reports.
- Investigated sewer leak in an unoccupied bank owned building and had bank mitigate the problem

It has been an honor to serve the people of Pawlet as the Health Officer for the last nine years. Jennifer Sullivan was named the new health officer in July of this year and has very quickly learned the responsibilities of the position.

Robert J. Morlino

## **PAWLET HEALTH OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT**

**07/01/2021-12/31/21**

- Registered two animal bites.
- Attended THO training.
- Performed 2 rental housing code inspections.
- Investigated a complaint from a citizen of West Pawlet about condition of his neighbor's lot. Not a rental property, no further action taken by THO.
- One wellness check for possible family living in camper. No further THO activity required.
- Took a call about abysmal living conditions for an elderly woman and her son. Not a rental property, and upon further investigation it was determined that the residence is in Danby.

**Jennifer Sullivan BSN RN**

Constable Report 2021 / 2022 Fiscal Year

Over the past year we have handled a variety of calls included animal complaints, traffic, parking, MVA's, EMS, noise complaints, domestic, civil standby, VIN verification, trespassing, Alarm Activations, suspicious and agency assists with VT State Police and Fish & Game.

Our training this year was a challenge with the Covid 19 restrictions, and the Academy being closed to outside personnel. Training included CPR/AED and First Aid (annual), Firearms (annual), NCIC Tac Recertification (annual), Use of Force, Fair and Impartial Policing, Animal Control VLCT, Clandestine Labs, VELCO Utility Safety Awareness for First Responders, Responding to Mental Health Issues, Leadership in Supervision - Perspectives in Thinking, totaling about 80 plus hours.

As a reminder all dogs or wolf hybrids six months of age or older must be registered on or before April 1st and have a currant rabies vaccination.

It has been a pleasure to serve the people of the Town of Pawlet.

Respectfully,

David P. Ricard, Sr. 1st Constable

William Humphries 2nd Constable



# Pawlet Volunteer Fire Department Annual Report 2021

## *Emergency Operations*

The PVFD ran 65 emergency responses and 7 non-emergency calls for service in 2021. This is the highest call volume we have ever logged, 20% higher than the previous record set in 2019, and twice the typical call volume of a decade ago. This upward trend in call volume may be attributed to several local factors. COVID-19 generated numerous calls, as we assisted EMS crews responding to residents ill with the virus. More frequent storms and other extreme weather events have meant more weather-related emergencies. Most consequentially, our region's all-volunteer fire service is acutely understaffed, forcing most local departments to rely on mutual aid to staff emergencies, and, in turn, leading many to adopt aggressive dispatch practices to assure adequate manpower. For example, a decade ago it would have taken a major fire in Manchester for Pawlet to be called down to assist. We were called there 10 times in 2021.

In all, our volunteers dedicated 496 person-hours to emergency response in 2021, an average of 41 hours per member. Pawlet responded to one structure fire in our district, which we were able to suppress quickly, with minimal damage to the home. One vehicle was lost to fire in Pawlet in 2021. One serious injury occurred in a motor vehicle incident, but there were no fatalities on Pawlet's roadways in 2021. No firefighters suffered line-of-duty injuries or illnesses in 2021.

### 2021 PAWLET VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS BY INCIDENT TYPE

6	Fire, residential structure	9	Fire alarm (no hazard found)
2	Fire, commercial or mixed-use structure	1	Carbon monoxide alarm (no hazard found)
2	Fire, grass/brush/wildland	2	Carbon monoxide emergency
1	Fire, motor vehicle	1	Flammable gas emergency
3	Utility equipment fire, wires arcing/burning	8	Standby or cover assignment
5	Trees and/or wires down in roadway	7	Assistance to EMS crew
3	Motor vehicle incident with personal injuries	3	Report of cardiac or respiratory arrest
3	Motor vehicle incident with property damage only	8	Cancelled en route
1	Flood mitigation or water emergency	7	Non-emergency call for service

### 2021 PAWLET VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS BY LOCATION

35	Pawlet	4	West Pawlet	2	Danby	1	Middle Granville
10	Manchester	3	Rupert	1	Middletown Springs		
5	Dorset	3	Granville	1	Tinmouth		

## *Training and Membership*

Our volunteer firefighters logged 525 hours building their skills through in-house training in 2021, an average of 48.5 hours per member. We began the year training together on Zoom, but were able to resume in-person training in March. In addition to our in-house training, two of our members are currently enrolled in the Vermont Fire Academy's Firefighter 1 program, a 186-hour training program that will certify them to the NFPA 1001 firefighter professional standard. The PVFD is also proud to contribute the two lead instructors for this program.

Our membership roster remained generally stable in 2021, at around 12 members. We seek more hands to make lighter work. We offer an exciting and meaningful volunteer opportunity for all genders, abilities, and ages. We provide equipment and top-notch training – no experience needed. And we have fun doing it. ***Get in on the action! Learn more at [pawletfire.org/volunteer](http://pawletfire.org/volunteer)***

The PVFD revised our corporate bylaws in 2021, adding a requirement that all members log at least 24 hours of training annually to maintain membership, reflecting our commitment to providing professional service to our community. We also codified our commitment to diversity and inclusion within our ranks by forbidding discrimination in our membership practices.

### ***Expenditures, Revenue, and Capitol Investments***

COVID-19 remained with us in 2021, and so we did not hold our traditional auction or game supper. We are hopeful that these events will return in 2022. We held a basket raffle, and sent a direct appeal letter to property owners. Thanks to the generous support of our community, we are pleased to report a healthy financial picture, which is detailed on the following page.

In June we placed an order for a new fire engine. This new truck will replace our first-due pumper, a 1997 Freightliner, now 25 years old. After a competitive process, we chose HME Ahrens-Fox of Michigan to fabricate the apparatus on a Freightliner M2 chassis with a Cummins L9 motor. Our committee put hundreds of hours into designing this apparatus, carefully tailoring it for our community's needs. It includes many enhancements to operational efficiency, firefighter safety, and durability as compared to our current first-due rig. The new apparatus will cost us approximately \$375,000 and is expected to enter service in the early summer of 2022. We anticipate a service life of 20 to 25 years, serving our community well into the 2040's.

Other major investments undertaken in 2021 include the order of two sets of structural firefighting personal protective equipment at a cost of \$2,850 each. We also ordered equipment to create a washroom facility at our station. Soot and fire particulate is carcinogenic and abrasive to fabrics, so keeping our members safe and getting maximum lifespan out of these costly garments requires cleaning them properly. The washroom will enter service in early 2022. Finally, our station exterior got a fresh coat of paint, and our wood signs were restored. This work was done by our firefighters, who volunteered their labor. We would like to extend a special thanks to the current and past PVFD members who donate their time, fuel and equipment to keep our driveway snow-free and our lawn looking great.

The PVFD will begin seeking a suitable property for a new fire station in 2022. Our current property has been flooded three times in the past decade. Furthermore, development in the floodway is strictly limited, restricting our ability to adapt the building to our changing needs. This will be a long-term project, and we will keep the community updated as it develops.

For 2022, the PVFD and WPVFD are requesting \$145,000, an increase of \$5,000 per agency. This is a level-service budget, meant to defer increasing costs without reducing our services.

It is an honor to serve this community, and we strive to improve with each passing year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon Weiss, Chief, (802) 325-7070, [jon@pawletfire.org](mailto:jon@pawletfire.org)

Lars Lund, President

Jim Becker, Vice President

Fran Powers, Treasurer

Bill McKenzie, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief

Paul Perkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief

Bob Morlino, Captain

Andrew Chila, Lieutenant

Theresa Jones, Secretary

## *Pawlet Vol. Fire Department Financial Report, Calendar Year 2021*

### **Revenue**

Income - Donation	15,640.00	Income - Reimbursements	11,185.53
Income - Interest	374.58	Income - Town Allotment	63,750.00
Income - Basket Raffle	3,150.00	Income - Rental Fees	300.00
Income - Promotional Item Sales	92.00		

**Total Revenue** **\$94,492.11**

### **Expenditures**

101 Building - Fuel Oil	2,268.82	504 Training - Props, Supplies, Equipment	27.44
102 Building - Propane	55.24	505 Training - Misc	26.00
103 Building - Electricity	1,920.48	602 Apparatus - Maintenance	2,173.55
104 Building - Telecom.	1,822.45	603 Apparatus - Repairs	3,087.18
105 Building - Repairs/Maintenance	2,618.36	604 Apparatus - Fuel	816.37
106 Building - Grounds Maintenance	107.85	605 Apparatus - Misc	9.10
108 Building - Fire Alarm, Security	180.00	606 Apparatus - Capital Fund	35,000.00
201 Office - Office Expenses	616.04	701 Equipment - Structural PPE	1,735.54
301 Operational - Insurance & Benefit Programs	13,861.00	702 Equipment - SCBA	1,308.30
303 Operational - Association Dues	220.00	703 Equipment - Wildland PPE	77.64
304 Operational - Misc.	231.44	704 Equipment - General	1,394.53
305 Operational - Recruitment & Retention	679.60	705 Equipment - Structural Firefighting	431.87
306 Operational - Food & Bev.	401.34	707 Equipment - Rescue, Extrication, EMS	236.09
307 Operational - Bank Fees	35.00	708 Equipment - Communications	3,879.25
401 Fundraising - Postage	149.00	710 Equipment - Misc.	174.17
402 Fundraising - Printing	114.41	801 Prevention - Hydrants	10.40
404 Fundraising - Paper Goods	63.47		
405 Fundraising - Misc	50.85		

**Total Expenditures** **\$75,782.78**

**Total Revenue** **\$94,492.11**

**NET REVENUE** **\$18,709.33**

West Pawlet Volunteer Fire Department  
2021 Annual Report

The West Pawlet Volunteer Fire Department responded to 44 emergency calls for the year, they included:

0 Structure Fire	13 Mutual Aid Structure Fires
02 Standby	02 Service Calls
07 Motor Vehicle Crashes	01 Mutual Aid Chimney Fire
02 Fire Alarm Activations	03 Co Alarm
07 Down Powerlines	02 Mutual Aid Grass and Brush Fires
02 Grass and Brush Fire	01 Traffic Control
01 Vehicle Fire	
01 Hazardous Condition	

During the past year with a combination of online and in person training the department had a total of 528-man hours of training. The department has recently started training with a group of departments from northern Bennington County and continues to train with mutual aid departments so as to share manpower and equipment in the event it is needed.

We currently have 2 members enrolled in the Vermont firefighter one program in Manchester Vt. which is over 200 hours from start to finish

The department purchased a 1989 Ford 700 truck with a rescue body from the Manchester Vol. Fire Dept. Manchester Vt.

This truck came equipped with a 3-piece set of hydraulic hurst tools and pump, is capable of holding a cascade system to fill SCBA air bottles at a fire scene. We are in the process of equipping it with a variety of small hand tools. The truck is in limited service at this time and can be used in a variety of situations from command post, vehicle crashes, wildland search and rescue and as training continues swift water rescue, ice rescue and could be shared as a regional response vehicle to respond to neighboring communities.

The departments fundraisers consisted of a donation letter, 50/50 raffle, turkey raffle via internet, an outdoor movie night hosted by the Mettowee Valley Church of West Pawlet and our annual chicken BBQ.

The department has 12 dry hydrants and 2 pressurized hydrants in the West Pawlet fire district these hydrants are tested twice a year to make sure they are operational.

We continue to search for ways to stretch our limited budget through grants, fundraisers and donations.

Our priorities include the replacement and upgrade of our equipment and aging turn out gear for members and to also expand the number of dry hydrants in the district.

We are always looking for new members, so if you are interested becoming a firefighter you are more than welcome to stop by the fire house on Tuesday nights after 7pm and see what we are about.

We wish to thank the community for their generous support over the years. We wish to thank all the firefighters, their families and employers for their continuing support to our department.

We could have not provided the level of service to the community without your continued support.

Chief: David Ricard Sr 645-0344  
1st Asst.Chief: Joey Mullen 770-4931  
2nd Asst.Chief: David Hosley 645-0158  
Captain : David Ricard Jr.  
Lieutenant : Morgan Williams

President: Gary Hadeka  
Vice President: Harley Stearns  
Treasurer: John Lee  
Secretary: Craig Watrous  
Trustee : Roger Gould

Respectfully Submitted,  
West Pawlet Vol. Fire Dept.



## Granville Rescue Squad, Inc.

East Potter Avenue, P.O. Box 153

Granville, NY 12832

Telephone (518) 642-1830

[www.granvillerescue.com](http://www.granvillerescue.com)

[granvillerescue@yahoo.com](mailto:granvillerescue@yahoo.com)



To the Citizens of Towns Served:

Thank you for the opportunity to have served you over the past year.

Granville Rescue handled 2086 calls in 2021, traveling over 83,000 miles. The following is the breakdown by area:

Granville Village	738	Pawlet/W.Pawlet	124
Granville Town	633	Rupert	10
Hebron	53	Danby	20
Wells	134	Other Areas	374

We routinely respond to calls for mutual assistance outside of our area. Other neighboring ambulances also assist our agency when the system is overwhelmed with calls and our resources are depleted.

Our service is licensed in New York and Vermont as an advanced life support agency. Volunteer members are supplemented by employees to provide 24 hour a day, 7 days a week emergency medical coverage. Our roster has over 45 members and staff, ranging from drivers to paramedics. In 2021, members participated in over 10,000 hours of emergency call time and in excess of 1500 hours of training. We do offer community CPR and first aid training, depending on instructor availability, as well as the "Stop the Bleed" program. This has been slightly altered this year due to the pandemic.

An EMT course was held at the Granville Rescue building over the winter. From this we were able to gain six new EMTs. We congratulate them and thank them for taking on this course.

Our agency was awarded a grant for a "Lucas" CPR device. This unit is capable of performing chest compressions on a patient freeing up personnel to perform other tasks on a cardiac arrest. Additionally, we have just taken delivery of a 2022 ambulance. This vehicle is a new chassis with refurbished box. This purchase was a significant savings over a brand new chassis and box.

Granville Rescue would like to thank the citizens, businesses, local governments, fire, police, and neighboring EMS agencies, as well as highway departments for their continued support and assistance. Anyone with questions, concerns, or interest can stop by our building on Potter Avenue in Granville or visit our website at [www.granvillerescue.com](http://www.granvillerescue.com).

The members and staff of Granville Rescue wish everyone a healthy 2022!

## Pawlet Planning Commission annual report for 2021

In 2021 it was a slightly easier to conduct business than during the year before, but some early meetings in 2021 were still only over the Zoom online platform and later meetings, in person, had with Zoom augmenting the meeting. Tom Collard left the board late in the year. His presence has been missed, the empty seat on the board still needing to be filled.

During the past year the planning commission updated the zoning bylaws to complete Pawlet's transition from a one acre to a ten acre town for the purposes of Act 250. This transition has been many years in the works and suffered a number of setbacks and we are proud to have finally brought it through to completion. This bylaw update also contained updated language around accessory dwelling units to fit the state statutes, and a finalization of the town's definition of "school."

There was work continued on the town's enhanced energy plan to figure out which areas were better suited to alternative energy projects and which were not. The PPC was also educated as to the town's available power transmission capacity and how that might affect alternative power generation in town.

The board also began a zone by zone inspection of conditional uses to remove redundant confusing language in the existing by-laws, as well as add specific language to more closely reflect the Pawlet town plan of encouraging economic development while retaining the rural character of the town.

The board also gave its support to three separate grants that the town applied for. These were a Bylaw Modernization Grant (to update the bylaws to support affordable housing and economic development), a Municipal Planning Grant (to create a West Pawlet Village Master Plan which includes plans for the town-owned parcel that used to be Dutchie's Store), and a Vermont Outdoor Recreation Communities Grant (to create a welcome center for the D&H Rail Trail that runs through West Pawlet). The planning commission is proud to report that the town has received the first two grants, and is still waiting to hear about the third.

The board encourages public participation. All Pawlet Planning Commission meetings are open to the public, masked in person, or via Zoom on your phone or computer. The meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Pawlet town hall and via Zoom. The link for Zoom can be found on the town's website at <https://pawlet.vt.gov/town-goverment/planning-commission/>.

The planning commission is honored to serve the community in its mission to offer planning solutions and direction to help guide the town in the enactment of the town plan.

Respectfully submitted, by Rik Sassa, Secretary/Clerk PPC

## Pawlet Public Library Report 2021

The Library Board of the Pawlet Public Library is pleased to announce the hiring of a new Library Director, Lyndsi Barnes, a resident of Pawlet. Lyndsi served as a Librarian at the Henry W. and Albert A. Berg Collection of English and American Literature at the New York Public Library for 12 years. She looks forward to engaging the Pawlet community to create a place for everyone at the library. We are fortunate to have Lyndsi lead our library in a new and exciting direction.

We are happy to report that the library welcomed back our community groups and programming in 2021. Bone Builders meets three days a week and Tai Chi meets once a week in the building. The Tea Read book group is back to in-person meetings, and our literacy specialist, Catherine Hunter, headed up our Summer Reading Program for children along with a weekly Art and Reading class for grades 1-6 in the fall. Approximately 40 children and their parents/caregivers participated in our outdoor Halloween Parade and Holiday Storywalk® of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* By Dr. Suess.

The Pawlet Volunteer Network, a project headed by the Community Connector, Sara Young, has become a vital resource connecting our community members to the Town, volunteer led organizations, and community groups in Pawlet and West Pawlet. The library has established a monthly Community Connector's meeting that remains active together with the leaders of various local organizations. The Transformation Advisory Committee has moved forward in securing Eric Hall, Regional Planner at the Rutland Regional Planning Commission to take on the role of Project Manager for the Village Pedestrian Accessibility Scoping Study at the intersection of routes 30 & 133 and School Street. The sub-committee has selected a consultant for this project and we look forward to moving on to the next steps.

As a municipal library, we are grateful for the tax dollars that support the maintenance of our building and pay the salaries of our staff members. The Library has continued our fundraising efforts with the return of the Annual Book Sale, Root for the Library Raffle, and our Annual Fund appeal. Additionally, we received grant funding for programming and operational needs. We were awarded the Vermont Public Libraries Equipment and Supplies grant as part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Stewart's Holiday Match, a Summer Programing grant from Vermont Libraries, and a Cares Internet/Computer Access grant, which we used to purchase a new desktop computer at the circulation desk. We also received grant funding from the Windham Foundation to support our digital literacy programs.

We are especially grateful for our board members, volunteers, and library staff. With the support of our community members we continue to work hard to make the Pawlet Public Library the heart of our community. To learn more about how you can help build our community visit our website <https://pawletpubliclibrary.wordpress.com/pvn/>, give us a call at 802-325-3123, or pop into the library and see us.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mach, Board Chair and Lyndsi Barnes, Library Director.

## Pawlett Historical Society 2021

During the first half of 2021, the Pawlett Historical Society board continued to meet via Zoom until Governor Scott lifted the State Emergency Orders. In person board meetings were held outside at the Chriss Monroe Chapel until the weather forced us indoors at the Pawlet Public Library, socially distanced.

Throughout 2021, the Society continued to publish our periodic newsletter providing informative reading to our members with both new revelations and content from our archives.

At our Ice Cream Social in August at the Chriss Monroe Chapel, we hosted our first public event since the pandemic began. Our speaker, Mike Barbieri, presented "Benjamin Lincoln and the Pawlet Encampment of 1777" a talk of the American Expedition to Pawlet in September of 1777. The goal of the Expedition was to divide, divert and harass the British army of General John Burgoyne in New York. Mr. Barbieri, using existing secondary sources, provided a fine description and expanded and interpreted for the audience.

August also brought together a group of volunteers for the first clean-up at the Old Cemetery on Cemetery Hill of the gravestones, some of which date to Revolutionary War veterans. We hope you have had the opportunity to see the results of this initial effort.

As we look towards the Nation's celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Pawlett Historical Society will be developing plans to mark this momentous event as well as the Expedition of 1777.

We take this opportunity to thank our past president, Barry Meinerth, for his leadership of and dedication to the Pawlett Historical Society over these past four years. Words cannot properly express the gratitude for his service.

We would also like to thank the community for their support and thank those who volunteer. Whether serving as a board member, working on the collections, helping with events, mowing the lawns, or maintaining the roof of the brick schoolhouses our volunteers are indispensable and we couldn't have done it without you.

We hope 2022 will bring us back closer to a semblance of normalcy with the return of our annual tag and bake sale, a summer exhibit and informative speakers.

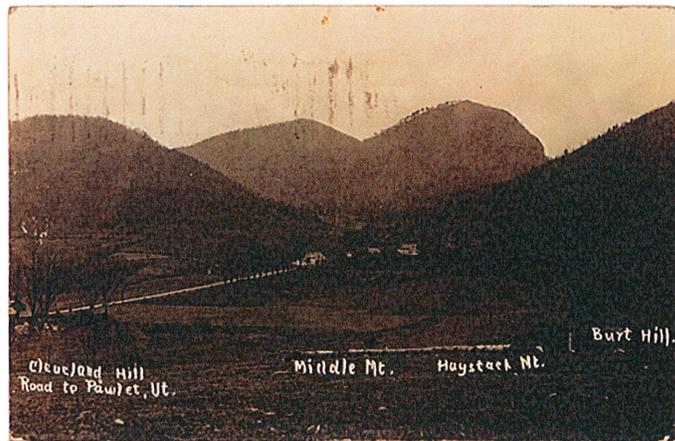
Respectfully,

*Rose Smith*

President

Mettowee Valley and Northeast Cemetery Assoc. Inc.  
&  
Chriss Monroe Chapel

Report not available at time of print



## DID YOU KNOW.....

- January 1, 1900—Selectmen of Pawlet met with Frank Hicks of Granville, NY to arrange construction of new telephone line in Pawlet and West Pawlet
- February 24, 1907—Mettowee Valley Grange #373 was organized with 47 charter members
- March, 1851—Rutland and Washington Railroad opened through West Pawlet with slate quarries opening soon after and families of many nationalities emigrating to the area
- 1864—First cheese factory established in Vermont at Consider Bardwell farm in West Pawlet
- April 22, 1881—Construction begins on Pawlet Town Hall
- May 6, 1764—First record of meeting of proprietors of Pawlet
- June 9, 1806—Hiel Hollister born in Pawlet. Lived to be 89 years old and wrote first history of Pawlet, “Pawlet for One Hundred Years”.
- July 1, 1863—Marcellus Jones, Pawlet native, fired first shot at the Battle of Gettysburg
- August 8, 1781—First church in town was Congregational church/first organized
- August 26, 1761—Pawlet first chartered, 23,040 acres granted by Gov. Benning Wentworth of new Hampshire to Jonathan Willard and sixty-seven others
- August 26-28, 2011—Pawlet celebrates its 250th birthday
- September 9, 1998—Mettawee Community, union school with Rupert, opens
- September 13, 1777—Colonel Samuel Herrick’s Rangers and others set out from Pawlet to attack outposts of Fort Ticonderoga during the Revolutionary War
- October 9, 1855—Joshua Stoddard of Pawlet receives patent for his steam piano he calls a calliope. Stoddard also created hay rakes, fire escapes, and fruit paring machines.
- October 30, 1895—Fire in West Pawlet kills 3 people and much of village is destroyed
- November 6, 1927—Flood devastates much of Vermont; Lt. Governor is killed. Pawlet damage is limited.
- First settler in Pawlet in 1768 was Dr. Simon Burton in North Pawlet
- Pawlet population peaked in 1810 at 2233

--Taken from the Commemorative Souvenir Program celebrating Pawlet's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration 8/26-8/28, 2011



**\*Grave Openings for 10-01-20 to 9-30-21:**

Relia Delaney	\$	40.00
Anna Jones	\$	150.00
Katie Ripley	\$	150.00
Arthur Mason	\$	40.00

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**Total** \$ **380.00**

**Lots sold:**

Lot 136, Church Section to Thomas & Nancy Clark	\$ 1,200.00
Lot 90, Church Section to Janet Baierlein	\$ 1,200.00

**Lots Transferred:**

None for this report period

Summary of investments at 9-30-21 attached

**West Pawlet Cemetery Association**  
**Summary of Investments as of September 30, 2021**

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Institution and Account Number</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>
Perpetual	Citizens Bank *****0075	0.10%	\$6,200.37	8/27/2022
General	Citizens Bank *****8038	0.10%	\$3,283.83	6/14/2022
General	Citizens Bank *****3015	0.10%	\$7,750.64	6/4/2022
Perpetual	TD Bank *****1557	0.10%	\$7,666.99	8/23/2023
Perpetual	TD Bank *****1789	0.10%	\$10,435.34	10/5/2021
Perpetual	TD Bank CD *****75745	0.50%	\$4,999.92	5/14/2022
Perpetual	TD Bank CD *****92406	0.50%	\$6,196.25	6/1/2022
Perpetual	Columbia Threadneedle		\$62,858.39 as of	9/30/2021

Total of all items

**\$109,391.73**

MASONIC LODGE OF VERMONT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
A WORLD WIDE FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION  
2021 REPORT – MORNING FLOWER LODGE #71  
VERMONT ROUTE 30, PAWLET VERMONT 05761

Pawlet's Morning Flower Lodge #71 is one of Pawlet's most historic non-profit organizations housed in one of Pawlet's virtually untouched historic structures. The Lodge has a membership of approximately 50 members. Morning Flower Lodge #71 began in Rupert, VT in 1865 and moved to Pawlet in 1885.

The Lodge maintains a low profile, but its many services to the community have been active behind the scenes. The Lodge sponsored and housed the Boy Scouts in the lower level of the building for many years. Listed below are a few charitable organizations which Morning Flower Lodge #71 and 83 other Vermont Freemasons support. The Freemasons are the founding sponsors of the Shriners Burn Institutes and Shriners Hospitals for crippled children – FREE OF CHARGE.

The Freemasons sponsor the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, schizophrenia research programs, Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE), DeMolay for boys and Rainbow for girls, Comprehensive Assessment and Recovery Effort (CARE). The Freemasons of Pawlet were proud to present \$500 scholarships to two local students.

The Masonic experience encourage members to become better men, better husbands, better fathers, and better citizens. The fraternal bonds formed in the Lodge help build lifelong friendships among men with similar goals and values. Beyond its focus on individual development and growth, Masonry is deeply involved with helping people. This philanthropy represents an unparalleled example of the humanitarian commitment.

Need space for your organization? Need storage space? The first and second floor of the Masonic Lodge is available for the right person/organization. Call Myron (Mike) Waite 802-325-3052 for information.

We encourage you to become a member of the Morning Flower Lodge #71 of Pawlet. You can begin by contacting a Mason (802-325-3052).

The VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program aka "VSNIP", under the oversight of the VT Economic Services Department, is administered by VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society (VWSA). VSNIP helps financially challenged Vermont residents spay/neuter cats and dogs for \$27.00. The balance is paid by fellow Vermonters when dogs are licensed by an added \$4.00 fee, the major funding for this important program. Funds are determined by the number of dogs licensed, which is required by law when a dog is six months of age. A current rabies vaccination is required to register, and a rabies vaccination can be administered after 12 weeks of age for both cats and dogs.

Prostrate and mammary cancer is more likely to occur in unsterilized cats and dogs. It's not pretty and they're likely to die. Animals live longer and happier when they're spayed and neutered, are less likely to fight for territory, and mark what they claim to be "theirs"!

**Licensing a dog:** 1) helps identify your dog if lost, 2) provides proof your dog is protected from rabies in the event your dog is bitten by a rabid animal, but would still need immediate medical attention, 3) if your dog bites an animal or person – which could result in quarantine or possible euthanasia to test for infection, and 4) helps pay for VSNIP, addressing the population situation in Vermont.

Farms with cats should especially be aware that one rabid cat or dog can affect an entire population of animals on the premise. The answer is neutering through VSNIP which includes a rabies vaccination and the first of the two part distemper series.

Look for Rabies Clinics in March across the state. You can call your veterinarian and ask the cost of a rabies vaccination only, or call your nearest Tractor Supply Store for their Monthly Rabies Clinic schedule. Rabies IS in Vermont and it IS deadly.

To receive a VSNIP Application, send a 9" S.A.S.E to: VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034. Indicate if it's for a cat, dog or both. For more information, call 802-672-5302.

Please visit our website: [www.VWSAHS.org](http://www.VWSAHS.org)

VWSA will be hosting Rabies Clinics in March. Call for dates and locations.

**The animals thank you in advance! *Together We Truly Do Make A Difference!!***

Sue Skaskiw, VWSA Humane Society Executive Director/VSNIP Administrator

## Online Voter Registration System For Vermonters

### Establish Your Own “My Voter Page”

- Election Management System (EMS)- includes a statewide voter checklist and other resources and tools to be used by town and city clerks across Vermont to conduct all of their election and related business- from registering voters, to processing absentee ballot requests, to entering election results.
- Online Voter Registration Tool- allows all eligible Vermonters to submit their voter registration application online anytime and anywhere they can access the internet; and
- My Voter Page- online resource that allows every registered voter to login and have access to a unique, voter- specific web page where they can request an absentee ballot, and much more.
- The Online Voter Registration Page can be found at <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us> and the My Voter Page login can be found at <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>



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**DATES TO REMEMBER!!**

**INFORMATIONAL METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

**DATE: Wednesday, February 23, 2022**

**7:00 PM, Virtually Via Zoom**

**INFORMATIONAL TOWN MEETING**

**DATE: Monday, February 28, 2022**

**7:00 PM, Virtually Via Zoom**

**VOTING (MSD & Town of Pawlet)**

**Tuesday, March 1, 2022**

**9:00 AM – 7:00 PM**

**PAWLET TOWN HALL**

**122 School Street, Pawlet, VT**