

Town of Jamaica

2020 Annual Report

THANK YOU

Essential

Workers

July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Prepared for the May 1, 2021 Town Meeting

In Memory of

Garry B. West

1943- 2020



On October 16, 2020, longtime Jamaica resident, Garry West passed away unexpectedly in his home. Garry was a member of the Jamaica Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department for 41 years. In service to his community, he had responded to thousands of calls and countless hours of training and drill. He would respond to any call no matter what he was doing or where he was. One of Garry's favorite firefighting duties was helping organize and participate in fire prevention programs for Jamaica Village School. He always felt when the students learned Fire Safety and carried it back to their homes and families.

When Garry's sons were students at JVS, he along with other fathers and citizens would put in hours, building and maintain a Skating Rink at the school for the kids and adults to enjoy. As a "Pop Pop" grandfather, he would help with Jamaica School Club events and in the last year of his life, he would collect the returnable bottles and cans from the Town Waste Station and would make two weekly trips to Brattleboro Redemption Center to turn in the deposit money for the Jamaica School Club. Garry with his wife Bonnie's help raised over \$2000.00 for the School Club. Garry will be greatly missed by his family, friends and his community.

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Report compiled by the Jamaica Town Clerk, with assistance from the Selectboard & Treasurer.

Elected Town Officers (* denotes Chair)**Moderator:** Greg Joly - *1 year term to March 2021***Selectboard:***Greg Meulemans- *3-year term to March 2022*Tom Tolbert - *1-year term to March 2021*Paul Fraser - *3-year term to March 2021*Andy Coyne – *3- year term to March 2022*Jessica Pollack- *1-year term to March 2021***Listers:**Barbara Ferguson (*resigned*) *3 year term to March 2021*Micah Eberhardt (*resigned*) *3-year term to March 2022*Lou Brusco (*resigned*) *3-year term to March 2023***First Constable:** Robert Willis - *1 year term to March 2021***Second Constable:** Ben Williams - *1 year term to March 2021***Town Grand Juror:** Stephen Clark - *1 year term to March 2021***Town Agent:** Peter Andrus - *1 year term to March 2021***Trustee of Public Funds:** Stephen Clark - *1 year term to March 2021***Agent to Deed Land:** Stephen Clark - *1 year term to March 2021***Library Trustees:**Janet Hamilton - *5 year term to March 2023*Bonnie West - *2 year term to March 2021*Alice Abraham - *2 year term to March 2021*Greg Joly - *5 year term to March 2024*Clara Robinson - *5 year term to March 2025**Jennifer Dorta-Duque - *5 year term to March 2021*Susan Stomski - *5 year term to March 2022***West River Modified Unified Union School Directors:**Keighan Eaker- *1 year of a 3 year term until March 2021*Dana West- *3 year term until March of 2023***Cemetery Commissioners:**Selectboard - *one year term to March 2020***Appointed Town Officials** (*One year terms unless otherwise noted*)**Fence Viewer:** Stephen Clark**Animal Control Officer:** Robert Willis, 1st Constable**Surveyors of Wood, Lumber & Weigher of Coal:** Vacant**Tree Warden:** Ben Williams**Cemetery Sextons:** East Jamaica - L. Bruce Chapin
Jamaica Village - L. Bruce Chapin
South Windham - L. Bruce Chapin
West Jamaica - Karen Ameden
South Hill - Karen Ameden
Pikes Falls - Karen Ameden
Rawsonville - Nelson Coleman**Health Officer:** The Selectboard**Deputy Health Officer:** vacant**Emergency Management Coordinator:** Paul Fraser**Rescue Inc. Rep:** Stewart Barker**Energy Coordinator:** Tom Tolbert**Flood Zone Administrator:** Lou Brusco**Windham Regional Commissioners:** Joel Bluming and Andy Coyne**Planning Commissioners & Zoning Board of Adjustments:**
Christopher Robbins, *Brian Zieroff, Patrick McQuillan, John Sohikian and Scott Gordon**Recreation Committee:** Bob Johnson and Greg Meulemans**Village Beautification Committee:** Karen Ameden and Alexandra Clark**Justice of the Peace (terms end 2022):** Karen Ameden, Greg Joly, Clara Robinson, Robert Willis, and Heather Bartels**Fire Warden:** Stewart Barker**Assistant Fire Warden:** Bob Stomski**911 Address Coordinator:** Erica Bowman**Senior Solutions Rep:** Jeannine Stone**WSWMD Rep:** Greg Meulemans**WRC Transportation Committee Rep:** Joel Bluming, Andy Coyne

Meeting Schedules

Selectboard: 874-4681

Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Town Office

Planning Commission:

Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Town Office

West River Modified Unified Union School District:

Board meets 3rd Monday at 7 p.m. at LGUHS

Jamaica Library Trustees Meetings:

3rd Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at the Library

Town Offices 28 Town Office Road, PO Box 173

Town Clerk & Treasurer: 874-4681

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Town Clerk: Sara Wiswall

Treasurer: Terri Garland

Listers: 874-4908

Thursday 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. or by Appointment

Animal Licensing Notice to Dog Owners

Vermont State Law requires all dogs 3 months or older to be licensed by the municipality on or before April 1st of each year with a valid rabies certificate. (Title 20 V.S.A. Section 3581)

Please notify the Town Clerk if you no longer have your dog.

January 1st – April 1st

Spayed or Neutered	\$9.00
Other (Female or Male)	\$13.00

After April 1st

	\$11.00
	\$17.00

Post Office Locations

Jamaica Post Office, 3912 VT Route 30.....	874-4242
Bondville Post Office, 43 VT Route 30.....	297-1671
South Londonderry Post Office, 67 Main St.....	824-6800
West Townshend Post Office, 6573 VT Route 3...	874-7092

Emergency Services

Emergency Number for Fire (Mutual Aid) Rescue/
Ambulance, Windham County Sheriff, Vermont State
Police, Police (TTD)

DIAL 911

Non-Emergency Numbers

Fire Warden: 874-4515

Assistant Fire Warden: 874-7107

Constable: 896-6391

2nd Constable: 874-4441

Windham County Sheriff: 365-4942

Town Services

Jamaica Memorial Library: 874-4901

Tuesday 12-6 p.m.

Wednesday 12-4 p.m.

Thursday 12-6 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Librarian: Cassidy Menard

Library Assistant: Darlene Hamilton

Waste Disposal Transfer Station: 874-7171

Monday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed Thursdays & Fridays, Town Meeting,
Easter, Christmas, & New Year's

Attendant: Dan Miller

Substitute Attendant: William Kuchinsky

Jamaica Town Garage: 874-4265

Road Crew: Keith Hazard (foreman)

Richard Thomas, Bill Flood, Dennis Palmer

Websites of Local Interest

Official website: jamaicavermont.org

Jamaica Business: jamaicavt.com

Jamaica Historical Foundation: jamaicahf.info

Jamaica Library: jamaicavtlibrary.wordpress.com

Jamaica Village School: jamaicavillageschool.org

Leland and Gray: lelandandgray.org

WCSU: windhamcentral.org

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Jamaica, in the County of Windham and State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Garage in said town of Jamaica, on the first Saturday of May, May 1st, 2021, to transact the following business and act upon the following articles:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for a term of one year.

Article 2: To act on the town report.

Article 3: To elect the following officers as required by law.

- a. Selectperson for a term of three years (by ballot)
- b. Selectperson for a term of one year (by ballot)
- c. Selectperson for a term of one year (by ballot)
- d. Lister for a term of three years (by ballot)
- e. Lister for one year of a three year term (by ballot)
- f. Lister for two years of a three year term (by ballot)
- g. 1st Constable for a term of one year
- h. 2nd Constable for a term of one year
- i. Town Grand Juror for a term of one year
- j. Town Agent for a term of one year
- k. Trustee of Public Funds for a term of one year
- l. Agent to Deed Land for a term of one year
- m. Library Trustee for a term of five years
- n. Library Trustee for a term of two years
- o. Library Trustee for a term of two years
- p. School Director for West River Modified Union Education District for a term of two years.

Article 4: To see what sum of money the Voters will vote to pay the Town's running expenses, and how it will be collected.

Article 5: To see if the Voters will authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 6: Shall the Voters authorize the Selectboard to spend "unanticipated funds such as grants, gifts and/or interest"?

Article 7: Article: Shall the Voters exempt the Jamaica Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. land and building from taxation for a period of five years as provided in Title 32 Section 3840 V.S.A.?

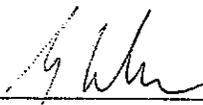
Article 8: To set the time for the opening of the next Annual Town Meeting, to be held on the first Tuesday in March 2021.

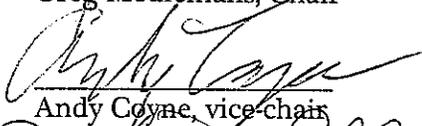
Article 9: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

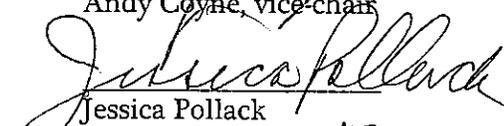
Article 10: To Adjourn.

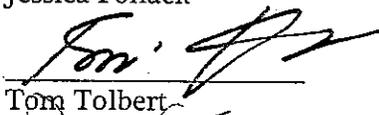
Approved as the legal town warning for the town of Jamaica for May 1, 2021, on this 1st day of April, 2021.

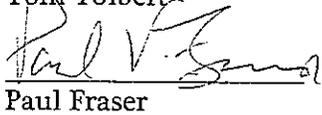
Selectboard, Town of Jamaica, Vermont


Greg Meulemans, Chair

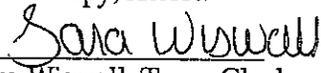

Andy Coyne, vice-chair


Jessica Pollack


Tom Tolbert


Paul Fraser

A true copy, Attest:


Sara Wiswall, Town Clerk

Town Meeting 2020
Jamaica, Vermont

Greg Joly called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Greg Joly read the warning. "The legal voters of the town of Jamaica, in the county of Windham and state of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall in said town of Jamaica, on the first Tuesday of March, March 3rd, 2020, to transact the following business and act upon the following articles."

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for the term of one year.

Dana West nominated Greg Joly, seconded by CJ King. All in favor.

Announcements:

The Presidential primaries are all day.

Kelly Pajala our representative will not be able to attend today. She has left a handout and she will have a district wide information meeting Thursday, March 5th from 6-7 at the Mountain School.

WRMUED Annual reports are available.

Windham Regional Broadband survey.

BCTV is recording the town meeting. Please stand and state your name when speaking.

Town Meeting lunch at church at noon.

Article 2: To act on the Town Report.

Patti Dickson made a motion to act on the town report, seconded by Dana West.

Bonnie West, there was a typo in the fire department report Gas/deiseal should be \$1,185.82

Jessica Pollack called the question.

Article 2 passed by show of hands.

Article 3: To elect the following officers as required by law.

A. Selectperson for a term of 3 years- Judy Flower

CJ King nominated Dana West. Stephanie Amyot nominated Greg Meulemans. There were 88 total votes.

Greg-62

Dana-25

Tom Tolbert-1

Greg was elected for a 3 year term of Selectboard.

B. Selectperson for a term of one year

Cj King nominated Dana West. Jackie Brown nominated Tom Tolbert. Andy Coyne nominated Stewart Barker, he declined. Dave Kaneshiro nominated Jessica Pollack, she declined.

Dana-30

Tom-61

Tom has been elected for a 1 year term of Selectboard.

C. Selectperson for a term of one year

Patrick McQuillan nominated Jessica Pollack. CJ King nominated Dana West.

Dana- 35

Jessica-54

Jessica was elected for a 1 year term of Selectboard.

D. Lister for a term of three years

Micah Eberhardt nominated Lou Brusio. Lou Brusio was elected for a 3 year term as lister by show of hands.

E. 1st Constable for the term of one year

Jessica Pollack nominated Rob Willis. All in favor. Rob Willis was elected 1st Constable for the term of one year.

F. 2nd Constable for a term of one year

Cj King nominated Ben Williams. All in favor. Ben Williams was elected 2nd Constable for the term of one year.

G. Town Grand Juror for a term of one year

Micah Eberhardt nominated Steve Clark. All in favor. Steve Clark was elected Town Grand Juror for a term of one year.

H. Town Agent for a term of one year

Bob Stone nominated Peter Andrus. All in favor. Peter Andrus was elected Town Agent for a term of one year.

I. Trustee of Public Funds for a term of one year

Ray Ballantine nominated Steve Clark. All in favor. Steve Clark was elected Trustee of Public Funds for a term of one year.

J. Agent to Deed Land for a term of one year

Patrick McQuillan nominated Steve Clark. All in favor. Steve Clark was elected Agent to Deed land for a term of one year.

K. Library Trustee for a term of five years

Janet Hamilton nominated Clara Robinson. All in favor. Clara Robinson was elected Library Trustee for the term of five years.

L. School Director for West River Modified Union Education District for a one year of a three year term.

Drew Hazelton nominated Jennifer Dorta-Duque. Patti Dickson nominated Dana West. Sue Stomski nominated Keighan Eaker.

Jen-20

Dana- 27

Keigan-30

Revote:

Jen-11

Dana-22

Keigan-39

Keighan Eaker was elected to the West River Modified Union Education District for one year of a three year term.

M. School Director for West River Modified Union Education District for a three year term.

Patti Dickson nominated Dana West. Andy Coyne nominated Drew Hazelton, he declined. Stephanie Amyot nominated Jennifer Dorta-Duque.

Jen-33

Dana-36

Dana West has been elected to the West River Modified Union Education District for a three year term.

Article 4: To see what sum of money the Voters will vote to pay the Town's running expenses, and how it will be collected.

Bonnie made a motion, seconded by Nelson Coleman.

Bonnie made a motion that we postpone indefinitely, seconded by CJ King.

Bonnie's concern are:

Page 20- surplus in revenue- cannot spend surplus without a vote

Page 24- shows we have a deficit.

Page 17-\$415,000 was borrowed from highway and is still outstanding.

She would like to see this paid back to the highway fund.

We started the year with a deficit. Part of it was insurance money that came in for the mill building roof which brings the surplus to \$29,427. The other part of the surplus goes to the HRA for employee's health insurance. The town pays 80% of health care.

The deficit was due to the bond payment for the garage. The summer maintenance budget was over because we ended up having to do a lot of ditching for the municipal general roads permit (MGRP).

Lou Brusio- If you have a surplus it must be warned for town meeting. The surplus cannot be used for anything else until voted on at the following town meeting. On page 36 of the town report there are a lot of things that are not budgeted for. They are off budget and must be shown on a cost basis. We do not have to hold up the budget, can vote on in the future.

The total cost of Tropical Storm Irene was \$5,144,216.

\$158,000 for a payment from the state

The amount of \$463,378 was borrowed from our reserve accounts after Tropical Storm Irene and it needs to be paid back. They would like the Selectboard to come up with a plan to repay reserve account. \$72,000 was our share of all the FEMA project

Vote on postponing the budget indefinitely:

8- yes

51- no

Budget for FY 20-21:\$1,910,358

Current Use- can depend on that number being the same every year.

Lou made an amendment to take \$1,091,358 and subtract the \$19,000 from it for a total of \$1,072,358 to be raised in taxes. CJ King seconded.

Page 38- Windham County Sheriff- contract was increased from 40 hours to 80 hours per month. The thought was the revenue would go up. We doubled the hours but did not see an increase on the revenue side. Lou suggested that we go from an 80 hour back to 40 hour contract. The amendment was to cut \$50,000 contract to a \$25,000 contract with Windham County Sheriff's department. Seconded by Stephanie Amyot.

Joel Bluming, Susan Stomski, Patti Dickson and Caroline Persson all would like to keep the amount of patrol we currently have.

Amendment Failed.

Bonnie West made a motion to expend a total budget \$1,072,358 by taxation for the running expenses of the town and this along with anticipated receipts of \$262,902 equaling a budget of \$1,335,260. Taxes will be due and payable on October 1, 2020 and will be delinquent on October 2, 2020 with an 8% penalty added by state law, plus interest at the rate of 1% will be added starting December 1, 2020 until paid in full. Seconded by Nelson Coleman.

Called the Question. Article 4 has passed by a show of hands.

Article 5: To see if the Voters will authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Patti Dickson made a motion, seconded by Nelson Coleman. All in Favor.

Article 6: Shall the Voters authorize the Selectboard to spend "unanticipated funds such as grants, gifts and/or interest"?

Patti Dickson moved, seconded by Ed Flowers. Called the Question. All in Favor.

Article 7: To set the time for the opening of the next Annual Town Meeting to be held on the first Tuesday in March 2021.

Patti Dickson made a motion to set the time to 10 o'clock on March 2, 2021.

Seconded Linda Sheehan.

Article 8: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Chris Robbins- Broadband survey- everyone received a card reminding them to take the survey online or stop in the town clerk's office for a hard copy.

Bob Stone-Connectivity will open things up for Jamaica.

Betsy Johnson- curious about infrastructure and what are the health effects

They will use existing utility poles, if you have a long driveway and need an extra pole put in then the cost would be on the homeowner.

What would the health effects? The effects would be the same as the existing.

Caroline Persson- Rec Committee

Thanks for Tom for his many years of help. She cannot do anything with the committee anymore and is hoping someone will step up and become involved.

Patti Dickson would like a town email list.

Karen-Old Home day will be September 12 2020.

School budget vote will be March 25, 2020

Drew Hazelton- There is a merged school district, WRMUED

The Articles of agreement are to vote from the floor for school board member.

Townshend, Jamaica, Newfane and Brookline make up the preK-6 part of the budget and grades 7-12 include Windham. This is why the budget is warned in two separate articles.

This budget could be a 10% increase in property taxes for Jamaica residents.

The Weighting Study is being looked at. Each student has a different weight and a different value. Currently some students are valued at less than 1 and some are valued at more than 1. That is what decides if we pay penalties. Millions of dollars is needed for repairs to current schools. If budget fails, they would put together another budget. There is a default budget that would fall into play if none of the other budgets passed.

Jamaica has an active advisory committee that has been actively going to the board meetings. They would like more people to be involved.

After school programs: gardening, working on outdoor activities, music and other activities. School district meetings are all televised on BCTV if you are unable to attend. Get involved! You can send emails to board members. Their policy is not to read emails at meetings. If is recommended to go to a board meeting if you have something to say.

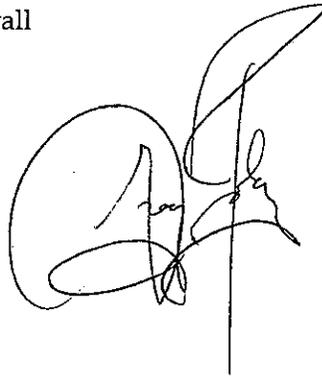
There is an information meeting on March 24th at 7 p.m. at Leland & Gray.

The next WRMUED meeting is March 16.

Kelly Pajala will speak this Thursday from 6-7 p.m. at the Mountain school.

Adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall



← Town Meeting Moderator

Homestead Declaration Reminder

In Vermont, all property is subject to education property tax to pay for the state's schools. For this purpose, property is categorized as either nonresidential or homestead. A homestead is the principal dwelling and parcel of land surrounding the dwelling, owned and occupied by the resident as the person's domicile. It is your responsibility as the property owner to claim the property as a homestead if you meet, or expect to meet, the following requirements:

You are a Vermont resident

You own and occupy a homestead as your domicile as of April 1, 2021

**You must file a Homestead Declaration (form HS-122) annually by the April 17th deadline.
(Due to covid, this year has been extended to May 17, 2021)**

If you file after May 17th, your municipality may assess one of the following penalties:

Up to a 3% penalty if the nonresidential rate is higher than the homestead education property rate

Up to 8% if the nonresidential rate is lower than the homestead education property tax rate.

Property Tax Adjustment Claim

The Vermont Property Tax Adjustment assists many Vermont homeowners with paying their property taxes. You may be eligible for a property tax adjustment on your property taxes if your property qualifies as a homestead and you meet the eligibility requirements:

Your property qualifies as a homestead, and you have filed a Homestead Declaration for the 2017 grand list

You were domiciled in Vermont for the full prior calendar year

You were not claimed as a dependent of another taxpayer

You have the property as your homestead as of April 1; and

You meet the household income criteria.

Tax Year	Municipal Tax Rate	Resident School Tax Rate	Non-Resident School Tax Rate
2011	0.2814	1.2862	1.3388
2012	0.3043	1.2204	1.1905
2013	0.3195	1.3626	1.316
2014	0.3327	1.4364	1.3683
2015	0.3283	1.4339	1.3647
2016	0.3483	1.4655	1.3496
2017	0.3307	1.5968	1.3794
2018	0.4467	1.7991	1.5637
2019	0.4297	1.8235	1.5706
2020	0.424	1.9865	1.6368

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2020

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash	\$ 1,249,542
Restricted Cash	1,836
Deposits with Insurance Company	4,800
Due from Fiduciary Fund	<u>330</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,256,508</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Payroll Withholdings Payable	<u>159</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>159</u>
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>	
Prepaid Property Taxes	<u>5,421</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>5,421</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>	
Restricted:	
Non-Expendable:	
Cemetery	20,820
Expendable:	
Highways and Streets	1,238,465
Other	64,623
Unrestricted/(Deficit)	<u>(72,980)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,250,928</u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Program Cash Receipts			Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Functions/Programs:				
Governmental Activities:				
General Government	\$ 309,571	\$ 36,660	\$ 14,801	\$ (258,110)
Public Safety	179,620	7,584	0	(172,036)
Highways and Streets	547,644	371	265,581	(281,692)
Culture and Recreation	26,015	0	0	(26,015)
Solid Waste	99,452	51,986	0	(47,466)
Debt Service	57,444	0	0	(57,444)
	<u>\$ 1,219,746</u>	<u>\$ 96,601</u>	<u>\$ 280,382</u>	<u>(842,763)</u>
Total Governmental Activities				
General Receipts:				
Property Taxes				1,075,357
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes				38,630
General State Grants				56,226
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				4,963
Insurance Proceeds				1,000
Other				1,835
				<u>1,178,011</u>
Total General Receipts				
Change in Net Position				335,248
Net Position - July 1, 2019				915,680
Net Position - June 30, 2020				\$ 1,250,928

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2020

	General Fund	Highway Capital Fund	Flood Damage Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 187,417	\$ 996,871	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 65,254	\$ 1,249,542
Restricted Cash	1,836	0	0	0	0	1,836
Deposits with Insurance Company	4,800	0	0	0	0	4,800
Advances to Other Funds	0	256,273	0	0	0	256,273
Due from Other Funds	71,022	0	0	412,099	418,359	901,480
Total Assets	<u>\$ 265,075</u>	<u>\$ 1,253,144</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 412,099</u>	<u>\$ 483,613</u>	<u>\$ 2,413,931</u>
LIABILITIES						
Advances from Other Funds	\$ 256,273	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 256,273
Payroll Withholdings Payable	159	0	0	0	0	159
Due to Other Funds	0	563,561	337,586	0	3	901,150
Total Liabilities	<u>256,432</u>	<u>563,561</u>	<u>337,586</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1,157,582</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Prepaid Property Taxes	5,421	0	0	0	0	5,421
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>5,421</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,421</u>
FUND BALANCES/(DEFICIT)						
Nonspendable	0	0	0	0	20,820	20,820
Restricted	1,836	689,583	0	412,099	199,570	1,303,088
Committed	0	0	0	0	191,558	191,558
Assigned	1,386	0	0	0	71,662	73,048
Unassigned/(Deficit)	0	0	(337,586)	0	0	(337,586)
Total Fund Balances/(Deficit)	<u>3,222</u>	<u>689,583</u>	<u>(337,586)</u>	<u>412,099</u>	<u>483,610</u>	<u>1,250,928</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 265,075</u>	<u>\$ 1,253,144</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 412,099</u>	<u>\$ 483,613</u>	<u>\$ 2,413,931</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
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	General Fund	Highway Capital Fund	Flood Damage Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash Receipts:						
Property Taxes	\$ 1,075,357	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,075,357
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes	38,630	0	0	0	0	38,630
Intergovernmental	165,352	0	158,727	0	12,379	336,458
Charges for Services	61,774	0	0	0	0	61,774
Permits, Licenses and Fees	21,032	0	0	0	6,211	27,243
Fines and Forfeits	7,584	0	0	0	0	7,584
Investment Income	3,678	592	46	333	314	4,963
Donations	0	0	0	0	150	150
Other	1,835	0	0	0	0	1,835
Total Cash Receipts	1,375,242	592	158,773	333	19,054	1,553,994
Cash Disbursements:						
General Government	309,571	0	0	0	0	309,571
Public Safety	179,620	0	0	0	0	179,620
Highways and Streets	547,644	0	0	0	0	547,644
Culture and Recreation	26,015	0	0	0	0	26,015
Solid Waste	99,452	0	0	0	0	99,452
Debt Service:						
Principal	40,578	0	0	0	0	40,578
Interest	16,866	0	0	0	0	16,866
Total Cash Disbursements	1,219,746	0	0	0	0	1,219,746
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	155,496	592	158,773	333	19,054	334,248
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):						
Insurance Proceeds	1,000	0	0	0	0	1,000
Transfers In	21,119	75,000	0	80,000	25,300	201,419
Transfers Out	(180,300)	0	0	0	(21,119)	(201,419)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(158,181)	75,000	0	80,000	4,181	1,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	(2,685)	75,592	158,773	80,333	23,235	335,248
Fund Balances/(Deficit) - July 1, 2019	5,907	613,991	(496,359)	331,766	460,375	915,680
Fund Balances/(Deficit) - June 30, 2020	\$ 3,222	\$ 689,583	\$ (337,586)	\$ 412,099	\$ 483,610	\$ 1,250,928

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY MODIFIED CASH BASIS NET POSITION
 FIDUCIARY FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	<u>Private-Purpose Trust Fund</u> William W. Boynton Memorial Scholarship <u>Fund</u>
<u>ADDITIONS</u>	
Investment Income	\$ <u>35</u>
Total Additions	<u>35</u>
<u>DEDUCTIONS</u>	
Total Deductions	<u>0</u>
Change in Net Position	35
Net Position - July 1, 2019	<u>10,389</u>
Net Position - June 30, 2020	\$ <u><u>10,424</u></u>

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B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

For the year ended June 30, 2020, expenditures in the General Fund exceeded appropriations by \$71,451. These over-expenditures were funded by excess revenues and available fund balance.

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Cash and Investments

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2020 consist of the following:

Unrestricted Cash:	
Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$1,249,939
Cash on Hand	<u>357</u>
Total Unrestricted Cash	1,250,296
Restricted Cash:	
Money Market Mutual Fund – U.S. Government Securities – Unspent Bond Proceeds	1,836
Investments:	
Certificate of Deposit	<u>10,000</u>
Total Cash and Investments	<u>\$1,262,132</u>

The Town has one (1) certificate of deposit in the amount of \$10,000 with an interest rate of 0.35%. The certificate of deposit will mature during fiscal year 2021.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of failure of the counter-party (e.g. broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of another party. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to custodial credit risk. The money market mutual fund is in the name of the Town and is not exposed to custodial credit risk. The following table shows the custodial credit risk of the Town's cash and certificate of deposit.

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	<u>Book Balance</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
FDIC Insured	\$ 335,970	\$ 335,970
Uninsured, Collateralized by U.S. Government Agencies Securities Held by the Pledging Financial Institution's Agent	<u>923,969</u>	<u>933,983</u>
Total	<u>\$1,259,939</u>	<u>\$1,269,953</u>

The difference between the book and the bank balance is due to reconciling items such as deposits in transit and outstanding checks.

The book balance is comprised of the following:

Unrestricted Cash – Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$1,249,939
Investments – Certificate of Deposit	<u>10,000</u>
Total	<u>\$1,259,939</u>

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to interest rate risk. The money market mutual fund is open-ended and, therefore, exempt from interest rate disclosure. The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to interest rate risk disclosure.

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk that is the risk an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to credit risk. The money market mutual fund is open-ended and therefore, exempt from credit risk disclosure. The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to credit risk disclosure.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk that a large percentage of the Town's investments are held within one security. The Town does not have any limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer. The money market mutual fund is open-ended and therefore, exempt from the concentration of credit risk analysis. The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to concentration of credit risk disclosure.

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B. Interfund Balances and Activity

Interfund balances as of June 30, 2020 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due from Other Funds</u>	<u>Due to Other Funds</u>
General Fund	\$ 71,022	\$ 0
Highway Capital Fund	0	563,561
Flood Damage Fund	0	337,586
Highway Equipment Fund	412,099	0
Non-Major Governmental Funds	418,359	3
Private-Purpose Trust Fund – William W. Boynton Memorial Scholarship Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>330</u>
Total	<u>\$901,480</u>	<u>\$901,480</u>

In fiscal year 2014, the General Fund borrowed \$415,000 from the Highway Capital Fund in order to finance the Town's current expenses. During fiscal year 2020, the Town repaid \$158,727 leaving a remaining balance of \$256,273. This is shown as an advance to other funds in the Highway Capital Fund and an advance from other funds in the General Fund. The Town intends to repay this loan when the funds become available.

Interfund transfers during the year ended June 30, 2020 were as follows:

<u>Transfer From</u>	<u>Transfer To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
General Fund	Highway Capital Fund	\$ 75,000	Appropriation
General Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	80,000	Appropriation
General Fund	Reappraisal Fund	6,800	Appropriation
General Fund	Town Buildings Fund	2,500	Appropriation
General Fund	Town Office Equipment Fund	2,000	Appropriation
General Fund	Transfer Station Fund	4,000	Appropriation
General Fund	Sidewalk Fund	10,000	Appropriation
Town Buildings Fund	General Fund	19,398	Fund Project Expenses
Town Office Equipment Fund	General Fund	<u>1,721</u>	Fund Equipment Purchase
Total		<u>\$201,419</u>	

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C. Fund Balances

GASB Statement No. 34, as amended by GASB Statement No. 54, requires fund balances reported on the governmental fund balance sheet to be classified using a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Governmental fund balances are to be classified as: nonspendable (not in spendable form or legally required to remain intact); restricted (constraints on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or donors, or imposed by law through enabling legislation); committed (constraints on the use of resources are imposed by formal action of the voters); assigned (reflecting the Selectboard's intended use of the resources); and unassigned.

Special revenue funds are created only to report a revenue source (or sources) that is restricted or committed to a specified purpose, and that the revenue source should constitute a substantial portion of the resources reported in that fund. Special revenue funds cannot be used to accumulate funds that are not restricted or committed. These amounts will have to be reflected in the General Fund.

Amounts constrained to stabilization (rainy-day funds) will be reported as restricted or committed fund balance in the General Fund if they meet the other criteria for those classifications. However, stabilization is regarded as a specified purpose only if the circumstances or conditions that signal the need for stabilization (a) are identified in sufficient detail and (b) are not expected to occur routinely. The Town does not have any stabilization arrangements.

Some governments create stabilization-like arrangements by establishing formal minimum fund balance policies. The Town does not have any minimum fund balance policies.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available, it is the Town's policy to first consider restricted amounts to have been spent, followed by committed, assigned, and finally unassigned amounts.

The purpose for each major special revenue fund, including which specific revenues and other resources are authorized to be reported in each, are described in the following section.

The fund balances in the following funds are nonspendable as follows:

Non-Major Funds

Permanent Funds:

Nonspendable Muzzy Legacy Fund Principal	\$ 5,000
Nonspendable Cemetery Fund Principal	<u>15,820</u>
Total Nonspendable Fund Balances	<u>\$20,820</u>

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The fund balances in the following funds are restricted as follows:

Major Funds

General Fund:

Restricted for Town Garage Expenditures by Unspent Bond Proceeds (Source of Revenue is Bond Proceeds)	\$ <u>1,836</u>
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Highway Capital Fund:

Restricted for Highway Expenditures by Statute - Designated for Capital (Source of Revenue is Highway Property Taxes)	<u>689,583</u>
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Highway Equipment Fund:

Restricted for Highway Expenditures by Statute - Designated for Equipment (Source of Revenue is Highway Property Taxes)	<u>412,099</u>
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Non-Major Funds

Special Revenue Funds:

Restricted for Emergency Management Expenses by Grant Agreements (Source of Revenue is Grant Revenue)	9,095
Restricted for Records Restoration Expenses by Statute (Source of Revenue is Restoration Fees)	<u>11,094</u>

Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>20,189</u>
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Capital Projects Funds:

Restricted for Highway Expenditures by Statute - Designated for Sidewalks (Source of Revenue is Highway Property Taxes)	<u>134,947</u>
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Permanent Funds:

Restricted for Muzzy Legacy Expenses by Trust Agreement - Expendable Portion	13,804
Restricted for Cemetery Expenses by Trust Agreement - Expendable Portion	<u>30,630</u>

Total Permanent Funds	<u>44,434</u>
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Total Non-Major Funds	<u>199,570</u>
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Total Restricted Fund Balances	<u>\$1,303,088</u>
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The fund balances in the following funds are committed as follows:

Non-Major Funds

Capital Projects Funds:

Committed for Town Buildings Expenditures by the Voters	\$116,111
Committed for Town Office Equipment Expenditures by the Voters	26,987
Committed for Transfer Station Expenditures by the Voters	<u>48,460</u>
Total Committed Fund Balances	<u>\$191,558</u>

The fund balance in the following fund is assigned as follows:

Major Funds

General Fund:

Assigned for Planning Expenses	\$ 9,486
Assigned for HRA Expenses	9,928
Assigned in Excess of Available Fund Balance	<u>(18,028)</u>
Total General Fund	<u>1,386</u>

Non-Major Funds

Special Revenue Funds:

Assigned for Reappraisal Expenses	<u>71,662</u>
Total Assigned Fund Balances	<u>\$73,048</u>

The unassigned deficit of \$337,586 in the Flood Damage Fund will be funded with future property taxes.

D. Restricted Net Position

The restricted net position in the governmental activities includes the nonspendable fund balances of \$20,820 and the restricted fund balances of \$1,303,088 for a total of \$1,323,908.

The net position held in trust for various purposes in the Town's Private-Purpose Trust Fund at June 30, 2020 consisted of the following:

Private-Purpose Trust Fund:

Restricted for Scholarships by Trust Agreement	<u>\$10,424</u>
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B. PROPERTY TAXES

The Town is responsible for assessing and collecting its own property taxes as well as education taxes for the State of Vermont. The tax rate is set by the Selectboard based on the voter approved budget, the estimated grand list and the State education property tax liability. Property taxes are levied in August and are due the first business day of October each year. The penalty rate is eight percent (8%). Interest is charged at one percent (1%) per month. The tax rates for 2020 were as follows:

	<u>Homestead</u>	<u>Non-Homestead</u>
General	.1746	.1746
Highway	.2496	.2496
Veterans	.0023	.0023
Local Agreement	.0032	.0032
Education – Local Share	<u>1.8235</u>	<u>1.5706</u>
Total	<u>2.2532</u>	<u>2.0003</u>

C. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Town participates in a number of federally assisted and state grant programs that are subject to audits by the grantors or their representatives. Accordingly, compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

D. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town maintains insurance coverage through the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund, Inc. covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Town. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Town must remain a member for a minimum of one year and may withdraw from the Fund after that time by giving sixty days notice. Fund underwriting and ratesetting policies have been established after consultation with actuaries. Fund members are subject to a supplemental assessment in the event of deficiencies. If the assets of the Fund were to be exhausted, members would be responsible for the Fund's liabilities.

The Town is also a member of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Employment Resource and Benefits Trust. The Trust is a nonprofit corporation formed to provide unemployment coverage and other employment benefits for Vermont municipalities and is owned by the participating members. The agreement does not permit the Trust to make additional assessments to its members. The Town has only elected unemployment coverage with the Trust.

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E. WINDHAM SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

The Town is a participating member in the Windham Solid Waste Management District. The Town could be subject to a portion of the District's debt if the District experiences financial problems.

F. LONG-TERM DEBT

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide resources for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities and to refund prior issues. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Town. New bonds generally are issued as 10 to 20 year bonds.

The Town enters into lease agreements as the lessee for the purpose of financing the acquisition of major pieces of equipment. These lease agreements qualify as capital lease obligations for accounting purposes (even though they may include clauses that allow for cancellation of the lease in the event the Town does not appropriate funds in future years) and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date of the leases.

Long-term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2020 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Bond Payable, Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, Town Garage, Principal Payments of \$37,500 Payable on November 1 Annually, Interest Ranging from 1.491% to 3.091% Payable on May 1 and November 1, Due November, 2036	\$675,000	\$ 0	\$37,500	\$637,500
Capital Lease Payable, Wacker Neuson Financial, Excavator, Principal and Interest Payments of \$3,083 Payable Monthly, Interest at 1.99%, Due and Paid July, 2019	<u>3,078</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,078</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$678,078</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$40,578</u>	<u>\$637,500</u>

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Maturities are estimated to be as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2021	\$ 37,500	\$ 16,212
2022	37,500	15,514
2023	37,500	14,764
2024	37,500	13,966
2025	37,500	13,128
2026-2030	187,500	51,468
2031-2035	187,500	25,350
2036-2037	<u>75,000</u>	<u>2,311</u>
Total	<u>\$637,500</u>	<u>\$152,713</u>

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Taxes	\$ 1,084,365	\$ 1,075,357	\$ (9,008)
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	5,000	4,213	(787)
Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	25,000	34,417	9,417
Education Billing Fee Retained	8,000	8,638	638
Current Use	0	40,362	40,362
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	16,000	15,864	(136)
Traffic Fines	20,000	7,584	(12,416)
Highway State Aid	92,000	94,270	2,270
Town Clerk Fees	17,000	19,594	2,594
Dog Licenses/Fines	1,000	452	(548)
Liquor Licenses	600	440	(160)
Marriage/Civil Union Fees	100	150	50
Sign Permit Fees	0	25	25
Highway Permits	300	371	71
Town Hall Rental	500	1,150	650
Transfer Station Fees	18,000	18,883	883
Pay as You Throw Fees	35,000	33,103	(1,897)
Investment Income	2,000	3,678	1,678
CT River Loss Income	2,272	2,272	0
Insurance Proceeds	0	1,000	1,000
Grants-in-Aid Grant Income	0	9,090	9,090
FEMA Grant Income	0	3,494	3,494
Transfers In from Reserve Funds	0	21,119	21,119
Other	0	1,835	1,835
Total Cash Receipts	1,327,137	1,397,361	70,224
Cash Disbursements:			
Payroll & Benefits:			
Bookkeeper	3,308	2,855	453
Lister's Salary	20,000	11,113	8,887
Town Office Salary	65,625	65,361	264
Emergency Management	1,000	496	504
Selectboard Salaries	5,500	5,500	0
Clerks Salaries	1,200	1,106	94
Elections Expense	500	191	309
BCA Salaries	500	324	176
Flood Zoning Administrator Salary	250	162	88
Health Insurance	12,000	10,164	1,836
Social Security	10,000	11,694	(1,694)
Retirement	5,265	5,338	(73)
Unemployment Insurance	500	166	334
Workman's Compensation	7,000	3,498	3,502
Training	1,000	50	950
Total Payroll & Benefits	133,648	118,018	15,630

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Office Operations:			
Legal Fees	\$ 4,000	\$ 440	\$ 3,560
Computer Support	3,000	4,418	(1,418)
Telephone	3,500	4,188	(688)
Postage	2,600	2,302	298
Advertising	900	468	432
Listers	7,000	1,162	5,838
Listers Computer Support	3,500	1,500	2,000
Lister Contracted Services	3,500	1,450	2,050
Outside Audit	16,000	17,500	(1,500)
Printing Town Report	1,500	1,841	(341)
Supplies	2,500	2,331	169
Office Equipment	500	2,357	(1,857)
Office Equipment Maintenance	650	660	(10)
Miscellaneous	500	40	460
Total Office Operations	<u>49,650</u>	<u>40,657</u>	<u>8,993</u>
Town Buildings:			
Town Office Janitor	1,200	60	1,140
Town Office Repairs & Maintenance	500	2,324	(1,824)
Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance	7,000	24,488	(17,488)
Bank Building Repairs & Maintenance	500	876	(376)
Rawsonville Repairs & Maintenance	200	100	100
Mill Building Repairs	0	26,295	(26,295)
Town Office Supplies	700	1,787	(1,087)
Town Hall Supplies	300	375	(75)
Town Office Electricity	1,500	1,778	(278)
Town Hall Electricity	1,000	1,195	(195)
Bank Building Electricity	500	398	102
Rawsonville School House Electricity	250	243	7
Town Office Fuel	3,600	3,415	185
Town Hall Fuel	1,500	687	813
Bank Building Fuel	1,500	66	1,434
Emergency Generator	500	373	127
Total Town Buildings	<u>20,750</u>	<u>64,460</u>	<u>(43,710)</u>
Police Support:			
Salaries, Constables	350	350	0
Windham County Sheriff's Department	45,000	49,047	(4,047)
Total Police Support	<u>45,350</u>	<u>49,397</u>	<u>(4,047)</u>
Emergency Services:			
Fire Department	98,791	98,791	0
Ambulance Service	29,932	29,932	0
Total Emergency Services	<u>128,723</u>	<u>128,723</u>	<u>0</u>
Health Officer:	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>0</u>

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Street Lighting:			
Village	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,506	\$ 494
Rawsonville	700	587	113
Total Street Lighting	<u>5,700</u>	<u>5,093</u>	<u>607</u>
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Windham County Tax	17,000	18,458	(1,458)
Liability & Property Insurance	32,000	29,832	2,168
Bonding	145	143	2
VLCT Dues	2,160	2,395	(235)
WRC Dues	2,421	2,421	0
BCA Tax Appeals	100	0	100
Village Beautification	700	895	(195)
Mileage	500	0	500
Planning Expenses	0	129	(129)
Water Study	0	466	(466)
Broadband Survey	0	346	(346)
Village Flags	100	0	100
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>55,126</u>	<u>55,085</u>	<u>41</u>
Waste Disposal:			
Caretaker	25,935	26,312	(377)
Sub-Caretaker	2,625	868	1,757
Water & Septic	1,080	1,080	0
Recycling Disposal	14,000	14,173	(173)
Organic Disposal	2,100	2,203	(103)
Pay as You Throw Expenses	29,000	45,820	(16,820)
Repairs and Maintenance	1,000	364	636
Windham Solid Waste Management District	7,114	7,114	0
Supplies	200	333	(133)
Electricity	1,000	1,185	(185)
Total Waste Disposal	<u>84,054</u>	<u>99,452</u>	<u>(15,398)</u>
Cemetery Maintenance:			
Cemetery Maintenance	6,000	3,585	2,415
Miscellaneous Flags	300	290	10
Total Cemetery Maintenance	<u>6,300</u>	<u>3,875</u>	<u>2,425</u>
Library:			
Library Salary	18,165	15,362	2,803
Library Repairs & Maintenance	500	129	371
Library Electric	700	826	(126)
Library Fuel	2,500	1,698	802
Library Programs/Books	5,000	5,000	0
Library World	1,000	1,000	0
Total Library	<u>27,865</u>	<u>24,015</u>	<u>3,850</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Transfers:			
Transfer to Town Buildings Fund	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 0
Transfer to Transfer Station Fund	4,000	4,000	0
Transfer to Office Equipment Fund	2,000	2,000	0
Transfer to Reappraisal Fund	6,800	6,800	0
Transfer to Highway Capital Fund	75,000	75,000	0
Transfer to Highway Equipment Fund	80,000	80,000	0
Transfer to Sidewalk Reserve Fund	10,000	10,000	0
Total Transfers	180,300	180,300	0
Appropriations:			
Gathering Place	500	500	0
Neighborhood Connections	750	750	0
Vermont Center for Independent Living	250	250	0
Women's Freedom Center	900	900	0
Red Cross	500	500	0
Health Care & Rehabilitation	1,200	1,200	0
Valley Cares	1,604	1,604	0
Preservation Trust of VT	100	100	0
Vermont Art Council	100	100	0
Londonderry Rescue Squad	1,050	1,050	0
Visiting Nurse Alliance - VT & NH	3,236	3,236	0
Windham County Youth Services	395	395	0
L&G Educational Fund	2,000	2,000	0
Senior Solutions	600	600	0
Mountain Valley Health Clinic	1,500	1,500	0
CT River Transit	500	500	0
Windham County Historical Society	250	250	0
Community Food Pantry	500	500	0
S.E. VT Community Action	950	950	0
Windham County Humane Society	800	850	(50)
Grace Cottage Foundation	1,500	1,500	0
Southern Vermont Watershed Alliance	240	240	0
Jamaica Historical Foundation	750	750	0
Green Up	50	50	0
Village Cemetery	900	900	0
VT Rural Fire Protection	100	100	0
Recreation Club	2,000	2,000	0
BCTV	800	800	0
Total Appropriations	24,025	24,075	(50)
Highway Payroll & Benefits:			
Labor	189,000	194,855	(5,855)
Health Insurance	20,000	15,710	4,290
Social Security	14,468	12,735	1,733
Retirement	10,868	11,204	(336)
Workman's Compensation	20,000	13,148	6,852
Total Highway Payroll & Benefits	254,336	247,652	6,684

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
 AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS
 GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Town Garage:			
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 500	\$ 494	\$ 6
Supplies	200	436	(236)
Electricity	1,500	1,837	(337)
Fuel	3,000	3,511	(511)
Internet	0	359	(359)
Total Town Garage	<u>5,200</u>	<u>6,637</u>	<u>(1,437)</u>
General Highway:			
Mileage	200	0	200
Mowing	15,000	6,386	8,614
Labor Contracted	0	1,235	(1,235)
Garage Bond	55,000	54,361	639
Contracted - Townshend	7,200	6,200	1,000
Contracted - Windham	7,200	4,297	2,903
Contracted - Old Cheney Rd	4,500	4,500	0
Permit Fees	0	1,350	(1,350)
Materials - Winter	70,000	74,674	(4,674)
Materials - Summer	45,000	66,169	(21,169)
Signs	500	639	(139)
Radios	2,160	2,668	(508)
New Equipment	7,500	7,896	(396)
EW65 Excavator	0	3,083	(3,083)
Miscellaneous	500	0	500
Total General Highway	<u>214,760</u>	<u>233,458</u>	<u>(18,698)</u>
Highway Equipment Maintenance:			
Parts/Supplies	50,000	49,939	61
Repairs	12,000	38,801	(26,801)
Fuel	4,000	5,900	(1,900)
Diesel	25,000	22,701	2,299
Total Highway Equipment Maintenance	<u>91,000</u>	<u>117,341</u>	<u>(26,341)</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>1,327,137</u>	<u>1,398,588</u>	<u>(71,451)</u>
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>(1,227)</u>	<u>\$ (1,227)</u>
Adjustment to Reconcile from the Budgetary Basis of Accounting to the Modified Cash Basis of Accounting:			
HRA Fund Expenses		<u>(1,458)</u>	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(2,685)	
Fund Balance - July 1, 2019		<u>5,907</u>	
Fund Balance - June 30, 2020		<u>\$ 3,222</u>	

The reconciling items are due to combining three (3) funds, the Stabilization Fund, the Planning Fund and the HRA Fund with the General Fund in order to comply with GASB Statement No. 54.

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS,
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2020

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 65,254	\$ 65,254
Due from Other Funds	<u>91,851</u>	<u>326,505</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>418,359</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 91,851</u>	<u>\$ 326,505</u>	<u>\$ 65,257</u>	<u>\$ 483,613</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>				
Liabilities:				
Due to Other Funds	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>3</u>	\$ <u>3</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Fund Balances:				
Nonspendable	0	0	20,820	20,820
Restricted	20,189	134,947	44,434	199,570
Committed	0	191,558	0	191,558
Assigned	<u>71,662</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>71,662</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>91,851</u>	<u>326,505</u>	<u>65,254</u>	<u>483,610</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 91,851</u>	<u>\$ 326,505</u>	<u>\$ 65,257</u>	<u>\$ 483,613</u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
 AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total
Cash Receipts:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 12,379	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 12,379
Permits, Licenses and Fees	6,211	0	0	6,211
Investment Income	57	195	62	314
Donations	0	0	150	150
Total Cash Receipts	<u>18,647</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>19,054</u>
Cash Disbursements:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	<u>18,647</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>19,054</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):				
Transfers In	6,800	18,500	0	25,300
Transfers Out	<u>0</u>	<u>(21,119)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(21,119)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>6,800</u>	<u>(2,619)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,181</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	25,447	(2,424)	212	23,235
Fund Balances - July 1, 2019	<u>66,404</u>	<u>328,929</u>	<u>65,042</u>	<u>460,375</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 91,851</u>	<u>\$ 326,505</u>	<u>\$ 65,254</u>	<u>\$ 483,610</u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS,
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2020

	<u>Reappraisal Fund</u>	<u>Emergency Management Fund</u>	<u>Records Restoration Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Due from Other Funds	\$ <u>71,662</u>	\$ <u>9,095</u>	\$ <u>11,094</u>	\$ <u>91,851</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u><u>71,662</u></u>	\$ <u><u>9,095</u></u>	\$ <u><u>11,094</u></u>	\$ <u><u>91,851</u></u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>				
Liabilities:	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Fund Balances:				
Restricted	0	9,095	11,094	20,189
Assigned	<u>71,662</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>71,662</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>71,662</u>	<u>9,095</u>	<u>11,094</u>	<u>91,851</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ <u><u>71,662</u></u>	\$ <u><u>9,095</u></u>	\$ <u><u>11,094</u></u>	\$ <u><u>91,851</u></u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND
 CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Reappraisal Fund	Emergency Management Fund	Records Restoration Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 12,379	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 12,379
Permits, Licenses and Fees	0	0	6,211	6,211
Investment Income	<u>57</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>57</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>12,436</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,211</u>	<u>18,647</u>
Cash Disbursements:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	<u>12,436</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,211</u>	<u>18,647</u>
Other Financing Sources:				
Transfers In	<u>6,800</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,800</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>6,800</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,800</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	19,236	0	6,211	25,447
Fund Balances - July 1, 2019	<u>52,426</u>	<u>9,095</u>	<u>4,883</u>	<u>66,404</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 71,662</u>	<u>\$ 9,095</u>	<u>\$ 11,094</u>	<u>\$ 91,851</u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2020

	<u>Town Buildings Fund</u>	<u>Town Office Equipment Fund</u>	<u>Transfer Station Fund</u>	<u>Sidewalk Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>					
Due from Other Funds	\$ <u>116,111</u>	\$ <u>26,987</u>	\$ <u>48,460</u>	\$ <u>134,947</u>	\$ <u>326,505</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u><u>116,111</u></u>	\$ <u><u>26,987</u></u>	\$ <u><u>48,460</u></u>	\$ <u><u>134,947</u></u>	\$ <u><u>326,505</u></u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>					
Liabilities:	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	0	0	0	134,947	134,947
Committed	<u>116,111</u>	<u>26,987</u>	<u>48,460</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>191,558</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>116,111</u>	<u>26,987</u>	<u>48,460</u>	<u>134,947</u>	<u>326,505</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ <u><u>116,111</u></u>	\$ <u><u>26,987</u></u>	\$ <u><u>48,460</u></u>	\$ <u><u>134,947</u></u>	\$ <u><u>326,505</u></u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND
 CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Town Buildings Fund	Town Office Equipment Fund	Transfer Station Fund	Sidewalk Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:					
Investment Income	\$ 92	\$ 11	\$ 23	\$ 69	\$ 195
Total Cash Receipts	<u>92</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>195</u>
Cash Disbursements:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	<u>92</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>195</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):					
Transfers In	2,500	2,000	4,000	10,000	18,500
Transfers Out	<u>(19,398)</u>	<u>(1,721)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(21,119)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>(16,898)</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(2,619)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(16,806)	290	4,023	10,069	(2,424)
Fund Balances - July 1, 2019	<u>132,917</u>	<u>26,697</u>	<u>44,437</u>	<u>124,878</u>	<u>328,929</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 116,111</u>	<u>\$ 26,987</u>	<u>\$ 48,460</u>	<u>\$ 134,947</u>	<u>\$ 326,505</u>

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS,
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR PERMANENT FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2020

	Muzzy Legacy Fund	Cemetery Fund	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 18,801	\$ 46,453	\$ 65,254
Due from Other Funds	3	0	3
Total Assets	\$ 18,804	\$ 46,453	\$ 65,257
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
Liabilities:			
Due to Other Funds	\$ 0	\$ 3	\$ 3
Total Liabilities	0	3	3
Fund Balances:			
Nonspendable	5,000	15,820	20,820
Restricted	13,804	30,630	44,434
Total Fund Balances	18,804	46,450	65,254
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 18,804	\$ 46,453	\$ 65,257

TOWN OF JAMAICA, VERMONT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
 AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES
 NON-MAJOR PERMANENT FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Muzzy Legacy Fund	Cemetery Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:			
Investment Income	\$ 18	\$ 44	\$ 62
Donations	<u>0</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>18</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>212</u>
Cash Disbursements:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	18	194	212
Fund Balances - July 1, 2019	<u>18,786</u>	<u>46,256</u>	<u>65,042</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 18,804</u>	<u>\$ 46,450</u>	<u>\$ 65,254</u>

Delinquent Tax Report

Owner Name	Parcel ID	Tax Year	
Allen, Diane	000D-5-2		2019 *
Brown, Edward	00R-27		2019
Carroll, Adrienne	00O-10		2019
Cieslak, Scott	00G-39-1		2019 *
Conway, Christopher	000G-9		2019 *
Fenstermaker, David	00C-17-10		2019 *
Fritz, Kathleen	00G-21		2019
Jeffers, Cody	00S-48-4	2018	2019
Koeller, Joann	00S-67-1		2019 **
LaMarche, Connie	00P-27-3		2019 *
Maturo, Melissa	0O-L12		2019 **
Mercier, Timothy	00P-10		2019 *
Mercier, Timothy	00P-10-1		2019 **
Reeves, Carter	0O-L21		2019 **
Smith, Michael	000T-8-1		2019 **
Smith, Romaine	000T-8		2019 *
Warner, Molly	00L-26	2018	2019
Wilkins, Daniel	MH-P-27.8	2017	2018 2019
Winnick, Richard	000O-1-1		2019 *
Yastrzemski, Richard	00F-36-1-32		2019 *

* - Paid after 6/30/20

** - Sold at Tax Sale

STATEMENT OF TAXES BILLED & ACCOUNTED FOR
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Taxable Parcels: 1242

	Tax Rates: X Grand List = Taxes to Raise		
Non Resident Ed.	1.5706	1,922,159.57	3,018,943.82
Homestead Ed	1.8235	635,109.28	1,158,121.77
Local Agreement	0.0032	2,555,789.00	8,178.52
Municipal	0.4265	2,555,789.00	1,090,044.01
Total Taxes to be collected 8/01/2019			5,275,288.13
Taxes accounted for:			
Municipal Taxes Collected			1,510,384.74
Payment to WRMUED			933,903.00
Payment to WRMUED			1,033,104.00
Education taxes paid to State of Vermont			1,763,480.88
Education money retained			8,638.41
Delinquent/Uncollected			27,996.20
Over/under			(2,219.10)
Final Taxes Accounted for 2019			5,275,288.13

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Nonhmstd Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	540	116,813,900	29,623,778	87,190,122	116,813,900
Residential II R2	260	100,339,500	25,565,430	74,774,070	100,339,500
Mobile Homes-U MHU	35	790,600	160,900	629,700	790,600
Mobile Homes-L MHL	19	1,431,900	476,200	955,700	1,431,900
Seasonal I S1	34	2,257,500	231,900	2,025,600	2,257,500
Seasonal II S2	32	3,881,300	283,700	3,597,600	3,881,300
Commercial C	31	8,538,900	0	8,538,900	8,538,900
Commercial Apts CA	1	561,400	0	561,400	561,400
Industrial I	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities-E UE	4	10,645,100	0	10,645,100	10,645,100
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	1	450,200	450,200	0	450,200
Other O	54	5,830,600	0	5,830,600	5,830,600
Woodland W	44	1,364,800	0	1,364,800	1,364,800
Miscellaneous M	182	13,204,200	0	13,204,200	13,204,200
TOTAL LISTED REAL	1,237	266,109,900	56,792,108	209,317,792	266,109,900
P.P. Cable	2	104,760		104,760	104,760
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	2	104,760		104,760	104,760
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		266,214,660	56,792,108	209,422,552	266,214,660
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	7/7	70,000	70,000	0	70,000
Veterans >10K		210,000			
Total Veterans		280,000	70,000	0	70,000
P.P. Contracts	2	104,760			
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	1/1	342,100	0	342,100	342,100
Non-Apprv (voted)	1/1	173,100			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	4/2	619,960	0	342,100	342,100
FarmStab Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv (voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total FarmStabContr	0/0	0	0	0	0
Current Use	61/61	8,622,500	1,682,900	6,939,600	8,622,500
Special Exemptions	1		0	377,800	377,800
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		9,522,460	1,752,900	7,659,500	9,412,400
Total Exemptions		9,522,460	1,752,900	7,659,500	9,412,400
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		2,566,922.00			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			550,392.08	2,017,630.52	2,568,022.60
NON-TAX		60 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411			

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted			Voted	Proposed
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
REVENUE					
Tax Collections	446,369.00	269,861.26	176,507.74	1,072,358.00	1,089,844.38
Delinquent Tax- Principal		167,499.45	(167,499.45)		
Delinquent Tax- Interest	5,000.00	4,213.19	786.81	5,000.00	5,000.00
Delinquent Tax- Penalties	25,000.00	34,417.07	(9,417.07)	25,000.00	25,000.00
Education Tax Retained	8,000.00	8,638.41	(638.41)	8,000.00	8,000.00
Current Use		40,362.00	(40,362.00)	19,000.00	25,000.00
PILOT Payments	16,000.00	15,863.72	136.28	16,000.00	16,000.00
Traffic Fines	20,000.00	7,584.20	12,415.80	20,000.00	10,000.00
Town Clerk Fees/photocopy	17,000.00	19,593.50	(2,593.50)	17,000.00	17,000.00
Dog Licenses	1,000.00	452.00	548.00	750.00	750.00
Liquor Licenses	600.00	440.00	160.00	600.00	500.00
Marriage License	100.00	150.00	(50.00)	180.00	150.00
Flood Zone Permits		-	-		
Town Hall Rental	500.00	1,150.00	(650.00)	800.00	500.00
Sign permit		25.00			
Transfer Station Revenue	18,000.00	18,883.05	(883.05)	18,000.00	18,000.00
Pay As You Throw Revenue	35,000.00	33,103.00	1,897.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
Earned Interest	2,000.00	3,648.70	(1,648.70)	3,000.00	3,000.00
CT River Losses	2,272.00	2,272.00	-	2,272.00	2,272.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		1,844.81	(1,844.81)		
Cemetery		99.05	(99.05)		
Transfer in from reserve		26,196.22	(26,196.22)		39,413.62
Highway Property Taxes	637,996.00	637,996.00	-		
Highway State Aid	92,000.00	94,270.44	(2,270.44)	92,000.00	94,000.00
FEMA Oct 2017 Storm		3,494.40	(3,494.40)		
Grant Revenue		9,090.02	(9,090.02)		
Highway Misc. Revenue(Bond Int.)		26.55	(26.55)		
Highway Permit Fees	300.00	371.00	(71.00)	300.00	300.00
TOTAL REVENUE	1,327,137.00	1,401,545.04		1,335,260.00	1,389,730.00
EXPENSES					
~Payroll & Benefits~					
Bookkeeper	3,308.00	2,855.10	452.90	3,407.00	3,500.00
Lister Salary	20,000.00	11,113.31	8,886.69	18,540.00	12,000.00
Town Office Salary	65,625.00	65,361.11	263.89	67,594.00	69,700.00
Emergency Management	1,000.00	495.65	504.35	500.00	500.00
Selectboard Salaries	5,500.00	5,500.00	-	5,500.00	5,500.00
Selectboard Clerk	1,200.00	1,105.66	94.34	1,236.00	1,300.00
Elections Expense	500.00	190.63	309.37	500.00	500.00
BCA	500.00	324.30	175.70	500.00	500.00
Flood Zoning Admin.	250.00	161.82	88.18	250.00	250.00
FICA	10,000.00	11,694.48	(1,694.48)	11,000.00	12,000.00
Employers Retirement	5,265.00	5,338.36	(73.36)	5,603.00	6,100.00

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted			Voted	Proposed
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
Unemployment Insurance	500.00	1,660.00	(1,160.00)	500.00	500.00
Workers Comp Insurance	7,000.00	3,497.80	3,502.20	4,000.00	4,000.00
Health Insurance	12,000.00	10,164.38	1,835.62	15,800.00	16,000.00
Total Payroll & Benefits	132,648.00	119,462.60		134,930.00	132,350.00
~Town Office Operations~					
Advertising	900.00	468.12	431.88	900.00	900.00
Attorney	4,000.00	440.00	3,560.00	4,000.00	3,000.00
Computer Software/Support	3,000.00	4,417.76	(1,417.76)	6,500.00	6,500.00
Town Office Equipment	500.00	2,357.23	(1,857.23)	500.00	1,500.00
Office machines Maint.	650.00	659.96	(9.96)	500.00	500.00
Printing/Postage Town Report	1,500.00	1,841.39	(341.39)	1,500.00	2,000.00
Telephone/Cable	3,500.00	4,188.20	(688.20)	3,500.00	4,000.00
Postage	2,600.00	2,302.30	297.70	2,600.00	2,600.00
Supplies	2,500.00	2,330.90	169.10	2,000.00	2,000.00
Yearly Outside Audit	16,000.00	17,500.00	(1,500.00)	16,000.00	17,000.00
Listers Expense	7,000.00	1,161.55	5,838.45	2,000.00	2,000.00
Listers Support	3,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,900.00	2,900.00
Lister contracted services	3,500.00	1,450.00	2,050.00	3,500.00	4,500.00
Training Expenses	1,000.00	70.00	930.00	1,000.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	39.99	460.01		
Mileage	500.00	-	500.00	500.00	250.00
Total Town Office Operations	51,150.00	40,727.40		47,900.00	50,150.00
~Town Buildings~					
Town Office Janitor	1,200.00	60.00	1,140.00	500.00	500.00
Town Office Repairs/Maint.	500.00	2,323.57	500.00	500.00	1,500.00
Emergency Generator	500.00	373.25	126.75	500.00	500.00
Town Hall Repairs/Maint	7,000.00	24,487.69	(17,487.69)	4,000.00	4,000.00
Bank Building Repairs/Maint	500.00	875.86	(375.86)	500.00	500.00
Rawsonville Sch Repairs/maint	200.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	200.00
Library Repairs/Maint	500.00	128.95	371.05	500.00	500.00
Town Office Supplies/Water	700.00	1,786.55	(1,086.55)	700.00	700.00
Town Hall Supplies	300.00	375.39	(75.39)	300.00	300.00
Town Office Electricity	1,500.00	1,777.54	(277.54)	1,700.00	1,700.00
Town Hall Electricity	1,000.00	1,194.50	(194.50)	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bank Building Electricity	500.00	397.69	102.31	500.00	500.00
Rawsonville School Electricity	250.00	242.63	7.37	250.00	250.00
Library Electric	700.00	826.33	(126.33)	700.00	700.00
Town Office Fuel	3,600.00	3,414.87	185.13	3,600.00	3,600.00
Town Hall Fuel	1,500.00	687.10	812.90	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bank Building Fuel	1,500.00	65.82	1,434.18	600.00	-
Library Fuel	2,500.00	1,698.32	801.68	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Town Buildings	24,450.00	40,816.06		19,050.00	19,450.00

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	Voted BUDGET	Proposed BUDGET
~Public Safety~					
Salaries, Constable	350.00	350.00	-	350.00	350.00
Salaries, Health Officer	350.00	350.00		350.00	350.00
Windham County Sheriff	45,000.00	49,046.67	(4,046.67)	50,000.00	52,000.00
Windham County Humane Society	300.00	350.00	(50.00)	350.00	350.00
Total Public Safety	46,000.00	50,096.67		51,050.00	53,050.00
~Emergency Services~					
Ambulance - Rescue Inc.	29,932.00	29,932.20	(0.20)	30,232.00	31,000.00
Fire Department	98,791.00	98,791.00	-	98,791.00	99,750.00
Total Emergency Services	128,723.00	128,723.20	(0.20)	129,023.00	130,750.00
~Street Lighting~					
Village	5,000.00	4,506.49	493.51	4,000.00	4,000.00
Rawsonville	700.00	586.58	113.42	600.00	600.00
Total Street Lighting	5,700.00	5,093.07		4,600.00	4,600.00
~Miscellaneous Expense~					
Windham County Tax	17,000.00	18,458.00	(1,458.00)	18,500.00	22,500.00
VLCT PACIF	32,000.00	29,832.00	2,168.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
Western Surety Bonding	145.00	143.00	2.00	145.00	145.00
VLCT Dues	2,160.00	2,395.00	(235.00)	2,400.00	2,400.00
WRC Dues	2,421.00	2,420.50	0.50	2,400.00	2,400.00
Planning Exp.		128.52	(128.52)		
Water Study		466.36	(466.36)		
Broadband survey		346.46	(346.46)		
Mill Building		26,294.83	(26,294.83)		
Tax Sale Expense		2,457.84	(2,457.84)		
BCA Tax Appeals/ Abatement	100.00	-	100.00	100.00	100.00
Village Beautification	700.00	895.05	(195.05)	700.00	700.00
Village Flags	100.00		100.00	200.00	300.00
Old Home Day	-	-	-	2,500.00	-
Total Miscellaneous Expense	54,626.00	83,837.56		56,945.00	58,545.00
~Waste Disposal~					
Attendant	25,935.00	26,312.25	(377.25)	26,713.00	27,514.00
Sub-attendant	2,625.00	868.48	1,756.52	2,704.00	2,785.00
Water/Septic	1,080.00	1,080.00	-	1,080.00	1,080.00
Waste Disposal ~ PAYT & C/D	29,000.00	45,820.97	(16,820.97)	30,000.00	40,000.00
Recycling Disposal	14,000.00	14,172.70	(172.70)	14,000.00	18,000.00
Organics Disposal	2,100.00	2,203.08	(103.08)	2,100.00	5,600.00
Maintenance & Repairs	1,000.00	363.76	636.24	1,000.00	500.00
WSWMD Assessment	7,114.00	7,113.55	0.45	6,800.00	5,500.00
Supplies	200.00	332.60	(132.60)	200.00	200.00
Electricity	1,000.00	1,184.54	(184.54)	1,000.00	1,000.00

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted			Voted	Proposed
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
Total Waste Disposal	84,054.00	99,451.93		85,597.00	102,179.00
~Cemetery Maintenance~					
Cememtery Maint.	6,000.00	3,585.00	2,415.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Miscellaneous Flags	300.00	290.24	9.76	300.00	300.00
Total Cemetery Maintenance	6,300.00	3,875.24	2,424.76	6,300.00	6,300.00
~Library~			-		
Library Programs/Books	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Librarian Salary	18,165.00	15,362.09	2,802.91	18,710.00	19,271.00
Library World	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Library	24,165.00	21,362.09		24,710.00	25,271.00
~Capital Reserve Funds~					
Town Buildings Reserve	2,500.00	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	2,500.00
Transfer Station Reserve	4,000.00	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	4,000.00
Office Equipment Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
Re-Appraisal Reserve	6,800.00	6,800.00	-	6,800.00	6,800.00
Total Capital Reserve Funds	15,300.00	15,300.00		15,300.00	15,300.00
~Voted Appropriations ~					
Gathering Place	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
Neighborhood Connections	500.00	500.00	-	750.00	750.00
VT Center For Independent Living	250.00	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
Women's Freedom Center	900.00	900.00	-	900.00	900.00
Red Cross	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
Healthcare & Rehab Services	1,200.00	1,200.00	-	1,200.00	1,200.00
Valley Cares	1,604.00	1,604.00	-	1,604.00	1,604.00
Preservation Trust of VT	100.00	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
VT Art Council	100.00	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Londonderry Rescue Squad	1,050.00	1,050.00	-	1,050.00	1,050.00
Visiting Nurse Service	3,236.00	3,236.00	-	3,236.00	3,236.00
Windham County Youth Services	395.00	395.00	-	395.00	395.00
L&G Educational Foundation	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
Senior Solutions	600.00	600.00	-	600.00	600.00
Mt. Valley Health Clinic	1,500.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
CT River Transit	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
Windham County Historical	250.00	250.00	-	250.00	250.00
Community Food Pantry	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
SEVCA	950.00	950.00	-	950.00	950.00
Windham County Humane Soc.	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	500.00
Grace Cottage Foundation	1,500.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
So VT Watershed Alliance	240.00	240.00	-	240.00	240.00
Jamaica Historical Foundation	750.00	750.00	-	750.00	750.00
Vermont Green Up	50.00	50.00	-	50.00	50.00
Village Cemetary	900.00	900.00	-	900.00	900.00

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted			Voted	Proposed
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
VT Rural Fire Protection	100.00	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Recreation Club	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	1,700.00
BCTV	800.00	800.00	-	800.00	1,000.00
Total Appropriations	23,475.00	23,475.00		23,725.00	23,625.00
General Government Totals	596,591.00	632,220.82		599,130.00	621,570.00
	2017			2019	2021
	Proposed			Proposed	Proposed
	BUDGET		VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
HIGHWAY EXPENSES					
~Payroll & Benefits~					
Highway Labor	189,000.00	194,855.88	(5,855.88)	194,670.00	200,500.00
Health Insurance	20,000.00	15,710.10	4,289.90	22,000.00	20,000.00
Employers FICA	14,468.00	12,735.12	1,732.88	15,000.00	15,500.00
Employers Retirement	10,868.00	11,204.22	(336.22)	11,500.00	12,500.00
Insurance Workmans Comp	20,000.00	14,667.20	5,332.80	20,000.00	15,000.00
Total Payroll & Benefits	254,336.00	249,172.52		263,170.00	263,500.00
~Town Garage~					
Repairs/Maintenance	500.00	493.75	6.25	500.00	500.00
Electricity	1,500.00	1,836.76	(336.76)	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fuel	3,000.00	3,511.26	(511.26)	3,000.00	3,000.00
Supplies	200.00	435.63	(235.63)	200.00	200.00
Internet		359.40			1,100.00
Total Town Garage	5,200.00	6,636.80		5,200.00	6,300.00
~Highways - General~					
Contract Town of Townshend	7,200.00	6,200.00	1,000.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
Contract Town of Windham	7,200.00	4,296.75	2,903.25	7,200.00	6,200.00
Contract Old Cheney Road	4,500.00	4,500.00	-	4,500.00	4,500.00
Mowing~Sweeping	15,000.00	6,385.80	8,614.20	20,000.00	15,000.00
Labor Contracted		1,235.00	(1,235.00)		
Road Signs	500.00	638.79	(138.79)	500.00	750.00
Radios	2,160.00	2,667.60	(507.60)	2,160.00	2,160.00
Mileage	200.00	-	200.00	200.00	200.00
Materials ~ Winter	70,000.00	74,673.90	(4,673.90)	70,000.00	70,000.00
Materials ~ Summer	45,000.00	66,170.29	(21,170.29)	45,000.00	55,000.00
Miscellaneous/Expenses	500.00	-	500.00		
New Town Garage Bond Pmt.	55,000.00	54,360.91	639.09	55,000.00	55,000.00
New Equipment Purchase	7,500.00	7,896.00	(396.00)	-	
Permit Fees		1,350.00			1,350.00
Total Highways - General	214,760.00	230,375.04		211,760.00	217,360.00

	2020			2021	2022
	Adopted			Voted	Proposed
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET	BUDGET
~Highway - Equipment~					
Equipment parts/supplies	50,000.00	49,938.59	61.41	50,000.00	50,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance	12,000.00	38,801.35	(26,801.35)	12,000.00	12,000.00
Gas	4,000.00	5,899.97	(1,899.97)	4,000.00	4,000.00
Diesel	25,000.00	22,700.72	2,299.28	25,000.00	25,000.00
Final Excavator payment		3,082.96			
Total Highway - Equipment	91,000.00	120,423.59	(29,423.59)	91,000.00	91,000.00
~Reserve Funds~					
Highway	75,000.00	75,000.00	-	75,000.00	75,000.00
Highway Equipment	80,000.00	80,000.00	-	80,000.00	80,000.00
Sidewalk	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
FEMA cost repayment			-		25,000.00
Total Reserve Funds	165,000.00	165,000.00		165,000.00	190,000.00
Highway Budget Totals	730,296.00	771,607.95		736,130.00	768,160.00
Total General & Highway Budget	1,326,887.00	1,403,828.77		1,335,260.00	1,389,730.00

Selectboard Report

You don't need me to tell you that this past year has been challenging in many ways all of which has put pressure on our people and resources.

Through it all our town has stepped up to the challenge. From our employees and volunteers in the Town Office, in the Highway Department, at the Transfer Station to the Fire and Rescue and all the other people who commit time and resources to the town, everyone has gone the extra mile.

The Selectboard and Planning Commission continue to brainstorm and work on ways to maintain our small-town charm, enhance the vibrancy of our villages and safeguard our natural resources.

There is much to be thankful for and to look forward to. We encourage everyone to participate and volunteer where you can.

Greg Meulemans

Chair, Jamaica Selectboard

Jamaica Old Home Day 2020

With a pandemic happening in 2020 we were very limited but Anne Brower came up with the idea of a Pallet Party. Quite a few pallets were created and spread about the Village. It was fun.

We are hoping that by September we might be able to be able to put on some sort of a version of Jamaica Old Home Day. Time will tell as we inch further into 2021.

We will be looking to the Jamaica residents for ideas and ways to celebrate Jamaica.

Contact Anne Brower, Karen Ameden or Bob Johnson



2020-2021 Jamaica Village School Annual Report for

Jamaica Village, Vermont



Mission of Jamaica Village School

The mission of the Jamaica Village School is to “provide students with a quality education that reflects high academic standards, respects and nurtures individual talents, encourages cooperation among family, peers, school, and community and enables our students to develop to their maximum potential as life-long learners and responsible members of the global, as well as local community” (Student/Family Handbook 2020).

We believe...

- All children can and want to learn, and it is our responsibility to teach to each student’s learning style;
- Everyone deserves a safe and respectful environment;
- Knowing the families of the children we teach is as important as knowing the children, as we believe active parental involvement is key to student learning;
- High expectations for academic and social skills lead to lifelong learning; and
- Student-focused professional development maximizes student learning.

Our school, while small in enrollment, is a close-knit community of learners. The classrooms are welcoming, open and airy. The learning spaces include whole, small and independent areas structured toward the needs of a variety of learning styles. Our motto for this school year is “You Matter!” based on the picture book by C. Robinson.

This year has certainly challenged us as educators and staff in this school community to think broadly, deeply and passionately about how to continue to deliver high quality instruction in safe, creative and rigorous ways.

Remote, hybrid and on-site learning environments through the use of varied means of technology, have been the structures in which Jamaica Village School educators, staff, learners and families have interacted with each other during these most challenging times. Video conferencing, phone calls, home visits, on-site modified schedules, individual instructional classes and a myriad of other formats have all converged to provide educational opportunities to the children of Jamaica Village School.

As our school year unfolds, some things to highlight:



Current enrollment – 23 students grades K-5



Two classroom grade configurations - K-2 and 3-5



Additional and on-going facilities management through the WRED and WCSU, including cleaning and sanitizing in response to the current health situation.



New Staff – Ms. K. Garvey, Teacher Special Education, Ms Suzanne Paugh, Teacher Art, Ms Abbey Welch, School Nurse



Students are instructed in Music, Physical Education and Art classes weekly as well as receive supportive services from itinerant staff providing Speech and Language intervention, physical and occupational therapies, as well as other services.



Breakfast, Snack and Lunch are provided and offered to all children daily, to ensure our students are “ready to learn”.



JVS has developed a Continuous Improvement Plan focusing on Literacy and Personalized Learning.



A Principal’s Advisory Committee in compliance with VT Act 46 is in place. Meetings are scheduled on the 4th Thursday of the month via video conferencing and communicated through the Jamaica Village School Facebook page and student/family Sunday updates.



Our School Club continues to support our students’ educational program and events.



There is financial support from a variety of sources to assist in providing basic things such as winter clothing, learning materials and other unique family needs.

- The Stratton Foundation continues to support our families in many ways.
- BCBS Grant and the generous support of RedFeather Snowshoe Fitness Program have provided 12 pairs of snowshoes equipped with easy SV2 Bindings.
- CLiF has donated over 30 books for our classroom libraries.
- In collaboration with Leland and Gray students, 600+ new and gently used children's books were distributed to the schools of the WRED.



Commitment and dedication of our school maintenance and custodial staff have ensured a safe and clean physical environment.

Our experienced faculty provides instruction that is geared to meet the learner at his/her instructional level, while ensuring grade level State Standards are addressed. Lessons are engaging, differentiated and focused.

2019-2020 Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) testing was suspended due to the pandemic. These required assessments are scheduled to resume and be administered in April/May 2021.

During this 2020-21 school year, staff educational opportunities focused on Trauma Informed Educational Practices, Implicit Bias, Reading Workshop, and Data Analysis are just a few of the professional development training for our teaching staff.

Online presence may be found on [Facebook](#) and our webpage. The [Jamaica Village School website](#) has been redesigned and provides basic information about our school. The involvement and commitment of our staff, families, community and most importantly, our children is the key to our success!

We are excited to continue our journey in helping young learners master basic academic skills, while exploring areas of interest as they move to adolescence.

Respectfully,
 Pamela J. Bernardo
 Principal, Jamaica Village School
 Jamaica, Vermont

Jamaica Memorial Library closed to the public on March 15th, 2020. Since then we have opened for Curbside hours twice a week on Tuesdays 3:00-5:00pm and Thursdays from 2:00-4:00pm.

Services:

- We have offered Storytimes through YouTube.
- We collaborated with the Winhall Memorial Library on two different virtual programs for the Summer Reading Program. We got to Dance with Ashley and learn all about different types of Predator Birds through the Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS.)
- We joined the courier service with the Winhall Memorial Library, this expands our Interlibrary Loan Services to include more libraries throughout Vermont.
- Jamaica Memorial Library has kept our website up to date with Online Resources families can use at home. Visit <https://jamaicavtlibrary.wordpress.com/online-resources/>.
- Virtual Book Discussions for the Winter months and meetings outside (socially distanced) when the weather allows.

Curbside Services:

- You can place holds through our online catalog or by emailing or calling and picking up during Curbside hours.
- You can request copies or printing orders for curbside services, as well.
- Our WiFi is available outside of our building.

You can visit our Catalog to place requests at <https://jamaicavtlibrary.wordpress.com/library-catalog/> click the blue Library Catalog link which will redirect you to our catalog. It's easy and free to get a library card as well! Make sure to email us at librarian@jamaicavtlibrary.org or call 802-874-4901. There are also tutorial videos located on our page on how to process a hold and use our catalog, as well.

Grants:

Jamaica Memorial Library was also one of the recipients of this year's Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) grant! The library will receive over \$2,000 worth of new Children's, Juvenile, and Young Adult books and Jamaica Village School will also receive \$500 worth of new books. We will also be hosting two virtual presenters throughout the new year as part of the grant. Thank you, CLiF!

We want to thank our community for sticking with us and using our services. We are happy to provide for you in any way that we can during these challenging times.

We are constantly thinking of ways to stay connected with you! We miss you very much and hope there's a chance we will see each other again in the New Year. Happy New Year! Be well and stay safe!

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassidy Menard, Librarian

Board of Trustees

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Janet Hamilton, Treasurer

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Clara Robinson

Sue Stomski

Greg Joly

Jamaica Historical Foundation 2020

<http://jamaicahf.info/> Have you checked out our website that is filled with information, maps, photos, census records, school records and all kinds of other interesting items? There are thousands and thousands of vital records and photos on the site.

We have a very loyal and busy group that works to keep adding information to our website and collecting Jamaica related items, photos and ephemera.

In 2020 we were able to acquire many boxes of photos, papers and items to add to the Town's Collection of Jamaica memorabilia. This last year we did not open the Town's History Museum or host any events but plan to have a busy year in 2021.

We are always looking for those of you who have an interest in Jamaica's history. Let us know how you would like to help or what your interests are. Contact any of our members to join.

We cannot send this letter out to you all without mentioning a member of the JHF Board. Lou Brusco has been a vital member and friend to the Jamaica Historical Foundation for many years, serving as Vice-President and Treasurer. Lou created our Website and has maintained and filled the website, spending countless hours for us all to be able to enjoy, peruse and learn about Jamaica's history. Lou spent time manning the History Museum, was always there to build, help, repair, maintain, create, lend a bit of helpful advice and always with a smile. Lou and his wife Wendy have sold their home here in Jamaica and we wish them the best!

We are working on ideas for 2021 to bring Jamaica's History to you all. Please let us know how you would like to be involved.

Karen Ameden – president- 802.275.2635 karenamedenvt@gmail.com

Jamaica Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.

Town Meeting Report for 2021

For the 2020 Calendar year, Jamaica Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. responded to 152 calls. The incidents responded to are noted here:

- Fire – 8**
- Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident – 85**
- Hazardous Condition (No Fire) – 17**
- Service Call – 12**
- Good Intent Call – 12**
- False Alarm & False Call – 15**
- Severe Weather & Natural Disaster – 3**

We want to thank the members who responded to emergency and non-emergency incidents when called upon by leaving their jobs, sacrificing family time & dinners, late night calls; performing at work details, attending monthly business meeting & training sessions.

Year 2020 COVID-19 pandemic appeared, affecting our community, county, state, the whole USA and the world all over. The community as a whole as well as visitors to the area must continue to be vigilant and follow CDC Policies by wearing face masks at all times, maintain social distancing of 6 ft., and gathering in small groups. We must continue this process in protecting our loved ones both old and young even after we have received our vaccination shots until the ban has been lifted by our government.

We continue to be thankful for the generous financial support by the community and our part-time residents and look forward to your continued support. Our equipment is aging (\$\$\$), we had to purchase firefighter turn-out gear for 3 members (\$6700.00); purchasing 4 SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus) replacing expired units (\$34,000.00); purchased (Qty: 4) 2-1/2" dia. x 50 FT of fire hoses (\$925.00); purchase a new portable water pump (\$3700.00); pump testing on the fire engines (\$2,268.00); purchase a new multi-gas meter that detects carbon-monoxide; hydrogen-sulfide, oxygen and any other combustible gases (\$1300.00). A committee has been formed & meeting underway to look at replacing our next emergency vehicle (\$250,000 - \$300,000). Also a top priority project for the department in 2021, is to install a 30,000 gal fire cistern (\$\$\$) in behind the firehouse that will be accessible year round. With this past summer's dry spell, our water resources were very low for drafting water out of brooks & streams. In the winter time it becomes impossible to draft due to snow banks, icy conditions, etc. The Department continues to seek out Grant Funding from the State / Federal sources whenever possible. We currently are searching for help in preparing grant applications.

Once again, we must include the reminder that none of our equipment is robotic and capable of operating itself. The need remains, the need is great. Everything we do requires PEOPLE. We need YOU, because without an adequate complement of personnel, Jamaica Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. cannot mount an effective first response effort at fires and other emergency situations. Without PEOPLE, without MEMBERS, without YOU, there will be no Jamaica Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. in the future.

We would like to recognize the following individuals for their contributions this Year 2020-21 to the Department:

- Scott Gordon – Completed Emergency Medical Responder Certification in 2020**
- Damien Sagendorph – Will complete Fire Fighter I Training in Spring of 2021**
- Finishline Construction – completing repairs to Firehouse (siding & trim)**
- Rob Litchfield (resident of Jamaica) – donated time power washing front of Firehouse**
- Ray Fletcher (resident of Jamaica) – donated a wooden replica of Smokey Bear**

Submitted by: **Bob Stomski – Fire Chief**

Submitted by **Paul Fraser - President**

JAMAICA VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE
FY 2019-2020

REVENUES & RECEIPTS

Town of Jamaica, Tax Appropriation	\$	98,791.00
Fire Donations	\$	800.00
Rescue Donations	\$	250.00
Sales & Refunds	\$	98.75
Face Masts Donations	\$	106.00
Training Reimbursement for Food Costs	\$	50.00
Allocated Surplus for Budget	\$	2,400.00
Interest earned in General Fund Money Market	\$	334.38
Miscellaneous	\$	5.00
 Total Revenues and Receipts	 \$	 102,835.13

DISBURSEMENTS

ADMINISTRATION

SWNH Fire Mutual Aid, Assessment, FY 2020	\$	21,206.00
SWNH Fire Mutual Aid, Dues, FY 2020	\$	150.00
VT State Firefighters Association, Dues	\$	154.00
VLCT Workers-Comp & Liab. Insurance thru Town of Jamaica	\$	2,121.00
UI Insurance Service, Accident & Sickness	\$	1,456.00
Post Office Box Rent	\$	92.00
Clerical Supplies, Ink, Paper & Bank Charges	\$	221.48
Computer Upgrades, Internet, Spotted Dog & Supplies	\$	746.45
Miscellaneous, Fire ID Tags	\$	110.00
 Total Administration	 \$	 26,256.93

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Green Mountain Power, Electric Service	\$	1,207.26
Cota & Cota, Propane and Service	\$	4,011.91
VLCT Insurance thru Town of Jamaica	\$	2,408.00
Leader Distribution Systems, Inc., Drinking Water	\$	76.50
Seal & Stripe, Painting Lines	\$	150.00
Stuart Chapin, Mowing	\$	420.00
D & K Property Maintenance, Plowing	\$	1,345.00
Powers Generator, Service Contract	\$	376.70
Donald Dorr Septic Service	\$	405.00
Jeff Russ Plumbing & Heating	\$	299.57
Code 3 Products, Alarm Inspection	\$	851.50
Bob Stomski, Reimbursement for Supplies	\$	86.33
 Total Building Maintenance	 \$	 11,637.77

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Vehicle Loan #1,All American Investment Group,LLC #8 of 10	\$	12,606.83
Vehicle Loan #2,All American Investment Group,LLC #12 of 12	\$	20,641.00
Total Capital Expenditures	\$	33,247.83

FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Cota & Cota, Inc. Gas/Diesel Fuel	\$	679.85
Matthew Coleman, Repairs	\$	720.49
W.D. Perkins, Pump Test	\$	380.00
SWNH Fire Mutual Aid, Radio Repairs	\$	635.14
Auto Mall, Truck Repairs	\$	5,897.10
VLCT Insurance, Vehicles & Equipment thru Town of Jamaica	\$	3,218.00
Budget Transfer to Vehicle Fund	\$	3,000.00
Travel reimbursement for repairs	\$	180.84
Total Fire/Rescue Vehicle Maintenance	\$	14,711.42

FIRE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

Bob Stomski, Reimbursement	\$	11.97
Bergeron Protective Clothing	\$	297.24
SWNH District Fire Mutual Aid, Radio repairs	\$	278.15
Total Fire Equipment Maintenance	\$	587.36

RESCUE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

Lexa Clark, Reimbursement for Supplies	\$	144.38
Danielle West, Reimbursement for Supplies	\$	59.90
AirGas USA, LLC, Oxygen & Lease	\$	119.40
Howard Printing, Call Forms	\$	240.00
Total Rescue Equipment Maintenance	\$	563.68

TRAINING

Fire Prevention supplies, Halloween Goodies	\$	184.58
Rescue Training	\$	400.00
Fire Training	\$	51.22

Total Training Expenditures	\$	635.80
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Total Expenditures from Budget	\$	87,640.79
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Statement of Unallocated Funds

Unallocated Funds Available For Use June 30, 2019	\$	38,209.20
Less Voted 7/17/2019 for Building Maintenance	\$	5,000.00
Plus 2019-2020 Revenue Surplus	\$	1,644.13

Plus 2019-2020 Unexpended Budget	\$	13,550.21
Total Unallocated Funds Available for use June 30, 2020	\$	48,403.54
Summary of Voted Surplus Allocations as of June 30, 2020		
Building Maint. Voted \$15,000.00, Spent \$12,377.20 , Left	\$	2,622.80
Fire Equipment,Voted \$20,000.00, Spent \$924.98, Left	\$	19,075.02
Vehicle Repairs,Voted 7,496.40,Spent \$4,567.19, Left	\$	2,929.21
New Gear for Peraonnel,Voted \$5,546.78, Spent 0, Left	\$	5,546.78
Training,Voted \$3,000.00, Spent 0, Left	\$	3,000.00
Balance of Allocated Funds still pending to be spent 6/30/2020	\$	36,723.01
General Fund Checking Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	2,919.46
Plus Deposits	\$	34,293.75
Less Withdrawals	\$	34,222.89
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	2,990.32
General Fund Money Market Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	88,766.25
Interest earned	\$	334.38
Plus Tax Appropriation	\$	98,791.00
Less Bank Charges	\$	15.71
Less Transfers and withdrawals	\$	105,820.59
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	82,055.33
Petty Cash Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	67.87
Plus Transfer & Deposit	\$	66.00
Less Withdrawals for purchases	\$	52.97
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	80.90
Vehicle Fund Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	54,009.71
Interest earned	\$	205.56
Plus Budget Transfer	\$	3,000.00
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	57,215.27
Emergency Fund Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	6,593.24
Interest earned	\$	6.36
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	6,599.60
Junior Firefighters Fund Account		
Balance on hand July 1, 2019	\$	1,535.40

Interest earned	\$	0.43
Balance on hand June 30, 2020	\$	1,535.83
Total of All Funds		
Balance on hand as of July 1, 2019	\$	153,891.93
Total interest earned	\$	546.73
Total Transfers in	\$	136,150.75
Total Transfers out	\$	140,112.16
Total of All Funds as of June 30, 2020	\$	150,477.25

JAMAICA VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE BUDGET

	2019-2020 Budgeted	2019-2020 Actual	2020-2021 Budgeted	2021-2022 Proposed
REVENUE				
Tax Appropriation	\$ 98,791.00	\$ 98,791.00	\$ 98,791.00	\$ 99,750.00
Fire Donations		\$ 800.00		
Rescue Donations		\$ 250.00		
Sales & Refunds		\$ 98.75		
Training Reimbursement for Food Costs		\$ 50.00		
Face Mask Donations		\$ 106.00		
Allocated Surplus for Budget	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	.	.
Interest earned in General Fund Money Market		\$ 334.38		
Miscellaneous		\$ 5.00		
Total Revenue	\$ 101,191.00	\$ 102,835.13	\$ 98,791.00	\$ 99,750.00
EXPENDITURES				
Administration				
Association Assessments/Dues	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 21,510.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,500.00
Insurance	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,577.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Postage/Box Rent	\$ 300.00	\$ 92.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Fundraising Supplies	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Clerical Supplies	\$ 200.00	\$ 221.48	\$ 200.00	\$ 300.00
Telephone/Internet/Computer Updates	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 746.45	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
Misc./Awards	\$ 200.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Sub Total	\$ 26,300.00	\$ 26,256.93	\$ 28,200.00	\$ 29,300.00
Building Maintenance				
Electric Service	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,207.26	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Propane/Service	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,011.91	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Insurance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,408.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 162.83	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Maintenance?Repairs	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 3,847.77	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,200.00
Sub Total	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 11,637.77	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00
Capital Expenditures				
Truck Loan #1	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 12,606.83	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 12,700.00
Truck loan #2	\$ 20,641.00	\$ 20,641.00	.	.
Air-Pak Loan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 33,341.00	\$ 33,247.83	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 17,700.00

Fire/Rescue Vehicle Maintenance

Gas/Diesel	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 679.85	\$ 1,541.00	\$ 1,000.00
Parts/Repairs/Supplies	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,632.73	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Insurance	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,218.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Vehicle Reserve Fund	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 14,711.42	\$ 26,141.00	\$ 21,000.00

Fire Equipment Maintenance

New Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 297.24	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Supplies/Parts/Repairs	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 290.12	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00
Sub Total	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 587.36	\$ 10,300.00	\$ 10,300.00

Rescue Equipment Maintenance

New Equipment	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Supplies/Repairs	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 563.68	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Sub Total	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 563.68	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00

Incident Expenses

	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
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Training

Fire/Rescue	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 451.22	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Fire Prevention	\$ 250.00	\$ 184.58	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Sub Total	\$ 4,250.00	\$ 635.80	\$ 4,250.00	\$ 4,250.00

Total Budget	\$ 101,191.00	\$ 87,640.79	\$ 98,791.00	\$ 99,750.00
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What is DVFiber?

DVFiber exists because of advocacy. For years, Vermonters around the state have decried the lack of reliable internet mixed with disinterested corporate provider response. Because Vermont is largely rural, financial incentives to serve every home and business simply do not exist for large or small corporate providers.

Communications Union Districts (CUDs) were first authorized under Vermont law in 2015. ECFiber became the first CUD in 2016, after operating as an association of towns since 2008. In June 2019, Gov. Scott signed H.513, which significantly expanded state support for CUDs, including planning grants, loan guarantees, and technical assistance from the Public Service Department. At Town Meeting 2020, the Deerfield Valley Communications Union District (DVCUD) sprang to life after strong yeas in Halifax, Marlboro, Stratton, Whitingham, and Wilmington. Work began immediately. Since March, fourteen more towns have expanded the district. Across the State, eight other CUDs are functioning at this point.

Each town sends one representative and one or more alternates to the governing board, which meets monthly. The governing board oversees all development, plans, and operations. Three committees, comprised of board members and community residents, move the work forward. They are our Vendor, Finance, and Communications Committees. Everyone involved volunteers time and energy.

DVFiber is the name of the service organization that DVCUD is creating. DVFiber is a municipality that functions like a not-for-profit business that is rapidly transforming into a regional service organization to secure reliable, affordable high speed access to the Internet. To date, DVFiber is powered by grants received from the Vermont Public Service Department, the federal government, Vermont Community Foundation, the Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation, and a number of private funders. We are guided by a business plan produced by the Windham Regional Commission. This plan includes an engineering plan, market analysis, sequence and schedule of work, finance models, and estimated construction costs, which will be considerable. Many who read this report may become disheartened when they understand the likely time it will take to bring broadband to their homes and businesses. But for the first time we have a path to the possible when there was none before.

Because DV Fiber cannot use tax money, we will undertake a continuous effort to fundraise, write grants, and advocate with State and Federal Legislatures for continued build-out financing until we are delivering high speed internet service to all home and business customers and our revenue streams are sufficient to offer municipal bonds.

Please visit our web site at dvfiber.net for a more complete description of our work. We are actively looking for volunteers to add to our already talented pool. If you have even a few hours per month and like to write, have a technology background, financial or organizational support experience, we would welcome you to join with your town representative Chris Robbins and alternates Jessica Pollack and John Sohikian to continue our work.

Thanks to everyone as we construct this increasingly essential service.

Ann Manwaring, Chair
Wilmington Representative
dvfiber.net

Vermont Department of Health Local Report

Brattleboro District, 2021

At the Vermont Department of Health our twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. More info on your local health office can be found here: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local>

COVID-19

2020 has been a challenging year for Vermonters. However, the Vermont Department of Health has been recognized as a national leader in managing the virus. This is what the Health Department has done in your community:

- COVID-19 Testing:
 - Since May 2020, the Health Department has provided no-cost Covid-19 testing. Through November 17, 2020, the Vermont Department of Health has held 509 testing clinics, testing 40,796 Vermonters. This important work helps to identify the spread of Covid-19 and is just one of the many ways your Health Department is promoting and protecting the health of Vermonters.
 - Statewide, 224,284 people have been tested as of November 30, 2020
- COVID-19 Cases:
 - As of November 25, 2020, Vermont had the fewest cases of COVID-19 and the lowest rate of cases per 100,000 population of all 50 states.
 - Statewide, as of November 30, 2020, there have been 4,172 cases of COVID-19
- Even more up-to-date information can be found on the Health Department's website: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/currentactivity>

Additional Programs

In addition to the COVID-19 response, the Health Department has programs such as influenza vaccinations and WIC.

- Flu Vaccinations: Protecting people from influenza is particularly important in 2020, as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19. (Data is as of November 17, 2020)
 - Approximately 213,00* Vermonters have been vaccinated against the flu this season *(Due to technology outages, flu vaccinations given are underreported by approximately 25%-33%.)
- WIC: The Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Education and Food Supplementation Program remains in full effect, though much of the work that was done in person is now being done remotely through TeleWIC. (Data is as of October 20, 2020)
 - 11,308 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont, either in traditional format or TeleWIC

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Jamaica Report

Each year as we prepare town reports, we get to reflect on the time gone by. I don't think anyone will argue that this was a bizarre year, but with the closing 2020, we continue our tradition of sharing with you what's going on. One of the focal points of this year was SARS-CoV-2 (COVID19), which like similar hardships brought our community together, despite the words "socially distant." We were grateful to receive donations of personal protective equipment from area businesses and non-profits when emergency services faced shortages in the supply chain. We coordinated with community groups to ensure people received food and that our neighbors were okay. Our deputies created the "Bring Birthdays Back" program to celebrate the birthdays of children isolated from their friends and families by the lockdown, raising over \$1020 and countless toy donations. In short, the community came forward to support our department and we worked to support the community during this trying time.

COVID-19 brought about numerous changes for us. While we continued to provide policing, service of civil process, and emergency dispatching services, we suspended non-essential activities such as civilian fingerprinting, evictions as required by Act 101, prisoner transports, extraditions, and traffic control for construction, as well as closed our facility to public access. We implemented protocols for safe contacts between the public and our personnel. Foregoing many of these services resulted in a significant financial burden as our expenses remained largely the same, though our non-tax funded revenue sources dropped. Through the efforts of Windham County's Legislative delegation and with the support of the Assistant Judges Barnett and Duff, we were able to obtain emergency funding through the Local Government's Emergency Response grant which diminished the financial impact and allowed our essential services to continue. While several of our services were reinstated over the Summer and Fall, we monitor daily and adjust as the environment changes.

Another important issue brought about this year was regarding police reform and racial justice. Many of us stood in horror as we watched the homicide of George Floyd which sparked conversation and debate nationally and locally. Historically, Vermont has done a lot of work toward better policing initiatives, but we must acknowledge that this isn't a conversation with a finish line. We continuously improve. I am thankful of the many people willing to share their experiences, perspectives, and time to help the Windham County Sheriff's Office measure itself and identify what changes it needed. We reviewed policies, training, data and engaged in community dialogue. As part of our introspection, I established the Windham County Sheriff's Advisory, a group of citizens to help provide community input toward the policies and operations of the Sheriff's Office. We engaged with individuals, organizations, researchers, and public bodies, to listen candidly. We worked with 40 agencies in Vermont to uniformly share traffic stop and race data reporting of all traffic stops. We obtained a grant-funded study from an independent researcher to evaluate us.

Since 2007, we've engaged in various forms of training on de-escalation of force, explicit/implicit bias, fair and impartial policing, and interacting with persons suffering from mental illness. The department has long prohibited the use of chokeholds. We declined to deploy tools such as tasers, acknowledging the power of de-escalation through dialogue and our low occurrences of use-of-force techniques by deputies. We've captured race data on our traffic stops to help us monitor for deputies engaged in biased policing. While many action items of the President's 21st Century Policing Task Force report have been accomplished, we continue to address other areas. You can follow our progress on our website at windhamcountyvt.gov

The Sheriff's Office continues to support the interdisciplinary Consortium on Substance Use, working to resolve the opioid and substance use issues that have affected Windham County. This year, we welcomed a Police Liaison social worker through a partnership with HCRS, Dover PD, and Wilmington PD. The Sheriff's

Office continues to support the following programs and initiatives: coordination with the Windham County Highway Safety Task Force; daily Are You Okay? welfare check phone calls; Work Zone Safety Enforcement; Toys for Kids; and snow mobile patrols. We continue to maintain secured anonymous drug disposal bin in our lobby to help the citizens of our community safely dispose of unwanted/unused prescription medications. It is the continued support of Jamaica and other towns which help contribute to our ability to provide these no-cost services to Windham County as a whole.

For the 2020 fiscal year (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020), Jamaica contracted with the Sheriff's Office to provide a total of 960 hours of service throughout the year. The Sheriff's Office was able to provide 964 hours of service, at no additional cost to the town. The services provided included motor vehicle enforcement and response to calls for service, or calls where response would not be provided by the town's primary law enforcement agency. During the contract period, we issued a total of 114 tickets with the potential net revenue for Jamaica of \$9732. Additionally, deputies have issued 124 warnings, made 6 arrests, and responded to 332 calls for service.

The Windham County Sheriff's Office is pleased to serve the people of Jamaica and look forward to the upcoming year. If you have a need for our services, please don't hesitate to contact our office at 802-365-4942 for non-emergencies or 911 for emergencies.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheriff Mark R. Anderson



The Windham Regional Commission

The mission of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) is to assist towns in Southeastern Vermont to provide effective local governance and to work collaboratively with them to address regional issues. The region is comprised of 27 member towns: the 23 towns of Windham County; Readsboro, Searsburg and Winhall in Bennington County; and Weston in Windsor County.

The Commission is a political subdivision of the state composed of and governed by town-appointed Commissioners. After Town Meeting each Selectboard appoints up to two representatives to serve on the Commission for one-year terms. Jamaica is currently represented by Joel Bluming and Andrew Coyne. Each Commissioner represents their town's interests within a regional context before the Commission, brings information back and forth between the Commission and their town, and serves on at least one of a number of WRC committees that address regional and municipal issues and concerns. Committees and meeting schedules can be found on our website www.windhamregional.org. All WRC meetings are open to the public and subject to open meeting law.

We assist towns with a wide variety of activities, including developing and implementing town plans and bylaws; community and economic development planning and implementation; local emergency and hazard mitigation planning, including flood hazard and river corridor bylaw assistance; natural resources, including assisting towns with watershed restoration projects and implementation of the state's new clean water law; enhanced town energy planning enabled by Act 174; transportation, including traffic counts (vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian), inventories (bridges, culverts, signs, road erosion), road foremen training, and serving as a liaison with VTTrans to report damage to town road infrastructure as a result of flooding to the state; redevelopment of "Brownfields" (sites that are or may be contaminated by hazardous substances); review of projects applying for permits through state Act 250 (land use) and Section 248 (energy generation and transmission, telecommunications) and federal permitting processes; grant application and administration; training of municipal officials and volunteers across a range of topics; and mapping and geographic information system (GIS) analyses. The maps in your town office were likely produced by the WRC.

We help towns, both individually and collectively, make the most of the financial and human resources they have, assisting with projects in and among towns, building and augmenting the capacity of volunteer-based town boards and commissions, and providing professional services to towns that may want to take on projects that are beyond what they can comfortably manage with their own staff and volunteers. Our relationship with towns is inherently collaborative. For instance, towns may choose to have their plans reviewed by the Commission; town plan review and approval by the WRC is not mandatory, but is a requirement of some state programs (Designated Downtowns and Village Centers) and municipal grant programs. The regional plan, which was updated in 2014 following a two-year process, is developed in consultation with member towns, reflects town plan policies, and is ultimately approved by our towns.

In 2020 we were able to continue to function with minimal disruption, and transition to remote operations, to serve the towns and people of the Windham Region. As the realities of the pandemic became evident, we organized training for towns on continuity of operations planning. We worked with the legislature, state agencies, and the Vermont League of Cities and Towns to make changes to statute to enable towns to continue with their operations while still conducting business in a publicly transparent manner. We arranged for a regular conference call for town emergency management directors and Selectboard chairs with local Vermont Emergency Management, Department of Health, and Agency of Human Services staff. Our website hosts a comprehensive COVID-19 resource guide for individuals, which was developed and maintained by local service organizations and other volunteers. Municipal applications to the Local Government Expense Reimbursement program were and continue to be supported by the WRC. Performance of our normal responsibilities and projects never ceased. Among these was the development of a regional broadband feasibility study and subsequent business plan to provide broadband internet access to the unserved and underserved in the region. The Deerfield Valley Communications Union District organized itself to implement this plan. We are here to support the towns of the region to meet the needs of their residents, conduct their business, and engage in looking forward through and beyond the pandemic.

Funding for the WRC is provided through contracts with state agencies, federal grants, and town assessments. Town assessments make up approximately 5 percent of our total budget for FY 2021, and is the only funding we receive that has no conditions placed upon it by entities beyond the WRC's borders. Each town's individual assessment makes it possible for us to leverage the resources to serve all towns. The town's assessment for this year is \$2,493.04. To see our detailed Work Program and Budget for FY 2021, visit our website and click on the heading "About Us."

2020
ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBER TOWNS
BY BOB SPENCER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Brattleboro
 Brookline
 Dover
 Dummerston
 Guilford
 Halifax
 Jamaica
 Marlboro
 Newfane
 Putney
 Readsboro
 Somerset
 Stratton
 Townshend
 Vernon
 Wardsboro
 Westminster
 Wilmington

History and Current Status: The Windham Solid Waste Management District (WSWMD) was formed in 1988 with eight member towns. These towns cooperatively managed a 30-acre landfill on Old Ferry Road, Brattleboro, which closed in 1995. A regional materials recycling facility (MRF) was constructed adjacent to the closed landfill, and processed dual-stream recyclable materials for 20 years until it stopped operating in 2017. The recycling roll-off containers that WSWMD had provided to all of its member towns were no longer hauled and processed by WSWMD, and the towns assumed responsibility for complying with state recycling mandates. The roll-off containers are currently on loan to member towns at no charge. Besides the WSWMD transfer station, there are 7 towns that operate their own transfer station, three towns that provide residential curbside trash and recycling, three towns with 24-7 recycling drop-off areas, and five towns with no municipal trash or recycling services.

Financial Report: WSWMD finished fiscal year 2020 with a budget surplus of \$52,596, with total revenues of \$1,125,679 off-setting total expenses of \$1,025,025.

Transfer Station: The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated that WSWMD provides “essential services,” and has continued full-scale operation. A comparison of the six-months from January - June in 2019 versus 2020 documented \$49,000 more revenue in 2020.

The staff stepped up to keep the transfer station operating with significant new safety protocols. Only the ever-popular Swap Shop suspended operation. The transfer station is a regional drop-off center for landfill materials, recyclables, organics/food scraps, construction & demolition debris, scrap metal, and appliances. The transfer station diverts 76% of all materials to recycling and composting, including electronics, fluorescent tubes, ballasts, lead-acid and household batteries, waste oil and oil filters, oil-based paint and other paint products, sharps, textiles, books, and tires. Use of the transfer station is limited to residents and businesses from member communities and requires the purchase of an access sticker for \$40/year. The cost for trash disposal is \$3.00 per 33-gallon bag, or \$155/ton.

Materials Recovery Facility (MRF): The WSWMD MRF closed in July 2017 but continues to accept cardboard from commercial sources. Cardboard is baled (no sorting required) and sold. Eight towns continue to utilize the District’s recycling roll-off containers and offer drop-off recycling services in their communities. Towns contract with private haulers to provide recycling services.

Trucking: Since closure of the MRF in 2017, WSWMD no longer collects recyclable materials from member towns, but retained a driver with a Class A CDL license that allows WSWMD to self-haul recyclables from our transfer station, scrap metal, and wood chips for the composting operation.

Composting Facility: Of all recyclable materials handled by the District, the only ones that are kept local are food scraps and yard debris. The food scrap composting facility is in its 7th year of operation and is the 2nd largest food scrap composting facility in Vermont. As the food scrap composting mandates of Act 148 have been phased in, the total quantity of food scraps

processed at the site in 2020 approached 2,000 cubic yards per year, the maximum allowed by the state permit. The District is evaluating options to process additional quantities of organics. About 50% of the food waste is from the Town of Brattleboro curbside collection program, and the balance from commercial and institutional sources brought to the compost site by private trash haulers. The District sold more than 3,000 cubic yards of “Brattlegrow” compost in 2020 through retail distributors, as well as for construction projects. WSWMD donates compost for town projects, school, and community gardens.

Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP): Household hazardous waste collection, education and outreach, as well as numerous other requirements, are mandated by State Law and contained in the District’s SWIP. Membership in WSWMD makes towns compliant with state recycling mandates. On behalf of member towns, WSWMD submitted an amended SWIP this fall, and once approved by VT Agency of Natural Resources, it will be valid for 5 years.

Solar Array: WSWMD leases its closed and capped landfill to Greenbacker Capital who operate a 5 mega-watt solar array on the landfill. It is the largest group net-metered project in the state, and has contracted for 20 years with the towns of Brattleboro, Wilmington, Readsboro, Vernon, Wardsboro, Dummerston, Halifax, and Newfane; schools in Brattleboro, Vernon, Putney, and Marlboro; as well as Landmark College, Marlboro College, and the Brattleboro Retreat. The project provides significant cost savings for municipal and school budgets. Greenbacker Capital has a 20-year lease and pays the District a minimum of \$120,290/year for use of the landfill, as well as 50% of renewable energy credits, for total annual revenue of over \$250,000.

Household Hazardous Waste Collections: Due to the pandemic, WSWMD held just two household hazardous waste collection events, as mandated by VT ANR Materials Management Plan. Collections were held in Brattleboro and in Wilmington on October 24th, with 230 households from 17 District towns participating.

New HHW Depot: Due to the high costs of HHW event collections, WSWMD applied for a state grant to construct a permanent HHW collection facility at Old Ferry Road, and following approval of a state permit, it will open in Spring of 2021 for certain hours each week to serve all District residents. Small businesses will also be able to use the site by appointment.

Backyard Composting Demonstration Area: A new teaching area has been installed at the District demonstrating five different systems for composting food scraps at homes, schools, and community gardens. The District held an open house in October and will be offering workshops starting in the spring of 2021. The facility will be available for use by schools and community organizations as well. The District also conducts composting workshops in District towns as we did in Vernon this fall.

Business Outreach & Technical Assistance: The District continues to promote its business resources and free technical assistance, including food scrap diversion.

School Outreach & Technical Assistance: The District continues to promote its school resources and free technical assistance, including food scrap diversion.

Special Event “Zero Waste” Outreach and Technical Assistance: WSWMD owns 20 event-sorting stations that are available to towns, businesses, residents, and institutions for use at fairs, festival, etc. In addition, WSWMD offers free technical assistance to help make events “Zero Waste.”

Vital Statistics 2020

Deaths

Name	Sex	Age	Place of Death	Residence	Date
Ilse Maria Cobb	F	85	Townshend, VT	Jamaica	8/20/2020
Garry Benson West	M	77	Jamaica, VT	Jamaica	10/16/2020
Donald L Thomas	M	69	Townshend, VT	Jamaica	11/22/2020

Births

Name	Sex	Date	Place of Birth	Mother's Name	Father's Name
Lilliana Ruth Anthony	F	2/01/2020	Brattleboro	Kayla Anthony	Nicholas Anthony
Keagan Anthony Smith	M	6/02/2020	Brattleboro	Heather Cheeney	Robert Smith

Marriages

Bride	Residence	Groom	Residence	Date	Place
Kara Hitchcock	Jamaica	Wayne Park	Jamaica	5/10/2020	Jamaica
Heather Cheeney	Jamaica	Robert Smith	Jamaica	5/19/2020	Jamaica
Abigail Wicker	Jamaica	Joseph Maiello	Jamaica	7/18/2020	Jamaica
Erin Ritz	Stamford, CT	Justin Bennett	Stamford, CT	8/01/2020	Jamaica
Veronica Barber	Jamaica	Earl Rafus IV	Jamaica	8/07/2020	Jamaica
Rachael Wheeler	Jamaica	Jason Morin	Jamaica	8/08/2020	Jamaica

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