

Town of Franklin Vermont

and the

Franklin School District

FY2017 Annual Report

Town and School
Fiscal Year End
June 30th, 2017

**TOWN MEETING
WILL BEGIN
AT 9:00 AM**

**MVU AUSTRALIAN
BALLOT VOTING
WILL BEGIN
AT 7:00 AM**

AUDITORS' ANNUAL REPORT

for the

TOWN OF FRANKLIN
VERMONT

For the Fiscal Year Ending
June 30th, 2017

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The Haston Library will be serving lunch
nominal fee charged

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**** ABSTRACT OF MARCH 7, 2017 TOWN MEETING ****

Town Clerk, Lisa A. Larivee, declared the polls open for the Australian Ballots of the MVU High School #7 budget and school directors at 7:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Moderator Timothy Magnant called the Franklin School District meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. The Moderator reviewed the Roberts Rules of Order with those present.

ARTICLE 1 Elected Timothy Magnant as moderator for the ensuing year.
ARTICLE 2 Accepted the reports of the school directors.
ARTICLE 3 Appropriated \$1,712,062 for the FY2018 Franklin School District budget.
ARTICLE 4 Elected Tim Magnant as Franklin School Director for a three-year term.
ARTICLE 5 Tim Magnant thanked Robert Irish for serving on the MVU school board for nine years and presented him with a plaque.

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING CLOSED AND ENTERED REGULAR TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 6 Elected Timothy Magnant as moderator for the ensuing year.
ARTICLE 7 Elected Lisa Larivee as Town Treasurer for three-year term.
ARTICLE 8 Accepted the reports of the town officers.
ARTICLE 9 Appropriated \$11,000 to upgrade the sidewalks along Main Street contingent on being awarded a grant.
ARTICLE 10 Appropriated \$16,000 for the operation/management of the Franklin Recreation Department.
ARTICLE 11 Appropriated \$3,300 to purchase a snow blower attachment for the current tractor.
ARTICLE 12 Approved maintaining Enosburg Ambulance Service as the Town's ambulance provider for the next five years.
ARTICLE 13 Appropriated \$697,712.50 for the Municipal Budget.
ARTICLE 14 Elected the following town officers:

- A. Brooks Sturtevant selectperson for a three-year term.
- B. Andrew Godin selectperson for a two-year term.
- C. Jean Richard lister for a three-year term.
- D. Sara Rainville lister for a two-year term.
- E. Michelle Guilmette auditor for three-year term.
- F. Susan Clark trustee of public money for one year.
- G. Kimberly Gates Maynard trustee of Haston Library Fund for one year
- H. Paula Tremblay and Jeffrey Teitelbaum; Haston Library Trustees for three-year terms.
- I. Johanna Crane-Godin delinquent tax collector for one year.
- J. Burt Maynard constable for one year.
- K. George Godin town agent for one year.
- L. Doug Clark grand juror for one year.
- M. Dwight Tatro Franklin Homestead Board of Director for a three-year term.

ARTICLE 15 Elected Howard Vansette, Nancy Wilson, Jennifer Dewing and Ellen Magnant as cemetery commissioners for one year.

ARTICLE 16 Authorized the payment of taxes to be paid to the treasurer by October 16, 2017 before 4:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 17 Approved tabling the article for the Planning Commission to discuss further.

ARTICLE 18 Voted to publish delinquent property taxpayer names as of December 31, 2017.

ARTICLE 19 None.

ARTICLE 20 Marilyn Hackett asked about Town Meeting being declared a State Holiday. Peter thanked Andy Godin and Brooks Sturtevant for their dedication to the selectboard. Peter also thanked the cemetery commissioners for their work. Peter congratulated the recreation members for their work. Selectboard noted that the ZBA is looking for members. Andrew Rainville would like newly constructed homes in Town to get a one year tax break.

WARNING FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Franklin School District and Town of Franklin are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Franklin Central School on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at **nine o'clock** in the forenoon to transact the following business:

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To receive and discuss the reports of the school directors.
3. Shall the voters of the Franklin Town School District approve the school board to expend \$1,784,790.00, 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 \$13,440 per Equalized Pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 3.87% higher than spending for the current year.
4. Will the voters of the Franklin School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?
5. As an advisory non-binding article: Shall the legal voters of the Franklin Town School District be presented the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union budget for each ensuing year to be voted on separately from the Town School District budget?
6. To elect a Franklin School Director for a term of three (3) years.
7. To transact any other business legally authorized to be transacted; considered appropriate and necessary when met.

CLOSE TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND ENTER REGULAR TOWN MEETING

8. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
9. To receive and discuss the reports of the several town officers.
10. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate a sum of \$16,000 for the operation/management of the Franklin Recreation Department?
11. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate a sum of up to \$40,700 as the grant match for the replacement of the Hanna Road culvert project?
12. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin appropriate a sum of up to \$10,000 for water quality management for Lake Carmi in conjunction with the support of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation?
13. Will the voters of the Town of Franklin authorize the Selectboard to borrow a sum, not to exceed \$80,000 to be repaid over a term of not more than five (5) years, for the purpose of purchasing a loader?
14. To see if the voters will vote an adequate sum of money to meet current expenses, deficit, and debt payment of the town, as indicated in the proposed municipal budget.
15. To elect the following town officers:
 - A. One selectboard member for a term of three years. (by ballot)
 - B. One selectboard member for a term of two years. (by ballot)
 - C. One lister for a term of three years. (by ballot)
 - D. One auditor for a term of three years. (by ballot)

- E. A trustee of public money for a term of one year.
 - F. A trustee of the Haston Library Fund for a term of one year.
 - G. Three Haston Library trustees for three year terms.
 - H. A collector of delinquent taxes for a term of one year.
 - I. A constable for a term of one year.
 - J. A town agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the town is interested.
 - K. One or more grand jurors.
 - L. One representative to serve on the Franklin Homestead, Inc. Board of Directors for a term of three years.
- 16. To elect a person, or persons, to act as cemetery commissioner(s) to care for the cemeteries in town where there is no one responsible to act in such a capacity.
 - 17. To see if the voters will set the date of payment of property taxes paid to the treasurer to be October 15, 2018 before close of business.
 - 18. To see if the town will vote to publish the names of all delinquent property taxpayers and amounts due and owed to the town as of December 31, 2018.
 - 19. To elect any town officers to fill any town office that may be vacant at this time.
 - 20. To transact any other non-binding business thought proper when met.

Franklin Selectboard

Peter Magnant

Yvon Dandurand

Andrew Godin

Edmund Rainville

Brooks Sturtevant

Franklin School Directors

Timothy Magnant

Robert Berger

Thomas Gates

Read for record on January 25, 2018 at the Franklin School Library and is duly recorded.

ATTEST:

Lisa A. Larivee, Town Clerk

PLEASE NOTE: Special accommodations will be made for all handicapped persons requesting an accommodation at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting. Please call 285-2101 for more information.

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator.....Timothy Magnant.....Elected Annually
Town Clerk.....Lisa A. Larivee.....Term Expires 2019
Town Treasurer.....Lisa A. Larivee.....Term Expires 2020

SELECTBOARD

Yvon Dandurand.....Term Expires 2018
Edmund Rainville.....Term Expires 2018
Peter Magnant.....Term Expires 2019
Andrew Godin.....Term Expires 2019
Brooks Sturtevant.....Term Expires 2020

LISTERS

Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2018
Sara Rainville.....Term Expires 2019
Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2020

AUDITORS

Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2018
Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2019
Michelle Guilmette.....Term Expires 2020

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY

Susan E. Clark.....Term Expires 2018

TRUSTEE OF HASTON LIBRARY FUND

Kimberly Gates Maynard.....Term Expires 2018

HASTON LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Nancy Magnant.....Term Expires 2018
Nancy Jewett.....Term Expires 2018
Deborah Grennon.....Term Expires 2018
Carole Richard.....Term Expires 2019
Linda Hartman.....Term Expires 2019
Paula TremblayTerm Expires 2020
Jeffrey Teitelbaum.....Term Expires 2020

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

Johanna Crane-Godin.....Term Expires 2018

CONSTABLE

Burt Maynard.....Term Expires 2018

TOWN AGENT

George Godin.....Term Expires 2018

TOWN GRAND JURORS

Douglas Clark.....Term Expires 2018

FRANKLIN HOMESTEAD, INC

Jean Richard.....Term Expires 2018

Kay Papazoni.....Term Expires 2019

Dwight Tatro.....Term Expires 2020

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Nancy Wilson.....Term Expires 2018

Jennifer Dewing.....Term Expires 2018

Howard Vanselette.....Term Expires 2018

Ellen Magnant.....Term Expires 2018

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Thomas Gates.....Term Expires 2018

Robert Berger.....Term Expires 2019

Timothy Magnant.....Term Expires 2020

MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION #7 DIRECTORS

Vicki Gratton.....Term Expires 2018

John Ho.....Term Expires 2019

Eric BeauregardTerm Expires 2020

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Daniel Clark Gilbert Dewing
Pauline Gadbois Kimberly Gates Maynard George Godin

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK & TREASURER

Sara Rainville.....Term Expires 2018

WATER COMMISSION – 3 Year Term

Marshall PloofTerm Expires 2018

Brooks Sturtevant.....Term Expires 2019

Jes Alexant.....Term Expires 2020

PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 Year Term

Judith McLaughlin (resigned).....Term Expires 2018

Daniel Larivee.....Term Expires 2018

Cyrus Grennon.....Term Expires 2019

Rolland RainvilleTerm Expires 2019

Dave BennionTerm Expires 2019

Clark Hubbard *4 year Term.....Term Expires 2020

Peter Kittell.....Term Expires 2020

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 3 Year Term

Vacant.....Term Expires 2018

Pauline Gadbois.....Term Expires 2018

James Pivrotto.....Term Expires 2019

David Vanselette.....Term Expires 2019

Paulette Tatro.....Term Expires 2020

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Robert Irish.....Term Expires 2018

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Bridget Thompson.....Term Expires 2018

Bridgette Favreau.....Term Expires 2018

Stephanie Ho.....Term Expires 2018

Stacey Godin.....Term Expires 2019

Vacant.....Term Expires 2019

OTHER OFFICERS

Service Officer.....	Pauline Gadbois
Health Officer.....	Chris Ferland
Road Commissioner.....	Andrew Godin
Road Foreman.....	Jeremy Barnum
Animal Control Officer.....	Dennis Demar
Tree & Fire Warden.....	Burt Maynard
Keeper of Street Lights.....	Donald Gates
Keeper of Town Clock.....	Eric Gerrard
Emergency Management Coordinator.....	Mark Toof
Regional Planning.....	Yvon Dandurand
	Dave Bennion
E911 Coordinator.....	Sara Rainville
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).....	Peter Magnant
Energy Committee.....	Vacant
Northwestern Solid Waste Management	Dave Bennion
Clean Water Advisory Committee (CWAC).....	Yvon Dandurand

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the town accounts as herein reported. We are continuing with the format of reporting, as adopted last year, reflecting the conversion to fund balance accounting for the Town. We meet on a regular basis to review all Selectboard, Library, Water District and Recreational Department's warrants and also reconcile their bank statements which provides for segregation of duties. Annually, we review the accounts and reports from organizations not handled by the Town Treasurer, which the town has allocated monies.

Also, as part of our duties, we continue to review the School Directors' warrants and reconcile the bank statements, which provides for segregation of duties for the school. This year, the school accounts were audited by a new firm, RHR Smith and Company, CPAs from Buxton, Maine. Previously, two reports generated from information found in the final audit were included in the Town Report; however, at the time the report was sent to print, we were only provided with a draft copy of the audit findings. The Combined Balance Sheet has not been included in this report; however an informational update to the Library and Student Activities Funds report can be found on page 75.

We would like to thank Lisa, Sara and all the other board members and treasurers who submit their information to us for review and inclusion in the town report. Working with them to bring you a comprehensive overview of our town is our goal. We appreciate your input and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Richard
Carole Richard
Michelle Guilmette

SELECTBOARD REPORT

The Selectboard continues to address several ongoing issues in the town as well as new concerns. Some of the projects we have worked on this past year are:

- Upgrades to the town hall
- Continued negotiations to open the park and ride
- Lake Carmi water quality issues
- Future budgeting and planning for cemeteries that the Town oversees.

All electrical wiring in the town hall has been replaced and updated to meet current State electrical standards with several electrical outlets added to the main hall and the stage area. Also, lighting has been changed to more efficient LED fixtures and many of the lights have dimmers allowing lighting adjustment, when needed. Painting outside of the building also continued this past year with the rear and south side of the building. The Selectboard would like to thank Dave Bennion for being the care taker of the town hall and overseeing these projects. This coming year, we are planning to upgrade the furnace room to meet fire safety standards, by adding a sprinkler system and fire-resistant walls.

The Selectboard and Telephone Company have continued negotiations for opening the park and ride. A contract has been drafted between the Town, Telephone Company and the Franklin Homestead, with an agreement to open the park and ride, with stipulations, if problems occur. We anticipate having a signed agreement; therefore, opening the park and ride in 2018.

The water quality issues in Lake Carmi were widely publicized this past year. Lake Carmi was plagued by extensive and prolonged cyanobacteria blooms beginning in August and lasting into November. The Selectboard has been participating as part of the Lake Carmi Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Implementation Team to work on improving the water quality. The Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) is developing a plan ranging from aeration methods to approaches that limit the availability of phosphorus, such as treating the lake with alum to bind and remove phosphorus. ANR is anticipating that the Town will be responsible for the operational expenses for whichever project is implemented after installation. The Selectboard is planning to have an article at town meeting to allocate funds for these expenses.

The Franklin Village Cemetery Committee would like the Selectboard to take over responsibility of the village cemetery. This is not expected to happen this coming year but, they wanted to give us advanced notice as the committee members are aging and they have not been able to find younger members to replace them. Currently, the Town does not budget for cemetery upkeep but depends on the cemetery committee and town highway resources to maintain the current town cemeteries. In summation, with the projected addition of the village cemetery we may have to start budgeting for town cemeteries maintenance and upkeep.

To end on a positive note, the Selectboard would like to recognize the newly formed Recreation Committee for the wonderful job they have done over the past year. They have had several community events creating civic pride in the town. The Recreation Committee has followed the lead of the Fire Department with their years of building community spirit with events like the pancake breakfast and the chicken BBQ. We look forward to the upcoming events, in town, that are planned for this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand
Andrew Godin, Edmund Rainville,
Brooks Sturtevant

Phosphorus Management in Lake Carmi

In early December 2017, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced selection of a contractor to conduct the first phase of the Lake Carmi In-Lake Phosphorus Management Project. The objective of this phase is to identify the most cost-effective strategy to reduce in-lake phosphorus. The three-phase project is a key part of the larger strategy to reduce phosphorus-laden runoff in the watershed. The selected contractor is evaluating a variety of options for management of the phosphorus that has accumulated in sediment in Lake Carmi. Addressing the in-lake contribution of phosphorus is expected to provide relief from cyanobacteria blooms while work continues in the watershed to reduce nutrient runoff.

DEC selected Reservoir Environmental Management, Inc., represented by Jim Ruane. Mr. Ruane will be joined on this project by consultants Dr. Chris Holdren and Dr. John Holz. Dr. Holdren, who will serve as project manager, has over 40 years of experience with lake and watershed management projects. The project team will analyze several potential proposals to reduce phosphorus levels in the lake. These options range from aeration methods to approaches that limit the availability of phosphorus, such as treating the lake with alum to bind and remove phosphorus.

DEC has awarded approximately \$7,500 for the first phase of this three-phase project. An additional \$42,500 will be made available through a separate request for project design proposals. Project implementation will be supported by \$200,000 from the Clean Water Fund—subject to approval by the legislature. Dr. Holdren and his team have provided the Town of Franklin a preliminary recommendation for treatment and an estimate for the cost of operation.

For more information, additional resources, and project updates, visit: <http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/restoring/carmi>.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

For about a decade and a half, Howard Vanselette served the Town of Franklin as Road Foreman. In July of 2017, he decided to choose the well-deserved path of retirement. In the short few years I was privileged to work with him as Road Commissioner, I was always impressed with the pride he took in his work, as well as his ability to please, and willingness to help anyone in our community, regardless if he was on town or personal time. I would like to wish him the very best in the next chapter of his life.

Jeremy Barnum, our other road crew member was offered, and accepted the foreman position. Our search for a new road crew member led us to hire Jake Dandurand for his mechanical education and experience, well-known machine operating abilities, honesty, work ethic and positive attitude, making hiring him an easy decision. I would like to welcome Jake to the Road Crew, and look forward to working with him.

With water quality being at the forefront of the state, and our community's mind, the town is taking advantage of everything the state and local watershed groups are offering to help us reduce nutrient and sediment runoff from our roads and highway garage site. In the summer of 2017, a study funded by the Franklin Watershed Committee was conducted to assess and reduce runoff coming from the highway garage site. The study indicated potential corrections such as re-grading the area to minimize sediment movement, along with some grass buffers around the catch basins to slow water velocity, and catch sediment before it enters into them. Other suggested future action plans include: adding rain gutters to the salt shed, and re-directing the rain gutters currently on the Town Garage. We are ahead of the curve since we built the sand shed, which has reduced the amount of loose sediment in the work area.

In the spring of 2017, an erosion inventory study conducted by Northwest Regional Planning (NWRP) was completed. This study covered all of our roads, categorizing each problem spot by severity, and was applied to a map for the town to address. In order for the town to be in compliance with the state's General Road Permit, these problem spots need to be addressed. Fortunately, there were not too many areas categorized with severe erosion issues, when compared to other municipalities. The topography of Franklin is not as hilly as many other towns, and the crowning on our dirt roads is generally adequate. By being proactive, identifying, and working to correct erosion issues within our municipality, we are put in a good position to receive grant funding for improvements. One such project, using grant money from NWRP was already completed in the fall of 2017 on Dewing Road, where culverts were replaced and added, ditches were cleaned and lined with stone, and the shoulders of the road were cut.

A culvert replacement project, using money from the Better Roads program, was also completed in 2017, on Webster Road. This has been a problem spot for years, due to the previous design of the cross culvert, and the velocity of the water coming down the hill. The angle of the culvert was changed; a plunge pool with large stone was added, along with concrete head walls.

Last summer, the owner of a quarry located off Browns Corner Road inquired as to the town's interest to obtain material from it. This quarry was established to provide material for Browns Corner Road when it was rebuilt about ten years ago. Although on the surface this appears to be a great idea, as it would save time, and wear and tear trucking, many questions, both legal and financial still need to be answered. We are hopeful this can turn into a time, and financial savings for our town. Discussions and investigation will continue, hopefully resulting in a proposal that can be put to the voters in the future.

To conclude, I would like to acknowledge the road crew for their hard work, and commitment to our roads. While most other towns with comparable mileage have three or four crew members, our two-man crew gets the job done to the same standard, and just as timely as our neighbors. Don't hesitate to give them a "Thanks" when you run into them.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew Godin

PAVING PROGRESS REPORT/PLAN

2013

- Riley Rd (hill) resurfaced; 725.15 tons @ \$77.99 = \$56,554.45
- Hanna Rd resurfaced; 433.60 tons @ \$77.99 = \$33,816.46
- Strip in front of Dick Wright's and Franklin Telephone Co. 50 tons @ \$77.99 = \$3,899.50
- Fire Station resurface of lot 53 tons @ \$77.99 = \$4,133.47

2014

- Morses Line Rd from Richard Rd west to Messier Rd; 1068.79 tons @ \$74.76 = \$79,902.74

2015

- Homestead Drive was resurfaced with 125 tons @ \$72.93 = \$9,116.25 (cost shared by three parties; Town, Franklin Telephone and Homestead)
- Morses Line Rd from Messier Rd west to D. Rainville's approx. 1.2 miles with 1360.2 ton @ \$72.93 = \$99,199.39

2016

- Riley Rd; resurfaced 801 tons @ \$68.50 = \$54,868.50
- Dewing Rd; .9 miles resurfaced; 1184.36 tons @ \$66.29 = \$78,511.23 (80% by grant)
- Stanley Rd; resurfaced 663.67 tons @ \$66.29 = \$43,994.68 (80% by grant)
- Morses Line Rd; .56 miles resurfaced; 729.1 tons @ \$66.29 = \$48,332.04 (80% by grant)

2017

- Morses Line Rd; 1.3 miles resurfaced with 1392.9 tons @ \$71.30= \$99,313.77

2018 - Plan

- Hanna Road
- Gallup Road
- Stanley Road *Pending Grant Funding

This plan is subject to change if transportation grants are received or if there is a road condition that requires immediate attention.

2017 ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT

Barnum Rd: graded 5 times; 460 yards gravel; 850 gal. chloride

Beaver Meadow Rd: graded 2 times; 70 yards gravel; 400 gal. chloride

Colton Rd: graded 2 times; 222 yards gravel; 750 gal. chloride

Dandurand Rd: graded 3 times; 98 yards gravel; 500 gal. chloride

Dewing Rd: graded 4 times; 224 yards gravel; 1250 gal. chloride

Durkee Rd: graded 3 times; 238 yards gravel; 750 gal. chloride

Gallup Rd: graded 3 times; 280 yards gravel; ditching; 1500 gal. chloride

Kendall Rd: graded 3 times; 224 yards gravel; 500 gal. chloride

Messier Rd: graded 3 times; 126 yards gravel; 400 gal. chloride

Middle Rd: graded 5 times; 224 yards gravel; 2400 gal. chloride; 14 yards blue rock; culverts replaced; ditching

Pidgeon Hill Rd: graded 4 times; 140 yards gravel; 600 gal. chloride

Rice Hill Rd: graded 3 times; 122 yards gravel; 1000 gal. chloride

Richard Rd: graded 4 times; 196 yards gravel; 40 gal. chloride

Riley Rd: graded 4 times; 190 yards gravel; 900 gal. chloride; culverts replaced

Scott Rd: graded 3 times; 252 yards gravel; 600 gal. chloride

Towle Neighborhood Rd: graded 2 times; 336 yards gravel; 3100 gal. chloride

Webster Rd: 56 yards gravel; culvert replaced; ditching

All roads had road side mowing done in the spring and fall.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

In 2017, zoning activity in the Town of Franklin returned to normal levels. During the year, forty-eight building permits and agricultural notifications were received. Forty-seven building permits were issued; one was referred to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), which approved the permit with some conditions. There was one Certificate of Compliance received, for a subdivision. Eighteen administrative opinions were issued. Greater emphasis was placed on enforcement and compliance with the Shoreline Protection Act. Ten possible violations of the Shoreline Protection Act were reported to the Department of Natural Resources. The town issued three violation letters, one was resolved and two are currently still in progress of being resolved. Two other parcels were brought into compliance prior to issuing letters of violation.

The permits processed in 2017 were for:

5 additions	2 porches	1 camp
5 decks	9 garages	3 new homes
4 sugar houses/sap shed	2 barns	1 trailer
3 other	13 sheds	

In 2018, the Shoreline Protection Act will still present many challenges for the Town and increase the State's enforcement activity for violations. Greater effort will be made on zoning activity with emphasis on the Shoreline District.

The Zoning Administrator is in the Town Office on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

*Respectfully submitted,
Robert B Irish,
Zoning Administrator*

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

During 2017, the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) held two hearings, involving seasonal dwellings in the Shoreland Recreational District that were both approved by the Board as conditional use permits; one on Westcott Shore and one on Vic's Crossing. Of the two hearings, one involved removing and replacing a seasonal dwelling and the other was a variance for a seasonal travel trailer and deck.

Volunteers serving on the board are Polly Gadbois, Jim Piviroto, Paulette Tatro, David Vansette, and there is one vacant seat.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jim Piviroto,
Chairman*

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

We have reviewed and worked on 2 solar energy proposals. We have revised our Town Plan and Zoning Bylaws and have had meetings with the town and selectboard to have the revisions approved; we also have worked on and have sent to the Selectboard our recommendations for our enhanced energy plan, which we hope will be finalized in the early months of 2018. We have also worked on regular building subdivisions. It was a good year with a lot of learning.

As the Chairman of the Planning Commission, I would like to thank all of the members of the commission for their dedication and time they have given as volunteers; also like to thank all past members of our commission. I would also like to thank our secretary Maureen Sodaro, the Selectboard, the Zoning Board, the Zoning Administrator, and both of our town clerks', we have all worked well together to get the work done that we needed to.

I hope that 2018 is a good year for all.

*Respectfully submitted,
Clark E. Hubbard, Chairman*

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

The cemeteries were opened for the season, with the usual cleanup and evaluation of winter damage. In the Willard Cemetery, 40 cedar fence posts were in need of repair, (which the committee would like to see the same fencing installed as Prouty Cemetery) as they are in very poor condition. In addition, five stones were repaired, 15 needed to be reset, and the gate was repainted.

A new sign was made for Prouty Cemetery. At Briggs Cemetery, the fence was removed and replaced for an interment. Fallen trees were cleared at the Willey Cemetery, and there were three stones reset at the Marsh Cemetery, with one needing repair.

Plants were placed at each cemetery, while weekly mowing and trimming continued into November.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Dewing,
Nancy Wilson,
Ellen Magnant,
and Howard Vanselette*

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

For 2017, big thanks go to our residents, both full-time and summertime. There were no reported dog attacks. Let's keep up the good work.

The obvious bad news of the summer was Lake Carmi. No one was fond of all the beach closures; but, all were done for the public's safety. Cyanobacteria are dangerous to everyone, so please respect the closures for your safety and your pets. Mother Nature plays a large role due to wind, water flow and where the beach is located. Unfortunately, it took a long time to get to where we are, and it won't go away overnight. Let's all do our part to work together and along with the State to come up with a solution.

*Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Ferland*

ENHANCED 911 REPORT

In 2017, four new addresses were added for Franklin. We are continually working with the State to correct past addressing errors. During this time, we are asking for your patience if we have to update your address. We understand the inconvenience that this causes; but, we are making these changes at the State's request.

Marking your driveway, residence or camp with a reflective address sign or clearly visible numbers will further ensure that emergency services can find you in the event of an emergency. Also, be sure that trees do not block your markers or signs to hinder emergency services locating your property.

Please report any missing street signs to the highway department at 285-2181 or the Town Clerk at 285-2101.

Requests for new E-911 addresses must be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Rainville

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

In 2017, I met with the Selectboard and local daycare center owners to discuss emergency response logistics and planning in the event of a natural or manmade disaster. Daycare centers are to adopt and share with emergency service agencies, a comprehensive plan outlining shelter-in-place, and evacuation policies and procedures.

The current Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) names the Franklin Central School as the primary shelter, for the community of Franklin, in the event of a disaster. The Franklin Fire Station would serve as the Emergency Operations Center.

The ongoing plan review process and training for Franklin Fire and Rescue personnel will promote safety and emergency response efficiency in the event of a disaster.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Toof,
Emergency Management Coordinator
Fire and Rescue Captain
Franklin Fire Dept.

FRANKLIN HOMESTEAD, INC.

Franklin Homestead, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing affordable housing options to seniors in our community. Through the Franklin Carriage House, we also provide Community Senior Meals to residents of the Franklin Homestead, and Meals on Wheels to the community. The FELCO Room, located at the Franklin Homestead, is a gathering place for both residents and the community. Franklin Homestead offers 23 apartments and Franklin Carriage House offers 18 efficiency apartments with supportive services including meals, cleaning, laundry and staff on-site 24 hours per day; both for seniors 55 and over. The FELCO Room is used by many local groups and organizations; Senior Dinners, 500 Card Parties, flu shot clinics, host Support and Services At Home (SASH) for residents and community members, various town committees, and for private parties. It also provides a great location for our residents to host large family gatherings.

This year, has again, been a busy one at the Franklin Homestead and Carriage House with a number of projects either completed or in progress including:

- Upgrading and replacing the heating system and boilers;
- Acquiring a generator for use during emergencies;
- Continuing to work with local fire and emergency management to update the FHI safety plan.

The FHI Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank the many community members who have either given donations and/or volunteered time to help enrich the lives of our residents.

If you would like more information on housing, use of the FELCO Room, or making a donation, please contact Stacy Silloway at 285-2944 or visit our website at franklincarriagehouse.webs.com.

Copies of the financial statements, as audited by McSoley and McCoy, are available for review at Franklin Homestead.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jay Hartman, Board President
Franklin Homestead, Inc.

VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK (VCDB) GRANT

In 1998, the Town of Franklin received a \$396,000 grant from VCDB of which \$391,000 was turned over to Franklin Homestead, Inc., to build the Franklin Carriage House and \$5,000 was retained to cover administrative and audit costs.

The first loan was in the amount of \$130,000 at a rate of 0% for a term of thirty (30) years. Payments are to be made per the grant/mortgage requirements.

The second loan was in the amount of \$261,000 at a rate of 0% for a term of thirty (30) years with payments deferred for each year the requirements of the VHCDB affordability covenant is maintained; and, 1/30 of the principal forgiven for each year it had previously maintained compliance with the covenant, providing there has been no change in use or ownership of the property. Remaining balance on this loan is \$113,100 with maturity on December 31, 2030

As of December 31, 2017, the Town of Franklin did not receive any payments from the Franklin Carriage House. A copy of the Franklin Homestead Inc. audit is available at the Town Clerk's Office.

FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Franklin Historical Society (FHS) had another extraordinarily busy year as we worked diligently to keep Franklin's history alive for our residents in 2017. Our current FHS Board members are Bryant J. Reynolds, President; Kimberly Gates Maynard, Vice President; Carole Richard, Treasurer; Sue Clark, Secretary and Nancy Magnant, Documents Curator. Other contributors to our FHS activities are the Ploof family, Burt Maynard, Carolyn Kittell, David Samson, Ruth Ann Krayesky, Pam Greene, David Bennion, Guy Roberge, and Priscilla Tiralla.

Our projects for 2017 included the following:

1. Finished the chinking-and-daubing of the exterior of the cabin with perma-chinking. This project was completed because of a generous donation from the Franklin Telephone Company, which is greatly appreciated!
2. Our exempt organization 501(C)(3) designation was, once again, restored due to the persistent hard work of Sue Clark and Carole Richard.
3. The digitizing of the MOLECULE was completed under the leadership of Carole Richard. Now, all Franklin High School graduates can go on-line to review those "happy days."
4. Our MEMORIAL DAY float honored the 100th anniversary of America's entry into World War I.
5. We presented historical programs for the Franklin Central School and the Cub Scouts.
6. Nancy Magnant collected, presented, and displayed historical information to honor the 200th anniversary of Franklin's Congregation Church.
7. David Bennion did a beautiful job photographing the Town Hall's painted curtain and then mounting the picture and a write-up of the curtain's history so it can be appreciated by all.
8. Carole Richard and Kimberly Gates Maynard researched and provided updated information on Franklin's historical homes for the Planning Commission to update the Town Plan.

Some of our future goals are:

1. FHS plans to restore the Franklin Summer Schedule.
2. Make period costumes to be worn for our various programs.
3. Discuss and try to resolve the chair storage at the town hall and the possibility of also adding curtains to the windows to improve the acoustics.
4. FHS will host a Franklin County wide meeting of historical societies in the spring 2018.

We cannot close this report without special mention of our cabin's lawn and landscaping care. For many years, the Grennon Family took great care of the cabin's lawn; but, in 2017, Guy Roberge took over these duties. Thanks to the Grennon Family for the years of support and also many, many thanks, Guy for taking this on!!!!

Finally, FHS would like to thank everyone who contributed to keeping Franklin history alive in 2017. We are always looking for more volunteers to come and join us!!!

Respectfully submitted,
Bryant J. Reynolds

LAKE CARMI CAMPER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Lake Carmi Camper's Association (LCCA), Inc. is dedicated to conserving our unique natural resources, improving and enhancing the quality of life and the environment, for all Franklin residents and visitors. In cooperation with local and state authorities, the Association strives to provide educational, cultural and recreational activities, water quality management assistance and safety education initiatives. Further, the Association provides a medium through which information and educational programs and materials are distributed throughout the community.

The LCCA is a vibrant force for all lake and area residents. The 2017 "***Celebrate Lake Carmi***," conducted during the July 4th holiday week, was a highlight of the summer in Franklin. Fireworks, a Pontoon Boat Race and a Pirate Raid Adventure, along with "Light up Lake Carmi," once again illuminated the true beauty and strong community spirit of the lake community. Planning for 2018 is ongoing.

The premiere event of the season was the 2017 Edition of the Lake Carmi "***Cottage Tour***". The tour featured beautiful and unique properties around and near the lake. The tour emulated the character, culture and community of Lake Carmi. It was a truly wonderful event.

Protection and improvement of the Lake Carmi watershed are paramount. The LCCA is very active and vocal in petitioning elected representatives and State officials to stop the pollution. The LCCA *Policy Committee* monitors legislative and state actions advocating clean water initiatives. The Association remains committed to working with landowners to improve the watershed. The LCCA is adamant that change must occur now. Lake Carmi cannot tolerate any more pollution; nor can the Town of Franklin sustain a diminished tax base or loss of economic activity due to pollution. The horrific algae blooms occurring this past summer were clearly indicative of this fact.

The LCCA is an active member of the VT Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Lake Carmi Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Implementation Team. The Team is the first of its kind, in the state, and is designed to initiate projects to improve the watershed.

The operation of the mechanical weed harvester is currently the sole means used to manage the nuisance weed, *Eurasian Water Milfoil*, in Lake Carmi. The LCCA *Clean Water Committee* will renew efforts, in 2018, to expand the coverage, operation and effectiveness of the harvester. This *Committee* is dedicated to researching all means to manage milfoil and improve water quality. The committee conducts an annual survey of the lake for aquatic invasive species and was responsible for the removal of the invasive water chestnut weed from the Mill Pond this summer.

The LCCA board is committed to working with the Town and State to find a solution for the control of milfoil and algae in the lake. The LCCA Annual Meeting in August featured a panel discussion on water quality with the Franklin County Legislative Delegation. The Lake Carmi Foundation also became a reality this summer and will facilitate fund-raising activities that will benefit Lake Carmi and the entire community. All methods continue to be researched and examined to improve the water quality of Lake Carmi. The LCCA and other partners are working with VT DEC to install an aeration system in the lake to curtail algae blooms. Aeration has effectively eliminated algae blooms in lakes and ponds across the country. The application of this technology, at Lake Carmi, is being examined in earnest. The State has allocated significant funds for this project which should be operational this summer. The LCCA is also collaborating with Norwich University; where students are researching means to filter pollutants emanating from drain tiles on fields in the watershed.

We remain strong supporters and partners with the Franklin Watershed Committee. The LCCA strongly urges lake shore owners to participate in the septic pump-out program, water conservation efforts and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation *Lake Wise Program*.

Security of lake property is of primary concern during the winter months. The LCCA contracts with the Franklin County Sheriff to patrol the lake area from October through April, providing a necessary law enforcement presence. The sheriff's presence at the lake is a benefit to the entire town.

The LCCA remains a strong supporter of the Franklin community. Donations were made to the Franklin Fire Department, Haston Library, and the Franklin Homestead.

The LCCA is a focal point for the dissemination of information to the lake and town communities. Our monthly newsletters are published and distributed by the Association to keep residents and friends informed about life at Lake Carmi and the Town of Franklin. The LCCA website has been revised and updated. All LCCA Newsletters and lots more are at www.lakecarmi.mylaketown.com. The LCCA Facebook Page is also widely read.

Our Board of Directors work throughout the year for the lake and town communities; all are un-paid volunteers. The LCCA Directors for 2017 to 2018 are Peter Benevento; John Costa; Ernie Englehardt; Rob Evans; Polly Gadbois; Hilda Hendrickson; Ruth Ann Krayesky; Diane Larose; Kyle Laurie; Robert Lumnah; Judith McLaughlin; and Larry Myott. All Board of Director meetings are open to the public with dates posted online and in the LCCA newsletters.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Ann Krayesky, President

FRANKLIN WATERSHED COMMITTEE, INC.

The purpose of the Franklin Watershed Committee (FWC) is to improve the healthful integrity of the Franklin watersheds so that the uses and the values desired by the people are assured and maintained, and to enhance the water quality and aesthetic values of Lake Carmi, as a recreational facility for today and future generations.

To achieve its stated purpose the FWC relies solely on grants and private donations. This year its efforts included: tree and shrub plantings; restoring culverts on Swamp Road, formulating plans for controlling storm water runoff at the Franklin Town Garage; completing an inventory of Camp Roads; finalizing a Lake Wise grant; funding the presence of a Boat Greeter at the Lake Carmi North Beach boat launch; sampling the Lake Carmi tributaries; and mapping the Lake Carmi watershed to identify improvement projects.

The tree and shrub plantings were made between the Town Beach and the north shore boat launch. The plantings were done to stabilize shore erosion and were completed by the FWC Board and family members.

The Swamp Road culvert project was financed through a Better Roads program grant which the FWC assisted the Town in administering. The work performed for this grant greatly improved the degree of erosion control surrounding several culverts on Swamp Road.

A grant was received for the Town Garage, through the VT Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Ecosystem Restoration Program (ERP), to fund design plans for a project to effectively channel storm water runoff and reduce impact on the Pike River. The FWC looks forward to working with the Town to request a second grant to implement the design plans.

A second Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Grant funded the completion of a Camp Roads Inventory. The inventory identified sections of road near Lake Carmi where improvements should be made to prevent harmful erosion from entering the lake. Grants to fund the identified road improvement projects will now be pursued. An ERP Lake Wise Grant was also finalized during the year. The Lake Wise Program promotes environmentally sound lake shore practices to prevent shore erosion and sediment from entering the lake. Five additional camps received Lake Wise recognition.

The Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) funded the presence of a Boat Greeter at Lake Carmi's north shore boat launch. The funds were received through an Aquatic Invasive Species grant designed to prevent harmful, non-native plants from entering and leaving Lake Carmi. Eurasian Water Milfoil has plagued Lake Carmi since the 1980s and preventing its spread to other lakes is paramount. The FWC has requested funding for two Boat Greeters in 2018 at the State Park and north beach. A facility to wash boats at the State Park will also, hopefully, be established.

The LCBP also funded the services of an ECO AmeriCorps person, through an Organizational Support Grant, who worked part-time for both the FWC and the Missisquoi River Basin Association to assist in taking water samples from the Lake Carmi tributaries and complete a mapping program of the Lake Carmi Watershed. The mapping program is intended to identify areas in the watershed for improvements to curtail phosphorous runoff.

The FWC worked with the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Program and co-hosted three environmental workshops that were held at the Franklin Homestead. The workshops focused on Pollination, Rain Gardens and Natural Shoreline Erosion Control.

The FWC is an active participant in the VT DEC Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Implementation Team that works to implement action items in the Lake Carmi TMDL phosphorous reduction plan. The horrific, toxic algae blooms that occurred in the lake in late summer clearly illuminated the need for immediate, meaningful action to reduce phosphorous runoff to the lake. The public's desire for urgent measures to prevent future algae blooms was greatly expressed at several team meetings in Franklin attended by the VT DEC Commissioner. The meetings culminated with a State Senate Public Hearing on the matter at the Franklin Town Hall in November.

The FWC remains committed to working with the State, the Town, farmers, land owners and lake shore residents to reduce the harmful phosphorous runoffs that fuel the algae blooms. Lake Carmi is a treasured, iconic Vermont natural resource that must be protected and preserved.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Benevento, President

FRANKLIN WATERSHED COMMITTEE, INC.

Beginning Balance January 1,2017 - Checking		\$ 15,898.67
Adjustment; 2016 deposit not previously included		100.00
Adjustment		<u>(0.03)</u>
Adjusted Beginning Balance January 1,2017 - Checking		\$ 15,998.64
INCOME		
GRANTS		
2015 ERP Lakewise Grant	\$ 9,125.00	*
2017 ERP 1-04 - Camp Road Survey	1,719.00	
2016 Parks & Rec - Tree Grant	1,000.00	*
OTHER FUNDS		
MRBA - Reimbursement	4,062.50	
DONATIONS		
Ben & Jerry's	500.00	
Lake Carmi Campers Association	2,500.00	
Northrop Grumman Corp	5,000.00	
Town of Franklin	5,000.00	
Local Donations	186.00	
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>463.91</u>	
TOTAL INCOME		<u>29,556.41</u>
TOTAL CASH/INCOME		<u><u>\$ 45,555.05</u></u>
EXPENSES		
2017 Town Garage Grant	\$ 7,951.02	**
2017 LCBP - Boat Greeter	2,657.76	**
2017 LCBP - AmeriCorps	6,500.00	**
2017 ERP 1-04 - Camp Road Survey	1,219.07	
2017 Septic Pump out Program	1,600.00	
2017 Coordinator	8,638.80	
2016 Local Watershed Expenses	<u>4,036.41</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 32,603.06
Ending Balance - December 31, 2017 - Checking		<u>12,951.99</u>
TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES		<u><u>\$ 45,555.05</u></u>

State of VT reimbursements occur after expenses are paid.

* Reimbursement for expenses incurred in 2016; received in 2017

** Expenses incurred in 2017; pending income reimbursement

Respectively submitted,
Marion Benevento, Treasurer FWC

HASTON LIBRARY REPORT

Haston Library patrons, this fiscal year 7/1/2016 - 6/30/2017, circulated 5,434 materials, interlibrary loaned 517 items, and downloaded 315 audiobooks/eBooks from Green Mountain Library Consortium Overdrive.

Some of the programming offered during the fiscal year included two Border Patrol agents and their German Shepard K-9's conducting a working demonstration; the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum's Animal Athletes featuring local wildlife displaying amazing physical feats; Franklin County's own, Ilze Luneau from Basketball Family, performing basketball handling tricks; and our annual Movie at the Haston. Kathy Giroux was back with landscape scene and three dimensional needle felting programs. Aaron Shepard of Northwest Solid Waste District returned with an adult composting workshop.

Technology Saturdays, offering help with basic computer tasks and digital devices, is our newest weekly program held 9am-10am. We continue to offer a weekly Story Hour, Lego Thursdays and a monthly adult book discussion. Patrons can borrow the State Park, Echo Center, Shelburne Farm, Shelburne Museum, State Historic Sites, Vermont History Museum and Birds of Vermont passes.

The Franklin High School yearbook, *The Molecules*, May 1937 - June 1970, are now available on the Haston Library's website. The *Molecules* are stored in the "clouds" available through any digital device anywhere.

The Haston Library was part of the Franklin County Libraries, (FLARE), first annual Art Bop held in March. Susan Gerson Galusha's paintings were on display and the artist held a watercolor class for patrons of all ages.

In May 2017, the Haston Library was awarded a CLiF (Children's Literacy Foundation) Rural Library Grant for the 2017-2018 school year. Please visit our website for further information about this exciting award, including programs and new juvenile books.

The Parent Child Center funded Nature Walks with Kurt Valenta, t-shirts for Tractor Day, backpacks for children's book, CD kits, and the Backpack Theatre's performance of Peter Pan and the Three Bears.

The Franklin preschool participated in the Children's Garden Programs funded by the New England Grassroots Environment Fund Seed Grant of \$700.00

The library was also awarded a \$200.00 Summer Reading Program Performer Grant.

The Haston Library is now a participant in the Green Mountain Messenger Delivery Service, a courier service for interlibrary loan materials. Federal grant funds for this project were made possible from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, which covered half the cost of the weekly delivery/pickup.

The library received donations made in memory of Eric Choiniere, which will be used to expand our science fiction and fantasy book collection. Donations were also made in memory of Patricia Mason that were used for children's programs and materials for the Polar Express this year and will continue to be used for future children's programs.

The Strategic Planning Committee conducted a community survey asking what the library can do for you/your family over the next three years. From the compiled information, a strategic plan to better serve the community will be released in 2018.

The Haston Library is your FREE public library and warmly welcomes everyone to use its services and resources to the fullest.

Respectfully submitted by,
The Board of Trustees
Staff & Volunteers

HASTON LIBRARY COMBINED REPORT
TREASURER'S REPORT & BUDGET COMPARISON

	FY17 7/1/16 - 6/30/17		FY18 7/1/17 - 6/30/18		FY19 7/1/18 - 6/30/19
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Fund Balance - Beginning July 1					
Checking Account		\$ 8,230.39			
Petty Cash		<u>75.00</u>			
Total Fund Balance		\$ 8,305.39			
INCOME					
Town Funds	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00
Fundraising	1,000.00	1,016.91	1,400.00	1,200.00	2,500.00
Donations/Designated	500.00	1,087.97	300.00	2,924.13	
Interest Earned	800.00	1,150.45	900.00	800.00	1,000.00
Grant Income		1,230.00		640.00	
Petty Cash Receipts	<u>250.00</u>	<u>126.10</u>	<u>250.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 40,550.00	\$ 42,611.43	\$ 40,850.00	\$ 43,764.13	\$ 41,750.00
TOTAL INCOME & FUND BALANCE JULY 1		\$ 50,916.82			
EXPENSES					
Salaries	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,380.70	\$ 25,008.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,325.00
Cleaning Contract	1,500.00	1,520.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Payroll Taxes	2,027.00	2,009.80	2,027.00	2,027.00	2,052.00
Books/Subscriptions	6,285.00	6,047.59	5,535.00	5,500.00	5,535.00
Operating Memberships	900.00	901.28	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,151.00
Processing/Shipping	400.00	341.03	310.00	300.00	340.00
Capital Expenses	600.00	483.66			
Programs	1,800.00	1,109.42	800.00	500.00	1,100.00
Supplies	1,150.00	1,181.27	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,180.00
Technology & Support	500.00	231.07	500.00	100.00	700.00
Telephone Expense	900.00	913.83	900.00	900.00	900.00
Postage Expense	100.00	47.00	50.00	49.00	50.00
Interlibrary Loan Costs	950.00	883.56	900.00	900.00	900.00
Professional Development	720.00	452.14	550.00	550.00	650.00
Professional Resources	300.00	299.49	150.00	165.50	150.00
Mileage	300.00	227.03	300.00	300.00	250.00
Miscellaneous	300.00	326.32	100.00	600.00	100.00
Fundraisers/Cook book	200.00	50.00			
Shipping & Handling	100.00	124.47	100.00	100.00	100.00
Seed Grant Expense		693.60			
Advertising	50.00				
Memorial	-	-	-	1,000.00	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 44,082.00	\$ 42,223.26	\$ 40,830.00	\$ 41,591.50	\$ 41,983.00
Fund Balance - Ending June 30					
Checking Account		\$ 8,653.56			
Petty Cash		<u>40.00</u>			
Total Fund Balance		\$ 8,693.56			
TOTAL EXPENSES & FUND BALANCE JUNE 30		\$ 50,916.82			

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

HASTON LIBRARY & EBEN RACINE MEMORIAL FUNDS

Beginning Balances - January 1, 2017

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	3,300.00	
Haston Fund Share Account		5,150.99	
Haston Fund interest payable		452.63	
Haston Library Fund - CD		9,000.00	
Edward Jones Investments		<u>30,000.00</u>	
TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE	\$		47,903.62

INCOME

Interest Income	\$	<u>1,127.56</u>
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TOTAL INCOME/BEGINNING BALANCE	\$	<u>49,031.18</u>
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EXPENSES

Interest transferred to Library Account	\$	1,345.43
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Ending Balances - December 31, 2017

Eben Racine Fund - CD	\$	3,300.00	
Haston Fund Share Account		5,150.99	
Haston Fund interest payable		234.76	
Haston Library Fund - CD		9,000.00	
Edward Jones Investments		<u>30,000.00</u>	
TOTAL ENDING BALANCES	\$	<u>47,685.75</u>	*

TOTAL EXPENSES/ENDING BALANCE	\$	<u>49,031.18</u>
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Interest payable \$234.76 to Haston Library

Eben Racine Fund balance \$3,300.00

Haston Library Fund balance \$44,150.99; Market Value \$44,650.99

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Gates Maynard

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015-14</u>
Blass, Belinda	\$ 1,289.08	\$ 1,289.08	\$ -	\$ -
Corey-Harrison, Amy	3,526.92	3,526.92		
Desmaris, Tim	41.07		41.07	
Domina, Steven	37.38	37.38		
Donaldson, Allan	58.91		58.91	
Forbes, Cynthia	1,528.64	1,528.64		
Fregeau, Craig & Jennifer	2,402.85	2,402.85		
Goss, Jerome	2,559.15	2,559.15		
Gratton, Isaiah & Heather	1,809.07	1,809.07		
Greenia, Matthew & Dee	479.06	479.06		
Hopkins, Wendy	1,070.83	1,070.83		
Jenne, Lorraine	1,749.19	1,749.19		
Jerry, Robert Jr	2,008.67	2,008.67		
Juran, Brian	57.35	57.35		
King, Bruce Jr	1,576.17	1,576.17		
Langlois, Mark & Cheryl	1,717.61	1,717.61		
Larose, Ryan	1,537.69	1,537.69		
Laughlin, Corey	180.15	180.15		
Laurie, Jay	151.15	77.95	73.20	
Lyman, Geraldine	2,262.71	790.94	742.69	729.08
Meunier, James & Belinda Blass	2,485.17	2,485.17		
Perry, David & Erin	22.87	22.87		
Rebello, Michael	467.85	467.85		
Riley, Chad & Amy	41.83	41.83		
Sargeant, Wendy	3,506.93	3,506.93		
Ulfik, Edward	195.94	195.94		
Woods, David & Ardith	6,493.14	3,642.89	2,850.25	
TOTAL DELINQUENT	\$ 39,257.38	\$ 34,762.18	\$ 3,766.12	\$ 729.08
 Delinquent 12/31/2016	 \$ 46,746.74	 \$ -	 \$ 38,181.58	 \$ 8,565.16
To Tax Collector 10/17/2017	65,189.85	65,189.85		
Abatement 12/6/17	(514.73)	(64.64)	(60.70)	(389.39)
Adjustments-HSA & State pmt	(536.31)	(536.31)		
Collected by Tax Collector	(71,628.17)	(29,826.72)	(34,354.76)	(7,446.69)
TOTAL DELINQUENT 12/31/17	\$ 39,257.38	\$ 34,762.18	\$ 3,766.12	\$ 729.08
 INTEREST PD-GENERAL FUND	 \$ 5,460.09	 \$ 627.76	 \$ 2,368.40	 \$ 2,463.93

Respectfully submitted,
Johanna Crane-Godin

FRANKLIN WATER DISTRICT

In 2017, the Franklin Water District provided drinking water to approximately 320 users through 92 connections in the village area, from the Webster Spring source. The Town's water system is registered as public drinking water system number VT0005120. Routine monitoring, required by state and federal regulations, was performed with samples collected by the Town's licensed Water Operator and testing performed by a state-certified laboratory. Repairs were made to several lines and hydrants. Also, there was an incident of presence of bacteria detected at low concentration in a tap sample, but repeat sampling indicated no bacteria. The standby chlorinator pump is ready for use if it is needed for a temporary period. There is not a plan to continuously or routinely chlorinate the water.

The water tank upgrade project was delayed with the Town waiting for consultant engineering and state review of that scope. In early 2017, the Town submitted a revised draft scope agreement for Consulting Engineer to the State for approval, related to the pending tank upgrades. On June 8, 2017, the State sent the Town a Notice of Alleged Violation related to delays in addressing items which had been previously scheduled in the Permit to Operate. All of those items related to the pending tank upgrade project. Soon thereafter, the State approved the engineering scope; and the Town signed an engineering agreement with Otter Creek Engineering, Inc. for completion of the preliminary study and design of the tank upgrades. The upgrades are scheduled for construction in March-September of 2019. The upgrades will primarily consist of adding control devices, including master flow metering, and water level monitoring devices at the storage tank; plus, a limestone contactor to reduce the natural corrosivity of the water as a contingency.

The Town has renewed its contract with the licensed Water Operator, Mark Brouillette.

Respectfully submitted
Mr. J. E. Alexant
Chairman, Water Commission

FRANKLIN WATER DISTRICT

	FY17 7/1/16 - 6/30/17 Budget	FY17 Actual	FY18 7/1/17 - 6/30/18 Budget	FY18 Anticipated	FY19 7/1/18 - 6/30/19 Budget
Fund Balance - Beginning July 1		\$ 24,783.20			
INCOME					
Water Rent	\$ 34,490.00	\$ 34,918.12	\$ 34,900.00	\$ 34,900.00	\$ 35,200.00
Late Fees	40.00	10.00	40.00	150.00	120.00
Interest	50.00	62.39	50.00	55.00	50.00
Miscellaneous		20.00		10.00	10.00
Planning Loan		7,544.00			
Upgrade Project Loan	89,600.00	-	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 124,180.00	\$ 42,554.51	\$ 134,990.00	\$ 35,115.00	\$ 135,380.00
TOTAL INCOME & FUND BALANCE JULY 1		\$ 67,337.71			
EXPENSES					
Contracted Operator	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,326.00	\$ 4,326.00	\$ 5,133.00
Treasurer / Secretary (includes p/r taxes)	1,120.00	890.07	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,260.00
Spring Rental		21.20	22.00	20.00	20.00
Repair & Maintenance	5,000.00	2,296.54	5,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
Utilities	1,320.00	232.12	1,200.00	270.82	1,200.00
Insurance	750.00	490.20	700.00	393.00	400.00
Mowing Expense/Plowing	900.00	234.80	400.00	200.00	300.00
Office Expense	100.00	126.99	150.00	110.00	150.00
Water sample laboratory	1,000.00	1,025.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Permit to Operate	700.00	755.55	800.00	780.00	800.00
Training/Mileage	200.00	390.00	200.00	250.00	250.00
Long Term Debt-FmHA/Peoples Loan	14,109.74	14,574.20	14,109.74	13,563.14	13,563.14
System Upgrade debt repayment	6,000.00		10,000.00		1,953.84
SYSTEM UPGRADE COSTS:					
Preliminary Engineering Base Scope Study and Final Design				9,000.00	4,000.00
Develop Hydraulic Engineering Assessment of Distribution System				1,000.00	1,000.00
Application for SWRF Planning Loan and Construction Loan					
Interim equipment upgrades - chlorinator chemical feed pump/chemicals	200.00				
Tank equipment upgrades - tank level / flow recording-Construction			90,000.00		36,000.00
Tank Upgrade Project-Engineer Inspection & Documentation	-	-	-	-	3,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 35,599.74	\$ 25,236.67	\$ 128,907.74	\$ 34,912.96	\$ 75,029.98
Fund Balance - Ending June 30		42,101.04			
TOTAL EXPENSES & FUND BALANCE JUNE 30		\$ 67,337.71			

Franklin Recreation Department

Our Mission: "To offer quality, year round, recreational opportunities to the residents and visitors of Franklin, while enhancing the physical, mental, cultural and social needs of our community."

Throughout the past year, the Franklin Recreation Department has offered increased athletic opportunities for children, as well as a variety of activities for families and adults in Franklin and surrounding communities. In addition, we have begun collaborating and establishing important relationships within our Town as well as with those around Franklin County and at the State Level. During the upcoming year(s), we plan to continue to offer athletic opportunities for all ages as well as increase recreational activities offered to the residents of Franklin. Through improved communication, collaboration and coordination, we believe we can make a difference!

Last year we shared a list of programs we would like to offer in the near future. We are happy to report that during the past year, we have collaborated with other local community service groups to offer several new opportunities to residents of our Town, including:

- The Soccer, Basketball and Little League programs to a wider range of ages
- The 2nd Annual Winter Carnival (with Parent Child Center (PCC), Haston Library, FGI Bookmobile, and Farm to School Program)
- A Paint and Sip - Moonlight Over Lake Carmi (courtesy of Jon Young & 14th Star Brewery)
- Tree Lighting (with Haston Library)
- The Polar Express (with PCC and Haston Library) & Lighted Holiday Parade
- The Zombie 5K Fun Run
- A Fall Foliage Bus Tour
- A Community Pizza Dinner (with Farm to School Program, Haston Library, FGI Bookmobile, and PCC)
- A Family Bus Trip to Granby Zoo
- A Bus Trip to Snow Farm Vineyards Concert Series
- Camp Discover (partnered with the Rouleau family)

The turnout and support we have received for many of these events has been overwhelming. We are humbled by the positive feedback we have received and are thankful to be part of such a wonderful community. During the upcoming year, the Franklin Recreation Department would like to continue to provide new and exciting opportunities to the residents of Franklin. We need your help and feedback to continue to offer events that will be well attended. We will welcome and consider any suggestions.

In July, a part time Recreation Director was hired. The main focus of the Recreation Director has been to coordinate the youth athletic programs. This has allowed members of the Recreation Board to offer other programs to Franklin Residents. To continue to increase recreational and social opportunities to the residents of Franklin, the Recreation Department is once again asking for \$16,000 to fund the Recreation Director position, as well as ongoing expenses that support our programs. To see how we have allocated our funds, please review our budget in the Town Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Thompson, Chair

Bridgette Favreau, Treasurer

Stephanie Ho, Secretary

Stacy Godin, Community Coordinator

Dawn Fournier, Recreation Director

Rachel Dumeny, Youth Member

Help our programs and community grow!

Email us at: franklinrecreation@gmail.com or find us on

Facebook: www.facebook.com/FranklinVTRecreation

You can always leave us a message with the Franklin Town Clerk: 285-2101

FRANKLIN RECREATION DEPARTMENT

	FY17	FY18	FY18	FY19
	7/1/16-6/30/17	7/1/17-6/30/18		7/1/18-6/30/19
	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Fund Balance - Unrestricted	\$ 1,139.12			
<u>INCOME</u>				
Franklin Town Assessment		\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
Donations/Fundraising	1,199.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Sponsors	2,350.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Scholarship Fund			755.00	750.00
Polar Express			117.00	100.00
Program/Registration Fees:				
Basketball		1,600.00	1,299.50	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	260.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Soccer	-	1,600.00	2,314.50	2,200.00
Total Income	3,809.00	21,200.00	24,486.00	24,050.00
TOTAL INCOME & FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 4,948.12</u>			
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
Director Salary	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Other Payroll Expenses		760.00	765.00	765.00
Insurance-Liability/Workers Comp		887.00	200.00	200.00
Board Member Stipend		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Subscriptions/Memberships		130.00	110.00	130.00
Website/Marketing		350.00		350.00
Office Supplies	358.44	250.00	200.00	250.00
Training & Travel		500.00		500.00
Transportation			200.00	200.00
Field Maintenance	305.00	500.00	500.00	1,000.00
Port-o-lets		800.00	800.00	900.00
Winter Carnival		500.00	500.00	500.00
Polar Express				200.00
Program Expenses:				
Basketball		980.00	1,362.00	980.00
Miscellaneous			2,500.00	2,500.00
Soccer	-	2,630.00	2,697.11	2,630.00
Total Expenses	\$ 663.44	\$ 19,787.00	\$ 21,334.11	\$ 22,605.00
Fund Balance - Unrestricted	<u>4,284.68</u>			
TOTAL EXPENSES & FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 4,948.12</u>			
LITTLE LEAGUE - RESTRICTED FUND				
Beginning Balance	\$ 5,300.86			
Income	3,954.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,500.00
Expenses	(5,127.75)	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 4,127.11</u>			

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Directors:

Bridget Thompson, Stephanie Ho

Bridgette Favreau, Stacy Godin

Dawn Fournier, Recreation Director

EQUIPMENT FUND

July 1, 2016

Beginning Balance - Money Market \$ 495.28

INCOME

Interest 11.87

Equipment Fund - FY17 Tax Assessment 10,000.00

TOTAL CASH/INCOME **\$ 10,507.15**

EXPENSES

People's Trust - Fees \$ 30.00

June 30, 2017

Ending Balance - Money Market \$ 10,477.15

TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES **\$ 10,507.15**

DOG LICENSES

Sex	#	Rate	Fees	State	Kennel	Late Fees	Total
Spayed	121	\$ 8.00	\$ 968.00	\$ 605.00		\$ 64.00	\$ 1,637.00
Neutered	113	8.00	904.00	565.00		64.00	1,533.00
Male	33	12.00	396.00	165.00		24.00	585.00
Female	26	12.00	312.00	130.00		44.00	486.00
Kennel	10				\$ 30.00		30.00
Totals	303		\$ 2,580.00	\$ 1,465.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 196.00	\$ 4,271.00

2017 Dog License Rates

Town	State	Total	
\$8.00	\$5.00	\$13.00	Neutered/Spayed
\$12.00	\$5.00	\$17.00	Unaltered

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT
MUNICIPAL CHECKING

July 1, 2016

TOTAL CASH - Checking Account **\$ 109,657.15**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Highway</u>	<u>Weed Harvester</u>	<u>Combined</u>
<u>INCOME</u>				
FY17 Property Taxes	\$ 160,320.82	\$ 214,259.57		\$ 374,580.39
FY17 Ed Reconciliation	24,530.12			24,530.12
FY18 Property Taxes	3,524.87			3,524.87
Delinquent Taxes	74,359.78			74,359.78
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	5,386.02			5,386.02
8% Penalty	5,948.75			5,948.75
State of Vermont:				
Hold Harmless/Current Use	13,338.00	24,773.00		38,111.00
PILOT	1,893.00			1,893.00
Parks and Recreation	12,534.97			12,534.97
Parcel Maintenance	970.00			970.00
Aid to Highways		102,856.15		102,856.15
VTrans Structure Grant/Morses Line Rd		25,261.00		25,261.00
Aquatic Nuisance Grant			3,570.00	3,570.00
Municipal Portion of Tax Credit	2,384.92			2,384.92
State Grant	179.99	152,922.00		153,101.99
Permits	3,015.00			3,015.00
Fees	11,916.85			11,916.85
Dog Licenses	2,842.00			2,842.00
Liquor Licenses	140.00			140.00
Interest Income	780.43			780.43
Town Hall Rental	1,610.00			1,610.00
Lake Greeter Program	2,500.00			2,500.00
Other Income	8,273.86	8,377.98		16,651.84
Reserves Income:				
Computerization	1,325.00			1,325.00
Act 60 Reappraisal	8,245.00			8,245.00
Surcharge Restoration	3,975.00			3,975.00
FY16 A/R Income	9,744.75	10,000.00	-	19,744.75
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 359,739.13	\$ 538,449.70	\$ 3,570.00	\$ 901,758.83
TOTAL CASH/INCOME				<u>\$ 1,011,415.98</u>

EXPENSES

FY17 Selectboard Orders Paid	\$ 336,068.93	\$ 589,735.06	\$ 4,098.45	\$ 929,902.44
Reserve Accounts Orders Paid	\$ 3,830.35			\$ 3,830.35

June 30, 2017

TOTAL CASH - Checking Account **\$ 77,683.19**

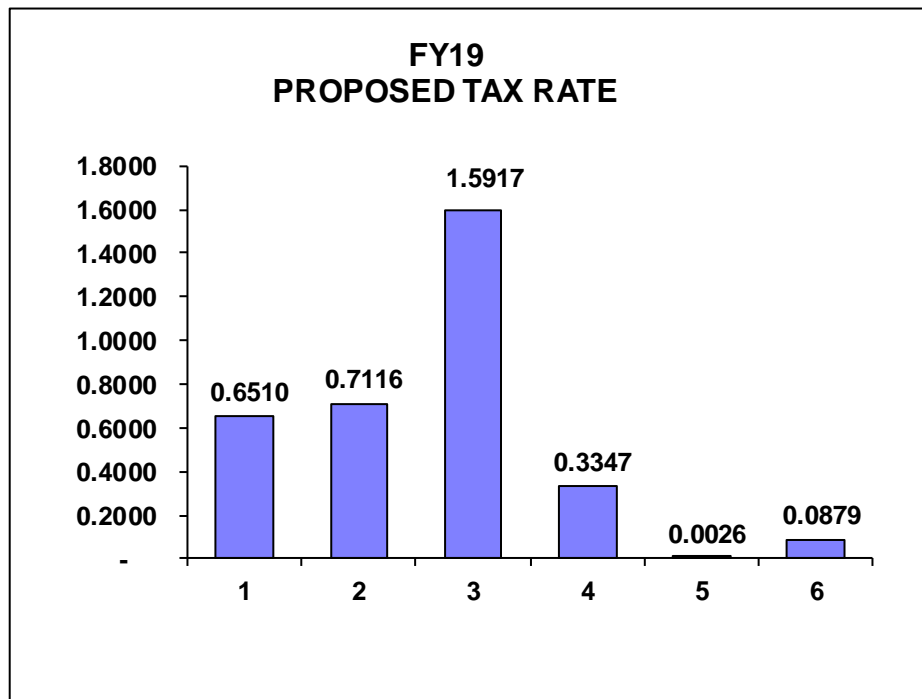
TOTAL CASH/EXPENSES **\$ 1,011,415.98**

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

COMPARISON OF TAX RATES

					PROPOSED	
	FY17	FY17	FY18	FY18	FY19	FY19
	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident
Homest. Ed Tax-local	0.6328		0.6421		0.6510	
Homest. Ed Tax-H.S.	0.6133		0.6540		0.7116	
Non-Res Ed. Tax		1.4768		1.5012		1.5917
Municipal	0.2430	0.2430	0.3277	0.3277	0.3347	0.3347
Veterans Exemption	0.0025	0.0025	0.0029	0.0029	0.0026	0.0026
FY17 Art 9 & 11-Watershed	0.0033	0.0033				
FY17 Art 12-Sand Shed Ends	0.0096	0.0096				
FY17 Art 13-Plow Truck	0.0090	0.0090	0.0091	0.0091	0.0091	0.0091
FY16 Art 10-Fire Truck	0.0258	0.0258	0.0264	0.0264	0.0257	0.0257
2013 Art 14 Sand Shed	0.0153	0.0153	0.0146	0.0146		
FY18 Art 9-Sidewalks			0.0071	0.0071		
FY18 & 19 Art 10-Rec Dept			0.0103	0.0103	0.0103	0.0103
FY18 Art 11 Snow Blower			0.0020	0.0020		
FY19 Art 9 Hanna Rd					0.0261	0.0261
FY19 Art 10 Lake Carmi					0.0064	0.0064
FY19 Art 11 Loader					0.0103	0.0103
TAX RATE	1.5546	1.7853	1.6962	1.9013	1.7878	2.0169

Grand List Totals	\$853,153	\$677,694	\$855,677	\$700,480	\$875,049	\$680,492
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- 1 - Homestead Education Tax - Local School
- 2 - Homestead Education Tax - High School
- 3 - Non-Residential Education Tax
- 4 - Municipal
- 5 - Veterans Exemption
- 6 - Voted Articles

FY18 STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

GRAND LIST:			Grand List Values	Rate	FY18 Assessed
Homestead Ed Tax - Local			855,677.00	0.6421	\$ 549,430.23
Homestead Ed Tax - MVU			855,677.00	0.6540	559,612.76
Non-Residential Ed Tax			700,479.90	1.5012	1,051,560.32
Municipal			1,557,171.00	0.3277	510,284.60
Veteran's Exemption			1,557,171.00	0.0029	4,515.92
Article 9-Sidewalks			1,557,171.00	0.0071	11,055.87
Article 10-Recreation Department			1,557,171.00	0.0103	16,038.97
Article 11-Snowblower			1,557,171.00	0.0020	3,114.28
Article 12-Sand Shed			1,557,171.00	0.0146	22,734.88
Article 13-Plow Truck			1,557,171.00	0.0091	14,170.34
2014 Article 10-Fire Truck			1,557,171.00	0.0264	41,109.36
Penalties assessed					321.89
Original to be Billed					\$ 2,783,949.42
Net changes - HS-122, E&O, BCA & penalties					(3,601.86)
Adjusted Total to be Billed					\$ 2,780,347.56
Tax Area	Tax Rate	Actual FY18 Billed	Adjustments		Adjusted amount billed
Homestead Ed Tax-Local	0.6421	\$ 549,430.23	\$ 12,438.73		\$ 561,868.96
Homestead Ed Tax-MVU	0.6540	559,612.76	12,669.31		572,282.07
Non-Residential Ed Tax	1.5012	1,051,560.32	(29,330.45)		1,022,229.87
Municipal Tax	0.3277	510,284.60	(54.38)		510,230.22
Veteran's Exemption	0.0029	4,515.92	(0.48)		4,515.44
Article 9-Sidewalks	0.0071	11,055.87	(1.18)		11,054.69
Article 10-Recreation Department	0.0103	16,038.97	(1.71)		16,037.26
Article 11-Snowblower	0.0020	3,114.28	(0.34)		3,113.94
Article 12-Sand Shed	0.0146	22,734.88	(2.42)		22,732.46
Article 13-Plow Truck	0.0091	14,170.34	(1.53)		14,168.81
2014 Article 10-Fire Truck	0.0264	41,109.36	(4.38)		41,104.98
Penalties assessed		321.89	686.97		1,008.86
Total		\$ 2,783,949.42	\$ (3,601.86)		\$ 2,780,347.56

TAXES COLLECTED/PAID BY TREASURER:

Homestead Education Tax-Local	\$ 431,325.28
Homestead Education Tax-MVU	405,387.19
Non-Residential Education Tax	1,050,080.00
Municipal	453,521.23
Veteran's Exemptions	4,515.44
Article 12-Sand Shed	22,224.00
Article 13-Plow Truck	13,515.00
Article 10-2014-Fire Truck	39,493.00
Article 9-Sidewalks	11,000.00
Article 10-Recreation Department	16,000.00
Article 11-Snowblower	3,300.00
Total Taxes Collected	\$ 2,450,361.14
State Education Portion of Tax Credit Direct to School	\$ 273,942.68
Unreconciled State Education Portion Tax Credit	24,428.18
FY18 Tax overpayments/abatements refunded	(18,615.84)
FY19 Prepayments/Liability	(11,737.35)
Municipal portion of tax credits	(3,221.10)
To Tax Collector 2017	65,189.85
Total Taxes	\$ 2,780,347.56

TOWN OF FRANKLIN
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

CURRENT ASSETS

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

	6/30/2016	6/30/2017
Municipal Checking	\$ 109,657.15	\$ 77,683.19
Equipment	495.28	10,477.15
Haston Library, plus petty cash	8,305.39	8,693.56
Recreation	1,139.12	8,411.79
Water District	24,783.20	41,636.04
Health Reimbursement Account	807.93	670.31
TOTAL CHECKING ACCOUNTS	\$ 145,188.07	\$ 147,572.04

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Historic Preservation	\$ 9,744.75	\$ -
Better Roads Program	10,000.00	
Water District		765.00
Delinquent Tax Collector	-	8,853.84
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$ 19,744.75	\$ 9,618.84

TOTAL ASSETS

AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	<u>\$ 164,932.82</u>	<u>\$ 157,190.88</u>
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CURRENT RESERVES, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

RESERVES AND LIABILITIES

Act 60 Reappraisal	\$ 32,861.00	\$ 41,106.00
Listers Education	1,490.16	1,355.16
Surcharge Restoration Fee	26,145.60	29,475.62
Computerization	7,228.30	5,502.93
Prepaid Taxes	7,326.88	3,524.87
Prepaid Water District Rent		300.00
Little League	-	4,127.11
TOTAL RESERVES AND LIABILITIES	\$ 75,051.94	\$ 85,391.69

FUND ACCOUNT BALANCES

Municipal	\$ 12,691.87	\$ 25,728.17
Highway	35,039.43	(26,245.93)
Weed Harvester	6,618.66	6,090.21
Equipment	495.28	10,477.15
Haston Library, plus petty cash	8,305.39	8,693.56
Recreation Funds	1,139.12	4,284.68
Water District	24,783.20	42,101.04
Health Reimbursement Account	807.93	670.31
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 89,880.88	\$ 71,799.19
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 164,932.82</u>	<u>\$ 157,190.88</u>

Reserve/Liabilities Account Changes

FY17

Account	Entry	7/1/2016 Start of Year	Increase	Decrease	6/30/2017 End of Year
St of VT Act 60 - Reserve	Beginning Balance \$	32,861.00	\$ 8,245.00		\$ 41,106.00
	Ending Balance				
State Listers Ed - Reserve	Beginning Balance \$	1,490.16		\$ 135.00	\$ 1,355.16
	Ending Balance				
Surcharge Restoration - Reserve	Beginning Balance \$	26,145.60	\$ 3,975.00	\$ 644.98	\$ 29,475.62
	Ending Balance				
Computerization - Reserve	Beginning Balance \$	7,228.30	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 3,050.37	\$ 5,502.93
	Ending Balance				
Little League - Reserve	Beginning Balance \$	5,300.86	\$ 3,954.00	\$ 5,127.75	\$ 4,127.11
	Ending Balance				
Prepaid Taxes - Liability	Beginning Balance \$	7,326.88	\$ 3,524.87	\$ 7,326.88	\$ 3,524.87
	Ending Balance				
Prepaid Water District Rent - Liability	Beginning Balance \$	-	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
	Ending Balance				
Ending FY17 Reserve/Liabilities Balance					\$ 85,391.69

Long Term Debt

Sand Shed; Built 2/10/2013	Fiscal Year	Principal	2.15% Interest	Payment; with interest
4 year note; w/first payment 10/16/2014	15	\$ 21,167.42	\$ 1,554.04	\$ 22,721.46
\$86,500 Community National Bank	16	21,321.80	1,399.66	22,721.46
	17	21,786.45	935.01	22,721.46
Final payment 10/20/2017	18	22,224.33	464.81	22,689.14
Total paid with interest		\$ 86,500.00	\$ 4,353.52	\$ 90,853.52
Raised by Article in 1st Year		\$ 23,500.00	Note Payable	\$ 86,500.00
Note		86,500.00	Balance FY15	65,332.58
Sand Shed Article		\$ 110,000.00	Balance FY16	44,010.78
			Balance FY17	22,224.33
			Balance FY18	\$ -

paid in full

2015 International Fire Truck; Purchased 03/28/2016	Fiscal Year	Principal	1.3% Interest *	Payment; with interest
4 year note; w/first payment 11/01/2016	17	\$ 39,844.80	\$ 1,238.90	\$ 41,083.70
\$160,000 Union Bank	18	39,884.58	1,199.12	41,083.70
	19	40,035.47	1,048.23	41,083.70
Final payment 11/01/2019	20	40,235.15	889.96	41,125.11
Total paid with interest		\$ 160,000.00	\$ 4,376.21	\$ 164,376.21
Fire Department Fund		\$ 67,164	Note Payable	\$ 160,000.00
Loan to Union Bank		160,000	Balance FY17	120,155.20
Total Invoice cost of 2015 Fire Truck		\$ 227,164	Balance FY18	80,270.62
			Balance FY19	40,235.15
			Balance FY20	\$ -

* variable interest adjusted in report each year

2016 International Plow Truck with Dump and Plow; Purchased 07/16/2016	Fiscal Year	Principal	1.4% Interest *	Payment; with interest
\$55,000 Union Bank	17	\$ 13,857.56	\$ 244.04	\$ 14,101.60
	18	13,872.29	229.31	14,101.60
4 year note; beginning 11/1/2016	19	13,715.02	386.58	14,101.60
Final payment 11/01/2019	20	13,555.13	537.07	14,092.20
Total paid with interest		\$ 55,000.00	\$ 1,397.00	\$ 56,397.00
Trade of 2006 Mack		\$ 55,000	Note Payable	\$ 55,000.00
Equipment Fund Allocation		61,000	Balance FY17	41,142.44
Highway Fund Allocation		12,184	Balance FY18	27,270.15
Loan to Union Bank		55,000	Balance FY19	13,555.13
Total Invoice cost of plow truck		\$ 183,184	Balance FY20	\$ -

* variable interest adjusted in report each year

BUDGET NARRATIVE – FY19

GENERAL:

Salaries: 2% salary increase for Clerk/Treasurer and Assistant Clerk/Treasurer; Stipends for Selectboard, Animal Control Officer, Constable, Health Officer; Janitor and Zoning Administrator; minimum wage increase to \$10.50 for Auditors and Listers. Change in the school fiscal contracted services for Clerk/Treasurer will have offsetting revenue.

Health Insurance: Change in insurance carrier; increase due to change in school fiscal services contract.

Office/Library Building: External monitoring of fire alarm system, heat, electricity, water, septic pump plus other general expenses.

Sheriff Patrol: rate increase for same coverage hours (125).

Borrowed Fund Expense: Interest for the two loans; Fire Truck, Highway Truck.

Miscellaneous: Generator maintenance/inspection \$300; tax map updates \$300; listers software fees; advertising postings; plus other miscellaneous expenses.

Tax Assessments: Separate line for the Franklin County Court Assessment of \$12,858; \$10,575 for the following items which have been approved by the voters in each of the past three years and are included in the budget: Franklin County Industrial Development Corp \$300; Franklin County Home Health \$3,396; The Family Center of NW Vermont \$800; NW Unit for Special Investigations \$1,000; Voices Against Violence \$1,800; Franklin Alumni Association \$500; Northwest Counseling \$2,300; Foster Grandparents Programs \$200; Age Well (C.V. Agency on Aging) \$1,600.

Town Hall: Utilities and operating expenses.

Building Maintenance: \$2,000 for painting of town office spaces; \$5,200 for fire proofing of town hall furnace room to meet VT fire code; \$2,800 for painting of East side of town hall; \$800 mowing of town lawns.

Watershed Committee: \$5,000 included in budget, voters previously approved in three prior years.

Sidewalk Project: to include with the \$11,000 approved in FY18 for the 50% match, to take advantage of the maximum grant funds awarded (\$16,000) to complete the project.

HIGHWAY:

Salaries: 2% increase for highway crew; and an as needed extra driver.

Health Insurance: Change in insurance carrier and staff changes.

Chloride: 4 loads, increased from 3 loads in past year.

Gravel: budget increase due to cuts for last few years— need to continue to maintain road surfaces and continue to use the blue rock for better road bases.

General Roads Permit: New state requirement that the towns must pay for: \$2,000 annually and \$640 every 5 years.

Blacktopping: resurface section of Hanna Rd, and Gallup Rd; potential for doing a section of Stanley Rd pending state grant funding.

Pavement Sealing: \$10,000 to crack seal existing pavement for longer life.

Sand/salt: \$2,500 higher than last year due to price increase in salt and inclement weather conditions, requiring more products.

Equipment Fund: \$15,000 in reserve for future purchases.

Better Roads: 20% grant match for Middle Road culvert work

Grants-Highway lot stormwater: 20% grant funding match for stormwater drainage work at the highway garage lot.

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<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18</u>	<u>Anticipated FY18</u>	<u>Budget FY19</u>
* Salaries	\$ 68,823.00	\$ 67,781.95	\$ 71,037.00	\$ 69,576.00	\$ 77,691.00
* Health Insurance/Reimbursements	7,821.00	5,003.69	8,602.00	8,602.00	25,296.00
FICA/MEDI	5,265.00	5,328.80	5,434.00	5,323.00	5,943.00
Pension	2,254.00	2,181.41	2,333.00	2,273.80	2,657.00
Emergency Dispatch	12,954.00	12,954.10	12,954.00	12,954.10	13,215.00
Fire Department	16,000.00	16,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Insurance	17,000.00	15,736.11	15,383.00	12,762.00	13,000.00
Legal Fees	3,000.00	1,577.64	3,000.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
Meetings/Elections	2,800.00	2,151.00	2,500.00	1,000.00	2,500.00
Mileage Reimbursement	300.00	412.31	300.00	200.00	300.00
Office Expense	9,700.00	9,282.83	9,700.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Telephone	1,600.00	1,599.28	1,640.00	1,640.00	1,650.00
Library/Office Building	7,400.00	5,772.26	7,400.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Planning Commission	2,050.00	1,871.33	2,050.00	2,000.00	2,250.00
* Sheriff Patrol	5,500.00	5,558.00	5,500.00	5,600.00	5,800.00
Solid Waste	2,119.00	2,118.50	2,126.00	2,126.50	2,125.00
Library Assessment	38,000.00	38,000.00	38,000.00	38,000.00	38,000.00
Street Lights	4,500.00	4,394.76	4,600.00	4,600.00	4,600.00
* Tax Assessments	11,134.00	10,165.00	11,896.00	10,847.00	10,596.00
Franklin County Court Assessment	12,940.00	12,940.44	13,653.00	13,653.00	12,858.00
Ambulance Services	39,340.00	39,336.33	33,017.50	33,017.50	33,678.00
Town Hall	5,550.00	3,520.79	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Borrowed Funds	200.00	1,482.94	2,674.00	1,893.24	1,500.00
* Building Maintenance	18,550.00	12,013.18	16,000.00	20,549.28	10,800.00
Miscellaneous	2,500.00	1,627.67	2,100.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Watershed Commission			5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
* Sidewalk Project					
Lake Greeter Program		2,499.75			
Tax Refunds	-	9,914.06	-	18,615.84	-
Total General	\$ 297,300.00	\$ 291,224.13	\$ 300,899.50	\$ 313,733.26	\$ 319,459.00
* see narrative					

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<u>HIGHWAY</u>	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18</u>	<u>Anticipated FY18</u>	<u>Budget FY19</u>
* Salaries	\$ 91,534.00	\$ 97,877.82	\$ 94,620.00	\$ 96,620.00	\$ 92,136.00
* Health Insurance/Reimbursements	28,505.00	20,867.38	30,630.00	16,560.00	20,250.00
FICA/MEDI	7,002.00	7,449.22	7,238.00	7,391.00	7,048.00
Pension	4,472.00	4,776.22	4,610.00	4,756.00	4,518.00
Uniforms	2,600.00	2,023.90	2,100.00	1,900.00	2,000.00
* Chloride	15,000.00	8,550.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	18,800.00
Culverts	2,000.00	262.80	2,000.00	1,902.00	2,000.00
Equipment Rental	5,000.00	4,862.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Gas & Fuel	15,000.00	15,904.30	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
* Gravel	20,000.00	26,046.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	30,000.00
* General Roads Permit-New State requirement					2,640.00
Insurance	21,500.00	18,776.74	16,800.00	15,200.00	14,000.00
Mileage Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,275.85	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	2,500.00	2,201.02	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Blacktopping	125,000.00	73,018.19	100,000.00	99,983.77	100,000.00
Pavement Sealing			10,000.00	7,600.00	10,000.00
* Sand/Salt	14,000.00	23,021.48	16,000.00	16,000.00	18,500.00
Shop & Tools	9,000.00				
Building Maintenance		3,348.20	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,300.00
Electric		1,911.24	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Fuel		3,302.72	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Supplies		1,755.77	1,000.00	1,350.00	1,200.00
Telephone		586.80	580.00	580.00	660.00
Tools		1,323.01	2,220.00	1,800.00	2,000.00
Road Signs Maintenance	1,500.00	1,433.56	1,500.00	1,735.11	1,500.00
Repair & Maintenance	16,000.00	14,940.18	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
* Equipment Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	15,000.00
Morses Line Rd Culvert Project		27,232.25			
FY17 VTrans Paving Grant		163,734.89			
* Better Roads Grant		1,960.00	2,750.00	9,836.37	2,500.00
VTrans Grant-Route 120			1,365.00		
Engineering Study Grant			1,000.00	869.00	
* Grants-Match Highway lot stormwater		-	-	-	9,500.00
Total Highway	\$ 392,113.00	\$ 538,442.04	\$ 389,113.00	\$ 379,583.25	\$ 399,552.00
* see narrative					

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WEED HARVESTER

	<u>Budget FY17</u>	<u>Actual FY17</u>	<u>Budget FY18</u>	<u>Anticipated FY18</u>	<u>Budget FY19</u>
Weed Harvester Operator	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 946.70	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 4,500.00
FICA/MEDI	348.00	72.42	348.00	61.20	345.00
Weed Harvester Engine		2,600.73			
Gasoline/Oil	300.00		300.00	50.00	300.00
Storage	450.00	225.00	450.00	225.00	300.00
Insurance	175.00	215.60	175.00	201.50	100.00
Repairs & Maintenance	877.00	38.00	877.00	480.00	400.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	200.00	500.00
Total Weed Harvester	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 4,098.45	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 2,017.70	\$ 6,445.00
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 697,113.00	\$ 833,764.62	\$ 697,712.50	\$ 695,334.21	\$ 725,456.00

PRIOR YEARS VOTER APPROVED ARTICLES

2013 Art 14 Sand Shed (last pmt 2017)	\$ 22,721.00	\$ 22,721.46	\$ 22,224.00	\$ 22,224.33	\$ -
FY16&17 Art 11 Watershed Commission	5,000.00	5,000.00	moved to budget		
FY 16 Art 10 Fire Truck	40,000.00	39,844.80	39,493.00	39,884.58	40,036.00
FY17 Art 13 Highway Plow Truck	13,750.00	13,857.56	13,515.00	13,872.29	14,101.00
FY17 Art 12 Sand Shed Ends	14,715.00	14,714.00			
FY18 Art 9 Sidewalks			11,000.00	11,000.00	
FY18 Art 10 Recreational Department			16,000.00	16,000.00	
FY18 Art 11 Snow Blower			3,300.00	3,287.00	
Total Prior Articles	\$ 96,186.00	\$ 96,137.82	\$ 105,532.00	\$ 106,268.20	\$ 54,137.00

PROPOSED CURRENT YEAR ARTICLES

FY19 Art 8 Recreational Department	\$ 16,000.00				
FY19 Art 9 Hanna Road culvert	40,700.00				
FY19 Art 10 Lake Carmi Water Quality	10,000.00				
FY19 Art 11 Loader (\$80,000/5 years)	16,000.00				
Total Proposed Articles	\$ 82,700.00				
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET/ARTICLES	\$ 793,299.00	\$ 929,902.44	\$ 803,244.50	\$ 801,602.41	\$ 862,293.00

MUNICIPAL PROJECTED REVENUES & ESTIMATED TAX RATES

PROJECTED REVENUES		FY18	FY19
<u>GENERAL</u>			
Interest	\$	500.00	\$ 500.00
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance		25,728.17	25,728.17
State of VT-Hold Harmless (35%)		13,000.00	13,000.00
State of VT-Various		16,000.00	13,000.00
Permits		1,800.00	1,600.00
Fees		9,200.00	9,200.00
Town Hall Rental		1,200.00	1,200.00
Dog/Liquor Licenses		2,500.00	2,500.00
Other Income		1,000.00	1,000.00
Delinquent tax interest/penalty		6,500.00	6,500.00
School Fiscal Services		-	18,720.00
<u>HIGHWAY</u>			
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance		(26,245.93)	(26,245.93)
State Aid to Highways		100,000.00	100,000.00
State of VT-Hold Harmless (65%)		25,000.00	25,000.00
Other Income		4,500.00	4,000.00
<u>WEED HARVESTER</u>			
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance		6,090.21	6,090.21
State of VT Grant		<u>3,070.00</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total Projected Revenue	\$	189,842.45	\$ 204,292.45

PROPOSED EXPENSES		FY18	FY19
Municipal Budget Proposal	\$	697,712.50	\$ 725,456.00
Veterans Exemptions		3,826.31	3,997.85
Articles Previously Approved		75,232.00	54,137.00
FY19 Article Requests		<u>30,300.00</u>	<u>82,700.00</u>
Total Proposed Expenses	\$	807,070.81	\$ 866,290.85

TO BE RAISED BY TAXES	\$	507,870.05	\$ 521,163.55
ARTICLES TO BE RAISED		105,532.00	136,837.00
PROJECTED TAX RATES			
Municipal		0.3277	0.3347
Veterans Exemptions		0.0029	0.0026
Articles Previously Approved		0.0695	0.0348
FY19 Article Requests		<u>-</u>	<u>0.0532</u>
TOTAL		0.4001	0.4253

SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS

GENERAL FUND

July - June FY17 Actuals

SALARIES:

Selectboard:

Peter Magnant	\$ 1,500.00
Yvon Dandurand	1,000.00
Andrew Godin	1,000.00
Brooks Sturtevant	1,000.00
Edmund Rainville	1,000.00

Town Clerk/Treasurer:

Lisa A. Larivee-town	35,000.00
Lisa A. Larivee-school reimbursed	(5,500.00)

Assistant:

Sara J. Rainville	14,131.74
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Auditors:

Carole Richard	1,681.60
Michelle Guilmette	1,668.40
Jean Richard	1,380.00

Listers:

Jean Richard	1,501.30
Robert Irish	1,419.00
Sara J. Rainville	550.50

Animal Control Officer:

Dennis Demar	500.00
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Zoning Officer:

Robert Irish	2,435.00
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Health Officer:

Christopher Ferland	750.00
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Janitorial:

Maureen Sodaro	815.66
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Total Salaries

\$ 61,833.20

FICA/MEDICARE:

Community National-EFTPS	\$ 5,328.80
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EMPLOYEE PENSION:

Orchard Trust Co.	\$ 2,181.41
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HEALTH INSURANCE:

Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$ 16,951.26
Blue Cross Blue Shield *Reimbursed by School	(12,142.57)
Health Reimbursement Acct.	2,250.00
Health Reimbursement Acct. *Reimbursed by School	(2,250.00)
Lisa A. Larivee - vision reimbursement	195.00

Total Health Insurance

\$ 5,003.69

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

Enosburgh Ambulance	\$	39,336.33
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FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Franklin Fire Department	\$	16,000.00
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EMERGENCY DISPATCH:

St. Albans City Police	\$	12,954.10
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HASTON LIBRARY:

Haston Library	\$	38,000.00
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INSURANCE:

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty	\$	15,736.11
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LEGAL FEES:

Stitzel, Page & Fletcher	\$	1,577.64
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MEETINGS/ELECTIONS:

Dorothy G. Lothian	\$	150.00
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Monique Rainville		150.00
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Paula Tremblay		150.00
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Anne Marie Chates		50.00
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Sandra Murphy - Selectboard Secretary		516.00
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Lisa A. Larivee - Selectboard Secretary		545.00
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Business Card-Maplefields		25.00
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Vermont League of Cities & Towns		510.00
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Vermont Municipal Clerk & Treasurers Assoc.		55.00
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Total Meetings/Elections	\$	2,151.00
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MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Peter Magnant	\$	234.36
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Robert Irish		24.61
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Jean Richard		62.33
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Lisa A. Larivee		36.72
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Sara Rainville		54.29
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Total Mileage Reimbursement	\$	412.31
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Amazon	\$	47.97
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Apex Listers Software		195.00
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Franklin County Animal Rescue		50.00
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Green-Up Vermont		100.00
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Green's Ace Hardware		36.99
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Hannafords		150.00
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Lisa A. Larivee-reimbursement		21.00
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Milton Cat-generator		233.81
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Napa Auto Parts-generator		31.10
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St. Albans Messenger		97.00
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Vermont Work Offender Program		64.80
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Cold Hollow Tree Service		600.00
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Total Miscellaneous	\$	1,627.67
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OFFICE EXPENSE:

Adkins Printing	\$	31.69	
Amazon		130.07	
AVG-virus software		65.66	
Dollar General		1.50	
NEMRC - computer services		2,694.34	
J.P. Cooke Co.		117.50	
Safeguard		80.07	
Staples		65.98	
SymQuest Group Inc.		428.87	
St.Albans Messenger		64.25	
U.S. Postal Service		1,379.95	
Vermont Department of Health		10.00	
Vermont Offender Work Program - Town Report		1,154.60	
Vermont League of Cities & Towns		2,496.00	
W. B. Mason		411.99	
Walmart		150.36	
Total Office Expense			\$ 9,282.83

TELEPHONE:

Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.			\$ 1,599.28
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OFFICE/LIBRARY BUILDING:

D & M Fire & Safety Equipment	\$	44.00	
Dollar General		62.69	
Franklin School District		27.98	
Franklin Water District		300.00	
Green's Ace Hardware		16.94	
Guy Roberge		200.00	
H. G. Berger & Sons, Inc.		1,698.94	
Lisa Larivee-reimbursement		10.00	
Mercy Heating Service		292.50	
Summit Fire & Security		462.00	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		2,477.22	
Vermont Elevator-inspection		150.00	
W.B. Mason		29.99	
Total Office/Library Building			\$ 5,772.26

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Dollar General	\$	9.60	
Maureen Sodaro - Secretary		315.00	
Northwest Regional Planning Commission		1,428.00	
St. Albans Messenger		64.25	
Clark Hubbard-reimbursement		54.48	
Total Planning Commission			\$ 1,871.33

SHERIFF PATROL:

Franklin County Sheriff Department	\$	5,558.00
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SOLID WASTE:

Northwest Solid Waste District	\$	2,118.50
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STREET LIGHTS:

Vermont Electric Cooperative	\$	4,394.76
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TAX ASSESSMENTS:

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$	1,600.00	
Foster Grandparent Program		200.00	
Franklin Alumni Association		500.00	
Franklin County Animal Rescue		200.00	
Franklin County Treasurer		12,771.44	
Franklin County Industrial Dev.		300.00	
Franklin County Home Health		3,234.00	
Northwestern Counseling & Support Services		2,300.00	
Northwest Unit For Special Investigation		1,000.00	
Voices Against Violence		1,000.00	
Total Tax Assessments	\$		23,105.44

TAX REFUNDS:

	\$	9,914.06
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TOWN HALL:

D & M Fire & Safety Equipment	\$	8.00	
Dollar General		27.25	
Franklin Water District		300.00	
Green's Ace Hardware		34.17	
H. G. Berger & Sons, Inc.		2,263.07	
Mercy Heating Service		112.00	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		776.30	
Total Town Hall	\$		3,520.79

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:

Johanna Crane-Godin	\$	5,948.75
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WATERSHED COMMISSION:

	\$	5,000.00
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FIRE TRUCK ART 10 FY16

Union Bank	\$	39,844.80
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BORROWED FUNDS:

Union Bank	\$	1,482.94
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BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

E.J. Prescott, Inc.	\$	466.45	
Green's Ace Hardware-town hall		138.45	
O.C. McCuins & Sons		28.28	
Vinci LLC-town hall		2,185.00	
Henry Rainville-pillars		200.00	
JL Masonry & Hardscapes		7,850.00	
Mark Brouillette		180.00	
Wright's Excavating, Inc.		965.00	
Total Building Maintenance			\$ 12,013.18

Lake Greeter Program:

John McHugh			\$ 2,499.75
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TOTAL ORDERS - General Fund **\$ 336,068.93**

RESERVE ACCOUNTS ORDERS PAID**LISTERS EDUCATION:**

NEMRC			\$ 135.00
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COMPUTERIZATION FUNDS:

Dell Marketing-Listers	\$	2,156.62	
NEMRC		893.75	
Total Computerization Funds			\$ 3,050.37

SURCHARGE RECORD RESTORATION:

Adkins Printing	\$	237.00	
Xerox Business		407.98	
Total Surcharge Record Restoration			\$ 644.98

TOTAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS ORDERS PAID **\$ 3,830.35**

SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND ORDERS

Salaries	\$ 61,833.20
FICA/Medicare	5,328.80
Employee Pension	2,181.41
Health Insurance	5,003.69
Emergency Dispatch	12,954.10
Ambulance Service	39,336.33
Fire Department	16,000.00
Haston Library	38,000.00
Insurance	15,736.11
Legal Fees	1,577.64
Meetings	2,151.00
Mileage Reimbursement	412.31
Miscellaneous	1,627.67
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Planning Commission	1,871.33
Sheriff Patrol	5,558.00
Solid Waste	2,118.50
Street Lights	4,394.76
Tax Assessments	23,105.44
Town Hall	3,520.79
Delinquent Tax Collector	5,948.75
Watershed Commission	5,000.00
Tax Refunds	9,914.06
Fire Truck Art 10 FY16	39,844.80
Borrowed Funds	1,482.94
Building Maintenance	12,013.18
Lake Greeter Program	2,499.75
Total Selectboard Orders-General Fund	<u>\$ 336,068.93</u>
Surcharge Record Restoration	\$ 644.98
Computerization Funds	3,050.37
Listers Education	135.00
Total Reserve Accounts Orders Paid	<u>\$ 3,830.35</u>

SELECTBOARD'S ORDERS
HIGHWAY FUND
July - June FY17 Actuals

SALARIES:

Howard Vanselette, Road Foreman	\$ 49,137.55	
Jeremy Barnum	46,084.27	
Jake Dandurand	2,156.00	
Andrew Godin, Road Commissioner	500.00	
Total Salaries		\$ 97,877.82

FICA/MEDICARE:

Community National/EFTPS	\$ 7,449.22	
Total FICA/MEDICARE:		\$ 7,449.22

EMPLOYEE PENSION:

Orchard Trust Bank		\$ 4,776.22
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HEALTH INSURANCE:

Health Reimbursement Acct.	\$ 2,550.00	
Blue Cross Blue Shield	18,097.38	
Howard Vanselette	220.00	
Total Health Insurance		\$ 20,867.38

UNIFORMS:

G & K Services	\$ 1,757.62	
St. Albans Coop Store	266.28	
Total Uniforms		\$ 2,023.90

CHLORIDE:

Gorman Brothers, Inc.		\$ 8,550.00
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CULVERTS:

O.C. McCuin & Sons		\$ 262.80
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EQUIPMENT RENTAL:

Wright's Excavating, Inc.		\$ 4,862.50
Total Equipment Rental		

GAS & FUEL:

H.G. Berger & Sons, Inc.		\$ 15,904.30
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GRAVEL:

Leach Family, Inc.	\$ 3,230.00	
Shelburne Limestone Corporation	15,356.00	
Wright's Excavating, Inc.	7,460.00	
Total Gravel		\$ 26,046.00

INSURANCE:

Vermont League of Cities & Towns Property & Casualty	\$	18,776.74
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MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Howard Vanselette	\$	563.17	
Jeremy Barnum		712.68	
Total Mileage Reimbursement	\$		1,275.85

MISCELLANEOUS:

Arthur Davis	\$	750.00	
Bates Farm, Home & Garden		95.99	
Business Card Services-shipping USPS		11.22	
Green's Ace Hardware		77.54	
Hannafords		100.00	
H.G. Berger & Sons, Inc.		56.36	
Lussier Sawmill		66.00	
Mercy Heating Service		108.00	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		15.99	
Ray's Salvage Yard		59.36	
Rodem Inc-fire dept		465.00	
St. Albans Coop.		14.44	
State of Vermont dam registration		200.00	
Timothy Hammond		36.00	
USPS		8.50	
Vaillancourt Repair LLC		36.62	
Yvon Dandurand		100.00	
Total Miscellaneous	\$		2,201.02

BLACKTOPPING:

ECI	\$	54,868.50	
Pike Industries, Inc.		18,149.69	
Total Blacktopping	\$		73,018.19

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE:

Atco International	\$	149.00
B & N Sales & Service		104.95
Bond Auto Parts		476.69
Britch & Sons Welding		90.00
Central Equipment of CNY, Inc.		99.00
Champlain Valley Equipment		355.65
Chappell Tractor		310.00
Clark's Truck Center		1,749.51
Dana Stetson		260.00

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE CONT:

Fastenal Co.	\$	27.09	
Fleetpride Inc.		1,186.92	
Franklin Rental/Sales		22.98	
Green's Ace Hardware		200.29	
George S. Woods		4,416.30	
McDermott's		5.50	
NAPA Auto Parts		403.49	
New England Truck Tire		891.08	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		173.45	
O'Reilly Automotive Inc.		18.35	
Polsinello Fuels		456.14	
Rouse Tire Sales		459.98	
TDI Repair Facility		102.27	
Tenco Industries		531.88	
Viking-Cives		1,407.69	
Yipes Auto Accessories		816.97	
Watson Sign Co.		225.00	
Total Repair & Maintenance			\$ 14,940.18

SHOP & TOOLS:

Atco International	\$	274.00	
Bates Farm, Home & Garden		59.97	
Bond Auto Parts		137.59	
Britch & Sons Welding		15.00	
Bruce Wetherby Waste & Trash Removal		640.00	
Clark's Truck Center		573.08	
Dollar General		72.56	
D & M Fire & Safety Equipment		54.00	
Franklin Rental/Sales		8.25	
Franklin Telephone Co., Inc.		586.80	
Franklin Water District		300.00	
Green's Ace Hardware		968.29	
H.G. Berger & Sons, Inc.		3,302.72	
Haun Welding Supplies		220.37	
Kimball Midwest		416.48	
Mercy Heating Service		130.00	
Napa Auto Parts		11.98	
Needham Electric Supply		87.63	
O.C. McCuin & Sons		18.56	
Rodem Inc.		2,060.00	
Share Corp.		101.68	
Tractor Supply		271.96	
Vermont Electric Cooperative		1,911.24	
W.B. Mason		5.58	
Total Shop & Tools			\$ 12,227.74

SAND/SALT:

Cargill, Inc. Salt Division	\$ 15,247.48	
Leach Family, Inc.	1,890.00	
Wright's Excavating, Inc.	5,884.00	
Total Sand/Salt		\$ 23,021.48

ROAD SIGN MAINTENANCE:

Econo Signs LLC	\$ 1,420.77	
Green's Ace Hardware	12.79	
Total Road Sign Maintenance		\$ 1,433.56

SAND SHED:

Community National Bank		\$ 22,721.46
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SAND SHED ENDS:

Greg Lussier Barn Builders		\$ 14,714.00
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TRUCK PAYMENTS:

Union Bank		\$ 13,857.56
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BETTER ROADS GRANT:

Leach Family, Inc.		\$ 1,960.00
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FY17 PAVING GRANT:

Bates Farm, Home & Garden	\$ 2,992.89	
Pike Paving	152,922.00	
Wright's Excavating, Inc.	7,715.00	
Leach Family, Inc.	105.00	
Total FY17 Paving Grant		\$ 163,734.89

MORSES LINE RD/CULVERT PROJECT:

A.L. St. Onge Contractors	\$ 27,000.00	
Smith Technical Services	187.50	
St. Albans Messenger	44.75	
Total Moses Line Rd/Culvert Project		\$ 27,232.25

EQUIPMENT FUND:

\$ 10,000.00

TOTAL ORDERS - Highway Fund

\$ 589,735.06

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY FUND

Salaries	\$ 97,877.82
FICA/Medicare	7,449.22
Employee Pension	4,776.22
Health Insurance	20,867.38
Uniforms	2,023.90
Chloride	8,550.00
Culverts	262.80
Equipment Fund	10,000.00
Equipment Rental	4,862.50
Gas & Fuel	15,904.30
Gravel	26,046.00
Insurance	18,776.74
Mileage Reimbursement	1,275.85
Miscellaneous	2,201.02
Blacktopping	73,018.19
Repair & Maintenance	14,940.18
Sand/Salt	23,021.48
Shop & Tools	12,227.74
Road Sign Maintenance	1,433.56
Sand Shed	22,721.46
FY17 Paving Grant projects	163,734.89
Morses Line Rd Culvert Project	27,232.25
Better Roads Grant	1,960.00
Truck Payments	13,857.56
Sand Shed Ends	14,714.00
Total Selectboard Orders-Highway	<u>\$ 589,735.06</u>

SUMMARY OF WEED HARVESTER FUND

Delbert Cook, Operator	\$ 318.50
Jake Dandurand, Operator	288.00
Jeremy Barnum, Operator	340.20
FICA/Medicare	72.42
Franklin Rental/Sales	2,600.73
Rene J. Fournier	38.00
Vermont League of Cities & Towns-Ins.	215.60
Yvon Dandurand-storage	225.00
Total Selectboard Orders-Weed Harvester	<u>\$ 4,098.45</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin Selectboard

Peter Magnant, Chair

Edmund Rainville, Yvon Dandurand

Brooks Sturtevant, Andrew Godin

Franklin Rescue

In 2017, our volunteer Franklin Rescue personnel and Enosburg Ambulance Service, Franklin's contracted transport agency, responded to 101 calls. As always, please do not hesitate to call 911 if you have a medical emergency.

Also, this year, Firefighter Adam Kane attained his National Registry EMR certification and Firefighter Eric Gerrard attained his National Registry EMT certification. Both have joined our First Response squad and are able to respond to calls. Congratulations!

I am pleased to announce that Franklin Rescue is now licensed at the Advanced Life Support level. This is a level up from the basic level we have held for many years. The higher level allows advanced providers to perform advanced skills in the field such as IV's and cardiac medications, prior to the arrival of the ambulance.

Franklin Fire and Rescue meet and train every Monday evening at 7 pm in the Franklin Fire station. Anyone with interest in joining our growing squad, should call 285-2050 and leave a message or just stop by on a Monday night.

Thank you for your years of support to our local service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Toof, AEMT
Franklin Fire and Rescue Captain
Training Officer, Enosburgh Ambulance
AmCare Ambulance
Fairfax Ambulance
Training Officer, VTEMS District 1

Additional Members of Franklin Rescue
Adam Kane, EMR, and Eric Gerrard, EMT



Franklin Volunteer Fire Department



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It has been a busier than normal year for the fire department. In 2017, we had 44 calls which is approximately a 70% increase from previous years. The number of structure fires also has increased emphasizing the need for working smoke detectors. Please make sure yours are working and remember to replace the batteries. Also, in 2017, we received a grant for the purchase of 6 new air packs and a thermal imaging camera. The total of the grant was \$52,000 with a 5% match required by the fire department. This grant was the combined effort of Captain Mark Toof and Elizabeth Ratta. The purchase of this equipment should take place in the first quarter of 2018.

This year marked the 10th year that Justin Rainville has led the department as our Chief. In November, at our elections, Justin chose not to seek re-election after a long and successful tenure as Chief. His commitment to the department and to our community is greater than most know. He continues to be a very active member and a great resource for our department. I would also like to note that the commitment of being a firefighter, and especially the Chief, significantly impacts their family as well. Please join me in thanking Justin, Sara and their family for their continued commitment to the Town of Franklin. Thank you, Chief Rainville!

Also, this year two long time members, Kyle Lothian and Pat Allain, left the department after moving out of town. Kyle invested 34 years in the department, serving as Chief as well as various other officer roles. Pat had 21 years of service and was instrumental in successfully obtaining past grants. Thank you both for more than a half of a century of combined service to the town of Franklin.

This year there was much discussion about the longevity of our Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. The event has grown significantly over the years and has become a very large undertaking. While the event takes place in only one morning, the planning and preparations go on for weeks in advance usually beginning the first of the year. The weekend of the breakfast entails countless hours by the firefighters and their families on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. As we all find ourselves with less time and varying work schedules it has become more challenging to put on the event. For that reason we are announcing that March of 2018 will be our final breakfast. Thank you to all that have supported the event for the nearly 25 years it has been held.

Fire Department Pancake Breakfast History

In 1993, the Franklin Fire Department has an idea of a community event and fundraiser; the Pancake Breakfast was born. With the suggestions of a community member that worked for a local paper, the date of the Sunday following Town Meeting was picked. This date was picked knowing the residents and others from around Franklin County would be looking in the papers for the results of Town Meeting and would see our ads in the paper.

The Abbey Restaurant Group graciously donated all of the equipment for several years. To include chafing dishes, food service pans, serving spoons, tongs, tables, and tablecloths. Without The Abbey Restaurant Group this event would have never taken place. Over the years the Fire Department slowly bought equipment to eventually become self-sufficient. The firefighters and their families donated all of the griddles used well over 10 years. The Fire Department purchased the floor covering as well as numerous tables and chairs that are now used at events at The Franklin Central School and also contributed 50% towards the purchase of a brand new convection oven for Franklin Central School Hot Lunch Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Lawyer, Chief

FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Beginning Balance - January 1, 2017			
Checking Account		\$ 26,270.88	
Wright Trust-Money Market		<u>18,454.84</u>	
		44,725.72	
<u>INCOME</u>			
Interest Income		44.94	
Miscellaneous Income		978.25	
Donation Income		50.00	
Memorial Income		435.00	
Town Appropriated Funds		20,000.00	
BBQ Income-FFD		10,631.91	
Pancake Breakfast		<u>21,371.25</u>	
Total Income		\$ 53,511.35	
Total Cash/Income		<u>\$ 98,237.07</u>	
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Truck	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,496.22	\$ 2,000.00
Fuel - equipment/trucks	250.00	102.32	250.00
Training	500.00	374.95	500.00
Fire Prevention/Education	100.00	105.30	100.00
Insurance	6,818.00	5,231.00	6,000.00
Office	500.00	154.67	500.00
Radio	1,000.00	948.96	3,500.00
Postage	50.00	49.00	50.00
Utilities	1,600.00	1,694.75	1,900.00
Uniform/Gear	10,000.00	3,093.59	17,500.00
Equipment/Tool Purchases	25,000.00	1,884.32	13,000.00
Equipment Repairs	1,500.00	1,284.27	1,500.00
Memberships/Dues	600.00	497.00	600.00
Water Rent	300.00	300.00	300.00
Donation	100.00	200.00	200.00
Fuel-Heating	1,500.00	1,397.40	1,500.00
Reimbursable		571.15	
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	1,704.95	2,000.00
Pancake Breakfast		8,482.14	
BBQ		5,242.17	
Building Maintainance	100.00	117.71	200.00
Vending Machine	150.00	82.89	150.00
County Meeting	<u>100.00</u>	<u>113.99</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 54,168.00</u>	<u>\$ 35,128.75</u>	<u>\$ 51,750.00</u>
Cash Balance December 31, 2017			
Checking Account		44,634.99	
Wright Trust-Money Market		18,473.33	
Total Cash/Expenses		<u>\$ 98,237.07</u>	

Respectfully Submitted
Sara Rainville



Franklin Volunteer Fire Department

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Member	Years
Brian Barnum, Past Chief	48
Philip Bouchard	48
Greg Bouchard	8
Scott Choiniere	25
Howard Deuso, Assistant Chief	21
William Deuso	1
Eric Gerrard, EMT	5
Clark Hubbard	15
Adam Kane, EMR	7
Mike Lawyer, Chief	14
Timothy Magnant, Past Chief	39
Burt Maynard	28
Janet Norcross	14

Member	Years
Curtis Ploof,	1
Marshall Ploof, Past Chief	48
Mark Racine	28
Nora Racine, JR Cadet	1
Justin Rainville, Past Chief	19
Sara Rainville, Secretary/Treasurer	14
Brian Sartwell, Lieutenant	24
Justin Sartwell	10
Mark Toof, Captain/AEMT	5
Hugh Gates, Honorary Member	40
Kyle Lothian, Honorary Member	34

Dates to remember:

March 11th, 2018 – Pancake Breakfast
June 30, 2018 – Chicken BBQ

2017 Fire Department Calls		
Type of Call	Call Volume	# of Member Responses
Alarm Activation	6	19
Auto Accident	5	25
Auto/Equipment Fire	2	8
Hazard	5	23
Med Assist	2	4
Public Assistance	2	7
Smoke or CO in Building	2	9
Structure Fire	16	126
Wild Land Fire	4	18
Grand Total	44	239

2017 VITAL STATISTICS

As a recommendation by the Department of Health, vital statistics are no longer automatically published in the Town Report. The following list is provided as a result of a release form, signed, authorizing the Town Clerk's Office to publish such records.

If you would like vital statistic information published in the town report next year, you must come to the Town Clerk's Office to sign the necessary request/release form.

Births

Lyddie Elizabeth Sturtevant to Brooks & Brenna Sturtevant
Greyson Elliott Splonskowski to Stephen & Jill Splonskowski

Unlisted: 4 Female and 10 Male

Deaths

James T. Forsyth
Eric Jacques Choiniere

Unlisted: 9

Marriages

Unlisted: 1

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ANNUAL REPORT

for the

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

2017 Fiscal Year
July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

Franklin Central School's Mission Statement

The mission of the Franklin Central School is to educate our children to become self-reliant and socially responsible individuals. They will respect themselves, their community, and the world around them. Ultimately, they will develop the skills and confidence to become life-long learners.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

“STATE OF THE UNION” REPORT

I am pleased to serve as Superintendent of Schools for the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union (FNWSU), which is required by Vermont and federal law to provide support and management resources for the Franklin, Highgate, Missisquoi Valley Union, Sheldon, and Swanton Schools. Education services are delivered to over 2,000 students by 500 teachers, administrators, support, and contracted staff. The FNWSU is governed by 25 school board members, who serve six school boards.

FNWSU Legal Roles:

- Establish and follow a supervisory union-wide curriculum,
- Receive and disburse federal and state funds,
- Provide/arrange professional development programs for teachers, administrators, and staff,
- Manage special education services on behalf of its member districts,
- Provide efficient financial, human resources, construction, transportation, and student data management services,
- Negotiate teacher and staff contracts,
- Support school boards to develop and adopt school budgets,
- Establish a policy development process for the SU and all schools,
- Oversee Indian Education, Early Education, After-School, Technology, and Bookmobile programs,
- Work with other supervisory unions to efficiently manage services or perform duties.

FNWSU Goals:

1. *Educational Programing:* Encourage an education environment where students are engaged in their learning activities and work toward excellence as they achieve their greatest potential.
2. *School Board Productivity:* School Board members will avail themselves of trainings provided by the Vermont School Board Association to ensure effective school board practices and procedures.
3. *Communication Practices:* Increase interactions and partnerships between schools, families, and the greater community.
4. *School Environment:* Ensure safe and healthy learning environments where all individuals are expected to demonstrate self-discipline, responsibility, compassion, and mutual respect.
5. *Collaborative Relationships:* Work as a collaborative team to hire, evaluate, and facilitate the work of the Superintendent.
6. *Strategic Planning:* Develop a strategic plan that provides funding for district programs that support high level student achievement.

FNWSU Primary Focus:

The FNWSU has developed a comprehensive assessment system to determine the effectiveness of our programs in literacy and math. Our system is a combination of local assessment measures taken three times a year in grades K-6, the Next Generation Science Standards (Next Gen), and the state SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) in literacy and math. In addition to academic measures, the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) now requires a new physical education assessment for all students in grades 4, 7, and 10.

Local and state assessments are analyzed by school leaders at the grade, school, and SU levels. SBAC, Next Gen, and Fitness Gram results are shared with teachers, school boards and parents.

Franklin Elementary continues to be one of the top performing schools in the state on SBAC performance. Swanton Elementary has shown the greatest overall gains in student performance this past year. Grades 7 & 8 at MVU have shown statistically significant increases in SBAC scores in both literacy and math over the past three years.

Sheldon and Highgate Elementary student performance has either been flat or had a slight decrease in SBAC

scores. MVU, although showing growth in previous years, dropped substantially in SBAC student performance in grade 11.

The Agency of Education recognized that high school juniors pay lots more attention to course test results that are listed on transcripts than they do SBAC and Next Gen assessment scores, which have no bearing on a student's academic standing and, thus, moved all future high school standardized testing to grade nine.

Overall, school leaders have seen positive progress beginning to result from our focused work on Professional Learning Communities (PLCs - teacher teams that meet weekly to assess student learning based on what students know and are able to do).

Local assessments of our primary readers show approximately 60% of readers are proficient. Math screening data of primary students show similar results. Our intermediate mathematicians show strengths in procedural knowledge - however significant gaps remain in fractional reasoning.

FNWSU Programs and Work Domains:

The reports that follow will provide taxpayers with a deeper understanding about the type and quality of work that is underway throughout the Franklin Northwest SU.

Curriculum and Instruction

This past year, the FNWSU has continued to place emphasis on building our teachers' capacity for high quality instruction for all our students. We continue a professional relationship with Marzano Research, a world-wide leader in professional learning and research in education, to further our commitment for having the best teacher in every one of our classrooms. This common instructional framework allows our professionals to engage in dialogue around best practice and to design lessons with a common SU focus. Plans are in place to further this work in the years to come through an active mentoring program, instructional rounds, and coursework/workshops, all facilitated by our strong teacher leaders.

The curriculum teams at the FNWSU have worked diligently to identify priority standards and limiting the "what" in our teaching so that we can further our work in guaranteeing each child masters SU priorities. This year curriculum teams have written proficiency scales for each priority standard in grades K-6. The MVU department teams are doing similar work at the grade 7-12 level. We are well on our way to implementing proficiency-based learning throughout our entire SU. One can view our K-6 priority standards and proficiency scales at our website under the curriculum tab. In addition, our K-6 report cards now mirror the priority standards in each grade for reading, writing, math, and science. We are embarking on social studies priority standards this spring.

The FNWSU schools bring this work together within an effective multi-tiered system of support (MTSS). While each school is in a slightly different place with this work, there is consensus among school leaders about which elements each school must embrace:

- 1) All students will learn at high levels;
- 2) Systems that have the greatest impact on student achievement;
- 3) Effective models are targeted and systematic.

MTSS brings together past work with first instruction, professional learning communities, and targeted interventions. Many of our schools are making considerable leaps in student achievement because of our work in this area.

Our focus is clear and belief in this work to bring about positive change does not waver. Each year we grow closer to our goal that all students leaving our education system are life-long learners and have the potential to make a considerable impact in our communities.

Student Support Services

The FNWSU made substantial changes in the organization structure this year, creating a broad umbrella approach under the title of Student Support Services (SSS). The new Student Support Services structure includes management of Special Education, 504 (federal law often associated with non-academic student disabilities), Homeless Education (federal law supporting children who move from school to school), and ESL (English as Second Language). A new director and operations manager was hired this year to manage the complex SSS structure.

The largest SSS component is the delivery of Special Education. The provision of Special Education programs, resources and support has been mandated by federal and state law since the mid-1970's. The FNWSU currently works with 383 students (down from 410 students last year) who receive additional learning accommodations and services that are directed by their Individualized Education Plan or IEP. An IEP Team is comprised of teachers, administrators, related service providers, parents, and sometimes outside agencies, all with the goal to create a customized learning plan that enables each student with disabilities to learn and progress in school.

Every effort is made for students to learn while remaining in the general educational environment with their same-age peers. The FNWSU maintains one of the highest classroom inclusion rates in Vermont, an exemplary 87%. This means that 87% of IEP students receive their education services in the regular classroom.

The FNWSU employs all Special Education professionals, with the goal to deliver the services and supports as required by IEPs. Currently, these professionals include: psychologists, occupational therapists, special educators, speech pathologists, physical therapists and other contract services, as needed. Central Office also employs an adaptive curriculum coordinator, technology integration coordinator, and a Medicaid clerk.

Special Education services can be more expensive than regular education programs. The state and federal governments provide additional financial support to offset the majority of these additional costs. Special Education services are provided at no cost to eligible students.

Accommodations for 504 students are provided by the school to offset the impact of disabilities like, broken bones, emotional disturbance, and other physical limitations such as vision or hearing challenges. The number of students on 504 plans varied throughout the year. Currently, there are 137 students receiving 504 learning accommodations in five schools throughout the FNWSU.

The mission of the McKinney-Vento "Homeless Education" Act is that homeless children should have the same access to education services and learning opportunities to meet challenging state academic standards as all other students, regardless of where they live or how many times their families move. In the FNWSU, we currently are providing services to 20 "homeless" children.

Children who live in families where English is not their primary language, receive instructional support and resources from an ESL teacher who travels to all five schools. There are 22 students who take advantage of the local resources provided by a federally mandated ESL teacher.

Early Education

The Franklin County Early Childhood Program (ECP) is a public school early education program serving children from birth to school age and their families in the Maple Run School District and the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union. The program's target population focuses on three to five year old children who are developmentally at risk or delayed and provides support to their families. We offer an early learning opportunity for all three and four year old children for 10 hours per week in the towns of Franklin, Highgate, Sheldon and Swanton and have a 30 hour program for up to 30 income eligible four year olds at the Highgate and Swanton Schools. We are currently serving over 200 early childhood program students in the FNWSU. Twenty of these children attend private daycare sites, prequalified by the Agency of Education. The FNWSU receives approx.

\$6,200 in state revenue for each ECP student and sends roughly \$3200 per child to the private daycare sites to offset the cost of a ten hour a week high quality preschool education experience. The majority of three and four year old students are educated within their local school.

The program takes referrals from families with young children, relatives, neighbors, community members, and other service providers. Referrals often result in the scheduling of a developmental screening, which is done in homes, preschool classrooms, childcare programs, and the elementary schools. Screenings may result in a recommendation for a comprehensive evaluation, which is used to determine eligibility for enrollment in the early childhood special education programs. If a child and family are determined eligible for services, a program plan is developed with the child's family that results in home and/or center-based services. Center-based services may include placement in a playgroup, childcare program and/or a preschool. An important program component is provision of consultation services for families with young children.

We partner with Blooming Minds Child Care, Amanda Gauthier and The Y's Time Childcare programs as well as multiple programs outside Franklin County that are prequalified by the state to provide a ten-hour a week preschool experience for children. The program also provides consultative services at other preschool and childcare programs in the SU.

The program is operated with funds from a variety of federal, state, and local sources. The federal government provides funds to the State of Vermont, which directs the federal money to the SU in the form of block and incentive grants. The Vermont Legislature appropriates additional funds designated for early childhood education services. The Supervisory Union combines the block grant and local share for early childhood education from each participating school district.

Indian Education

The FNWSU Title VII Indian Education Program is committed to assuring equity for all students through direct intervention, systemic change, and increased parent involvement. Goals include:

- Increasing the achievement level of Abenaki students, grades PK-12;
- Reducing the dropout rate of high school students;
- Providing cultural enrichment activities; and
- Promoting active parent participation through the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).

In order to focus on all learners – both Abenaki and non-Abenaki - the Indian Education program delivers a continuum of supports for students ranging from remediation to enrichment. As the FNWSU is a confluence of many cultures, Indian Education promotes cultural competencies that every child can learn about and take pride in.

This year has seen an increase in collaboration – a cornerstone of Title VII programming – and to thrive through a myriad of initiatives that include:

- Missisquoi Valley Union High School (MVU) Field Studies Program that promotes hands-on learning and a focus on outdoor, experiential education. Title VII provides additional financial and support resources, wherever possible;
- Abenaki –Northwestern Counseling and Support Services (NCSS) Suicide Prevention Action Planning is aimed at reducing youth risk factors within a highly vulnerable population. Mental Health trainings for PAC members - in particular high school PAC members - are ongoing and this partnership is vital to a healthy, vibrant community; and
- "Critical Conversations" with the Bay and Paul Foundations that will work toward the elimination of achievement and opportunity gaps affecting traditionally underserved students. These foundations are committed to a partnership in Vermont with the Abenaki community.

After-School Program

All five schools in the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union offer high-quality, after school and summer programs, geared to keep youth safe, supported, and engaged. This is the FNWSU's twelfth year managing the 21st Century Community Learning Center program grant, which provides the majority of the funding support and organizational guidance for our school programs. The 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) initiative is the only federal funding source dedicated to supporting local summer learning and after-school programs. With community partners, a variety of local grants and school budget funding, as well as the 21st CCLC grant will support the FNWSU afterschool and summer learning programs through June 2019, provided our programs meet Vermont Agency of Education guidelines and reporting requirements. This federal grant allows the FNWSU to offer a wide range of activities and enriching learning opportunities for youth at all five schools.

During the 2017-2018 school year, the FNWSU After-School & Summer Programs enrolled over 800 students, who participated in our programs. At 47%, this enrollment number accounts for nearly half of all students attending after-school and summer programs in the FNWSU schools. The FNWSU programs referred to as "Crossroads", which is actually three programs serving different grade levels, the Crossroads After-School Programs (grades 4-8), Crossroads Explorers (grades 2-4) and the After-Hours (high school) program. Crossroads program goals focus on positive youth development and providing engaging opportunities and experiences that complement and support the regular school curriculum.

The Crossroad after-school and summer program leaders continue to actively collaborate with school administration to deliver "Personalized Learning" and "Transferable Skills," legal requirements that are directed and monitored by the Vermont Agency of Education.

After-school administration and staff create exciting and innovative learning programs for students. One of the most successful is the rapidly growing STEM Science Fair. Student exhibits have grown from 27, four years ago to 165 student projects this year. The top 20 students go on to exhibit at the State and National levels. Many have returned from the State competition with sizeable college scholarships.

Franklin Grand Isle Bookmobile

"Figgy," the fond name for the Franklin Grand Isle Bookmobile nears its 15th year of education and service throughout Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. A child's lifelong love of learning and the ultimate education begins from birth. Figgy visits those without access to a public library, especially home childcare sites with the youngest children. Our service to childcare providers is more important than ever considering the lack of childcare crisis affecting our region's families and workforce. In fact, Figgy delivered 456 story times this year to more than 600 children and implemented 250+ creditable training hours for childcare providers. This year's goal is to stabilize and increase the child care industry resources with our new program, Connected Stories. Connected Stories provides fun songs, reading and modeling strategies for literacy development. 100% of child care providers surveyed report positive experiences with the Bookmobile and 81% say children have improved story engagement. Additionally, Figgy leverages the FNWSU resources by partnering with programs like after-school, recreation departments, public libraries, youth and mentoring organizations, the United Way and many others. Look for the Bookmobile on social media, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, monthly newsletters, a television spot on Channel 15, and our website (fnwsu.org/bookmobile). Figgy's team is honored to continue serving the FNWSU children of all ages.

Business Office

The business managers work directly with school boards and administrators to develop and manage budgets for five schools and the SU. The business office collectively manages over \$50,000,000 dollars in local, state, and federal funds. Starting in FY2018, as mandated by state law, all Special and Early Education professional staff salaries and benefits, as well as Transportation and Food Service management functions were transferred from local schools to the FNWSU. Costs are now budgeted at the SU level and are reflected within the FNWSU

assessments which are billed back to the schools. Support staff members continue to be employed by local school boards.

The SU Business Office is currently supported with bookkeeping, accounts payable and payroll functions by both onsite and offsite financial staff.

All the FNWSU financial funds and management operations at the SU and local school districts have their financial activities professionally audited annually.

Human Resources

The Franklin Northwest SU office provides Human Resource services for 500 employees who work in five schools and at the SU office. Some of the services provided include:

- Provide criminal background checks for all employees and school volunteers,
- Administer benefits including: health, HRA, dental, and long term disability insurances, Section 125, 403-B plans, and Family Medical Leave, to name a few,
- Advertise, prepare, and distribute employment ads,
- Ensure all professional employees are licensed and paraprofessionals attain highly qualified certification,
- Prepare and help interpret employment contracts for administrators, professional, and support staff,
- Continue to update human resource software to improve efficiency and streamline information, and
- Support the work of six school boards and administrators by warning board meetings, creating board minutes, and developing meeting materials.

The HR Dept. and Business Office assumed extra duties this past year, both negotiating new collective bargaining agreements for support staff and teachers and implementing vastly more complex health care programs.

Information Technology

2017 was a year of deepening digital teaching and learning at the FNWSU elementary schools through 1 to 1 computing and a year of expansion and opportunity for MVU students. It was also a year of greater collaboration among technology integration teachers and the continued development of robust and safe data and network systems. This is the fifth year of 1 to 1 computing for our grade 3 through 8 students in Sheldon); MVU has now implemented 1 to 1 computing in grades 7 through 12. Deeper, more advanced digital learning with technology is supported by Google programs, and online learning management systems, as well as Google Classroom and a Schoology learning management system. Students are continuously improving their transferable skills of communication, collaboration, connection, and creativity. With the support of administrators and classroom teachers, a new group was formed last year consisting of the FNWSU Curriculum and Technology Directors and the Technology Integrationist teachers from our schools to further the advancement of digital learning and to provide resources and equity for engaged creative learning. To support our continuously growing technology needs, improvements have been made to the FNWSU data systems and network equipment located at MVU. These improvements include faster Internet and network connection speeds, improved and more secure firewalls, web filtering, and server and data systems. 2017 has been a year of improvement in all areas of teaching and learning with technology.

The Information Technology Department has become the backbone and foundation for all student learning and assessment in the five schools and supervisory union office. The Director of Technology, George Raynak, was hired in 1994 and tasked to purchase the first computers for MVU. Over the past 14 years, he has guided the development of an outstanding technology program in all the schools, and did so with a major grant provided by the Grateful Dead. George is retiring at the end of this school year. His colleagues extend sincere gratitude for George's willingness to always be available with technology support. We wish him well in the next chapter of life.

In closing, thank you in advance of Town Meeting for reviewing the education services provided by the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union and for your ongoing support of the most important community development asset, the provision of education for the next generation of civic leaders and voters.

This will be my last "State of the Union" Report as I wind down a wonderful and diverse career in education and organization development. School leadership is a very hard but fulfilling job. In fact, I have expressed on many occasions that "I love my job - just not every day!" I find it satisfying to know that, while working with dedicated school boards and administrators, and through the unflinching support of teachers, staff, and parents, the schools in the FNWSU are making tremendous progress toward achieving education excellence. So, as I ride off into the sunset, please don't miss a beat and continue that forward momentum. It will pay rich dividends for the aspiring citizens who will soon become the next generation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. I. Goodrich".

Winton I. Goodrich
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

“We conquer every challenge by taking it one step at a time.” – Unknown

Last school year, 16-17, we welcomed three new staff members, Laura Sullivan in 3rd grade as Ashley Bachelder was replacing retiring Kindergarten teacher Terry Sturgeon, Christine Muratore in guidance as Kate Leavitt moved with her family to Washington, DC., and Giovanina Bucci replaced Jess Cota, who took a full-time position at MVU. Our school wide goal focused on increasing students' proficiency in communicating their reasoning. Our work on this goal included teaching and using habits of interaction and habits of mind to be more successful in math, which included comparing logic, debating, asking questions, making connections, persevering, using representations, etc.; using children's literature to reinforce making sense of math, learning from mistakes, and communicating their reasoning; establishing classroom routines that promoted more student discourse about math and independence; and using more cognitively demanding tasks to allow students more opportunities to communicate their reasoning. Based on the indicators, we used to measure this goal (including local and statewide assessments for communicating reasoning, class specific goals, and writing tasks), we successfully accomplished this goal.

Professional development that the teachers participated in last year included: working on FNWSU music curriculum and setting priority standards; professional development in teaching math and on best practices for all instruction; teachers taking courses that included Orton-Gillingham reading, Engaging Writers through Strategic Teaching, Reading Strategies, curriculum development; and attending various conferences including VT Music Educators Conference.

Other high points from last year included: that we received small grants to purchase science inquiry kits for grades 4/5/6, school safety items, and books; a pre-k and k visit to the MVU Agriculture Program; a very positive state review of our Hot Lunch program; chorus sang more challenging music with excellence; selected 4th and 5th grade students attended the first ever 4/5 Choral Festival with over 120 students from around VT; installation of new cafeteria tables; participation in various contests including Fire Safety Art, Community Garden Art, writing, Reading is an Investment, spelling, and speech contests; Book Club for 5th/6th graders for Dorothy Canfield Fisher books; all of the Farm to School activities; “Alice in Wonderland” Senior Dinner; grades 4-6 students engineering bike helmets; school wide events including Fun First Friday, holiday parties, Fun and Fitness Day, and walking program; Hampstead Stage Company presentation; Four Winds Science program; adding “True Colors” art program including our first Family Art Night attended by over 80 people; and Penny War bringing in over \$1000 plus many boxes of food for charity.

On the third year of Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) statewide testing, we were again very pleased that each of our grades, and in each content area tested (Language Arts and Math), our school scored above the supervisory union average and the state average. In math, we had 70% of students scoring proficient or above, our Supervisory Union (SU) was 39% and the state was 45%. In Language Arts, we had 67% of our students scoring proficient or above, the SU was 45% and the state was 51%. On the statewide testing in Science, only tested in Grade 4, we had 82% of our students proficient/or proficient with distinction, SU was 34%, and VT was 47%.

We are so fortunate to have the level of support that we do. Your commitment and caring for your school are appreciated and make a difference. On a personal note, I need to thank the entire community for all the support I received this past fall when my husband died. “Kindness lifts us up, lights our path, smooths the journey, sees us through.” Thank you for “smoothing” my journey. Your sympathy and kindness will always be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Hakey, Principal

SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Franklin Central School continues to provide an enriching and community focused education for all students. Franklin is extremely fortunate to have both an exceptional staff and an engaged community. The combination of these key elements has, and will continue, to deliver an effective model for education success that all residents can be proud of.

In order to continue to create positive and equitable learning opportunities for all students at Franklin, we need to invest in the necessary education supports. The school budget provides an important foundation to achieve this and reflects our community's values of providing a high-quality education, delivered at a reasonable cost to taxpayers.

In addition to Franklin School Board's efforts at the Franklin School, we also focused on three main priorities at the Supervisory Union level this past year. Franklin School Board members assumed the primary leadership roles for three important Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union committees.

The first priority involved working with the other school board members and administrators to negotiate a new collective bargaining contract with teachers. Tim Magnant very ably chaired the board negotiations council for all five school boards. The school board team met their collective bargaining goal of providing competitive starting wages for new teachers. Contract negotiations were completed after finalizing a two-year agreement.

The second School Board priority was to collaborate with the Highgate, MVU, Sheldon, and Swanton School Boards and administrators to complete the Act 46 school board merger law process that began in 2016. Bob Berger chaired the SU committee that researched all the school governance options that would increase the efficiency of school operations and reduce costs necessary to deliver a quality education experience for all students. Please review the one page summary of the Act 46 committee recommendations in this Town Report or access the full Act 46 report and backup materials on the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union Website. (fnwsu.org)

The third big job for all Franklin Northwest SU boards has been to recruit and hire a new superintendent. Our current superintendent, Winton Goodrich, plans to retire in June. We thank him for his four years of service to our children, schools, and communities. Tom Gates was appointed by the FNWSU Board to chair the superintendent screening committee, responsible for managing the hiring process. The board's goal is to find a superintendent that aligns with our community's goals, values and who will provide leadership to drive student opportunities and performance. We anticipate that a new superintendent will be named prior to Town Meeting.

To prepare children to become contributing members of society and skillful workers in the future, we must continue developing healthy partnerships with parents and community members. To get this job done, we will need your continued support at Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin School Board
Tim Magnant
Bob Berger
Tom Gates

Act 46 School Board Merger Study Committee Report

As reported in last year's Annual Town Report, the Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union and its district schools charged the Act 46 Study Committee with recommending the optimal governance structure(s) to meet the needs of our students, communities and the goals of the Act 46 law. The committee gathered community input, reached out to neighboring communities, analyzed all pertinent data, and then made final recommendations to the SU board.

The committee researched quantifiable and qualitative data sources. It analyzed and reviewed the data, always considering the implications for meeting and/or exceeding the goals of Act 46. Quantitative sources included per pupil costs, enrollment numbers, instruction hours, subject offerings, student/teacher ratios, student/staff ratios, and current tax rates, merged tax rates, student and school performance data, and graduation rates.

Qualitative data sources included community input from meetings, principal surveys and meeting input, historical analyses of towns, social/cultural discussions, dialogue regarding town values for education, and discussions about town similarities and differences.

After considering all the data, the Study Committee developed recommendations and a list of actions for making the recommendations a reality. The overall recommendation is that the FNWSU enhance its current governance structure to better meet or exceed the goals of Act 46. The Study Committee recommended retooling our supervisory union and schools to create a stronger, more efficient organization that better serves our students and communities; provides the FNWSU with the ability to meet or exceed all the five Act 46 goals; and provides leadership for the five member districts responsible for delivering prekindergarten through grade 12 education services.

The voters approved the Act 46 Study Committee and SU Board recommendations with a referendum vote on November 7, 2017. The referendum vote results were:

- Franklin: 161 to 0 - Support the SU Board Act 46 recommendation to not merge
- Highgate: 103 to 1 - Support the SU Board Act 46 recommendation to not merge
- Swanton: 148 to 105 - Support the SU Board Act 46 recommendation to not merge
- Sheldon: 87 to 0 - Support the SU Board Act 46 recommendation to not merge

The Study Committee strongly believes that the extensive self-evaluation required by Act 46 law has benefited our supervisory union. The committee, along with our school improvement teams, has conducted a thorough assessment of our strengths, identified opportunities for improvement, and planned short and long-term actions for retooling and revamping our supervisory union. We've had the opportunity to look at our practices, procedures, systems, school compositions, school cultures, processes, continuous improvement strategies, leadership, finances, curriculum, and best practices. This information, along with the focused continuous improvement efforts the FNWSU has been making over the last several years, will position the FNWSU to become even more efficient and effective and better able to meet and exceed the goals of Act 46.

The Act 46 Study Committee Report was approved by the FNWSU Board and sent to the Agency of Education in December 2017. We are waiting to hear whether the State Board of Education decides to merge our school boards together or allow the FNWSU to complete implementation of our Enhanced Alternative Governance Structure (AGS).

FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMS

*Committed to enriching the lives of
Franklin, Highgate, Sheldon and Swanton students,
by providing fun, inspirational, educational, experiential
activities, opportunities and academic support.*



CROSSROADS
EXPLORERS



January 2018

Greetings Franklin Residents,

During 2004, school staff, school administrators, community organizers, recreation and youth program providers, joined in an effort to address a need to prevent substance abuse, increase academic achievement and to provide engaging activities to keep youth safe and in school. Utilizing available Vermont 21st Century Community Learning Center Program funds through the Vermont Agency of Education (Department of Education back then), the Crossroads After School Programs for grades 5 thru 9 was created. This initial startup of the programs were completely funded for its first three years, and continues today with half of the program costs covered by the 21st Century Community Centers Program Grant with the balance of the programs supported by other funds. Through the years, the other half of the Crossroads After School Programs have been funded by



- a variety of grants (Healthy Communities, Afterschool Alliance, CLiF, McClure STEM Pathways, Vermont Afterschool Inc, STEM Challenge Initiative, Hunger Free Vermont, Swanton Fit Families, Spark, Vermont Community Garden Network, United Way, Rotary Club, AmeriCorps, Promising Practices, Highgate Federal Earmark Grants and many more), as well as
- leveraging funds received from Vermont Agency of Education for child nutrition, tutoring and other support-services-program funds as they become available, also

- our local businesses, community agencies and community groups support our programs with funding, discounted services, in-kind services and materials,
- local school budget funds (Franklin School does not provide this, the other school sites do), and
- fundraising events and donations

From its start during the 2005-2006 school year, the FNWSU After School and Summer Programs have grown, now promoting youth achievement and success for all students in grade 2 through grade 12.

The Franklin Central School is one of the five Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union (FNWSU) schools operating our high-quality, after school and summer programs, geared to keep youth safe, supported and engaged while making strong community connections. These programs are funded and guided by a 21st Century Community Learning Center program grant 2014-2019, with funding to continue for one more year. The 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) initiative is the only federal funding source dedicated to supporting local summer learning and afterschool programs. With community partners, grants, school budget local funding and support, the 21st CCLC grant will support our FNWSU afterschool and summer learning programs through June 2019, as long as our programs meet Vermont Agency of Education guidelines and reporting requirements. This grant allows FNWSU to provide a wide range of fun, inspirational, educational, experiential activities, opportunities and academic support.

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Winton Goodrich

FNWSU Superintendent of Schools

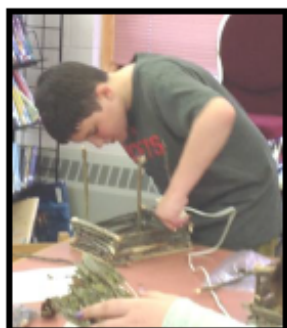
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FNWSU After School Program Director

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For the 2016-2017 academic year FNWSU After School & Summer Programs had over 752 students participating in our programs. At 47%, this is close to half of all students in the FNWSU schools attending after school and summer programs, in our target grades of 2 through 12. FNWSU programs referred to as "Crossroads" is actually three programs serving different grade levels, the Crossroads After School Programs (grades 4-8), Crossroads Explorers (grades 2-4) and the AfterHours (high school) programs.



Our Crossroads program goals are:

- Improve school day performance
- Improve school day attendance
- Improve overall health and physical well being
- Improve the level of self-esteem and social well-being
- Encourage participants to learn new skills & gain confidence, to problem solve, to try new things, and to become a responsible citizen of the local and global community
- Increase student access to, experience of and inquiry into STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) activities and opportunities

At the Franklin Central School, the Franklin Crossroads After School Programs are offered to students in grades 4 through 6. Franklin Crossroads provides free after school programming 24 weeks during the school year, Monday through Thursday, and summer mornings Monday through Friday running 5 weeks during July last year, with bus transportation and snack or meals provided. Last school year our after school programs had an average of 29 students attending daily, with a total of 50 students participating during the year. For the program's target grades 4 through 6, 100% of the Franklin school population attended Franklin Crossroads program last year.

Franklin Crossroads programs are developed from student interest, shared program ideas from other Vermont 21st CCLC programs, and are guided by our program goals. In alignment with our goals, we are pleased to confirm that 66% of our students participated in daily fitness activities and 76% participated in STEAM activities. You can check out the wide variety of our activities on our website, with its links to our program flyers, or pick up a flyer at the school, to read more about our programs. Attending Crossroads programs is one way students can personalize their learning, which is something that the Vermont Agency of Education is looking for middle and high schools to provide.

In our Franklin Crossroads 2016-2017 end of year reports sent to the Agency of Education (AOE), we reported that for our Franklin student regular attendees (those who attended 30 days or more) 63% of the students improved school day attendance, when compared to the prior school year. We are pleased with this data, as improving school day attendance is one of our program goals.

After school and summer programs are an investment in our communities now and for our future.

If you would like more information on

- Franklin Crossroads After School Program, please contact Elsa Rood, (285-2100 or erood@fnwsu.org)
- MVU Crossroads or MVU AfterHours After School Programs, please contact Ashley Bowen, (868-0507 or abowen@fnwsu.org).

You can also find more information on our FNWSU website
www.afterschoolprograms.fnwsu.org.

Thank you for your continued support,

Carol Lizotte

FNWSU After School & Summer Programs Director



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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET SUMMARY - FY2019**

	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Budget	FRANKLIN Share
Expenses:						
Administration Salaries	\$466,408	\$466,031	\$531,924	\$537,564	\$542,404	\$28,188
Support Staff Salaries	\$142,585	\$151,433	\$141,860	\$161,501	\$401,158	\$20,848
Insurance Benefits	\$125,314	\$118,719	\$129,439	\$123,112	\$220,484	\$11,458
Other Benefits	\$36,592	\$32,320	\$41,593	\$42,490	\$54,794	\$2,848
Payroll Expense	\$51,507	\$50,167	\$54,603	\$55,463	\$77,223	\$4,013
Purchased Prof. Services	\$36,100	\$50,530	\$49,500	\$57,970	\$47,945	\$2,492
Repair&Maintenance & Equip. Lease	\$7,400	\$7,945	\$8,265	\$9,021	\$9,015	\$468
Other Property Services	\$42,565	\$42,557	\$43,985	\$44,848	\$46,985	\$2,442
Office Expenses	\$11,000	\$11,266	\$11,000	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$546
Travel & Professional Development	\$12,000	\$10,764	\$12,000	\$13,115	\$12,000	\$624
Supplies & Acct'g/H.R. Software	\$44,250	\$37,156	\$44,500	\$42,000	\$42,500	\$2,209
Equipment	\$10,000	\$6,592	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$9,000	\$468
Dues & Fees	\$4,500	\$4,580	\$4,850	\$4,950	\$4,950	\$257
Total Expense:	\$990,221	\$990,060	\$1,083,519	\$1,112,534	\$1,478,958	\$76,859

Revenues:						
Title I and II funding	\$69,664	\$75,154	\$69,213	\$69,213	\$66,728	\$3,468
Other Grant receipts	\$22,000	\$30,247	\$22,000	\$20,000	\$22,000	\$1,143
Transfer(s) from other SU Budgets	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$0
Federal E-Rate Reimbursement	\$0	\$2,315	\$0	\$4,453	\$4,453	\$231
Miscellaneous / Other	\$0	\$1,022	\$0	\$230	\$0	\$0
Interest Earnings	\$250	\$2,920	\$1,250	\$2,732	\$2,000	\$104
Prior Year Carry Forward	\$28,500	\$53,799	\$17,500	\$42,704	\$29,077	\$1,511
Total Revenues:	\$127,914	\$170,457	\$114,963	\$144,332	\$124,258	\$6,457

FY2019 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$862,307</u>	<u>\$968,556</u>	<u>\$1,354,700</u>	<u>\$70,402</u>
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**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET FY2019**

	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Budget	Franklin Share
Expenses:						
Special Education Administration	\$188,160	\$102,875	\$181,960	\$165,500	\$172,250	\$9,325
Medicaid Clerk / Clerical Support	\$41,465	\$42,550	\$69,690	\$66,824	\$84,524	\$4,576
School Psychologists	\$196,685	\$186,338	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Adapted Curriculum	\$70,810	\$70,810	\$72,935	\$72,935	\$74,760	\$4,047
Occupational Therapy	\$59,445	\$54,336	\$61,229	\$61,230	\$62,764	\$3,398
Insurance & Other Benefits	\$155,917	\$121,817	\$93,522	\$83,330	\$91,029	\$4,928
Payroll Expense	\$45,917	\$45,181	\$31,445	\$30,062	\$32,392	\$1,754
Purchased Professional Services	\$8,250	\$7,579	\$8,250	\$13,313	\$4,250	\$230
Office Expenses	\$750	\$0	\$0	\$253	\$750	\$41
Travel / Conference	\$500	\$622	\$0	\$1,312	\$2,000	\$108
Supplies & Equipment	\$1,250	\$1,072	\$750	\$3,370	\$4,000	\$217
Dues & Fees	\$1,850	\$819	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$81
Subtotal:	\$770,999	\$633,999	\$521,031	\$499,379	\$530,219	\$28,705

Revenues:						
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$28,569	\$26,504	\$22,444	\$22,444	\$24,041	\$1,302
IDEA-B Grant Reimbursement	\$290,300	\$293,203	\$186,862	\$195,210	\$200,197	\$10,838
Other [Carry Forward from Previous Year]	\$7,500	\$19,689	\$35,000	\$65,027	\$60,027	\$3,250
Total Revenues:	\$326,369	\$339,396	\$244,306	\$282,681	\$284,265	\$15,390

FY2019 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$444,630</u>	<u>\$276,725</u>	<u>\$245,954</u>	<u>\$13,315</u>
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FRANKLIN NORTHWEST - SPECIAL EDUCATION STAFF & EXPENSE TRANSFER BUDGET

	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Budget	Franklin Share
Transfer of District Spec Education Expenses to SU:						
SpEd Instructional Salaries	\$1,754,483	\$1,700,401	\$1,928,565	\$1,872,149	\$1,940,953	\$101,888
SpEd Instructional Benefits	\$632,190	\$592,003	\$661,927	\$576,310	\$618,294	\$34,869
Speech Services	\$569,097	\$553,692	\$670,975	\$580,422	\$603,183	\$24,354
Psychological Services	\$56,561	\$70,700	\$221,889	\$350,804	\$358,406	\$28,197
Tuition Expense	\$1,162,080	\$1,494,574	\$1,551,398	\$1,494,666	\$1,523,500	\$0
Transportation Expense	\$247,428	\$206,588	\$299,774	\$284,839	\$279,000	\$0
All Other Expenses (supplies/equipment, etc)	\$294,028	\$236,389	\$274,455	\$392,854	\$385,861	\$4,510
Subtotal:	\$4,715,867	\$4,854,347	\$5,608,983	\$5,552,044	\$5,709,197	\$193,818
Offsetting Revenues:						
Mainstream Block Grant			\$818,262	\$818,262	\$799,205	\$47,792
Special Ed Expenditure Reimb			\$2,242,839	\$2,170,242	\$2,045,358	\$53,372
Extraordinary Expense Reimb			\$194,338	\$286,650	\$363,500	\$0
State Placed/Care & Custody Reimb			\$110,695	\$32,828	\$32,500	\$0
IDEA-B Funding			\$0	\$77,029	\$176,325	\$15,680
Prior Year Carryforward			\$0	\$64,941	\$154,278	\$2,318
NET SpecEduc Expenditure Assessment :	\$4,715,867	\$4,854,347	\$2,242,849	\$2,102,092	\$2,138,031	\$74,656

**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM BUDGET FY2019**

	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Budget	FRANKLIN Share
Expenses:						
ECP Administration	\$42,905	\$43,544	\$84,500	\$75,644	\$77,540	\$7,909
Teachers' Salaries	\$241,809	\$258,884	\$577,031	\$527,877	\$519,035	\$48,051
Support Staff	\$98,155	\$90,874	\$188,937	\$191,744	\$224,307	\$21,672
Speech Pathologist Salary	\$109,520	\$110,887	\$116,500	\$112,400	\$116,900	\$11,924
ECP Secretary Salary	\$31,962	\$29,056	\$33,050	\$28,392	\$29,400	\$2,999
Insurance Benefits	\$126,136	\$124,042	\$212,230	\$171,896	\$174,105	\$16,805
Payroll Expense	\$43,060	\$43,962	\$86,180	\$86,386	\$89,503	\$8,632
Other Benefits	\$4,737	\$8,368	\$10,314	\$14,517	\$15,600	\$1,591
OT/PT & Psychological Services	\$10,250	\$3,336	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$893
Purchased Prof. Services	\$12,900	\$13,315	\$13,200	\$13,200	\$13,950	\$1,423
Repair&Maintenance	\$2,106	\$1,751	\$2,235	\$1,482	\$2,235	\$228
Office Expenses	\$38,014	\$36,847	\$39,000	\$37,746	\$38,750	\$3,953
Student Tuition & Transportation	\$77,550	\$38,821	\$77,550	\$120,900	\$147,265	\$15,021
Travel / Conference	\$9,000	\$9,888	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$10,000	\$1,020
Supplies & Equipment	\$8,250	\$12,571	\$9,750	\$9,649	\$16,161	\$1,648
Total Expense:	\$856,354	\$826,146	\$1,468,227	\$1,409,583	\$1,483,501	\$143,768
Revenues:						
EEE Grant	\$0	\$0	\$166,616	\$166,615	\$178,225	\$18,179
PreK Expansion Grant	\$0	\$0	\$317,825	\$238,363	\$200,743	\$20,476
IDEA Preschool & IDEA-B Grant	\$14,000	\$10,222	\$14,000	\$31,119	\$104,377	\$10,646
Medicaid Grant	\$13,500	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$1,173
Other Misc.	\$9,000	\$9,494	\$9,000	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$765
Prior Year Carry Forward	\$26,800	\$49,594	\$37,500	\$47,718	\$5,000	\$510
Total Revenues:	\$63,300	\$80,810	\$556,441	\$502,815	\$507,345	\$51,749
FY2019 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT	<u>\$793,054</u>		<u>\$911,786</u>		<u>\$976,156</u>	<u>\$92,019</u>

**FRANKLIN NORTHWEST SUMMARY
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017**

		FY2017		
	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Balance
Title I Grant #4250	\$10,995	\$867,770	\$843,711	\$35,054
Title IIA Grant #4651	\$4,063	\$249,449	\$241,027	\$12,485
IDEA-B Grant #4226	\$126,966	\$725,183	\$677,694	\$174,456
IDEA-B Preschool Grant #4228	\$6,535	\$11,775	\$10,722	\$7,588
Preschool Development Expansion Grant #4505	\$84,611	\$277,840	\$306,165	\$56,286
Best Grant #3213	\$1,065	\$5,000	\$4,728	\$1,337
Act 230 Grant #3219	\$0	\$4,962	\$4,714	\$248
21st Century Grant #4611	\$100,307	\$323,061	\$422,663	\$705
Crossroads non-grant revenues	\$46,366	\$169,071	\$168,831	\$46,606
Program Fundraising	\$11,072	\$20,712	\$12,370	\$19,414
SWIFT Grant	\$11,128	\$0	\$11,128	(\$0)
Tobacco Grant #5555	\$3,409	\$30,000	\$19,385	\$14,024
VT Kids Against Tobacco	\$1,483	\$0	\$0	\$1,483
Standards Board [FNWSU & ChamplainValley Reg'l] #5480	(\$81)	\$1,896	\$1,295	\$520
VSBIT Safety Grant	\$187	\$0	\$3,471	(\$3,284)
Medicaid Reimbursements [schools] #5481	\$438,199	\$390,638	\$339,903	\$488,934
Medicaid Reimbursements [FNWSU] #5481	\$97,475	\$97,660	\$94,759	\$100,376
EPSDT Reimbursements #5483	\$57,268	\$29,458	\$60,650	\$26,076
Central Office Assessments	\$53,799	\$1,105,222	\$1,116,317	\$42,704
Special Education Admin Assessments	\$19,689	\$471,133	\$340,795	\$150,027
Special Education [school-based] Assessments	\$191,341	\$5,127,113	\$4,927,544	\$390,909
Early Childhood Program Assessments	\$49,594	\$814,049	\$815,924	\$47,718
Contracted Transportation [all schools]	\$0	\$1,275,345	\$1,275,343	\$2
Fiduciary/Fiscal Agent Funds:				
Franklin/Grand Isle County ECP Advisory Council	\$147,478	\$0	\$8,985	\$138,493
Franklin/Grand Isle County Bookmobile	\$23,521	\$58,144	\$64,309	\$17,356
Team FNW Tutoring Program	\$2,811	\$63,083	\$63,603	\$2,291
VEHI Pathpoints Wellness Program	\$11,240	\$3,325	\$5,101	\$9,464
Indian Education Grant	\$1	\$200,226	\$200,226	\$1
Mentoring Program	\$14,465	\$5,654	\$11,141	\$8,978
Federal Hot Lunch Reimbursements [all schools]	\$525	\$939,829	\$934,322	\$6,032
Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Grant #4449	\$0	\$92,169	\$92,169	\$0
School Improvement [3 schools] #4255	\$12,967	\$134,788	\$112,930	\$34,825
School Improvement [MVUMHS] #4257	\$0	\$19,610	\$14,522	\$5,089
Farm to School [Franklin]	\$419	\$3,480	\$1,199	\$2,700

A copy of the Independent Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, performed by RHR Smith & Co., Buxton ME, may be obtained from the Superintendent of Schools' Office.

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON AGENCY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2017</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash - Library Fund	\$ 1,574	\$ 2,331	\$ 2,365	\$ 1,540
Cash - Student Activities (FNA Childrens) Fund	47,133	20,812	23,305	44,640
Total Assets	<u>\$ 48,707</u>	<u>\$ 23,143</u>	<u>\$ 25,670</u>	<u>\$ 46,180</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Amount Held for Agency Funds	<u>\$ 48,707</u>	<u>\$ 23,143</u>	<u>\$ 25,670</u>	<u>\$ 46,180</u>

Adjustments made on 9/29/2017 to void outstanding checks affected the beginning and ending balances for I as reported in last years report as follows: beginning balance increased by \$21.00 to \$46,215.; ending balance increased by \$212.50 to \$47,133.

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

**THE INFORMATION FOR THIS REPORT WAS NOT
FINALIZED BY RHR SMITH & CO WHEN SENT TO PRINT**

A finalized copy of the annual outside audit of the Franklin Town School District's financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, performed by , RHR Smith & Company will be available at the Town Clerk's Office and/or the Superintendent of School's Office.

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

Beginning Fund Balance-July 1, 2016 **\$ 47,713.96**

RECEIPTS

State of VT Education Taxes \$ 974,884.54

State of VT All Aid to Education 801,446.46

Interest Income 286.09

All Other 20,442.83

Total Receipts 1,797,059.92

TOTAL BEGINNING BAL/RECEIPTS **\$ 1,844,773.88**

EXPENDITURES

Regular Orders Paid \$ 1,819,075.33

Liabilities as of June 30, 2017

Total Expenditures **\$ 1,819,075.33**

Ending Fund Balance-June 30, 2017 25,698.55

TOTAL ENDING BAL/EXPENDITURES **\$ 1,844,773.88**

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa A. Larivee, Treasurer

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016 - 2017
Salary Schedule & Index

Step	BA/BS	BA/BS+15	BA/BS+30	BA+45	MA	MA+15	MA+30
1	1.00 \$34,223	1.05 \$35,934	1.10 \$37,645	1.15 \$39,356	1.20 \$41,068	1.25 \$42,779	1.30 \$44,490
2	1.04 \$35,592	1.09 \$37,303	1.14 \$39,014	1.19 \$40,725	1.24 \$42,437	1.29 \$44,148	1.34 \$45,859
3	1.08 \$36,961	1.13 \$38,672	1.18 \$40,383	1.23 \$42,094	1.28 \$43,805	1.33 \$45,517	1.38 \$47,228
4	1.12 \$38,330	1.17 \$40,041	1.22 \$41,752	1.27 \$43,463	1.32 \$45,174	1.37 \$46,886	1.42 \$48,597
5	1.16 \$39,699	1.21 \$41,410	1.26 \$43,121	1.31 \$44,832	1.36 \$46,543	1.41 \$48,254	1.46 \$49,966
6	1.20 \$41,068	1.25 \$42,779	1.30 \$44,490	1.35 \$46,201	1.40 \$47,912	1.45 \$49,623	1.50 \$51,335
7	1.24 \$42,437	1.29 \$44,148	1.34 \$45,859	1.39 \$47,570	1.44 \$49,281	1.49 \$50,992	1.54 \$52,703
8	1.28 \$43,805	1.33 \$45,517	1.38 \$47,228	1.43 \$48,939	1.48 \$50,650	1.53 \$52,361	1.58 \$54,072
9	1.32 \$45,174	1.37 \$46,886	1.42 \$48,597	1.47 \$50,308	1.52 \$52,019	1.57 \$53,730	1.62 \$55,441
10	1.41 \$48,254	1.46 \$49,966	1.51 \$51,677	1.56 \$53,388	1.61 \$55,099	1.66 \$56,810	1.70 \$58,519
11	1.45 \$49,623	1.50 \$51,335	1.55 \$53,046	1.60 \$54,757	1.65 \$56,468	1.70 \$58,179	1.74 \$59,888
12	1.49 \$50,992	1.54 \$52,703	1.59 \$54,415	1.64 \$56,126	1.69 \$57,837	1.74 \$59,548	1.78 \$61,259
13			1.63 \$55,783	1.68 \$57,495	1.73 \$59,206	1.78 \$60,917	1.82 \$62,628
14				1.72 \$58,864	1.77 \$60,575	1.82 \$62,286	
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Reading the salary schedule

1. locate the step on the left column (in the example, step 8)
2. Locate the level at the top (in the example, MA+15)
3. The point where the two intersect in the 2016-2017 salary (in the example, \$52,361)

Salary Ranges For Employees Not Subject To The Salary Scale

Administration/Treasurer	\$91,910
Paraprofessionals/Librarian	\$28,560
Custodian	\$50,190
Food Service	\$23,373

NOTE: Individual salary information is available, by request, at the Franklin Town Clerk's Office.

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL STAFF

FY 17 - July 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2017

Department	Employee	FTE	Level	Step	Licensure	Years of Service at Franklin
Teacher/Guidance/Nurse:						
Kindergarten	Bachelder, Ashley	100	MA+15	6	Level II	9
Grade 1	Coon, Erin	100	BA/BS+15	3	Level II	2
Grade 2	Toof, Carrie	100	MA+15	8	Level II	11
Grade 3	Sullivan, Laura	100	BA/BS	1	Level I	0
Grade 4	Shepard, Valerie	100	MA+30	14 off-step	Level II	35
Grade 5&6	Birkheimer, Krista	100	MA+30	11	Level II	11
Grade 5&6	Messier, Christopher	100	BA/BS	2	Level I	1
Physical Ed.	Young, Douglas	40	BS	9	Level II	13
Guidance	Muratore, Christine	60	MA	1	Level P	0
Compensatory Ed.	Trainer, Brye	25	MA+15	10	Level II	16
Music	McConnell, Jennifer	60	BA/BS+30	8	Level II	11
Nurse .5	Potts, Alita	50			Level II	13
Early Childhood	Dewing, Jennifer	50	BA/BS+15	9	Level II	11
Administration:						
Principal	Hakey, Joyce					
Admin. Assistant	Sartwell, Susan					
Treasurer	Larivee, Lisa A.					
Paraprofessional/Library:						
Librarian	Wilson, Nancy					
Instructional Assistant	Russell, Connie					
Instructional Assistant	Renaudette, Lana	Jerry, Kennethea				
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Vanselette, Nicole	Rood, Elsa				
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Ashton, Constance					
Spec. Ed. Paraprofessional	Gates, Martine	Jewett, Jordan				
Spec. Ed./Autism Behavior	Dandurand, Manon					
Sp.Ed./Technology Para.	Ovitt, Kathy					
Early Ed Assistant	Racine, Alyson					
Custodial:						
Head Custodian	Ballard, Steven					
Part Time Custodian	Colman, Richard/Jeremy Barnum					
Food Services:						
Head Cook/Co-Agent	Bushey, Carolyn					
Cook/Co-Agent	Benoit, Donna					

District: Franklin County: Franklin		T078 Franklin Northwest		Property dollar equivalent yield	Homestead tax rate per \$9,842 of spending per equalized pupil
				9.842	1.00
				11.862	Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income
Expenditures		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	\$1,712,062	\$1,784,790
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	\$1,712,062	\$1,784,790
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
7.	Total Budget	\$1,723,589	\$1,782,001	\$1,712,062	\$1,784,790
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	\$290,361
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
Revenues					
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuition, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$208,092	\$254,695	\$131,779	\$219,752
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$208,092	\$254,695	\$131,779	\$219,752
14.	Education Spending	\$1,515,497	\$1,527,306	\$1,580,283	\$1,565,038
15.	Equalized Pupils	134.56	130.72	122.14	116.45
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil		\$11,262.61	\$11,683.80	\$12,938.29	\$13,439.57
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$343.98	\$349.33	\$368.16	-
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$60,000 for an individual (per equp)	-	-	-	-
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions 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 equp)	-	-	-	-
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per equp)	-	-	-	-
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period (per equp)	-	-	-	-
22.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per equp)	-	-	-	-
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per equp)	-	-	-	-
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per equp)	-	-	\$23.42	-
25.	plus Excess spending threshold	\$17,103.00	\$11,717.92	\$17,386.00	\$17,816.00
26.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
27.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$11,263	\$11,684	\$12,938	\$13,439.57
28.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	119.068%	120.439%	127.345%	136.583%
Prorating the local tax rate					
29.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [\$13,439.57 ÷ (\$9,842.00 ÷ \$1,000)]	\$1.1788	\$1.2044	\$1.2735	\$1.3655
30.	Percent of Franklin equalized pupils not in a union school district	55.02%	54.61%	51.55%	48.80%
31.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (48.80% x \$1.37)	\$0.6486	\$0.6577	\$0.6565	\$0.6664
32.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	104.36%	103.94%	102.25%	102.43%
33.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.6664 ÷ 102.43%)	\$0.6215	\$0.6328	\$0.6421	\$0.6506
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 percentage.					
34.	Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 35) [(\$13,439.57 ÷ \$11,862) x 0.00%]	2.14%	2.15%	2.16%	-
35.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (48.80% x 0.00%)	1.18%	1.17%	1.11%	-
36.	Percent of equalized pupils at Missisquoi Valley UHSD #7	44.98%	45.39%	48.45%	51.20%
37.		-	-	-	-

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,842 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,862 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.629. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.

- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.

- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

FRANKLIN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT PROJECTED REVENUES & ESTIMATED TAX RATES

	FY2018	FY2019
<u>PROPOSED EXPENSES</u>		
Franklin School District Budget Proposal	\$1,712,062	\$1,784,790
Franklin Special Article(s)	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Expenses:	\$1,712,062	\$1,784,790

<u>PROJECTED REVENUES</u>		
Interest Earnings	\$500	\$500
Prior Year Unreserved Fund Balance	\$1,219	\$15,079
Health Care Recapture - 35%	\$0	-\$3,141
Municipal Bond Bank Refinance Savings	\$3,466	\$902
FNW Title I Funding	\$14,000	\$12,500
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$0	\$7,500
Small Schools Grants	\$0	\$66,266
Projected Special Education Aid:		
Mainstream Block Grant	\$0	\$0
Special Education Expenditure Reimbursement	\$82,376	\$90,000
Extraordinary Expenditure Reimbursement	\$0	\$0
EEE Grant	\$0	\$0
Care & Custody	\$0	\$0
Transportation Reimbursement	<u>\$30,146</u>	<u>\$30,146</u>
Total Projected Revenues:	\$131,707	\$219,752

LOCAL EDUCATION SPENDING	\$1,580,355	\$1,565,038
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Equalized Pupils	122.14	116.45
Spending per Equalized Pupil [net ed spending ÷ eq.pupils]	\$12,939	\$13,440
Projected Homestead Property Yield	\$10,160	\$9,842
Franklin Elem Student Ratio [% of total resident students]	51.55%	48.80%
Local School Equalized Tax Rate	\$0.656	\$0.666

PROJECTED TAX RATES AFTER COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT

based on current Common Level of Appraisal [increased to 102.43% of State value, from 102.25% in FY18 & 103.94% in FY17]		
<u>Projected</u> Homestead Tax Rate	\$0.642	\$0.651
<u>Projected</u> Non-Homestead Tax Rate	\$0.774	\$0.776

Projected homestead tax rates for the 2018-19 school year are based on the estimated Property Yield provided by VT Agency of Education - actual Yield figure still to be set by Legislature

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT					
FY2017 Expenditures, FY2018 Estimated Expenditures, and FY2019 Proposed School Budget					
Funct/ Object Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Estimated	FY2019 Proposed Budget Change
1100 INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:					
110 Teachers' Salaries	\$464,818	\$433,201	\$446,650	\$437,000	\$446,775 \$125
119 Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$20,911	\$17,972	\$16,381	\$16,381	\$16,942 \$561
120 Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$4,000	\$5,526	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$4,000 (\$1,000)
210 Health Insurance	\$84,792	\$89,517	\$71,869	\$55,139	\$102,312 \$30,443
210.1 Health Reimbursement Arrangement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,353	\$25,080 \$25,080
210A Cafeteria Plan	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$0
220 Social Security	\$37,464	\$33,833	\$35,804	\$34,990	\$35,780 (\$24)
232 VSTRS Payment	\$0	\$2,194	\$2,200	\$2,506	\$2,600 \$400
240 Municipal Retirement	\$0	\$76	\$75	\$75	\$75 \$0
250 Workers Compensation	\$1,836	\$1,516	\$1,638	\$1,638	\$1,637 (\$1)
260 Unemployment Compensation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$0
280 Dental Insurance	\$5,569	\$5,095	\$4,875	\$4,741	\$6,948 \$2,073
300 Purchased Services	\$0	\$1,013	\$750	\$750	\$750 \$0
430 Repair & Maintenance	\$2,500	\$4,448	\$2,750	\$4,000	\$3,375 \$625
440 Copier Equipment Lease	\$2,725	\$2,722	\$2,468	\$2,468	\$2,468 \$0
610 Supplies	\$8,884	\$8,849	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000 \$0
610.1 Testing Supplies	\$500	\$416	\$500	\$500	\$500 \$0
610.2 PE Supplies	\$326	\$237	\$293	\$381	\$293 \$0
640 Books	\$870	\$1,007	\$900	\$900	\$900 \$0
640.1 Books - reference/periodicals	\$492	\$408	\$550	\$550	\$550 \$0
640.2 Books - consumable	\$632	\$459	\$700	\$700	\$545 (\$155)
660 Manipulatives	\$392	\$161	\$450	\$450	\$290 (\$160)
670 Computer Software	\$210	\$95	\$350	\$350	\$350 \$0
730 Equipment	\$200	\$754	\$350	\$1,309	\$350 \$0
Subtotal - Instructional Prog.	\$637,371	\$609,499	\$603,553	\$584,181	\$661,520 \$57,967

Funct/ Object Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Estimated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
1210 SPECIAL EDUCATION:						
115 Paraprofessionals' Salaries	\$156,805	\$159,406	\$157,231	\$163,654	\$161,788	\$4,557
119 Substitutes & Tutors' Salaries	\$4,000	\$1,931	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$1,000
210 Health Insurance	\$30,346	\$21,899	\$24,872	\$18,912	\$22,124	(\$2,748)
210.1 Health Reimbursement Arrangement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,475	\$6,600	\$6,600
220 Social Security	\$12,302	\$12,023	\$12,334	\$12,826	\$12,759	\$425
240 Municipal Retirement	\$6,272	\$5,132	\$6,289	\$6,546	\$6,674	\$385
250 Workers Compensation	\$603	\$498	\$645	\$645	\$667	\$22
280 Dental Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
300 Purchased Prof. Services	\$0	\$0				
430 Repair & Maintenance	\$0	\$0				
561 Tuition / Alternative Educational Services	\$0	\$0				
580 Travel	\$0	\$0				
610 Supplies	\$0	\$33	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100
730 Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal - Spec. Education	\$210,328	\$200,922	\$205,371	\$209,158	\$215,712	\$10,341
1214 EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM:						
331 Assessment	\$80,892	\$80,892	\$84,574	\$84,574	\$92,019	\$7,445
Subtotal - Early Childhood Prog.	\$80,892	\$80,892	\$84,574	\$84,574	\$92,019	\$7,445
2120 GUIDANCE PROGRAM						
110 Salary, Counselor	\$27,104	\$24,641	\$26,100	\$25,740	\$26,640	\$540
210 Health Insurance	\$0	\$7,359	\$4,137	\$6,191	\$2,212	(\$1,925)
211.1 Health Reimbursement Arrangement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$825	\$990	\$990
220 Social Security	\$2,073	\$1,757	\$1,997	\$1,969	\$2,038	\$41
232 VSTRS Payment	\$0	\$624	\$660	\$679	\$702	\$42

Funct/ Object Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Estimated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
2120 GUIDANCE PROGRAM						
250 Workers Compensation	\$102	\$84	\$98	\$193	\$100	\$2
280 Dental Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$215	\$215	\$211	(\$4)
610 Supplies	\$156	\$0	\$156	\$156	\$210	\$54
Subtotal - Guidance	\$29,435	\$34,465	\$33,363	\$35,968	\$33,103	(\$260)
2130 HEALTH SERVICES:						
110 Salary, Nurse	\$25,241	\$28,900	\$25,765	\$24,180	\$25,080	(\$685)
210 Health Insurance	\$3,680	\$3,679	\$3,447	\$8,160	\$9,192	\$5,745
211.1 Health Reimbursement Arrangement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$990	\$1,980	\$1,980
220 Social Security	\$1,581	\$1,788	\$1,621	\$1,850	\$1,919	\$298
232 VSTRS Payment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$752	\$780	\$780
250 Workers Compensation	\$95	\$78	\$97	\$97	\$94	(\$3)
280 Dental Insurance	\$180	\$180	\$180	\$216	\$616	\$436
300 Purchased Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
430 Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$125	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
610 Supplies	\$710	\$393	\$575	\$755	\$684	\$109
730 Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$180	\$0	\$110	(\$70)
Subtotal - Health Serv.	\$31,687	\$35,143	\$32,015	\$37,150	\$40,605	\$8,590
2150 SPEECH PATH. & AUDIOLOGY:						
300 Purchased Professional Services	\$0	\$844				
610 Supplies	\$0	\$0				
Subtotal - Speech Pathology	\$0	\$844	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2213 INSTR. STAFF TRAINING:						
270 Course Reimbursement	\$6,000	\$9,426	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
270.1 Staff Development	\$500	\$70	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
Subtotal - Staff Training	\$6,500	\$9,496	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$0

Funct/ Object Description	FY2017		FY2018		FY2019	
	Budget	Actuals	Budget	Estimated	Proposed	Budget Change
2222 LIBRARY SERVICES:						
110 Salary, Library Aide	\$28,258	\$26,182	\$29,232	\$29,232	\$30,044	\$812
220 Social Security	\$2,162	\$2,003	\$2,236	\$2,236	\$2,298	\$62
250 Workers Compensation	\$106	\$88	\$117	\$117	\$120	\$3
300 Purchased Services	\$1,200	\$1,020	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
430 Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$349	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
610 Supplies	\$150	\$46	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
640 Books & Periodicals	\$1,900	\$1,841	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$0
650 Audiovisuals	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
Subtotal - Library	\$34,526	\$31,529	\$35,585	\$35,585	\$36,462	\$877
2225 SCHOOL-WIDE TECHNOLOGY						
110 Paraprofessional Salary	\$11,594	\$11,928	\$12,043	\$12,043	\$12,417	\$374
220 Social Security	\$887	\$912	\$921	\$921	\$950	\$29
240 Municipal Retirement	\$464	\$477	\$482	\$482	\$512	\$30
250 Workers Compensation	\$43	\$36	\$45	\$45	\$47	\$2
300 Contracted Services	\$1,500	\$1,477	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
430 Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$139	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
530 Telephone	\$840	\$1,028	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$0
610 Supplies	\$500	\$70	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
670 Computer Software	\$200	\$519	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
910 Equipment	\$11,000	\$7,550	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0
Subtotal - School-Wide Technology	\$27,528	\$24,136	\$28,031	\$28,031	\$28,466	\$435
2310 BOARD OF EDUCATION:						
111 Board Salaries	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$0
220 Salary, Board Secretary	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
260 Social Security	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$161	\$0

Funct/ Object	Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Estimated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
2310	BOARD OF EDUCATION:						
360	Legal Services	\$1,500	\$363	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
540	Advertising/Printing	\$500	\$516	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
810	Dues [VSBA]	\$1,050	\$984	\$1,050	\$1,050	\$1,050	\$0
890	Miscellaneous	\$50	\$0	\$50	\$140	\$50	\$0
	Subtotal - Board of Educ.	\$5,361	\$4,124	\$5,361	\$5,451	\$5,361	\$0
2321	OFFICE OF THE SUPT:						
331	S. U. Assessment (Central Office)	\$53,204	\$53,204	\$59,759	\$59,759	\$70,401	\$10,642
	Subtotal - Supt's Office	\$53,204	\$53,204	\$59,759	\$59,759	\$70,401	\$10,642
2410	PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:						
110	Salary, Principal	\$91,910	\$91,910	\$94,207	\$94,207	\$97,033	\$2,826
111	Salary, Secretary	\$30,650	\$32,789	\$31,960	\$31,960	\$33,412	\$1,452
210	Health Insurance	\$29,381	\$29,373	\$28,213	\$28,213	\$15,918	(\$12,295)
211.1	Health Reimbursement Arrangement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,475	\$4,950	\$4,950
213	Long Term Disability Insurance	\$250	\$294	\$250	\$294	\$250	\$0
220	Social Security	\$9,376	\$9,071	\$9,688	\$9,652	\$9,979	\$291
240	Municipal Retirement	\$1,226	\$1,312	\$1,278	\$1,278	\$1,378	\$100
250	Workers Compensation	\$414	\$342	\$379	\$379	\$390	\$11
280	Dental Insurance	\$681	\$681	\$679	\$680	\$352	(\$327)
300	Purchased Services	\$0	\$212	\$0	\$196	\$0	\$0
430	Repair & Maintenance	\$200	\$222	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
530	Telephone	\$1,500	\$1,357	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
531	Postage	\$650	\$627	\$650	\$650	\$650	\$0
580	Conference/Travel	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610	Supplies	\$900	\$544	\$900	\$900	\$800	(\$100)
810	Dues & Memberships	\$200	\$235	\$200	\$380	\$200	\$0
	Subtotal - Principal's Office	\$167,588	\$168,969	\$170,354	\$173,214	\$167,262	(\$3,092)

Funct/ Object Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
2420 SU SPECIAL EDUCATION:						
331 S. U. SpecEduc Adm'n Assessment	\$34,461	\$34,461	\$14,309	\$14,309	\$13,315	(\$994)
332 SpecEduc ProfStaff to SU	\$81,944	\$152,950	\$134,666	\$134,666	\$136,757	\$2,091
332.1 SpecEduc Services & Supplies, & Tuition	\$4,650	\$0	\$5,810	\$26,370	\$4,510	(\$1,300)
SpecEduc Alternative Educ Setting	\$0	\$0	\$32,666	\$8,167	\$0	(\$32,666)
333 Speech/Psych Services	\$33,328	\$31,024	\$54,455	\$58,395	\$52,551	(\$1,904)
513 Spec Educ Transportation Assessment to SU	\$10,229		\$9,000	\$9,000	\$0	(\$9,000)
Minus Proj SpEd Revenues						
Carry Forward FY17			\$0	\$0	(\$2,318)	(\$2,318)
Mainstream Block Grant			(\$48,896)	(\$48,896)	(\$47,792)	\$1,104
SpEd Expenditure Reimb			(\$102,783)	(\$94,871)	(\$53,372)	\$49,411
IDEA-B Support			\$0	\$0	(\$15,680)	(\$15,680)
Subtotal - SU Special Education	\$154,383	\$228,664	\$99,227	\$107,140	\$87,971	(\$11,256)
2520 FISCAL SERVICES:						
110 Bookkeeping Services	\$22,105	\$20,588	\$23,118	\$23,118	\$16,640	(\$6,478)
300 Contracted Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,080	\$2,080
420 Repair & Maintenance	\$150	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
531 Postage	\$250	\$192	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0
610 Supplies	\$500	\$327	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
830 Interest on Current Loan	\$600	\$435	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$0
Subtotal - Fiscal Services	\$23,605	\$21,542	\$24,618	\$24,618	\$20,220	(\$4,398)
2540 PLANT OPERATIONS:						
110 Custodians' & Subs' Salaries	\$71,346	\$71,732	\$74,837	\$81,620	\$80,458	\$5,621
210 Insurance / Benefits	\$7,985	\$8,215	\$7,985	\$1,000	\$1,000	(\$6,985)
220 Social Security	\$6,069	\$6,346	\$6,336	\$6,320	\$6,155	(\$181)
230 Long Term Disability Insurance	\$250	\$211	\$250	\$211	\$225	(\$25)
240 Municipal Retirement	\$1,990	\$2,346	\$2,076	\$2,076	\$3,319	\$1,243

Func/ Object	Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
2540	PLANT OPERATIONS:						
250	Workers Compensation	\$3,173	\$3,173	\$3,313	\$3,313	\$3,218	(\$95)
260	Unemployment Comp	\$0	\$380	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
400	Purchased Property Services	\$3,535	\$7,733	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
411	Water & Sewer	\$2,750	\$3,130	\$2,750	\$2,750	\$2,750	\$0
421	Disposal Service	\$3,300	\$3,607	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0
430	Repair/Maintenance	\$12,200	\$7,054	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$12,200	\$0
431	Heating & Ventilation	\$5,200	\$7,404	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$0
433	Grounds	\$3,500	\$4,969	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
520	Property Insurance	\$7,850	\$7,369	\$7,500	\$6,967	\$7,500	\$0
580	Travel / Mileage	\$50	\$0	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
610	Supplies	\$15,000	\$15,303	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
622	Electricity	\$31,500	\$32,653	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$31,500	\$0
624	Fuel	\$21,000	\$15,666	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$0
624.1	Gasoline (for snowblower & tractor)	\$350	\$477	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$0
700	Equipment	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
	Subtotal - Plant Operation	\$197,798	\$197,768	\$202,397	\$201,607	\$201,975	(\$422)
2550	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION						
513	Contracted Service	\$60,858	\$60,858	\$62,075	\$62,082	\$63,634	\$1,559
513.01	ExtraCurricular Transportation	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0	(\$100)
	Subtotal - Pupil Transportation	\$60,958	\$60,858	\$62,175	\$62,182	\$63,634	\$1,459
2600	FOOD SERVICE						
200	Hot Lunch Program- health ins	\$15,173	\$15,128	\$14,212	\$12,608	\$11,062	(\$3,150)
	HRA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,650	\$3,300	\$3,300
430	Repair/Maintenance	\$0	\$221	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
730	Equipment	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal - Food Service	\$15,173	\$16,349	\$14,212	\$14,258	\$14,362	\$150

Funct/ Object Description	FY2017 Budget	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Budget	FY2018 Anticipated	FY2019 Proposed	Budget Change
5101 DEBT SERVICE (Roof Replacement)						
830 Interest	\$5,664	\$5,664	\$4,967	\$4,967	\$4,214	(\$753)
910 Principal	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	(\$5,000)
Subtotal - Debt Service	\$45,664	\$45,664	\$44,967	\$44,967	\$39,214	(\$5,753)
BUDGET TOTAL	\$1,782,001	\$1,824,068	\$1,712,062	\$1,714,343	\$1,784,790	\$72,730

Beginning in the 2017-18 school year, the VT Agency of Education (AOE) sends Special Education Revenues to the entity making the expenditures. With the majority of Special Education costs at the Supervisory Union level, most of this revenue is now sent to the SU and offsets some of the special education expense BEFORE being assessed to each member district.

The only Special Education revenue appearing on the Tax Rate page will be reimbursement revenue for paraprofessional related expenses still at the local level. The anticipated revenues into the SU for special education costs are being shown net from the Special Education Assessments.

THE OVERALL IMPACT ON FRANKLIN'S PREK-6 PORTION OF THE TAX RATE, BASED ON THIS PROPOSAL, WILL BE SLIGHTLY LESS THAN 1 CENT (\$0.009)

MVU School Board Report

The MVU School Board would like to extend our continued appreciation to the MVU community for supporting our school budget. Your support helps us continue to make necessary improvements to the school facilities and educational programs.

Here are a few updates from last year:

- We continue to take part in the work done at the SU level regarding Act 46, the school board merger law. (See the Act 46 Report, included in this Town Meeting Report.)
- The Ag Advisory Committee has been rekindled and is working on improvements that involve potential partnerships with the Cold Hollow Career and Northwest Technical Centers.
- Our new food service has proven to be a success. Last year, MVU experienced the greatest increase in student meal participation of any school in Vermont.
- The main water line replacement project did not happen due to Swanton Village construction delays. The \$125,000 voters authorized last year will show as budget revenue and then be requested again as a line item in the 2018 budget vote. The project will be completed this summer.

Due to aging facilities and the need for several major improvements, we have decided to ask the community to vote on a 2.9 million dollar school bond at Town Meeting to fund this work. The goal of the bond is to comply with safety and security codes and upgrade heating, plumbing, and electrical systems that are nearly 50 years old. The previous 2.5 million dollar bond was paid off in 2017. Some of the needed improvements include:

- Replace components of the original heating, plumbing, and electrical systems that are worn out;
- Move the main electrical panel system and boilers out of an underground room that is constantly at risk from contact with a high volume of flowing ground water;
- Purchase and connect a generator to provide electricity during community emergencies;
- For safety concerns, replace the bleachers in the gym;
- Construct an enclosed walkway connecting the main building to J Pod to increase building security and prevent injuries from slips and falls during inclement weather.

The Board would like to thank the entire MVU staff and administration for their hard work and dedication to the students and their families. This years' new administration team established a very positive climate from day one and continues to work on improving MVU academics and school culture. As a result, the Board has decided to continue with the current administrative structure. We are extremely proud of the many student and staff accomplishments and their contributions to our town communities and beyond.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to our departing superintendent, Winton Goodrich. Win has spent the past four years tirelessly serving the school districts and the FNWSU. He has been a great supporter of MVU, the Board, and the families in our community. We wish him well in his retirement.

In conclusion, we sincerely appreciate the opportunity to serve the students and families of the MVU community. We hope that you will consider becoming an active partner at MVU by attending school activities and Board meetings, following the MVU website and social media, watching MVU events on Channel 15/16, and contacting us with any questions throughout the year.

Please join us on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at 7pm for our annual budget information meeting in the MVU Library. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Respectfully submitted,

Denis Boucher, Chair - 355-3084
Mark Bessette - 868-5412
Vickie Gratton - 285-2083

Gregg Gervais - 868-9120
Don Collins - 868-7975
John Ho - 285-6676

Eric Beauregard - 285-6208
Richard Flint - 868-2652
Fr. Rob Spainhour - 843-343-6871

MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
2018 - 2019 SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL - SUMMARY by CATEGORY

AREA / DEPARTMENT	<u>FY2017</u> <u>Approved</u>	<u>FY2017</u> <u>Actuals</u>	<u>FY2018</u> <u>Approved</u>	<u>FY2019</u> <u>Proposed</u>	Variance
Regular Programs	\$6,140,519	\$6,170,478	\$6,227,580	\$6,467,410	\$239,830
Department Budgets	\$349,897	\$292,313	\$337,102	\$384,522	\$47,420
Interscholastics / Co-Curriculars	\$488,673	\$500,928	\$490,424	\$497,332	\$6,908
Registrar	\$52,930	\$54,083	\$56,450	\$57,712	\$1,262
Guidance Services	\$474,391	\$455,036	\$482,027	\$478,551	(\$3,476)
Student Assistance Program	\$78,456	\$77,083	\$79,572	\$79,237	(\$335)
Health Services	\$109,486	\$104,658	\$119,749	\$116,064	(\$3,685)
Psychological Services	\$17,869	\$21,711	\$24,659	\$0	(\$24,659)
Library Services	\$154,151	\$148,692	\$155,660	\$152,197	(\$3,463)
School-wide Technology	\$337,251	\$312,436	\$338,628	\$365,395	\$26,767
Board of Education	\$34,939	\$32,157	\$35,939	\$36,477	\$538
Principals' Office	\$615,334	\$616,728	\$655,748	\$655,260	(\$488)
Receptionist	\$51,750	\$47,462	\$52,054	\$49,684	(\$2,370)
Student Management	\$300,443	\$324,243	\$306,171	\$349,185	\$43,014
Fiscal Services	\$140,941	\$127,959	\$136,954	\$2,500	(\$134,454)
Plant Operation & Maintenance	\$1,415,501	\$1,355,369	\$1,495,481	\$1,528,131	\$32,650
Safety & Security	\$12,465	\$13,857	\$12,466	\$14,710	\$2,244
Transportation	\$660,724	\$655,348	\$680,958	\$712,070	\$31,112
Debt Service	\$128,808	\$128,808	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Projects [Water Line]	\$0	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$0
Special Education Programs	\$1,194,418	\$1,041,187	\$1,137,413	\$1,085,832	(\$51,581)
Special Educ Operations Manager	\$81,136	\$79,497	\$82,571	\$0	(\$82,571)
FNWSU (CentOffice & Special Educ)	\$2,637,478	\$2,534,807	\$1,501,884	\$1,528,469	\$26,585
BUDGET TOTAL	\$15,477,560	\$15,094,840	\$14,534,490	\$14,685,738	\$151,248

NOTES OF INTEREST

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Friday.....8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday.....CLOSED
Thursday.....8:00 am - 6:00 pm

The office is open during the lunch hour. As always, if necessary, the clerk is available by appointment. Please call 285-2101 to schedule an appointment.

HASTON LIBRARY HOURS

Monday.....10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Tuesday.....2:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Wednesday.....CLOSED
Thursday.....9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Friday.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturday.....9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Visit our website: franklinhastonlibraryvt.org

Email: librarian@hastonlibraryvt.org

LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Monthly at the Franklin Elementary School.
Contact the Principal, Joyce Hakey at 285-2100 if you wish to be on the agenda.

MVUHS DIRECTOR'S MEETING

First and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at MVUHS.

DOG LICENSES

Due by April 1, 2018

Any dog six months of age and over must be licensed at the Town Clerk's Office and must show proof of current rabies vaccination at that time.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWALS

The Town Clerk's Office will process preprinted computer generated "Vehicle Registration Renewals". Only current and up to two month's expiration date renewals will be accepted. There will be a separate \$3.00 processing fee.

PERMISSION TO BURN (REQUIRED)

Contact Burt Maynard, Town Fire Warden at 285-2220 for a permit.

GREEN MOUNTAIN PASSPORTS

Available for all residents over 62 (\$2.00 lifetime fee) - Forms at Town Clerk's Office.
Gives free day-use entry to all State Parks and most State sponsored events.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Last year, Secretary of State Jim Condos announced the launch of VT's new Elections Management Platform. This streamlined the elections administration process, providing voters with greater access to voter specific information. Over 25,000 Vermonters registered to vote online in 2016. For the November General Election, nearly 6,500 Vermonters requested an absentee ballot through the "My Voter Page".

By using the My Voter Page, a registered voter can:

- Check registration status;
- View information on upcoming elections;
- Access voter specific elections information, including directions to a polling place and polling hours;
- View a sample ballot;
- Request and track an absentee ballot;
- and much more.

We encourage voters to log into their My Voter Page to learn more.

Registered Voters can log in at: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>

Online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>

PROPERTY TAXES

Proposed property tax due date; as warned – October 15, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.

NOTICE: Current policy states – All tax payments must be received by close of business on the due date or they will be considered delinquent. Postmarked envelopes received after the due date will be considered delinquent and assessed a one-time 8% fee plus 1% interest monthly.

BUILDING PERMITS & SEPTIC DESIGN

Building applications and permits are necessary if you are doing construction of more than fifty square feet **or if you are changing the use.** Forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office or the Town's website. Permits for septic systems and potable water systems are obtained through the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. For more information contact the District Office in Essex Junction at 1-802-879-5656 or log on to www.anr.state.vt.us/dec.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Posted on the Town Website and Town Facebook page
Published in St. Albans Messenger

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Website: www.franklinvermont.com

Email: townoff@franklinvt.net

Join us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TownofFranklinVT>

Email: librarian@hastonlibraryvt.org

FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Franklin Historical Society has “A History of Franklin” books available for sale for \$20. Please contact the Town Clerk or Haston Library to purchase your copy. The Historical Society is working to expand hours and visibility at the log cabin location on Hanna Road. They are also looking for volunteers; if you are interested please contact Bryant Reynolds at 802-285-6774.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Franklin Fire Department-Emergency.....	911
Medical Emergency.....	911
Franklin Fire and Rescue- Non-Emergency	285-2050
Vermont State Police.....	524-5993
Franklin County Sheriff's Department.....	524-2121
Northwestern Medical Center.....	524-5911
Poison Control Center.....	658-3456
Vermont Game Warden.....	524-5993
U.S. Border Patrol.....	868-3229

TOWN OFFICES

Town Clerk & Treasurer.....	285-2101
Haston Library.....	285-6505
Selectboard Chair, Peter Magnant.....	285-6243
School Board Chair, Tim Magnant.....	285-2092
Zoning Administrator, Robert Irish	285-2288
Health Officer, Chris Ferland.....	285-2103
Animal Control Officer, Dennis Demar.....	285-6556
Town Garage.....	285-2180
Road Commissioner, Andrew Godin.....	285-6335

SCHOOLS

Franklin Elementary School.....	285-2100
Missisquoi Valley Union (MVU) HS.....	868-7311
Northwest Supervisory Union.....	868-4967

FRANKLIN DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVES

Albert Pearce.....	848-7813
Steve Beyor.....	868-3456
Representatives Number in Montpelier.....	800-322-5616

FRANKLIN DISTRICT SENATORS

Dustin Degree.....	782-4507
Carolyn Whitney-Branagan.....	527-7694

LAKE CARMi CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION

Peter Benevento, President.....	285-6744
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IMPORTANT DATES 2018



- ☐ March 6, 2018- *Town Meeting*- Beginning at **9:00 a.m.** in the Franklin School Gym
*Polls open at **7:00 a.m.** for MVU Voting*
- ☐ March 10, 2018 Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic-10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Franklin Town Hall
- ☐ April 1, 2018- *Dog Licenses*- Dogs are due to be registered by this date; proof of rabies and spayed/neutered certificates need to be provided for new dogs 6 months of age and older at the time of registration.
****\$13 spayed/neutered & \$17 unaltered dog****
- ☐ May & September 2018- *Metal Dumpster* is at the Town Garage for use by all Franklin residents/taxpayers
- ☐ October 15, 2018- *Property Taxes* are **due** by 4:00 p.m.

The Franklin Selectboard meetings vary every other month at the Town Clerk's Office

- January, March, May, July, September, November - 3rd Wednesday @ 6:00 pm
 - February, April, June, August, October, December – 1st and 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 pm
- Check schedule on website.

The Franklin Planning Commission holds their monthly meeting on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Franklin Homestead Dining Room.

The Franklin Water Commission holds their monthly meeting on the second Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Clerk's Office.

For questions on any of the above events, please call the Town Clerk's Office at (802)285-2101 or email the office, townoff@franklinvt.net.

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