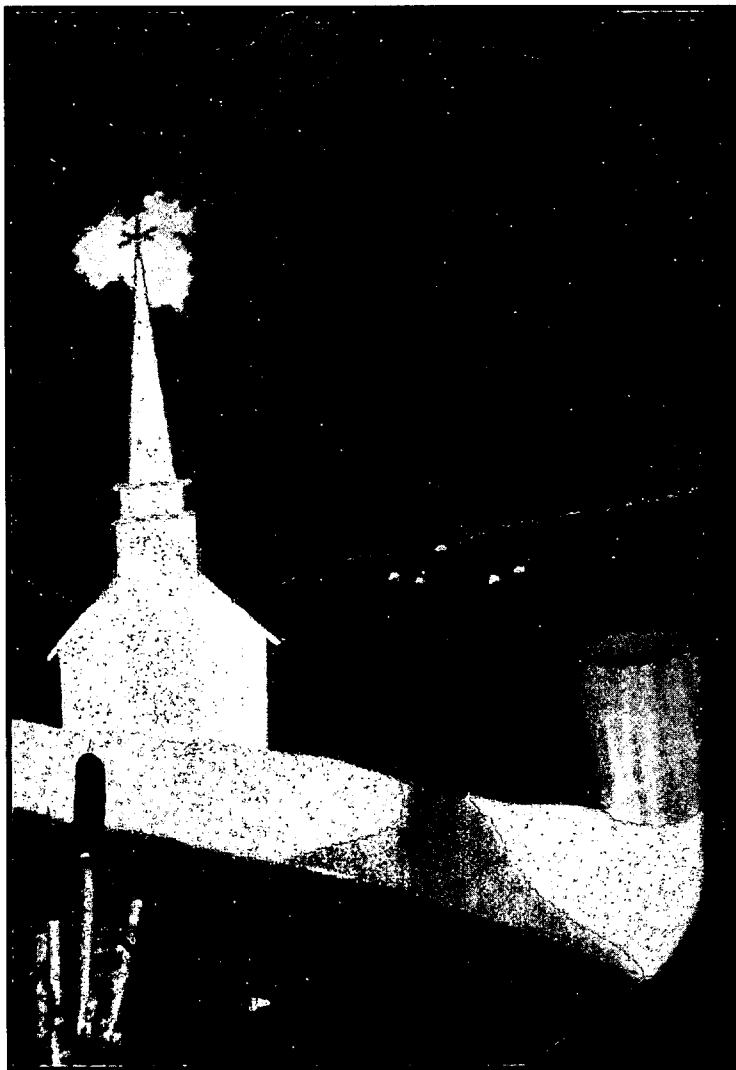


ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003



THE TOWN OF
NEWARK
VERMONT

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR	JAMES NEWELL	2004
TOWN CLERK	JOAN BICKNELL	2005
TOWN TREASURER	JOAN BICKNELL	2005
SELECTMEN	TOM GIRARD	2004
	LAURA RODGER	2005
	BEN BANGS	2006
LISTERS	BEV DAVIS	2004
	JOEL HOWARD	2005
	GERRY LEONARD	2006
AUDITORS	BEVERLY DAVIS	2004
	GERRY LEONARD	2005
	BRETT HOFFMAN	2006
SCHOOL DIRECTORS	ROBERT MCCANN	2006
	SALI TETREULT	2005
	SANDY WALKER (APP)	2004
	MARIE BAIRD	2004
CONSTABLE #1	TERRY RICE	2004
CONSTABLE #2	JOAN BICKNELL (TREAS)	2005
TAX COLLECTOR	MICHAEL CHANNON	2004
ROAD COMMISSIONER	JOHN FINDLAY	2004
TOWN AGENT	ROBERT FISHER	2004
GRAND JUROR	JOAN BICKNELL	2004
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS		

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

JOHN FINDLAY, CAROL KETCHAM, LAURA RODGER, SARAH NEWELL, JOAN BANGS

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

WM. JOHNSON

APPOINTMENTS BY SELECTMEN

SEXTON	JOHN FINDLAY
POUND KEEPER	JOHN TALBOT
TREE WARDEN	JOANN CLAUSING
FENCE VIEWERS	J. FINDLAY, E. CARR, S. MARSON
REP. TO NVDA	KIM FRIED
ENERGY COORD.	JIM BICKNELL
HEALTH OFFICER	SALLY NEWELL
SERVICE OFF.	JOAN BICKNELL
FIRE WARDEN	DON MORRILL
REP. TO WASTE DIST.	TOM GIRARD/JAN CLAUSING

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the accounts and records of the Town Officers, and found the financial statements, receipts, and disbursements, as of Dec. 31, 2003, to be correct.

Gerald Leonard

Beverly Davis

Brett Hoffman

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

With last year's \$20,000 gravel appropriation and FEMA disaster grant money, we have continued to make improvements to our gravel roads. East Hill received extensive ditching, several new culverts, and much new surface gravel. Most of our gravel road mileage has been resurfaced at least once in the last five years. Garage improvements included installing a wider overhead door so both dump trucks and wings can be kept inside in winter. Electric openers were installed and the walk-through door was moved to the end wall of the building. The Town Clerk's office was re-roofed and vinyl trim placed over existing wood

trim. The relocation of the sand storage site is almost finished. A new screen, concrete pad and loading ramp have been built at the new site. A concrete pad has been constructed to set the rubbish dumpster on. More interior alterations have been done to the recycling space. We appreciate those who participate in our recycling effort. Rubbish disposal costs last year were over \$20,000. The amount Newark pays to haul and landfill one ton of mixed trash would pay hauling costs for 3 tons of recyclable materials. We hope folks who don't participate will consider that and help keep disposal costs as low as possible. At the present time we do not plan to change how we charge for trash disposal, though we have considered a pay-by-the-bag fee like Burke and other towns.

RECYCLING NOTE

Thanks to everyone that left us deposit bottles. We have put \$508.00 of this money into repairs to help the place be a better place to work..THANKS!

"Tommie" Rodger and Helpers

STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

GRAND LIST(assessment X 1%)	354,457.88
TAX RATE	2.20
TOTAL	<u>779,807.36</u>
ABATED	<u>217.80</u>
ACTUAL BILLED	<u>779,589.56</u>
HOLD HARMLESS (CURRENT USE)	<u>6,179.00</u>
PILOT	1,630.98

TOTAL	787,399.54
TOTAL COLLECTED	709,851.43
COLLECTED IN 2002	500.00
BALANCE DELINQUENT	77,048.11

DELINQUENT TAXES

37,329.74
77,048.11
<u>114,377.85</u>

BALANCE 2002	
2003	
TOTAL DELINQ. TAX	
TAX COLLECTED	<u>67,960.88</u>
PENALTY COLL.	5,435.76
1% INTEREST COLL.	1,920.67
TAX SALE COSTS	639.78
TOTAL COLLECTED	75,957.05
BALANCE TAX DUE	

46,416.97

DELINQUENT TAXES AS OF DEC.31, 2003

2002-Caledonia North	849.03
Millet, A. and G.	687.32
2003 Aldrich, M. and M.	275.00
Anderson, L. and D.	316.80
Bedor, R.	1,802.31
Bello, D. and R. Bellow	656.71
* Berry, Joel and Tracy	1,210.00
Bigelow, B. and K.	365.20
Braley, Owen	550.00
Briggs, Lawrence	840.40

*	Cacopardo, L.	343.58
*	Caledonia North	667.00
*	Carr, G.	133.48
*	Cheney, S. and J.	1,329.19
	Channon, M. and S.	2,538.47
	Colburn Assoc.	5.82
	Coles, Christine	974.60
	D'Ambra, T. and E.	1,414.60
*	Dalton, Jennifer	1,619.20
	Daniels, C. and R.	429.00
*	Donovan, Diane	601.45
	Faraone, D./Nowakowski, J.	1,432.20
	Fox, Kenneth	217.80
	Golnik, D.	547.80
*	Gray, S	95.99
	Haile, N.	770.00
	Heilig, Jean	1,581.80
*	Isham, D. and L.	265.61
	Marino, Michael and Katherine	225.72
	Leclair, R./T.Pickel	613.80
	Millet, A.	413.60
	Millet, A. and G.	1,172.60
	Millet, Gail	1,905.04
*	Morissette, G. and V.	133.96

	Morton, A.	1,394.80
	Murphy, Sarah	869.00
*	Parrish, Kathleen	566.58
	Paulson D./L. Whitcomb	189.20
	Preston, E. and C.	189.20
	Reed, Douglas and Nancy	413.60
	Robichaud, Dennis and Connie	1,678.60
	Robinson, B. and L.	862.40
	Rodger, R.	1,865.60
	Ruddy, James and Judy	345.40
*	Sanders, Tammy	506.10
*	Sanderson, J.	2,919.32
	Sargent, Christopher/Trust	852.26
	Shapiaru, S.	2,398.00
	Silva, M.	2,415.60
	Smith, Brian	561.00
	Wagner, Harry et al.	39.93
*	Winsor, Wm. And Susan	1,365.30
	TOTAL	46,416.97

*=Contracted Payments

GENERAL INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Wed., Thurs. 9-4

Office telephone number-(802)467-3336

SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS-First Mon. of the month--7:00p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS-Second Tues. of the month--4:30p.m.

DUMPSTER HOURS-Saturday 8 to noon - Sunday 11 to 4

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
JAN. 1, 2003-DEC. 31, 2003

BEGIN: 46,215.46
CHECKING: 997.85
TAX ACCT. 3,462.58
CONTINGENCY ACCT.
TOTAL: 50,675.89

INCOME:

INTEREST	187.64
CEMETERY	172.31
FEES	5,704.36
RESTORATION	945.00
DOGS	882.00
DEL. TAX	75,957.05
TAX-03	709,851.43
TAX-04	214.71
STATE VT.	4,802.00
STATE VT. TAX02	1,585.92
GRANT-RECYCLING	1,885.33
MISC.	419.83
FINES	315.50

SCHOOL PYMT. 3,900.00
ESCROW-TAX SALE 147.79
CONTINGENCY 500.00
TOTAL 807,470.87

ACT60 LISTER WORK

EXPENDITURES

ORDERS 106,668.31
LISTER'S MONEY 453.24
RESTORATION 326.04
CONTINGENCY 500.00

TOTAL

107,947.59

TAXES:

SCHOOL 537,254.00
HIGHWAY 140,666.00

TOTAL

677,920.00
72,279.17

END:

CHECKING 17,285.86
TAX 51,002.52
CONTINGENCY 3,990.79

TOTAL

72,279.17

DESIGNATED FUNDS:

LISTING MONEY 21,244.76
DEDICATED TO RESTORING OLD RECORDS: 3,564.51
CEMETERY FILL 500.00
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE 2,000.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers	
Town Clerk	15,245.31
Assistant T.C.:	2,441.70
Listers/Auditors	
B. Davis	2,490.98
G. Leonard	1,276.26
Selectmen	
B. Bangs	300.00
L. Rodger	300.00
T. Girard	300.00
Marie Baird/Constable	42.00
Constable's Telephone	302.01
Ballot Clerks	135.00
Dogs	329.56
Social Security	2,018.49
Meetings/Dues/Other	695.00
Mileage	333.38
TOTAL	<u>26,209.69</u>
Office Expense	
Telephone	678.05
Electricity	1,317.77
Supplies	1,465.89
Postage	874.04

Plowing/Mowing	1,640.00	
Advertising	502.02	
Misc.	140.00	
TOTAL		<u>6,617.77</u>
Insurance/Tax		
Health	11,449.90	
Buildings/Liab./WC	5,070.87	
Unemployment	751.10	
County Tax	4,804.75	
Dental	1,118.47	
TOTAL		<u>23,195.09</u>
General		
Dump	19,345.04	
Attendants	3,594.35	
Recycling	2,139.05	
Town Report/zoning-Printing	1,905.70	
Fire/Garage phone	720.39	
Cemetery	379.55	
Appropriations	16,954.08	
Misc.	472.00	
Dump Project	1,474.48	
Town Clerk's Roof	3,096.12	
VLCT dues	565.00	
TOTAL		<u>50,645.76</u>
ORDERS TOTAL		<u>106,668.31</u>

BICENTENNIAL ACCOUNT

BEGINNING BALANCE:

CHECKING 672.67

INCOME:

SALES 77.74

TAX ON SALES 4.26

OUTGO:VT. DEPT. OF TAX -11.48

TOTAL

743.19

PAYABLE: VT. DEPT. OF TAX 4.26

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance-Principle

2,726.46

INTEREST-2001

60.91

INTEREST WITHDRAWN TO TOWN

147.31

BALANCE-TRUST ACCOUNT

2,640.06

PRINCIPLE=2,635.00

PETTY CASH-2003

START:

101.53

INCOME:

FEES

489.53

BICENTENNIAL

69.00

DOGS	376.00	
TAX	9,689.06	
DEL. TAX	7,271.77	
BALKAN CHORUS	72.50	
SCHOOL	25.00	
HIGHWAY	10.00	
TOTAL		<u>18,002.86</u>
OUTGO:		
FEEs	454.63	
DOGS	376.00	
DEL. TAX	7,271.77	
POSTAGE	103.23	
TAX	9,689.06	
BICENTENNIAL	49.00	
BALKAN CHORUS	72.50	
TOTAL		<u>18,016.19</u>
BALANCE		<u>88.20</u>

DOGS

Dogs must be licensed by April 1, 2004. There will be a Rabies Clinic at the Town Garage on March 13, 2004 from 11:00a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

NEW DOG LICENSE FEES

Spayed or Neutered dogs	\$ 5.00
Male or Female dogs	\$ 9.00
Late Spayed or Neutered	\$ 7.00
Late Male or Female	\$13.00

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

GARAGE	120,000
TOWN CLERK'S OFF.	40,000
SCHOOL	570,000
ROAD SIGNS	5,600
SMALL TOOLS	5,000
SCHOOL FURNITURE	30,000
STEAM UNIT	1,200
RAKE	1,000
CENTER POND LAND	133,900
TRACTOR	1,000
RADIOS	3,000
CHAIN SAWS	1,000
WINGS	12,000
SAND SCREEN	12,000
DUMPSTER BLDG.	12,000

TYPEWRITER	100
TOWN HALL	30,000
OFFICE EQUIP.	5,700
SANDERS	6,000
CHAINS	2,000
GRADER	150,000
COPIER	500
SNOWFENCE	1,000
'93 TRUCK	15,000
'97 TRUCK	30,000
MOWER	1,000
PLOWS	7,000
BACKHOE	50,000
LAWN MOWER	250

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS:

Sophie Marie Channon to Michael and Sarah Channon on January 11, 2003
 Kristen Lynnette Winsor to Wm. And Stacie L. Winsor on Dec. 7, 2003

MARRIAGES:

Theodore S. Bowen, Sr. to Colleen K. Thompson on May 3, 2003
Brian J. Kennedy to Jennifer R. Rainey on June 20, 2003
Scott M. Credit to Tammy L. Lavigne on August 16, 2003
Eric J. Davis to Holly N. Spaulding on August 30, 2003
Scott B. Duncan to Pamela J. Cragin on October 4, 2003
Michael Pailler to Christine M. Holman on October 4, 2003
Christopher J. Reilly to Genevieve A. Guenet on October 15, 2003

DEATHS:

Wyman Alfred Cross on January 24, 2003
David Michael Miller on March 12, 2003
Gary D. Monfette on April 26, 2003
Marilyn Marshall Johnson on September 29, 2003
Mary Dorothy Allen on November 2, 2003
Christopher James Schools on Dec. 11, 2003

HIGHWAY WAGE TOTALS

MICHAEL CHANNON	28,889.67	FLOYD WILLEY	28,207.10
ANDY SCHOOLS	57.50	GLEN STINE	600.00
DOUG LAMB	22.50	DONALD MORRILL	591.50
DOUG COUGHLIN	125.00	BRIAN KENNEDY	145.00

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT JAN.1, 2003-DEC. 31, 2003

BEGIN:

CHECKING	16,731.42	
HIFI	89,694.52	
CONTINGENCY	19,065.98	
CREDIT	6.00	
PAVING	4,000.00	
TOTAL		<u>129,497.92</u>
INCOME-EQUIPMENT		
TOWN EQUIP	67,081.15	
TAX	140,666.00	
ST. AID	68,678.58	
INTEREST	1,081.96	
TOTAL		<u>277,507.69</u>
ROAD ORDERS	197,793.32	
EQUIP. ORDERS	78,852.93	
GRADER PAYMENT	15,325.32	
HAZARD MITIGATION (FEMA)	7,200.17	
TOTAL		<u>299,171.74</u>
BALANCE		<u>107,833.87</u>
END ACCT:		
CHECKING	2,306.85	

HIFI	65,640.38
CONTINGENCY	25,880.66
CREDIT	6.00
PAVING	14,000.00
TOTAL	<u>107,833.89</u>

BREAKDOWN OF COSTS ON ORDERS

<u>CLASS II SUMMER</u>	
WAGE	2,180.25
FICA	166.80
TOWN EQUIPMENT	1,085.50
PRIVATE EQUIP.	42.68
CHLORIDE/MISC.	5,185.86
	<u>8,661.09</u>
<u>CLASS III SUMMER</u>	
WAGE	16,869.59
FICA	1,290.52
PRIVATE EQUIPMENT	753.80
TOWN EQUIPMENT	16,351.00
CHLORIDE/CULVERT	5,155.87
	<u>40,420.78</u>
<u>CLASS II WINTER</u>	
WAGE	4,621.97
FICA	353.57
PRIVATE EQUIPMENT	128.09
TOWN EQUIPMENT	6,631.75
SAND/SALT	15,133.47
MISC.	250.33
	<u>26,868.85</u>

CLASS III WINTER

WAGE	16,740.78
FICA	1,280.66
PRIVATE EQUIPMENT	497.69
TOWN EQUIPMENT	27,342.75
PRIVATE PLOWING/SAND ETC.	18,409.09
	<u>64,844.57</u>

CONSTRUCTION

WAGE	7,765.72
FICA	594.11
TOWN EQUIPMENT	12,439.75
PRIVATE EQUIP.	95.48
GRAVEL/PRIV. HAULERS	39,328.94
TOOLS/TRAINING	<u>53,000.00</u>
	<u>2,400.00</u>

EQUIPMENT

WAGE	10,324.95
FICA	789.87
PRIVATE EQUIPMENT	385.53
GAS/OIL	10,035.57
VEHICLE INSURANCE/W.C.	12,644.13
HEALTH INSURANCE	24,722.77
WELDING	805.94
PARTS/MAINT.-MISC.	3,170.62
GARAGE	6,703.67
GRADER SCARIFIERS	3,747.70

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE
INCOME AGAINST ORDERS

6,869.88 80,200.63
71,081.15

	NEWARK FIRE DEPT. BUDGET		
	'03 BUDGET	ACTUAL	'04 BUDGET
TRUCK TANKER MAINT.	500.00	00.00	00.00
ENGINE #1 MAINT.	700.00	961.56	900.00
ENGINE #2 MAINT.	500.00	0.00	500.00
FUEL	500.00	0.00	500.00
BUILDING MAINT.	150.00	71.88	250.00
TRUCK INSURANCE	1,600.00	2,003.03	2,000.00
WORK.COMP.INSURANCE	600.00	577.00	600.00
EQUIPMENT REPAIR	550.00	92.40	550.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	2,138.00	1,000.00
TRAINING	500.00	671.60	600.00
DISPATCHING	1,635.00	1,635.00	1,935.00
EMS SERVICES	900.00	781.52	900.00
TOTAL TOWN BUDGET	9,135.00	8,931.99	9,735.00

TOWN	2003 EST.	BUDGET ACTUAL	2003	EST. TAX
OFFICER SERVICES	30,000	26,209.69	30,000	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	8,000	6,617.77	8,000	
INS/TAX	25,000	23,195.09	28,000	
GENERAL	36,500	50,645.76	43,000	
BUILDING REHAB.	5,000	REAPPRAISAL	10,000	
CONTINGENCY	500	500.00	500	
TOTAL	105,000	107,068.31	119,500	
REVENUES			30,858	
			88,642	\$.25
TO BE RAISED IN TAX				
HIGHWAY				
INCOME	2003 EST.	ACTUAL	2003	
STATE AID	65,000	68,678.58	69,000	
TAX	140,666	140,666.00	192,900	.54
GRANTS/INT.		1,960.47		
EQUIPMENT		71,081.15		
SURPLUS	22,734	22,734.00		
PAVING FUND		10,000.00		
TOTAL	228,400	315,120.20	261,900	

II WINTER	20,000	26,868.85	20,000
III WINTER	70,000	64,844.57	70,000
II SUMMER	10,000	8,661.09	10,000
III SUMMER	45,000	40,420.78	45,000
IV/TOWN	1,000	250.33	1,000
FEMA		7,195.17	
CONSTRUCTION	33,000	53,000.00	43,000
TOOLS ETC.	2,400	2,400.00	2,400
TRUCK/GRADER PYMT	16,000	15,325.32	29,500
PAVING	10,000	10,000.00	10,000
EQUIPMENT CONTING.	17,000	6,629.06	27,000
EQUIPMENT COSTS		80,200.63	
GARAGE IMPROVEMENTS	4,000		
TOTAL	228,400	315,795.80	261,900
TOTAL ESTIMATED TAX-TOWN AND HIGHWAY			.79

FOR SCHOOL ESTIMATE, SEE PAGE 31

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

JUL. 1, 2002-JUNE. 30, 2003

START:

NOW Account	9,051.29
HiFi	231,052.34
CSB	26,319.58
Accrued	(46,283.07)
Receivable	8,308.08

TOTAL	228,448.22
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DESIGNATED FUNDS:

GRANT	160.00
REPAIRS/MAINT	13,070.42
CAPITAL IMPROV.	52,945.52
DEBT SERVICE	153,382.71
MEDICAID	8,360.15
TOTAL	227,919.10

INCOME:

Breakfast Program	4,194.58
Spec.Ed.	58,380.58
Interest-NOW/HiFi	4,532.57
Misc.	7,830.50
St.Aid	217,632.00
Tax	500,806.00
Accrual rem.2002	1,105.27
Grant-VRP	2,500.00
Medicaid	8,827.00
Receivable	5,481.25

TOTAL

811,949.75

DISBURSEMENTS:

Orders	692,144.63
Grants	1,582.08
Repairs/Maintenance	3,626.04
Medicaid	3,857.00
Total	
BALANCE	

701,209.75
339,188.22

NOW ACCOUNT

HiFi	10,035.65
Equity Account	182,561.35
Accrued expense	197,605.89
Receivable	(56,495.92)
TOTAL	5,481.25

339,188.22

BALANCE:

REPAIR/MAINT	9,444.68
CAPITAL IMPROV	52,945.52
DEBT SERVICE	158,271.98
GRANT_KANOFF	160.00
VRP GRANT	1,227.48
MEDICAID	4,970.00
TOTAL-DESIGNATED FUNDS	227,019.66
SURPLUS	<u>112,168.56</u>

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

ELEMENTARY	
1100 CATEGORY-REGULAR ELEM.	214,831.28
1200 SPECIAL ED.	10,398.86

1300 VOCATIONAL ED	1,128.06
2120 GUIDANCE AND EEE	7,112.78
2130 HEALTH	3,997.22
2140 PSYCHOLOGICAL EVAL	682.50
2150 SPEECH PATHOLOGY	8,048.30
2220 LIBRARY	7,009.33
2225 INFO TECHNOLOGY	4,249.51
2311 SCHOOL BOARD/DUES	600.00
2315 LEGAL SERVICES	460.00
2319 GEN. BOARD EXPENSES	2,769.09
2321 CNSU	15,576.05
2410 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	76,257.61
2420 SPEC. ED. ADMINISTRATION	3,508.00
2520 FISCAL SERVICES	3,900.00
2540 PHYSICAL PLANT	35,527.92
2550 TRANSPORTATION	21,905.26
5100 LONG TERM DEBT	23,125.13
1100 SECONDARY TUITION	208,024.00
1200 SECONDARY SPECIAL ED.	35,763.10
BREAKFAST PROGRAM	7,270.66
TOTAL	692,144.66

OUTSTANDING NOTES AND BONDS

School Building Addition	180,000.00
Paid in 2003	15,000.00
Balance	150,000.00

BUS CONTINGENCY FUND

BEGIN BALANCE-AS OF 7/1/02	\$5,431.71
RECEIVABLE-SCHOOL PAYMENT	1,000.00
INTEREST	54.89
END BALANCE	\$6,486.60

NEWARK STREET SCHOOL REPORT

It is time once again to reflect, from January past to January present. The process begins with a review of the school year, and the challenges and highlights that come to mind. As they come together, they settle, and the elements on which they are founded are realized and pieced together. These elements bring the picture to life. They are embedded in community, the community that raised and maintain this school, the community charged with its function, the community of children it educates. These elements consist of time and effort, dedication, community service, youthful spirit with the capacity and desire to learn, and the shared commitment to continue to grow and learn together.

The last 10 years have seen a big shift in educational focus. Efforts to maintain high standards of teaching and learning have resulted in new programs that look and feel much different than traditional classroom instructional programs. In addition to raising the quality of teaching and learning, there is increased focus on each child as an individual. There is the belief that instruction should accommodate each child's needs, and that all children should have the same opportunities to participate in the full breadth of educational experience.

The Newark Street School embraces this challenge, and continually works to improve its standing. Years of focus have resulted in math programs throughout that are up to date and staffed by well-trained teachers. Early Literacy training and program development have been ongoing as well, and this year the upper grades are receiving renewed focus. A new action plan, shared with area schools, faces the challenge of developing practices for grades 3-8 that include rigorous reading and writing instruction in all subject areas of the curriculum. New science kits have been purchased for grades K-5 for use with the new CNSU science curriculum. All four core subject areas are now covered by new standards based curricula.

Newark continues to provide breadth of opportunity beyond the basics, greater than one would expect for a school our size. In addition to art, music, physical education, and information technology,

new programs in Place Based Learning and an After School Program have been added. The Place Based Learning programs include using Newark ponds, streams, and the northern forest for field experiences and participation in the Environmental Learning for the Future program sponsored by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science and funded through a grant from the Hasbro Corporation. Newark volunteers receive monthly training and teach students in grades K-5 about "Designs in Nature", using hands on and outdoor learning experiences. Mrs. Russ and Ms. Weirich teamed up to receive a "Flow of History" grant and will be implementing a unit about the role of sheep and wool in Vermont's early history. The After School Program is funded by a federal, 21st Century Grant administered by CNSU. A healthy percentage of students in all grades are participating in a daily variety of activities including homework help, sports, and crafts. The program includes vacation and summer activities as well, and is in year one of three. Photos and information on these and other school activities are available on our new website, www.newarkstreetschool.com.

Shortly after the new year, Mary Ann Riggie announced that this will be her last year as Superintendent Schools for CNSU. Those of us who know and work with Mary Ann were sorry to hear this news. We deeply appreciate her professional skills and heart felt dedication to children and education. She managed our schools with expertise and wisdom and cared for her flock with compassion and understanding. We wish her the best and thank her for her many successful years of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Sali Tetreault, Board Chair
Robert McCann, School Board
Sandie Walker, School Board
Jeffrey Hare, Principal

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Two important initiatives are occurring in the district that focus on the traditional and central 3 R's of Reading, Writing, and 'Rithmetic albeit through the lens of modern and rigorous state and national standards. Federal funds have enabled skilled math teachers within CNSU to provide guidance and training to their colleagues. Federal funds have permitted the purchase of consulting services in English Language Arts from experts throughout Vermont. District teachers are devoting hours to honing their teaching knowledge and skills with the help of these professionals. In addition, initiatives are underway to offer alternative programming through Lyndon Institute for high school students and to create a regional collaborative to serve Caledonia County students on the autistic spectrum.

Although the media has reported on turnover among principals and superintendents in Vermont, relatively little attention has focused on the turnover of school directors. The school board plays the critical role of setting the overall direction of the school, reviewing the performance of staff and students, and monitoring the budget. Without sustained leadership, including that of the school board, schools flounder. Please support the efforts of your school directors and consider serving in the post yourself.

The budget recommended by the School Board is for Fiscal Year 2004-2005 (FY05). It reflects the transition from the Act 60 education funding formula to the formula established by the Legislature in Act 68. Under Act 68 the grand list will be split between homestead property and all other property. The education tax rate for homestead property will depend on the level of per pupil spending in your school district; the rate for all other property is set uniformly throughout Vermont by the Legislature.

In recent years the student population in Vermont has been declining. Accordingly, taxpayers rightfully ask if school costs can be reduced. I would make two observations: 1) In many settings, the per pupil cost cannot be held at previous levels because, although enrollment has dropped, a) the basic physical plant

maintenance needs remain the same, b) regulations imposed at the state and federal level require the school to provide specific programs and services, and c) the public demands and authorizes programming beyond traditional academic instruction. 2) Vermonters cherish the benefits of community schools with small classes. Large savings in school budgets cannot be achieved without larger class sizes. Against this backdrop school boards struggle to control their expenditure budgets.

I value the contribution that each of you make to the budget discussion as well as the time and talent that you volunteer to your local school. No work, no legacy is more important than the preparation of children and youth to assume the responsibilities of adulthood.

Newark 2003 – 2004 Enrollment (Based on 40 Day Average Daily Membership Report)									
Kindergarten	7	Grade 4	2	Grade 8	8	Grade 11	9		
Grade 1	4	Grade 5	8	Grade 9	4	Grade 12	12		
Grade 2	9	Grade 6	4	Grade 10	11				
Grade 3	3	Grade 7	6						

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Riggie
Superintendent of Schools

Newark Town School
Proposed Revenues and
Estimated Tax Rates
FY 2005

	Adopted FY 2003	Actual FY 2003	Adopted FY 2004	Proposed FY 2005
Expenditures Budget	780,727	688,943	783,175	852,201
Estimated Income and Reimbursements				
Special Ed Reimbursement	49,849	58,381	49,028	45,145
IDEA-B Federal (SPED)	0	0	0	7,737
Medicaid	0	519	0	0
Vocational Tuition Reimbursement	16,800	4,313	4,000	14,304
Interest Income	1,500	4,666	3,000	2,000
Miscellaneous Income	500	10,078	1,000	0
E-rate Reimbursements	2,905	2,500	2,500	2,500
State Placed Students	12,175	0	0	0
Transportation Reimbursements	13,898	13,898	16,522	10,955
Federal Funds Received	10,000	0	10,000	0
Transfer from Escrow Fund	8,000	0	15,000	55,401
Small Schools	63,452	63,452	62,557	60,000
	179,079	157,807	163,607	198,042
Education Spending (Act 68 definition)	601,648	531,136	619,568	654,159

FY 2005 Act 68 Estimated Tax Rates

Fy 2005 is the first year under the latest Vermont education funding formula. These estimates are based on the most likely outcome of current legislative amendments being considered.

Town	Equalized Education Cost per Pupil		Act 68 Residential Actual Rate		Act 68 Non-Resident Actual Rate	
	Pupils	Spending				
Newark	85.89	654,159	7.617	1.37		1.79

Comparison of tax rates FY 2004 (Act 60) vs FY 2005 (Act 68)

Last year the funding formula was calculated under Act 60, which was different than the current Act 68.

Town	FY 2004 Act 60		FY 2005 Act 68		
	Act 60 Actual Rate	Act 68 Residential Actual Rate	(Decrease)	Act 68 Non-Resident Actual Rate	Increase
Newark	1.53	1.37	(0.16)	1.79	0.26

NEWARK
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FY 2005 Proposed Budget

	Budget Approved FY2003	Budget Actual FY2003	Budget Approved FY2004	Budget Proposed FY 2005	Explanation:
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****ELEMENTARY BUDGET****

1100	Instruction	149,143	149,662	167,135	164,069	
110	Teachers Salaries	13,077	9,001	0	4,114	
115	Paraeducators' Salaries	4,500	3,304	4,500	4,500	
120	Substitute Salaries	10,739	18,295	17,475	28,931	There is an anticipated 9.75% rate increase.
210	Health Insurance	12,754	12,388	13,130	13,210	This is 7.65% of wages.
220	Social Security	523	0	0	165	Benefit for paraeducators
240	Municipal Retirement	1,167	1,346	1,116	1,554	
250	Workman's Comp	1,267	1,238	0	0	Self Funded
260	Unemployment Insurance	1,350	1,616	1,350	1,350	Per Current Union Contract.
270	Staff Development	1,080	252	266	257	Per Current Union Contract.
280	Dental Insurance	717	600	738	743	Per Current Union Contract.
290	Disability Insurance	650	650	750	750	Fairbanks Museum
320	Special Programs	0	0	0	0	
321	Summer Program	500	96	500	500	
430	Repairs & Maintenance	2,000	1,779	2,000	2,100	
440	Copier lease	100	0	100	100	
580	Staff Travel	4,800	8,406	4,500	4,500	Teacher Supplies - Consumables
610	Instructional Supplies	4,300	3,971	3,700	3,700	
640	Textbooks	3,000	2,666	2,700	2,700	Teacher Supplies - Non-consumables
730	Instructional Equipment	200	227	200	200	
890	Miscellaneous Expense	211,867	215,497	220,159	233,443	
	Sub-Total					
1200	Special Education	20,132	2,812	17,575	14,060	Budgeting 2.5 days per week of our Special Ed Teacher.
110	Teachers' Salaries	8,577	5,297	0	6,582	.5 FTE of one position reduced
115	Paraeducators' Salaries	0	0	0	0	
120	Substitute Salaries	4,198	1,661	3,954	3,906	
210	Health Insurance					

This is 7.65% of wages.

220 Social Security	2,196	592	1,344	1,579
240 Municipal Retirement	343	0	0	263
250 Workman's Comp	201	201	114	186
260 Unemployment comp	218	0	0	0
270 Staff Development	600	0	600	200
280 Dental Insurance	144	0	0	120
290 Disability Insurance	123	0	76	89
320 Summer Program - ESY	0	0	0	0
580 Staff Travel	100	0	100	100
599 EEE	0	0	0	0
610 Instructional Supplies	100	66	100	100
640 Textbooks	200	399	500	500
730 Equipment	200	0	500	500
Sub-Total	37,333	11,028	24,863	28,185

Per Current Union Contract.
Per Current Union Contract.
Per Current Union Contract.

We do not budget the expense or the revenue of this program because they cancel each other out. Net cost is -0-.

Special Education Costs 57% reimbursable

1300 Vocational Education

330 Contracted Services	1,100	1,128	1,133	1,200
580 Staff Travel	0	0	0	0
610 Instructional Supplies	0	0	0	0
Sub-Total	1,100	1,128	1,133	1,200

These are the Vocational Ed Programs we do off site. (Grades 7 & 8).

2120 Guidance Services

110 Teachers Salaries	3,715	3,893	4,635	4,635
210 Health Insurance	668	0	700	0
220 Social Security	284	298	355	355
250 Workman's Comp	26	26	30	42
260 Unemployment Insurance	28	0	0	0
270 Staff Development	0	0	0	0
280 Dental Insurance	24	0	0	0
290 Disability Insurance	16	0	20	20
580 Staff Travel	50	0	50	50
610 Instructional Supplies	50	57	50	50
Sub-Total	4,861	4,273	5,840	5,152

NEWARK
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FY 2005 Proposed Budget

	Budget Approved FY2003	Budget Actual FY2003	Budget Approved FY2004	Budget Proposed FY 2005	Explanation:
2130					
<u>Health Services</u>					
110 Teachers' Salaries	3,675	3,689	4,075	4,075	Our nurse is here 1/2 day per week.
210 Health Insurance	0	0	0	0	
220 Social Security	281	282	312	312	This is 7.65 % of wages.
250 Workman's Comp	26	26	26	37	
260 Unemployment Insurance	28	0	0	0	
290 Disability Insurance	16	0	18	18	Per current contract.
330 Professional Services	0	0	0	0	
610 Instructional Supplies	100	0	100	100	
Sub-Total	4,126	3,997	4,531	4,542	
2136					
<u>Occupational Therapy</u>					
330 Professional Services	0	0	0	1,500	Special Education Costs 57% reimbursable
Sub-Total	0	0	0	1,500	
2140					
<u>Psychological Evaluation</u>					
330 Professional Services	1,300	683	1,300	3,100	
331 Summer evaluations	250	0	250	500	
Sub-Total	1,550	683	1,550	3,600	Special Education Costs 57% reimbursable
2150					
<u>Speech Pathology-CNSU</u>					
110 Teachers' Salaries	5,664	0	5,890	0	
115 Paraeducators' Salaries	1,971	1,754	2,311	0	
210 Health Insurance	1,190	0	0	0	
220 Social Security	584	134	177	0	
240 Municipal Retirement	79	0	92	0	

250	Workman's Comp.	42	10	15	0	
260	Unemployment Insurance	47	8	0	0	
270	Staff Development	150	0	150	0	
280	Dental Insurance	24	0	0	0	
290	Disability Insurance	32	0	0	0	
330	Professional Services	0	6,042	0	9,154	
580	Staff Travel	100	100	100	0	
610	Instructional Supplies	200	0	200	200	
810	Dues	0	0	0	0	
	Sub-Total	10,083	8,048	8,935	9,154	Special Education Costs 37% reimbursable
2213	Instructional Support Services					
320	Curriculum Development	300	0	300	300	
	Sub-Total	300	0	300	300	
2220	Library					Currently Unfited
110	Teachers' Salaries	2,935	4,555	4,555	4,555	
115	Paraeducator Salaries	5,915	0	5,902	6,050	
210	Health Insurance	1,924	0	2,633	4,340	
220	Social Security	452	348	452	463	
240	Municipal Retirement	237	0	236	242	
250	Workers Comp.	41	0	38	54	
260	Unemployment comp	45	0	0	0	
280	Dental Insurance	120	0	0	0	
290	Disability	25	0	25	26	
430	Repairs/Maint	0	0	0	0	
610	Supplies	100	83	100	100	
640	Textbooks	2,000	2,284	2,000	2,000	
650	Audio Visual Equipment	500	0	500	500	
660	Instructional Material	200	160	200	200	
730	Equipment	0	0	0	0	
	Sub-Total	14,495	7,431	16,641	18,530	

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GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FY 2005 Proposed Budget

Explanation:

	Budget Approved FY2003	Budget Actual FY2003	Budget Approved FY2004	Budget Proposed FY 2005	
2225 Information Technology					
110 Teachers' Salaries	0	0	0	0	
330 Professional Services	0	0	5,000	1,000	
430 Repairs & Maintenance	1,700	2,840	500	500	
610 Instructional Supplies	300	351	300	300	
730 Instructional Equipment	1,700	1,059	1,700	1,700	
890 Instructional Software	500	0	500	500	
Sub-Total	4,200	4,249	8,000	4,000	
2311 School Board					
110 Salaries	600	600	600	600	
220 Social Security	0	0	0	46	
610 Supplies	100	0	100	100	
810 Dues & Fees	750	0	750	750	
Sub-Total	1,450	600	1,450	1,496	
2315 Legal Services					
330 Professional Services	250	460	250	1,400	
Sub-Total	250	460	250	1,400	
2317 Audit Services					
330 Professional Services	0	0	4,000	0	Professional CPA audit required by law every 3 years.
Sub-Total	0	0	4,000	0	
2319 General Board Expenses					
250 Workman's Compensation	0	0	0	0	Allocated to each department
260 Unemployment Compensation	0	0	0	1,928	Self Funded

522 Liability Insurance
523 Bonds
540 Advertising
Sub-Total

1,400 1,980 1,510 1,414
200 100 200 200
500 889 500 500
2,100 2,769 2,210 4,042

2321

CNSU Office

331 Professional Administrative Services
332 Information Technology Program
Sub-Total

14,490 15,576 14,996 18,296
6,004 0 0 0
20,494 15,576 14,996 18,296

2410

Principals Office

110 Principal Salary
115 Secretary's Salary
210 Health Insurance
220 Social Security
240 Municipal Retirement
250 Workers Compensation
260 Unemployment Compensation
270 Staff Development
280 Dental Insurance
290 Disability Insurance
530 Telephone
535 Postage
580 Travel
610 Supplies
730 Equipment
810 Dues & Fees
Sub-Total

48,774 48,814 22,548 23,112
5,915 13,577 5,902 8,700
10,820 7,934 7,934 8,608
4,031 4,758 2,176 2,434
237 0 236 348
369 369 185 286
400 0 0 0
300 0 300 300
218 0 0 0
227 0 122 137
100 0 100 100
500 580 500 500
200 0 100 100
200 185 200 200
200 200 200 200
225 910 225 225
70,713 76,240 40,729 45,250

This is for a part time principal - 4 FTE

There is an anticipated 9.75% rate increase.
This is 7.65 % of wages.

Per current contract.

Per current contract.

Mileage reimbursements for required meetings.

NEWARK
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FY 2005 Proposed Budget

	Budget Approved FY2003	Budget Actual FY2003	Budget Approved FY2004	Budget Proposed FY 2005	Explanation:
2420 Special Education Administration					
331 Professional Services	3,508	3,508	3,950	4,392	
Sub-Total	3,508	3,508	3,950	4,392	Special Education Costs 57% reimbursable
2520 Fiscal Services					
330 Professional Services	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	
830 Short Term Interest Expense	2,500	1,131	2,500	2,500	
Sub-Total	6,400	5,031	6,400	6,400	
2600 Physical Plant					
110 Regular Salaries	10,816	10,076	8,408	8,618	
210 Health Insurance	1,780	1,691	1,723	2,208	
220 Social Security	827	771	643	659	
240 Municipal Retirement	433	0	336	345	
250 Workman's Compensation	76	76	55	910	We are experiencing a significant increase in premiums
260 Unemployment Compensation	82	4	0	0	
290 Disability Insurance	47	0	36	37	
411 Water Treatment Supplies/Testing	1,000	950	1,000	1,000	
430 Repairs/Maint.	3,000	5,364	4,000	5,000	
521 Property Insurance	600	2,330	1,850	2,665	Buses budgeted separately
530 Telephone	4,600	4,937	4,300	5,000	Federal program reimburses approximately 70%
610 Custodial Supplies	2,500	1,541	2,500	1,700	
622 Electricity	4,500	5,047	4,500	5,300	5% increase in rates
624 Heat	4,200	4,173	4,200	4,200	
730 Non-Instructional Equipment	2,000	1,498	2,000	1,500	
Sub-Total	36,460	38,456	35,551	39,143	

2700

Transportation

110 Salaries	14,572	10,138	10,170	10,421
210 Health Insurance	3,148	3,148	2,633	0
220 Social Security	1,115	776	778	797
240 Municipal Retirement	583	0	407	417
250 Workers Compensation	117	117	66	1,100
270 Unemployment Insurance	95	95	0	0
290 Disability	63	0	44	45
430 Repairs/ Maintenance	4,000	3,924	3,000	3,000
519 Field Trips	300	0	300	300
521 Insurance	1,699	1,699	823	946
626 Gasoline	3,300	2,158	2,600	2,600
730 Bus Fund	1,000	1,000	0	0
Sub-Total	29,991	23,055	20,820	19,626

Increase in rates, higher risks associated with non-office employees

One bus stored.

Elementary Total

451,281	422,030	422,309	449,846
0.81%	-9.30%	-9.23%	6.52%

5100

Long-Term Debt Service

830 Interest Payments	8,125	8,125	7,502	7,000
910 Principal Payments	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Total LT Debt Service	23,125	23,125	22,502	22,000

Vermont Bond Bank

Total Elem. & LTD

484,407	445,155	444,811	471,846
0.64%	-8.82%	-8.90%	6.08%

NEWARK
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FY 2005 Proposed Budget

Explanation:

*****SECONDARY BUDGET*****

Since we tuition all of our secondary students to schools in the area, we do not directly manage how these dollars are spent.

35 students at LI

Special Education Costs 57% reimbursable

Offset by tuition reimbursements shown in revenue section.

Instruction

1100	560	504	Fees	0	0	0	0	381
	561	Tuition-Public		0	0	0	0	0
	566	Tuition-Private		215,000	208,024	284,320	328,090	
		Sub-Total		215,000	208,024	284,320	328,471	

Special Education

1200	115	Paraeducator Salaries	4,320	1,550	0	0	0	
	220	Social Security	0	0	0	0	0	
	519	Transportation	9,000	5,570	5,844	6,000		
	561	Tuition-Public	0	2,082	0	0		
	566	Tuition-Private (LI)	26,000	20,684	20,000	9,320		
	567	Tuition-Private (Other)	25,000	1,550	24,000	22,260		
		Sub-Total	64,320	31,436	49,844	37,580		

Vocational Education

1300	510	Transportation	200	0	200	0		
	566	Tuition-Private	16,800	4,328	4,000	14,304		
		Subtotal	17,000	4,328	4,200	14,304		

Secondary Total

296,320	243,787	338,364	380,355
3.68%	-21.55%	14.19%	12.41%

Grand Total All Expenditures

780,727	688,943	783,175	852,201
1.74%	-13.32%	0.31%	8.81%

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

"Child Find Notice"

In accordance with state and federal laws (PL 94-142 and 101-476) Caledonia North Supervisory Union, serving the towns of Burke, East Haven, Lyndon, Newark, Sheffield, Sutton and Wheelock, serves notice that special education and related services are available to appropriately identified individuals between the ages of birth through twenty-one. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of these services or desiring additional information and/or a copy of "Parental Rights In Special Education" may contact Terri McDaniel, Special Education Coordinator, at 802-626-6100.

If there are parents within the supervisory union who should have this information interpreted or written in other languages, please notify Caledonia North Supervisory Union.

WARNING ANNUAL MEETING OF NEWARK TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice to Voters:

Residents, who are not already on the voter checklist, may register to vote no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, February 23, 2004 at the Newark Town Clerk's Office.

Warning Notice:

The Legal Voters of the Newark Town School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Newark Street School in said town on Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business.

Article 1. To elect a moderator.

Article 2. Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District vote to exempt the District from the requirement to operate a school lunch program for the 2004-2005 year?




Article 3 Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District appropriate a sum not to exceed \$10,000 from the Debt Service Reserve Fund to operate a school lunch program?

- Article 4.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District appropriate the sum of \$852,201 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2004?
- Article 5.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District authorize the School Directors to expend up to \$55,401 from the Debt Service Reserve Fund to reduce taxes for the year beginning July 1, 2004?
- Article 6.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District transfer \$5000 from the Debt Service Reserve Fund to the Bus Reserve Fund?
- Article 7.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District authorize and empower the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of receipts and to give a note or notes in the name of the District to secure payment thereof?
- Article 8.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District designate Lyndon Institute as its official high school?
- Article 9.* To elect a School Director for a three (3) year term, said term to expire in 2007.
- Article 10.* Shall the voters of the Newark Town School District authorize the School Directors to allow public use of school facilities and equipment pursuant to Title 16 V.S.A. 562/11?

Article 11. Shall the voters of Newark Town School District authorize the School Board to transfer to the Debt Service Reserve Fund the surplus accumulated in fiscal year 2004, if any?

Article 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Article 13. To adjourn said meeting.

Sali Tetraault, Chairperson

Robert McCann

Sandie Walker

School Directors of Newark Town School District

Dated this 26th day of January, 2004.

Attest: 
 Joan Bicknell, Town Clerk and Treasurer

WARNING.

NEWARK ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Newark are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Newark Street School in said Town on Tuesday, March 2, 2004, immediately following the Annual School Meeting to transact the following business:

1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.
2. To elect all Town Officers as required by law.
3. To elect a Road Commissioner.
4. To see if the voters will accept the Town Report.
5. To see if the voters will accept the budget as printed in the Town Report, and authorize the Selectmen to determine the rate on a dollar to raise the said assessment based on the 2004 Grand List.
6. To see if the Town will authorize all taxes be paid to the Treasurer as provided by law, with such taxes to be due on or before Oct. 15, 2004.
7. To see if the Town will empower the selectboard to borrow not more than \$75,000 towards the purchase of a new truck for the highway department.
8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$9,735.00 to the Newark Volunteer Fire Department.
9. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$6,699.00 to Lyndon Rescue.
10. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$800.00 to the Vermont Leadership Center for the purposes of providing summer employment, Job training, and conservation education to area youth through The Northeast Kingdom Conservation Service Corps program

11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$250 to Caledonia Home Health Care to be used in providing health care services.
12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$55 to help support the work of The Vermont Center for Independent Living in assisting Vermonters with disabilities to live as fully, productively and independently as possible.
13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$494.00 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., to assist in maintaining services in mental health, mental retardation, family counselling, and services to children and the elderly, including 24-hour emergency services.
14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$135.00 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Assoc. for planning, development, promoting and publicizing the resources of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties in cooperation with other towns in the three counties.
15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$125 to assist the Northeastern Vermont Area Agency on Aging in providing services to senior citizens in the ensuing year.
16. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$210 for

the operation of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium during the ensuing year, in exchange for free unlimited general admission to the Museum for all Town residents.

17. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50 to the Northeastern Vermont Resource Conservation and Development Area.
 18. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$100 to Umbrella to be used in providing services to children, women, and men.
 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50 to the Lyndon Senior Action Center.
 20. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50 to the Brighton Senior Action Center.
 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$100 to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services.
 22. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$600 to help continue the many programs and services provided by the Cobleigh Public Library.
 23. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50 to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc.
 24. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50 to Vermont CARES?
 25. To transact any other business to come before said meeting.
 26. To adjourn said meeting.
- Dated this 22nd day of January, 2004.

Tom Girard

Laura Rodger

Ben Bangs

SUMMARY OF 2003 TOWN MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 a.m. by James Newell.

1. James Newell was elected Moderator for 2003

2. The following people were elected:

Joan Bicknell-Town Clerk for 2 Years

Joan Bicknell-Town Treasurer for 2 Years

Ben Bangs-Selectman for 3 Years

Gerald Leonard-Lister for 3 Years

Beverly Davis-Auditor for 1 Year

Brett Hoffman-Auditor for 3 Years

Marie Baird-Constable #1

Terry Rice-Constable #2

John Findlay-Town Agent

Robert Fisher-Grand Juror

Joan Bicknell-Trustee of Public Funds

3. Michael Channon was elected Road Commissioner

4. The Town Report was accepted.

5. The budget was accepted as printed.

6. The Town authorized all taxes be paid to the Treasury due on Oct. 15, 2003.

7. The Town voted to approve \$20,000 additional for resurfacing gravel roads.

8. The Town voted to appropriate \$3,000 for Bulky Solid Waste Disposal Days.

9. The Town voted to appropriate \$9,135 to the Newark Volunteer Fire Dept.

10. The Town voted to appropriate \$5,400.08 to Lyndon Rescue.

The rules were suspended and articles 11-25 were moved to pass as one for a total of \$2,419. The articles were passed as written.

26. The Town approved as written with no objections on a voice vote.

27. Don Morrill thanked everyone for supporting the Fire Department, Jan Clausing thanked everyone on behalf of Lyndon Rescue and Sue Winsor thanked everyone on behalf of the Newark PTG.

28. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

ASSESSMENTS/TAXES/DELINQUENT TAXES

Each year, taxes are assessed against the property owner as of April 1. Every property has an information sheet which shows how the assessment is reached. After the lists have made any changes, notices of appraisal are sent out to anyone whose assessment has changed and to new property owners, and a time and place are set for grievance hearings. Everyone has the right to come to grievance day, but if you have not received a notice of change of appraisal, you will have to call the clerk to find out when appeals will be heard. It is usually at the end of May. Grievances must be in writing and should show how your property is assessed differently from other similar properties. If you are not satisfied with the results of your grievance, the notice of the results will inform you what to do next. Once grievance day has passed, a new appeal cannot be made until the next year. The tax rate is set by the selectmen, to raise the amount budgeted at town meeting. Your tax figure cannot be appealed. We try to send the tax bills out by July 15th, payable by Oct. 15th. We send one tax bill per property, and it is up to multiple owners to settle their share. If you want a copy of your tax bill, you can call the clerk after July 15th. If you have not received a bill, it is up to you as the property owner to contact the town to get a copy of the bill. You have approx. 90 days (by law it is 30 days) to pay the taxes. We have to have a deadline, and Oct. 15th is it. We do accept postmarks. By law, when a tax deadline is past, an 8% penalty is added. Then, as of Dec. 1, 1% interest per month is added.

CNSU Budget Proposed FY 2005

Revenues	
1510 Interest Income	15,000
1932 Tech. Coordinator (separate assessment)	37,059
1940 Lyndon Accounting	17,000
1941 East Haven Accounting	3,000
1942 Miller's Run Accounting	5,684
1990 Miscellaneous Income	4,000
3201 SPED Admin assessment	74,331
4250 Title I Administration Revenue	20,000
5900 Fund Balance Used	30,000
1931 District Assessments	307,121
Total Revenues	\$ 513,195

Actual FY 2003
2,959
-
17,000
3,000
5,684
388
75,059
14,911
5,724
297,519
\$ 422,244

Adopted FY2004
15,000
-
17,000
3,000
5,684
4,000
80,866
20,000
32,480
319,197
\$ 497,227

Proposed FY 2005
3,500
-
17,500
3,100
5,850
1,000
90,000
15,000
35,000
381,205
\$ 552,155

Included in admin. assessment this year

Not included in admin. assessment
per federal grants application

Allocated to schools on ADM basis

Expenditures	
Salaries	
101 Superintendent	67,896
101 Assistant Superintendent	-
102 Director, Student Services	81,349
102 Assistant Director, Student Services	-
103 Operations Officer	50,055
113 Fiscal Manager	30,566
114 Spec. Ed. Admin. Asst.	27,941
117 Operations Assistant	22,857

Actual FY 2003
\$ 68,058
-
56,779
-
49,291
30,638
22,364
22,902

Approved FY 2004
\$ 70,000
1,000
55,000
17,100
51,650
31,382
22,423
23,467

Proposed FY 2005
\$ 71,750
-
56,375
17,100
55,000
32,167
22,984
24,054

118	Secretary Receptionist / Human Resources	21,679	-
119	Technology Coordinator		
Total Salaries		\$ 302,343	
Benefits			
210	Health Insurance	\$ 49,578	
220	Social Security	23,129	
240	Municipal Retirement	6,404	
250	Worker's Comp	1,784	
260	Unemployment Comp	2,298	
270	Office Staff Development	3,500	
280	Dental Insurance	1,800	
290	Disability Insurance	1,300	
Total Benefits		\$ 89,793	
Supplies & Services & Equipment			
320	Spec prog-scholarships	\$ 500	
330	Professional services	1,000	
331	Technology services	37,059	
360	Legal services	2,000	
370	Audit services	7,000	
390	District-wide in service	2,500	
441	Building rental	18,000	
450	Janitorial and renovation costs	1,300	
522	Insurance	2,500	
530	Telephone	7,500	
535	Postage	5,500	
581	Superintendent travel	3,200	
582	SPED Director travel	3,000	
583	Business Manager travel	2,600	
584	Staff travel reimbursements	600	
610	Supplies/services	8,000	
670	Maintenance of software/hardware	6,500	
730	Equipment	8,000	
810	Association dues & fees	4,300	
Total S,S&E		\$ 121,059	
Total Expenditures		\$ 513,195	

21,212	-
\$ 271,245	
45,474	
20,085	
5,397	
-	
1,729	
5,224	
1,732	
851	
\$ 80,492	
\$ 500	
300	
3,493	
-	
7,000	
444	
18,000	
303	
495	
5,077	
5,410	
3,200	
2,600	
2,600	
133	
7,549	
5,428	
5,165	
2,809	
\$ 70,507	
\$ 422,244	

22,423	-
\$ 294,445	
55,527	
22,525	
6,570	
2,356	
2,238	
4,800	
1,800	
1,266	
\$ 97,082	
\$ 500	
1,000	
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4,500	
\$ 105,700	
\$ 497,227	

22,984	New position
45,000	
\$ 347,414	
76,907	Premiums increasing 9.75%
26,577	
8,088	
3,127	Estimated premium increase is 15%
1,563	
4,800	
2,185	Premiums increasing 7%
1,494	
\$ 124,741	
\$ 500	
1,000	
-	New position above
2,000	
7,000	
2,000	
21,000	
1,000	
1,500	
6,500	
5,700	
3,200	
3,000	
2,600	
500	
8,000	
4,000	
7,000	
3,500	
\$ 80,000	
\$ 552,155	

PRELIMINARY

District: **Newark**
County: **Caledonia**

LEA: **135**
S.U.: **Caledonia North**

ESTIMATES
ONLY

Expenditures									
Budget (local budget approved in prior years)									
	82% of base payment per FTE paid to tech centers by the State on behalf of the district in FY2005								
	S.U. assessment (included in local budget)								
	Deficit (if included in local budget)								
+	Block grant paid by State to tech center in prior years								
+	1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting								
+	2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting								
+	3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting								
-	Act 144 Expenditures, (excluded from "Education Spending")								
		FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005				
		767,406	780,727	783,175	852,201				
		not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable				
		24,140	24,002	18,846	22,663				
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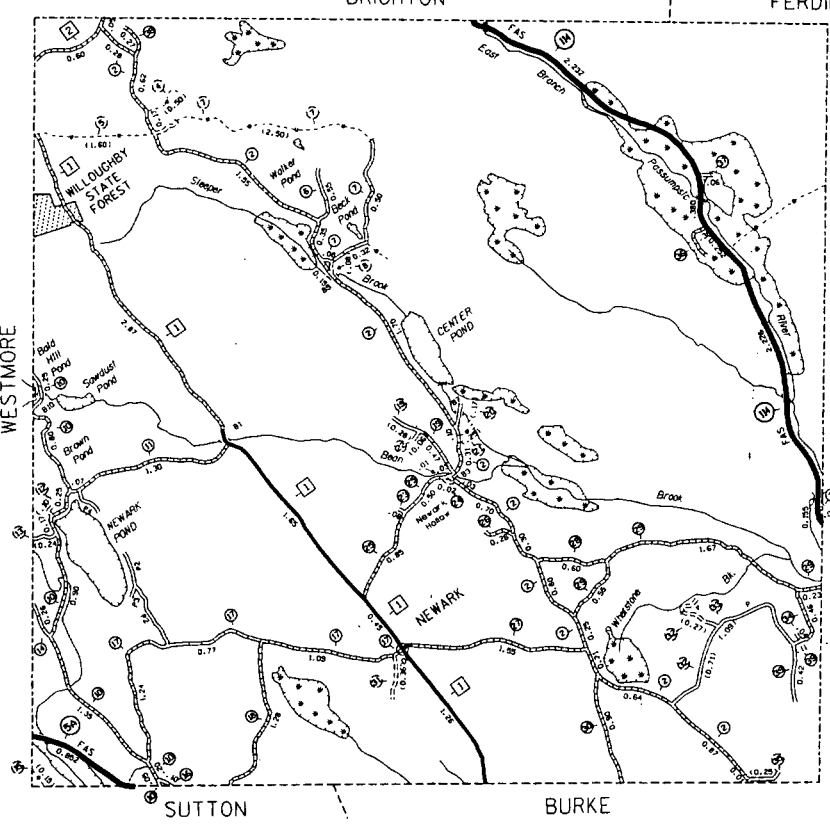
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