

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TOWN  
**SHOREHAM, VERMONT**  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31  
**2021**



**The 2021 Town Report is dedicated to Peter Szymkowicz who has served our town as a First Responder for over 30 years. Peter is generally the first one on scene and the driver of 790. Our community is fortunate to have such a committed individual to answer the emergency call.**

## **Board Meeting Schedules**

Selectboard: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 7 pm at the Town Office

Planning Commissioners: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7 pm at the Town Office

Library Board: 1st Monday 7 pm at the library or as noticed

Wastewater Commissioners: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 7 pm at the Town Office

Shoreham Fire Department: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 7 pm at the Firehouse

Shoreham First Response: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 7 pm at the Firehouse

## **Vital Records 2021**

**Births    12**

**Marriages 6**

**Deaths    13**

**The Town of Shoreham will hold a Virtual Town Informational Meeting meeting by ZOOM, which you can join by computer or by phone on Sunday, February 20, 2022, at 1pm.**

**Instructions for the meeting are on the last page in this book. The Selectboard looks forward to your participation.**

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## **Elected Town Officers 2021**

Moderator.....Will Stevens  
Town Clerk.....Julie Ortuno  
Treasurer & Trustee of Public Funds.....Kathleen Brisson  
Selectboard.....1 Year Exp 2022.....Molly Francis  
Selectboard.....1 Year Exp 2022.....Eric Boire  
Selectboard.....3 Year Exp 2024.....Loren Wood  
Selectboard.....3 Year Exp 2022.....Steve Goodrich  
Selectboard.....3 Year Exp 2023.....Peter Lynch  
Lister.....3 Year Exp 2023.....Mike Davis  
Lister.....3 Year Exp 2022.....Vacancy  
Lister.....3 Year Exp 2024.....Phil Kivlin  
Auditor.....3 Year Exp 2024.....Maureen Gour  
Auditor.....3 Year Exp 2022.....Mary Beth Davis  
Auditor.....3 Year Exp 2023.....Timothy Steady  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2025.....Linda Larrabee  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2025.....Linda Oaks  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2022.....Timothy Steady  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2023.....Carl Siebecker  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2023.....George Gross  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2024.....Molly Kerr  
Planning Commission.....4 Year Exp 2022.....Vacant  
Tri-Town Commissioner..3 Year Exp 2023.....Ed S James  
Tri-Town Commissioner..3 Year Exp 2024.....Lance Wood  
Tri-Town Commissioner..3 Year Exp 2022.....Eric Leonard  
Library Trustee.....5 Year Exp 2026.....Laura Siebecker  
Library Trustee.....5 Year Exp 2025.....Tiffany Jones  
Library Trustee.....5 Year Exp 2024.....Katie Flagg  
Library Trustee.....5 Year Exp 2023.....Cora Waag  
Library Trustee.....5 Year Exp 2022.....Tanya Scuteri  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Roberta Blodgett  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Kathleen Brisson  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Jim Ortuno  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Bob Rathburn  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Martha Teer  
Justice of the Peace.....2 Year Exp 1/31/2023.....Randall Orvis  
Constable.....1 Year Exp 2022.....Vacancy

## Appointed Town Officers

911 Coordinator.....	1 Year .....	Julie Ortuno
ACRP Commission.....	1 Year .....	Nick Causton
ACRP Commission.....	1 Year .....	Vacancy
ACRP Alternate.....	1 Year .....	Vacancy
ACRP Transportation.....	1 Year .....	Karen Shackett
AC Solid Waste.....	1 Year .....	Randall Orvis
AC Solid Waste (ALT).....	1 Year .....	Jason Paquette
Animal Control.....	Appointed.....	Vacancy
Delinquent Tax Collector.....	Appointed.....	Kathleen Brisson
Emergency Coordinator.....	Appointed.....	Chris Stearns
Fence Viewer.....	1 Year .....	Gavin Greenewalt
Fence Viewer.....	1 Year .....	Dick Treadway
Fence Viewer.....	1 Year .....	Joe Hescok
Fire Warden.....	5 Year Exp 6/30/2025.....	Robert Warren
Green Up Coordinator.....	Appointed.....	Pauline Stevens
Town Grand Juror.....	1 Year .....	Vacancy
Town Grand Juror.....	1 Year .....	Vacancy
Health Officer.....	3 Year Exp 3/31/2026.....	Val Ortiz
Shingle Inspector.....	1 Year .....	Edwin C James
Athletic Program Coordinator....	1 Year .....	Molly Kerr
Clock Winder.....	1 Year .....	Tim Short
Town Service Officer.....	1 Year Exp 4/2022.....	Charlene Remick
Tree Warden.....	1 Year .....	Jason Paquette
Waste Water.....	1 Year.....	Kirk LaDuke
Waste Water.....	1 Year.....	Chris Hubbell
Waste Water.....	1 Year.....	Steve Goodrich
Coal Weigher.....	1 Year.....	Jim Peden
Zoning Administrator.....	3 Year Exp 5/2024.....	Robin Conway
Acting Zoning Administrator.....	3 Year Exp 5/2024.....	Steve Goodrich
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2025.....	Gail Wood
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2023.....	John Kiernan
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2024.....	Jim Ortuno
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2023.....	Amy Douglas
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2022.....	Kevin Griffin
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	3 Year Exp 2024.....	Todd Balfour
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	Alternate.....	Robert Fisher
Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	Alternate.....	Vacancy

WARNING  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING  
MARCH 1, 2022

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2022

This year's Town Meeting will be Virtual Informational meeting on Zoom on Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 1pm. Instructions for attending virtually are located on the last page in this book, and will be posted later and available at the Town Offices.

The Legal Voters of the Town of Shoreham, Vermont is hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Offices in Shoreham on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 7a.m. to 7p.m. to transact the following business by Australian ballot.

**Article 1:** To elect all necessary Town Officers as required by Law, by Australian ballot.

Moderator- one 1-year term  
Town Clerk- one 1-year term  
Treasurer & Trustee Public Funds- one 1-year term  
Selectperson- one 3-year term  
Selectperson- two 1-year terms  
Auditor- one 3-year term  
Lister- one 3-year term  
Library Trustee- one 5-year term  
Library Trustee- one 4-year remainder of 5-year term  
Planning Commission- two 4-year term  
Water Commissioner- one 3-year term  
Town Agent- one 1-year term  
Constable- one 1-year term

**Article 2:** Shall the Town approve the sum of \$922,885.66 for the support of its town roads for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding obligations and orders?

**Article 3:** Shall the Town approve the sum of \$374,945.15 to defray current expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding obligations and orders?

**Article 4:** Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to move \$60,000 from the General Fund into the Buildings and Grounds Reserve Fund?

**Article 5:** Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to purchase an Industrial Tractor/Mower not to exceed \$110,000?

**Article 6:** Shall the Town pay its Real Estate Property Taxes to the Treasurer on or before Thursday, November 10, 2022, with delinquent taxes having a penalty charge of eight per cent, and interest charges of not more than one percent per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter one and one-half percent per month or fraction thereof, and interest of one and one-half per cent per month or fraction also applying to prior year delinquencies?

**Articles 7 through 23 to be voted on by Australian Ballot March 1, 2022**

- Article 7: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1900 for Addison County Teens?
- Article 8: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$5000 for Addison County Home Health & Hospice?
- Article 9: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation the sum of \$1,500 for the Addison County Parent/Child Center?
- Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$400 for the Addison County Readers?
- Article 11: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$848 for the Tri-Valley Transit (ACTR)?
- Article 12: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1,000 for the Charter House Coalition
- Article 13: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$2,100 for the Counseling Service of Addison Co.?
- Article 14: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1,500 for Homeward Bound/ Addison County Humane Society?
- Article 15: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$2,250 for HOPE (formerly Addison County Community Action)?
- Article 16: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$500 for Lake View Cemetery?
- Article 17: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1000 for the Otter Creek Child Care Inc.?
- Article 18: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$425 for the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program?
- Article 19: Shall the Town Appropriate by taxation \$1000 for Turning Point Center?
- Article 20: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$500 for the Village Cemetery?
- Article 21: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1000 for WomenSafe?
- Article 22: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$1000 for Open Door Clinic?
- Article 23: Shall the Town appropriate by taxation \$740 for Addison County Restorative Justice?

Total of above Requests (Article 7 thru Article 23) is \$22,663.

- Article 23: To transact any other business thought proper to be brought before this meeting.

Selectboard: January 13, 2022

Steve Goodrich, Chair  
Loren Wood  
Molly Francis  
Peter Lynch  
Eric Boire

Julie Ortuno, Town Clerk

**Minutes for  
Shoreham Town Informational Meeting  
Sunday, February 28, 2021, 1pm  
VIA ZOOM**

**Abby Adams was managing Zoom for the Selectboard**

**Peter Lynch set the stage as how the meeting would be run.**

**Stephen Goodrich- Meeting came to order 1:06pm**

**Introduction of selectboard- Steve Goodrich- Chair, Loren Wood-Vice Chair, Molly Francis, Peter Lynch & Eric Boire.**

**Tanya Scuteri-Thank you for having the meeting.**

**Linda Larabee-Planning Commission is working a Grant for Farnham property everyone is welcome to join in the discussion.**

**Stephen- Discussed town open positions. Thanked Will Stevens for being long time moderator.**

**Article 2: Shall the Town approve the sum of \$ 901,740.00 for the support of its town roads for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding obligations and orders?**

**No discussion. Steve explained that cost have gone up due to product going up, but no big projects.**

**Article 3: Shall the Town approve the sum of \$382,959.28 to defray current expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding obligations and orders?**

**Reason for increase is putting an antenna on the Verizon Tower for service for the Fire Dept & First Response.**

**Article 4: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to move \$20,000 from the Highway Fund into the Highway Equipment Reserve Fund?**

**Steve explained that if money is leftover at the end of the year, we like to put it in a fund for new equipment.**

**Article 5: Shall the Town pay its Real Estate Property Taxes to the Treasurer on or before Wednesday, November 10, 2021, with delinquent taxes having a penalty charge of eight per cent, and interest charges of not more than one percent per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter one and one-half percent per month or fraction thereof, and interest of one and one-half per cent per month or fraction also applying to prior year delinquencies?**

**Tanya-What is the financial impact Shoreham has experienced?**



**Steve-** We really haven't seen that. A few years ago, we took the delinquent taxes into the office. We have not seen much difference since Covid started. It is the same people before Covid. We do offer payment plans.  
**Peter & Loren** talked about how Jason has cut his Budget and looked for ways to save the Town money during Covid.

**Article 6:** Shall the voters of the Town of Shoreham ratify the Town of Ripton's vote of January 12, 2021, to withdraw the Town of Ripton from the Addison Central School District?

**Steve Cash** a Ripton resident spoke about Ripton wanting to leave the ACSD. The Town itself has already voted to leave but needs the approval of all other ACSD towns. Please vote yes.

**Barb Wilson-** I have been working with Ripton and believe they are aware of what they are doing so please vote yes.

**Terry Norris-**What about the Ripton School debt?

**Steve Cash-** Our school was paid off so there was no debt to the ACSD.

**Tanya-** Ripton voted democratically to leave the ACSD, and they should be able to. I will be voting yes.

**Michael Lenox-**I believe that working as a school district has more benefits.

**Steve G-** Articles 7- 27 are Social Service Articles.

**Linda Larrabee-ACHHH-** Does such a great job. Please vote Yes.

**Steve G-** Public Concerns?

**Chris Kramer-**I'm running for ACSD School board. I'm from Cornwall.  
I've been involved with the school, worked closely with Barb Wilson and Lindsey Hescok on the ACSD.

**Larua Siebecker-**I am running for Library Trustee. We have the best Library and Abby Adams is the most amazing Library.

**Judy Stevens-**I wanted to ask about the quarry. My family took a walk out there and it is just a beautiful spot with Oak trees and wildlife. I would hate to see it ruined.

**Steve G-** We have a 68-page document on how we can move forward with the quarry. The state agrees that this is an environmentally sound project. It will be up to the town to decide. We are gathering information on this. We know Shoreham is a great place to live and the Farnham property is a great asset to the town. We are trying to find the best way to utilize the property. It's been 20 years and now we know we have good quality material for roads.

**Peter Lynch-** We plan to have a hearing in the future.

**Loren-**It would be a shame not to use something that is right here. Right now, we have trucks going to Middlebury every week to get more gravel. The cost is just going up.

**Barb Wilson-** I'm on the ballot for ACSD School Board. My goal is to make sure the rural voices are heard too. Big decisions need to be made and we need to make sure we're making the right decisions for our kids. Contact me at any time.

**Lindsey Hescoc-** I am running for ACSD school board. I feel I would be representing all students in the ACSD no just Middlebury. I have a third grader at Mary Hogan. So as a parent I want questions answered about equity and public representation. Reach out if you have any questions?

**Linda Larrabee-** If Barb was running to represent Shoreham does, she also represent ACSD?

**Michael Lenox-** Yes, she represents Shoreham but also all ACSD schools too.

**Ruth Bernstein-** Shoreham has a school group on facebook, we also meet on zoom.

**Eric Boire-** Internet is terrible we are hoping more companies will be available. Maple Broadband is moving fast and call them directly for more information.

**Laura Siebecker-** Maple Broadband Internet is looking to be available in 2024.

**Terry Norris-** Every Thursday we meet to discuss the Broadband. We think it will be 2026-7 when they are ready.

**Mike Lenox-** Pandemic has driven a lot of what happens at school. Tax rate for Shoreham is \$1.67. I have been very proud of the staff and students. So many changes have been happening but the most important is the priorities of the students. Kids are very resilient. Several improvements, new kitchen tiles, new heat monitor. Baccalaureate is moving forward and doing well.

**Barb Wilson-** What about the school roof?

**Michael-** It has been repaired.

**Yvonne Boire-** Thank you to all the staff at Shoreham Elementary for all that you have done in the pandemic. It has been amazing how everyone works to make it all happen and come together.

**Barb Wilson-** Even in a pandemic our enrollment numbers have gone up.

**Steve G-** Things coming this year; Farnham property with PC looking at housing, also looking at the quarry. Development of the Farnham property will be up for a great deal of discussion.

**Peter Lynch- Shoreham has always been a great town, but this past year has shown us that it is a phenomenal town.**

**Meeting ended 2:25pm**

**Selectboard: March 2, 2020**

**Steve Goodrich, Chair**

**Loren Wood**

**Molly Francis**

**Peter Lynch**

**Jim Ortuno**

**Town Clerk, Julie Ortuno**



## Select Board Report March 2022

In late February 2021 we held our Town Informational Meeting remotely followed by Australian ballot voting on Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. With support from the Secretary of State, our Town Office provided multiple options for voting, and the procedure was smooth and reliable. Thank you for your participation through Zoom and at the ballot box; a special shout out to Abby Adams who watched the back end to manage the discussion flow during our Zoom Town Informational Meeting. The Select Board eventually returned to in person regular meetings, but we retained the option to join remotely. This will be a permanent addition providing greater accessibility to Select Board meetings for residents and visitors alike going forward.

The Select Board's work in 2021 included:

- A study of the potential Quarry site at the north end of the Farnham property. From the standpoint of extraction and highway operations, the report was positive indicating a considerable load of high-quality rock. Use of this site would save time and money within the highway budget. Other considerations, such as the natural value of the site need to be weighed before a decision is reached. The Town, including the Planning Commission's Farnham Property planning group, will have an opportunity to provide guidance to the Select Board before any decision is formulated and finalized.
- We have been gathering information with respect to received and anticipated ARPA funds, totaling \$367,380, dedicated to the Town of Shoreham. At the time of writing, we plan to hold an informational meeting in early February about ARPA to solicit feedback and guidance from the Town. This meeting will have happened by the time we gather for Town Meeting Day. The Select Board must follow State guidelines for allowed uses of the funds. While wide open to suggestions within these guidelines, we believe that these one-time funds should be spent on projects that improve the Town of Shoreham without leaving taxpayers with significant ongoing development and maintenance costs.
- Among the possible ARPA investments is funding to build out a fiber optic network for the Town of Shoreham through our membership in Maple Broadband, formerly the Addison County Communication Union District. Maple Broadband has requested startup funding from the Town of Shoreham. We are waiting for clear figures associated with Maple Broadband's business plan with respect to Shoreham before we will act on this request.
- The Verizon Tower emergency radio project is, after numerous delays, nearing completion. The equipment shed, constructed by our road crew at great savings to the Town, has been installed, electric power connection is complete, and a heat pump is awaiting final stages of construction for installation. We are waiting now on a back ordered antenna. Once this is in hand, Prescott Towers will do their best to complete tower work on the site. Despite unanticipated expense (namely a Verizon application fee, structural analysis fee, post installation inspection fee and a technical site plan and drawing totaling \$7,750) this rent-free Verizon tower location will be a long-term financial benefit to the Town with a break-even timeline of 8 to 9 years. We also hope to see improved emergency coverage in parts of Shoreham, notably our northeastern parts.
- The Town has been working to develop a capital plan for Town buildings and properties similar to the capital plan for highway equipment. Such a plan would help guide stable Town budgets year on year. This is important to us on the Select Board as we endeavor to make wise capital investments for the Town that position the Town well for the future. While by a number of National indicators, the economy has come roaring back despite the uncertainty generated by waves of COVID this year, these improvements in the economy are barely noticed on Main

Street Shoreham where we are more likely to feel the sting of inflation than job growth and gains on Wall Street. We recognize that investments in the Town of Shoreham need to be mindful of a limited and strained tax base.

- We considered an opportunity to purchase a tractor for roadside mowing that could save significant rental fees in the future and provide a higher quality of clearing for visibility on our roads as envisioned through our highway capital plan. At \$75,000 this purchase would have clearly saved the Town money relative to the \$163,000 for a new and equivalent tractor. In the end, it was decided that, though this purchase falls within the range of plans outlined in the highway capital plan (please refer to the Road Foreman's report and the proposed 2022 highway budget), such an expense should be brought before the Town before moving forward. The Select Board is grateful for the extra work on the part of our Road Foreman to pursue good quality used equipment.
- The Town of Shoreham Select Board, along with Orwell and Benson, wrote a letter to the Agency of Transportation inquiring about the poor and dangerous conditions on the southern reaches of 22A. We also wrote the Department of Fish & Wildlife in support of their efforts to acquire a parcel adjacent to their access area on Larrabees Point to improve access to the south lake for boaters and anglers.
- We worked with Vermont Department of Motor Vehicle Police, State Police, and the Addison County Sheriff's Department, to manage a variety of complaints.
- Small, but significant improvements to Town properties include volunteer landscaping around the Library and Town Office, and a potential pollinator garden approximately one acre in size. While these may seem like small changes, they can add significantly to the quality of life in town.

We would like to think that we settled into a "new normal" in 2021; but COVID kept throwing us curve balls, maintaining a constant sense of uncertainty, and leading to COVID fatigue. Shoreham is not alone in this respect. However, we are among those communities that have weathered this fatigue with grace. Our differences have been discussed earnestly, but we have remained largely civil throughout, and we continue to look out for one-another. The Town Office, Platt Library and Shoreham Elementary School all adapted as best they could while providing excellent vital services. Others, such as Becca Kerr's after school childcare at the Community Center have added to this vital work. Shoreham truly is a great community.

We can only hope that a "new normal" really does settle in in 2022 as we learn to live with and manage COVID.

We, on the Select Board, are grateful to live in Shoreham, and we thank you for the opportunity to serve the Town.

Stephen Goodrich  
Loren Wood  
Molly Francis  
Peter Lynch  
Eric Boire

## **Shoreham 2021 Billed Grand List Tax Book**

## **GENERAL TOWN EXPENSES AND BUDGET**





**HIGHWAY EXPENSES AND BUDGET**

## **TOWN AND HIGHWAY REVENUE**

TOWN OF SHOREHAM GENERAL LEDGER  
GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEETS

TOWN OF SHOREHAM GENERAL LEDGER  
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Town of Shoreham General Ledger  
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Town of Shoreham General Ledger Quarry Study Reserve Fund Balance Sheet

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Fiduciary Reserve Fund

Town of Shoreham General Ledger  
Building/Grounds Reserve Fund Balance Sheet

ARPA Reserve Fund Balance Sheet



Town of Shoreham General Ledger  
General Reserve Fund

Highway Equipment Reserve Fund Balance Sheet

Town of Shoreham General Ledger  
FIRE DEPT. EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND BALANCE

## SHOREHAM WASTEWATER BUDGET TO ACTUAL

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WASTEWATER BALANCE SHEET

PLATT LIBRARY  
GENERAL LEDGER REVENUE

PLATT LIBRARY GENERAL LEDGER  
Balance Sheet

Platt Library General Ledger  
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SHOREHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Income Expenses

SHOREHAM FIRST RESPONSE  
Income Expenses



## AUDITORS REPORT

## HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL PLAN

## Building & Grounds Asset Management Plan

# SHOREHAM FIRST RESPONSE SERVICE

In the year 2021, we have all faced many challenges and changes. One of the biggest for the First Response was the fact that we could not get together for trainings as we always have done. The entire squad has had to find other ways to train and keep up the skills we need for the community. We have all succeeded in this task and are still here to support the community in their emergency needs.

Despite all the challenges, the members of Shoreham First Response answered several calls including mutual aid to surrounding towns and stand by for the Fire Department and Police.

Members include	June Prouty AEMT-Head of Service and Training Officer
	Dick Treadway AEMT
	Joan Treadway AEMT-Infectious Control Officer
	Peter Szymkowicz AEMT-District Representative
	Katherine Fitzsimmons EMT-Treasurer
	David Waag AEMT
	Martha Teer - Secretary

The Shoreham First Response would welcome anyone who has an interest in joining our crew. Please contact us and we can explain what training is necessary. Taking care of our community is a commitment we take very seriously.

## Shoreham Volunteer Fire Department 2021

In 2021 we went on several calls, alarm activations, calls assisting the first response, fires and car accidents. We are always looking for new members we have a business meeting the first Monday of every month and a training meeting the third Monday of the month.

### Shoreham Fire Department Roster

Names	Call Numbers
Jeff Treadway, Chief	C1
Kurtis Prouty, 1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief	C2
Dick Treadway, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief	C3
Jason Paquette, 1 <sup>st</sup> Captain	K1
Chris Stearns, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Captain	K2
Adam Mackey, 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	K3
Percy Prouty, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	K4
June Prouty, Safety Officer	S1
Bill Bishop, Firefighter	F3
Bob Warren, Firefighter	F15
Tim Steady, Firefighter	F
Phil Teer, Firefighter	F
Brent Lafountain, Firefighter	F26
Paige Cummings, Firefighter	F9
Nicole Hammer, Firefighter	F7
Britany Trudo, Firefighter	F65
Jon Alger, Firefighter	F22
Nathan Littlefield, Firefighter	F6
Tiffany Littlefield, Firefighter	F5
Tristen Stearns, Firefighter	Cadet
Kelsey Treadway, Firefighter	Cadet

### A message from our Fire Warden, Robert Warren

There were 84 permits issued last year. I would like to thank everyone that called for a permit. A reminder to everyone, in order to issue you a permit I need to be called the day of, not before, because I need to see the weather report and the state report, I receive daily.

Thank you for your cooperation

I can be reached at my home phone, 802-897-5701 or my cell phone at 802-558-8539

Robert Warren

## **2021 Platt Memorial Library Annual Report**

While 2021 will go down in the books as another tumultuous and unpredictable year, the Platt Memorial Library is proud to reflect on the successes, silver linings, flexibility, and commitment to service that marked our work last year. Our library is a vital part of the Shoreham community, and even in the midst of an ongoing global pandemic, we found ways to bring education, connection, leisure, joy, and assistance to our neighbors in 2021. We're enormously grateful to the library staff, volunteers, donors, supporters, and neighbors who made all of this work possible.

The year brought a few noteworthy capital improvements for our building. With the library closed to public foot traffic in early 2021 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we took the opportunity to renovate our Children's Room. This long-planned-for project was generously funded by the Friends of the Platt Memorial Library. If you haven't stopped by to appreciate the beautiful new space, we welcome you to visit during our regular hours. Our staff moved mountains of books to make the renovation happen and seamlessly maintained curbside and delivery service for patrons during the ongoing construction.

We also upgraded to fiber internet at the library, which means faster speeds for downloading, uploading, and streaming. With a Wi-Fi hotspot that extends to our parking lot, the library became a resource for more reliable internet connectivity for our community at all hours.

This was also a year of robust and creative programming, both on- and offline. Dedicated members of the A-to-Z Book Club read their way through a large chunk of the alphabet, meeting virtually for spirited conversations about their latest reads. The "Great Shoreham Cook-Along" series allowed families and individuals in our community to explore new culinary projects, all with free ingredients provided by the Friends of the Platt Memorial Library. During the summer reading program, the library distributed 100 kits to local kids, including free books, snacks, summer reading logs, Pokémon cards, and other treats — and as the summer wore on, the library sent home more than 600 take-and-make activity bags, a 21 percent increase over 2020. We also served 1,078 free meals through the Addison Central School District Summer Food program.

Perhaps best of all, though, were the moments when we gathered again in person. In July we reopened our library doors for public browsing, limiting visitors to one household group at a time as part of our carefully considered COVID-19 safety procedures to protect patrons, community, and staff. As visitors began to return, patrons perused shelves, children tackled library crafts on our front porch, and during the summer, families and kids gathered on the lawn for outdoor story times. On a beautiful September day, we celebrated Apple Fest; this popular event organized by the Friends of the Platt Memorial library bolstered spirits, provided great fun, and proved a successful fundraiser for the library, and we send our kudos and deep gratitude to the Friends for this amazing event (and all of their support and generosity this year).

The staff and board of the Platt Memorial Library are truly appreciative of the collective efforts of our community in making 2021 a success. While much of the year ahead remains uncertain, we welcome our community to visit or contact the library in 2022. We strive to be a resource for all, and hope the coming year brings more opportunities for connection and growth. Whatever 2022 brings, we're confident that the Platt Memorial Library is ready and willing to meet the challenges and opportunities of the year ahead with grace, enthusiasm, and an unwavering commitment to our town.

Respectfully submitted by the Platt Memorial Library Board of Trustees:

Cora Waag, President

Laura Siebecker, Vice President

Tanya Scuteri, Treasurer

Katie Flagg, Recording Secretary

June Lapidow, Corresponding Secretary



## **Road Foreman's Report 2021**

Shoreham Highway Department worked on many projects over the past year on Shoreham's roadways. Significant improvements were made starting in the spring, when we were able to start grading and top-dressing roads early with the weather conditions being in our favor. As the summer progressed a plan came together to rebuild a section of Lake St. Along with reclaiming a section of Bates Road. These two projects came about because we were able to secure the purchase of base material locally giving us a significant cost savings in time and trucking. Other projects included work being done on Shoreham Depot Road, Cutting Hill Road, and Lapham Bay Road. These projects were funded in part by grants from the State of Vermont.

Paving for 2021 ran in to weather related issues forcing the contractor to postpone this project until 2022. The existing plan is to resurface 2 sections of road (1. Rt 73 and 2. Lapham Bay Road) with a process called "crumb rubber chip seal". This treatment option has been used in the past on North Orwell Road and works extremely well. This is all to treat a roadway at the right time preserving the road with a less expensive option. The contractor has agreed in writing to hold the quoted price.

At this point in time, we are still developing a plan for the construction season coming up. Many factors will determine the course of action next year like grant funding, local material, and weather. Projects that I do know will happen are ditch work on North Orwell Road and finally the Buttolph Road "Bascom Brook" project that has been in the works since 2017! Champlain Construction has been awarded the contract through a bid process and construction is slated to begin in July 2022. Expect Buttolph Road to be closed to thru traffic while construction is being done. Reminder notices will be sent out as work gets closer.

As always, I want to thank Bill and Ryan for all the hard work they do along my side. Without their help it would be impossible to maintain these roads in a timely manner. Also, to the Select Board for making the opportunities of progress able to happen and giving the Highway Department the tools needed to maintain our highway infrastructure, and lastly the residents of Shoreham for your support over the year!

Respectfully Submitted

Jason Paquette



## Shoreham Planning Commission 2021

In 2019 the town applied for a 2020 Municipal Planning Grant to develop a conceptual plan for housing in the town owned Farnham Property. Due to Covid we were given an extension into 2021 to complete the Grant. A group of volunteers worked with Regional Planning to design the conceptual plan. The plan was presented at AppleFest and may be viewed at the Platt Memorial Library, or a printed report is available in the Town Clerk's Office.

In 2021 we applied for By-Laws Modernization Grant that will help us update our Zoning Regulations in the Village District to allow for more flexibility in building housing units in our population center. Updating these regulations should allow for more projects like Oliver Howe Court without going through Act 250. We should hear shortly if we have been given this Grant.

Throughout 2021 we reviewed the Town Plan's Goals and Actions. We will complete this exercise in 2022 as it is our intention, we work toward accomplishing our goals and take the actions we all agreed to before the next revision of the Plan is due.

Work continues on the Energy Plan and our goal is to complete this project in 2022 and present it to the Town and the Selectboard for review.

Carl Siebecker is our representative to Maple Broadband. He reports, "2021 was an active year for Maple Broadband in which we signed a Network Management Agreement with Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom to partner in building out the broadband infrastructure in Addison County. We have also contracted with Vantagepoint Solutions, an engineering firm who will perform the required pre-construction activities. Maple Broadband is currently in talks with vendors to pre-purchase key materials such as, fiber, splitters, splice cases, hubs, and other electronics to ensure there is no delay in construction due to material shortages. We'll soon be selecting a vendor to complete the actual construction which we believe will commence in the latter half of 2022."

Linda Oaks  
Planning Commission Chair

Planning Commission members: Linda Larrabee, Vice Chair  
Molly Kerr, Clerk  
Tim Steady George  
Gross Carl Siebecker

Shoreham Historical Society  
2021

As in 2020 the Shoreham Historical Society was very quiet in 2021 due to Covid restraints. Besides completing the new roof, the other highlight was our active participation at Shoreham Applefest in September where Sue MacIntire attracted a great deal of buzz with her Spinning wheel. There was also continued public interest in our historical photographs and memorabilia.

The Shoreham Historical Society old stone schoolhouse was built in 1839 and remains one of the very few masonry schoolhouses still in the original configuration in Vermont. In 2019 the SHS was awarded an Historic Preservation Grant to assist with major masonry repairs and roof replacement. The stonework was completed in 2020, but delays by the roofing contractor held up the reroofing work. Finally, in September the roofers appeared and were done on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The Watershed Construction crew was expert, meticulous, neat, and pleasant to work with. Further work to be done includes exterior window and trim painting, and some inside clean up and possible painting.

Unfortunately, the events of the last two years have depleted our active membership and we need new members with some imagination and creativity. The Schoolhouse is in great shape physically but now needs animation with programs and voices. We plan to have an Open House sometime in 2022 to celebrate the renovations and to reacquaint the town with the SHS. We will keep you posted.

As a final note, long term member and officer of the SHS, Sue MacIntire, has made her final resignations as an officer. We would like to acknowledge and thank her for many years of service to the society in terms as president, curator of the collections, work on the program committee, as well as a program presenter. She has been a student of Shoreham history, collecting much information and sharing it with the Town through her tours of the Town and involvement in the SHS. Sue continues her work in local genealogy, adding information to the books she co-wrote and responding to genealogical requests from far and wide.

Phil Kivlin

Secretary: Nick Causton  
Treasurer: Linda Larrabee

Trustees: Phil Kivlin  
Eleanor Brisson  
Ron Holmes

## **BALLOT REQUESTS INFORMATION\***

\*Additional Information about these agencies is available at the Town Clerk's Office and from the agencies.

Addison County Home Health & Hospice 388-7259

Quality health care at home, including skilled nursing, physical & speech therapies, home health aides and homemakers.

Addison County Parent/Child Center 388-3171

Services to support families, work with adolescent families and at-risk teens.

Addison County Readers Inc 355-4676

Supports early literacy

Tri-Valley Transit (ACTR) 388-1946

Provides transportation assistance to county residents.

Age Well 1-802-865-0360

Case management, Meals on Wheels, senior community meals, transportation & health insurance counseling for people age 60 & older. [www.agewellvt.org](http://www.agewellvt.org)

Charter House Coalition 388-6027

Community Health Services/Open Door Clinic 388-0137

Counseling Service of Addison County 388-6751

Comprehensive mental health, developmental disability, & substance abuse services.

Elderly Services, Inc. 388-3983 [www.elderlyservices.org](http://www.elderlyservices.org)

Services include Project Independence Adult Day Care Center, Daybreak Alzheimer's Program, Eldercare Counseling & Education.

Homeward Bound/Addison County Humane Society 388-1100

The only animal shelter in Addison County serving 750 animals per year.

HOPE (formerly Addison County Community Action Group) 388-3608

Emergency services, such as food, clothing, housing, medical & utility needs for low-income people.

Hospice Volunteer Services Inc. 388-4111 Comprehensive support for terminally ill people & their families: also, bereavement & educational services. [www.hospicevs.org](http://www.hospicevs.org)

John W. Graham Emergency Center 802-877-2677 Provides food, shelter, housing services and hope to the homeless individuals and families from around Vermont.

Otter Creek Child Center Inc 388-9688 Serves birth through school age children.

Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) 388-7044

Opportunities for people 55 or older to meet community needs through volunteer service to nonprofit organizations. [www.volunteersinvt.org](http://www.volunteersinvt.org)

Vermont Adult Learning 388-4396 Providing adults with basic skills instruction in reading, writing and math, GED prep.

Women Safe, Inc. 388-9180 [www.womensafe.net](http://www.womensafe.net)

Services to women & children who are victims/survivors of physical, sexual & emotional violence.

**WARNING**  
**ADDISON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION HEARING**  
**FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

**Member Towns are Bridport, Cornwall, Middlebury, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Weybridge**

The legal voters of the Addison Central School District are hereby notified of the Public Information Hearing on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 7:00 PM, to discuss Australian Ballot articles warned for vote on Tuesday, March 1, 2022.

Virtual connection details may be found on the ACSD website: <https://www.acsdvt.org>

Linda J. Barrett,  
Addison Central School District

Clerk Mary Cullinane, Chair  
Addison Central School District

**The Addison Central School District Annual Report and FY23 Budget Book will be available in the following manner:** <http://www.acsdvt.org/domain/30>  
(Departments/Finance) **or call 802-382-1274 to request a copy.**

**WARNING**  
**ADDISON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**MARCH 1, 2022**

**Member Towns are Bridport, Cornwall, Middlebury, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Weybridge**

The legal voters of the Addison Central School District are hereby warned to meet at the following polling places on March 1, 2022, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following article(s) of business:

<u>District</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Polling Hours</u>
Bridport	Bridport Community/Masonic Hall	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Cornwall	Cornwall Town Hall	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Middlebury	Middlebury Recreation Center/Gym 54 Creek Road	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Ripton	Ripton Community House	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Salisbury	Salisbury Town Office	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Shoreham	Shoreham Town Office	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Weybridge	Weybridge Town Clerk's Office	7:00 AM-7:00 PM

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the voters of the Addison Central School District will vote to authorize its Board of Directors, under 16 VSA 562 (9), to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year.

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall the voters of the Addison Central School District (ACSD) vote to authorize the ACSD School Board to expend **\$41,578,089** which is the amount the ACSD 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 **\$20,076.16** per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **6.1%** higher than spending for the current year.

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the voters of the Addison Central School District (ACSD) vote to authorize the ACSD school board to appropriate **\$2,323,099** of the FY 2021 Unassigned Fund Balance (estimated at **\$2,323,099**) to the ACSD Capital Reserve Fund?

**ARTICLE 4:** To elect four (5) school directors from the nominees to serve on the Addison Central School District Board for the following terms:

- Three (3) who are residents of Middlebury for a three-year term.
- One (1) who is a resident of Ripton for a three-year term.
- One (1) who is a resident of Weybridge for a three-year term

**ARTICLE 5:** To elect the following school district officers from the nominees for a one-year term:  
a) Moderator b) Treasurer c) Clerk

Ballots shall be commingled and counted at Middlebury Union High School by representatives of the Boards of Civil Authority of the member town school districts under the supervision of the District Clerk of Addison Central School District.

Linda J. Barrett, Clerk  
Addison Central School District

Mary Cullinane, Chair  
Addison Central School District

# **Addison Central School District Year to Year Budget Summary**

## **ADDISON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT OF THE BOARD CHAIR**

This past year has required our entire community to find strength and compassion. It has caused frustration and fatigue. And it has demonstrated levels of resilience and patience that go beyond expectation or norm. And through all of this, we have, as a community, worked together.

The ACSD 2022–2023 budget sees an increase in education spending of 5.2%. This increase is driven by factors such as increasing health care and transportation costs and a decrease in General Fund revenues. Our estimated per pupil spending will be \$20,076.16 representing a \$6.1% increase over the previous year. It is important to note that this percentage increase has been affected by our decision last year to use \$550,000 of reserve funds to prevent us from going over the spending threshold. Absent that action, our actual increase would have been 4.3% over last year's spending per equalized pupil.

This budget reflects our commitment to ensuring the academic and social-emotional foundations we have put in place to support all students, especially as their needs continue to grow. Over the past year we have witnessed the effects of the strain our society is under. We have seen it in our hallways and in our classrooms. We have seen it on the faces of our students and our staff. And we have seen our families and caretakers struggle to understand how best to help those in their care. Yet, through all of this, we have also witnessed what makes ACSD and the community we serve, unique. We have seen staff and families come together to find creative solutions. We have seen students support their peers and lend a helping hand. And we have had discourse that is respectful and honors our right to disagree. We've persevered and, in so many ways, flourished.

The budget presented is aligned to our priorities as a district. We are committed to providing all students with the necessary tools and resources to be successful, and we recognize their unique abilities and needs. Investments in staffing, behavioral specialists and student support services is required now more than ever. Our systems are under unprecedented strains and as I have shared before, no one institution or stakeholder will be the answer to the needs of our children. While we must continue to invest, we must also find ways to support one another as we overcome daily challenges and recognize our accomplishments along the way.

Our challenges are real. Our costs continue to increase and our projections for district-wide enrollment continue to decline. This formula is not sustainable. While we are benefiting this year from Federal Covid relief funds, decreased FY22 spending in certain areas due to the pandemic, and another year without being held to the spending threshold, these circumstances are fiscally untenable. As a Board we are committed to ensuring our long-term fiscal viability. It is this commitment that will ensure our opportunity to support all students, regardless of their needs or situation. This work is hard, and at times, seems to be getting only harder. But it is with confidence and commitment that we present this budget to our community for your support.

Thank you for all you do to support ACSD, and we look forward to the work ahead.  
Mary Cullinane, Board Chair

## SHOREHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The Shoreham Elementary School continues to help all of our children learn and thrive while promoting a culture of respect, where every student knows that they belong here. We do this by continuing to build upon our successful school programs such as: Guided Reading, Responsive Classroom, W.I.N. block, the "I Bee-Long at Shoreham Elementary School," theme and the 3 R's: *Respect Yourself, Respect Others, and Respect the Environment*. Notable has been our work as an International Baccalaureate School. Our work as an I.B. school has helped transform our students' daily experience at school. A noticeable transformation brought about by I.B. is our utilization of *Units of Inquiry*. A *Unit of Inquiry* spans several weeks during which the students explore a central idea such as, "governments affect people and people affect governments," or "humans use patterns to make sense of their surroundings." Through their inquiry into the central idea, students will encounter, learn and apply their science, social studies, reading, writing and math standards. The *Unit of Inquiry* connects the standards that the students are working toward to the world they live in, in a way that is engaging and taps into the students' curiosity and creativity.

While these programs and approaches to learning have remained consistent, we have navigated a number of changes in the past two years. Several of the changes have been the product of the pandemic. Two of the clearest priorities have been, first, to protect the community from the spread of the virus, and second, to help ensure that the children of Shoreham have what they need to learn and thrive.

I am proud of how we have continued to learn how to keep our students safe while bringing them together. Our staff have remained flexible and creative. While the pandemic has continued to present us with challenges and a state of constant change, I could not have had a better community and staff to work with while navigating through these complicated times.

This year's budget proposal projects stability for our school. Next year will be our second year as a K-5 school, with our sixth-grade students attending MUMS. We will continue to have one classroom per grade, K-5. This level of stability is valuable as we are going to work towards rebuilding as we anticipate the exiting of the pandemic.

As we continue to move forward on our vision, I have never been more proud of and optimistic about the Shoreham Elementary School and Addison Central School District.

Michael Lenox, Principal



## SHOREHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Budget Summary

<b>FY22 Budget Summary Account</b>	<b>FY21 Budget</b>	<b>FY22 Proposed</b>	<b>% Difference</b>
Direct Instruction	791,993	725,624	-8.38%
Guidance	40,020	25,867	-35.36%
Nurse	16,720	20,411	22.08%
Library Media	41,078	27,941	-31.98%
Occupational Therapy	750	750	0.00%
Administration	168,114	174,028	3.52%
Transportation-Field Trips	1,895	1,895	0.00%
Debt Service	23,963	0	-100.00%
Fund Transfers to Food Service	11,250	11,250	0.00%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>1,095,783</b>	<b>987,766</b>	<b>-9.86%</b>

**Notes:**

Direct Instruction - No FTE reduction, reflects wage and benefits selections

Guidance - No FTE reduction, reflects wage and benefit selections

Nurse - No FTE change, reflects allocation between grant funds and general funds

Debt Service- Bond retired, no debt

## **ADDISON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Our FY23 budget responds to an unprecedented educational environment. With the increased social and emotional needs of our students, we have shifted the way our schools operate and adapted traditional educational approaches to meet each student where they are. At the budgetary level, this has consisted of shifts and increases in staffing where our teachers, students, and families require more support and structure given the weight of the pandemic on our combined community resources.

Over the last two years we have gained an understanding of the unique needs of our students. We have tailored supports to ensure students are successful and engaged in the learning process under extenuating historical impacts. Overall, this budget reflects a continued investment in staffing that is critical to the academic, social, and emotional health of our students. It prioritizes individualized support in light of the many learning disruptions our students have faced during the pandemic. Both local education spending and one-time federal grant funds are being used to provide additional targeted supports to students.

In the midst of current challenges, we continue to prioritize a student-centered approach to learning that puts engagement and inquiry at the center of the learning process. This philosophy of *learning as discovery* is central to our classrooms in ACSD from PreK through graduation. The budget is built on prior work of the district to create a cohesive and coordinated curriculum through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program.

As we move through the impacts of the pandemic, one thing has become increasingly clear: when our community comes together, we can meet the needs of our students and build forward to provide hope and possibility. Thank you for being a part of ACSD and for supporting all of our schools as we rise to the challenges and move toward a shared commitment to the success of our students!

Peter Burrows, Superintendent  
Addison Central School District

## ADDISON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

### FY23 Tax Calculation

Our total Local Education Spending amount of \$32,770,107 is the first and only figure used in calculating our tax rate that we have control over. The other components in the formula are supplied by the Tax Department or Agency of Education.

**All figures are subject to changes by the State Legislature** Projected Property Yield:	\$10,763
Projected Income Yield:	\$12,825
Projected Non-residential rate:	\$1.73
Projected Spending Threshold:	\$18,789
ACSD Equalized pupils:	1,730.52

<b>ACSD Tax Rate Calculation Local</b>	<b>\$32,770,107</b>	
Education Spending		
Divided by Equalized Pupils	÷ 1,730.52	
Education Spending/Equalized Pupil	\$18,936.57	
Education Spending / Equalized Pupil	\$18,936.57	
Divided by the Property Tax Yield	÷ \$10,763	
Equalized District tax rate	\$1.76	
Equalized District tax rate	\$1.76	
Less the consolidation incentive	- \$0.02*	*incentive decreases \$.02 each year*
Estimated District tax rate	\$1.74	(pre CLA adjustment)
<b>.06 increase over current year</b>		

The estimated District tax rate is divided by each Town's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) as set by the VT Department of Taxes to determine each Town's estimated tax rate.

Town	ACSD Tax Rate	CLA (FY22)	Estimated Town Tax Rate	Change
Bridport	\$1.74	92.13%	\$1.89	+0.14
Cornwall	\$1.74	93.59%	\$1.86	+0.14
Middlebury	\$1.74	100.00%	\$1.74	+0.11
Ripton	\$1.74	89.78%	\$1.94	+0.06
Salisbury	\$1.74	87.88%	\$1.98	+0.18
Shoreham	\$1.74	98.30%	\$1.77	+0.06
Weybridge	\$1.74	96.62%	\$1.80	+0.06

It is important to note that these are only estimates. A change in the property yield could affect these figures. For example, if the property yield were to remain level, the tax rate increase would range from .02 to .14 rather than .06 to .18.

# MIDDLEBURY UNION MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Principal's Report

The staff at MUMS recognizes that the middle school years are some of the most significant transitions for adolescents. The importance of allowing students to truly find themselves in a supportive and nurturing environment guides our work each and every day. Our historic 2021-22 school year welcomed a new grade configuration of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders to MUMS. The incredible energy that this cohort of students has brought to our school has provided our staff with an opportunity to appreciate new experiences and personal growth. As we continue to build a positive school culture, I am eager to work with our community to reflect on and identify additional opportunities to enhance students' experiences and positive outcomes. Our staff have worked incredibly hard to provide our students with the best possible learning environment to meet the needs of all learners. The school community is focused on meeting our challenges with a renewed focus on regulation, relationship, and learning. Our goal is to provide students the skills and tools that they need for success in their high school years and beyond. Additionally we strive to build a renewed sense of community, ownership, and belonging.

As an instructional leader, I firmly believe that reflective practice encourages insight and complex learning. Reflective practice also fosters curiosity and allows us to make meaning of the world around us. Our curricular and instructional practices remain rigorous and lend themselves to students exploration of what is real and relevant in the classroom. Each classroom observation proves to be a powerful learning experience for both teacher and student. We remain focused on increasing student achievement and providing students with a safe and nurturing learning environment. Demonstrating the value of personal responsibility and service to others, our students continue to actively engage in their school and greater community in a number of ways. MUMS students volunteer their time to tutor their peers and have drafted service learning projects to benefit their community. Students also spearheaded several fundraising and community efforts, including a canned food drive and SPIRIT days at the middle school. Many other grade-level team initiatives, leadership experiences, and student clubs supported our students in discovering their talents and interests. Additionally, our early release days have allowed us to host exploratory electives while utilizing the beautiful outdoor spaces on our campus.

"Tiger Pride" continues to grow on the athletic fields, courts, and music venues. MUMS student-athletes have shown resilience, respect, and an appreciation to learn and play as a team. This fall, 82 members of MUMS choral program gathered to pay tribute to the late, great Stephen Sondheim. Upon his passing, all three choirs at MUMS learned "No One is Alone" from Sondheim's iconic musical *Into the Woods*. After recording the piece, students watched the 1989 PBS-released video of the original Broadway production and shared a parent-donated meal together. The experience was moving for adults and students alike. The students felt the power of being part of something bigger than themselves.

This year has been a unique moment in our history. Challenges offer an opportunity for reflection, and space to consider areas of opportunity for growth and improvement. I would like to offer a sincere appreciation to our communities, town officials, district staff and administration, and our teachers for their support and dedication to meet the needs of all of our students.

It is an honor to serve a community dedicated to meeting the needs of all students. Community support of the arts, athletics, and academic programs in the district have allowed us to remain committed to facilitating students' exploration of themselves and the world around them. MUMS faculty and support staff work tirelessly on behalf of our students. As we move ahead this year, we will do so with optimism, hope, and resilience.

Michael Dudek, Principal

**MIDDLEBURY UNION MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**FY23 BUDGET SUMMARY**

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## Rabies Vaccination & Licensing

### Requirements

State Statute T.20 s 3581

All dogs and wolf-hybrids over 3 months of age shall be vaccinated against rabies.

The initial vaccination shall be valid for 12 months. Within 9 to 12 months of the initial vaccination, the animal must receive a booster shot.

All subsequent vaccinations shall be valid for 36 months.

All dogs and wolf-hybrids more than six months of age shall annually be registered, numbered, described, and licensed in the office of the clerk of the municipality wherein the dog or wolf-hybrid is kept.

If your dog is not registered, a fine of up to \$100 plus time and mileage will be assessed if the Animal Control Officer has to go out.

### 2021 Dog License Report

Licenses:

162	x	\$12	=	\$1944
26	x	\$16	=	<u>\$416</u>
Total				\$2360

### 2022 Dog License Fees

Spayed or neutered

Dogs.....\$12

After April 1.....\$16

Unneutered dogs

or wolf-hybrids.....\$16

After April 1.....\$22

**All dogs must be  
registered by  
April 1, 2022, to  
avoid late fee**

Tags are available at the Town Clerk's office during regular hours. Due to Covid concerns please mail in or drop off payments and certificates and we will mail the license to you.

(\$1 from each fee goes to the State for the rabies control program)

(\$3 from each fee goes to the State for the spay/neuter program)

**Copies of Shoreham's Ordinance for the Control of Dogs are available at the town office.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTERING TO VOTE**

Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos has announced the roll-out of the new Elections Management Platform. This will allow you to go online and register to vote or request absentee ballots.

The online voter registration page can be found at <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us> and the My Voter Page login can be found at <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>.

You may also register to vote by going to or calling the Town Clerk's Office at 897-5841 to request a voter registration form. You may also register to vote when you apply for or renew a driver's license through the Dept. of Motor Vehicles. In addition, voter registration is available through the Dept. of Social Welfare, the Dept. of Health, the Dept. of Aging & Disabilities and Dept. of Mental Health.

If you are registering to vote for the first time in Vermont, you will need to provide a valid photo ID.

In order to vote at the Tuesday, March 1, 2022 Australian Balloting, you must register to vote.

## **WRITE-IN VOTES**

**In Vermont, voters may write in any name for any position. However, before writing in a name, please consider whether the person whose name you write in has any interest in the office. Unless a person is conducting a write-in campaign and wants votes, write-in voting will serve only to lengthen the time it takes to count ballots. Keep in mind that votes in Shoreham are counted by hand by volunteers. Vote counting is time consuming and tallying write-in votes adds to the length of the night. Please be considerate of the volunteers counting ballots. Also, please consider volunteering to count ballots.**

**Thank You!**

Instructions for Joining  
Town of Shoreham, VT, Informational Town Meeting  
1:00PM, February 20<sup>th</sup>

To join online, login below at Join Zoom and enter the meeting ID and passcode. You will be muted and your camera will be off upon entry. Please do not unmute yourself (but feel free to turn your camera on if band width allows). To ask the Select Board a question, please “raise your hand,” a host will then let the Select Board know that you have a question or comment. Once called upon, un-mute your microphone and ask your question. When you are done, please mute your microphone again. The “raise your hand” function can be found by clicking on the “reactions” icon on the control bar at the bottom of your screen. We encourage you to open the “chat” panel and type your questions as well. A host will then share these with the Select Board.

The Zoom platform will open at 12:00PM. During the first hour, you may test your connection and function and communicate with the hosts. The informational meeting will begin promptly at 1:00PM and will be recorded.

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To join by Telephone call 929.205.6099 (toll free). Enter the meeting ID and passcode. You will enter the meeting on mute, but you should be able to hear proceedings. If you have a question or comment, “Raise your hand” by pressing \*9. This will get the attention of a host. As soon as you are called on, please unmute by pressing \*6, then ask your questions. When you are done, please press \*6 again to mute yourself.

Voting will take place by Australian ballot on Tuesday  
March 1<sup>nd</sup> at the Town Office from 7am-7pm

## **TOWN DIRECTORY**

<b>EMERGENCY - for all emergencies call:</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Health &amp; Human Services Information</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Police (State Police – New Haven Barracks)</b>	<b>388-4919</b>
<b>Middlebury Volunteer Ambulance</b>	<b>388-3333</b>
<b>Shorewell Community Health Center</b>	<b>897-7000</b>
<b>Town Office</b>	<b>897-5841</b>
<b>Fax</b>	<b>897-2545</b>
<b>Town Clerk's email</b>	<b><a href="mailto:shorehamtown@shoreham.net">shorehamtown@shoreham.net</a></b>
<b>Town Treasurer's email</b>	<b><a href="mailto:shorehamtreasurer@shoreham.net">shorehamtreasurer@shoreham.net</a></b>
<b>Town Garage</b>	<b>897-5451</b>
<b>Road Foreman's email</b>	<b><a href="mailto:shorehamroads@shoreham.net">shorehamroads@shoreham.net</a></b>
<b>Listers' email</b>	<b><a href="mailto:shorehamlister@shoreham.net">shorehamlister@shoreham.net</a></b>
<b>Shoreham Elementary School</b>	<b>897-7181</b>
<b>Fire Warden, Robert Warren</b>	<b>989-5818</b>
<b>Zoning Administrator, Robin Conway</b>	<b>897-2668</b>
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	<b>897-5841</b>
<b>Platt Memorial Library</b>	<b>897-2647</b>

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