

Town of Coventry



2021

OFFICE HOURS AND CONTACT INFO:

<p>Town Clerk's Office</p> <p>Mailing Address: PO Box 8 Coventry VT 05825 Tel: (802) 754 2288</p> <p><u>Town Clerk</u> Deb Tanguay clerk@coventryvt.org</p> <p>Clerk Office Hours: Monday and Thursday 8 am to 3 pm</p> <p><u>Town Treasurer</u> David Barlow treasurer@coventryvt.org</p> <p>Treasurer Office Hours: Monday and Friday 1 pm to 4 pm</p>	<p>Select Board's Office</p> <p>Mailing Address: PO Box 8 Coventry VT 05825 Tel: (802) 754-2266</p> <p><u>Select Board</u> Scott Briere, Chair scottbriere@coventryvt.org</p> <p>Phil Marquette philmarquette@coventryvt.org</p> <p>David Gallup roads@coventryvt.org</p> <p><u>Town Administrator</u> Ned Connell townadministrator@coventryvt.org</p> <p>Town Administrator Hours: Monday - 9:30 am - 4 pm Tuesday to Thursday – 8 am – 4 pm Friday - 8 am - 3 pm</p>	<p>Assessor's Office</p> <p>Mailing Address: PO Box 8 Coventry VT 05825 Tel: (802) 754 1803</p> <p><u>Assessor</u> Bill & Matt Krajieski New England Municipal Consultants</p> <p><u>Assessing Clerk</u> Kate Fletcher assessorsoffice@coventryvt.org</p> <p>Assessing Office Hours: Tuesday - 8 am to 3 pm</p>
<p><u>Road Commissioner</u></p> <p>David Gallup Town Garage (802) 754 6564</p>	<p><u>EMD and 911 Address Coordinator</u></p> <p>Phil Marquette (802) 487 8091 philmarquette@coventryvt.org</p>	<p><u>Animal Control Officer</u></p> <p>Rene Falconer (802) 673 3791 rfalconer@nchsi.org</p>

Check us out on the web: www.coventryvt.org

Payment Methods:

- ❖ **Non-cash methods of payment are preferred**
- ❖ **Maximum amount of cash accepted for any transaction is \$100. We will not accept bills larger than \$50.**
- ❖ **Cash of any amount will not be accepted for the payment of property taxes current or delinquent.**
- ❖ **All payments are to be made out to the "TOWN OF COVENTRY".**
- ❖ **Credit and Debit cards are accepted via a third-party website linked off of our website address, shown above. Additional fees apply for processing.**

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2022

Date	Meeting Info	Time	Place
Wednesday, February 23	Town & School District Informational Meeting for the Town Meeting	5 pm	Community Center and via Zoom (meeting id = 623 276 0755)
Saturday, February 26	Town & School District Informational Meeting for the Town Meeting	9 am	Community Center and via Zoom (meeting id = 623 276 0755)
Monday, February 28	Town & School District Informational Meeting for the Town Meeting	5 pm	Village School and via Zoom (meeting id = 623 276 0755)
Tuesday, March 1	TOWN MEETING DAY - Town & School District Voting via Australian Ballot	10 am to 7 pm	Community Center and via absentee ballot prior to February 28
Saturday, March 19	Rabies Clinic – please call The Animal Doctor to schedule app't	9 am to Noon	The Animal Doctor 56 Eastern Avenue Newport Center
Saturday, May 7	Green Up Day	All day	Everywhere in VT
Saturday, June 4	Household Hazardous Waste Day	7:30 am to 11:30 am	Waste USA Landfill
Saturday, October 29	Household Hazardous Waste Day	7:30 am to 11:30 am	Waste USA Landfill
Monday, November 7	Property Taxes Due to Town Treasurer		Community Center

Meetings held at the Coventry Community Center

(Currently all meetings are being held both remotely and in-person – masks are recommended)

Select Board	First and third Monday	5:30 pm in Community Center Board room
Planning Commission	First Wednesday of each month	5 pm in Community Center Board room
Fire District	No standing meeting schedule	
Town Foundation	Third Tuesday of each month	

Meetings held at the Coventry Village School

(Currently all meetings are being held both remotely and in-person – masks are required)

School Board	Third Wednesday of each month	5:30 pm at the Coventry Village School
School Finance Committee	Third Wednesday of each month	5 pm at the Coventry Village School
School Building Committee	No standing meeting schedule	

WARNING - COVENTRY ANNUAL TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Coventry,
Vermont in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont,
are hereby notified and warned to meet at the
COVENTRY COMMUNITY CENTER
168 Main Street, Coventry VT 05825
TUESDAY MARCH 1st 2022 at 10:00 am
to act on the following business:

School District Business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a **MODERATOR** for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To elect a **SCHOOL TREASURER** for a 1-year term.

ARTICLE 3: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 2-year term.

ARTICLE 4: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 3-year term.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,881,536** 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 \$18,513, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 16.33% higher than spending in the current year.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to borrow up to **\$3,200,000.00** over the period of 30 years for the proposed building addition at Coventry Village School.

The Town and School will be holding three informational meetings for residents to discuss the above articles. Dates and times of these informational meetings will be mailed with the Annual Report and will be held remotely via zoom or phone in. These meetings shall constitute the public informational hearing required by 17 V.S.A. 2680(G).

Town Business:

ARTICLE 7: To elect a **TOWN MODERATOR** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 8: To **ELECT** the following officers required by law:

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| a. | SELECT PERSON | 3-year term |
| b. | TOWN CLERK | 3-year term |
| c. | TOWN TREASURER | 3-year term |
| d. | COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES | 1-year term |

e.	CEMETERY COMMISSIONER	3-year term
f.	CEMETERY COMMISSIONER	2-year term (to fulfill the remainder of a 3-year term)
g.	1ST CONSTABLE	1-year term
h.	2ND CONSTABLE	1-year term
i.	TRUSTEE OF CEMETERY FUNDS	1-year term
j.	PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER	2-year term
k.	PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER	2-year term
l.	PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER	1-year term (to fulfill the remainder of a 2-year term)
m.	PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER	1-year term (to fulfill the remainder of a 2-year term)

ARTICLE 9: Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$ 836,294** for support of the fiscal year **2023 TOWN LIABILITIES & GENERAL FUND EXPENSES** of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$ 274,000 plus** the Vermont State Aid funding, for support of the fiscal year **2023 TOWN HIGHWAY FUND** expenses for summer and winter road maintenance, of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

ARTICLE 11: Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to split the **Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund** into two reserve funds to be called the Roads Infrastructure Reserve Fund and the Roads Capital Equipment Reserve Fund to enable better allocation and management of funding by placing \$100,000 of the existing fund balance into the **Roads Capital Equipment Reserve Fund** and the balance of the existing fund, approximately \$272,000, into the **Roads Infrastructure Reserve Fund** in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?

ARTICLE 12: Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the Highway Fund of \$70,000 and into the General Fund of \$762,000, totaling **\$832,000**, be **TRANSFERRED** to the **ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE RESERVE FUND**, if said reserve fund described in Article 11 is approved by voters, or if not, into the existing Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund to fund future road infrastructure projects?

ARTICLE 13: Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$100,000** be transferred to the **ROADS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND** if said reserve fund described in Article 11 is approved by voters, or if not, into the existing Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund to fund future roads capital equipment requirements?

ARTICLE 14: Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$35,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESERVE FUND** to fund future reappraisal requirements?

ARTICLE 15: Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$4,800** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **Edmunds Douglas Price (EDP) Fund** to make up for Microsoft stock

dividends paid to the Town for the EDP Fund from 2003 through 2013 but not entered into the Town's financial accounting system?

ARTICLE 16: Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry authorize the Selectboard to appoint the Town Treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651f whose elected term will expire in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651f(c) if this article is approved?

ARTICLE 17: Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the below expenditures for the **Service Agencies** in the amount of **\$16,507**? (Service Agencies reports are printed in the back of this Town Report under the Service Agencies section.)

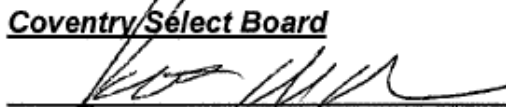
- \$500.00 to American Red Cross
- \$300.00 to Felines & Friends Foundation
- \$3,000.00 to Goodrich Memorial Library
- \$600.00 to Green Mountain Farm-To-School, Inc
- \$2,000.00 to Jones Memorial Library
- \$330.00 to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging
- \$2,172.00 to Northeast Kingdom Human Service, Inc.
- \$500.00 Orleans County Children's Advocacy Center / Special Investigations Unit (new)
- \$500.00 to Orleans County Fair Association
- \$550.00 to Orleans County Historical Society
- \$3,000.00 to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice Inc
- \$750.00 to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.
- \$850.00 to Rural Community Transportation, Inc.
- \$1,125.00 to Umbrella
- \$130.00 to Vermont Center for Independent Living
- \$100.00 to Vermont Green Up, Inc
- \$100.00 to Vermont Symphony Orchestra, SymphonyKids Program

Total for above appropriations - \$16,507.00

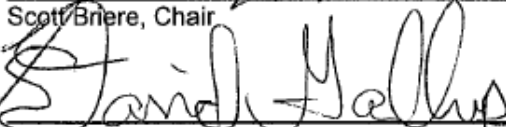
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Dated this 24th day of January, A.D. 2022

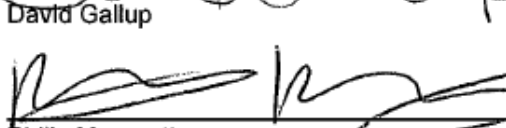
Coventry Select Board



Scott Briere, Chair



David Gallup



Philip Marquette

Dated at Coventry, Vermont this 19th day of January, A.D. 2022.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Matthew Maxwell, Chair

Amanda Jensen

Jaime Stenger

Kathleen Ahearn

Sarah Bathalon

Received for record this 1st day of January, A.D., 2022 at Coventry

ATTEST:

Debra Tanguay, Town Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Cemetery Commission	Gerry St. Sauveur	2022 *
	Lester Carbonneau	2023
	vacancy	
Delinquent Tax Collector	Kate Fletcher	2022 *
First Constable	Donald Pedro Grondin	2022 *
Second Constable	Jesse Testut	2022 *
Justice of the Peace	Anita Allen	2022
	Sherry Bradley	2022
	Melissa Gallup	2022
	Donald Hunt	2022
	Richard Lussier	2022
	Pat Sloan	2022
	vacancy	
Moderator	Matt Maxwell	2022 *
Planning Commission	Israel Sanville	2023
	vacancy	2023
	vacancy	2023
	vacancy	2022
	vacancy	2022
School Director	3 Year Term	
	Sarah Bathalon	2024
	Matt Maxwell	2022 *
	Jaime Stenger	2023
	2 Year Term	
	Amanda Jensen	2023
	Kathleen Ahearn	2022 *
School Treasurer	Deb Tanguay	2022 *
Select Board	Scott Briere	2024
	David Gallup	2022 *
	Phillip Marquette	2023
Town Clerk	Deb Tanguay	2022 *
Town Treasurer	David Barlow	2022 *
Trustee of Cemetery Funds	David Barlow	2022 *

* = Indicates that the Office will be voted on by
Australian Ballot on March 1st 2022

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

All Coventry Residents interested in serving as a Town Official or volunteering on one of the committees are asked to please submit their letter of interest to the Select Board before Town Meeting Day on Tuesday March 1. The Select Board makes appointments at the re-organization meeting following Town Meeting and welcomes anyone interested in getting involved with the community. The re-organization meeting is Wednesday March 2 at 5:30 pm.

Select Board Chairman	Scott Briere
Vice Chairman	Phil Marquette
Animal Control Officer	Renee Falconer
Civil Defense Chairman	Pedro Grondin
Community Center Coordinator	Ned Connell
Fence Viewers	Josh Griffes
	Israel Sanville
	Stuart Maxwell
Road Commissioner	David Gallup
Select Board Bookkeeper	Deb Tanguay
Assessor	New England Municipal Consultants
Assessing Clerk	Kate Fletcher
Solid Waste Committee	Sherry Bradley
Town Administrator	Ned Connell
Town Service Officer	Ned Connell
Tree Warden	John Buchanan
Zoning Administrator	David Barlow
Newspaper	Newport Daily Express
Attorney	Brian Monaghan
Emergency Management Director	Phil Marquette
Emergency Management Coordinator	Ned Connell
911 Coordinator	Phil Marquette

TOWN OFFICE DESCRIPTIONS

Vermont Secretary of State

Full list can be viewed at:

<https://www.sec.state.vt.us/elections/candidates/local-office-descriptions.aspx>

Cemetery Commissioner (elected). Responsible for the care and management of the town's cemeteries. If no cemetery commissioners are elected, the select board fulfills this role. 18 V.S.A. § 5373

Collector of Delinquent Taxes. An elected Collector of Delinquent Taxes is responsible for all duties described under 32 V.S.A § 5252. A Town may also vote to authorize the appointment of a Collector of Delinquent Taxes under 17 V.S.A. § 2651(d).

Constable (elected). In some towns the constable is the town's local law enforcement officer, with all powers of search, seizure, and arrest within the town. In other towns, the constable only has the power to serve civil process, assist the health officer in the discharge of his or her duties, destroy unlicensed dogs, kill injured deer, remove disorderly people from town meeting, and, if the first constable, to collect taxes, if no tax collector is elected. Should be good at de-escalating and resolving conflicts. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(7)

Fence Viewers (appointed). Three viewers are appointed by the Select Board each year. When called upon, they examine fences and other boundaries within the town. 24 V.S.A. § 871

Health Officer (appointed). Appointed by the commissioner of health to a three-year term after recommendation by the town Select Board. Enforces the rules and regulations for the prevention and abatement of public health hazards. 18 V.S.A. § 601

Justices of the Peace (elected). Although elected by a town, justices of the peace are actually county officers. 17 V.S.A. § 2103(10). The duties of justices of the peace can fall into five categories of responsibilities:

1. Elections. Justices of the peace are members of the board of civil authority (BCA). Members of the BCA serve as election officials at town elections by Australian ballot and statewide elections. Justices also are responsible for delivering absentee ballots to voters at election time.
2. Tax Abatement and Appeals. Justices of the peace sit as members of the town board for abatement of taxes to determine whether a taxpayer's tax obligation should be forgiven under certain circumstances. Justices of the peace also serve an important role in the town's tax appeal process. As a member of the board of civil authority, justices sit to hear and decide appeals when citizens do not agree with the final decision of the listers.
3. Marriages and Civil Unions. Justices of the peace may also solemnize marriages and may certify civil unions in Vermont.
4. Oaths and Notary. Justices of the peace may also administer oaths in all cases where an oath is required, unless a specific law makes a different provision. A justice of the peace is a notary public ex officio and has all the acknowledgment powers of a notary public. However, the justice of the peace must file with the county clerk in order to act as a notary public (but the fee is waived).
5. Magistrate. Justices of the peace may also serve as a magistrate when so commissioned by the Supreme Court.

Moderator (elected). Runs the annual and special town/school meeting. Should have a good sense of humor, be good at group process, and have experience following Roberts Rules of Order. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(1)

Planning Commissioners (appointed or elected). Appointed unless town votes to elect. Duties include preparing a municipal plan; making recommendations on matters of land development, conservation, and preservation; and participating in a regional planning program. Makes site plan and subdivision permit decisions unless there is a development review board in town. Should have a good working knowledge of all aspects of the town and be able to listen to many sides of an issue. 24 V.S.A. § 4323.

Road Commissioners (elected or appointed). Can be elected or appointed. Has no independent authority, but can assist the Select Board in overseeing town highways at the request of the board. Should have experience with town highways and be a good communicator. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(16); 17 V.S.A. § 2651

Select Board Members (elected). General supervision and control over town; enacts ordinances, regulations, and policies for town; oversees town property and personnel; prepares, presents and manages budget; and oversees roads, including laying out, discontinuing, and reclassifying roads. Sits as local board of health, liquor control commission, and sewer commission. Should know the town well, be able to understand all sides of complex issues, and have very thick skin. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(4); 17 V.S.A. § 2649

Town Administrator (appointed). Hired by the Select Board, the town administrator, sometimes called the administrative assistant to the Select Board, assists the Select Board in managing the business of the town. The town administrator has no independent statutory authority. The scope of his or her duties is determined by the Select Board.

Town Agent (elected). The town agent used to prosecute and defend suits. The Select Board now has that authority. Thus, the town agent's duty consists merely of assisting when litigation is in progress, at the request of the Select Board. (Generally not a very active position.) 17 V.S.A. § 2646(11)

Town Clerk (elected). Records, preserves, and certifies the public records of the town. Issues dog, marriage, civil union, and hunting and fishing licenses; as well as motor vehicle renewals. Runs the local elections, serves as clerk of the board of civil authority, and hears tax abatement requests and tax appeals. Should have the patience of a saint and be a good ambassador for the town. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(2)

Town Forest Fire Warden (appointed). Appointed by the fire commissioner with the approval of the Select Board. Prevents forest fires in the town by enforcing the laws designed to prevent forest fires. 10 V.S.A. § 2641

Town Services Officer (appointed). Appointed on or before April 15th of each year. Assists individuals within the town who require emergency food, fuel, or shelter assistance when the Vermont Department of Social Welfare is not available. 33 V.S.A. § 2102 et seq.

Town Treasurer (elected). Keeps the town and school's accounts (unless a separate school treasurer is elected), invests money (with the approval of the legislative body), keeps a record of the taxes voted, and pays orders drawn on him or her. Should be very precise, detail oriented and good at math. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(3)

Town Tree Warden (appointed). Plans and implements a shade tree preservation program for the purpose of shading and beautifying public places. Removes diseased, dying, or dead trees; which create a hazard to public safety or threaten the effectiveness of disease or insect control programs. 24 V.S.A. § 871

Trustee of Public Funds (elected). Manages, invests, and reports on real and personal property held in trust

by the town. This includes cemetery trust funds. Should like investing money. 17 V.S.A. § 2646(12); 24 V.S.A. § 2431 et seq.

Zoning Administrator (appointed). Appointed by the planning commission with the approval of the Select Board. Approves or denies applications for zoning permits. Administers the municipal bylaws literally. Enforces regulations pertaining to the zoning ordinance. 24 V.S.A. § 4448. Coventry has no zoning regulations.



MINUTES OF THE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING

Meeting 1 - Wednesday February 24 2021 6:00 pm

School District business

Article 1: To elect a **Moderator** for the year ensuing.

- Matt Maxwell is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

Article 2: To elect a **SCHOOL TREASURER** for a 1-year term.

- Deb Tanguay is running unopposed and waived her time to speak.

Article 3: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 2-year term.

- Amanda Jensen stated she would look forward to serving another term.
- Amanda Hussey was not available for comment.

Article 4: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 3-year term.

- Sarah Bathalon stated she has kids in Coventry School while teaching in another district, would bring a unique perspective to the school.
- Dan Prue was not available for comment.

Article 5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,501,980** 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 **\$15,712**, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **0.61%** lower than spending in the current year.

- The School Administration provided a slideshow and video featuring Coventry Village students to explain Common Level of Assessment, tax, and tuition increases to the school budget in comparison to other schools in Vermont.

(Note: Common Level of Assessment is an adjustment by the common level of appraisal (CLA) which ensures that you and your neighbor in the next town pay a reasonably comparable amount of education tax on properties of equal value. CLA is used to equalize education taxes statewide by reflecting local variations that occur based on reappraisal schedules and other factors.)

Article 6: To see if the voters of the Coventry Town School District will authorize the Board of Directors to direct **\$10,931 of FY2020 unaudited**, unobligated fund balance to asset replacement reserve fund for building repairs.

- Randi Morse inquired on the possible cost of moving the temporary building. Matt Maxwell clarified that the issue was resolved and the building will not need to be relocated.

Article 7: To see if the voters of the Coventry Town School District will authorize the Board of Directors to direct **\$30,000 of FY2020 unaudited**, unobligated fund balance to the tuition reserve fund.

- The School Board explained that the increase is due to a large number of Coventry students transitioning into high school.

TOWN BUSINESS:

Article 8: To elect a **TOWN MODERATOR** for the ensuing year.

- Matt Maxwell is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

Article 9: To **ELECT** the following officers required by law:

a. **SELECT PERSON** 3-year term

- Scott Briere is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

b. **COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES** 1-year term

- Kate Fletcher is running unopposed and waived her time to speak.

c. **CEMETERY COMMISSIONER** 3-year term

- Jeanne Desrochers is running unopposed and was unavailable for comment.

- d. **1ST CONSTABLE** 1-year term
 - Pedro Grondin is running unopposed and was unavailable for comment.
- e. **2nd CONSTABLE** 1-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- f. **TRUSTEE OF CEMETERY FUNDS** 1-year term
 - David Barlow in running unopposed and waived his time to speak.
- g. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
 - Kate Fletcher suggested Susan Kelley Harkey as a potential write in.
 - Stephanie Rondeau expressed interest as potential write in.
 - Town Administrator Ned Connell stressed the importance of the Planning Commission and urged the interested townspeople to get involved.
- h. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- i. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- j. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 1-year term (to fulfill the remainder of the current two-year term)
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.

Article 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$756,000** for the support of the fiscal year **2022 TOWN LIABILITIES & GENERAL FUND EXPENSES** of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues through the Landfill Host Agreement?

- Martha Sylvester and Assessing Clerk Kate Fletcher expressed concern regarding the assessor as they felt it doesn't directly reflect the prior discussions or the will of the townspeople.
- Town Administrator Ned Connell and Select Board Chair Scott Brier clarified that this portion of the budget had been altered due to the projected time needed to complete the appraisal as well as the omission of some unnecessary tasks from workload.
- Martha Sylvester called for more accountability in the town government as she believes they have been disregarding the wants of the townspeople. Chair Scott Brier assured her that the will of the majority of tax payers is fully reflected within the budget and that complaints about accountability should and will be reflected in the ballot box.
- Town Treasurer David Barlow explained that the budget looks high due to the addition of the investment funds in the regular budget for fiscal year 2022.

Article 11. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$261,000 plus** Vermont State aid funding, for the support of the fiscal year **2022 TOWN HIGHWAY FUND** expenses for summer and winter road maintenance, of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

- No questions or comments were posed.

Article 12. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of General Fund Liability and Expenses totaling **\$615,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESTRICTED FUND** to fund the ongoing town wide reappraisal and related expenses?

- No questions or comments were posed.

Article 13. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of GENERAL Fund Liabilities and Expenses totaling **\$75,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESTRICTED FUND** to fund the ongoing town wide reappraisal and related expenses?

- Randi Morse inquired on the status of the town wide appraisal.

- Assessing Clerk Kate Fletcher reported that it will be completed within year 2021.

Article 14. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of General Fund Liabilities and Expenses totaling **\$250,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the long-term **INVESTMENT ACCOUNT?**

- Town Treasurer David Barlow reminded the townspeople that this is for fiscal year 2021 and shows twice on the ballot as this investment is added as a regular budget item going forward.

Article 15. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of General Fund Liabilities and Expenses totaling **\$10,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the long-term **FLOOD RECOVERY & MITIGATION RESTRICTED FUND?**

- Select Board member David Gallup informed the town that in addition to the proposed funding the Town has received a State grant to help with flood mitigation study costs.
- Kathleen Ahearn inquired on the efforts that have already been taken.
- David Gallup assured her that the steps that have already been taken have been beneficial to the town but there is more that can be done.

Article 16. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** in the fiscal year **2022** to the **Memphremagog Community Maritime?**

- Rick Desrochers presented a learning opportunity for the towns children to get more involved in the lake and river studies.
- Townspeople discussed if this was an appropriate venue for funding in the future.
- Daniel Rondeau inquired on the feasibility of having field trips in the coming months.
- Principal Todd Rohlen and School board chair Matt Maxwell assured that socially distant fieldtrips to an outdoor venue would be possible.
- Kathleen Ahearn added that Coventry Village School already employs a teacher for a science-based enrichment program that could coordinate.

Article 17. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the below expenditures for the **Service Agencies** in the amount of **\$17,907?**

-**\$500.00** to American Red Cross

-**\$300.00** to Felines \$ friends Foundation

-**\$3,500.00** to Goodrich Memorial Library

-**\$800.00** to Green Mountain Farm-To-School Inc. (new)

-**\$2,000** to Jones Memorial Library

-**\$300.00** to Northeast Kingdom Community Action, Inc/ Court Diversion

-**\$330.00** to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging

-**\$2,172.00** to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.

- Ruth Marquette described some of the services they have been providing during the pandemic and how it has changed.

-**\$200.00** to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.

-**\$500.00** to Orleans County Citizens advocacy

-**\$500.00** to Orleans County Fair Association (new)

- Kathleen Ahearn asked if there was anyone to represent.
- No one was available for comment.

-**\$550.00** to Orleans County Historical Society (new)

- Kathleen Ahearn asked if there was anyone to represent.
- No one was available for comment.

-**\$3,000.00** to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice Inc.

-**\$750.00** to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.

-**\$850.00** to Rural Community Transportation, Inc.

-**\$1,125.00** to Umbrella

- \$130.00** to Vermont Center for Independent living
- \$200.00** to Vermont Chapter of Prevent Child Abuse America (new)
- \$100.00** to Green Up, Inc.
- \$100.00** to Vermont Symphony Orchestra, Symphony Kids Program (new)
- Total for above appropriations- \$17,907.00**

The towns people thanked Moderator Matt Maxwell for conducting a well-organized meeting.

Moderator Matt Maxwell Adjourned the meeting.

Attendance:

Select Board Members Present:

Scott Briere, Chair; David Gallup, Select Board member/Road Commissioner

School Board Members:

Matt Maxwell, Chair; Kathleen Ahearn; Amanda Jensen.

Town Employees:

David Barlow, Treasurer; Deb Tanguay, Town Clerk; Ned Connell, Town Administrator; Kate Fletcher, Delinquent Tax Collector/Assessing Clerk.

School Employees:

Todd Rohlen, Coventry Village School Principal.

Public Present:

Randi Morse; Rance Chilafox; Melissa Gallup; Martha Sylvester; Sarah Bathalon; Daniel Rondeau; Stephanie Rondeau.

Guests:

Ruth Marquette, Northeast Kingdom Human Services; Rich Desrochers, Memphremagog Community Maritime.

Meeting 2 - Saturday February 27 2021 9:00 am

School District business

Article 1: To elect a **MODERATOR** for the year ensuing.

- Matt Maxwell is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

Article 2: To elect a **SCHOOL TREASURER** for a 1-year term.

- Deb Tanguay is running unopposed and waived her time to speak.

Article 3: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 2-year term.

- Amanda Jensen Stated she has been a resident for 16 years and has kids at Coventry Village School as well as serving as a school board member.
- Amanda Hussey was not available for comment.

Article 4: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 3-year term.

- Sarah Bathalon stated she has been a resident for 13 years and has kids in Coventry School while teaching in another district, would bring a unique perspective to the school.
- Dan Prue - was not available for comment.

Article 5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,501,980** 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 **\$15,712**, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **0.61%** lower than spending in the current year.

- The School Administration provided a slideshow and video featuring Coventry Village students to explain Common Level of Assessment, tax, and tuition increases to the school budget in comparison to other schools in Vermont.
(Note: Common Level of Assessment is an adjustment by the common level of appraisal (CLA) which ensures that you and your neighbor in the next town pay a reasonably comparable amount of education tax on properties of equal value. CLA is used to equalize education taxes statewide by reflecting local variations that occur based on reappraisal schedules and other factors.)
- Assessing Clerk Kate Fletcher explained how the town's current reassessment project may affect the school tax rate.

Article 6: To see if the voters of the Coventry Town School District will authorize the Board of Directors to direct **\$10,931 of FY2020 unaudited**, unobligated fund balance to asset replacement reserve fund for building repairs.

- No questions or comments.

Article 7: To see if the voters of the Coventry Town School District will authorize the Board of Directors to direct **\$30,000 of FY2020 unaudited**, unobligated fund balance to the tuition reserve fund.

- No questions or comments.

TOWN BUSINESS:

Article 8: To elect a **TOWN MODERATOR** for the ensuing year.

- Matt Maxwell is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

Article 9: To **ELECT** the following officers required by law:

- SELECT PERSON** 3-year term
 - Scott Briere is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.
- COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES** 1-year term
 - Kate Fletcher is running unopposed and waived her time to speak.
- CEMETERY COMMISSIONER** 3-year term
 - Jeanne Desrochers is running unopposed and was unavailable for comment.
- 1ST CONSTABLE** 1-year term
 - Pedro Grondin is running unopposed and was unavailable for comment.
- 2ND CONSTABLE** 1-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- TRUSTEE OF CEMETERY FUNDS** 1-year term
 - David Barlow in running unopposed and waived his time to speak.
- PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
 - Kate Fletcher suggested Susan Kelley Harkey as a potential write in.
 - Town Administrator Ned Connell stressed the importance of the Planning Commission and urged the interested townspeople to get involved.
- PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 2-year term
 - No name on the ballot, write ins only.
- PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER** 1-year term (to fulfill the remainder of the current two-year term)

- No name on the ballot, write ins only.

Article 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$756,000** for the support of the fiscal year **2022 TOWN LIABILITIES & GENERAL FUND EXPENSES** of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues through the Landfill Host Agreement?

- Town Treasurer David Barlow explained that the budget looks high due to the addition of the investment funds to the regular budget for fiscal year 2022.

Article 11. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$261,000 plus** Vermont State aid funding, for the support of the fiscal year **2022 TOWN HIGHWAY FUND** expenses for summer and winter road maintenance, of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

- No questions or comments.

Article 12. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of General Fund Liability and Expenses totaling **\$615,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESTRICTED FUND** to fund the ongoing town wide reappraisal and related expenses?

- No questions or comments.

Article 13. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of GENERAL Fund Liabilities and Expenses totaling **\$75,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESTRICTED FUND** to fund the ongoing town wide reappraisal and related expenses?

- No questions or comments.

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- No questions or comments.

Article 15. Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in the **2020-2021** fiscal year **REMAINING** after payment of General Fund Liabilities and Expenses totaling **\$10,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the long-term **FLOOD RECOVERY & MITIGATION RESTRICTED FUND?**

- No questions or comments.

Article 16. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** in the fiscal year **2022** to the **Memphremagog Community Maritime?**

- Representative was unavailable for comment.
- Town Administrator Ned Connell restated what Rick Desrocher from Memphremagog Community Maritime had said at the February 24th informational meeting. These funds will be used as a learning opportunity for the Town's children to get more involved with lake and river studies while using the North Star boat as a mobile classroom.
- Townspeople discussed if this was an appropriate venue for funding in the future.

Article 17. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the below expenditures for the **Service Agencies** in the amount of **\$17,907?**

- Town Clerk Deb Tanguay explained the application process for appropriations requests.
- \$500.00** to American Red Cross
 -**\$300.00** to Felines \$ friends Foundation
 -**\$3,500.00** to Goodrich Memorial Library
 -**\$800.00** to Green Mountain Farm-To-School Inc. (new)
 -**\$2,000** to Jones Memorial Library
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 -**\$2,172.00** to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.

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Total for above appropriations- \$17,907.00

Moderator Matt Maxwell Adjourned the meeting.

Attendance:

Select Board Members Present:

Phil Marquette, Vice Chair; David Gallup, Select Board member/Road Commissioner

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Matt Maxwell, Chair; Kathleen Ahearn; Amanda Jensen.

Town Employees Present:

David Barlow, Treasurer; Deb Tanguay, Town Clerk; Ned Connell, Town Administrator; Kate Fletcher, Delinquent Tax Collector/Assessing Clerk.

School Employees:

Todd Rohlen, Coventry Village School Principal.

Public Present:

Rance Chilafox; Melissa Gallup; Martha Sylvester; Barbara Devost; Karen Hack.

Guests:

Ruth Marquette, Northeast Kingdom Human Services.

Meeting 3 - Monday March 1st, 2021 6:00 pm

School District business

Article 1: To elect a **Moderator** for the year ensuing.

- Matt Maxwell is running unopposed and waived his time to speak.

Article 2: To elect a **SCHOOL TREASURER** for a 1-year term.

- Deb Tanguay is running unopposed and waived her time to speak.

Article 3: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 2-year term.

- Amanda Jensen Stated she has been a resident for 16 years and has kids at Coventry Village School as well as serving as a school board member.

- Amanda Hussey Stated that she would enjoy the position to get more involved in the school and town.

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- Sarah Bathalon was not available for comment
- Dan Prue was not available for comment.

Article 5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,501,980** 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 **\$15,712**, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **0.61%** lower than spending in the current year.

- A video featuring the students was presented to explain the tax and tuition increases to the school budget in comparison to other schools in the state.
- Principal Todd Rohlen informed the town that the increase in tuition was due to the large number of students to attend high school increasing from 49 to 61 students.

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 - Town Administrator Ned Connell stressed the importance of the planning commission and urged the interested townspeople to get involved.
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- David Barlow explained that the budget looks high due to the addition of the investment funds to the regular budget for fiscal year 2022.
- Randi asked why there was a decrease for the assessor's office budget.
- Select Board Member David Gallup informed the townspeople that the budget was adjusted to reflect the estimated time needed for the position as well as a lighter workload
- Assessing clerk Kate Fletcher expressed concern that limited staffing may affect the availability of information.
- Town Administrator Ned Connell assured that with notice any needed information can be made available through other staff members.
- Randi Morse asked where Coventry Day funding has been going.
- Select Board member David Gallup stated that the funds are in an account and will remain there and growing until the Town can gather again.

Article 11. Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$261,000 plus** Vermont State aid funding, for the support of the fiscal year **2022 TOWN HIGHWAY FUND** expenses for summer and winter road maintenance, of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

- Randi Expressed Gratitude for all the work done by the David Gallup and the road crew. David Gallup stated the gratitude goes to his hard-working employees.

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- Treasurer David Barlow reminded that this article is for the investment for year 2021.

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- Rick Desrochers presented the town with a learning opportunity to get the school involved in the area water studies.
- Information will be made available.

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Total for above appropriations- \$17,907.00

Other Business:

Online Questions were presented for discussion.

- What is the status of the Economic Development Plan? Town Administrator Ned Connell assured that the progress has been slowed due to Covid-19 precautions but will be reviewed by the Planning Commission.
- The School Board was asked about the progress of the building committee. Principal Todd Rohlen stated that progress has been slowed for the time being due to Covid-19 precautions but will continue as they can.

Select Board Chair Scott Briere thanked all involved with conducting the informational meetings.

Moderator Matt Maxwell adjourned the meeting.

REPORT FROM THE SELECT BOARD

The Select Board would like to thank all Town Officials and employees for their continued efforts in 2021. Now as we round the corner on the second year in the pandemic, we have all learned to adapt with the State guidelines. Our 2022 Town meeting being held for the second year by Australian Ballot is different in many ways then having us all come together at the Town Hall; however, I am pleased that voter participation was more than double in 2020. The Select board would like to give a special thanks to the following:

- Town Treasurer David Barlow and all town officials for keeping the Towns finances accurate.
- Road Commissioner David Gallup and the Road Department crew for the continued improvements to the town's roads and meeting all State guidelines.
- Town Clerk Deb Tanguay for her continued dedication to providing the town with the highest level of town clerk services, and running a professional election platform.
- Assessing Clerk Kate Fletcher and Bill Krajewski (appraisal firm) for the completion of the town wide reappraisal.
- Town Administrator Ned Connell for his efforts in 2021

Below are some key highlights for the town of Coventry in 2021.

- Achieved our fourth successful financial audit.
- 100% of the town's investment portfolio is in state-approved investments managed by a fiduciary consultant.
- Town-wide reappraisal is complete.
- Three miles of town roads have been top coated.
- Completion of kitchen renovations, and lift to the second-floor board room at the Community Center
- The Town has taken ownership of the former Coventry Congregational Church building, and we have started its historic preservation.

We look forward to seeing and hearing from all of the citizens of Coventry in 2022. You the citizens make Coventry a great community and we thank you.

And finally thank you to all the citizens of Coventry who make this a great community.

STATEMENT FROM THE AUDITORS

Pace & Hawley, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

VT License #092.0000709

December 31, 2021

The Selectboard
Town of Coventry, Vermont

We are in the process of auditing, 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, the financial statements of the Town of Coventry, Vermont, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 (not presented herein), which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. We expect to issue our audit report by March 31, 2022. Once completed, our independent auditor's report and the Town's audited financial statements will be available at the Town Office.

Pace & Hawley, LLC

Berlin, Vermont

REPORT FROM CATAMOUNT ASSET MANAGEMENT



December 10, 2021

A word from Catamount Asset Management LLC

Happy Holidays and Cheers to a productive and healthy 2022!!

Well, it certainly has been an interesting year. I'd love to declare a 2021 victory for our portfolio but anyone who follows the markets knows it's a fool's errand to guess let alone predict what might happen in the last 3 weeks of the year!!

In spite of all the repercussions from COVID- supply chain issues, rampant inflation, tight labor market, continued global lockdowns and mandates- our stock markets continue to reward investors who maintain the discipline of a long-range strategy. While we provide performance numbers updated quarterly (daily upon request) to the investment committee we are pleased that the investment policy statement crafted by the select board in the summer of 2018 is paying dividends to the taxpayers of the Town of Coventry. The balanced portfolio, roughly 55% stocks, 35% bonds, 15% Alternatives and 5% cash remains the most commonly used risk model for municipal pensions and private endowments throughout the country. Our use of index funds helps maintain that our portfolio is properly allocated without heavy concentration in any single company, fund, or sector. The investment policy statement and the discipline of the select board will guarantee that these funds will be available for generations of families living in Coventry.

Catamount is a small independent boutique Registered Investment Advisor managing portfolios for families and small businesses throughout VT. Using low cost index funds from Blackrock, Vanguard, Charles Schwab and Fidelity, Catamount is able to offer a globally diversified total return portfolio for a fraction of the cost of a traditional broker. Catamount managing member John Henry Hubert has been in the investment industry since graduating from Middlebury College in 1993. John Henry lives in Rutland with his wife Kristin and their 2 daughters Makenna and Addison. When not in the office or on Lake Bomoseen he can be found chasing his girls from rink to rink throughout New England.

REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF COVENTRY

December 2021

Cash Drawer in Town Vault	Balance on December 01, 2021	Revenues	Expenses	Balance on December 31, 2021
Cash Drawer Balance	200.00			\$ 200.00

General Fund - Community National Bank Checking Account	Balance on December 01, 2021	Revenues	Expenses	Balance on December 31, 2021
General Fund Checking*	1,842,009.72	6,136.92	(108,750.97)	\$ 1,739,395.67
General Fund without Reserve Fund Spending		6,136.92	(108,750.97)	

Restricted Community National Bank Account Balances	Balance on December 01, 2021	Revenues	Expenses	Balance on December 31, 2021
Buildings & Maintenance Fund	479,137.70	183.12		\$ 479,320.82
Solid Waste Fund	14,409.72	3.06		\$ 14,412.78
Road Infrastructure & Equipment	371,225.04	78.83		\$ 371,303.87
Reappraisal Fund	114,075.66	24.22		\$ 114,099.88
Flood Recovery & Mitigation	103,704.69	22.02		\$ 103,726.71
Community & Economic Development	253,263.80	53.78		\$ 253,317.58
Restricted Accounts -- No Corresponding Accounts in NEMRC				
Gilman Housing Acct	104.60	0.02		\$ 104.62
	1,335,921.21	365.05	0.00	1,336,286.26

Investment Portfolio Balances	Opening Value on January 1, 2021	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	Expenses YTD	Balance on December 31, 2021
EDP ¹ Fund (MSFT 600 shares)	133,452.00	68,340.00		\$ 201,792.00
EDP Accrued Dividends:	12,834.00		(5,652.38)	\$ 7,181.62
Cemetery Investment Funds ³ - Fidelity	164,409.26	12,006.62	(9,950.00)	\$ 176,415.88
Town Investment Funds ² - Fidelity	9,510,895.67	1,331,981.53		\$ 10,842,877.20
	9,821,590.93	1,412,328.15		11,228,266.70

TOTAL	12,999,721.86			14,304,148.63
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*Includes \$157,534.02 in ARPA funding received in FY2022; ARPA = American Rescue Plan Act

¹note: EDP = Edmunds-Douglas-Price; MSFT = Microsoft; Accrued Dividends since Feb 2003

²note: Current value includes \$250,000 deposit per Article 14 of the March 2021 Town Meeting

³note: Cemetery account charged for \$9950.00 long-term cemetery maintenance expense in November 2021

GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES - Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

BUDGET FOR FY2023 GENERAL FUNDS		FY - 2021 Budget	Actual as of 6-30-21	FY - 2022 Budget	Actual as of 12-31-21	FY - 2023 Budget
100-00-1000 REVENUE LOCAL SOURCES						
100-00-1000-112.10	Fees Delq. Taxes	6,000	6,795	5,000	1,503	5,000
100-00-1000-112.11	Int. Delq. Taxes	5,000	7,492	5,000	2,915	5,000
100-00-1000-150.00	Int- Checking & Savings	8,000	16,772	10,000	5,476	15,000
100-00-1000-174.00	Town Clerk Fees	8,000	17,525	8,500	7,864	12,500
100-00-1000-174.01	Dog Licenses	800	566	500	62	500
100-00-1000-174.02	Waste U.S.A. Fees	1,370,000	1,558,519	1,600,000	507,672	1,500,000
100-00-1000-174.03	Community Center Rent	2,000	0	500	405	2,000
100-00-1000-175.01	Fire District Support	0	450	600	0	0
100-00-1000-500.00	Microsoft Dividend	0	0	0	0	0
100-00-1000-990.00	Miscellaneous	500	1,765	500	5,738	500
Total REVENUE LOCAL SOURCES		1,400,300	1,609,885	1,630,600	531,634	1,540,500
100-00-3000 REVENUE STATE SOURCES						
100-00-3000-150.00	State Grant Funding	3,000	13,427	3,000	3,000	3,000
100-00-3000-160.05	Per Parcel \$1.00	0	0	0	0	0
100-00-3000-262.00	Agency of Nat. Resources	5,000	4,611	4,612	4,611	4,612
100-00-3000-650.00	Judicial Fines Refund	200	383	250	406	250
100-00-3000-990.00	Miscellaneous	100	386	2,500	0	0
Total REVENUE STATE SOURCES		8,300	18,807	10,362	8,017	7,862
Total Revenues		1,408,600	1,628,692	1,640,962	539,651	1,548,362

100-10 EXPENDITURES**100-10-1100 SALARIES**

100-10-1100-110.01	Town Clerk	19,110	19,481	19,684	9,085	22,500
100-10-1100-110.03	Assistant Clerk	3,000	544	3,000	198	3,000
100-10-1100-110.04	Town Treasurer	11,944	12,232	12,302	5,678	13,028
100-10-1100-110.15	Assistant Treasurer	200	0	250	0	4,000
100-10-1100-120.00	Selectboard	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	3,500
100-10-1100-120.02	Select Board Bookkeeper	10,000	3,662	7,500	1,069	5,000
100-10-1100-120.05	Town Administrator	53,560	45,574	60,000	27,692	63,540
100-10-1100-130.00	Administrative Assistant	0	2,929	1,800	390	1,906
100-10-1100-140.00	Delinquent Tax Collector	300	0	0	0	0
100-10-1100-145.00	Del. Tax Penalty Due to D	5,000	6,723	5,000	651	5,000
100-10-1100-170.00	Health Officer	200	200	200	200	200
100-10-1100-180.00	Dog Warden	1,200	1,300	1,200	500	1,500
100-10-1100-190.00	Moderator	100	100	100	100	200
100-10-1100-191.00	Ballot Clerks & BCA	3,622	3,992	2,000	400	4,000
100-10-1100-195.00	E-911	1,000	0	1,000	1,200	1,200
100-10-1100-197.00	Emergency Management Dire	500	500	500	0	500
100-10-1100-220.00	FICA	8,678	9,793	8,586	3,972	10,000
100-10-1100-222.00	Office Retirement	4,960	2,740	304	1,731	5,500
100-10-1100-225.00	Admin Health Insurance	9,331	8,667	9,600	4,939	11,000
100-10-1100-260.00	Unemployment	300	0	399	0	1,650
Total SALARIES		136,505	121,937	136,925	57,805	157,224

100-10-2100 ADMINISTRATION

100-10-2100-300.00	Audit Services	9,750	9,670	10,000	1,243	10,000
100-10-2100-310.00	Investment Advisor	12,000	11,700	16,000	5,400	13,000
100-10-2100-360.00	Legal Services	10,489	6,759	15,000	5,020	15,000

100-10-2100-360.01	DTS Legal Services	4,000	1,050	3,500	3,505	3,500
100-10-2100-361.00	Litigation Support	0	0	0	0	0
100-10-2100-430.00	Office Equipment Repairs	500	0	0	0	3,000
100-10-2100-530.00	Office Postage	2,500	4,242	2,500	334	4,500
100-10-2100-531.00	Office Telephone/Internet	2,500	4,321	3,500	1,180	3,000
100-10-2100-540.00	Office Advertising	1,500	1,082	1,000	142	1,000
100-10-2100-550.00	Town Report	4,500	5,436	6,500	0	6,500
100-10-2100-610.00	Office Supplies	2,500	3,256	2,500	1,149	2,750
100-10-2100-670.00	Office NEMRC & IT Support	7,000	19,314	8,500	7,565	8,500
100-10-2100-733.00	Office Equipment & Furnit	1,000	1,049	1,000	191	2,000
100-10-2100-805.00	Office Internet & Website	1,000	1,001	1,000	2,372	1,500
100-10-2100-810.00	Office Dues and Fees	2,500	4,399	3,000	2,700	4,500
100-10-2100-850.00	Office Seminars & Mileage	3,500	497	3,500	1,136	3,500
100-10-2100-870.00	Office Gift & Donation	500	150	600	10	600
100-10-2100-875.00	Meals & Event Hosting	500	258	500	205	750
100-10-2100-880.00	Restoration & Preservatio	1,500	0	1,500	0	2,000
100-10-2100-890.00	Office Miscellaneous	200	10,122	625	0	750
Total ADMINISTRATION		67,939	84,306	80,725	32,151	86,350
100-10-2200 ASSESSORS OFFICE						
100-10-2200-115.00	Assessor - Contracted Ser	14,400	14,400	15,000	6,250	15,600
100-10-2200-120.00	Assessing Clerk Salary	28,667	29,389	10,000	4,543	10,590
100-10-2200-122.00	Assessors Office Wages	0	0	0	0	0
100-10-2200-130.00	Assessing Clerk Retiremen	1,720	2,170	0	0	0
100-10-2200-220.00	Assessing Clerk - FICA	2,193	1,898	765	0	810
100-10-2200-430.00	Assessors Office Educatio	500	0	500	0	250
100-10-2200-530.00	Assessors Office Postage	300	921	200	0	200
100-10-2200-610.00	Assessors Office Supplies	100	105	150	0	150

100-10-2200-733.00	Assessors Office Equipmen	200	698	250	0	250
100-10-2200-735.00	Assessors Office Software	50	0	50	1,200	1,200
100-10-2200-810.00	Tax Mapping Update	1,900	1,672	1,900	1,385	1,900
100-10-2200-820.00	Online Tax Information	0	0	0	0	1,750
100-10-2200-850.00	Assessors Office Mileage	500	19	100	0	0
100-10-2200-890.00	Assessors Office Miscella	50	0	50	0	50
100-10-2200-900.00	Abatement of Prop Taxes &	0	0	0		0
Total ASSESSORS		50,580	51,271	28,965	13,378	32,750
100-10-2520 INSURANCE						
100-10-2520-250.00	Workers Compensation	0	1,870	0	0	15,000
100-10-2520-521.00	Property Casualty	35,000	18,451	35,000	28,781	31,000
Total INSURANCE		35,000	20,321	35,000	28,781	46,000
100-10-2540 UTILITIES						
100-10-2540-623.00	Street lights	3,000	2,704	3,000	1,352	3,250
100-10-2540-624.00	150 Main ST	0	223	0	494	750
100-10-2540-625.00	FMR Cong Church	0	3,927	0	329	3,000
Total UTILITIES		3,000	6,854	3,000	2,175	7,000
100-10-2542 COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING						
100-10-2542-411.00	CC Utilities	8,000	5,170	5,000	1,678	10,000
100-10-2542-420.00	CC Cleaning Services	9,100	8,775	8,000	4,517	9,600
100-10-2542-430.00	CC Repairs and Maintenanc	1,000	862	1,000	738	1,500
100-10-2542-610.00	CC Equipment & Supplies	2,500	1,597	2,500	325	2,500
Total COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING		20,600	16,404	16,500	7,258	23,600

100-10-2544 Emergency Shelter						
100-10-2544-430.00	Emergency Shelter Expense	750	250	2,000	205	2,000
Total Emergency Shelter		750	250	2,000	205	2,000
100-10-2545 RECREATION DEPT.						
100-10-2545-100.00	REC Supplies & Decoration	2,000	0	2,000	0	2,000
100-10-2545-120.00	REC Advertising & Postage	750	0	750	0	750
100-10-2545-130.00	Coventry Day	25,000	0	25,000	21,623	22,000
100-10-2545-140.00	Rec Events & Sponsorships	2,000	0	2,500	0	6,000
Total RECREATION DEPT.		29,750	0	30,250	21,623	30,750
100-10-2546 EMERGENCY SVCS						
100-10-2546-340.01	Newport City Fire Dept	43,000	38,668	45,000	47,232	45,000
100-10-2546-340.03	Orleans Fire Dept	15,000	16,644	17,000	0	17,000
100-10-2546-400.00	Newport Ambulance Svc	33,188	33,188	40,000	34,209	36,500
100-10-2546-450.00	Sheriffs Department	10,000	10,878	10,000	5,581	13,000
100-10-2546-730.00	Dry Hydrants	1,000	0	1,500	0	2,500
Total EMERGENCY SVCS		102,188	99,377	113,500	87,022	114,000
100-10-3200 PLANNING COMMISSION						
100-10-3200-110.00	Planning Commission Stipe	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
100-10-3200-115.00	Planning Com Admin Asst	0	0	0	0	250
100-10-3200-120.00	Planning Comm Mailings	200	0	250	0	250
100-10-3200-125.00	Planning Comm Training	500	0	500	0	500
100-10-3200-130.00	Planning Comm Postage	50	0	50	0	50
100-10-3200-135.00	Planning Comm Town Plan	0	0	0	0	0
100-10-3200-140.00	Planning Comm Misc.	50	72	250	0	250
Total PLANNING COMMISSION		2,300	1,572	2,550	1,500	2,800

100-10-3250 Economic Dev Plan						
100-10-3250-100.00	Economic Dev Plan	0	0	0	0	0
Total Economic Dev Plan		0	0	0	0	0
100-10-3300 MISCELLANEOUS						
100-10-3300-191.00	Election Expenses	0	4,910	0	251	500
100-10-3300-210.00	Village Common Repairs &	500	3,235	2,000	1,479	2,000
100-10-3300-739.02	Health Clubs/Exploration	2,500	1,848	2,500	175	2,500
100-10-3300-750.00	Orleans County Tax	19,000	17,934	19,000	19,767	20,000
100-10-3300-800.00	Appropriations	0	265,957	17,907	6,650	18,000
100-10-3300-850.00	Animal Control Expenses	300	400	500	300	500
100-10-3300-860.00	911 Signs	100	0	100	0	500
100-10-3300-890.00	Other Misc. Expenditures	600	0	500	0	500
Total MISCELLANEOUS		23,000	294,283	42,507	28,621	44,500
100-10-3400 SWIP COMMITTEE						
100-10-3400-100.00	SWIP HHW Days	11,000	2,813	11,000	1,821	11,000
100-10-3400-150.00	SWIP School Outreach	1,500	453	1,500	0	1,500
100-10-3400-160.00	SWIP Business Outreach	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000
100-10-3400-170.00	SWIP Office & Other Expen	300	200	500	0	500
Total SWIP COMMITTEE		13,800	3,466	14,000	1,821	14,000
100-10-3500 CEMETERY COMMISSION						
100-10-3500-100.00	Cemetery Expenses	3,000	372	3,000	161	3,000
100-10-3500-110.00	Cemetery Salaries	7,420	8,949	7,643	3,057	8,100
100-10-3500-220.00	Cemetery FICA	568	685	585	234	620
100-10-3500-430.00	Cemetery Equip. Maint.	3,500	705	3,500	231	3,500

100-10-3500-500.00	CEMETERY Tree Removal	0	0	0	0	10,000
100-10-3500-890.00	Other cemetery costs	100	13	100	0	100
Total CEMETERY COMMISSION		14,588	10,723	14,827	3,683	25,320
TRANSFER TO LONG TERM INVESTMENTS				250,000		250,000
Total EXPENDITURES		500,000	710,764	770,750	286,023	836,294
Total REVENUES		1,408,600	1,628,692	1,640,962	539,651	1,548,362
Balance		908,600	917,929	870,212	253,629	712,068

BUDGET FOR FY2023 ROADS		FY - 2021 Budget	Actual as of 6-30-21	FY - 2022 Budget	Actual as of 12-31-21	FY - 2023 Budget
150-00-1000 REVENUE LOCAL SOURCES						
150-00-1000-100.00	Waste U.S.A. Fees	253,000	253,000	253,000	0	275,000
150-00-1000-225.01	Grant Revenue-Grnt in Aid	0	0	9,400	0	0
150-00-1000-990.00	Miscellaneous	0	315	0	88	0
Total REVENUE LOCAL SOURCES		253,000	253,315	262,400	88	275,000
150-00-3000 REVENUE STATE SOURCES						
150-00-3000-260.00	Transportation	82,000	106,638	82,000	47,065	82,000
150-00-3000-990.00	State of VT Grants	0	0	16,000	0	0
Total REVENUE STATE SOURCES		82,000	106,638	98,000	47,065	82,000
Total Revenues		335,000	359,953	360,400	47,153	357,000

150-30-2900 HIGHWAY FUND EXPENSES						
150-30-2900-220.00	Highway FICA	9,522	8,278	8,258	3,769	8,258
150-30-2900-221.00	Roads Health Insurance	9,331	9,951	18,020	5,099	11,000
150-30-2900-222.00	Highway Retirement	6,298	6,863	5,883	3,079	7,250
150-30-2900-223.00	Life-Short-Long Insurance	738	761	738	0	738
150-30-2900-224.00	Leave - Vacation	0	1,775	0	0	1,880
150-30-2900-225.00	Leave - Sick	0	3,549	0	0	3,775
150-30-2900-260.00	Hwy Unemployment	250	0	0	0	1,250
150-30-2900-300.00	Road General Permit Fee	1,350	2,940	1,350	0	3,000
150-30-2900-430.00	Hwy - Equipment Repairs	26,000	18,239	26,000	11,708	26,000
150-30-2900-430.01	Hwy - Building Repairs	2,000	1,689	5,500	1,105	2,500
150-30-2900-432.00	Gravel Pit Permitting	350	670	350	0	350
150-30-2900-610.00	Hwy Dept - Supplies	3,500	9,403	4,000	1,252	9,500
150-30-2900-622.00	Utilities Main St Garage	5,000	3,954	3,700	749	3,700
150-30-2900-622.01	Utilities-Route 14 garage	3,500	4,565	6,800	920	6,800
150-30-2900-623.00	Hwy - Propane	250	0	200	0	200
150-30-2900-630.00	Hwy - Uniforms	3,000	2,719	2,500	1,415	3,000
150-30-2900-751.00	Road signs	400	3,981	650	1,057	4,000
150-30-2900-800.00	Sheriffs Office Extra Pat	0	0	0	0	0
150-30-2900-810.00	Flood Mitigation-Village	0	0	0	0	0
150-30-2900-890.00	Hwy - Miscellaneous	250	1,372	0	578	1,500
Total HIGHWAY FUND EXPENSES		71,740	80,709	83,949	30,732	94,701
150-30-2910 ROAD COMMISSIONER-WINTER						
150-30-2910-110.00	Road Comm Salary -Winter	29,417	29,417	29,500	13,000	30,000
150-30-2910-110.02	Full Time Road Crew Winter	23,070	23,957	23,877	10,000	25,286
150-30-2910-110.03	Part Time Road Crew Winter	16,000	16,790	14,500	1,718	16,000

150-30-2910-200.00	Hwy - Equipment Rental	500	3,147	500	0	500
150-30-2910-430.00	Winter Road Maintenance	24,000	17,511	34,000	21,299	34,000
150-30-2910-621.00	Fuel - Winter	15,000	12,463	15,500	7,065	15,500
150-30-2910-730.00	Winter Equipment Exp.	5,500	711	5,500	0	5,500
150-30-2910-740.00	Winter Parts	2,500	3,749	2,500	7,902	7,000
150-30-2910-890.00	Winter Miscellaneous	150	0	0	0	0
Total ROAD COMMISSIONER-WINTER		116,137	107,745	125,877	60,984	133,786
150-30-2920 ROAD COMMISSIONER-SUMMER						
150-30-2920-110.00	Road Commissioner salary	29,417	59,979	29,500	14,969	30,000
150-30-2920-110.02	F/T Road Crew Summer	23,070	23,957	23,070	11,295	24,431
150-30-2920-110.03	P/T Road Crew Summer	3,500	1,410	2,000	0	2,200
150-30-2920-200.00	Hwy - Equipment Rental	5,000	325	5,000	399	5,000
150-30-2920-331.00	Hwy - Other Contracted Se	2,500	1,185	2,000	2,155	2,000
150-30-2920-430.00	Road Maintenance - Summer	65,000	35,016	53,000	40,801	45,000
150-30-2920-621.00	Fuel - Summer	12,000	5,614	12,000	4,097	12,000
150-30-2920-730.00	Equipment - Summer	4,936	0	5,500	0	5,500
150-30-2920-740.00	Summer Parts	1,500	732	1,500	0	1,500
150-30-2920-890.00	Miscellaneous - Summer	200	0	0	0	0
Total ROAD COMMISSIONER-SUMMER		147,123	128,218	133,570	73,716	127,631
Total EXPENDITURES		335,000	316,672	343,396	165,432	356,118
Total REVENUES		335,000	359,953	360,400	47,153	357,000
Balance		0	43,281	17,004		882

REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

Dear Coventry Residents and Property Owners,

Thank you to all who stop by “Covid-Style” to say “Hello”. From listening to your stories, to the laughter that fills our walls, to the pitter-patter of footsteps; I am very appreciative to see Coventry residents of whom I am here to serve within our Community out and about. It is refreshing, especially during this trying time with Covid still embarking on the horizon... as we head into year 2022... as we continue to adjust to the “new” normal of life.

I truly enjoy working for the Town and assisting Coventry residents during these past years. My commitment to implement ~ Accountability, Reliability, Integrity, Teamwork, and Fiduciary Responsibility ~ in all Town positions remains intact and strong. 2021 Year established a new way in acquiring new skills with a new way of learning —most seminars were held remotely via zoom with a few towards the end of 2021 that were held “in person” with Covid restrictions. The zoom meetings allowed the face-to-face recognition with fellow Clerk peers but it absolutely did feel great to get back to “in person” face mask recognition. The delay in trainings did postpone obtaining my Clerk Certification last year; but, I am on track for 2022 in obtaining. I also look forward to attending Semester II of NEMCI&A at Plymouth State College this July for a week long of instructional training on many different aspects relating to this position. So thank you *residents* for allowing this opportunity to happen. The personal connections established have been a great networking means and the various “tools of the trade” knowledge that I was able to bring back to assist with my office duties and obligations have been instrumental.

The 2021 year was a very slow election year and brought a new form to our traditional Town Meeting we have seen in the past... and 2022 Town Meeting may be following the same suit. It did create an urgency to learn and implement a different format of Town Meeting that was very unfamiliar to us; however, I appreciate everyone’s efforts in working with us, beside us, and supporting us as we proceeded thru this change and held a great election. I personally thank you, Coventry Voters, for graciously understanding the Covid dynamics we had to instill to ensure everyone’s safety and most importantly, safety while you voted. It is worth repeating that I am very honored and privileged to have the election officials I have here in Coventry and together as a TEAM — we continue to conquer the election events with ease and finesse. I commend our Town residents for taking the initiative and being a part of the process and casting your VOTE. Thank you to Martha Sylvester for always being willing to assist with every election—it is greatly appreciated!!

I would like to personally thank my Assistant Clerk, David Barlow. Your dedication to myself, the office and the Town is greatly appreciated!

It is important to keep our residents informed of all that is happening here in Coventry. Check out our website for more information at www.coventryvt.org or posted notices around town. If you are interested in serving on a town board or volunteering, please contact us. I look forward to working with and to serve the Coventry residents in 2022 and for many years to come. My heart is for this Town to see it continually prosper, grow and provide a wonderful community to our residents.



A Note from the Clerk's Office

Respectfully, Deb Tanguay, Town Clerk

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

VITAL STATISTICS:

Births 2 (1 male / 1 female)
Marriages 1
Deaths 5

Privacy and identity theft concerns have led to the omission of names/dates from the Vital Records Report.

Elections & Voting

2021 was a quiet year at the polls with the only election being an "Australian Ballot" Town Meeting on March 2nd. Thank you to all that either mailed your ballots or stopped by to vote in person "Covid-Style" on both Town and School articles. Also, thank you to those that worked at the polls on behalf of the Town ~ your service to this Community is greatly appreciated and welcomed!!

Town Meeting Day, Mar 2nd 251 Voters

The Secretary of State's Office Elections Management Platform has streamlined the elections administration process, providing voters with access to voter specific information. Voters are encouraged to log into the My Voter Page to learn more! <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>.

2022 will be a very busy year at the polls with 3 elections. We are anticipating more "Covid-Style" voting, so please stay tuned for more information as the Pandemic continues. Any interest in helping at the polls? Contact me to learn more.

Register to vote today.
Your Voice ~ Your Vote

Hope to see you at the Polls.

LAND RECORDS & VAULT

403 documents were recorded in 2021 for a total of 1,216 pages. We are currently in Volume #69 and the books are being filled at an increased rate. As you can see, Coventry has been busy with recordings due to property transfers and refinances. We are still verifying, inputting and scanning the historical records of the Town into a computerized system for research efficiency. We continue to work on the paper maps project so they will be accessible online as well. Kofile will perform restoration and preservation on some vault records in 2022 to keep those maintained. A portion of the recording fees are being set aside to continue restoration of permanent Town records.

DOG LICENSING:



168 dogs were registered in 2021 with total fees collected of \$1,452.00.

Of this amount, \$840.00 was sent to the State of Vermont for their fees. There continues to be many unregistered dogs in Coventry and the Poundkeeper will be strictly enforcing fines and penalties to owners in 2022. To avoid these additional costs, please license your dogs by March 31st. Due to the current status of the Pandemic, we will not be holding a Vaccination Clinic in 2022 so contact your Vet office. Licensing fees can be found on the following page and our website.



REPORT FROM THE TOWN TREASURER



Greetings Coventry Residents, Business Owners, and Property Owners,

It has been a busy and educational time in my third year as Town Treasurer. Accounting for the Town's funds is a team effort, with duties divided to insure robust accounting and risk management. We have had a busy year dealing with the many impacts of the ongoing pandemic, including the continued loss of in-person contact with most of you.

We have completed our third year with the Town's fee-only investment advisor, John-Henry Hubert of Catamount Asset Management in Rutland. The results continue to point to a positive future for Coventry's unique municipal wealth fund – Coventry's financial "bedrock."

Looking to the year ahead, we will continue to look for ways to more efficiently manage the Town's finances and reduce our response time to the various financial events throughout the year. Like everyone these days, we face ongoing challenges with information technology, particularly software and information security. We appreciate your thoughts and suggestions as we move ahead.

David Barlow, Coventry Town Treasurer

2021 Education Taxes (as of December 16, 2021)			
Education Taxes Billed by the Town:	Tax Rate ¹	Grand List Value	Amount Billed ²
Homestead	1.0505	590,397.85	409,348.43
Non-Homestead	1.2042	1,084,719.06	1,306,218.69
Voted Veterans' Exemption/Local Agreement	0.0023	1,725,391.00	3,968.40
Total:			1,719,535.52
Education Taxes Accounted:			Amount Paid
Paid to Coventry Village School by the Town, billed and collected as shown above:			1,774,238.09
Paid to Coventry Village School by the State from State-collected taxes:			1,357,297.91
Total:			3,131,536.00
Homesteaders paid 13% of the tax-funded school budget			

¹Many of you noted that the tax rates this year decreased by nearly 20% compared to 2020. This decrease was due to the way the State of Vermont calculated the "Common Level of Appraisal" (CLA) in 2021, a reappraisal year in the Town of Coventry. From Vermont statute 32 V.S.A. § 5406 (c): "the common level of appraisal for that [reappraised] municipality shall be equal to its new grand list value divided by its most recent equalized grand list value, for purposes of determining education property tax rates." Coventry's 2021 reappraisal substantially increased the value of the landfill, causing the CLA to greatly exceed 1.0, thereby reducing the education tax rates. One should reasonably expect a return to a CLA near 1.0 in 2022.

²The Homestead amount billed shown includes homestead or "State" payments that reduced the total by \$210,864.51. More than 68% of homesteads in Coventry paid education taxes at least partly based on income, not property value.

Summarized Reserve Fund Spending January 01, 2021 - December 31, 2021

*these numbers do not include small expenditures and small revenue items such as bank interest

Reappraisal Fund	Regular Parcel Reappraisal Expenses	\$28,540.00
	Power Company Reappraisal Expenses	\$4,204.40
	Landfill Reappraisal Expenses	\$26,407.70
	Total:	\$59,152.10

Received State of VT Reappraisal Payment: \$5871.00

Buildings and Maintenance Fund	Community Center Renovations (elevator and kitchen)	\$96,884.74
	Former Congregational Church	\$18,983.50
	150 Main Street purchase and maintenance	\$112,076.90
	Total:	\$227,945.14

Road Infrastructure and Equipment Fund	Coventry Station RD top coat paving	\$246,698.83
	Equipment (new F600 truck)	\$77,047.00
	Total:	\$323,745.83

ARPA Fund	Received 1/2 funding in CY21: \$157,534.02
(American Rescue Plan Act)	No spending during this period

Solid Waste Fund	No spending during this period
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Flood Recovery and Mitigation Fund	No spending during this period
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Community and Economic Development Fund	No spending during this period
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REPORT FROM THE ROAD COMMISSIONER

A NOTE FROM THE ROAD COMMISSIONER



Dear Coventry residents,

2021 was another active year for your road department in many different ways. John Buchanon took over the full time roadworker position on January 1st and we slid Zach Partridge into the seasonal plow position for the east side of town. I find both to be quite capable and conscientious in their work and how they perform it. As Zach's personal business endeavor has become hectic for him, he for the most part will only be plowing part time this winter.

We were able to catch up on some nice roadside tree removal projects. After giving a quick tutorial on how not to drop trees, John and Zach did a great job on the Station Hill aided by the Logans' permission to cut outside our ROW. Thank you to Paul and Joanne. We found time to paint the roof of our salt shed and all of the Main Street garage. Thanks to a nice Fall season warmup, we painted half of the garage at the recently purchased Kimball property. Our efforts in landscaping with different floral arrangements, which have room for improvement, have prompted many compliments from residents.

For the first time in many years, we purchased sand off site. While more costly and time consuming, I believe it will benefit us financially down the road in not using our reserves. We did a nice little shoulder project on the Coventry Station Road by the Paquin's and the deer pit. You will notice; however, that section is starting to settle. That problem started in the fall of 2000 and has been addressed with ledge key ways with varying success over the years. In discussion with techs and engineers over the years, I've yet to hear a solution that outweighs the inconvenience.

John has put his mechanical education to good use this year replacing a center bearing on the wheeler, identifying build flaws on the F600 and correcting nagging issues on the International in regards to the pulley alignments. We are entering a time frame for replacement of the International and I'll be making my recommendation soon.

I can't thank you enough for your support over the past 21 years and I'll make sure your road department employees fully understand the value of that moving forward.

Thank you all,
David



REPORT FROM THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Message from the Town Administrator

As I cross into my second year with the Town, I am so grateful that I have been a part of the continuing growth and transformation of Coventry. In 2021, while continuing to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Select Board and Town Administrator kept the public informed on issues that were before the Town utilizing remote zoom meetings to provide access to timely health/safety updates and municipal governance. Fortunately, we are starting to get back to in-person meetings and still have remote video conference available for those who wish to view meetings from home.

Through the combined efforts of the Select Board and Town Administrator, a number of projects and initiatives were completed and many of the actions listed as part of their annual goals were achieved including:

- final and complete acquisition of the Elijah Cleveland Meeting House (formerly the Coventry Congregational Church).
- restoration of the steeple on the Elijah Cleveland Meeting House.
- the town-wide reappraisal was completed and we received a 99.1% common level of appraisal rating from the state-wide equalization study – this is an excellent rating.
- the Tuesday senior meals have restarted and given the crowds and shenanigans that go on each time – it seems like they were very much missed and friendships are being reestablished and everyone is having a great time.
- the Community Center is again open for rentals with most evenings and many Saturdays already filled through the winter.

My goals for 2022 are:

- completion of the Main Street Sidewalk study – this will only be possible with a large amount of support and commitment for our very able and eager Planning Commission.
- Restoration of the Elijah Cleveland Meeting House roof – it has been very frustrating and difficult to find a roofing contractor willing and able to complete this work.



Outside of work, I am still training for triathlons and mountain bike races. I hope complete a half ironman triathlon sometime in the early Fall of 2022. Also, I married the love of my life in late September. Heidi is avid figure skater and like me; she has several large competitions planned for this year.

I look forward to interacting with you all in this wonderful community. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, feedback, or ideas. As we move forward into 2022, I will continue to ensure that the residents of and visitors to Coventry receive prompt, courteous, and knowledgeable customer service, as a minimum and the first priority. I wish to thank the many citizens who have provided significant volunteer service to the Town. Without them, Coventry could not function as well as it does.

Please stop by the Community Center anytime if I can help or just to say hello.

Ned Connell

Town Administrator

(802) 754 2266

townadministrator@coventryvt.org

REPORT FROM THE 9-1-1 COORDINATOR

Dear Residents,

The primary role of the 9-1-1 address coordinator is to make sure that your physical address matches the states 9-1-1 maps and database. This is important so emergency services can find your location when you call for help. The 9-1-1 address also routes your call to 911 to the appropriate public safety answering point (PSAP) that is associated with the emergency services in your area. All addresses in the town of Coventry are distance based meaning the number of your address will tell emergency services approximately how far down the road they need to travel to find your location. All addresses must be assigned by the municipal 9-1-1 coordinator. You as a resident or building owner are not able to give your residence or building an address.

Part of the position is to audit addresses to verify that they are in fact correct and to update them by either giving them the appropriate number or update the 9-1-1 maps and database. If you have an address that has been audited and needs to be updated, you will receive a letter in the mail, so you know what your new address is. When we add or make changes to addresses, we notify the landowner/resident, state 9-1-1 board, post office, and emergency services.

An important note to know is that Google maps and other GPS's do not necessarily match what the 9-1-1 maps and databases have. Most of the delivery services such as FedEx and UPS use google maps or a version of it. If you do find that when you look up your address on google maps that it does not bring you to the correct place there is a way to submit a correction to them. In most instances it does make the correction. When it comes to emergency services, they sometimes use those GPS's that will not bring them to the correct place. When calling emergency services, if you know your address does not come up on a GPS correctly, please let the dispatcher know that prior to hanging up with them.

The best thing you can do to help emergency services find your address is to post the number out at the road. If you are in need of one please contact me and we will provide a reflective sign. The cost for those are only \$10.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely, Phil Marquette

9-1-1 Address Coordinator philmarquette@coventryvt.com 802-487-4091

REPORT FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Dear Coventry Residents,

By Vermont statute each town needs to appoint an Emergency Management Director to locally organize emergency management planning in its town for all hazard's events natural or manmade. As the EMD my roles in the position include creating and maintaining the towns Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP), managing the Local Emergency Operations Center (EOC), liaison of the town to the State EOC during an emergency event, coordinate community outreach for citizen preparedness, participate in the creation and maintenance of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, and closely works with the road commissioner, select board, and other town officials to make sure we are prepared for any emergency in the town.

Along with keeping our LEMP up to date, the town has also continued to adopt the state town road and bridge standards, participates in the national flood insurance program, and has a current Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. With these if there was a damage causing even and the state as a whole meets the minimum damage costs, the governor can ask for a Federal Emergency Declaration by the President. When this happens, we can get reimbursed by FEMA for 75% of the total cost of the repairs from the event. This is called the Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund or ERAF. Out of the remaining 25%, the state automatically contributes 7.5% of that. However, since we do participate in the national flood insurance program, have adopted the state town road and bridge standards, have an updated LEMP, and a current Local Hazard mitigation plan, we are able to get reimbursed 12.5% of that remaining 25%. Therefore, it is important for us to keep these documents up to date.

As we all know our village has been prone to ice jams. Thankfully, we have not had a significant ice jam since 2018. In the summer 2019 the state was awarded funding to four Vermont Communities for the VT U.S. Army Corps of Engineers "Silver Jackets" to study the ice jam challenges in the communities, identify potential mitigation options, and conduct community education and outreach related to ice jam preparedness, response, and recovery. Coventry was one of those four communities along with Johnson, Lyndon, and Swanton. Due to the COVID Pandemic this project was delayed, however in March of 2021 we were able to do a site visit with the USACE, CRRELL, and the VT Silver Jackets Team. I would also like to thank David Gallup, John Miller, and Ned Connell for attending. These site visits focused on the areas around the Covered Bridge on the Back Coventry Rd, the Bridge/Water Falls on Heermanville Rd, Below the Lower Falls at the end of Conway Ct, the bridge at the Route 14 and Route 5 Intersection and the bridge just south of Blake Ln on Route 5. I am happy to say that we received the mitigation report from the contractor in January and will be having a follow-up meeting to review this report in February. Please let me, the town clerk, or the town administrator know if you would like a copy of this report.

During my time as Emergency Management Director, I have also served on the Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) as a Representative for the town as well as serving as chair. On July 1, 2021, Vermont consolidated the 13 separate Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) to one statewide LEPC to carry out the requirements of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA). The statewide LEPC will focus on identification of hazardous materials that pose a risk and evaluating the available resources for preparing and responding to a potential natural or manmade disaster that could result in the release of hazardous chemicals. Consolidating to one statewide LEPC for hazardous materials planning will provide more state resources for complying with EPCRA requirements. I am currently serving as a representative on the new statewide LEPC.

With the consolidation of the 13 LEPC's Vermont Emergency Management tasked the Regional Planning Commissions (RPC), to which our area is served by NVDA, with coordinating the spin up of Regional Emergency management Committees (REMC). In November at the organizational meeting for the REMC that covers Orleans and part of Essex County I was voted to be the Chair of our REMC. The REMC coordinates and supports regional all-hazards emergency planning and preparedness activities to improve the region's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from all disasters. The REMC maintains a regional plan that helps coordination by providing regional contact information, lists regionally available resources, and mutual aid agreements. The REMC also coordinates with statewide emergency planning and has a seat on the Statewide Local Emergency Planning Committee, the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)/Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR), and the Integrated Preparedness Plan Workshop (IPPW). As this is a new committee we are still in the organizational process and will be having multiple meetings over the next year. With the creation of the REMC we are hoping to pull in more EMD's from our area to work on these plans.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions, suggestions or if you would like to help or be included in any of the planning we are working on.

Sincerely, Phil Marquette

Emergency Management Director philmarquette@coventryvt.org 802-487-8091

REPORT FROM THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

2021 ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

Serving as Animal Control officer for Coventry in the year 2021, I have taken:

- ✦ 39 calls for Stray/Lost dogs
- ✦ 6 calls regarding Cats
- ✦ 5 calls for Livestock
- ✦ 1 call for Dog bites
- ✦ 1 call for Vicious Dog issue
- ✦ 4 calls for Animal Cruelty complaints
- ✦ 21 calls for Miscellaneous complaints/calls



The majority of stray animals were reunited with their owners and the ones that were not, went to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Society and were placed for adoption. Stray dogs are not euthanized, and every effort is made to reunite them with their owners. If you find a stray dog, your duty is to contact animal control so that I may try to find owners and also protect the public by making sure the dog is vaccinated and licensed before returning it to the owners.

I would like to remind people to please license and register their dogs, and please put identification on your dogs. It is much easier, and less costly to reunite you with your pet, if they are wearing tags or identification. It is also wise to make sure your indoor/outdoor cats receive a scheduled rabies vaccine.

Please remember to spay and neuter your pets as there are millions of unwanted cats and dogs in the U.S. There are low cost spay/neuter programs available for pet owners. If you need information on free or reduced cost spay/neuter programs, please call me. (802)673-3791.

Thank you to the residents who diligently register and vaccinate your dogs. This tremendously saves us all time and is much appreciated!!

Renee Falconer – {on Facebook}
(802)673-3791
grfalconer123@gmail.com



REPORT FROM THE DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

Dear Coventry Property Owners & Residents,

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve the Town of Coventry and for your vote of confidence in my abilities as Delinquent Tax Collector since 2017. The position of Delinquent Tax Collector was a true challenge when I took over, but as the years progressed, I restructured the system of collection, and the task at hand became simplified and streamlined. To date, all delinquent tax accounts are entered into NEMRC, Coventry's accounting software, and the amount due to the Town of Coventry is the lowest it has been in over 15 years.

At Town Meeting in March, 2019, voters passed an article to make taxes due on November 7th each year, resulting in consistency, less confusion, decreased late payments, and successfully reducing the amount of delinquent taxes. Below is a Delinquent Tax comparison of 2018 -2021:

2018	Delinquent Tax as of November 1, 2018	\$118,867.15
2019	Delinquent Tax as of November 7, 2019	\$ 71,102.30
2020	Delinquent Tax as of November 9, 2020	\$ 64,233.94
2021	Delinquent Tax as of November 8, 2021	\$ 33,593.06

****These amounts reflect the totals submitted by the Coventry Town Treasurer at the end of the business day, once the tax year closed, after 5 pm.**

A July, 2021 tax sale was slated and advertised, but prior to holding the event, payments were received for the delinquent accounts and the sale was cancelled. I diligently continue to work with property owners to sign delinquent tax agreements to collect monies owed to the Town of Coventry and avoid tax sale.



Please contact me by phone at (802) 754-1803, or email delinquenttaxcollector@coventryvt.org if you are interested in resolving a past due account. Please remember acceptable forms of payment are check, money order, or online payment, but cash is NOT accepted. Online payments can be made by ACH debit (\$1.50 fee) or credit card (percentage fee) at the town website, coventryvt.org. I remain dedicated to the Town of Coventry and to maintain efficient and equitable delinquent tax policies and procedures. Thank you again for the opportunity to serve you, my neighbors and friends for the past five years. Best wishes for a safe, healthy and prosperous 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Fletcher

Delinquent Tax Collector

2021 List of Delinquent Tax Property Owners (all years)

- Bahena, Elizabeth
- Beaumont, Darryl & April
- Before, Amber
- Benedict Revocable Trust
- Bennett, Norman
- Brown, Patricia & Punt, Anthony
- Keement, Ashley & John
- Lamonda, Justin
- Mead, Neil, Joseph & Debi
- Messier, Jason & Angel
- Messier, Kenneth
- Messier, Richard E.
- Moulton, William
- Nadeau, Casey
- Nadeau, Harold Leroy, Jr.
- Nelson Farms, Inc.
- Pauline, Michael & Susan
- Petit, Eric
- Petit, Gerard J Jr. & Stevens-Whalen, Lisa
- Pierpont, Ralph & Jessica
- Reed, James
- Reed, James R. & Pamela A.
- Roy, Tim
- St. George, Richard
- Sanville, Penny
- Simpson, Andrew & Kristen
- Swett, George
- Taylor, Steven
- Whitaker, Gerry & Kathryn
- Wood, Daniel

The total owed to the Town of Coventry for 2021 delinquent property taxes, as of 12/31/2021 **TOTAL \$ 27,487.92** (principal \$24,442.98; interest \$1,089.51; penalty \$ 1,955.43)

As of 11/8/2021 \$ 33,593.06 (principal only)

As of 11/9/2021 \$ 36,616.39 (principal, penalty, interest)

As of December 31, 2021 the town paid \$1,774,238.09 to the school for 2021-22 education taxes. Delinquent taxes uncollected and taxes abated were paid to the school from the general fund.

Outstanding Delinquent Taxes by Year (12/31/2021)

Tax Year	Principal	Interest	Penalty	TOTAL
2015	\$ 73.48	\$ 45.10	\$ 5.88	\$ 124.46
2016	\$ 126.68	\$ 117.81	\$ 10.13	\$ 254.62
2017	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2018	\$ 120.83	\$ 66.98	\$ 9.67	\$ 197.48
2019	\$ 857.35	\$ 321.52	\$ 68.59	\$ 1,247.46
2020	\$ 1,760.88	\$ 186.24	\$ 140.87	\$ 2,087.99
2021	\$21,503.76	\$ 351.86	\$1,720.29	\$23,575.91
TOTALS	\$24,442.98	\$ 1,089.51	\$1,955.43	\$27,487.92

****Disclaimer:** Total amounts for 2015-2021 are based upon information available at the time of the printing of this town report. Figures may change based upon new discovery & totals obtained by further research, the auditors and the authorities.

REPORT FROM THE ASSESSORS

The Coventry Assessor, New England Municipal Consultants, has completed another year in Town. The 2021 Reappraisal was completed with a great deal of success. During the Spring of 2021, residents of the community were encouraged to make an appointment to discuss the new assessments and to ask any questions. We saw a fair number of property owners exercise that option, and NEMC enjoyed meeting with so many great people. We thank all property owners for helping us to navigate through a difficult time of social distancing and appreciate all the flexibility and kindness.

NEMC would like to also thank our Assessing Clerk, Kate Fletcher, for all her efforts in making sure the office ran smoothly throughout the year. Kate is the primary contact for general correspondence and day-to-day activity and has ensured that business is conducted thoroughly and accurately. Her dedication to the community is tremendous and her positive attitude is something that our office appreciates very much.

We look forward to the Spring of 2022 when our office will begin site inspections for any new or outstanding construction occurring in the community. With an annual assessment date of April 1, NEMC will attempt to view all construction or renovation projects active in the community. Anyone with a proposed assessment change will be mailed a change of appraisal notice alerting them of the change. Instructions will be included with the notice regarding the appeals process if a property owner wishes to discuss any changes. Property owners are always encouraged to contact the office via telephone or email with any questions.

NEMC would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year, and we look forward to another year in the Coventry Assessor's Office.

REPORT FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Commission Report

With an ever changing board the Planning Commission strives to help the community grow while staying true to the rich history of the Town. Faced with new challenges of the past year our objective was to maintain growth according to the Town Plan, while promoting safety and community.

This year our main focus was beginning the process of adding sidewalks within the village for better and safer access to the town and park. Renovations at The Elijah Wood meeting house was another project that had our attention. We were also tasked with exploring the Towns ATV ordinance for residents concerns and possible changes. After careful consideration, input from residents, and several drafts we have completed our objective and submitted our suggested amendments to the Select Board for review and further actions.

It is more important than ever for our community to band together to improve our Town. As members of the Planning Commission we represent the wants and interests of the people that live here. It is always important to get public input from the residents to better understand the needs and wants of our community. Our meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month at 5:00pm and all residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

We would like to thank the residents for their continued support as we move into the new year and the next chapter for our community.

Daniel Rondeau, Chair
Israel Sanville
Amanda Hussey
Zack Patridge
Praneet Menon
Stephanie Rondeau- Assistant

MESSAGE ABOUT THE TUESDAY SENIOR MEALS

Coventry Senior Meals

Program Coordinator ~ Deb Lucas

Even though the pandemic is still upon us as we head from 2021 into 2022, the Coventry Senior Meals program has continued to provide nutritious food to local residents. We are very excited to be back "in person" eating at the Coventry Community Center with some Covid-19 restrictions to help keep us all safe.

This past year, residents were able to enjoy a home cooked meal with many tasty treats, while enjoying conversations with friends they have not seen for well over a year. It has been nice to hear the echoing of voices and laughter, once again, in the Community Center at the Senior Meals.

Meal cost is \$4.00 per person. Donations are accepted.

Thank you to all who enjoy the Senior Meals Program. I look forward to serving you in the 2022 year.



MESSAGE FROM THE COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT

COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT #1

Coventry Fire District #1 is a small yet independent municipal entity operating within the Town of Coventry to provide clean, affordable drinking water to the members within the district's boundaries.

Coventry Fire District #1 holds meetings at the Coventry Community Center and encourages the public along with the district members to participate and become involved in their water district.

The district has been undergoing and recovering from restructuring of officers and management over the last two years. Dominique Gervais (Prudential Committee member) has made great strides with the CFD finances/regulations with his dedication, time and consistency to the CFD and the members it serves. Recently, Marie Sloan was appointed to join the Prudential Committee and we greatly welcome her back and continuing the progression of the CFD. We would like to THANK our systems operator, Pedro Grondin, for his hard work and for being a team player. Pedro Grondin has worked hard and gone above and beyond to ensure safe affordable water for our community members.

Coventry Fire District #1 can be reached by emailing firedistrict@coventryvt.org, or by mailing Coventry Fire District #1, P.O. Box 90, Coventry, Vermont 05825.



MESSAGE FROM THE COVENTRY TOWN FOUNDATION

COVENTRY TOWN FOUNDATION

The Coventry Town Foundation (CTF) is a nonprofit 501c-3 organization established in 2002. Our purpose is to help the residents of Coventry in the following areas:

- College Scholarships.
- Financial assistance to those in need. Fuel assistance, home repairs, other special needs.
- Enrichment Programs for the Coventry Elementary School.
- Partially funding the senior meals program in Coventry.
- Community assistance.

The Coventry Town Foundation has helped in the following areas:

- College Scholarships for over \$40,000.
- Covid relief in the form of food vouchers totaling over \$20,000.

Due to Covid restraints, the enrichment programs for the Coventry Elementary School did not reach the levels of the past. Going forward we are sure the school will be in need and the CTF will be here to help.

The CTF continues to assist with the senior meals program operated by a great Coventry resident. The CTF board is working hard on our public presence and will be conducting outreach programs in the coming year.

Thank you to all the residents of Coventry. Your financial support through appropriating funds each year makes it all possible. Anyone can contact us at PO Box 46, Coventry, VT or via email coventryvtfoundation@gmail.com.



The Coventry Town Foundation Board.

Leo Piette / Rosalie Bowen / Debra Tanguay
Jana Lovejoy / Amanda McCormick
Rocky Boucher / Praneet Menon

Front row – Leo Piette and Praneet Menon

Back row – Deb Tanguay, Amanda McCormick and Rosalie Bowen

(Missing from picture are board members Rocky Boucher and Jana Lovejoy)

Coventry Town Foundation Inc.

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Revenue, Support, and Gains

Grants and contributions	\$ 250,037
Investment income, net	<u>429,147</u>
Total revenue, support, and gains	679,184

Expenses

Program Expenses	
Community and educational grants	24,364
Scholarships	<u>34,000</u>
Total program expenses	58,364

Management and General

Accounting and bookkeeping	2,035
Office expense	2,329
Postage and mailing	135
Travel and meetings	433
Meals and entertainment	<u>55</u>

Total management and general 4,987

Total expenses 63,351

Change in net assets from operations 615,833

Net Assets, beginning of year 1,142,716

Net Assets, end of year \$ 1,758,549

Extracted from financial statements with accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.
Review services provided by Hayes Accounting Services

Coventry Town Foundation
Profit & Loss Budget Overview
July 2021 through June 2022

	Jul '21 - Jun 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Town Appropriations	0.00
Total Income	0.00
Gross Profit	0.00
Expense	
Advertising/Marketing	2,000.00
Audit	1,000.00
Insurance	2,500.00
Investment Fees	8,500.00
Historic Preservation	100.00
Community	30,000.00
Emergency	1,000.00
Individual Education Grant	5,000.00
Scholarship	50,000.00
Sports Expense	500.00
School Grants	20,000.00
Accounting Expense	1,000.00
Office Expense	700.00
Bookkeeping Expense	700.00
Annual Meeting	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	200.00
Legal Expense	2,000.00
Postage	1,000.00
Total Expense	129,200.00
Net Ordinary Income	-129,200.00
Net Income	-129,200.00



The Coventry Town Foundation

Is Once Again Sponsoring A

Free Garden Seeds Distribution



Coventry Residents Only

Come and get free seeds for your garden at
the Community Center.

This year the seeds come from
High Mowing Organic Seeds.



Seeds can be picked up in
prepackaged bags during voting hours
on March 1st. (10am—7pm)



Or after



March 1st by calling the Town Clerks
Office (Mon and Thursday, 8am-3pm)



MESSAGE FROM NEW ENGLAND WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES



1855 Route 100 • Hyde Park, VT 05655 p. 802.223.7045

January 10, 2022

Town of Coventry
168 Main Street
PO Box 8
Coventry, VT 05825

**RE: New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc.
Ongoing Landfill Operations & Development Update**

Dear Coventry Residents,

New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc. (NEWSVT) hopes this letter finds everyone well and in good health as we start a new year once again. We appreciate the opportunity to communicate with you within this Town Report and provide some recent information relative to the landfill site.

Operations

Landfill – We completed the construction of Cell 1A in Phase VI in 2022 and gained approval from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources to place waste in the new cell in November. We appreciate everyone's patience as we placed waste in the landfill on outer slopes and on top of the landfill over the most recent 18 months. We are actively placing intermediate cover (12 + inches) of soil cover over the slopes and will vegetate those slopes when weather permits in the spring of 2022. We will be down in the new cell for the remainder of 2022.

Waste Type & Volumes – The following is a summary of the waste accepted over the last three years:

- 2021: 522,000 tons
- 2020: 492,000 tons
- 2019: 537,000 tons

We are permitted to accept up to 600,000 tons of waste annually.

Landfill Committee Meeting

We have scheduled the next Landfill Committee Meeting for February 9, 2022.

Permitting

Phase III Underdrain – We are seeking permit approval to install a passive per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) treatment system on the discharge of the Phase III underdrain to treat the discharge to well below drinking water standard in VT.

ACT 250 Amendment – We will be submitting an amendment request to ACT 250 to amend the condition for a third-party consultant to respond to registered odor complaints within 30 minutes of a documented complaint. Throughout 2021, we submitted two requests for proposals and met with two independent consultants and could not find anyone capable of fully complying with the existing ACT 250 condition as written. Therefore, we will be seeking to modify the requirements in hopes to find a willing consultant.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) events

The facility will host two HHW collection events in 2022. They are scheduled for Saturday June 4th and Saturday October 29th.

Open House

Due to Covid-19 we were not able to host our annual open house in 2021 and it is too soon to determine if we will be able to host one in 2022. We are hopeful that we will be able to have an open house in 2022 in mid-September.

Construction

2022 construction projects as follows; We will. We are also expanding a stormwater pond in 2022. Other notable construction projects are;

- Begin excavation for Cell 1B of Phase VI, excavation may go to former St. Onge Farm,
- Temporary capping on some landfill slopes,
- Expansion of a Stormwater Pond,
- Possibility of installing pilot leachate treatment system (pending permit approvals),
- Possibility of installing a passive underdrain treatment system (pending permit approvals),
- Continued installation of odor & landfill gas collection control devices.

Town of Coventry – Solid Waste Implementation Plan Assistance

NEWSVT staff continues to assist the Town with required compliance for the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) that includes;

- Public Outreach/Education,
- The annual SWIP report,
- Maintaining the website: www.coventryrecycles.com,
- Helping the Town secure a Grant to assist with SWIP implementation,
- Hosting and managing the required Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events in 2021.

Existing Renewable Energy Projects at the Facility

Landfill Gas-to-Energy Facility – The Landfill Gas-to-Energy (LFGTE) Facility continues to produce power for around 7,000 Vermonters in the central Vermont area across the power distribution system of Washington Electric Cooperative (WEC). WEC's subsidiary, Coventry Clean Energy Corporation (CCEC), owns and operates the LFGTE Facility at the site.

Solar – The existing 12-acre, 2.7-megawatt photovoltaic solar array was developed by Casella Waste Systems, Inc. (Casella), the parent company of New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc., and continues to generate power for approximately 261 homes. The project ownership was transferred by Casella to Borrego Solar Systems, Inc. in 2013.

2021 Photos



2021 Black River Inspection



Cell 1A, Phase VI

As always, we appreciate the cooperation we get from the Town of Coventry and its residents. We would also like to remind community members we are available for discussion about our operations or anything relative to the site, any time.

You can contact us at 802.236.5973 or by email at john.gay@casella.com with questions.

Sincerely,

NEW ENGLAND WASTE SERVICES OF VERMONT, INC.

John Gay, E.I.
Permitting, Compliance, & Engineering

Household Hazardous Waste



2022 Collection Days



**Saturday June 4
Saturday October 29
7:30 am to 11:30 am**

Event to be held at the; New England Waste Services of Vermont, Inc.
(WASTE USA) landfill facility on Airport Road in Coventry

This event is FREE and open to the RESIDENTS of
Newport City, Coventry, Barton & Lowell

If you qualify as a small quantity (CEG) business, and wish to dispose of your hazardous waste, arrangements for disposal and payment must be made in advance and at least one week prior to the event.

Proof of residency will be required.

Materials Accepted at the Event:

Acids, Adhesives, Aerosols, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Cements, Charcoal Lighters, Chlorine, Cleaning Fluid, Degreasers, Disinfectants, Drain Cleaners, Dry Gas, Epoxies, Dyes, Fiberglass Resins, Flea Powders, Furniture Strippers, Hair Removers, Herbicides, Insect Repellents, Lacquers, Lubricants, Mothballs or Flakes, Nail Polish Removers, Oven Cleaners, Latex Paints, Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Permanent Solutions, Pesticides, Photo Chemicals, Rat Poisons, Rug & Upholstery Cleaners, Rust Solvents, Gallon or less of Old Gasoline, Wood Preservatives, Spot Removers, Toilet Bowl Cleaners, Tub and Tile Cleaners, Turpentine, Varnish, Weed Killers, Wood Polishes, Wood Stains, Fluorescent Light Tubes/Lighting, Mercury Containing Products, Roofing Tar & Driveway Sealer.

Materials NOT Accepted at the Event:

Asbestos, Asphalt, Automotive and Marine Batteries, Electronic Waste, Tires, Used Oil, Explosives or Shock-Sensitive Materials, Ammunition, Radio-Active Wastes, Pathological Wastes, Infectious Waste, Medicines, Dioxins, Smoke Detectors, Compressed Gas Cylinders.

If you have any questions about the event or acceptable materials please call;
(802) 334-8300

MESSAGE FROM NORTHEAST KINGDOM BROADBAND CUD



Communications Union District Annual Report for 2021

We are excited to share the progress we've made towards bringing high-speed internet to the 50 member towns of NEK Broadband. Our pilot project in Concord, Waterford and Lunenburg will offer 100 Mbps symmetrical service or higher to 342 addresses in late 2021 and early 2022. We've received additional state and federal grant funding and are finalizing plans for a full-length construction season beginning the spring of 2022.

The organization has matured with the addition of three key partners. The National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC) is experienced in design, construction management, and materials procurement. Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT) will be our network operator and internet service provider. WCVT brings over a century of experience in telecommunications and provides all the modern services customers expect. Mission Broadband serves as an advisor and adjunct staff.

Who We Are:

A Communications Union District (CUD) is a municipal entity made up of multiple towns. Our district is building fiber-optic based internet access that has a capacity far beyond most current services available. Each town appoints at least one representative to our Governing Board, which has chosen to develop a publicly-owned network.

Member Towns: All but these five towns in the Northeast Kingdom (Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties) have joined the district: Granby, Jay, Lemington, Norton, Victory. Wolcott in Lamoille county is also a member.

Project Plans: The overall project will require roughly \$140 million and take at least five years to complete. Funding will be through grants and municipal revenue bonds, as well as income from subscribers. The team is establishing technical standards as well as analysis of all locations and their current internet access. Utility pole surveys are in progress, fiber optic cable has been ordered, and we will be ready to continue construction in the spring of 2022.

Grants Received: NEK Broadband has received three different federal grants totalling \$1,045,000 for the Concord-Lunenburg-Waterford project, which began construction in November, 2021. We have been awarded almost \$7 million for designing the entire network, hiring additional staff and preparing for the 2022 construction season. Smaller grants were received from Vermont Community Foundation, Northeastern Vermont Development Association, Northern Community Investment Corporation, and Northern Enterprises.

Obligations: Community National Bank Letter of Credit (\$3.5 million); Northern Enterprises loan (\$80,000)

Respectfully,

Evan Carlson, Board Chair, Sutton Representative
NEK Broadband

Residents can sign up to receive regular general updates and, in the future, information about when service will be available at specific locations at:

get.nekbroadband.org

Budget Summary

2021 Budget to Actual (Projected)

	Budget	Actual
Total Income	\$93,700	\$3,087,767
Total Expenses	\$90,350	\$1,353,932
Total Capital Investment	\$5,360,000	\$945,000
Annual Net Cash Flow		\$788,835

2022 Proposed Budget

Projected Surplus from 2021	\$788,835
Grants	\$25,000,000
Net Operations Revenue	-\$52,900
Total Income	\$25,735,935
Administrative Costs	\$495,000
(Pre) Construction Costs	\$25,000,000
Total Spending	\$25,495,000

SOCIAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS



American Red Cross
Northern New England Region

Dear Friends,

With your support, the American Red Cross is able to ensure the health, safety, and preparedness of our friends and neighbors throughout Northern New England.

Last year, our volunteer workforce provided an array of services throughout the region:

- → We assisted a local family in the face of disaster, on average, **once every 18 hours**, helping more than **2,000 individuals**.
- → We made over **500 homes safer** by installing smoke detectors and educating families about fire safety and prevention through our Home Fire Campaign.
- → Trained **26,957 people** in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills.
- → We collected over **153,000 units of blood**. Hospitals throughout Northern New England depend on the American Red Cross for these collections.
- → In our region, **850 service members, veterans, and their families** received supportive services through our Service to the Armed Forces department.

Your American Red Cross remains committed to providing relief and support. We do this with the help of our incredible volunteers and donors, including you, our friends in Coventry. *This year, we respectfully request a municipal appropriation of \$500.00.* These general operating funds will directly benefit individuals and families right here in our region, who benefit from our unique services at no cost.

For more information about the work we've been doing in your area, please refer to the attached Impact Sheet for Orleans County. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-800-464-6692 or supportnne@redcross.org.

Warmly,

Rachel Zellem

Development Specialist →



December 2021

2022 Appropriation Request - Coventry

Felines and Friends Foundation strives to stabilize barn cat colonies and greatly reduce the number of free-roaming cats in the Northeast Kingdom (and beyond) through Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR), with the goals of improving the health and welfare of cats, minimizing the negative impacts on people and wildlife, reducing the number of cats/kittens entering local shelters.

Our volunteers humanely trap, spay/neuter and vaccinate un-owned or loosely-owned cats in neighborhoods and on farms for FREE. When possible we also assist low income residents with free or very low-cost cat spay/neuter services. Many cats we service are re-homed through regional animal shelters; others are returned to caretakers or owners to live a better life but with reduced nuisance behaviors.

Since Felines and Friends Foundation began on April 1, 2013 we have spayed/neutered and vaccinated more than 3,500 cats mostly in Orleans County, including more than 115 from Coventry through our targeted program. We've also done extensive work in the surrounding towns of Irasburg, Newport Town, Newport City and Brownington. In addition to our targeted work, in 2019 we began hosting low-cost, public cat spay/neuter clinics that have benefited residents of Coventry and the Northeast Kingdom.

We are seeking an appropriation of \$300 to continue this work in 2022.

Thank you for your consideration,

Bonnie Geisler

Bonnie Geisler

Felines & Friends Foundation



**GOODRICH
MEMORIAL
LIBRARY**

202 Main Street
Newport, VT 05855
Phone: 802-334-7902
Fax: 802-334-3890

January 2021

To the Residents of Coventry,

The Goodrich Memorial Library is a community library that depends on its supporting towns. Without financial support the library could not function as a viable space for literature, digital equity, adult learning, neighborhood unity, programs, and so much more. Libraries continue to be vital to the surrounding communities as an advocate for education, information and inclusivity.

At present, there are over 100 families from Coventry registered as borrowers at the Goodrich Memorial Library. On behalf of all families from Coventry, we request the sum of \$3,500 be included in the Coventry budget for 2021 to help maintain the level of service they have come to expect from their library.

Thank you for your continuing assistance.

Sincerely,

James Johnson, Chairman



Green Mountain Farm-to-School is requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$600.00 from the town of Coventry to support the Coventry School Garden Program and the Farm-to-School Program.

Green Mountain Farm-to-School (GMFTS) is a non-profit organization strengthening local food systems in Vermont by promoting positive economic relationships, education, and access between schools, farms, and communities. Our Farm to School program serves approximately 2,300 students each year in 15 different NEK schools. More broadly, our organization collectively impacts more than 10,000 residents in the NEK and across the state through our local food hub delivering wholesale amounts of local food to schools, restaurants, retail outlets, and more in Northern Vermont, our free summer meal site, the Lunchbox Food Truck, serving kids 18 and under in the NEK with free healthy meals, our work with the charitable food system to provide local food to area food shelves, and our statewide marketing campaign, Vermont Harvest of the Month.

This request is to support our farm to school program and partnership with Coventry Village School. Funding from the town will directly benefit every student enrolled in Coventry Village School (139 individuals). GMFTS coordinates student and community involvement in the Coventry School Garden. Over the last year, every student at the school has been involved in maintaining and harvesting the garden. Produce from the garden was served to students in the school cafeteria or provided to community members in need in the summer months. GMFTS has also worked with the school to purchase local food, host monthly taste tests, teach nutrition and gardening workshops, lead farm field trips, and compost food waste.

With the town's help, GMFTS can continue to provide the School Garden and Farm-to-School Program in the town of Coventry, producing fresh local food for the cafeteria, and giving students the knowledge and skills they need to make healthy food choices. The funding from grants, towns, individuals, and businesses covers a portion of the school garden and Farm-to-School Program. The funds from the town will help pay for tools, seeds, equipment and supplies, as well as staff time needed to maintain the school garden in the summer months.

We are deeply grateful for the support from Coventry in the past. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Cusack
Executive Director

**Jones Memorial Library
One Water Street
Orleans, VT 05860
802-754-76660**

Town of Coventry
168 Main Street
Coventry, VT 05825

December 2, 2021

Dear Town of Coventry Select Board:

The Jones Memorial Library would like to thank the Town of Coventry for the 2021 appropriation of \$2,000.00.

Jones Memorial Library is again requesting \$2,000.00 in 2022 in order to continue operations and maintain the status quo.

Jones Memorial Library is open and available to all Coventry residents.

This upcoming year, the library hopes to pursue further community engagement through programs specifically curated to meet the community needs. We will put forth a concerted effort to be sure that all the municipalities who contribute financially are kept abreast of what is being done and keep people informed of what they can find at the Jones Memorial Library.

We honestly hope that you are able to feel and appreciate the benefits of the Jones Memorial Library. Any amount you are able to provide will be highly beneficial. Currently, our anticipated 2022 budget is \$67,000.00.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to call Jeanette Powell, library director, at 754-6660, or the Inc. Village of Orleans at 754-8584.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Powell
Library Director
Jones Memorial Library



December 2021

Town of Coventry Select Board,

On behalf of the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging, we are writing to ask for an appropriation from the town of Coventry to support our work with older Vermonters living in your community. Your support is vitally important as we continue to face challenges due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the increasing need to protect and feed our elder Vermonters as they stay home and stay safe.

The NEK Council on Aging serves as a central guide for older Vermonters to gain services and assistance in their communities. We remain a critical resource for the COVID-19 emergency response. In FY 2020 the Council aided over 4,440 residents of the Northeast Kingdom and with our congregate and home-delivered meals program, delivered 234,616 meals. We also offer a Helpline, Medicare counseling and Bootcamp, exercise and mobility programs, specially-trained staff who help people develop long-range planning as they age, family and caregiver support programs and grants, case management for those who need a bit more support with aging in place, as well as support to apply for fuel, food, and pharmacy programs. Our nutrition programs partially fund meal sites and home delivered meals under the guidance of our registered dietitian. Working with RCT and Legal Aid, we provide for the complex challenges people face while living in a rural community. Our work is supplemented by over 370 volunteers who serve as home-delivered meals drivers, wellness program leaders, and home-based caregivers.

As a private, 501c (3) non-profit corporation, we have been serving older Vermonters for over 42 years. This year, we are requesting the amount of \$330.00 from the residents of the town of Coventry. We have enclosed a brief letter in support of this request for inclusion in your town report and a copy of our 2021 Annual Report.

Suggested wording for the warning article for town meeting follows: *"Shall the town vote to appropriate the sum of \$330.00 to assist the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging in providing services to older Vermonters in the ensuing year."*

Please feel free to contact me should you have questions or need additional information.

Warm regards on behalf of the staff and Board of Directors of the NEK Council on Aging,

Meg Burmeister
Executive Director
www.nekcouncil.org

The mission of the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging is to "Help People Age with Independence and Dignity." Our goal is to enhance the ability of these Vermonters to live as independently as possible, actively participating in and contributing to their communities.

181 Crawford Road - Derby
PO Box 724 Newport VT 05855
Phone 802-334-6744 Fax 802-334-7455
Toll free 800-896-4979

2225 Portland Street
PO Box 388 St. Johnsbury VT 05819
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Toll free 800-849-0118

www.nkhs.org



November 17, 2021

Town of Coventry Select Board
P. O. BOX 8
COVENTRY, VT 05825
selectboardclerk@coventryvt.org
townadministrator@coventryvt.org

RE: 2022 Town Meeting Appropriation Request

Dear Town of Coventry Select Board and Community Members:

The professional employees at Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. follow the mission to empower individuals, families, and communities by promoting hope, healing, and support. We ask for you to financially support our mission and agency by including the following article in your 2022 Town Meeting Warning.

ARTICLE: Shall the Town of Coventry vote to raise, appropriate, and expend the sum of \$2172 for the support of Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., a not for profit 501(c)(3), to support community members who cannot otherwise afford care to improve their lives through confidential program services for emergency crisis, mental health, addiction, and/or developmental/intellectual challenges?

This appropriation request amount represents 2.25% of appropriation requests from 48 towns we serve in the Northeast Kingdom. This request is the same amount as voted at the 2021 Town Meeting.

A summary report of how Northeast Kingdom Human Services supported your town and the Town of Coventry Appropriation Request Form are included with this letter. We will send the NKHS Summary FY21 Financial Statement as requested in a separate email.

For more information about our agency and services, please visit our website at <https://www.nkhs.org>, or call our offices in Derby (802-334-6744) or St. Johnsbury (802-7448-3181). Emergency Services are available 24/7.

We strive to respond to community needs with quality care.

Respectfully,

Northeast Kingdom Human Services Board of Directors and Leadership Team

Contact Ruth Marquette at RMarquette@nkhs.net regarding appropriation questions.



42 Central St. 101
PO Box 1133
Newport, VT 05855
802.334.6002
Meghan.Gyles@partner.vermont.gov

OCCAC/SIU Town Report FY 21

Dear Citizens of Coventry,

The Orleans County Children's Advocacy Center / Special Investigations Unit is a non-profit organization dedicated to investigating, prosecuting, and providing victim advocacy services for victims of sexual violence, child physical and sexual abuse, and crimes against vulnerable adults. The OCCAC/SIU represents a collaborative partnership between the Orleans County State's Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, the Orleans County Sheriff's Department, Newport Police Department, Northeast Kingdom Human Services, North Country Hospital and the Department for Children and Families, as well as various therapeutic service providers.

In fiscal year 2021, the OCCAC/SIU was involved in 66 investigations throughout Orleans County related to allegations of physical and sexual abuse against children and 10 investigations related to allegations of sexual violence against adult victims. Town funds supplement our state funds and help us to support our investigators in effectively investigating incidents, our victim advocate in helping victims through this very difficult process, and the State's Attorney's office in attaining justice. Our goal is to prevent further trauma to the victims by providing a safe, non-threatening, family friendly space to meet and explore allegations of abuse. Members of our Team receive specialized training to investigate these sensitive cases.

The OCCAC/SIU is an associate member with the National Children's Alliance (NCA). As the accrediting agency for Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC) across the county, NCA awards various levels of accreditation and membership to centers responding to allegations of child sexual and severe physical abuse. This designation means we meet rigorous national standards that ensure these allegations are investigated and prosecuted effectively and efficiently, while providing coordinated support services to victims and their families.

The Orleans County Children's Advocacy Center / Special Investigations Unit is requesting funds in the amount of \$350 to continue our efforts in supporting families in your community. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Meghan Gyles, Executive Director

Orleans County Fair Association

278 Roaring Brook Road
PO Box 580
Barton, VT 05822
www.orleanscountyfair.net

Dear Selectboard,

The Orleans County Fair Association (OCFA) is proud to have served this community by hosting the Orleans County Fair for more than 150 years! We are a non-profit organization with all the typical struggles being experienced in today's society. Our long term success has come from old fashioned Northeast Kingdom pride and determination as well as reliance on the creativity of our volunteer members. The OCFA recognizes the need to maintain our traditions and history as well as seek and implement new ideas. We offer an expansive venue which in recent years has been helping to celebrate Memorial Day and 4th of July festivities as well as many other local celebrations. Our continued goal is to invite your return to the park and to introduce you to our new and exciting plans!

In 2021, we changed our traditional date of August to September as we were able to contract with an amusement ride company that brought more rides, games and food vendors. We also still hosted our dairy show in August and still were able to have our local farmers at September fair as well. We hosted Monster Trukz this year, built a mini-stage that will allow us to have our truck/tractor pulls, while having musical entertainment in another area of the grounds.

Our on-going efforts to maintain the 150 year traditions and to include modern entertainment and experiences brings us to you for a little help. We are seeking an appropriation in the amount of \$500 toward these efforts.

Thank you for your support,

Sincerely,

The Orleans County Fair Assoc.
Shelia Martin, Director/Treasurer
ocftreas@gmail.com
802-525-3555/802-673-9454



December 11, 2021

Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village
(DBA Orleans County Historical Society)
109 Old Stone House Road
Orleans, VT 05860-9557

Town of Coventry
% Deb Tanguay
PO Box 8
Coventry, VT 05825

Dear Select Board Members:

The mission of the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village (DBA Orleans County Historical Society) is simple yet essential: It is carried out each day by ensuring our heritage remains relevant to our community. The museum brings local history to life each year for countless visitors; seniors, adults and children alike. We are proud to continue loyally serving our community with high-quality programming and events.

Since 1917, the Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village has worked to preserve and share the rich history of the Northeast Kingdom and our state. Our stunning neighborhood includes eight historic buildings, along with remarkable collections of furniture, paintings, clothing, tools, photographs, diaries, maps and letters that all illustrate aspects of our regional history. This year has seen a record number of visitors and participants in our events and programs, the museum launching a new brand and continued development of our work with preschool aged children. We also now provide a free WiFi Hotspot on our grounds, give food from our Giving Gardens to those in need and have full enrollment in each week of our free summer Kids' Friday program.

Support from towns in our community plays an important role in helping the museum operate. With this in mind, we ask that you include the following article in your Town Meeting warning:

"To see if the Town of Coventry will appropriate the sum of \$550 for the Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its programs, and direct the selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same."

Please find the museum's financial overview and write-up for use in your town's report attached. I respectfully submit this request and thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Molly Veysey".

Molly Veysey
Executive Director
Old Stone House Museum & Historic Village
director@OldStoneHouseMuseum.org

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46 Lakemont Road Newport, Vermont 05855

Lyne B. Limoges, MSN, RN, Executive Director

SERVICE REPORT FY 2021 ORLEANS ESSEX V.N.A. and HOSPICE, INC.

Orleans Essex Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Hospice, Inc. provides professional quality home health services to the residents of the 24 communities in Orleans and northern Essex counties. We serve the elderly, homebound and chronically ill through the VNA and homemaker programs and the terminally ill through our Hospice program. Special programs include a variety of clinics available to the public. As the only not-for-profit agency serving the area, our services are available to anyone in need regardless of their ability to pay and all clients are charged the same fee for the same service. We are locally controlled by a volunteer Board of Directors representing the towns we serve. We adhere to strict regulations, which prohibit the practice of charging more to a client who can afford services to compensate for those who cannot. All revenue, by law, goes back into the Agency to provide, maintain, and improve services and programs.

SUMMARY OF SERVICES:

Total Agency Visits FY 2021	42,199
Total Visits FY 2021 - Town of Coventry.....	1,369

During Fiscal Year 2021, home based services were provided to 37 individuals in Coventry for a total of 1,369 multi-disciplinary visits. 5 residents received services through Agency-sponsored wellness programs.

Appropriation Request for 2022.....\$3,000.00

Members of your community are in need of services daily and they receive them from the dedicated staff of the Orleans Essex VNA and Hospice, seven days a week, 24-hours a day. The funds your community appropriates to our Agency allow us to continue providing much needed care to individuals without third party insurance and those unable to pay, and provide special programs open to all community members. The Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice is supported by donations, service fees, and the generosity of communities who realize that in order to continue providing high quality home health services to their family members, friends, and neighbors, appropriations are desperately needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyne B. Limoges, MSN, RN
Executive Director



Dear Town of Coventry

The Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc. is requesting that you include the following request in your 2022 Town Warning.

Shall the voters of the town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of \$750 to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter with its commitments to rescuing, providing care to and finding homes for unwanted pets.

The shelter serves all the towns in Orleans County and Northern Essex. Funds received through town appropriations are used for general shelter expenses, animal medical needs and care. We do not count individuals served, however all towns benefit for the services we provide. Coventry residents are among those individuals benefitting from our existence.

Thank you very much for your consideration

Sincerely

Betsy Hampton, Treasurer
PMFAS Board Member
November 20231

4473 Barton-Orleans Road
Orleans, VT 05860



Rural Community Transportation, Inc.

1677 Industrial Parkway • Lyndonville, Vermont 05851

Phone: (802)748-8170 • Fax: (802)748-5275 • <http://riderct.org>

"COMMUNITY IS OUR MIDDLE NAME"

October 5, 2021

Town of Coventry
Coventry Town Office
P.O. Box 8
Coventry, VT 05825

Re: Request for town appropriation

Dear Coventry Voters,

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT) respectfully requests that the following special appropriation article appear on the 2022 warning for the Town Meeting:

Article: Shall the Town of Coventry vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$850.00 for the support of **Rural Community Transportation, Inc.** to provide services to residents of the Town of Coventry.

RCT is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex and Lamoille Counties. In FY2021, RCT provided 231 rides to 5 residents of Coventry, traveling 4,565 miles at a total cost of \$6,592.27. RCT continued to provide safety-focused, demand-based rides in COVID-19 pandemic conditions without interruption in service.

RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, our funding sources typically require between 20% and 50% locally matched dollars. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required local match, and are therefore vital to RCT's operation.

We hope you will vote to fund this request, and RCT looks forward to continued service to the residents of Coventry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amy Obenauf".

Amy Obenauf
Administrative Coordinator



Cultivating a Northeast Kingdom where all people thrive free from abuse and oppression

October 20, 2021

Town of Coventry
Deb Tanguay
PO Box 8
Coventry, VT 05825

Dear Deb,

We at Umbrella thank you and your town voters for supporting our agency services in the past. We are asking for your support again to be added to the 2022 Town Meeting Warning.

Shall the Town of Coventry vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1125 for the support of Umbrella to provide services to residents of the Town?

Please find that we have sent the town report and statement of activities with this request and we would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

Amanda Cochrane
Executive Director

THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
TOWN OF COVENTRY
SUMMARY REPORT

Request Amount: \$130.00

For the last 42 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'21 (10/2020-9/2021) VCIL responded to thousands of requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **186** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and **4** peers were served by the AgrAbility program. VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **148** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **65** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **80** individuals with information on assistive technology; **42** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **484** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. We are also home to the Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) which served **35** people and provided **24** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone. Due to the pandemic VCIL was able to start a new (temporary) program, Resilience and Independence in a State of Emergency (RISE) which served 415 people in its first year. The Rise Program can help provide an array of items or services if the needs are directly related to the Covid-19 epidemic.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont. Our Montpelier office also houses the Vermont Interpreter Referral Service (VIRS) and provides statewide interpreter referral services for sign language, spoken English and CART services for assignments in medical, legal, mental health, employment, educational, civil and recreational settings.

During FY'21, **1** resident of **Coventry** received services from the following program:

- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)



GREEN UP VERMONT
www.greenupvermont.org

Green Up Day
May 7, 2022



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

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. Green Up Vermont is requesting the level funding appropriation of \$100.00 from the Town of Coventry once again for Green Up Day 2022.

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

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

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

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



2 Church Street, Suite 3B | Burlington, Vermont 05401 | 802-864-5741 ~ 800-VSO-9293 | vso.org

November 26, 2021

RE: 2022 Town Meeting Appropriation Request

Dear Town of Coventry Select Board,

Please consider sharing this letter and Article with town voters.

Article: Shall the Town of Coventry voters approve the sum of \$100.00 as an appropriation to the SymphonyKids programs of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra?

The North Country Friends of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra appreciates the Town of Coventry for supporting *SymphonyKids* programs for the children in your town. While the VSO was not allowed in schools during the pandemic, we created five free, online videos titled **Musical Chairs** about the different musical families of an orchestra. The videos are available on VSO's YouTube channel and have been viewed by 1,650 people so far, some may be from your town.

The Lois H. McClure Musicians-in-Schools program is our core music education program. The fully vaccinated musicians are returning to schools with this valuable educational resource this academic year. Each session includes instrument demonstrations, a wide sampling of repertoire, and audience participation.

This appropriation request supports the Musicians-in-Schools programs to benefit the youth in your town and the Northeast Kingdom. Each school show costs \$525 for musician/actor fees and mileage. Schools pay a portion of this cost, leaving the balance subsidized through your town appropriation and individual sponsorships.

The VSO greatly appreciates your support in providing access to classical music for ALL children! For more information, please contact the VSO at 802-864-5741 or visit the <https://www.vso.org/> website.

Thank you!

North Country Friends of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra

CVS ANNUAL REPORT



WARNING - COVENTRY ANNUAL TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Coventry,
Vermont in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont,
are hereby notified and warned to meet at the
COVENTRY COMMUNITY CENTER
168 Main Street, Coventry VT 05825
TUESDAY MARCH 1st 2022 at 10:00 am
to act on the following business:

School District Business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a **MODERATOR** for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To elect a **SCHOOL TREASURER** for a 1-year term.

ARTICLE 3: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 2-year term.

ARTICLE 4: To elect a **SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a 3-year term.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,881,536** 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 \$18,513, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 16.33% higher than spending in the current year.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to borrow up to **\$3,200,000.00** over the period of 30 years for the proposed building addition at Coventry Village School.

The Town and School will be holding three informational meetings for residents to discuss the above articles. Dates and times of these informational meetings will be mailed with the Annual Report and will be held remotely via zoom or phone in. These meetings shall constitute the public informational hearing required by 17 V.S.A. 2680(G).

Dated at Coventry, Vermont this 19th day of January, A.D. 2022.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Matthew Maxwell, Chair



Amanda Jensen



Jaime Stenger



Kathleen Ahearn



Sarah Bathalon



Received for record this 19th day of January, A.D., 2022 at Coventry

ATTEST:

Debra Tanguay, Town Clerk



REPORT FROM THE COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL BOARD

Greeting's residents of Coventry,

The 2021 school year saw our students return to what can be described as a slight return of some normalcy as we have been fortunate enough to not shut the school down and go to remote learning on a large scale. There have been some individual students and classes that have spent some time away from the school dealing with covid related issues, but on a whole the Coventry school board feels that the health and safety protocols that have been enacted kept our students safe and in school where they belong.

To say that the last couple of years have been stressful on teachers and administrators and all other staff alike would be a gigantic understatement. The men and women who show up every day at the school have gone above and beyond their current job descriptions on a number of levels and the board cannot be more proud of the effort they have put in on behalf of the students in this town. This amazing amount of effort starts at the top with Principal Todd Rohlen. Mr. Rohlen's leadership through this difficult time has been nothing short of incredible. He remains positive and unwavering no matter what the situation may bring. The staff we have at Coventry school are an unparalleled group of individuals from the teachers and para professionals to our excellent kitchen staff and support services department. The kids in this town receive a great education as well as the support they need in other areas that don't always coincide with just simply learning.

One of our main areas of discussion at meetings this year has been the addition to the school. That will be covered in detail building committee report, but very quickly I will add here that the board has come up with a plan for addition that we are very excited about. I would like thank board member Jamie Stenger for all the work he has done as the chair of the building committee. Principal Rohlen and the rest of the building committee have done a fantastic job of bringing this vision to where we feel comfortable bringing it to the town for approval.

As I write this the school board has not yet approved a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. It will be voted on at our January meeting. As always, we try to be as conservative as possible when spending town money while at the same time providing our students with the best possible elementary experience. The board is holding several informational meetings in the upcoming months where we hope to see many residents come and share their thoughts on the addition and budget or anything else school related. We are elected officials that work for the town and input of our residents is very important in shaping our policy and decisions.

I will wrap this up on a personal note. I will not be running for re-election to the Coventry School Board and would like to thank the town for the opportunity to serve for the last 9 years. It has been a wonderful experience where I have learned a lot. I would also like to thank my fellow board members both past and present. It has been a true honor to work with all if you and I am quite certain of continued success of Coventry Village School.

Sincerely,

Matt Maxwell

Coventry Village School, School Board Chairman

REPORT FROM COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Coventry School Board:
Matt Maxwell, Chair
Amanda Jensen, Vice-Chair
Kathleen Ahearn
Sarah Bathalon
Jaime Stenger

Deb Tanguay, Treasurer



COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL

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Coventry Village School Principal's Town Report - January 2022

Greetings, Coventry residents,

There is a lot happening at the school to update you all on. As we know, the pandemic continues, creating issues at school. We had a number of positive cases last spring and this past fall, and for a while, these positive cases caused affected classes to go remote. However, we now have the Test to Stay (TTS) program. This allows us to test students in affected classes each morning so we can continue in-person learning, and that has been great.

Some of you may remember that back in 2020 in this report, I talked about creating a different environment for the school to help with behavior issues. With amazing work on the part of all of the staff, I am happy to report that it has been incredibly effective. Behavior issues are down over 70% from when we started all this. Creating a caring and focused environment is certainly better for learning, so this is really something to celebrate.

We also have a deep focus on literacy across the school. Using federal money from the CoVID response funding, we hired our own in-house literacy coach. Dr. Kristy Ellis is working with staff across the school to help improve the literacy instruction for all of our kids. We believe learning to read and write is a basic right, so we are taking our work here seriously. We have an early reading initiative, using data and science to develop areas that have been sticking points for years in our reading program. We also have a writing initiative for grades 2-8, creating common expectations and language, as well as a steady progression.



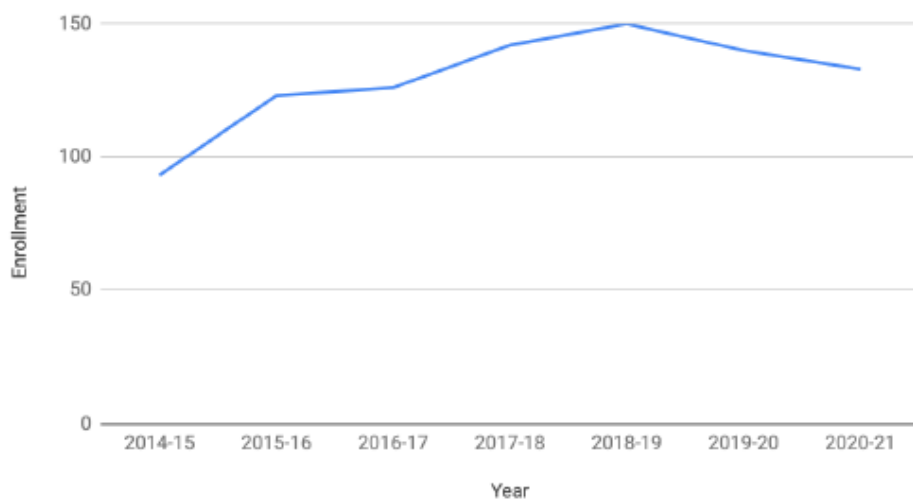
There is exciting work happening all over the school, with a dedicated and very competent staff at the center of these happenings.

Enrollment 2021-22

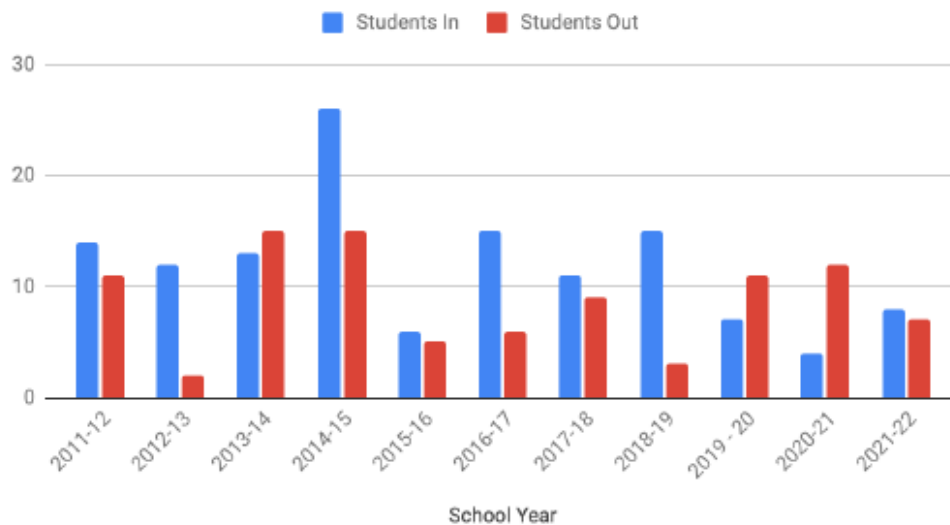
There is a big 9th-grade class this year, causing a bit of a drop in the School enrollment from last year. There has been lots of moving this year, but about equal for those moving out and moving in.

Grade Level	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-22
Preschool	13	13	13	17	12	13
Kindergarten	14	19	16	9	12	11
Grade 1	11	14	20	14	6	15
Grade 2	9	11	14	20	15	9
Grade 3	14	9	12	15	20	14
Grade 4	20	14	13	11	12	20
Grade 5	10	20	12	9	10	13
Grade 6	13	10	19	11	10	11
Grade 7	13	16	12	20	15	11
Grade 8	9	16	16	14	21	12
Total Enrollment:	126	142	147	140	133	129

Recent Enrollment



Students Moving In and Students Moving Out of Coventry



Staff to Student Ratios

We have 31 adults working here at Coventry for our 129 students. This makes for a ratio of 1 adult for every 4.5 kids. There are 20.5 licensed teachers, creating a 1:6.3 ratio. With 10 classroom teachers, there is 1 classroom teacher for every 12.9 students. These ratios are a bit higher than the past few years due to the addition of a few positions, but at little cost to taxpayers. First, we have a number of one-to-one paraeducators, necessitated by some students' specific learning plans.

These are mostly paid for from the

S.U. special education budget. As mentioned above, we also added a literacy coach, as well as a literacy teacher's aide. Both of these are paid for with federal money, ESSER funds, and are designed to be temporary, when the ESSER funds expire in 2024.



Building and Grounds

There has been a lot to report for the building since the annual report last year. Last April, one of our boilers had a catastrophic failure and needed to be replaced. As was widely reported, we also



had a mold issue in August. This was solved and with our current efforts, it is not expected to happen again. Both of these were unanticipated expenses.

On the good news front, a grant from VSAC was used to create an outdoor classroom space up the hill from the school. This was completed by Siskin with help from students. The modular continues to function well, though the proposed addition would be a welcomed long-term solution. Please check out the report from the Building Committee.

Coventry Students in High School

We have 57 students enrolled in four high schools in the area.

Lake Region High School	33
North Country High School	21
Stanstead College	0
St. Johnsbury Academy	3

For the current year, we have the following:

LRUHS:

9 seniors
5 juniors
8 sophomores
11 freshmen

NCUHS:

3 seniors
5 juniors
5 sophomores
8 freshmen

Foundation and Community



Despite the ongoing pandemic, Coventry Village School endeavors to live up to its name, with a strong connection to the community. This past fall, students in grades 4-8 were able to do hands-on science on the *Northern Star* on Lake Memphremagog, thanks to town approval of funds for this. The students loved it! We were also able to bring back our artist-in-residence program this year. Jon Gailmor spent a week at the school working with each class to write and perform their own songs. It was amazing, and while we couldn't have families in for the final performance, we did stream it live. Some family members reported this was more convenient for them. Siskin-Coutts continues to work with our K-5th graders, and now Northwoods has been working with our middle school students. All of these opportunities have been made possible by the Coventry Foundation, so a big thank you to the Foundation for their support of the school!

Sincerely,

Todd Rohlen
Principal
Coventry Village School



COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL FY2023 BUDGET - REVENUES

	FY21 BUDGET 7/1/2020- 6/30/2021	FY21 ACTUAL 7/1/2020- 6/30/2021	FY22 BUDGET 7/1/2021- 6/30/2022	FY23 BUDGET 7/1/2022-6/30/2023
Regular Elem Tuition-VT LEAs	(\$11,250.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Investment Earnings - Interest	(\$3,000.00)	(\$2,376.50)	(\$3,000.00)	(\$3,000.00)
Interest-TAN	(\$12,000.00)	(\$10,556.47)	(\$15,000.00)	(\$15,000.00)
Interest-MMKT	(\$50.00)	(\$36.12)	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)
Floor Buffer Rental	(\$1,000.00)	(\$1,000.00)	(\$1,000.00)	(\$1,000.00)
Rental Fee Revenues-Music/Band	(\$350.00)	\$0.00	(\$350.00)	(\$350.00)
Rental Fees-Gym Rental	(\$350.00)	\$0.00	(\$350.00)	(\$350.00)
Misc. Other Local Revenue	(\$3,000.00)	(\$6,428.97)	(\$3,000.00)	(\$3,000.00)
Contributions-COVID Related	\$0.00	(\$2,100.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Edmunds Douglas Price Endowment Fund	\$0.00	(\$5,652.38)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workforce Stabilization Grant-PreK	\$0.00	(\$1,876.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Local Grants	\$0.00	(\$855.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES	(\$31,000.00)	(\$34,326.44)	(\$22,750.00)	(\$29,822.00)
Medicaid Sub Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	(\$30,000.00)
Subgrants for Schoolwide Programs	(\$129,497.62)	(\$135,737.30)	(\$111,954.89)	(\$88,000.00)
Other Subgrants	\$0.00	(\$2,088.40)	\$0.00	(\$650.00)
TOTAL SUBGRANT REVENUES	(\$129,497.62)	(\$137,825.70)	(\$161,954.89)	(\$118,650.00)
Education Spending Grant	(\$3,040,777.40)	(\$3,043,533.00)	(\$3,034,526.71)	(\$3,410,921.50)
Tech Center On Behalf of	(\$43,096.00)	(\$40,340.00)	(\$36,788.00)	(\$36,788.00)
Small Schools Grant	(\$109,722.00)	(\$97,384.00)	(\$97,384.00)	(\$97,009.00)
Indoor Air Quality Grant	\$0.00	(\$8,031.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Ed. Reimb.- Intensive	(\$106,055.97)	(\$107,161.34)	(\$108,576.82)	\$0.00
Special Ed Reimb-PY Intensive	\$0.00	(\$1,231.21)	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL STATE REVENUES	(\$3,299,651.37)	(\$3,297,680.55)	(\$3,277,275.53)	(\$3,544,718.50)
CRRSA Child Care Preschool Grant	\$0.00	(\$1,442.32)	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUES	\$0.00	(\$1,442.32)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Funds Transferred as Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$40,000.00)	\$0.00
TOTAL OTHER REVENUES	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$40,000.00)	\$0.00
ESSER I Subgrant	\$0.00	(\$23,282.73)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Corona Relief Fund Subgrant	\$0.00	(\$37,545.19)	\$0.00	\$0.00
ESSER II Subgrant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ESSER III Subgrant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ (188,345.50)
TOTAL COVID REVENUES	\$0.00	(\$60,827.92)	\$0.00	(\$188,345.50)
GRAND TOTAL	(\$3,460,148.99)	(\$3,532,102.93)	(\$3,501,980.43)	(\$3,881,536.00)

COVENTRY VILLAGE SCHOOL FY2023 BUDGET - EXPENSES

	FY21 BUDGET 7/1/2020- 6/30/2021	FY21 ACTUAL 7/1/2020- 6/30/2021	FY22 BUDGET 7/1/2021- 6/30/22	FY23 BUDGET 7/1/2022- 6/30/2023
DIRECT INSTRUCTION				
Salary - Elementary Teachers	\$580,020.00	\$567,134.77	\$581,140.00	\$565,505.00
Salary-Math Intervention	\$22,790.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salary-Summer Services	\$0.00	\$1,513.74	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salary - Elementary Para	\$27,024.77	\$26,254.73	\$13,788.80	\$0.00
Substitutes Pay - Elementary	\$10,800.00	\$9,424.13	\$10,800.00	\$10,800.00
Health Ins - Elementary	\$122,987.00	\$124,306.80	\$127,120.04	\$107,466.18
Health Reimbursement Account	\$29,820.00	\$17,463.30	\$27,720.00	\$21,420.00
FICA - Elementary	\$49,008.56	\$44,168.32	\$46,338.25	\$44,087.33
Life Insurance - Elementary	\$511.38	\$509.74	\$479.50	\$478.50
VSTRS-OPEB Payment	\$2,194.00	\$5,980.50	\$2,194.00	\$7,711.00
Municipal Retirement	\$8,549.63	\$1,511.05	\$7,548.47	\$0.00
Workers Comp	\$4,400.51	\$6,884.91	\$4,242.32	\$4,410.94
Unemployment - Elementary	\$2,000.00	\$1,248.90	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Tuition Reimb. - Elementary	\$6,500.00	\$2,025.75	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
Dental Ins - Elementary	\$3,032.10	\$4,914.72	\$2,548.66	\$4,388.38
Long Term Disability - Elementary	\$1,868.71	\$1,801.88	\$1,801.53	\$1,753.07
Purchased & Technical Services - Element	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	\$30,000.00
Contract Services-NCSU 21C	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00
Contract Repair Services-Music	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Contract Instructional Services from NCSU	\$31,751.05	\$71,170.78	\$58,208.80	\$56,768.37
Purchased Property Services - Elementary	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Other Purchased Services - GMFTS	\$4,000.00	\$4,115.44	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00
Tuition-In State	\$787,908.00	\$769,685.05	\$850,000.00	\$977,000.00
Tuition-Out of State	\$31,866.00	\$22,955.13	\$48,669.00	\$0.00
Tuition-Private School	\$35,520.00	\$37,000.00	\$55,500.00	\$38,300.00
Tuition OBO Tech Center	\$43,096.00	\$40,340.00	\$36,788.00	\$36,788.00
Tuition-Tech Center	\$40,800.92	\$20,629.24	\$17,250.77	\$17,250.77
Supplies - Classroom Teachers	\$4,500.00	\$20,146.04	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
Supplies-PBIS	\$1,500.00	\$2,712.29	\$1,500.00	\$4,000.00
Supplies-EDP Endowment	\$0.00	\$441.54	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies-Art	\$1,000.00	\$358.60	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Supplies-PE	\$500.00	\$724.51	\$500.00	\$500.00
Supplies-Music	\$750.00	\$1,277.46	\$750.00	\$750.00
Supplies-general	\$3,000.00	\$1,550.72	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Supplies-Enrichment	\$700.00	\$518.18	\$700.00	\$700.00
Supplies-Enrichment/PBL	\$2,000.00	\$30.04	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Books\Periodicals - Elementary	\$5,500.00	\$2,202.95	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
Books\Periodicals - EDP Endowment	\$0.00	\$5,210.84	\$0.00	\$0.00

Manipulatives - Elementary	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Computer Software - Elementary	\$0.00	\$3,367.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment - Elementary	\$2,450.00	\$0.00	\$2,450.00	\$0.00
Furniture	\$1,000.00	\$1,281.78	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Dues/Fees-Elementary	\$2,000.00	\$2,206.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Contingency	\$21,921.88	\$5,225.48	\$10,446.98	\$60,495.21
TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTION	\$1,916,570.51	\$1,848,192.81	\$1,964,285.12	\$2,046,572.74
PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS				
Salary - Pre-K Teacher	\$37,312.50	\$13,096.21	\$54,010.00	\$40,507.50
Salary- Pre-K Para	\$12,387.56	\$10,318.83	\$13,075.35	\$22,144.50
Salary- Pre-K Para-Grant Funded	\$0.00	\$1,876.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Substitutes Pre-K	\$0.00	\$237.43	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Ins - Pre-K	\$8,597.25	\$5,617.93	\$11,458.20	\$16,707.87
Health Reimbursement Account	\$3,150.00	\$720.45	\$4,200.00	\$3,150.00
FICA - Pre-K	\$3,802.05	\$1,982.44	\$5,132.03	\$4,792.88
FICA - Pre-K Grant Funded	\$0.00	\$143.52	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Insurance - Pre-K	\$32.63	\$35.14	\$43.50	\$58.73
VSTRS-OPEB Payment	\$0.00	\$1,329.00	\$0.00	\$1,402.00
Municipal Retirement Pre-K	\$681.32	\$717.39	\$719.14	\$1,384.03
Municipal Retirement Pre-K Grant Funded	\$0.00	\$112.56	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workers Comp - Pre-K	\$272.38	\$380.21	\$394.27	\$488.69
Tuition - Pre-K	\$900.00	\$500.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Dental Ins-Pre-K	\$288.00	\$238.29	\$384.00	\$1,008.00
Long Term Disability - Pre-K	\$115.67	\$80.10	\$167.43	\$194.22
Tuition- In-State Pre-K	\$6,534.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,656.00
Supplies - Pre-K	\$500.00	\$633.58	\$500.00	\$500.00
Books/Periodicals-Pre-K	\$0.00	\$169.62	\$0.00	\$0.00
Computer Software-Pre-K	\$0.00	\$169.65	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS	\$74,573.36	\$38,358.35	\$90,983.93	\$96,894.41
ATHLETICS				
Salaries-Athletics	\$1,200.00	\$500.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,000.00
FICA-Athletics	\$91.80	\$38.25	\$91.80	\$229.50
8th Grade Field Trip	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Contract Services-Referees	\$800.00	\$200.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Supplies-Athletics	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Dues & Fees-Athletics	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Student Activities	\$0.00	\$375.30	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL ATHLETICS	\$4,691.80	\$1,113.55	\$4,691.80	\$6,629.50
SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS				
Salary - Schoolwide Teacher	\$79,490.00	\$82,392.50	\$85,175.00	\$98,677.50

Salary-Schoolwide PreK Teacher	\$12,437.50	\$38,973.79	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Ins - Schoolwide	\$20,538.00	\$21,033.40	\$14,357.18	\$27,846.45
Health Ins - Schoolwide Pre-K	\$2,865.75	\$12,655.13	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Reimbursement Account	\$5,250.00	\$1,521.76	\$4,200.00	\$5,250.00
FICA - Schoolwide	\$6,080.99	\$6,086.05	\$6,515.89	\$7,548.83
FICA-PreK Teacher	\$951.47	\$3,179.83	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Insurance - Schoolwide	\$87.00	\$87.12	\$87.00	\$97.88
Life Insurance-Pre K	\$10.88	\$32.64	\$0.00	\$0.00
ER VSTRS Pension Payment	\$0.00	\$9,609.24	\$0.00	\$20,712.41
VSTRS Pension Pmt-PreK	\$0.00	\$981.78	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workers Comp - Schoolwide	\$671.07	\$693.66	\$621.78	\$769.68
Tuition - Schoolwide	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
Dental Ins - Schoolwide	\$384.00	\$800.00	\$384.00	\$1,008.00
Dental Ins-Schoolwide Pre-K	\$96.00	\$714.85	\$0.00	\$0.00
Long Term Disability - Schoolwide	\$246.42	\$255.42	\$264.04	\$305.90
Long Term Disability-PreK	\$38.56	\$120.42	\$0.00	\$0.00
Purchased & Technical Services-SWP	\$0.00	\$511.34	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS	\$129,497.62	\$179,648.93	\$111,954.89	\$162,566.65
SPECIAL PROGRAMS				
Salary - Para	\$117,181.31	\$105,752.49	\$111,561.21	\$137,068.34
Substitutes Pay	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Health Ins	\$26,990.00	\$20,421.08	\$20,904.51	\$30,013.92
Health Reimbursement Account	\$6,300.00	\$3,554.20	\$4,400.00	\$7,200.00
FICA	\$9,193.87	\$8,629.53	\$8,763.93	\$10,715.23
Life Insurance	\$234.90	\$161.10	\$208.80	\$182.70
Municipal Retirement	\$6,444.97	\$6,697.85	\$6,135.87	\$8,566.77
Workers Comp	\$994.87	\$631.08	\$878.37	\$1,069.13
Unemployment	\$500.00	\$3,342.99	\$500.00	\$500.00
Tuition	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dental Ins	\$683.52	\$1,040.47	\$681.04	\$1,025.28
Long Term Disability	\$481.89	\$316.33	\$425.46	\$424.91
Contracted Services-NCSU Assessment	\$351,463.00	\$351,463.00	\$354,044.00	\$300,513.31
TOTAL SPECIAL PROGRAMS	\$523,468.32	\$502,460.12	\$511,503.18	\$500,279.59
EEE				
EEE Local	\$23,800.94	\$23,800.94	\$23,212.07	\$19,239.00
TOTAL EEE	\$23,800.94	\$23,800.94	\$23,212.07	\$19,239.00
GUIDANCE				
Salary - Teacher	\$51,140.00	\$53,355.00	\$55,400.00	\$55,400.00
Health Ins.	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
FICA	\$3,912.21	\$4,234.71	\$4,238.10	\$4,238.10
Life Insurance	\$43.50	\$43.56	\$43.50	\$43.50
VSTRS-OPEB Payment	\$0.00	\$1,329.00	\$0.00	\$1,402.00
Workers Comp	\$373.32	\$385.89	\$404.42	\$432.12

Tuition	\$350.00	\$2,732.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
Long Term Disability	\$158.53	\$165.42	\$171.74	\$171.74
Supplies	\$350.00	\$349.72	\$350.00	\$350.00
Books\Periodicals	\$50.00	\$326.65	\$50.00	\$50.00
Audio Visual	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Manipulatives	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
TOTAL GUIDANCE	\$58,477.57	\$64,921.95	\$63,107.76	\$64,437.46
HEALTH SERVICES				
Salary - Teacher	\$22,095.00	\$31,431.60	\$25,734.00	\$0.00
Salary-LPN	\$13,320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Substitutes	\$0.00	\$212.16	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Ins.	\$0.00	\$1,505.40	\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA	\$2,709.25	\$2,535.93	\$1,968.65	\$0.00
Life Insurance	\$69.60	\$32.67	\$43.50	\$0.00
VSTRS OPEB Payment	\$0.00	\$1,329.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workers Comp	\$246.54	\$174.89	\$187.86	\$0.00
Long Term Disability	\$109.79	\$65.61	\$79.78	\$0.00
Supplies	\$270.00	\$1,800.33	\$270.00	\$270.00
Computer Software	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
	\$39,020.18	\$39,087.59	\$28,483.78	\$470.00
Salary	\$0.00	\$41,791.07	\$40,801.68	\$42,490.80
Health Ins.	\$0.00	\$1,666.60	\$0.00	\$23,112.48
Health Reimbursement Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,800.00
FICA	\$0.00	\$3,324.56	\$3,121.33	\$3,250.55
Life Insurance	\$0.00	\$25.39	\$26.10	\$26.10
Municipal Retirement	\$0.00	\$2,607.50	\$0.00	\$2,655.68
Workers Comp	\$0.00	\$307.88	\$261.13	\$331.43
Long Term Disability	\$0.00	\$122.98	\$126.49	\$131.72
Contract Services-Student Support	\$40,000.00	\$4,011.34	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contract Services-Behavior Specialist	\$0.00	\$3,324.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$19.32	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	\$40,000.00	\$57,201.14	\$44,336.72	\$76,798.75
SPEECH/AUDIOLOGY SERVICES				
Salary - Para	\$22,917.09	\$22,799.98	\$23,608.83	\$23,701.28
Health Ins	\$7,415.00	\$9,532.39	\$8,122.46	\$12,899.88
Health Savings Account	\$1,000.00	\$4,400.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,800.00
FICA	\$1,753.16	\$1,682.71	\$1,806.08	\$1,813.15
Life Insurance	\$26.10	\$23.57	\$26.10	\$26.10
Municipal Retirement	\$1,260.44	\$1,368.00	\$1,298.49	\$1,481.33
Workers Comp	\$146.67	\$178.14	\$151.10	\$184.87
Dental Ins	\$341.76	\$308.65	\$341.76	\$341.76
Long Term Disability	\$71.04	\$66.09	\$73.19	\$73.47

TOTAL SPEECH/AUDIOLOGY SERVICES	\$34,931.26	\$40,359.53	\$36,428.00	\$45,321.84
STUDENT SUPPORT RESOURCE ROOM				
Salary - Para	\$25,712.42	\$28,631.35	\$26,481.93	\$26,625.20
Health Ins.	\$11,463.00	\$11,641.46	\$12,557.73	\$12,899.88
Health Reimbursement Account	\$4,200.00	\$75.26	\$4,400.00	\$4,800.00
FICA	\$1,967.00	\$2,033.13	\$2,025.87	\$2,036.83
Life Insurance	\$26.10	\$26.10	\$26.10	\$26.10
Municipal Retirement	\$1,414.18	\$1,717.89	\$1,456.51	\$1,664.08
Workers Comp	\$164.56	\$199.82	\$169.48	\$207.68
Unemployment	\$0.00	\$42.93	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dental Ins.	\$341.76	\$341.81	\$341.76	\$341.76
Long Term Disability	\$79.71	\$82.09	\$82.09	\$82.54
Supplies	\$0.00	\$116.74	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL STUDENT SUPPORT RESOURCE ROOM	\$45,368.73	\$44,908.58	\$47,541.47	\$48,684.06
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION				
Improvement of Instruction Teacher	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA	\$0.00	\$76.51	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contract Services	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$3,104.55	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	\$2,000.00	\$4,481.06	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
LIBRARY				
Salary	\$13,674.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Reimbursement Account	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA	\$1,046.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Insurance	\$11.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dental Insurance	\$104.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Long Term Disability	\$42.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Library Media Specialist From NCSU FTE 0.3	\$0.00	\$20,579.12	\$25,785.34	\$37,723.40
Supplies	\$200.00	\$68.90	\$200.00	\$200.00
Books\Periodicals	\$1,700.00	\$3,558.17	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00
Audio Visual	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Computer Software	\$350.00	\$786.06	\$350.00	\$350.00
Dues\Fees	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$18,028.68	\$24,992.25	\$28,335.34	\$40,273.40
TECHNOLOGY				
Purchased & Technical Services-Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Services/Programs Provided by NCSU	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,075.00	\$8,666.00
Purchased Property Services (copier lease)	\$4,480.00	\$8,816.31	\$4,480.00	\$6,000.00
Supplies	\$500.00	\$13,399.88	\$500.00	\$500.00
Computer Software	\$500.00	\$91.60	\$500.00	\$500.00
Equipment	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY	\$13,480.00	\$22,307.79	\$14,555.00	\$17,666.00

PATH EXPENSES				
PATH Stipend	\$0.00	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA	\$0.00	\$49.73	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL PATH EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$699.73	\$0.00	\$0.00
ELECTED SCHOOL OFFICIALS				
Salaries - Board	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
FICA	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50
Unemployment	\$0.00	\$7.96	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contracted Services-Treasurer	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Legal	\$500.00	\$783.87	\$500.00	\$500.00
Liability Insurance	\$4,762.00	\$6,159.57	\$5,991.00	\$5,822.00
Advertising	\$1,250.00	\$2,826.75	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
Printing	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$32.27	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues	\$900.00	\$539.75	\$769.00	\$770.00
Other Board Expenses	\$500.00	\$674.40	\$500.00	\$500.00
TOTAL ELECTED SCHOOL OFFICIALS	\$15,394.50	\$17,407.07	\$15,492.50	\$15,324.50
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT				
NCSU Assessment	\$80,471.00	\$80,471.00	\$81,560.00	\$81,964.00
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	\$80,471.00	\$80,471.00	\$81,560.00	\$81,964.00
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL				
Salary - Principal	\$80,340.00	\$82,750.00	\$82,750.00	\$82,750.00
Salary - Assistant Principal	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Salary-8th Grade Trip Advisor	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Salary - Clerical	\$36,265.68	\$34,410.87	\$37,345.36	\$39,215.52
Substitute - Clerical	\$500.00	\$476.56	\$500.00	\$500.00
Health Ins	\$21,538.00	\$21,925.64	\$22,175.97	\$24,277.16
Health Reimbursement Account	\$4,200.00	\$7,567.55	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
FICA	\$9,035.08	\$8,819.15	\$9,302.05	\$9,445.11
Life Insurance	\$197.10	\$188.10	\$197.10	\$200.10
Municipal Retirement	\$1,994.61	\$2,184.68	\$2,053.99	\$2,450.97
Workers Comp	\$818.58	\$906.20	\$843.09	\$951.33
Tuition	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Dental Ins	\$420.00	\$402.50	\$420.00	\$991.32
Long Term Disability	\$361.48	\$364.08	\$372.30	\$378.09
Postage	\$900.00	\$6,120.02	\$900.00	\$900.00
Travel	\$800.00	\$105.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Supplies	\$1,200.00	\$3,306.17	\$1,200.00	\$5,000.00
Furniture	\$0.00	\$178.20	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues\Fees	\$600.00	\$695.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	\$160,670.54	\$170,399.72	\$165,159.85	\$174,159.61
FISCAL SERVICES				

Bookkeeping Services Through NCSU	\$18,952.00	\$18,952.00	\$19,700.00	\$20,300.00
Postage	\$500.00	\$55.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Supplies	\$100.00	\$3.41	\$100.00	\$100.00
Interest Current Loans	\$5,000.00	\$10,274.60	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	\$24,552.00	\$29,285.01	\$25,300.00	\$25,900.00
AUDIT SERVICES				
Audit Services	\$5,450.00	\$5,450.00	\$5,450.00	\$5,150.00
TOTAL AUDIT SERVICES	\$5,450.00	\$5,450.00	\$5,450.00	\$5,150.00
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE				
Salary-Subs	\$0.00	\$203.45	\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA	\$0.00	\$15.56	\$0.00	\$0.00
Municipal Retirement	\$0.00	\$3.64	\$0.00	\$0.00
Purchased Services	\$11,350.00	\$9,137.90	\$2,200.00	\$6,104.00
Contracted Serv	\$46,350.00	\$46,344.00	\$46,350.00	\$46,350.00
Modular Classroom Rental	\$0.00	\$26,581.00	\$0.00	\$16,788.00
Water Services	\$2,550.00	\$3,187.50	\$2,550.00	\$2,550.00
Rubbish Services	\$2,160.00	\$2,160.00	\$2,160.00	\$2,160.00
Property Ins.	\$5,204.00	\$5,975.42	\$6,751.00	\$6,815.00
Telephone	\$2,800.00	\$2,260.92	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00
Supplies	\$3,400.00	\$9,026.58	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00
Electricity	\$21,000.00	\$23,172.03	\$21,000.00	\$24,000.00
Propane	\$20,000.00	\$23,220.13	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Non-Instructional Equip.	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	\$115,614.00	\$151,288.13	\$108,011.00	\$131,767.00
CARE & UPKEEP-BUILDINGS				
Contract Service	\$10,180.00	\$10,619.35	\$10,180.00	\$10,180.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$221.46	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP-BUILDINGS	\$10,180.00	\$10,840.81	\$10,180.00	\$10,180.00
CARE & UPKEEP-GROUND				
Snow Removal	\$6,000.00	\$6,800.12	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Lawn Care	\$1,400.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP-GROUNDS	\$7,400.00	\$8,550.12	\$7,400.00	\$7,400.00
CARE & UPKEEP-EQUIPMENT				
Contracted Services	\$3,000.00	\$23,865.67	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$279.41	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Equipment	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP-EQUIPMENT	\$5,000.00	\$24,145.08	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
TRANSPORTATION				
Contract Services Through NCSU	\$61,000.00	\$66,507.66	\$63,000.00	\$65,642.00
	\$61,000.00	\$66,507.66	\$63,000.00	\$65,642.00

EXTRA-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION				
Contract Ex. Curr Svc Thru NCSU	\$3,500.00	\$2,232.70	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
TOTAL EXTRA CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION	\$3,500.00	\$2,232.70	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
DEBT SERVICES				
Transfers to Food Service	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Long Term Debt - interest	\$4,008.00	\$4,265.72	\$4,008.00	\$2,870.00
Long Term Debt - principal	\$38,000.00	\$36,668.62	\$38,000.00	\$38,000.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICES	\$47,008.00	\$40,934.34	\$42,008.00	\$40,870.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,460,148.99	\$3,500,045.96	\$3,501,980.43	\$3,693,190.50
COVID EXPENDITURES				
Corona Relief Funds	\$0.00	\$37,545.19	\$0.00	\$0.00
ESSER I Funds	\$0.00	\$23,282.73	\$0.00	\$0.00
ESSER II Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ESSER III Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$188,345.50
TOTAL COVID EXPENDITURES	\$0.00	\$60,827.92	\$0.00	\$188,345.50
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,460,148.99	\$3,560,873.88	\$3,501,980.43	\$3,881,536.00

The Coventry Village School District's FY2023 departmental budget is up 5.46%, while the overall budget is up 10.84%. The difference is due to the amount of Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds that the Coventry Village School District has estimated to receive and expend, during the FY2023 budget period.

REPORT FROM THE CVS BUILDING COMMITTEE

Dear Coventry Residents,

We are entering an exciting time for the Village and our School. On Town Meeting Day we will be asking you to vote on a Bond which will allow us to expand the Coventry Village School. This expansion will give us much needed learning space for our students for years to come. With increased enrollment, adding a pre-school, an increased need for enrichment and counseling services, this School addition will give our students the best learning environment we can provide and the proper space to achieve that.

This addition would create a “middle school” space for our 6 -8 grade students separate from the rest of the school. This would be developmentally appropriate for them. It would benefit the rest of the school to have the older students somewhat separated.

The Bond that will be voted on is for \$3,200,000 to complete all construction and will be paid over 30 years at an interest rate of 2.86%. The annual payments for the loan will be added to our yearly School Budget. The residential tax rate would approximately increase by \$62 per \$100,000 in value in year one. These payments would decrease each year during the life of the loan. The State of Vermont Education Fund currently pays approximately 80% of our yearly budget and this would also cover the loan payments. This means that although we will be borrowing \$3.2 million, the State will pay approximately 80% of the loan and Coventry tax payers will only pay 20%.

If approved, we plan to break ground in the Spring of 2023 with completion in the Fall. Please visit the School's website for more information and architectural renderings of the plan.

Sincerely,

Jaime Stenger

CVS School Board

Building Committee Chair

PROPOSED SCHOOL ADDITION – floor plans (bond vote)



PROPOSED SCHOOL ADDITION – conceptual elevations (bond vote)



MESSAGE FROM THE NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION

Schools within NCSU, like schools across Vermont and the country, have navigated uncharted waters over the past two years in responding to the public health crisis of the COVID-19 pandemic. In June of 2021, Governor Scott's emergency order was lifted and we were anticipating a return to normalcy with the start of the 2021-22 school year. Unfortunately, the quick spread of the Delta variant this summer and fall resulted in schools and families experiencing more disruptions to learning than experienced the year before.

By January, the Omicron variant increased the rate of transmission resulting in a high number of staff and students becoming infected. We experienced a high number of absences, classrooms going remote and, on occasion, whole schools going remote. Our schools responded as best they could to mitigate transmission of the virus and to implement the ever-shifting protocols from the Agency of Education. All along, we have strived to maintain in-person learning while minimizing the risk of transmission. We appreciate the perseverance of our staff, students, and parents throughout the past year.

We all realize that our COVID context has dominated our attention at schools. Despite our disruptions and competing attention, we have remarkably still advanced important initiatives at the supervisory union and school levels. The NCSU Design for Learning remains an essential framework guiding our direction and our Work and Learning Plan. However, we have demonstrated our resilience and resolve in moving forward with several key areas:

Equity

All NCSU schools passed the model equity policy by early fall. Our NCSU Policy Committee is now using an "equity checklist" in our review of school board policies. In addition, we continue to focus through an equity lens in how we look at budgets and access to resources. We continually look at how we address equity, inclusion, and culturally responsive practices across all learning opportunities. We recognize that we have much work to do to better communicate with parents on how we approach these important areas and address issues of racism and inequity in our curriculum that is age-appropriate and respectful of a wide range of backgrounds and beliefs.

Social-Emotional Learning and Supports

We are making great strides in elevating our practices around social & emotional learning and supports across all schools. PBIS, Responsive Classroom, Developmental Design, Mindfulness, and Restorative Practices all provide a range of learning opportunities for students. In addition, we have expanded our capacity to provide support through our SU Social-Emotional/Behavior Team and three schools now have SEL coaches in-house. We have also been working with schools to utilize a comprehensive survey to solicit feedback from students on their perceptions, what things are working well in schools and what they need to be better supported.

Literacy

We are implementing a new K-5 literacy curriculum across the supervisory union. This collaborative initiative will increase our alignment and further best practices around a balanced literacy approach. We are fortunate to have two additional Literacy Coaches and over \$300,000 in reading materials and resources from federal ESSER funds to support each elementary school in this initiative.

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) & Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

We continue to implement best practices around universal design for learning. Teachers have participated in professional development across the SU. In addition, all schools are working toward further implementation of a Multi-tiered System of Supports that looks to identify students' academic and social-emotional needs earlier and provide targeted interventions in addition to preventative supports and practices.

We considered revising both the Design for Learning and Work and Learning Plan this year, however, given the impact and increased attention to COVID response in schools, the Leadership Team concluded that it

would be best to defer this work to another year. We will establish a process for reviewing and revising the Design for Learning and subsequent Work and Learning Plan for, hopefully, the 2022-23 school year.

I greatly appreciate the continued commitment of school board members, administrators, faculty, staff, students and parents in the development of Character, Competence, Creativity and Community. We accomplish much through our collective purpose and shared resources. I am confident that NCSU will continue to provide excellent educational opportunities for every student.

Sincerely,

John A. Castle
NCSU Superintendent of Schools

NCSU - FY2023 BOARD APPROVED ASSESSMENT BUDGET

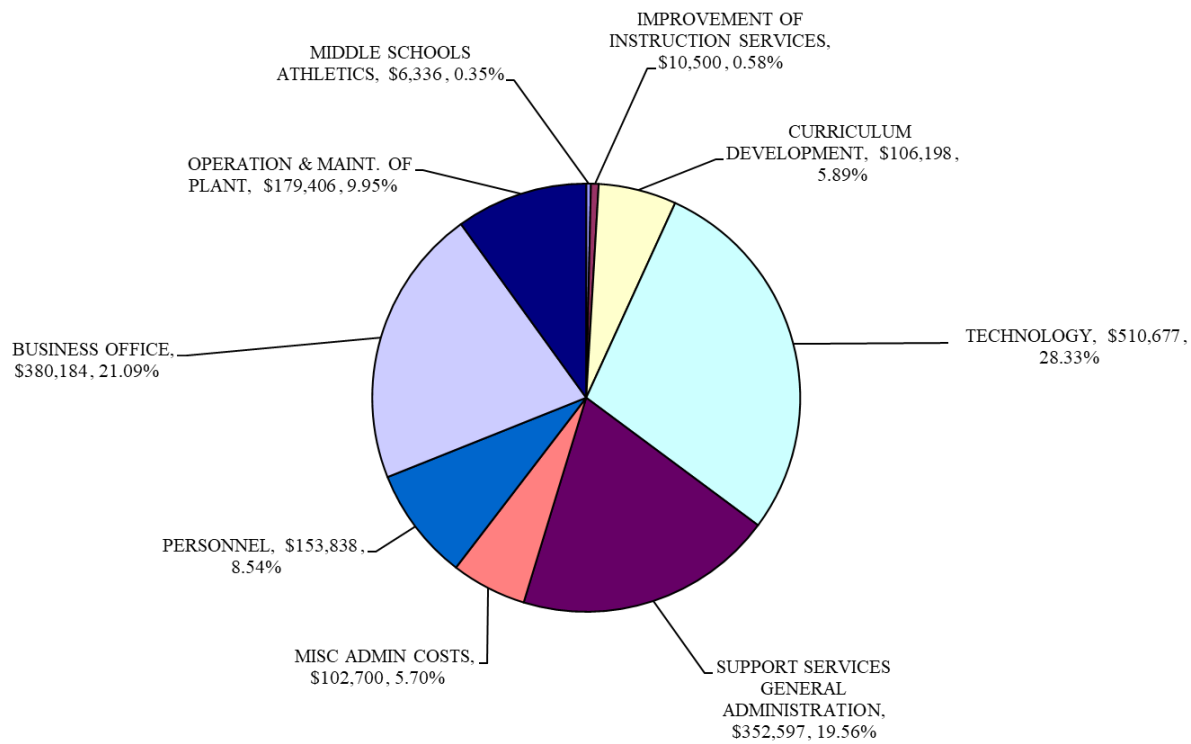
NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION	
FY2023 BOARD APPROVED ASSESSMENT BUDGET	
	FY2023 Board Approved Budget
Account Number / Description	7/1/2022-6/30/2023
ASSESSMENT REVENUE	
INTEREST INCOME-CASH ACCOUNT	(\$15,000)
INTEREST INCOME-MONEY MARKET	(\$500)
INTEREST REVENUE	(\$15,500)
ASSESSMENTS	(\$1,646,936)
TOTAL 1931 TOWN ASSESSMENT	(\$1,646,936)
1990 MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	
FUND BALANCE AS REVENUE	(\$65,000)
INDIRECT COSTS REVENUE	(\$75,000)
TOTAL 1990 MISC OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	(\$140,000)
TOTAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE	(\$1,802,436)
ASSESSMENT EXPENDITURES	
1100 MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS	
SALARY MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS	\$4,000
FICA	\$306
W COMP	\$30
PURCHASED SERVICE	\$1,000
SUPPLIES	\$1,000
TOTAL 1100 MIDDLE LEVEL ATHLETICS	\$6,336
2210 Improvement of Instruction Services	
SP PROJECTS P SERV	\$6,000
SP PROJECTS SUPPLIES	\$1,000
SPEC.PROJ.-FOOD	\$3,500
TOTAL 2210 Improvement of Instruction Services	\$10,500
2212 CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	
DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM SALARY	\$48,189
WAGES CURRICULUM ADMIN ASST	\$20,153
BCBS	\$17,564
HRA	\$6,300
FICA	\$5,228
LIFE INSURANCE	\$100
MUN. RETIREMENT	\$1,260
WORKERS COMP	\$533
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$50
TUITION	\$770

DENTAL	\$724
LTD	\$232
TRAINING	\$750
TRAVEL	\$645
SUPPLIES	\$1,200
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	\$500
CONF & DUES	\$2,000
TOTAL 2212 CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	\$106,198
2230 TECHNOLOGY	
DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY	\$92,700
NETWORK/TECH SUPPORT WAGES	\$126,182
BCBS	\$47,098
HRA	\$8,400
FICA	\$16,744
LIFE INSURANCE	\$300
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$15,302
WORKERS COMP	\$1,707
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$100
TUITION	\$1,800
DENTAL	\$1,700
LTD	\$744
PURCHASED SERVICE	\$183,500
TRAVEL	\$2,000
ROOMS & MEALS	\$400
SUPPLIES	\$2,000
SOFTWARE	\$3,500
EQUIPMENT	\$5,500
DUES & FEES	\$1,000
TOTAL 2230 TECHNOLOGY	\$510,677
2300 Support Services - General Admin	
SUP'T SALARY	\$134,667
SECRETARY WAGES (2)	\$93,541
BCBS	\$61,994
HRA	\$12,500
FICA	\$17,458
LIFE INSURANCE	\$250
MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$5,846
WORK COMP	\$1,780
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$75
DENTAL	\$2,210
LTD	\$776
AUDIT NCSU	\$10,200
LODGING & MEALS	\$1,500
TRAVEL	\$3,000
VSA DUES	\$5,000
PROF DEVELOPMENT-SECRETARY	\$200
PROF DEVELOPMENT	\$1,600
TOTAL 2300 Support Services - General Admin	\$352,597
2320 MISC ADMIN COSTS	
LEGAL MISC TOWNS	\$1,000
MAINTANCE CONTRACT ADS	\$11,000
STORAGE PURCHASE SERVICE	\$1,000
LEGAL SERVICES	\$3,000
STIPEND TREASURER'S	\$1,050

PURCHASE SERVICE	\$7,600
EQUIP MAINT	\$1,500
PHONE EQUIP MAINT	\$2,500
MACHINE LEASES & RENTALS	\$8,200
CONSOLIDATED INSURANCE	\$16,000
TELEPHONE	\$6,500
POSTAGE	\$12,000
INTERNET	\$1,100
MISC TOWNS ADVERTISING	\$750
ADVERTISING	\$5,000
MISC FOOD MEETINGS	\$8,000
MISC TOWN INVOICES	\$500
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$10,000
BOOKS	\$500
FURNITURE	\$2,500
MISCELLANEOUS DUES/FEES	\$3,000
TOTAL 2320 MISC ADMIN COSTS	\$102,700
2323 PERSONNEL	
PERSONNEL WAGES	\$109,746
PERSONNEL BCBS	\$16,048
PERSONNEL HRA	\$4,200
PERSONNEL FICA	\$8,396
PERSONNEL LIFE INS	\$58
PERSONNEL RETIREMENT	\$6,859
PERSONNEL WORKERS COMP	\$856
PERSONNEL UNEMPLOYMENT	\$50
PERSONNEL TUITION	\$5,760
PERSONNEL DENTAL	\$342
PERSONNEL LTD	\$373
PURCHASED SERVICE PERSONNEL	\$500
PERSONNEL TRAVEL	\$100
PERSONNEL CONF/DUES	\$550
TOTAL 2323 PERSONNEL	\$153,838
2520 BUSINESS OFFICE	
SALARY DIRECTOR BUSINESS	\$70,403
WAGES FINANCE ASSISTANTS	\$86,541
WAGES BUSINESS ADM ASST	\$34,285
WAGES COURIER	\$2,000
SALARY STAFF ACCOUNTANT	\$38,040
BCBS BUSINESS OFFICE	\$85,922
HRA	\$15,000
FICA BUSINESS OFFICE	\$17,692
LIFE INS BUSINESS OFFICE	\$225
RETIREMENT BUSINESS OFFICE	\$15,561
WORKERS COMP BUSINESS OFFICE	\$1,804
UNEMPLOYMENT BUSINESS OFFICE	\$200
TUITION BUSINESS OFFICE	\$2,000
DENTAL BUSINESS OFFICE	\$2,425
LTD DIRECTOR BUSINESS	\$786
TRAVEL BUSINESS OFFICE	\$5,000
ROOMS & MEALS BUSINESS OFFICE	\$400
DUES & FEES BUSINESS OFFICE	\$1,400
PROF DEV BUSINESS OFFICE	\$500
TOTAL 2520 BUSINESS OFFICE	\$380,184

2600 OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	
WAGES CUSTODIAN	\$8,586
OPERATION AND MAINT PURCHASE SERV	\$3,500
CUSTODIAN-P.SERV	\$16,500
RUBBISH REMOVAL	\$2,000
STORAGE RENTAL SPACE	\$1,020
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$2,800
TOTAL 2600 OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	\$34,406
2640 OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	
RENT	\$145,000
TOTAL 2640 OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	\$145,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,802,436

NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION FY2023 BUDGET



NCSU – THREE PRIOR YEARS COMPARISON

PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by AOE

ESTIMATES
ONLY

District: Coventry SU: North Country		T054 Orleans County		Property dollar equivalent yield 12,937	← See bottom note	Homestead tax rate per \$12,937 of spending per equalized pupil 1.00
				15,484		Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income
Expenditures		FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 14 expenditures)	\$3,191,714	\$3,460,149	\$3,501,981	\$3,881,536	1.
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	NA	NA	NA	-	3.
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$3,191,714	\$3,460,149	\$3,501,981	\$3,881,536	4.
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Total Budget	\$3,191,714	\$3,460,149	\$3,501,981	\$3,881,536	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.
Revenues						
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuition, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$348,762	\$376,276	\$430,666	\$433,827	10.
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$348,762	\$376,276	\$430,666	\$433,827	13.
14.	Education Spending	\$2,842,952	\$3,083,873	\$3,071,315	\$3,447,709	14.
15.	Equalized Pupils	189.96	195.47	192.98	186.23	15.
16.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$14,966.06	\$15,776.71	\$15,915.20	\$18,513.18	16.
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	-	-	-	17.
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$80,000 for an individual (per pupil)	-	\$104.15	\$5.10	-	18.
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuition paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	19.
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	minus Total tuition if tutoring ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuition greater than average announced tuition (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	22.
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per pupil)	-	-	-	-	23.
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per pupil)	-	-	\$52.08	-	24.
25.	minus Costs incurred when sampling drinking water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or retesting.	-	-	-	-	25.
26.	Excess spending threshold	Threshold = \$18,311 \$18,311.00	Threshold = \$18,756 \$18,756.00	Threshold = \$18,789 \$18,789.00	Threshold = \$19,987 \$19,987.00	26.
27.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	2 year adjustment \$15,915	2 year adjustment \$18,513.18	27.
28.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$14,966	\$15,777	\$15,915	\$18,513.18	28.
29.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	140.5531% Based on yield \$10,548	143.451% Based on yield \$10,883	140.631% Based on \$10,703	143.103% Based on yield \$10,703	29.
Prorating the local tax rate						
30.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$18,513.18 + (\$12,937 / \$1.00)]	\$1.4055 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4345 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4063 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4310 Based on \$1.00	30.
31.	Percent of Coventry equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.00% Based on \$1.00	100.00% Based on \$1.00	100.00% Based on \$1.00	100.00% Based on \$1.00	31.
32.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.43)	\$1.4055 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4345 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4063 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4310 Based on \$1.00	32.
33.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	102.53% Based on \$1.00	109.82% Based on \$1.00	133.87% Based on \$1.00	99.01% Based on \$1.00	33.
34.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.4310 / 99.01%)	\$1.3708 Based on \$1.00	\$1.3062 Based on \$1.00	\$1.0505 Based on \$1.00	\$1.4453 Based on \$1.00	34.
If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentages.						
35.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$18,513.18 + \$15,484) x 2.00%]	2.29% Based on 2.00%	2.33% Based on 2.00%	2.31% Based on 2.00%	2.39% Based on 2.00%	35.
36.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.39%)	2.29% Based on 2.00%	2.33% Based on 2.00%	2.31% Based on 2.00%	2.39% Based on 2.00%	36.
37.	#N/A	-	-	-	-	37.
38.	#N/A	-	-	-	-	38.
<p>- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$13,846 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value, an income yield of \$16,705 for a base income percent of 2.0%, and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.385. THESE FIGURES USE THE ESTIMATED \$80,000,000 SURPLUS FROM THE EDUCATION FUND. I DO NOT EXPECT THAT SURPLUS WILL BE USED TO INCREASE THE YIELDS. I would suggest using the figures provided without the surplus: \$12,937 for the property yield, \$15,484 for the income yield, and \$1.482 for the non-homestead tax rate.</p> <p>- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.</p>						



Stanstead College

Founded in 1872
on the Quebec-Vermont border



Since 1872, Stanstead College – one of Canada's top prep schools – has proudly accepted many university-bound U.S. students every year. Read on to find out why so many U.S. junior high and high school students come to study at Stanstead College.

Stanstead College: The Basics

Stanstead College is an independent, co-ed, boarding and day school for students in Grade 7-12. Our campus is located a five-minute walk from the Vermont border in the small town of Stanstead, Quebec, Canada. We are a small school by design. Each year, we welcome approximately 250 students, including 25 to 30 Americans. In addition to Vermont day students, we generally enrol boarders from 8 to 10 U.S. states.

If it's a secondary school, why is it called Stanstead "College"?

In 19th century England, the term "college" was often used to denote private secondary institutions – much the same way "academy" is used today. Although the context of the word has changed, we have opted to keep our traditional name.

What are the advantages of a Canadian education?

As a U.S. citizen, you are going to have an exciting and unique experience at Stanstead. You will be going to school in a different country but be as close to home as you can possibly be. You will study, play sports and participate in extracurricular activities with not only Canadians and Americans but students from around the world.

In the classroom, you will be exposed to diverse viewpoints and opinions. When all is said and done, you will acquire a top quality education, but, as a U.S. citizen, you will be able to differentiate yourself on your university applications. By attending Stanstead, you will demonstrate that you are serious about education but also that you are an open-minded and adventurous person who has done something a little bit out of the ordinary.

**Stanstead
College is
tuition/
choice
eligible!**

www.stansteadcollege.com

Will pursuing secondary studies in Canada make it difficult to return to the U.S. for university?

Absolutely not! Stanstead College is the only prep school in North America that enjoys prestigious academic accreditations on both sides of the border. As a member of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), all American colleges and universities recognize the Stanstead College Grade 12 diploma. The list of U.S. post-secondary schools in which our graduates have been accepted in the last five years is comparable to any other prep school of similar size.

With a full range of Advanced Placement courses for senior students, on-site SAT and ACT testing and preparation as well as experienced guidance counselors with specialization in U.S. college admissions, U.S. students hoping to return home for college and university are well-prepared.



"My daughter always sounds so happy and engaged in every aspect of her day. She's said how supported she feels by her teachers and peers alike. 'It's like everyone is rooting for you to succeed every day,' she recently told me."

Amberly Leasure
Mother of Sarah, Grade 7
Underhill, Vermont

"Stanstead College gave me the opportunity to grow and challenge myself both academically and athletically. My time at Stanstead prepared me extremely well for balancing both college athletics and academics."

Julia McLellan, Class of 2019
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
Suffolk University Women's Hockey



Do U.S. students pay higher fees?

Tuition is the same for U.S. and Canadian students. For 2022-23: **\$59,900 CAD Boarding student;**
\$23,900 CAD Day Student

Do U.S. students qualify for scholarships and financial aid?

Yes, U.S. students are eligible for the same scholarship and financial assistance programs as Canadian students are. **Our scholarship exam takes place February 11, 2022.**

Contact us!

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How do I apply to Stanstead College? Do I need an SSAT score?

You can begin your application at stansteadcollege.com. A member of our Admissions team will contact you shortly afterwards to inform you regarding follow-up documents that you will need to submit in order to complete your application.

We are also able to accept standardized applications through the SSAT website. While we do not require an SSAT score, we will accept it as a substitute to our own admissions test if submitted.

What is the deadline for applications?

Stanstead College uses a system of rolling admissions, meaning that we accept and consider applications on a year-round basis. As space is limited, however, we do recommend that prospective students try to have full applications in by the end of January to avoid possible wait lists.



Our athletic teams are highly competitive in multiple sports – soccer, rugby, basketball, golf, swimming, tennis and, of course, hockey. Our elite varsity boys and girls hockey teams are tops in Quebec and New England, exposing our players to NCAA schools.

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