



# Annual Town Report

FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021



*Photo by Paul Cavaretta*





**Richard and Penny Keith**

# Dedication

On June 22, 1974, Richard and Penny Keith were married. Immediately, they took over operations on the family farm. They were ages 17 and 15, respectively. In February, 1976, they bought the farm outright. By 1977, they had grown their family by three beautiful daughters: Hollie, Erin, and Hailey. Life on the farm was never dull. Richard tended to the herd while Penny tended to the three girls. There's no question which one had their hands full! In 1984, Richard and Penny sold the herd and the farm, and moved into the village. In November, 1985, Richard was enrolled in the 54-hour part-time Law Enforcement Officers Academy. He worked for the Morristown Police in that capacity until November of 1987. At that time he began working full-time and entered the full-time Law Enforcement Officers Academy in February, 2018. Penny worked in the community, but three young ladies, with a hint of the devil in them, kept her occupied.

Richard's career as a patrolman included additional duties. He was the first ever D.A.R.E. Officer working with the 5th grade students at the elementary school. He delivered lessons to the two classes of students once a week for 16 weeks. Additionally, Richard was providing mentorship to newer officers in the department to ensure they got started on the right foot. He was always available for questions and common sense based answers.

On January 1, 1985, Richard was appointed as the Interim Chief upon the retirement of Police Chief Lawrence 'Bud' Laclair. On July 1, 1985, the Select Board appointed him as the full Chief. The staff at the department consisted of the secretary, Donna Phelps, as well as five full-time and two part-time officers. The fleet consisted of two cars. The most important 'support staff' Richard had was Penny. Always close by to listen to Richard at the end of a long day. Those longest days consisted of some tragedy that befell a community member. Richard worked through the incident, knowing he would have time later to get things off his mind with his favorite counselor, Penny, who was always ready to listen--no matter her understanding of the subject. It didn't matter, so long as she let him get it out.

Thirty-six years serving the community he grew up in; twenty-six of those years as our Police Chief; forty-seven years as one half of a remarkable marriage. Any police officer that has completed a career successfully will tell you they couldn't have done it without the support of their partner. Penny hasn't always told Richard what he wanted to hear, but he could count on her to tell him what he needed to hear. They will both be missed within the walls of the police department and the boundaries of the community of Morristown. It is with heartfelt thanks and an abundance of gratitude that the Morristown Select Board dedicates this year's Town Report to Richard and Penny Keith.

*Eric Dodge*

Town Administrator  
of Morristown, Vermont

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**WARNING  
TOWN OF MORRISTOWN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2022**

**The legal voters of the Town of Morristown are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Town on March 1, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. to transact the following business by Australian ballot:**

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Town Moderator for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all Town Officers required by law:

First Constable for a term of (1) year  
Second Constable for a term of one (1) year  
Library Trustee term of five (5) years  
Library Trustee term of five (5) years  
Lister for a term of three (3) years  
Selectboard Member for a term of three (3) years  
Selectboard Member for a term of two (2) years  
Selectboard Member for a term of one (1) year (unexpired three (3) year term)  
Trustee of Public Funds for a term of three (3) years

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to appoint a first constable and if needed, a second constable, in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651a?

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters establish a reserve fund to be called the General Fund Unallocated Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed 10% of the prior year's audited general fund balance to be used for covering unanticipated revenue shortfalls and to pay unanticipated general fund expenditures, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2804?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters establish a reserve fund to be called the Highway Fund Unallocated Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed 10% of the prior year's audited highway fund balance to be used for covering unanticipated revenue shortfalls and to pay unanticipated highway fund expenditures, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2804?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$8,104,941, of which \$6,616,549 shall be raised by taxes and \$1,488,392 by non-tax revenues?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize bridge repair & replacement in the Town of Morristown in an amount not to exceed Five-Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$510,000) to be financed over a period not to exceed ten years?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters authorize asphalt paving of various Town roads in an amount not to exceed Five-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to be financed over a period not to exceed five years?

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ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes in two equal installments, with the due dates being November 15, 2022 and May 15, 2023 by physical delivery to the Town Treasurer before 4:00 pm on that date or delivery to the Municipal Office postmarked on or before that date?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 11: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Highway Department Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one-half (1/2) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to the Noyes House Museum Repair and Maintenance Fund?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one-half (1/2) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to the Morristown Conservation Commission Fund?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters appropriate a sum of \$101,969 for the following service agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A 2691?

\$ 900	Capstone Community Action
2,900	Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE)
2,500	Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA)
1,750	Clarina Howard Nichols Center
15,000	Everyone = Morristown Community Center
1,000	Justice for Dogs
2,500	Lamoille County Civic Association
5,000	Lamoille County Food Share
1,000	Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity
3,900	Lamoille County Mental Health/Community Connections
4,000	Lamoille Day Services
4,000	Lamoille Economic Development Council (LEDC)
3,000	Lamoille Family Center
15,681	Lamoille Home Health and Hospice
1,000	Lamoille Housing Partnership
1,500	Lamoille Restorative Center
3,375	Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit
10,000	Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County
1,000	North Country Animal League (NCAL)
1,000	Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
10,000	River Arts
10,963	Rural Community Transportation (RCT)

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Polls open March 1, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022 by the Selectboard members of the Town of Morristown:

Bob Beeman

Jessica Graham

Judy Bickford

Gary Nolan

Brian Kellogg

Attest:

Sara Haskins, Town Clerk

Received, filed and recorded this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022

## INFORMATIONAL MEETING

**The legal voters of the Town of Morristown are hereby notified that the Morristown Selectboard will hold a public informational hearing to discuss Article 7 bridge repair & replacement in the Town of Morristown along with all other Australian ballot articles on the 2022 Town Meeting warning. Details on these articles can be found on the Town warning. The hearing will be held at the Municipal Office, 43 Portland Street, in the Community Meeting Room on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 6:00 PM. The meeting will also be accessible remotely by electronic means.**



## NOTICE TO VOTERS

### **ANNUAL MEETING TOWN OF MORRISTOWN:**

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Morristown Municipal Building – 43 Portland Street, Morrisville, VT 05661

### **BEFORE ELECTION DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED** at the Clerk's Office by **January 30, 2022**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by **February 19, 2022**.

**HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or by going online to: <https://olvr.vermont.gov>.

**EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** All active voters will be mailed a ballot by **February 9, 2022**. **Prepaid return postage will NOT be included**. If you don't receive one you or a family member can request one in writing, by telephone, email, or online at <https://mvp.vermont.gov>.

The latest you can request ballots for the **Annual Town Meeting** is 4:00 PM on **February 28, 2022**. (Any other person authorized by you, who is not a family member, must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

### **BALLOT RETURN OPTIONS:**

- **Before March 1, 2022:**  
In person in the Town Clerk's office  
Drop box outside of Municipal Building - 43 Portland Street  
Mail -Town of Morristown, PO Box 748, Morrisville, VT 05661 **You must include return postage.**
- **On March 1, 2022:**  
Hand deliver to polling location by 7:00 p.m. - 43 Portland Street

### **ON ELECTION DAY:**

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form. If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

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If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities, let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place, let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your Town Clerk or any election official for help.

### **NO PERSON SHALL:**

- Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- Mislead the Board of Civil Authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

### **FOR HELP OR INFORMATION:**

Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS: Australian Ballot**

#### **CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOT:**

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot if you did not bring your mailed ballot.

- Go to a vacant voting booth.

### **MARK YOUR BALLOTS:**

- For each office listed on the ballots, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc."
- Fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

### **CHECK OUT:**

- There is no exit checklist
- Cast your vote by depositing your voted ballots into the vote tabulating machine.
- Leave the voting area immediately after voting.



**MORRISTOWN, VERMONT**  
**OFFICIAL RESULTS – ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS**  
**MARCH 2, 2021**

In response to the concerns posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Morristown Selectboard in conjunction with the Lamoille South Unified Union School District voted to use the Australian ballot method of voting for all warned articles and to mail all active voters their ballot as authorized by Act 162, H.48 and recommended by the Governor.

Total number on checklist:	4122
Number on Entrance Checklist:	1458
Percentage of total checklist:	35%
Number of Absentee Ballots:	1326
Percentage of total checklist:	32%

**ARTICLE 1: To elect a Town Moderator for the year ensuring.  
Moderator for a term of (1) year**

<b>Shapleigh “Shap” Smith</b>	<b>1287</b>
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**ARTICLE 2: To elect all Town Officers required by law:  
First Constable for a term of (1) year**

<b>Eric Dodge</b>	<b>1266</b>
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**Second Constable for a term of one (1) year**

<b>Garth Christensen</b>	<b>1203</b>
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**2-Library Trustees term of five (5) years**

<b>Lucas Peterson</b>	<b>1202</b>
<b>Kate Lamb* write in</b>	<b>69</b>

**Lister for a term of three (3) years**

<b>Duane Sprague</b>	<b>1219</b>
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**Selectboard Member for a term of three (3) years**

<b>Bob Beeman Jr</b>	<b>914</b>
<b>Allen Godin</b>	<b>324</b>

**Selectboard Member for a term of two (2) years**

<b>Brian Kellogg</b>	<b>947</b>
<b>Write in</b>	<b>377</b>

**Trustee of Public Funds for a term of three (3) years**

<b>Various write ins</b>	<b>189</b>
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**ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to establish a Reserve Fund for utilizing the surplus or money left over in the highway or municipal funds and authorize the Selectboard to spend said funds for defraying future Town expenses?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>1154</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>256</b>

**ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes in two equal installments, with the due dates being November 15, 2021 and May 16, 2022 by physical delivery to the Town Treasurer before 4:00 pm on that date or delivery to the Municipal Office postmarked on or before that date?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>1336</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>80</b>

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**ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$7,295,900, of which \$6,018,105 shall be raised by taxes and \$1,277,795 by non-tax revenues?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>1027</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>352</b>

**ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>1090</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>332</b>

**ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to a Morristown Highway Department Capital Equipment Fund?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>998</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>421</b>

**ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one-half (1/2) cent on the Grand List to be dedicated to the Noyes House Museum Repair and Maintenance Fund?**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>889</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>527</b>

**ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters appropriate a sum of \$101,969 for the following service agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A 2691?**

<b>\$ 900</b>	<b>Capstone Community Action</b>
<b>2,900</b>	<b>Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE)</b>
<b>2,500</b>	<b>Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA)</b>
<b>1,750</b>	<b>Clarina Howard Nichols Center</b>
<b>15,000</b>	<b>Everyone = Morristown Community Center</b>



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<b>1,000</b>	<b>Justice for Dogs</b>
<b>2,500</b>	<b>Lamoille County Civic Association</b>
<b>5,000</b>	<b>Lamoille County Food Share</b>
<b>1,000</b>	<b>Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity</b>
<b>3,900</b>	<b>Lamoille County Mental Health/Community Connections</b>
<b>4,000</b>	<b>Lamoille Day Services</b>
<b>4,000</b>	<b>Lamoille Economic Development Council (LEDC)</b>
<b>3,000</b>	<b>Lamoille Family Center</b>
<b>15,681</b>	<b>Lamoille Home Health and Hospice</b>
<b>1,000</b>	<b>Lamoille Housing Partnership</b>
<b>1,500</b>	<b>Lamoille Restorative Center</b>
<b>3,375</b>	<b>Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit</b>
<b>10,000</b>	<b>Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County</b>
<b>1,000</b>	<b>North Country Animal League (NCAL)</b>
<b>1,000</b>	<b>Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)</b>
<b>10,000</b>	<b>River Arts</b>
<b>10,963</b>	<b>Rural Community Transportation (RCT)</b>

<b>Yes</b>	<b>1152</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>224</b>

We certify the above election results for the March 2, 2021 Annual Town Meeting.

Sara Allyn Haskins, Town Clerk  
Mitzi Fleming, Assistant Town Clerk

## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Main Offices   43 Portland Street   PO Box 748 Morrisville, VT 05661**  
**(802) 888-6669   morristownvt.org**

*Hours: Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 4:00PM and Friday from 8:00AM – 1:00PM*

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES</b>	Phone: (802) 888-5147 Fax: (802) 888-6378 Email: <a href="mailto:admin@morristownvt.org">admin@morristownvt.org</a>
<b>TOWN CLERK &amp; TREASURER'S OFFICE</b>	Phone: (802) 888-6370 Fax: (802) 888-6375 Email: <a href="mailto:shaskins@morristownvt.org">shaskins@morristownvt.org</a>
<b>LISTERS' OFFICE</b>	Phone: (802) 888-6371 Fax: (802) 888-6377 Email: <a href="mailto:agriggs@morristownvt.org">agriggs@morristownvt.org</a>
<b>ZONING/PLANNING/DRB</b>	Phone: (802) 888-6373 Fax: (802) 888-6377 Email: <a href="mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org">tthomas@morristownvt.org</a>
<b>MORRISTOWN EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	<i>IN AN EMERGENCY: DIAL 911</i> Phone: (802) 888-5628 Fax: (802) 888-6380 For non-emergencies: (802) 888-3575
<b>BURN PERMIT</b> Monday–Friday. Required for any outdoor burning.	Pager: (802) 826-2626
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	<i>IN AN EMERGENCY: DIAL 911</i> Non-Emergencies: (802) 888-4211
<b>HIGHWAY GARAGE</b>	Phone: (802) 888-6369
<b>STREET GARAGE</b>	Phone: (802) 888-3398
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b>	Phone: (802) 793-0407
<b>MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY</b> Hours: 10:00AM – 7:30PM Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10:00AM – 5:30PM Thursdays and Fridays 9:00AM – 2:00PM Saturdays	Phone: (802) 888-3853
<b>CEMETERY LOTS FOR SALE</b> Pleasant View Cemetery Association Morristown Cemetery Association	Phone: (802) 888-2865 Phone: (802) 888-3281

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<b>MORRISTOWN TRANSFER STATION</b> The Lamoille Solid Waste Management District (LRSWMD) drop-off station is located on Cochran Road at the Town Highway Garage. Hours: Saturdays from 9:00AM until 2:30PM.	Phone: (802) 888-7317
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## U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

<b>U.S. Senator Patrick J. Leahy (D)</b> <u>Washington Office</u> : 433 RSOB, Washington, DC 20510-4502 <u>Burlington Office</u> : 199 Main Street, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Burlington, VT 05401	Phone: (202) 224-4242 Phone: (802) 863-2525
<b>U.S. Senator Bernard Sanders (I)</b> <u>Washington Office</u> : 322 Dirksen Bldg, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510 <u>Burlington Office</u> : 1 Church Street, Burlington, VT 05401	Phone: (202) 224-5141 Phone: (802) 862-0697
<b>Representative Peter Welch (D)</b> <u>Washington Office</u> : 1404 Longworth House, Washington, DC 20515 <u>Burlington Office</u> : 30 Main Street, Suite 310, Burlington, VT 05401	Phone: (202) 225-4115 Phone: (888) 605-7270

## VERMONT STATE GOVERNMENT

<b>Governor Phil Scott</b> 109 State St., Montpelier, VT 05609	Phone: (800) 649-6825 (802) 828-3333 Website: <a href="http://vermont.gov/governor">vermont.gov/governor</a>
<b>Lt. Governor Molly Gray</b> 115 State St., Montpelier, VT 05633-5401	Phone: (802) 828-2226 Website: <a href="http://ltgov.vermont.gov">ltgov.vermont.gov</a>
<b>Senator Richard Westman</b> 2439 Iron Gate Rd. Cambridge	Phone: (802) 644-2297 Email: <a href="mailto:rawestman@leg.state.vt.us">rawestman@leg.state.vt.us</a>
<b>Representative Avram Patt</b> 139 West Hill Rd., Worcester, VT 05682	Phone: (802) 828-2228 Email: <a href="mailto:apatt@leg.state.vt.us">apatt@leg.state.vt.us</a>
<b>Representative Dave Yacovone</b> 28 Mansfield Ave., Morrisville, VT 05661	Phone: (802) 888-5958 Email: <a href="mailto:dyacovone@leg.state.vt.us">dyacovone@leg.state.vt.us</a>

## ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

<b>TOWN MODERATOR-</b> Term expires 2022	Shapleigh Smith, Jr.
<b>SELECTBOARD-</b> 3 Year Term Expires 2022 2 Year Term Expires 2022 1 Year Appointed Term Expires 2022 2 Year Term Expires 2023 3 Year Term Expires 2024	Gary Nolan Judy Bickford Jessica Graham Brian Kellogg Bob Beeman
<b>TOWN CLERK-</b> Term Expires 2023	Sara Haskins
<b>TOWN TREASURER-</b> Term Expires 2023	Sara Haskins
<b>LISTERS-</b> Term Expires 2022 Term Expires 2023 Term Expires 2024	Charlie Burnham Brian Yeaton Duane Sprague
<b>FIRST CONSTABLE-</b> Term Expires 2022	Vacant
<b>SECOND CONSTABLE-</b> Term Expires 2022	Vacant
<b>TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS-</b> Term Expires 2022 Term Expires 2023 Term Expires 2024	Angela Norder Sara Haskins Mitzi Fleming
<b>GRAND JUROR-</b> Term Expires 2022	Julia Compagna

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	John Buttolph III
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Michelle MacDonald
<b>Term Expires 2023</b>	Marena Youngs
<b>Term Expires 2023</b>	Deb Wheeler

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<b>Term Expires 2024</b>	Stephanie Hoffman
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Julie Pickett
<b>Term Expires 2026</b>	Kate Lamb
<b>Term Expires 2026</b>	Lucas Peterson

### APPOINTED OFFICERS BY THE SELECTBOARD

<b>LAMOILLE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE DISTRICT SUPERVISOR</b> 2 Year Term Expires 2022	Charles Cooley
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR</b> 1 year Term Expires 2022	Eric Dodge
<b>E-911 COORDINATOR</b> 1 Year Term Expires 2022	Abigail Griggs
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b> 1 Year Term Expires 2022	Brian Kellogg
<b>POUND KEEPER</b> 1 Year Term Expires 2022	Brian Kellogg Jeffrey Foss
<b>TREE WARDEN</b> 1 Year Term	Vacant
<b>GREEN UP DAY COORDINATOR</b> 1 Year Term Expires 2022	(MCC) Ron Stancliff
<b>FENCE VIEWER</b> 1 Year Term Expires 2022	Duane Sprague
<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b> 3 year Term Expires 2022	Todd Thomas
<b>FIRE WARDEN</b> 5 year Term Expires 2024	Dennis DiGregario

## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

### Appointed by the Selectboard

PLANNING COMMISSION* (4 YEAR TERMS)	
Term Expires 2022	Linda Greaves
Term Expires 2022	Tom Snipp
Term Expires 2023	Etienne Hancock
Term Expires 2023	Allen Van Anda
Term Expires 2024	Josh Goldstein
Term Expires 2024	Steve Foster
<i>*members also serve as DRB alternates.</i>	
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD (4 YEAR TERMS)	
Term Expires 2022	Melissa LeBlanc
Term Expires 2022	Laura Streets
Term Expires 2023	Susanna Burnham
Term Expires 2024	Gary Nolan
Term Expires 2024	Mary Ann Wilson
Term Expires 2025	Chris Wiltshire
Term Expires 2025	Paul Trudell
Alternates	Karyn Allen, Christy Snipp & Donald Blake, Jr.
COPLEY TRUST BOARD	
Richard Sargent	Gloria Wing
Gary Nolan	Bob Beeman
Judy Bickford	Brian Kellogg
Jessica Graham	

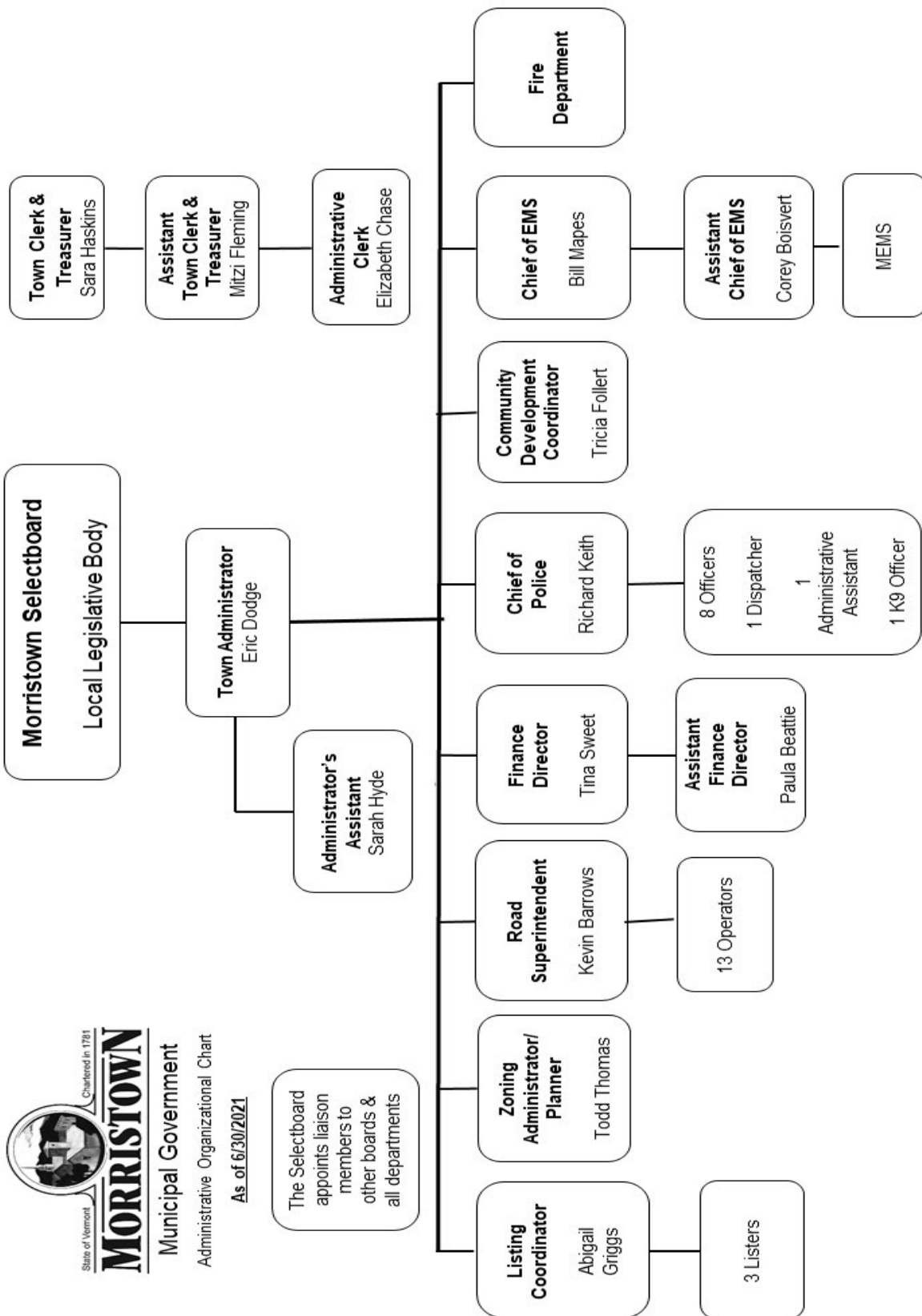


<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION (4 YEAR TERMS)</b>	
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Jim Pease
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Dave Stevens
<b>Term Expires 2024</b>	Richard Sargent
<b>Term Expires 2024</b>	Kristen Connelly
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Ron Stancliff
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Brent Teillon
<b>MORRISTOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND (4 YEAR TERMS)</b>	
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Steve Leach
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Mary Ann Wilson
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Peter Merrill
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Sam Guy
<b>Term Expires 2025</b>	Bob Beeman, Selectboard Rep
<b>PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)</b>	
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Judy Bickford
<b>Term Expires 2023</b>	Ray Boutin
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Sara Haskins
<b>Term Expires 2023</b>	Stephanie Hoffman
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Alison Link
<b>Term Expires 2023</b>	Kasey Longe
<b>Term Expires 2022</b>	Kristi McAllister

## TOWN EMPLOYEES

<b>Town Administrator</b>	Eric Dodge (0)
<b>Administrator's Assistant</b>	Sarah Hyde (0)
<b>Town Clerk/Treasurer</b>	Sara Haskins (12)
<b>Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer</b>	Mitzi Fleming (9)
<b>Administrative Clerk</b>	Elizabeth Chase (4)
<b>Collector of Delinquent Taxes</b>	Sara Haskins (12)
<b>Finance Director</b>	Tina Sweet (15)
<b>Assistant Finance Director</b>	Paula Beattie (3)
<b>Listing Coordinator</b>	Abigail Griggs (2)
<b>Assessor</b>	Terri Sabens (1)
<b>Zoning Administrator/Planning Director</b>	Todd Thomas (11)
<b>Community Development Coordinator</b>	Tricia Follert (10)
<b>Chief of Police</b>	Richard Keith (35)
<b>Chief of EMS</b>	William Mapes (2)
<b>Highway Superintendent</b>	Kevin Barrows (1)
<b>EMS</b>	Assistant Chief-Corey Boisvert (6), Paramedic-Chris Clement (0), EMTs-Tammy Lurvey (6), Heidi Bennet (4), Lori Martin (2), Peter Fitz (1), Colby Masse (1), Zach Legge (0)
<b>Police Officers</b>	Andrew Glover (16), Scott McCullough (14), Garth Christensen (21), Jacques Marcoux (9), Jason Luneau (14), Ron Audet (7), Lance Lamb (5), Peter Hughes (2), Nathan Wolfe (2), Brian Tomlinson (0), Administrative Asst.- Bruce Emerson (0)
<b>Highway Garage</b>	Jeff Baker (6), Robert Cookson (4), Panagiotis Kourkoulis (6), Alan Stearns (2), Derek Small (2), Michael Buchanan (0), Devin Matten (0)
<b>Street Garage</b>	Shane Blaisdell (3), Doug Wallace (29), Luke Heller (7), Matt Friedrich (8), Joey Hall (3)

*Numbers in parenthesis ( ) indicate years of service as of June 30, 2021*



**Municipal Government**  
Administrative Organizational Chart  
As of 6/30/2021

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Mudgett  
Jennett &  
Krogh-Wisner, P.C.  
Certified Public Accountants #435

November 8, 2021

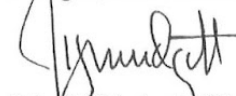
The Town of Morristown

### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION

The financial statements of the Town of Morristown, Vermont for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 were audited by Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C. of Montpelier. In our report, dated September 13, 2021, we expressed an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Town of Morristown, Vermont.

Sincerely,

Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh-Wisner, P.C.



John H. Mudgett, CPA  
Principal

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN BUDGET OVERVIEW

	2020-21 VOTED Budget	2021-22 VOTED Budget	<b>2022-23 PROPOSED Budget</b>	Voted % of Change
<u>Article</u>				
General Government	\$ 2,119,883	\$ 2,070,316	\$ 2,234,914	
General Government Revenue	(578,986)	(813,945)	(774,411)	
<i>Total</i>	1,540,897	1,256,371	1,460,503	16.2%
Police Department	1,354,240	1,391,688	1,628,828	
Police Revenue	(16,000)	(14,500)	(69,631)	
<i>Total</i>	1,338,240	1,377,188	1,559,197	13.2%
Fire Department	369,720	353,425	362,333	
Fire Revenue	-	-	-	
<i>Total</i>	369,720	353,425	362,333	2.5%
EMS Department	630,066	665,148	802,244	
EMS Revenue	(227,500)	(234,600)	(216,400)	
<i>Total</i>	402,566	430,548	585,844	36.1%
Highway Department	2,174,355	2,485,323	2,786,622	
Highway Revenue	(211,325)	(214,750)	(427,950)	
<i>Total</i>	1,963,030	2,270,573	2,358,672	3.9%
Paving	190,000	190,000	190,000	0.0%
Sand & Gravel	-	140,000	100,000	-28.6%
<b>Total OPERATING BASE Budgets</b>	<b>\$ 5,804,453</b>	<b>\$ 6,018,105</b>	<b>\$ 6,616,549</b>	<b>9.9%</b>
<u>Special Warning Items</u>				
Fire Dept Capital Equip. Fund (1C)	\$ 64,545	\$ 65,234	\$ 66,143	1.4%
Highway Dept Capital Equip. Fund (1C)	64,545	65,234	66,143	1.4%
Noyes House - Restoration (1/2C)	32,273	32,617	33,072	1.4%

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	2020-21 VOTED Budget	2021-22 VOTED Budget	<b>2022-23 PROPOSED Budget</b>	Voted % of Change
<u>Article</u>				
Conservation Commission Fund (1/2C)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,072	100.0%
Paving - \$500,000 - 5 years	-	-	104,700	100.0%
Bridge Repair/Replacement - \$510,000 -10 yrs		-	58,000	100.0%
<b>Total Special Warning Items</b>	<b>\$ 161,363</b>	<b>\$ 163,085</b>	<b>\$ 361,130</b>	<b>121.4%</b>
<b>Sub-Total Town Budget</b>	<b>\$ 5,965,816</b>	<b>\$ 6,181,190</b>	<b>\$ 6,977,679</b>	<b>12.9%</b>
<u>Appropriations</u>				
Service Agencies	\$ 113,969	\$ 101,969	\$ 101,969	0.0%
	113,969	101,969	101,969	0.0%
Veterans Exemption	9,120	9,120	9,120	0.0%
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$ 123,089</b>	<b>\$ 111,089</b>	<b>\$ 111,089</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Warned</b>	<b>\$ 6,088,905</b>	<b>\$ 6,292,279</b>	<b>\$ 7,088,768</b>	<b>12.7%</b>
		<b>\$ 203,374</b>	<b>\$ 796,489</b>	Increase



## MORRISTOWN SUMMARY OF FUND RESERVES

<b><u>Fund Balance Cumulative Surplus</u></b>					
	<b>Annual Increase</b>	<b>Allocated</b>	<b>Unallocated</b>	<b>Total</b>	
June 30, 2018	\$ 121,492			\$ 431,606	
June 30, 2019	\$ (140,987)			\$ 290,619	
June 30, 2020	\$ 214,557			\$ 505,176	
June 30, 2021	\$ 313,674			\$ 818,850	
<b>GENERAL UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE AS OF 6/30/2021</b>					<b>\$ 818,850</b>
<b><u>Restricted Funds</u><sup>1</sup></b>			<b><u>As of June 30, 2021</u></b>		
Reappraisal					\$ 383,229
Community Garden					2,704
DEA Fund					52,730
Trustee of Public Funds					3,842
Municipal Records Maintenance					162,050
Scholarship					56,300
Morristown Development Fund					552,972
Alexander Hamilton Copley Trust					2,110,606
Unassigned Highway Fund Balance					397,718
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>					<b>\$ 3,722,151</b>
<b><u>Committed Funds</u><sup>2</sup></b>			<b><u>As of June 30, 2021</u></b>		
Land Conservation					\$ 31,790
Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund					140,018
Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund					40,605

<sup>1</sup> These funds can only be used for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.

<sup>2</sup> These funds can only be used for specific purposes determined by the Town's highest level of decision-making authority - the voters.

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Special Tax District		455
Noyes House Museum		25,145
Oxbow Bathroom Fund		15,731
<b>Total Committed Funds</b>		<b>\$ 253,744</b>
<b><u>Assigned Funds<sup>3</sup></u></b>		<b><u>As of June 30, 2021</u></b>
Municipal Office Building		\$ 15,362
Paving		(5,825)
Highway Equipment Fund		38,000
Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)		219,169
Electric Vehicle Charging Income		2,285
Community Event Fund		3,874
Dog Park Fund		1,586
Morristown Recreation Summer Program		35,843
Uncompensated Absences Reserve		75,016
Bridge Repair Reserve		(14,727)
Infrastructure		64,778
Forest & Land Maintenance		21,178
<b>Total Assigned Funds</b>		<b>\$ 456,539</b>

<sup>3</sup> These funds are intended to be used for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria of Restricted or Committed Funds.

## EXPENDITURES OF GRANT AWARDS

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF GRANT AWARDS					
FY 2020-2021 Expenditures					
	Start Date	Project Amount	Local Sources	Grant Amount	FY 2020-2021 Expenditures
<b>Police</b>					
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1424 (OP)	10/01/19	\$5,000	\$ -	\$5,000	\$1,168
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1424 (DUI)	10/01/19	5,000	-	5,000	\$1,369
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1469 (Distracted)	06/01/20	8,200	-	8,200	\$ -
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1537 (Equip)	10/01/20	8,470	-	8,470	\$ -
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1537 (OP)	10/01/20	7,500	-	7,500	\$1,124
VT Hwy Safety-GR 1537 (DUI)	10/01/20	5,000	-	5,000	\$2,533
<b>EMS</b>					
Workforce Stabilization (08621)	03/01/20	32,214	-	32,214	\$32,214
Coronavirus Vaccination (08745)	01/01/21	100,000	-	100,000	\$16,015
<b>General</b>					
Coronavirus Digitization	03/01/20	8,138	-	8,138	8,138
FY 2017 Pre-Disaster Mitigation	01/30/18	7,613	-	7,613	1,200
Center for Tech & Civil Life	06/15/20	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
*2020 FEMA Flood Subgrant (84474-039)	01/17/20	190,721	33,376	143,041	-
*Morristown VT20-1ER E20-1 (Stagecoach)	10/31/19	19,570	-	19,570	-
<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>\$354,746</b>	<b>\$68,760</b>

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN REVENUE

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>TAX REVENUE:</b>				
School Tax Admin Fee	\$ 17,500	\$ 19,647.95	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000
St of VT - Current Use Reimbursement	288,000	306,816.00	300,000	300,000
St of VT - PILOT Reimbursement	47,000	55,377.80	53,000	55,000
Abatements	-	(692.17)	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 352,500	\$381,149.58	\$ 372,000	\$ 374,000
<b>LICENSES &amp; PERMITS:</b>				
Liquor Licenses	\$ 2,775	\$ 2,730.00	\$ 2,775	\$ 2,775
Dog Licenses	6,500	5,175.00	6,500	3,000
License - Marriage/Civil Union	350	390.00	300	350
Record Legal Documents	55,000	69,907.00	55,000	66,000
Fees - DMV Processing	750	24.00	500	150
Fees - Zoning Permits	22,500	29,482.20	20,000	75,000
TOTAL	\$ 87,875	\$107,708.20	\$ 85,075	\$ 147,275
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL:</b>				
State Aid to Highways	\$ 208,500	\$220,392.51	\$ 214,000	\$ 218,500
Village - Zoning Svcs	8,000	8,000.00	8,000	8,000
Village - Clerk Treasurer	6,875	7,292.29	7,034	8,100
TOTAL	\$ 223,375	\$ 235,684.80	\$ 229,034	\$ 234,600

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN REVENUE

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES:</b>				
Charge - Use of Photocopier	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,093.40	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,500
Charge - Use of Vault	1,200	2,413.60	800	1,500
Charge - Facilities Rent	1,000	300.00	500	500
Sale-Cert. Copy VITALS	12,000	10,750.00	10,000	10,000
Charge - Tax Sale Legal	2,500	1,937.18	2,500	2,000
Charge - Tax Sale Costs	100	950.13	100	500
TOTAL	\$ 22,800	\$ 21,444.31	\$ 17,900	\$ 19,000
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Court Fines	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,321.11	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,000
Fines - Ordinances	3,500	2,080.00	3,500	3,000
Fines - Fingerprinting	3,500	-	3,000	3,500
Fees - Report Copies	2,000	1,860.00	2,000	2,000
Special Details - Officers	-	31,435.26	-	-
SUI Reimbursement	-	25,000.00	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	756.78	-	-
COPS Grant Reimbursement	-	-	-	56,131
TOTAL	\$ 16,000	\$ 68,453.15	\$ 14,500	\$ 69,631
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Sale of Assets	\$ -	\$ 626.00	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	-	10.31	-	-
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 636.31	\$ -	\$ -

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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPT:</b>				
Fees - Net Billing for Services	\$ 201,500	\$ 206,451.74	\$ 208,600	\$ 190,400
Fees - Cover Elmore Calls	26,000	26,000.00	26,000	26,000
Miscellaneous	-	566.67	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 227,500	\$ 233,018.41	\$ 234,600	\$ 216,400
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:</b>				
HWY- Overweight Vehicle	\$ 825	\$ 840.00	\$ 750	\$ 850
Miscellaneous	2,000	3,126.12	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 2,825	\$ 3,966.12	\$ 750	\$ 850
<b>FINES &amp; FORFEITS:</b>				
Interest - Late Taxes	\$ 14,000	\$ 17,078.05	\$ 12,000	\$ 15,000
Interest - Delinquent Tax	6,000	4,200.44	6,000	4,000
Penalty - Delinquent Tax	26,000	4,616.00	11,000	6,000
Other Revenue - Delinquent Tax	-	311.15	-	-
Interest - Abatements	-	(54.34)	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 46,000	\$ 26,151.30	\$ 29,000	\$ 25,000
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME:</b>				
Interest Inc. - Cash Sweep Acct	\$ 50,000	\$ 55,688.79	\$ 65,000	\$ 45,000
Interest - General Acct	200	303.11	200	300
Interest - Payroll Acct	-	18.23	-	-
Interest - Misc.	-	22.57	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 50,200	\$ 56,032.70	\$ 65,200	\$ 45,300



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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS:</b>				
Donations - Capital	\$ -	\$ 129,700.36	\$ -	\$ -
Donations	-	600.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 130,300.36	\$ -	\$ -
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>				
Misc. - Parking Lot Maintenance	\$ 4,236	\$ 4,236.25	\$ 4,236	\$ 4,236
Misc. - Other	500	199.48	500	-
Sale of Assets	-	160,000.00	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 4,736	\$ 164,435.73	\$ 4,736	\$ 4,236
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:</b>				
Transfer In	\$ -	\$ 56,466.50	\$ 225,000	\$ 352,100
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 56,466.50	\$ 225,000	\$ 352,100
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,033,811</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,447.47</b>	<b>\$ 1,277,795</b>	<b>\$ 1,488,392</b>

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>LEGISLATING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
Employee Benefits	575	573.60	575	574
Dues & Subscriptions	7,594	11,171.00	11,200	11,500
Meetings & Trainings	200	103.60	200	200
Insurance (all depts combined)	340,000	321,123.24	305,038	300,000
Insurance Deductibles	4,000	255.00	2,500	1,000
Miscellaneous	500	629.02	500	1,000
TOTAL	\$ 360,369	\$ 341,355.46	\$ 327,513	\$ 321,774
<b>TOWN ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 123,265	\$123,799.05	\$ 126,921	\$ 139,963
Cash In Lieu of Health Insurance	4,755	3,566.16	4,817	-
Deferred Comp	8,086	7,508.70	-	6,507
Mileage Stipend	1,800	1,800.00	1,800	1,800
Employee Benefits	21,274	24,130.19	45,465	29,402
Dues & Subscriptions	85	60.00	85	85
Meetings & Trainings	500	187.60	500	500
Other Purchased Services	7,000	4,018.75	5,000	17,000
Travel & Transportation	500	-	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 167,265	\$165,070.45	\$ 185,088	\$ 195,757
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL/SHELTER:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 920	\$ 940.00	\$ 900	\$ -
Employee Benefits	75	71.94	70	-
Other Purchased Services	500	(60.00)	1,500	3,500

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
TOTAL	\$ 1,495	\$ 951.94	\$ 2,470	\$ 3,500
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</b>				
Green Up	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,153.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
TOTAL	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,153.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
<b>FIRE WARDEN:</b>				
Fire Warden	\$ 125	\$ 124.30	\$ 125	\$ 125
TOTAL	\$ 125	\$ 124.30	\$ 125	\$ 125
<b>FOURTH OF JULY:</b>				
Fireworks - July 4th	\$ 6,600	\$ -	\$ 6,600	\$ 10,000
TOTAL	\$ 6,600	\$ -	\$ 6,600	\$ 10,000
<b>PRINT ORDINANCES &amp; PROCEEDINGS:</b>				
Advertising	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,112.51	\$ 5,500	\$ 7,800
TOTAL	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,112.51	\$ 5,500	\$ 7,800
<b>TOWN CLERK/TREASURER'S OFFICE:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 158,630	\$162,942.21	\$ 162,281	\$ 187,221
Cash In Lieu of Health Ins	4,755	4,754.88	4,817	5,101
Village Wage - Reimbursed	6,875	7,292.29	7,034	8,100
Employee Benefits	69,026	68,051.44	68,089	69,622
Election Expenses	5,000	3,464.53	2,500	7,000
Dues & Subscriptions	400	420.00	400	420
Meetings & Trainings	1,700	1,273.21	2,000	2,000
Miscellaneous	100	-	100	-
Print Tax Bills	750	300.18	800	325
Dog License Expense	3,900	3,536.96	3,900	400
Marriage License Expense	1,750	-	-	-

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Travel & Transportation	400	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 253,286</b>	<b>\$252,035.70</b>	<b>\$ 251,921</b>	<b>\$ 280,189</b>
<b>BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,869.76	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,500
Employee Benefits	268	219.62	155	268
Meetings & Trainings	50	-	50	50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,818</b>	<b>\$ 3,089.38</b>	<b>\$ 2,205</b>	<b>\$ 3,818</b>
<b>ACCOUNTING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 110,186	\$114,640.14	\$ 113,402	\$ 163,253
Deferred Comp	8,086	7,230.60	7,011	6,507
Employee Benefits	42,708	42,153.20	42,389	48,883
Meetings & Trainings	750	-	750	1,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 161,730</b>	<b>\$164,023.94</b>	<b>\$ 163,552</b>	<b>\$ 219,643</b>
<b>COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 7,500	\$ 9,622.97	\$ 8,500	\$ 9,500
Postage	9,000	7591.54	9,000	8,000
Phones - Landline	7,200	6,293.44	6,500	6,600
Phones - Cell	720	720.00	720	1,200
Internet/Cable	1,620	1,615.45	1,620	1,620
Copier	11,500	12,644.18	12,500	12,500
Contract: Software Maint. & Software	11,517	12,434.97	17,467	22,776
Contract: Licenses - Email	1,750	1,688.00	1,650	1,536
Contract: Web Page	2,800	2,740.00	2,800	2,800
Map/Scanner - Maint & Supplies	1,100	982.64	936	1,008
Land Records System	11,580	9,650.00	11,580	11,580

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Computer - Cloud Hosted Ultimate	\$ 32,510	\$ 33,827.00	\$ 32,508	\$ 28,452
Network Systems	12,500	855.62	-	3,000
New Equipment	700	1,169.33	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 111,997</b>	<b>\$101,835.14</b>	<b>\$ 105,781</b>	<b>\$ 110,572</b>
<b>AUDITING:</b>				
Professional Services	\$ 15,000	\$ 21,840.00	\$ 19,000	\$ 20,000
Printing Town Reports	1,550	1,395.00	1,395	1,395
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,550</b>	<b>\$ 23,235.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,395</b>	<b>\$ 21,395</b>
<b>DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300
Employee Benefits	837	856.80	876	876
Legal Service	4,000	6,385.26	5,000	6,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,137</b>	<b>\$ 13,542.06</b>	<b>\$ 12,176</b>	<b>\$ 13,676</b>
<b>TAX LISTING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 77,395	\$ 78,407.56	\$ 78,988	\$ 87,254
Employee Benefits	27,927	27,408.54	27,266	32,814
Meetings & Trainings	500	75.00	500	500
Mapping Program	5,400	6,339.84	5,550	5,700
Travel & Transportation	500	341.43	500	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 111,722</b>	<b>\$112,572.37</b>	<b>\$ 112,804</b>	<b>\$ 126,768</b>
<b>LEGAL SERVICES:</b>				
Professional Services	\$ 9,000	\$ 18,622.00	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,000</b>	<b>\$ 18,622.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<b>PLANNING &amp; ZONING:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 50,972	\$ 52,711.37	\$ 52,458	\$ 60,029

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Village Wage - Reimbursed	8,000	6,834.86	8,000	8,000
Employee Benefits	28,032	28,705.48	27,441	27,513
Advertising	1,500	1,726.23	1,500	-
Dues & Subscriptions	500	534.00	500	550
Meetings & Trainings	200	80.00	200	100
Printing	200	106.00	200	300
Travel & Transportation	450	-	450	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 89,854</b>	<b>\$ 90,697.94</b>	<b>\$ 90,749</b>	<b>\$ 96,592</b>
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 47,739	\$ 47,962.48	\$ 49,130	\$ 52,874
Deferred Comp	8,086	-	-	-
Employee Benefits	8,049	18,640.73	26,122	25,417
Meetings & Trainings	750	-	500	200
Travel & Transportation	200	120.87	200	200
Events (cover Summer/Rock/July 4 etc.)	6,750	-	6750	6,750
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 71,574</b>	<b>\$ 66,724.08</b>	<b>\$ 82,702</b>	<b>\$ 85,441</b>
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION:</b>				
Summer Recreation Camp Program	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Salaries & Wages	2,000	-	2,000	33,684
Employee Benefits	153	-	153	5,241
Operating Supplies	600	3,144.15	600	600
Advertising	500	377.31	500	500
Software Program	3,500	2495.00	-	-
Program Development	1,500	2,298.23	1,500	2,300

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Improvements	3,000	2,172.38	3,000	3,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,253</b>	<b>\$ 30,487.07</b>	<b>\$ 7,753</b>	<b>\$ 60,325</b>
<b>MAINT. GEN GOV'T BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 3,200	\$ 2,250.85	\$ 5,500	\$ 3,000
Flag Replacement Program	1,000	966.42	1,000	1,000
Repair & Maint. Supplies	750	340.85	1,500	1,000
Oxbow Park - Repair & Maintenance	6,500	19.97	6,500	3,500
Waste Disposal/Recycling	1,100	2,078.73	1,080	3,090
Town Clock Maintenance	800	786.99	780	780
Mowing - Streets & Oxbow	5,850	2850.00	2,000	4,000
Mowing - Morristown Cemeteries	14,500	11,166.65	12,000	12,000
Security System	-	-	-	2,388
Tourist Information	1,250	1,000.00	1,250	1,250
Repair & Maint. Services	17,000	13,993.49	14,250	17,421
Heating Oil	5,850	2,756.76	3,700	4,054
Street Lights	28,000	26,438.89	28,000	28,000
Electricity	5,900	6,579.30	8,500	8,038
Water & Sewer	1,400	1,440.54	1,200	1,600
Building Improvements	-	-	-	62,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 93,100</b>	<b>\$ 72,669.44</b>	<b>\$ 87,260</b>	<b>\$ 153,621</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>				
Health/Wellness Expenses	\$ 750	\$ 658.98	\$ 800	\$ 1,500
County Tax	61,757	61,757.00	70,003	75,269
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 62,507</b>	<b>\$ 62,415.98</b>	<b>\$ 70,803</b>	<b>\$ 76,769</b>



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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>APPROPRIATIONS/BUDGETED:</b>				
MACC (M' Alliance for Culture & Commerce)	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Morrisville Military Band	1,500	1,500.00	1,500	1,500
Morristown Centennial Library	180,601	180,598.00	186,019	186,019
TOTAL	\$ 189,101	\$189,098.00	\$ 194,519	\$ 194,519
<b>CEMETERIES:</b>				
Cemetery - Sexton	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,390.00	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
Cemetery Records Maintenance	20,000	-	10,000	12,000
Pleasant View Cemetery	16,000	16,000.00	20,000	20,000
TOTAL	\$ 38,000	\$ 18,390.00	\$ 40,000	\$ 47,000
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>				
Interest Payments: Short Term	\$ 38,500	\$ 31,155.51	\$ 45,000	\$ 40,000
Municipal Building	39,200	39,163.36	39,200	39,164
Oxbow Bathrooms	16,100	16,022.92	16,100	16,100
Bridge St Bridge Project	83,400	83,373.10	83,400	83,366
Paving Loan - 2017	104,700	104,692.04	104,700	-
TOTAL	\$ 281,900	\$274,406.93	\$ 288,400	\$ 178,630
<b>RESERVES:</b>				
Uncompensated Absences - Retirees	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000
TOTAL	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000.00	-	\$ 10,000
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 2,119,883</b>	<b>\$ 2,047,612.69</b>	<b>\$ 2,070,315</b>	<b>\$ 2,234,914</b>
<u>Less Anticipated Revenues:</u>				
General Government Revenues				
Tax Revenue			\$ (372,000)	\$ (374,000)

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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
Licenses & Permits			(85,075)	(147,275)
Intergovernmental Reimb			(15,034)	(16,100)
Charges for Services			(17,900)	(19,000)
Fines & Forfeits			(29,000)	(25,000)
Investment Income			(65,200)	(45,300)
Miscellaneous			(4,736)	(4,236)
Other Financing Source			(225,000)	(143,500)
Total Anticipated Revenues:			\$ (813,945)	\$ (774,411)
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>			\$1,256,371	\$ 1,460,503
		<u>Operating Budget</u>		<u>To be Raised by Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2022-2023		\$ 2,234,914		\$ 1,460,503
FY 2021-2022		2,070,316		1,256,371
		\$ 164,598		\$ 204,132
		8.0%		16.2%

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 2,800	\$ 1,750.86	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,000
Advertising	-	631.54	-	-
Dues & Subscriptions	1,200	578.00	1,000	-
Meetings & Trainings	300	-	300	-
Other Purchased Services	2,000	864.25	1,000	1,000
Lease - Copier	4,500	3,422.51	3,000	3,000
Printing - Forms	500	1,429.00	500	1,000
Replacement Equipment	500	903.13	500	500
TOTAL	\$ 11,800	\$ 9,579.29	\$ 8,500	\$ 7,500
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
Administration	\$ 100,407	\$ 111,957.92	\$ 103,916	\$ 104,000
Desk Officer	67,806	66,872.46	69,974	71,614
Regular & Leave	556,541	506,786.94	566,611	697,361
Overtime	88,173	151,537.11	97,758	101,442
Cash in Lieu	19,020	18,623.28	19,267	15,303
Part-time Clerical	19,252	10,461.98	18,962	26,770
Employee Benefits	255,273	252,621.99	270,840	333,928
Canine Unit	2,600	3,603.74	5,000	5,000
TOTAL	\$ 1,109,072	\$1,122,465.42	\$ 1,152,328	\$ 1,355,418
<b>CRIME INVESTIGATION:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,500	\$ 452.65	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500
Contracts - Equipment	1,000	1,906.00	1,000	1,000
TOTAL	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,358.65	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,500

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
<b>POLICE TRAINING:</b>				
Meetings & Trainings	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,422.17	\$ 8,000	\$ 11,300
Travel & Transportation	300	268.88	300	1,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,300</b>	<b>\$ 7,691.05</b>	<b>\$ 8,300</b>	<b>\$ 12,300</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Repair & Maint. Supplies	\$ 250	\$ 29.98	\$ 250	\$ 250
Postage	400	216.20	400	400
Phone - Land Lines	2,900	3,028.27	2,900	3,180
Phone - Cell	360	360.00	360	-
Phones - First Net	6,000	5,629.70	6,120	8,620
Internet/Cable	525	608.86	575	648
Data Circuit	5,600	5,787.96	5,850	5,796
Computer Repairs	3,000	185.12	2,500	1,500
LCSD-Dispatch	45,155	45,155.00	42,242	45,191
Repair & Maint. - Radios	2,000	323.39	1,500	1,500
IT Systems	15,808	10,343.67	15,100	18,400
Computers/Printers	4,500	9,261.66	6,000	6,000
Replacement Equipment	3,500	3,174.43	3,500	3,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 89,998</b>	<b>\$ 84,104.24</b>	<b>\$ 87,297</b>	<b>\$ 94,985</b>
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BLDG:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,941.93	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Coffee/Food	500	688.06	1,000	1,000
Other Purchased Services	1,000	811.75	795	792
Waste/Recycle	1,175	1,399.75	1,320	1,320

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Repair & Maint. Services-Contracts	\$ 14,600	\$ 18,573.64	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
Heating Oil	4,200	2,781.21	2,300	3,570
Propane	225	-	140	50
Electricity	4,500	4,542.10	6,100	5,300
Water & Sewer	1,250	1,093.50	1,200	1,180
Building Improvements	5,000	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 33,450</b>	<b>\$ 31,831.94</b>	<b>\$ 31,355</b>	<b>\$ 31,712</b>
<b>MAINT. VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 15,200	\$ 13,468.02	\$ 15,500	\$ 22,005
Tires	3,500	3,991.41	3,500	4,000
Uniforms	10,000	8,358.51	10,000	10,000
Tasers/Supplies	3,600	3,410.65	3,600	3,200
Ammunition	3,000	2,810.00	3,000	3,000
Maint. Supplies - Vehicle	500	715.89	500	1,000
Maint. Supplies - Equipment	500	437.26	500	-
Equipment - Vehicles	1,000	805.92	1,000	1,000
Equipment - Officers	4,500	2,009.83	4,500	4,500
Repair & Maint. Services	13,000	14,133.61	13,000	13,000
New Machinery (Lease)	44,320	43,924.74	45,808	62,708
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 99,120</b>	<b>\$ 94,065.84</b>	<b>\$ 100,908</b>	<b>\$ 124,413</b>
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,354,240</b>	<b>\$ 1,352,096.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,391,688</b>	<b>\$ 1,628,828</b>

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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<i>Less Anticipated Revenues: Police Dept</i>			<u>\$ (14,500)</u>	<u>\$ (69,631)</u>
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>			<u>\$ 1,377,188</u>	<u>\$ 1,559,197</u>
		<u>Operating Budget</u>		<u>To Be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2022-2023		\$ 1,628,828		\$ 1,559,197
FY 2021-2022		1,391,688		1,377,188
		\$ 237,140		\$ 182,009
		17.0%		13.2%

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 600	\$ 113.91	\$ 400	\$ 400
Replace Uniforms	5,500	5,142.59	5,000	5,000
Software Maintenance	675	-	675	675
Repair & Maintenance Services	500	-	500	500
Miscellaneous	100	550.00	100	500
TOTAL	\$ 7,375	\$ 5,806.50	\$ 6,675	\$ 7,075
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
Paid Volunteer - Stipend	\$ 77,500	\$79,617.27	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Employee Benefits	6,000	6,090.86	6,120	6,120
TOTAL	\$ 83,500	\$85,708.13	\$ 86,120	\$ 86,120
<b>FIRE FIGHTING:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,045.55	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Foam/Absorber	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Coffee/Food	1,500	202.82	1,000	1,500
Personal Protect. Clothing	12,000	11,042.73	18,000	18,000
Turn Out Gear Decontamination Maint.	500	870.00	1,500	1,500
Dry Hydrants	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
TOTAL	\$ 20,000	\$ 14,161.10	\$ 26,500	\$ 27,000
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Repair & Maint. Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$ 836.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000
Tower	100	100.00	100	100
Phone-Land Lines	825	877.38	825	825

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Internet/Cable	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,896.03	\$ 1,725	\$ 1,725
Dispatch Software	1,100	1,007.95	1,590	1,500
LSCD-Dispatch	45,155	45,155.00	42,242	45,191
Repair Services-Radio	2,000	1,328.50	2,500	2,000
Replacement Equipment	3,500	-	1,000	12,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 56,380</b>	<b>\$51,200.86</b>	<b>\$ 51,982</b>	<b>\$ 64,341</b>
<b>FIRE PREVENTION:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,500</b>
<b>FIRE TRAINING:</b>				
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 700	\$ 1,321.00	\$ 700	\$ 1,000
Meetings & Trainings	6,000	510.00	6,000	6,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,700</b>	<b>\$ 1,831.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,700</b>	<b>\$ 7,000</b>
<b>PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES:</b>				
Vaccine	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -
Professional Services- Medical	8,000	312.04	2,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,300</b>	<b>\$ 312.04</b>	<b>\$ 2,300</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BLDG:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,296.38	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Waste/Recycle	890	972.04	875	890
Repair & Maint. Services-Contractor	5,000	4,279.13	5,000	5,000
Heating Oil	5,825	3,421.33	3,700	5,193
Propane	800	862.33	850	1,262
Electricity	4,700	3,883.34	5,150	4,950
Water & Sewer	1,000	855.37	875	864



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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Building Improvements	5,000	6,636.35	10,000	10,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 46,215</b>	<b>\$23,206.27</b>	<b>\$ 28,450</b>	<b>\$ 30,159</b>
<b>MAINT. TRUCKS/EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 550	\$ 220.10	\$ 325	\$ 400
Diesel Fuel	3,200	1,366.68	2,050	3,415
Repair & Maint. Supplies	5,000	1,545.34	4,000	2,000
Small Tools & Equipment- Vehicles	6,500	3,097.13	5,000	5,000
Repair & Maint. Services	20,000	13,683.38	20,000	20,000
Hose Testing	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Capital Equipment	8,000	-	8,000	5,000
Hose	5,000	6,644.25	5,000	5,000
SCBA	15,000	47,727.93	20,000	20,000
Imagers & Meters	6,000	1,330.20	8,000	5,000
2017 Quint Fire Truck Loan Payment	42,000	41,936.92	41,937	41,937
2018 Fire Rescue Truck Loan Payment	24,000	23,810.24	24,386	24,386
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 140,250</b>	<b>\$141,362.17</b>	<b>\$ 143,698</b>	<b>\$ 137,138</b>
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 369,720</b>	<b>\$323,588.07</b>	<b>\$ 353,425</b>	<b>\$ 362,333</b>
<i>Less Anticipated Revenues:</i>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>			<u>\$ 353,425</u>	<u>\$ 362,333</u>
		<u>Operating Budget</u>		<u>To Be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2022-2023		\$ 362,333		\$ 362,333
FY 2021-2022		353,425		353,425
		\$ 8,908		\$ 8,908
		2.5%		2.5%

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN EMS DEPARTMENT

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Office Supplies	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,622.72	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Food/Coffee	1,200	125.37	750	750
Advertising	1,000	1,376.21	1,000	1,500
Dues & Subscriptions	500	256.00	400	400
Meetings and Trainings	1,000	-	1,000	-
Lease-Copier	800	830.89	1,200	1,078
Software Support-Scheduling	2,200	2,426.00	2,500	2,600
Medicaid Tax	6,500	6,522.88	6,600	6,400
Travel & Transportation	300	-	550	600
New Equipment	16,252	15,483.65	16,500	-
TOTAL	\$ 30,952	\$ 28,643.72	\$ 31,700	\$ 14,528
<b>PERSONNEL:</b>				
FT-Regular & Leave	\$ 186,900	\$189,604.90	\$ 192,216	\$ 296,770
Cash in Lieu of Health Insurance	4,755	-	-	-
Deferred Comp	-	-	-	6,507
PT-Shift Coverage	98,299	112,291.66	121,047	135,087
Paid Volunteers- Runs	28,100	19,888.50	28,080	13,068
Paid Volunteers- Training	7,000	384.00	6,975	864
Employee Benefits	82,585	94,156.61	102,003	153,130
TOTAL	\$ 407,639	\$416,325.67	\$ 450,321	\$ 605,426
<b>EMS SERVICES:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 16,500	\$ 18,794.00	\$ 17,000	\$ 18,500
Oxygen/Nitrous Oxide	1,200	424.19	1,200	750

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Supplies for Other Departments	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,360.22	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Coverage - Paramedic	500	250.00	500	250
Repair & Maint Services	3,500	169.00	3,500	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,700</b>	<b>\$ 20,997.41</b>	<b>\$ 28,200</b>	<b>\$ 27,500</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 300	\$ 723.76	\$ -	\$ -
Phones-Landline	1,750	1,846.81	1,750	1,980
Phones - Cell	720	720.00	720	1,200
Data - Hot Spots	1,000	1,020.34	1,000	1,050
Internet/Cable	3,200	3,506.45	3,400	3,780
LCSD-Dispatch	45,155	45,155.00	42,242	45,191
eDispatch Software	1,100	234.00	400	534
Repair & Maint Services	250	1,195.00	250	500
Replacement Equipment	2,000	3,162.23	5,000	5,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 55,475</b>	<b>\$ 57,563.59</b>	<b>\$ 54,762</b>	<b>\$ 59,235</b>
<b>TRAINING:</b>				
Meetings & Trainings	\$ 10,500	\$ 616.29	\$ 10,500	\$ 6,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,500</b>	<b>\$ 616.29</b>	<b>\$ 10,500</b>	<b>\$ 6,500</b>
<b>PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES:</b>				
Professional Services- Debriefing	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
<b>MAINTAIN BUILDING:</b>				
Operating Supplies	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,375.19	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,800
Waste/Recycle	1,320	2,111.76	1,450	2,256
Repair & Maint. Services	1,500	2,261.82	2,800	4,000

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Heating Oil	\$ 2,600	\$ 1,527.54	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,105
Propane	1,600	1,125.96	1,300	1,575
Electricity	2,400	2,418.96	3,350	3,100
Water & Sewer	1,200	1,201.87	1,150	1,200
Machinery & Equipment-Replacement	9,100	9,100.00	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 20,920</b>	<b>\$ 22,123.10</b>	<b>\$ 13,050</b>	<b>\$ 16,036</b>
<b>MAINTAIN VEHICLE:</b>				
Gasoline	\$ 1,350	\$ 273.48	\$ 835	\$ 751
Diesel Fuel	1,850	1,685.25	1,600	3,388
Uniforms	8,000	7,627.55	8,000	9,000
Repair & Maint Supplies	1,800	280.03	1,800	2,000
Repair & Maint Services	10,000	3,067.25	10,500	4,000
2018 Ambulance/Stryker Stretcher	53,380	53,379.24	53,380	53,380
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 76,380</b>	<b>\$ 66,312.80</b>	<b>\$ 76,115</b>	<b>\$ 72,519</b>
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 630,066</b>	<b>\$612,582.58</b>	<b>\$ 665,148</b>	<b>\$ 802,244</b>
<i>Less Anticipated Revenues</i>			\$ (234,600)	\$ (216,400)
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>			<b>\$ 430,548</b>	<b>\$ 585,844</b>
		<u>Operating Budget</u>		<u>To be Raised By Taxes</u>
Proposed: FY 2022-2023		\$ 802,244		\$ 585,844
FY 2021-2022		665,148		430,548
		\$ 137,096		\$ 155,296
		20.6%		36.1%

## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 798,052	\$678,175.90	\$ 878,065	\$ 946,002
Employee Benefits	313,428	286,971.23	351,915	398,939
Office Supplies	300	1,060.91	500	2,500
Tower	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	1,000
Phone - Land Lines	900	882.17	920	1,404
Phone - Cell	550	360.00	1,080	2,000
Internet	1,100	2,026.85	2,050	2,028
Meetings & Trainings	2,400	1,208.24	2,000	2,000
Other Purchased Services	-	-	-	37,000
TOTAL	\$ 1,117,730	\$971,685.30	\$ 1,237,530	\$ 1,392,873
<b>TRUCKS &amp; EQUIPMENT:</b>				
Fuel	\$ 119,650	\$ 63,533.12	\$ 92,300	\$ 137,973
Blades & Plow Shoes	26,400	11,675.76	25,100	24,500
Tires & Chains	25,000	33,588.52	25,000	25,000
Small Equipment	6,000	8,347.38	12,000	10,000
Supplies	54,350	48,041.98	47,650	58,950
Repairs - Parts & Service	140,000	144,597.27	135,000	140,000
New Equipment - Trucks	138,500	163,960.38	217,143	271,684
TOTAL	\$ 509,900	\$473,744.41	\$ 554,193	\$ 668,107
<b>SUMMER MAINTENANCE:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 41,900	\$ 54,396.86	\$ 58,900	\$ 81,750
Repairs & Maint. Service	-	261.86	-	-
Line Painting - Contract	4,000	3,999.10	4,000	5,000

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Hot Mix	\$ 10,000	\$ 724.20	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000
Guard Rails	3,000	-	1,500	1,500
Chipping	5,000	6,800.00	5,000	7,000
Gravel	-	46,429.96	20,000	-
Chloride	57,500	48,502.18	45,000	51,798
Culverts/Improvements	30,000	26,704.87	25,000	17,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 151,400</b>	<b>\$187,819.03</b>	<b>\$ 169,400</b>	<b>\$ 169,548</b>
<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,960.80	\$ 23,700	\$ 5,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,000</b>	<b>\$ 5,960.80</b>	<b>\$ 23,700</b>	<b>\$ 5,500</b>
<b>SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ 221.26	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Other Purchased Services	39,000	-	39,000	39,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>	<b>\$ 221.26</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>
<b>WINTER MAINTENANCE:</b>				
Stone	\$ -	\$ 4,368.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Salt	227,100	210,955.50	196,875	220,500
Sand	1,000	-	1,000	-
Cold Patch	8,800	2,985.21	8,000	5,000
Other Purchased Services	1,200	-	1,200	500
Contractor Services	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 238,100</b>	<b>\$218,308.71</b>	<b>\$ 222,075</b>	<b>\$ 236,000</b>
<b>STORM DRAINS:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 747.27	\$ 500	\$ 1,000
Swirl Separator/Disposal Fees	5,000	4,460.00	7,500	7,000

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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
Discharge Permits	2,750	5,119.00	4,000	5,000
TOTAL	\$ 8,250	\$ 10,326.27	\$ 12,000	\$ 13,000
<b>BRIDGE MAINT. - CLASS I, II, III:</b>				
Bridge Maint.	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Reserves	30,000	30,000.00	30,000	30,000
TOTAL	\$ 34,000	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000
<b>OPERATE &amp; MAINTAIN BUILDING:</b>				
Supplies	\$ 11,325	\$ 15,075.50	\$ 12,825	\$ 27,500
Repair & Maint Service	15,000	8,921.41	15,000	15,000
Environmental Impact Fees	4,000	-	2,000	-
Crushing	20,000	-	22,000	30,000
Act 250 Pit Amendment	-	42,607.50	20,000	10,000
Phase 3 Duhamel Pit Operations	-	-	-	20,000
Heating Oil	8,200	4,235.60	4,100	5,384
Propane	4,100	7,582.92	8,600	12,284
Electricity	5,200	7,967.74	6,400	5,926
Water & Sewer	1,150	1,131.32	1,150	1,150
Village Garage Lease	-	65,399.99	96,350	96,350
Building Improvements	2,000	-	4,000	4,000
TOTAL	\$ 70,975	\$152,921.98	\$ 192,425	\$ 227,594
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 2,174,355</b>	<b>\$2,050,987.76</b>	<b>\$ 2,485,323</b>	<b>\$ 2,786,622</b>
<i>Less Anticipated Revenue: Highway Dept.</i>			\$ (750)	\$ (209,450)
<i>Less Intergovernmental: State Aid to Highways</i>			<u>\$ (214,000)</u>	<u>\$ (218,500)</u>
<b>NET TO BE RAISED BY TAXES</b>			<u>\$ 2,270,573</u>	<u>\$ 2,358,672</u>

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	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
		<u>Operating Budget</u>		<u>To be Raised by Taxes</u>
<b>Proposed: FY 2022-2023</b>		\$ 2,786,622		\$ 2,358,672
<b>FY 2021-2022</b>		2,485,323		2,270,573
		\$ 301,299		\$ 88,099
		12.1%		3.9%



*Lamoille River by Nan Carle*



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## MORRISTOWN CENTENNIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

*“A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert.”*

-Andrew Carnegie

The Morristown Centennial Library celebrated our 130th anniversary this year. FY 2021 was a year of change at the Library. We served our community while navigating the uncharted waters of the global pandemic. When we were forced to close, we moved our programs online, offered curbside pickup of materials, ordered more ebooks and audiobooks, and increased both our online and our outdoor presence. In the midst of this, we welcomed a new director and a new staff member, created a new website and received grants that allowed us to expand our wifi reach, purchase picnic tables, and install new automated doors to increase our accessibility.

Fiscal Year 2021 by the numbers:

- welcomed 82 new patrons
- loaned 10,336 physical materials
- Loaned 4,506 ebooks and audiobooks
- borrowed 3,222 books for our patrons through Interlibrary Loan
- added 1,162 new materials

More recently (July 1st through December 1st) we:

- welcomed 184 new patrons
- offered 159 programs with more than 1,500 attendees
- made use of our ARPA grant to grow our Library of Things
- resumed our senior and preschool outreach programs

Since reopening this July, we have welcomed the community back into the building. We have offered ukulele lessons, Spanish classes, a Saturday Touch-a-Truck program, kids yoga, outdoor movie nights and much more. Through the ARPA grant we have continued to grow our Library of Things. We now loan a metal detector, keyboards, a telescope and more. We are happy to again be a part of your lives, to see you face-to-face, and to know you as readers, volunteers, program participants and community members. We are grateful to be a part of this vibrant community.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

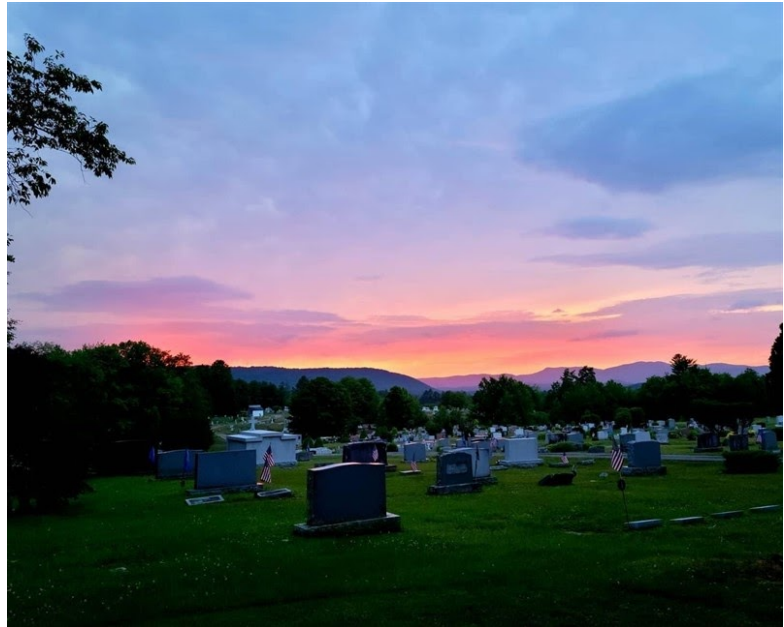
Kendra Aber-Ferri

Director, Morristown Centennial Library

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## PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Pleasant View Cemetery Association (PVC) has been fortunate to have Mike Day and Brian Quad maintaining the grounds in the pristine manner we have come to know and appreciate. Brian moved on at the end of the season and we thank him heartily for the many hours he devoted to assisting Mike. Brad Cannon of BC Logging and Tree Removal was engaged to make the Congress Street side of the cemetery appear less overgrown and more presentable. It is necessary to keep some vegetation present to maintain the integrity of the slope.



The current officers (see below) have served in their capacities since 2005. Lee has decided it is time for him to step down from PVC at the end of this fiscal year. We thank him for his many years of service and wish him all the best.

We appreciate those who have removed their trees and bushes in compliance with PVC's Rules and Regulations. That growth remaining will be removed to prevent these plantings from encroaching on other plots both above and below ground. All flowers must be within 12 inches of each lot monument and no wires are permitted. Copies of the Rules and Regulations are available at the Town Clerk's office and on the website.

We enjoy seeing the growing number of people who utilize the grounds for exercise. Please remember to clean up after your dogs! The cemetery is closed to unauthorized vehicles from November to May. This is to prevent damage to the grounds and water lines. Pedestrian access remains available.

Much effort goes into keeping grounds the size of Pleasant View Cemetery in such beautiful condition. There is always behind the scenes work that has to be done. Anyone interested in joining these efforts is encouraged to contact the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Joie Marshall, President  
Lee Sturtevant, Vice President  
Gloria Wing, Secretary/Treasurer

## PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

	Budget 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023
<b>REVENUE:</b>				
Burial Fees	\$ 200	\$ 350.00	\$ 500	\$ 500
Vault Fees	400	-	200	-
Sale of Lots/Corner Stones	3,000	4,210.00	1,300	2,500
Transfer from Endowment	17,200	20,000.00	21,000	23,500
Appropriation - Town	16,000	16,000.00	20,000	20,000
Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 36,800</b>	<b>\$ 40,560.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,000</b>	<b>\$ 46,500</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
Gross Wages	\$ 22,360	\$ 23,490.00	\$ 23,440	\$ 24,760
Employer Taxes: Fica/Medi	1,800	1,797.05	1,800	1,900
Employer Taxes: Unemployment	2,000	1,154.31	1,500	1,580
Workers Comp Insurance	2,000	1,492.50	1,600	1,500
Fuel	1,000	487.19	600	600
Small Equipment	3,000	1,195.24	500	500
Equipment Repairs & Maint.	1,000	2,490.97	1,000	1,000
Capital Equipment	-	-	6,000	6,000
Other Purchased Services	-	-	-	500
Cemetery Upkeep	340	163.87	100	200
Utilities	350	490.51	500	500
Hydrant Repair	-	-	-	500
Tree Removal	2,000	3,000.00	5,000	5,000
Office Expense	150	34.48	160	150

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	<b>Budget 2020-2021</b>	<b>Actual 2020-2021</b>	<b>Budget 2021-2022</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2022-2023</b>
Miscellaneous	800	1,859.00	800	1,810
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 36,800</b>	<b>\$ 37,655.12</b>	<b>\$ 43,000</b>	<b>\$ 46,500</b>

### MORRISTOWN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

2021 gave us lots to tackle, and proved to be a challenging year as we worked on “moving” gravestones, correcting improperly placed markers, and dealing with cornerstone shortages, just to name a few.

But on the positive side, trees were removed or trimmed, brush cleared, new forms are being created or old ones being revised to improve the flow of information for the new records program at the Town Clerk's office. The Town Administrator and Town Clerk were given a tour of all our cemeteries so they have a better idea of the situations we are discussing.

Other problems we will be working on have to do with the appearance of lots. Some lots are in violation of the “One Foot Rule”. Our Rules and Regulations require that plantings and decorations must be placed within one foot of the monument and cannot interfere with the mowing process. Unsightly lots with dead plantings and broken decorations or overly decorated will be tagged for cleanup. Seasonal decorations should be removed in a timely manner.

Some projects we had hoped to complete this summer did not get finished and will be a priority for 2022. Spaulding Property Management was able to remove the old fence on the back side of Mountain View and remove unwanted shrubs and weeds on two sides. New fencing will be installed on the south side and the old fence repaired on the east side next summer. More picket fences will be installed at Randolph Cemetery to separate the burial area from a wooded area. If we can find a matching rail fence we will repair an area of fence at Laporte.

Any work done in an MCA cemetery must have prior approval. A signed Interment Order must be obtained for all burials, full or cremation. The form contains names of the deceased, the lot owner and exact location of the burial. Following the burial, this form, along with either the Burial-Transit Permit or Certificate of Cremation and a cemetery maintenance fee are to be forwarded to the Town Clerk's office for recording. This form should be completed by the funeral director and approved by an MCA representative prior to the burial.

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Prior to the placement of any type of monument or marker, a signed Work Order must be obtained. This form will verify the lot owner and location, type of marker, company doing the work, and proof of insurance. It will be signed by an MCA representative before work begins.



Our membership remains the same but some duties have been reassigned. Due to new requirements at her “real” job, Secretary Jane Paine has asked for assistance. Hopefully the Town will supply someone to take and transcribe minutes of meetings. Lorinda Smith has assumed the duties of Endowment Secretary and Cherie Lefevre is now Trustee to the Executive Board. Dennis Smith remains President and Anne Shackett is Vice President. Brian Kellogg is our Liaison to the Select Board. Irene Wilkins supplies us with experience and knowledge that us youngsters are still learning.

We have started working with the Town Office to develop a web page. This will give us an opportunity to post Rules and Regulations, By-Laws, officer contact information, information and pictures of the individual cemeteries and much more. It will be linked to the Town of Morristown page at [www.morristownvt.org/cemeteries](http://www.morristownvt.org/cemeteries).

We want to be sure to thank Spaulding Property Management for the fine maintenance of our cemeteries and for making themselves available for extra projects when needed.

For information on purchasing lots in Lakeside, Mountain View, Plains, Randolph or Wheeler cemeteries, contact Dennis Smith, (802) 888-3281.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Smith, President

## **ALEXANDER HAMILTON COPLEY TRUST FUND**

The Alexander Hamilton Copley Fund was established as a trust by Copley in his will in March 1937. The net income only of the charitable trust fund is to be used.

### **Criteria**

- Used for creating works of public utility and beauty for the use and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the Village of Morrisville in the Town of Morristown.
- Confined to localities within the area of said Village or to purposes specifically benefiting its residents.
- No part shall be used for a religious, political, educational, or any purpose which it is the duty of the Village or Town to provide.
- No part of income shall be mingled with other funds or applied to joint undertakings but that each work established shall be separate and distinct.

### **Terms/Conditions**

- Income shall not be anticipated or pledged beyond the amount initially in hand.
- Said income may be accumulated for any purpose within the scope of the gift.
- Successive accumulations may be applied to the same object.
- Any work(s) established from the Fund may be improved, extended, enlarged or added to from time to time.
- Current expense of their care and maintenance shall be borne by said Town.
- Each work shall always bear in a conspicuous place a suitable inscription identifying it as erected or established from the Fund.
- No substantial expenditure shall be made for any purpose until it has been under consideration by the Trustees for at least three months.
- Priority shall be given to works of important, civic improvement; use of funds for small, comparatively unimportant needs is contrary to Copley's intent.
- Accumulation of income over a period of time is allowed in order to fund important works.



## ALEXANDER HAMILTON COPLEY TRUST FUND

<b>Beginning Balance as of 12/31/2020</b>		
Trust Acct	\$ 1,932,907.24	
Income Acct	107,009.01	
<b>Total Account Balance @ Fair Market Value</b>		<b>\$ 2,039,916.25</b>
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>		
Income (Dividends/Interest)	\$ 30,894.45	
<b>Cash Disbursements</b>		
Expenses (Fees/Accounting)	\$ (14,535.68)	
Expenses (Projects - refunds)	(143,821.60)	
	\$ (158,357.28)	
<b>Other Activity</b>		
Net Change in Account Activity & Market Value	\$ 174,356.41	
<b>Ending Balance as of 12/31/2021</b>		
Trust Acct	\$ 2,079,822.06	
Income Acct	6,987.77	
<b>Total Account Balance @ 12/31/21 @ FMV</b>		<b>\$ 2,086,809.83</b>
The Trustee's have copies of the complete Will and Codicil available for inspection by any voter. Paragraph "Eleventh" of the Will and Codicil are printed in the News & Citizen immediately following this report as required by the terms of the Will. We certify that we have caused said trust to be audited, have verified the items above, and that such account is true and correct.		

Bob Beeman, Chair w/s  
 Brian Kellogg w/s  
 Richard Sargent w/s

Gary Nolan, Vice Chair w/s  
 Judy Bickford w/s

Jessica Graham w/s  
 Gloria Wing w/s

Subscribed and sworn to before this 24th day of January 2022. Sara Allyn Haskins  
 Sara Allyn Haskins, Notary Public (Expires 1/31/2023 - Commission #0001070)

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## MORRISTOWN LISTERS' OFFICE

### **Grand List 2021**

The 2021 Grand List total as of December 31, 2021 is \$661,430,805. This is a 1.46% increase over the 2020 Grand List. This change is due to new construction and commercial activity from April 1, 2020 to April 1, 2021.

### **Comparisons in Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)**

The Common Level of Appraisal is essentially a measure of how close a town or city's local appraisal is to fair market value.

2020	2021	2022
99.62 %	94.39%	86.01%

### **Comparisons in Coefficient of Dispersion (COD)**

The COD is a measure of uniformity of appraisals for all properties on the grant list. Zero is a perfect score as a coefficient of dispersion. It indicates absolute fairness insofar as every taxpayer is appraised at the same percentage (fair market value). The higher the number, the greater the disparity is how properties are assessed in that town.

2020	2021	2022
15.67%	14.36%	16.76%

### **Current Use Program**

The 2021 Grant List has 144 parcels enrolled in the Current Use Program. There are 13,975.61 acres enrolled in the program. These enrolled acres represent an exempt reduction to the Grand List in the amount of \$35,027,260.200.

The Listers year started with asking for reappraisal bids and receiving two. The Listers recommended, and the Selectboard approved, the bid of \$257,040 submitted by NEMRC, New England Municipal Resource Center. The Listers are well acquainted with NEMRC as they are a Vermont firm and we use their services to build our grand list. The total cost is within the amount of the town's reappraisal fund. The reappraisal will be done with no additional cost to the town. The reappraisal started in late August with a completion date



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for our grand list of April 2023. For more information on the reappraisal, please see the Lister's page on the Morristown website. The reappraisal timing is perfect as the sale of properties this year has been well above the assessed value.

Our assessor, Terri, has again, recorded all new builds and changes to our grand list. Inspections this year, again, were limited to outside measurements and discussion with the owners. Change of appraisal notices were mailed in June. All grievances were resolved without any hearings.

At town meeting in March 2018 a floor vote to discontinue the personal property tax over four years was approved. The tax year of 2021/ 2022 saw the last billing for Personal Property.

There was a modest increase in the grand list for the year.

At the 2021 town meeting, Duane Sprague was elected to a three term, Charlie Burnham and Brian Yeaton made up the three person board. Abbie Griggs, Listing Coordinator and Terri Sabens, Assessor, make up the office personnel.

Respectfully submitted,

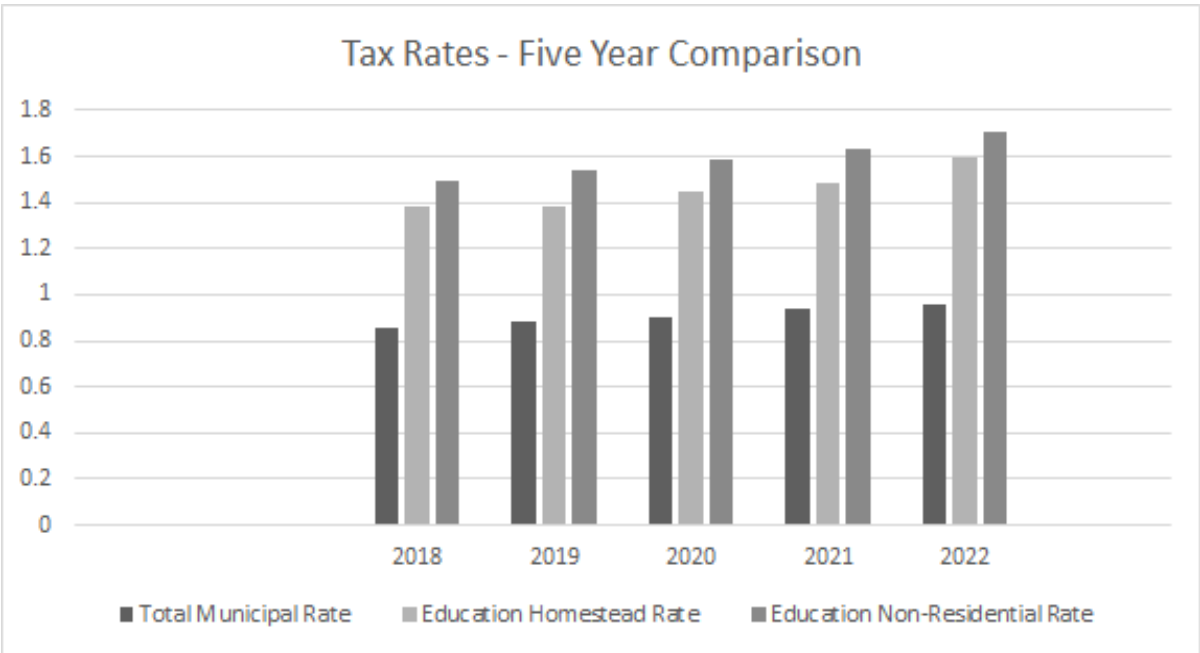
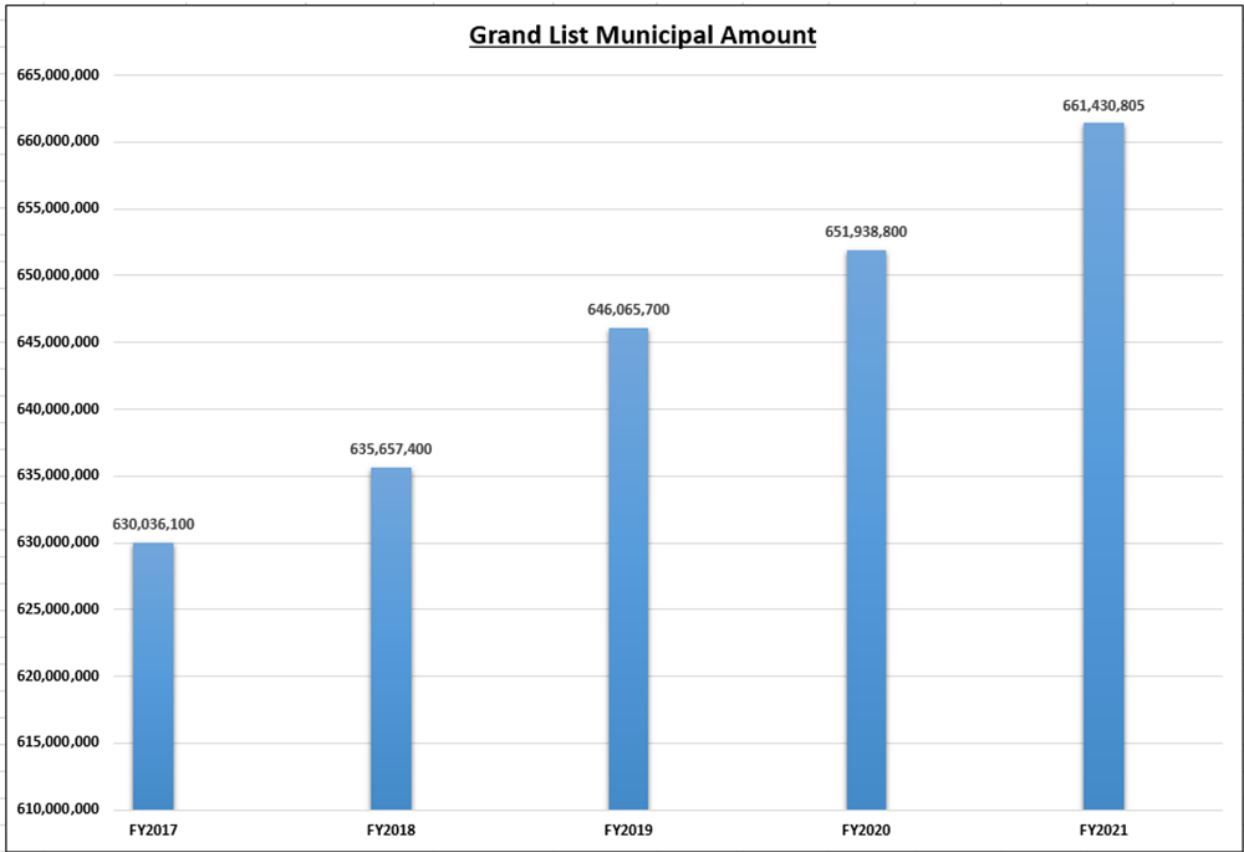
Duane Sprague, Lister  
Charles Burnham, Lister  
Brian Yeaton, Lister

Abbie Griggs, Lister Coordinator  
Terri Sabens, Assessor



*Dog Sled Racing by Ronald Kelley*

GRAND LIST - FIVE YEAR COMPARISON



## TAX RATE - FIVE YEAR COMPARISON

MUNICIPAL					
FISCAL YEAR	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Municipal	\$ 0.5243	\$ 0.5857	\$ 0.5844	\$ 0.5939	\$ 0.5486
Highway	\$ 0.3283	\$ 0.2949	\$ 0.3202	\$ 0.3410	\$ 0.4042
Local Agreement	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0015	\$ 0.0017	\$ 0.0020	\$ 0.0023
<b>Total Municipal Rate</b>	<b>\$ 0.8541</b>	<b>\$ 0.8821</b>	<b>\$ 0.9063</b>	<b>\$ 0.9369</b>	<b>\$ 0.9551</b>
EDUCATION					
FISCAL YEAR	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Education Homestead	\$ 1.3819	\$ 1.3797	\$ 1.4479	\$ 1.4887	\$ 1.5944
Education Non-Residential	\$ 1.4979	\$ 1.5407	\$ 1.5864	\$ 1.6342	\$ 1.7078
COMBINED MUNICIPAL & EDUCATION					
FISCAL YEAR	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Homestead	\$ 2.2360	\$ 2.2618	\$ 2.3542	\$ 2.4256	\$ 2.5495
Non-Residential	\$ 2.3520	\$ 2.4228	\$ 2.4927	\$ 2.5711	\$ 2.6629

## STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED

FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2020- JUNE 30, 2021			
Calculated Taxes			
Category	Grand List Value at 1%	Tax Rate	Tax Revenue
Municipal: Original	\$6,523,006.57	\$0.9369	\$6,111,404.86
Education: Homestead	\$3,187,746.00	\$1.4887	\$4,745,597.47
Education: Non-Residential	\$3,272,477.40	\$1.6342	\$5,347,882.57
Taxes Calculated per Grand List			\$16,204,884.90
Decimal Rounding			\$ (12.98)
Taxes to be Collected as of 9/21/2020			\$16,204,871.92
Adjustments			
Adjustments			\$11,662.93
History Additions			\$2,090.30
Eliminate Credits			\$ -
Abatements: BCA voted			\$(15.04)
Credits: Applied from Previous Tax Years			\$(103,753.05)
<b>Total Taxes Billed as of 6/30/2021</b>			<b>\$16,114,857.06</b>
Reconciled Taxes			
Collected			\$15,989,428.34
Delinquent			\$125,428.72
<b>Taxes Reconciled as of 6/30/2021</b>			<b>\$16,114,857.06</b>

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## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS REPORT

The current Grammar School Savings Account held by the Trustee of Public Funds for the Town of Morristown has a principal basis of \$1619.97. This amount was forwarded to the Trustee of Public Funds as a result of the sale of the Lamoille Grammar School in 1984. Act No. M-10 was enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont instructing the Lamoille Grammar School to be sold and the proceeds be forwarded to the Trustee of Public Funds in the towns in which the grammar school's lease lands were located. All funds distributed must be held and invested by the Trustee of Public Funds for the support of the Town School District.

The 2021 total invested for the school district in a Certificate of Deposit at the Union Bank is \$3,842.46.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Norder  
Sara Allyn Haskins  
Mitzi Fleming



*Photo by Paul Cavaretta*

## NOTICE TO MORRISTOWN PROPERTY TAXPAYERS

**Tax Year: July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022**

### **INSTALLMENT DATES:**

Due dates, deadlines to pay, interest and penalty fees are all voted on at the Annual Town Meeting. ONE BILL will be sent at least 30 days prior to the first due date. This is the only bill you will receive and also includes applicable Village taxes. You will NOT receive a notice of payment due for the final installment. This bill includes two installment coupons attached to the bottom and you may pay it in full or in installments as follows:

- FIRST installment due and payable at the Town Office by 4:00 PM on November 15, 2021
- FINAL installment due and payable at the Town Office by 4:00 PM on May 16, 2022

Any installment not paid on or before the close of business at 4:00 PM on the due date will be subject to interest on the unpaid principal at the rate of 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% thereafter per 32 V.S.A. §4873. An 8% penalty on the unpaid principal will be charged if payment is not received in full on or before the close of business at 4:00 PM on the final installment due date as provided by 32 V.S.A. §5136.

You can pay property taxes more frequently than the two installments. Our system is capable of receiving tax payments weekly, monthly, quarterly or whatever way accommodates your budget, as long as the taxes are paid in full by the due dates.

### **PAYMENTS:**

Postdated checks or other checks not meeting the requirements will be returned and penalties will be added if applicable. All checks returned by the bank for any reason will cause the payment and receipt to be voided and delinquent penalties will be added.

The Town of Morristown offers various options for paying your property tax bill:

- In person: Personally pay your taxes during office hours or leave payments in the 24 hour drop box located at the right of the front door. Payments left in the drop box after 4:00 PM on the due date are considered late and interest and/or penalty will be applied.
- Mail: Mail currently dated checks or money orders, made payable to the Town of Morristown, to PO Box 748, Morrisville, VT 05661-0748. Payments mailed from foreign countries may be paid by check but must be payable in US dollars. Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be considered timely. For receipts you must send the installment coupon of the tax bill and a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- Direct debit: Complete the enclosed agreement form to have your tax payment automatically debited from your checking or savings account and return it to the Treasurer's office no later than two weeks prior to the installment date for your payment to be automatically deducted for your tax installment. A new agreement is NOT needed every year; it will be valid until canceled by you in writing.



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- Credit/debit card: For your convenience you can pay your property tax bill by credit or debit card; however additional convenience fees will be applied by the card company. Pay online at: [https://swp.paymentgateway.net/co/default.aspx?pg\\_api\\_login\\_id=nbtqN4qwgs](https://swp.paymentgateway.net/co/default.aspx?pg_api_login_id=nbtqN4qwgs) or contact the Treasurer's office at (802) 888-6370 for more information.
- Electronically: Electronic bank checks and ACH deposits must be received in the office by 4:00 PM on the due date. Electronic checks dated for the due date, but received after the due date will not be considered a timely payment. Please check with your bank for availability and payment schedules.

### **PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:**

By law, taxes are levied on property as it exists for the owner of record on April 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the start of the tax year. Tax bills are mailed to the April 1<sup>st</sup> owner of record to the address on file with the Lister's Office.

- If your property is sold after April 1<sup>st</sup> it is your responsibility to forward the tax bill to the new owner and the new owner's responsibility to take notice of the due dates. This office does not know what arrangements have been made regarding who is to pay the taxes at the time of transfer.
- If your property is subdivided after April 1<sup>st</sup> your bill contains taxes due on the entire parcel. It is your responsibility to make sure the entire tax bill is paid in full for the year. You must contact your attorney for prorated taxes or funds being held in escrow on the sale and division of the property.
- If your taxes are held in escrow by a mortgage company you are responsible for providing your escrow company with all the current information included on your property tax bill. If you receive a revised tax bill for any reason it is also your responsibility to inform your escrow company of changes made to your property tax account.
- You must notify the Town of any mailing address changes at (802) 888-6370 or [mflaming@morristownvt.org](mailto:mflaming@morristownvt.org).
- FAILURE TO RECEIVE A TAX BILL DOES NOT RELIEVE THE TAXPAYER OF RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY THE TAXES WHEN DUE NOR DOES IT RELIEVE THE ADDITION OF PENALTIES AND INTEREST.
- Property owners who qualify and have timely filed their annual Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes may see a property tax adjustment in the form of a credit on their tax bill. The Town is required to apply the credit equally to each installment for the current year and cannot be used for delinquent taxes.

### **OVERPAYMENTS:**

*First installment:* over payments of any amount will be applied to the next property tax installment unless a refund is requested in writing by the property owner or the source of the original funds (Bank or Mortgage Company).

- *Final installment:* over payments less than \$10.00 will be credited towards the next installment of the next tax year; overpayments over \$10.00 will be returned to

whom we received the overpayment unless directed differently in writing by the property owner.

*See the notice printed on the back of your tax bill for more important information provided by the Vermont Department of Taxes.*

### **ABATEMENT**

Each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes to the Board of Abatement of the Town of Morristown under Title 24 V.S.A., § 1535.

(a) The board may abate in whole or part taxes, interest, and collection fees, other than those arising out of a corrected classification of homestead or nonresidential property, accruing to the town in the following cases:

- (1) taxes of persons who have died insolvent;
- (2) taxes of persons who have removed from the state;
- (3) taxes of persons who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, and collection fees;
- (4) taxes in which there is manifest error or a mistake of the listers;
- (5) taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year;
- (6) the exemption amount available under 32 V.S.A. § 3802(11) - Veterans Exemption - to persons otherwise eligible for exemption who file a claim on or after May 1 but before October 1 due to the claimant's sickness or disability or other good cause as determined by the board of abatement; but that exemption amount shall be reduced by 20 percent of the total exemption for each month or portion of a month the claim is late filed.
- (7), (8) [Repealed.]
- (9) taxes upon a mobile home moved from the town during the tax year as a result of a change in use of the mobile home park land or parts thereof, or closure of the mobile home park in which the mobile home was sited, pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6237.

If you believe that you qualify for abatement, immediately contact the Town Clerk at (802) 888-6370 to request a hearing before the board. At the hearing, you will be required to provide documentation to support your request. Abatement requests must be renewed annually.



## **DELINQUENT TAX POLICY**

The Town of Morristown follows a consistent policy of collecting delinquent Town, Village and School District taxes. The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines so that all delinquent taxpayers will be treated fairly, will know what to expect and to avoid claims that the town is acting arbitrarily. It is in the best interest of the Town and its residents that property taxes are paid when due. Provisions of Vermont Statutes will be adhered to in order to ensure that the delinquent taxpayer is afforded the necessary “due process”.

- The Town Treasurer will issue to the Delinquent Tax Collector a warrant for collection of all delinquent property tax accounts that are not paid in full by the final installment due date as voted upon at the Annual Town Meeting by the registered Morristown voters.
- As soon as the warrant has been received, and each month afterwards for ninety (90) days, the Delinquent Tax Collector will send a notice to each delinquent taxpayer indicating the amount of taxes, penalty and interest owed.
- Delinquent taxes shall be assessed a one time penalty of 8% of the principal balance due.
- Interest continues to accrue per installment at a rate of 1% per month for the first 3 months, increasing to 1.5% per month thereafter from the due dates until the total balance is paid in full.
- Partial payments will be applied first to the interest due in full, and the remainder will be divided proportionally between the principal, collection and penalty amounts due.
- Certified notices will be mailed after the close of business on July 15<sup>th</sup> and associated mailing costs will be charged to delinquent taxpayers. This is the LAST NOTICE that will be sent from the Delinquent Tax Collector.
- If the final deadline has passed and payment has not been received in full, the Delinquent Tax Collector will proceed with a tax sale according to the procedures specified in Title 32 V.S.A. § 5252. Once delinquent taxes have been turned over for collection all payments must be made directly to the delinquent tax attorney.
- Statutory collection costs of preparing and conducting the tax sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer and must be paid in order to consider the tax liability no longer delinquent. (Title 32 V.S.A. § 5258)
- The Morristown Selectboard may appoint a tax sale agent to submit a bid that is equal to delinquent taxes, interest, penalty and costs.
- In the event that no one purchases the property at tax sale, or if, in the judgment of the Delinquent Tax Collector, proceeding with the tax sale is inadvisable, the Delinquent Tax Collector shall collect the delinquent taxes using any or all of the methods permitted by law.
- Each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes based on any of the grounds listed in 24 V.S.A. § 1535.

This policy may be amended at any time by the Selectboard and/or the Delinquent Tax Collector of the Town of Morristown, Vermont as provided by law.

## TOWN DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Period Ending	Beginning balance as of July 1, 2020	Collected	Abated	Uncollected balance as of June 30, 2021
2016-2017	\$39.18		\$39.18	\$-
2017-2018	\$666.88	\$471.02	\$40.64	\$155.22
2018-2019	\$5,958.46	\$4,951.94		\$1,006.52
2018-2019S	\$73.62	\$73.62	\$15.51	\$-
2019-2020	\$288,902.89	\$287,769.06	\$0.84	\$1,118.32
2020-2021**	\$432,086.95	\$306,657.39	\$96.17	\$125,428.72
	\$727,727.98	\$599,923.03	\$96.17	\$127,708.78

**\*\*Beginning balance as of May 18, 2021**

## DELINQUENT TAX REPORT - 5 YEAR HISTORY

**Total delinquency on June 30 of each year**

Year	Amount
<b>2017</b>	<b>\$ 142,716.22</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>\$ 133,307.87</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>\$ 165,173.80</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>\$ 295,641.03 **</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>\$ 127,708.78</b>
<b>** May 15, 2020 deadline was extended 90 days to August 13, 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.</b>	

## TOWN CLERK & TREASURER

Although the COVID-19 pandemic forced us to temporarily close the doors to the public during most of 2020 and through the first half of 2021, we remained onsite to conduct town business and assist our citizens remotely with the many services we provide. While our doors were closed to the public we took the opportunity to make modifications to our office space to assure better safety and social distancing. You would think having the office doors closed to the public would have meant things would have been quieter, however what we experienced was the exact opposite with an increase in phone calls, emails and mailings while learning the ever changing laws and recommendations to keep ourselves and our citizens safe during the state of emergency. We are very happy to be open to the public once again as we missed seeing our community members in person. Although we are open again we do continue to offer most of our services remotely and have a new larger 24 hour drop box in front of the building for your convenience. Additionally we made numerous updates to our webpage during the past year with more online services and encourage you to visit it.

Due to the state of emergency issued by the Governor, dog licenses were automatically valid thru September 15, 2021 but this grace period has now ended. All dogs or wolf-hybrids six months of age and older must be licensed annually by April 1<sup>st</sup>. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be presented to the Town Clerk's Office before obtaining a license. In January 2020 we implemented a new dog licensing software. This cloud based software system allows for 24-7 access to our dog license data for our emergency responders and health officer.

<b><i>Service provided</i></b>	<b><i>2017</i></b>	<b><i>2018</i></b>	<b><i>2019</i></b>	<b><i>2020</i></b>	<b><i>2021</i></b>
DMV renewals	247	273	229	34	70
Documents notarized	360	312	351	154	167
Dog Licenses	631	629	652	538	511
Land Postings	12	13	19	18	14
Liquor licenses	40	43	42	50	55

In October 2020 we obtained Cemsites a cemetery management software program to use as a more modern data management tool. We are in the process of having cemetery data from various sources migrated into the one database. Once it is complete, we hope to provide an online search site for people to access cemetery information.

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<b><i>Vital Records</i></b>	<b><i>2017</i></b>	<b><i>2018</i></b>	<b><i>2019</i></b>	<b><i>2020</i></b>	<b><i>2021</i></b>
Births at Copley Hospital	195	181	184	150	152
Births of residents at other hospitals	13	16	22	21	26
Civil marriages	40	37	23	36	33
Deaths	118	119	117	137	115
Sale of certified records	1235	1196	1160	1170	982
Cemetery deeds	11	10	2	12	14

Since June 2020 we have been using Kofile software to record, digitize and preserve our land records. In December 2020 we obtained a Cares grant to have all zoning permits digitized and uploaded into our land record system. We are also in the process of working with Kofile to get additional land records digitized and uploaded onto the system along with working on back filing of PTTRs projects in house.

<b><i>Documents recorded</i></b>	<b><i>2017</i></b>	<b><i>2018</i></b>	<b><i>2019</i></b>	<b><i>2020</i></b>	<b><i>2021</i></b>
Land record pages	5256	5037	5052	5872	6970
Property transfer tax returns	232	238	254	281	332
Survey maps	27	41	34	33	49

In November 2021 an archivist from the Vermont State Archives & Records Administration visited the town offices for a site visit where she received a tour of the records storage areas and discussed current challenges and goals for the future, including space and climate control. The report showed that we are doing great work to preserve the permanent public records of the town and outlined additional steps and several areas that should be addressed to strengthen efforts.

During the 2021 calendar year our office registered 307 new voters and managed 4 elections. 2021 was once again an election year like no other with record breaking turnout at the polls. In response to the restrictions posed by COVID-19 on large group gatherings, the Vermont Legislature passed Act 162, which allowed municipalities to apply the Australian ballot system to any or all of its municipal meetings held in the year 2021 by vote of its legislative body. Due to that both the Morristown Selectboard & the LSUU School District board voted to use the Australian ballot system for the 2021 Annual Meetings and to mail all active registered voters their ballots. In December 2021 the Town had a special

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election to vote on the ratification of the withdrawal of the Town of Stowe from the LSUU, cannabis retail & integrated licensee operations in town and ATV use on some town highways. Once again the Selectboard voted to mail all active voters their ballots and both the Annual Town Meeting & Special Election were held at the VFW to accommodate social distancing for in person voting. We offer a heartfelt thank you to our Board of Civil Authority members and volunteers for their assistance as we could not have done it without them!

The past legislative session brought with it many new changes to election laws. One of the biggest upcoming changes goes into effect in the fall when the State will be automatically mailing all active voters their 2022 General Election ballots. Please note that for all other elections voters will still need to personally request their early/absentee ballots. Another change that took effect in July 2021 is that voters now have the opportunity to cure their defective absentee ballots.

<b><i>Election Turn out</i></b>					
<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Description</i></b>	<b><i>#Voters</i></b>	<b><i>#Voted</i></b>	<b><i>#Absentee</i></b>	<b><i>%Voted</i></b>
March 2, 2021	Annual LSUU: Australian Ballot	4122	1471	1334	35.69%
March 2, 2021	Annual Town: Australian Ballot	4122	1458	1326	35.37%
August 30, 2021	Annual Village: Floor Meeting	1569	43	NA	2.74%
December 7, 2021	Special Town Meeting	4130	1801	1644	43.61%

Continued education is required for us to stay current on the constantly changing State statutes causing shifts in our job requirements. In 2021 we increased the number of County Clerks & Treasurers meetings to every other month with the ease of being able to host them remotely via zoom. I continue to fill the role of Vice Chair-Program Director, held since 2014. At the 2021 Annual Vermont Clerks and Treasurers Association (VMCTA) conference I was awarded the 2021 VMCTA Award of Appreciation for demonstration and commitment to the betterment of the VMCTA and making a significant contribution to the VMCTA for uniting members as the list serve coordinator since 2016. I was additionally voted onto the VMCTA Executive Board. The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual New England Association of City & Town Clerk Conference was held in November 2021 in Stowe, VT and I served as the conference registration chair. In December 2021 I earned my Athenian Fellowship. The Athenian Leadership Fellowship is an International Academy to recognize and honor Municipal Clerks who seek personal and professional improvement as an Athenian Leader.

I cannot thank Mitzi Fleming and Elizabeth Chase enough for their commitment and dedication to our community. Elizabeth is the first smiling face you see when you come in or the friendly voice you hear on the phone when you call the office. She is our leader in issuing dog licenses, certified vital records and helps with the registration of voters and the management of the voter checklist. She is always eager to help assist you. Mitzi manages all our daily land record recording.



*Elizabeth Chase, Sara Haskins and Mitzi Fleming*

The pandemic brought a large increase in the volume of daily recording as interest rates were lower, in addition to the increase of zoning permits and the number of people transferring properties. She is also the key person for tax administration. Changes in the past couple of years at the State level have caused the need to process more revised tax bills than in the past due to extended homestead filing and state payment deadlines. Mitzi also oversees the Australian ballot portion of the annual town meeting while I am running the floor portion. Their knowledge and service to our Town is immeasurable and I am grateful to have two wonderful Assistants to work alongside me.

Although the pandemic has brought many changes to the world and how business is done it has not changed the role of the Town Clerk or Treasurer and our commitment to serve our citizens. We cannot thank you enough for your patience and understanding as we continue to try to provide the best level of customer service during these challenging times. We are looking forward to continuing to serve you in whatever capacity it may be during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Allyn Haskins  
Town Clerk & Treasurer



### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR/SELECTBOARD

Your Selectboard works on a wide variety of issues throughout the year. Many topics come up as a matter of routine process, such as liquor license renewals, confirming highway mileage for the purpose of obtaining state aid for roads, and the largest task of bringing you a fiscally responsible budget. This year more than others, this task has been a significant challenge.

Since last Town Meeting, the Board hired the New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC) to conduct a three-year reappraisal. It has been over fifteen years since our last one.



The Selectboard serves as members of the Copley Trust Fund Board of Trustees, along with Gloria Wing and Richard Sargent. In the last year, the Copley Trust has supported an upgrade of the kitchen at the Copley Country Club, an upgrade of the kitchen at the Lamoille Civic Center, and bringing the Grout Observatory back to life.

The voters supported a proposal to appropriate funds to the maintenance of the Noyes House Museum. This year, significant structural work was completed to support the four chimneys to ensure an extension of their life. A refurbishment of the plaster walls is planned for the upcoming construction season.

Eric's selection as Town Administrator created a vacancy on the Selectboard and Jessica Graham was appointed to the position until Town Meeting. Jessica was one of a well-qualified group of interested residents that sought to join the Board.

It's fair to say ATVs were the subject of many discussions and debates. In the end, it was a topic which was resolved through democracy in action. A final tally of the votes clearly showed a lack of support for ATVs operating on our town highways. The Selectboard gave their word from the beginning they would follow the will of the voters, even though the issue was presented as a non-binding resolution.

One of the most troublesome items the Selectboard had to address was the cancellation of the summer recreation program for a second year in a row. This year's budget request includes funding for a Recreation Director position and funding to support the summer recreation program. The Selectboard is hopeful the program will resume and continue to grow in content to further support the youth of our community.

A hole appeared in the decking of the bridge located on Walton Rd., at the intersection of Cole Hill Road and a temporary fix of the bridge was performed by local contractor, Blow &

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Cote. Analysis by a local engineering firm and a review of the structure by the state, identified significant structural deficiencies. The bridge would need to be replaced in the very near future or a degradation of its weight-carrying capabilities or possibly even full closure, will need to happen until it is. The Selectboard has presented a funding article for the voters to consider relative to this bridge.

The Garfield Rd. received much needed attention during the 2021 summer construction season. The Highway Department, along with local contractor Jerry Audy, replaced thirteen culverts in preparation for a complete grinding and resurfacing of the 1.25 mile section of road. Approximately \$30,000 from the VTrans Grant-In-Aid program was used to help pay for the culverts and the stone for armoring the ditches. The Selectboard has presented an article for voter consideration this year to assist with the cost of the new pavement.

The Oxbow Park continues to grow in popularity. With an appropriation from the voters, the Oxbow Park bathrooms were constructed and opened for public use. Local contractor, Donnie Blake, was selected to build the structure. The bathrooms are open three seasons of the year.

This year saw the continuation of the Act 250 process for renewing the permit to operate your gravel pit on Duhamel Rd. A hearing was last held in early December, during which many of the significant challenges were addressed and resolved. With a few items still left to be worked out the Selectboard is optimistic the permit will be issued in the near future. This will allow the Board to reduce the cost of purchased materials and shift to utilizing our own resources at a savings to us all.

As of this writing the Selectboard is in the final stages of approving the updated Ten-Year Town Plan. This guiding document is a product of three years of public meetings held by our Planning Council which helps to provide vision for the continued growth of our town.

The Selectboard has seen the retirement of two long-time employees of Morristown. Chief Richard Keith of the police department, and Doug Wallace of the highway department. Both men have contributed to the positive growth of our community. The Selectboard wishes them both a fond farewell with many thanks for a job well done.

The Selectboard acknowledges they could not do their important work without the continued dedication of the town employees. Every department within our town government is loaded with professional and devoted managers and staff. You all have our gratitude and heartfelt thanks for the work you do. Your efforts in support of our community have contributed to its safety, its beauty, and its quality of life.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Dodge  
Town Administrator



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## MORRISTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Morristown Police Department had a busy year responding to 4105 calls for service in 2021. Below is a breakdown of the top ten types of calls we have responded to.

Suspicious Events	508	Accidents	183
Traffic Stops	496	Citizen Disputes	162
Motor Vehicle Complaints	296	Assist Public	148
Agency Assist	224	Foot Patrol	109
Alarms	210	Welfare	87

This past year, we continued to adjust to the ever changing world revolving around COVID-19. Our officers have navigated the difficulties of the pandemic, as they continue to serve the community and respond to calls for service.

COVID-19 did not dramatically affect the volume of calls for service from the PD, however the staffing vacancies found more officers working on shift alone, this resulted in fewer traffic stops performed, and fewer traffic related arrests. Overall, 150 arrests were made this past year compared to 234 in 2020. We continue to see an increase in mental health related calls, responding to 182 mental health related calls this year. Mental Health calls for service can be time consuming, and it's not uncommon for an officer to spend several hours on a single incident ensuring the proper social service organizations are contacted and assistance is provided to individuals in crisis.

The opiate epidemic in our area continues to surge. The Morristown Police Department investigated 5 fatal opiate overdose deaths this year. Officers administered the life saving drug Narcan 19 times, as opposed to 12 times in 2020.

The Morristown Police Department continues to be part of the Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit, which investigates allegations related to physical and sexual violence against children and adults. Morristown Police Detectives, along with our neighboring law enforcement partners, participated in 95 Incidents during fiscal year 2021 within Lamoille County.

Over the past year we, like many local employers, have faced staffing vacancies. We have had several officers transfer to part time status or leave the department to pursue careers outside of law enforcement. We would like to thank Scott McCullough, Peter Hughes and Nathan Wolfe for their service as full time patrol officers and wish them the best in their new careers.

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In March we hired Brian Tomlinson, who is new to law enforcement and completed the Vermont Full Time basic police academy in September. Officer Tomlinson has completed his field training and is responding to calls for service already.

In August we hired Christopher Tetreault, who comes to us with years of experience as a K9 officer working at The Hardwick Police Department and the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department. Officer Tetreault will fill the Detective position at the Morristown Police Department, and is assisting with his K9 partner Kubo for the time being.

In November, previously full time certified officers Cole Charbonneau and Lucas Marcoux were appointed and will begin their field training process. Both are expected to be up and running quickly, as they come with several years' experience, Officer Charbonneau from the Shelburne Police Department, and Officer L. Marcoux from the Hardwick Police Department.

We have been fortunate to find previously full time certified officers to fill positions as this cuts down on the training time for a new officer, which can take almost a full year between the basic police academy and the field training officer program. We are still seeking to fill two open positions at this time.

The biggest news to report is the retirement of our longtime Police Chief, Richard Keith. Chief Keith began his service to the department over 35 years ago in 1985 as a patrol officer. He was promoted to Police Chief 27 years ago in 1995. Chief Keith's steadfast dedication to the department and leadership over the years has guided the department, always striving for excellence, with our service to the local community. Chief Keith leaves his role as one of the longest serving current Police Chiefs in the state, with a distinguished reputation. His great service to our department and community will be missed.

In his place, I have been appointed as Interim Police Chief. I have served the department since 2007 and held many roles over my 14 years of service, including as a Detective with the Vermont Drug Task Force, K9 Officer with K9 Viper, Patrol Sergeant, and a Detective Sergeant.

In closing, I would like to commend the Morristown Police Officers for their continued commitment to their profession, and to thank them for a continued effort to keep our community safe. The Officers ensure that coverage is always provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week. On behalf of the Morristown Police Department, I would like to thank the Community and the Morristown Select board for their support and understanding. Thanks to all assisting agencies, local, county, state, and federal agencies for their support over the past year.

Respectfully,

Jason Luneau  
Interim Police Chief

## LAMOILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The Lamoille County Communications Center received 23,679 E911 calls the past year, which is up from the 18,948 in 2020. We dispatched 33,565 fire, EMS and police calls, which are itemized as follows:

Fire Agency	Total Calls	Ambulance Agency	Total Calls	Police Agency	Total Calls
Barre Town	214	Barre Town	4056	Barre Town	6109
Cambridge	171	Cambridge	454	Hardwick PD	2086
Elmore	45	Hardwick	798	LCSD	5907
Greensboro	39	Morristown	805	Morristown PD*	4105
Hardwick	67	NEMS	1424	Stowe PD	5505
Hyde Park	83	Stowe	860		
Johnson	120				
Morrisville	235				
North Hyde Park/Eden	56				
Stowe	382				
Wolcott	44				
<b>Total</b>	<b>1456</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8397</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>23712</b>

\* Total number of calls dispatched by LCSD & department's own part-time dispatch.

Even after significant efforts to minimize unnecessary contact between members of the community and our staff due to COVID concerns, the patrol department handled a total of 3,903 incidents in 2021, *down only 1%* from 2020. Routine traffic stops were down significantly from previous years, but calls for service in the community were up. Losing two deputies to neighboring municipal departments in 2021, our patrol force was reduced to only four deputies, one Lieutenant and one Detective. Fortunately, the department has two full time deputies scheduled to graduate from the Academy in February. This should return us to nearly full-staffed in patrol. We had an extremely productive year with drug related arrests. Our department, assisted by DEA task force members, seized over 8,500 bags of heroin/fentanyl, and nearly 1 ½ pounds of cocaine/crack. Some of these cases have

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resulted in Federal prosecution. LCSD will eventually receive a small percentage of the seized assets. Investigations related to sex crimes were up for the third consecutive year, particularly cases involving juveniles. These cases are very time consuming and sometimes take several months to complete the investigations. Drug overdose cases also continue to rise. We had nearly a dozen in 2021 with several that resulted in death. Below are just some of our incident totals:

<b>Nature of Call</b>	<b>Johnson</b>	<b>Hyde Park</b>	<b>Wolcott</b>
Traffic Accident	66	77	30
Burglary	9	2	0
Citizen Dispute/ Family Fight/ Domestic	147	39	21
DUI/ DLS	11	2	4
Motor Vehicle Complaint	377	298	198
Noise Disturbance	41	11	5
Sex Crimes	13	7	3
Drug Investigations	11	13	1
Theft	57	13	1
Traffic Tickets	100 Fine Amount \$19,358	88 Fine Amount \$16,226	68 Fine Amount \$7,980

Respectfully,

Roger M. Marcoux Jr.  
Lamoille County Sheriff

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## MORRISTOWN EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Morristown EMS Department is a combination department of paid career staff and well trained volunteer members, serving the residents of Morristown, and other surrounding communities in Lamoille County.

Starting as Morristown Rescue Squad, we began in 1974. Dr. Lewis Blowers and Copley Hospital's President, John Whitcomb, advised the Selectmen that there was a need for an ambulance service in Morristown. A squad was formed, trained, and the ambulance went into service at 6:00 am on June 2nd, 1975. Morristown Rescue/EMS has been able to provide continual service since that time.

Presently, we have seven volunteer members along with four full-time paid staff members, and six part time staff members, serving our communities. The areas covered are Morristown, Elmore, and part of Wolcott.

Membership is made up of Nationally Registered, Vermont licensed, EMR, EMT, Advanced EMT, and Paramedic certified staff. We staff two Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulances from our headquarters located across from Copley Hospital.

Again, much of our year was dominated by COVID-19. In addition to responding and protecting our staff on every call, our partnership with Waterbury Ambulance delivered vaccines to many Lamoille County residents this year, and we hosted several clinics in town.

For calendar year 2021, Morristown Rescue/EMS responded to a record 801 calls, making 582 patient transports. 679 calls were in the primary Morristown EMS coverage areas, and 122 calls were requests for mutual aid or paramedic intercept in support of our Lamoille County neighbors. MEMS received mutual aid 12 times.

### RUNS BY CITY NAME

Incident City Name (eScene.17)	Number of Runs	Percentage of Total Runs
Morrisville	637	79.5%
Lake Elmore	42	5.24%
Stowe	24	2.99%
Johnson	21	2.62%
Wolcott	18	2.25%
Hyde Park	22	2.74%
Eden	12	1.50%

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Incident City Name (eScene.17)	Number of Runs	Percentage of Total Runs
Hardwick	10	1.25%
North Wolcott	4	0.50%
Eden Mills	3	0.37%
Craftsbury	2	0.25%
Jeffersonville	2	0.25%
Cambridge	1	0.12%
East Craftsbury	1	0.12%
Greensboro	1	0.12%
Woodbury	1	0.12%
	<b>Total: 801</b>	<b>Total: 100.00%</b>

SOURCE: Vermont EMS SIREN Elite Reporting System

### AVERAGE RUN TIMES SUMMARY REPORT (TRANSPORTS)

Avg Unit Notified to Enroute in Minutes	Avg Unit Enroute to Arrived at Scene in Minutes	Avg Unit Arrived on Scene to Left Scene in Minutes	Avg Unit Left Scene to Arrived at Destination in Minutes	Avg Unit Arrived at Destination to Unit Back In Service in Minutes	Number of Runs
2.85	10.08	20.05	8.17	18.09	582

SOURCE: Vermont EMS SIREN Elite Reporting System

In 2021, MEMS welcomed the addition of long term volunteer paramedic Christopher Clement to our full time staff, and Advanced EMT Zach Legge to our part time staff.

MEMS Paramedic Christopher Clement and MEMS EMT Jason Tallman received Vermont EMS "Stars of Life" awards, along with three members of Morrisville Fire Department for actions that resuscitated a newborn baby. We congratulate Chris and Jason on representing themselves, our agency, and the town so well.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Mapes, NRP, I/C, CCTP  
EMS Chief

Corey Boisvert, NRAEMT  
Assistant EMS Chief

## MORRISTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Morrisville Fire Department has had another year with 233 calls.

We responded to 50 vehicle accidents, fire alarms, 14 auto alarms and 11 Co alarms. Changing the batteries when you change your clocks will make a difference in the amount of these calls we respond to each year. We helped our fellow departments of our mutual aid system 9 times.

Other calls in 2021:

4 Structure Fires, 1 Chimney Fire, 74 Medical Assist, 8 Other, 3 Wildland Fires, 12 Fires, 5 Hazmat

We would also like to acknowledge our current members of the Morrisville Fire Department and thank them and their families for their active service and dedication to the town and department. We have been able to grow our department over the past year with help of our new members and their families.

<b>Chief</b>	Dennis DiGregorio
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief</b>	Michael Desjardins
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief</b>	Jason Kelley
<b>Captain</b>	Damien DiGregorio
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant</b>	Ben Carpenter
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant</b>	Scott Droney
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant</b>	Seth Foy
<b>Engine Captain</b>	Brent Labree
<b>Asst. Engine Captain</b>	Joe Poleio
<b>Enginemen</b>	Tim Morrissey, Bruce Emerson
<b>Current Firefighters</b>	Shawn Goodell, Eric Marshall, Alex Desjardins, Lucas Marcoux, Andrew Miller, Joe Hawthorne, Mariah Mitchell, Rick Berry
<b>Current Cadet Firefighters</b>	Wesley Wilson
<b>Current Junior Firefighters</b>	Gavin Hodgdon, Kita Labree

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We would like to thank the Retired and Honorary Members of the Department who have supported and served us in the past years: William "Twig" Farquharson, Jeffrey Churchill, Dennis Smith, Brian Kellogg, Frederick Pierce, Gordon Bowen, Wallace Reeve, James Farnham, Gerry "Gubby" Sutton, Charles Hess, Jeffery Limoge, Dean Lockwood, Todd Yando, William Spear and Donald Hill. Honorary members include: Lee Sturtevant, Wayne Blaisdell, Pierce Reed, Bill Cook, Mark Walker, Brad Wilson, David Jeffers, Kevin Brown, and Jim "Polar Bear" Grover.

This year we were able to buy our new 2021 Tanker Truck that holds 2000 gallons of water to help with our water supply in rural areas. This was done with the monies from the one cent equipment replacement fund.

Our rookies will be doing the 45 hour basic fire course this year. The state now mandates firefighters to take over 200 hours of training. This 45-hour course is just an introduction into that class.

If you have a carbon monoxide alarm sounding please leave the building immediately and call 911. Try not to open up the building, so that we have a better chance to find the source and quickly get it taken care of.

The Morrisville Fire Department continues to promote the use of the Knox Box Rapid Entry System for all school, commercial and private dwellings in town. This system will allow rapid access to your property in an emergency without damaging your property. Please call the fire station at (802) 888-3575 for more information.

Please check the dates on your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, and replace according to the manufacturer's specifications. Please remember to change your batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, make sure your chimneys are cleaned and shovel out any fire hydrants in your neighborhood if possible. Please call the fire warden at (802) 826-2626 before burning brush; this will reduce the number of calls.

The members would like to thank all the other town agencies and our Mutual Aid partners for their help this past year. Special thanks to Jim from Polar Bear for his help throughout the year.

We would like to thank the people of the town of Morristown; it has been a pleasure serving you this past year. We appreciate all of the support that you have given us.

Feel free to stop by the station any time you see a member there. It is your building and equipment. Thank you for all of your past and future support.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. DiGregorio  
Fire Chief



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## MORRISTOWN HIGHWAY & STREET DEPARTMENT

We have had a very busy year with a number of projects this year, the largest being Garfield Road and replacing culverts and stoning ditches. Ditch cleaning on several roads, some sidewalk repairs and ditch armoring so that we can meet the state requirements. Thank you to everyone for your patience as we know it has been painful at times, and for keeping your highway workers safe in the work zones.

We have had personal changes this year as well, with a long term employee retiring. Doug Wallace worked almost 30 years for the town; we thank him for his loyalty and commitment to the town for all those years, and wish him the best.

We also had two employees that moved onto other pursuits. Trying to back fill both those spots has been challenging.

We are still working with the state on our act 250 permit so we can hopefully get back into our gravel pit and start getting our own sand and gravel from it. For now it is looking like we will be buying our material from an outside vendor again for this upcoming year.

Kevin Barrows  
Highway Superintendent



*Bridge St Bridge Lights by Ronald Kelley*

## MORRISTOWN/MORRISVILLE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Covid-19, based on the below numbers, only accelerated production of new housing in Morrisville during calendar year 2021. There was more development pressure in our community last year alone than in any other two or three years combined. 10 years ago, the zoning office was handling approximately 15 total permit applications a year for new housing starts. Per the below chart, the zoning office is now approving 10 times as many new housing start permits each year. The change in just a short decade is quite monumental.

<b><u>New Housing Starts by Year</u></b>			
<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>New Single-Family Homes</u></b>	<b><u>New Apartments</u></b>	<b><u>Total by Year</u></b>
2021	30	104	134
2020	19	34	53
2019	18	40	58

I am pleased that most of the new housing detailed in the above chart is located in downtown Morrisville, or in close-by sections of the village. In 2021, the burned ruins of the Morrisville Foundry were finally hauled away, and the finishing touches were put on 14 new riverfront townhomes that were built in its place on Foundry Street. A short distance to the west on Bridge Street, the same developer broke ground late in the fall of 2021 on 54 new townhouse units that will sit between the rail trail and Lake Lamoille. What was a waste area that was literally filled with old tires, junk cars, and 40 roll off dumpsters worth of trash, will soon be a desirable residential neighborhood with recreation opportunities on both sides of it. On the other side of the street, a different developer will be starting construction in the spring on the final building of his large apartment complex at the intersection of Bridge Street and the Truck Route. Further into downtown, new tenants will soon be moving into 26 Hutchins Street, what is now the tallest residential building in Morrisville. All of these new residents can walk to nearby stores and restaurants – adding vitality to our downtown. With the continued strains that Covid-19 put on restaurants and similar hospitality establishments, our fantastic local businesses desperately need the shot in the arm that all these new close-by customers will provide.

While some people find this new construction activity interesting, most people simply want to know how all this new development will affect their taxes. During 2021, the aforementioned 134 permits for new housing starts, and dozens of additional permits issued for smaller home improvement projects, subdivisions, and minor commercial development, resulted in a total Grand List growth of 1.46%. This percentage of new growth bests 2020's Grand List growth of 1.18%, and is comparable to 2019's solid Grand

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List growth of 1.42%. Readers should keep in mind that averaging well over 1% of Grand List growth per year (over the last three years) is not enough new tax base growth to keep taxes from going up. If Grand List growth does not reach 2% to 3% per year on average, the taxes paid by existing residents will need to be raised to keep up with the rate of inflation (i.e. the increased cost for the town government to do business). While growing the Grand list by 1.46 % reduces some of the need for additional tax dollars next year, Grand List growth of less 3% a year on average means our tax bills will keep increasing) With that being said, getting that much new Grand List growth anywhere in Vermont (especially outside Chittenden County), given the State's very stringent regulatory environment, is very hard to do. In an age when many communities in Vermont are seeing their Grand Lists shrink, we are lucky to have the rate of new growth that we are seeing. More importantly, the development we are seeing is high quality, and it is generally well received by neighboring property owners.



*Lamoille Falls by Ryan Hannon*

I enjoy helping residents and developers with permitting and development questions, so please contact me in the zoning office at 888-6373 (or via email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org)) before starting any development work. Unless the work proposed is an interior renovation of existing living space, chances are that a permit will be required before that work can commence. Zoning fees are doubled for any project undertaken without first obtaining the necessary permits. Zoning information, including the zoning bylaws, permit application forms, and fee schedules are available on the office's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/planzone>. Thank you.

Todd Thomas  
Zoning Administrator/Planning Director



## **MORRISTOWN/MORRISVILLE PLANNING COUNCIL**

The Morristown Selectboard and the Morrisville Village Trustees jointly appoint the Morrisville/Morristown Planning Council. The Council is responsible for writing the Town Plan and updating the corresponding zoning bylaws that regulate all development in both the Village and the Town.

The Council had a productive year in 2021, warning 22 meetings. The Council also appeared at additional Selectboard & Village Trustees meetings for things as simple as new crosswalk recommendations, and for more formal proceedings, such as warned Town Plan hearings. The Planning Council also authored various letters in 2021 to the Vermont Public Utility Commission regarding proposed solar farms and battery storage facilities. The 2020-2030 Morrisville/Morristown Town Plan is by far the Planning Council's major accomplishment during 2021. The Council had 14 warned hearings on the Town Plan, and received dozens upon dozens of public comments on the proposed plan. The Councilors were very pleased with the version of the plan that was approved at the conclusion of the Planning Council hearing process. The Council was equally dismayed with the various and immediate changes to the plan that were directed by the Selectboard and Village Trustees at the annual meeting of those Boards that was held up at Copley Country Club. As of the date of this writing, there have now been 22 distinct versions of the Town Plan. The current Town Plan, which has an as-revised date of November 30<sup>th</sup>, contains the voices of at least 100 people, including various local businesses, and local organizations. This effort represents the most significant rewrite of the town plan in decades. The Planning Council learned a lot during this process, and we hope the knowledge gained translates into even more community participation as we plan for the betterment of our community in the coming years. It is anticipated that the new Town Plan will be approved by the Selectboard and Village Trustees in late February or in early March of 2022 (right around the same time as Town Meeting). The Implementation Chapter of the new 2020-2030 Morrisville/Morristown Town Plan will serve as an excellent to-do list for the coming years for the Planning Council, Selectboard, Village Trustees, and other Boards, like the Conservation Commission and the newly reformed Recreation Commission.

If you are interested in planning issues, please feel free to attend an upcoming Planning Council meeting. The Council typically meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:00 P.M. During the pandemic, the Council has been meeting outside, under the tent, adjacent to Copley Club during the warm weather months, and back in the Town Offices during the winter months. Additional information regarding the Council, including agendas and minutes, is available for review on the Town's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/planning>

Current Planning Council Members Etienne Hancock, Tom Snipp, Steven Foster, Josh Goldstein, and Allen Van Anda are always happy to discuss the ways in which they are working to make Morrisville a better place to work, live, and play. Correspondence with the Council should be directed to Todd Thomas, the Town's Planning Director. He can be reached at (802) 888-6373 or by email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org).

## MORRISTOWN/MORRISVILLE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Morristown Selectboard and the Morrisville Village Trustees jointly appoint the Morrisville/Morristown Development Review Board. The Development Review Board (DRB) is responsible for acting on zoning applications for development, located both in the Village and in the Town, when the “use” being requested is listed as “conditional” in the zone where the development is being proposed. The Board also presides over “permitted” uses that are usually handled by the Zoning Administrator via site plan review when more than 20,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of new development is proposed. Requests for major subdivisions (3 or more new building lots), waivers, and appeals of Zoning Administrator actions are also the purview of the Development Review Board.

Typically, the DRB approves all the subdivision, conditional use, and site plan applications it receives with specific conditions of approval that ensure that the proposed development complies with both the Town’s Zoning Bylaws and fits into its host neighborhood. In 2021, the DRB had an incredibly busy, and possibly record-breaking, year in terms of development and permit activity. During the year, the Board approved a handful of very significant projects that will help shape the built environment of our town for years to come. Some of the major projects the Board approved last year include: a 53,000 ft<sup>2</sup> warehouse expansion on Gallery Lane (adjacent to the Mattress & Sofa Warehouse), the conversion of the Old Plaza Hotel into 12-units of long-term housing at Northgate Plaza, the recently constructed apartment buildings at the corner of Bridge Street and the Truck Route, the coming demolition of 201 & 215 Bridge Street and their replacement with a to-be constructed 19-unit apartment building, a 16-unit apartment building on the corner of Jersey Heights and Gordon Lane that should break ground in April of 2022, and the approval of 136 additional units of housing that will be located off an extension of Gordon Lane (construction to be determined). The DRB also approved 8 subdivision applications in 2021. The most notable of these subdivision approvals is a new road of single-family homes (Southview Drive) that is located on VT Route 15E (on the Wolcott side of Price Chopper).

The below chart details all of the DRB hearing activity over the span of the last 3 years:

DRB Permit Activity	2019	2020	2021
Conditional Uses	5	9	15
Site Plan Reviews	9	12	22
Subdivision Approvals	3	8	8
Waivers	3	1	4
Appeals	2	0	0
Total Applications	21	30	49

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Development Review Board hearings are held, when necessary, on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the community meeting room of the old Tegu Theatre at 43 Portland Street. Board Members also conduct site walks of properties on which development is proposed to familiarize themselves with the details of the applications. DRB Board Members that volunteered their time in 2021 to make Morrisville a better place to work, live, and play include: Susanna Burnham, Melissa LeBlanc, Gary Nolan, [MA1] Laura Streets, Christy Snipp, Paul Trudell, Chris Wiltshire, and Mary Ann Wilson. Correspondence with the Board should be directed to Todd Thomas, the Town's Zoning Administrator. He can be reached at (802) 888-6373 or via email at [tthomas@morristownvt.org](mailto:tthomas@morristownvt.org). DRB hearings are warned in advance in the *News & Citizen*[MA2] and on the Town website ([www.morristownvt.org/drb](http://www.morristownvt.org/drb)), and are open to the public. Additional information regarding the Board, including agendas and minutes are available for review on the Town's website at: <http://morristownvt.org/drb>.

Todd Thomas  
Zoning Administrator/Planning Director



*(L to R) Governor Phil Scott, Selectboard Chair Bob Beeman, Selectwoman Judy Bickford and Lamoille Housing Partnership Executive Director Jim Lovinsky at the reception for the Village Center Apartments project grant award in 2021*

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## MORRISTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### Activities that have taken place in Morristown 2021

\*MCC supported **Stowe Land Trust** in its endeavor to conserve 180+ acres of prime agricultural soil, the Ricketson Farm on route 100 in Stowe. Twenty-five acres of bog-like land lie in Morristown bordering Molly's Bog Pond, an excellent wildlife habitat.

\***Morristown Forest** trail improvements carried over from last year, the addition of four bridges, signage and one trail. Brent and David spent countless hours preparing for the 3 work sessions involving volunteers to do this year's tasks. In collaboration with PA Athletics the PA Baseball team gave back to the community, through volunteering, by carrying the needed lumber to the construction sites.

\*At site #7 on Forest Pamphlet, the original water source from a dug well was discovered and protected. Existing apple trees were released and new apple sprouts planted.

MCC is thankful for the many volunteers that help with the maintenance and improvements to this gem recreation area. There are now 1.8 miles of trails.



\*2022 will see another trail added, possible construction of a parking lot off **Bryan Pond Road** and addition of a Kiosk at the **Beaver Meadow** trail head. These last two items are in coordination with Walter Opuszynski of the Vermont Forest and Parks.

\***Green Up Day** was held on schedule, 1st of May, led by seasoned coordinator, Brent Teillon. 2.67 tons of trash was collected by over 250 volunteers and the town highway crew and deposited in the large dumpster at the municipal parking lot. 567 green bags and 150 black bags used for trash collection. Tire collection of around 168 tires was taken to Gates Salvage yard. Strangest item picked up was 50 gallon size paint cans, some with contents. Fortunately the Solid Waste District was able to take them after hours. Thanks again to the town highway crews for setting up the collection site, picking up most of the roadside trash bags and delivery of tires for disposal. A very big thanks to Brent for the years he has led this community on Green Up Day. He is passing the responsibility to Jenifer Andrews, who volunteered to assume this community service.

\*Co-hosted Natural Beauty of Morristown **Photo Contest** with Morristown Parks and Recreation, and River Arts. The photo contest aimed to build community ties while instilling a positive sense of place and connection to the natural environment of our town.



\*Working with two property owners—one, considering joining The New England Forest Foundation to conserve forest land, and the other, construction of trails adjacent to Copley Hospital for Staff and patient use, possibly the general public also.

\*Contracted forester Fran Sladyk to map all conserved land in Morristown existing and those recently created as part of the increasingly prevalent conservation subdivision bylaw.

### **Continuing Education Presentations**

\*Hosted informational table at **Wednesday Night Live** sharing ongoing conservation projects with adults and treasured children's nature themed children's books and games.

\*Invited the Morristown Elementary School 4<sup>th</sup> grade on a field trip to **Joe's Pond** to learn about the history of Joe's Pond and the surrounding Valcour Bog Complex. Students planted trees as part of the field trip. Brent gave a lecture on trapping fur bearing mammals and the various uses of their pelt.

\*Provided a self-guided **Arbor Day** activity at the Mountain River School. The Meadows class learned about American Chestnuts as a keystone species of the eastern hardwood forest, the blight that now threatens them, the work being done to breed disease resistant trees, and then got to plant three American Chestnut seedlings on their campus.

### **Other events participated in:**

\*Attended various meetings of the Planning Council, DRB, and Village Trustees. Various members attended Webinars hosted by the State of Vermont concerning: Shoreland Erosion Control, starting a Conservation Fund, contiguous forest blocks, and Act 171: Selecting Forest Blocks & Habitat Connectors for Your Town Plan.

### **Projects on hold**

\*Clark Park, Morrisville Village land, "Bugbee Springs" and easements for trails on land from Bridge Street to Morristown Corners Road.

### **Establishing Continuing Conservation Fund**

\*Hoping to be more active in outright purchase of land or easements critical to protection of fauna and floral habitat.

### **New MCC members**

\*Jessica Zehngut, Environmental background/music teacher, and Mariah Keagy, Trail Designer/Planner, joined this year to fill positions that are required by MCC Bylaws.

The Conservation Commission has a monthly meeting on the third Thursday of the month. We meet at the Tegu Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting is open to the public. Due to COVID-19 the meeting is also virtual. Visit us at Town Meeting.



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<b>MORRISTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>		
Ronald Stancliff, MCC chair	Tel: (802) 888-3661 E-mail: rstancliff@pshift.com	Term expires 2025
Kristen Connelly, Vice Chair	Tel: (802) 730-4194	Term expires 2024
Richard Sargent, Treasurer	Tel: (802) 888-3038	Term expires 2024
James Pease, Secretary	Tel: (802) 490-6116	Term expires 2022
Brent Teillon	Tel: (802) 888-4086	Term expires 2025
David Stevens	Tel: (802) 888-4374	Term expires 2022
Jenifer Andrews	Tel: (802) 888-3536	Term expires 2024
Jessica Zehngut		Term expires 2025
Mariah Keagy		Term expires 2025

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

2021 brought many challenges and changes to our community. It was very sad to see the owner of Caplans's go into retirement and close the store after 30 plus years in our community and it will be a welcome to see the 802 Hot Yoga come in. This past year we welcomed new businesses, saw changes in ownership and expansions, a good sign during the pandemic.

Our sporting goods stores have been on a roll with people wanting to enjoy outside adventures, they are an asset we all appreciate. Have you seen the lines outside the North Country Donuts, the gathering at Napoli Food in Riverbend Market, the crowds at Black Cap Coffee and Beer, the pizza lovers at Pizza on Main or the bustling at Thompson's Flour Shop? Thanks to our local community for supporting all of these locally owned businesses.

We have been able to offer many free events throughout the year. Morristown Centennial Library has so many great offerings for the young, the elders and everyone in-between. They have partnered with the Morristown Parks and Recreation Committee and you can now borrow snowshoes. They have nine pairs available for you and your family to borrow with your library card. You can also sign-out binoculars and a bird guide to enjoy birding around the area. These are all free programs in our community that make our community so special.

It was great to bring back the full series of Wednesday Night Live music at Oxbow Park. Eleven weeks of free music on Wednesday nights and lots of fun to go along with it. River Arts hosted an arts tent, Morristown Recreation hosted fun events each week and there

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were lots of our local non-profits showcasing themselves. There were great food vendors as well as the Morrisville Food Coop FREE community corn roast to end the season.

Through the summer we added lighting to the basketball hoops at Oxbow Park, finally, yes, finally got the bathroom completed at the park and opened the skating rink due to a great bunch of volunteers.

I could go on and on about our great community and the fabulous people that make it what it is but I think this is enough for now. If you have any thoughts or ideas please contact me.

Our community is made up of friends meeting friends, locals talking local and everyone wanting to be a part of what makes a community. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Tricia Follert  
Community Development Coordinator

## **MORRISTOWN ALLIANCE FOR CULTURE & COMMERCE**

This year the Morristown Alliance for Culture and Commerce (MACC) would like to dedicate our MACC Town Report in honor of Heather Sargent. She was a leader, a doer, and a founder all wrapped up in one beautiful person. Heather was one of the first people to see that Morristown needed MACC to be a nonprofit organization that could create vibrancy, beauty, and economic development in our downtown. As a founding member of MACC her determination and strength in the community shaped many of the great things that have grown in our town.

For example: Have you seen the beautiful light poles up Copley Hill as well as on Portland and Pleasant Street? Heather was the backbone that made them happen. That is just a tip of the iceberg of what Heather gave to our community. She was a volunteer to many organizations and a champion for making good things happen. It is our honor to say “thank you” for all Heather did for our community.

There would not be a MACC without Heather’s vision and drive. Rest in Peace dear friend. Our love travels with you Heather – and Thank You.

### MORRISTOWN PARKS & RECREATION

Although life in 2021 has continued to be part of this “new normal,” the Parks & Recreation Committee has met the challenge and has been busy planning safe and creative ways for our community to recreate in these unusual times.

#### **Morristown Parks & Recreation Committee**

In 2019 the Town of Morristown resurrected the Parks and Recreation Committee that was originally formed in 1949. The purpose of the Committee is to develop a wide variety of recreation programs, park facilities, and services to meet the total needs of the residents of the community and to increase awareness of the many existing recreational assets and events happening in the greater Morristown community. The Committee partners with community members and organizations to promote, encourage, and communicate regarding existing recreational activities in Morristown.

Morristown has an online recreation management software program; you can learn more about it online at: [morristownvt.myrec.com](http://morristownvt.myrec.com). Click on the new account link to create your household account and gain access to program registrations. Be sure to then add all the members of your household into the account and please don't forget to enter your email and cell phone number with the carrier so we can contact you with any last-minutes changes. Your new household account will provide you with registration history, financials and much more. This is where you can now register your children for the Morristown Summer Recreation Camp Program, download tax deductible receipts, and check out recreational events happening in town. We look forward to expanding this online program and enjoying the enhanced registration experience with you.

Although the Morristown Summer Recreation Camp program was unable to operate in 2021, the Parks & Recreation Committee curated and collaborated on monthly recreational activities and co-sponsored and promoted numerous additional recreation ideas and locations around Morristown. The #MoRec campaign, launched by interns in the summer of 2020, along with the revamp of the Committee's Facebook and Instagram accounts, has increased our digital presence around town and beyond. These digital locations along with postings on Front Porch Forum provide a great foundation for advertising and inspiring recreation opportunities and seeking ongoing community input. We encourage anyone to share your photos, sense of adventure, and positive thoughts to help inspire #MoRec in our community!



Despite our circumstances, and led by an all-volunteer board, we have been busy this year. We installed some fun exercise ellipticals near the dog park that you can enjoy on your own

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or with a friend. We offered an Art & History Tour through downtown and a mushroom foraging adventure in our great forests. We talked about Bike Safety in May and searched for bugs along the Lamoille. We have hosted events at our dog park across from the library that celebrated its one-year anniversary. Parks & Rec hosted a cooking class with a professional chef and his son that allowed folks to break bread, learn, and chat together. We collaborated with the Morristown Centennial Library to put together bird watching kits that can be checked out for free and to go on a snowshoeing adventure on the Rail Trail. And our work with the Lamoille County Star Gazers brought a new telescope into the mix for town residents and others to use on a clear night. At the Festival of Lights, we partnered with MACC to decorate snowflakes for the season. Perhaps you stopped by our booth at RocktoberFest in September? You would have found information about recreational events, smiling faces, a suggestion box, and free dog treats to highlight our dog park.



The Parks & Recreation Committee continues to work on ways to improve our wonderful Oxbow Park. Despite COVID, Wednesday Night Live ran at the Oxbow for ten weeks this summer to share smiles, music, and community with those able to attend. Don't forget to stop off at the Oxbow. You're never too young or old to enjoy the swings and basketball court or search out one of the whimsical painted hopscotch stencils around downtown for some impromptu childhood nostalgia while running an errand or an intentional adventure with the kiddos. And Parks & Recreation worked with the Village to provide lights for the basketball court at Oxbow Park which now allows nighttime hoops.



Do you want to be involved in the future of recreation in Morristown? There are lots of great free activities in our community to get your family and friends together and enjoy the outdoors. The seven-member committee meets on the second Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building at 43 Portland Street or virtually using Zoom. We can always use an extra hand and fresh ideas and we welcome you to join us moving forward to meet the town's recreation needs and become a part of the committee. Questions or suggestions for Morristown Parks & Rec? Email us at [parksandrec@morristownvt.org](mailto:parksandrec@morristownvt.org).

### **Parks & Recreation Committee Members:**

Judy Bickford, Ray Boutin, Sara Haskins, Steph Hoffman, Alison Link, Kasey Longe, and Kristi McAllister.



## MORRISTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The staff and trustees of the Noyes House Museum/Morristown Historical Society were pleased with the season, our second one of the Covid pandemic. Out-of-town visitor numbers reflected the realities of the pandemic, but we were thrilled to provide tours to so many local residents!

Museum visitors saw three new exhibits: "Crazy Chase" and the Crazy Chase Orchestra, Portrait of a Soldier (focused on WWII), and The Morrisville Foundry. We also hosted special events tied to these exhibits, and were happy to expand on our community's knowledge of our shared past.



As always, our annual Ice Cream Social (see photo) was a hit and drew a crowd of visitors who toured the exhibits, and enjoyed Ben & Jerry's ice cream and the music of the Morrisville Community Band. Many thanks to Ben & Jerry's for the generous and delicious ice cream donation!

We ended the season with a public program titled "Forces Impacting Vermont Rivers," led by state scientist Staci Pomeroy.

Online visitors to our website can now explore a larger selection of digitized materials, including records featuring Crazy Chase on the fiddle. You can find more by visiting <http://www.noyeshousemuseum.org/digital-collections>.

Thanks to museum director Tracy Haerther and our entire staff for coming up with creative work-arounds during the pandemic, and thanks to trustee Todd Thomas for managing museum projects and serving as a contact at the Tegu building. And thanks, especially, to the entire community for supporting us during another challenging and unusual year.

We have fun things planned for 2022, so please make the Noyes House Museum a part of our summer/fall schedule. See you at the museum!

Jill Mudgett  
Board President

## OVERVIEW OF APPROPRIATIONS

Organization	Request
<b>Capstone Community Action</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>
<p>Capstone Community Action respectfully requests a budget allocation of \$900 from the citizens of Morristown to be determined at the next Town Meeting. Our request remains the same as last year; we are not seeking an increase. Capstone Community Action formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council helps Vermonters achieve economic sufficiency with dignity through individual and family development. We work to alleviate the effects of poverty, help people move out of poverty, and advocate for economic justice. Each year Community Action serves over 12,900 Vermonters, the majority of whom live in the 56 central Vermont communities that comprise our primary service area. Our staff often works with a family in their most vulnerable moment to help them find stability, hope and relief. In recent years, demand for fuel assistance, emergency food, and housing assistance have continued to grow. Hand-in-hand, we help Vermonters develop the skills to tackle problems, identify goals, find the resources and take control of their futures. We offer housing counseling, financial education, home weatherization, early childhood education, job skills training, business counseling and more. Together, we create economic opportunities for all Vermonters. Thank you for your continued support.</p>	
<b>Central Vermont Basic Education</b>	<b>\$2,900.00</b>
<p>Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc. (CVABE), a community-based nonprofit organization has served the adult education and literacy needs of Morristown residents for fifty-six years. CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16- 90+) in: Basic skills programs: reading, writing, math, computer and financial literacy, English Language Learning and preparation for U.S. citizenship, High school diploma and GED credential programs, Academic skill readiness for work, career training and/or college. <u>Morristown is served by our learning center in Morrisville.</u> The site has welcoming learning rooms (with computers, laptops and internet access to support instruction). CVABE staff and volunteers also teach students at the library or other local sites as needed. <u>Last year, 29 residents of Morristown enrolled in CVABE's free programs.</u> Additionally, 1 Morristown resident volunteered with CVABE. Teachers instruct students one-to-one and/or in small groups. Each student has a personalized education plan to address his/her learning goals. These goals might include: getting or improving a job, earning a high school credential, helping one's children with homework, budgeting and paying bills, reading important information, obtaining a driving license, preparing for college, gaining citizenship, and more. <i>Children of parents with low literacy skills have a 72 percent chance of being at the lowest reading levels themselves, and 70% of adult welfare recipients have low literacy levels.</i> By helping to end the cycle of poverty, your support changes the lives of Morristown residents for generations to come. CVABE provides free instruction for up to 450 people annually in the overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. It currently costs CVABE \$3,927 per student to provide a full year of instruction. <i>Nearly all students are low income.</i> Close to 100 community volunteers work with CVABE's professional staff to meet the large need for these services while keeping overhead low. <u>We deeply appreciate Morristown's voter-approved past support. This year, your level support is again critical to CVABE's free, local education services.</u> Only a portion of CVABE's budget is comprised of state and federal support. Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, to ensure we can help the neighbors who need education for a better life.</p>	

Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$2,500.00
<p><b>As a private nonprofit organization, the Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) is dedicated to the mission of supporting older Vermonters to age with dignity and choice. CVCOA Services are available to those age 60 and up, or to adults with disabilities. For more than 40 years, CVCOA has assisted older Vermonters to remain independent for as long as possible.</b> CVCOA makes a difference in the lives of older Vermonters by connecting them to the network of benefit programs and services that they need to thrive, including nutrition and wellness programs, transportation, mental health counseling, family caregiver support, volunteer services, healthy aging resources and opportunities, information and assistance, legal services, health insurance (Medicare) counseling, and case management services. <b>Central Vermont Council on Aging provided one or more of the services listed below to 212 residents of Morristown. Central Vermont Council on Aging Case Managers Sarah Willhoit and Jamie Viens was designated to work directly with the seniors in Morristown.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <u>CVCOA Help Line</u> - (800) 642-5119 - has the answers to hundreds of common questions from older Vermonters, their families, and caregivers.</li> <li>· <u>Information &amp; Assistance</u> staff counsels older Vermonters and families on the many available benefit programs and services, such as 3SquaresVT, seasonal fuel assistance, housing, and more.</li> <li>· <u>Case Managers</u> work with clients in their homes to assess needs and develop, implement and coordinate individualized long-term care plans.</li> <li>· <u>Nutrition Services</u> oversees the menu development and technical assistance for home-delivered and Community meals and provides the largest source of funding for the 14 meal sites that prepare and deliver these meals.</li> <li>· <u>State Health Insurance Program</u> (SHIP) provides personalized Medicare counseling, Medicare &amp; You workshops (now on Zoom), and enrollment assistance for Medicare Part D plans.</li> <li>· <u>Family Caregiver Program</u> promotes the well-being of the family members serving as caregivers to loved ones, including administration of the Dementia Respite Grant, which provides much needed financial assistance for respite, training, and Memorable Times Café/Memorable Times Online.</li> <li>· <u>Volunteer Programs</u> provide direct service to community members. Volunteers offer companionship, transportation, assistance with technology, organizing, wellness classes, meal delivery, special event support, errands and grocery shopping, yardwork, creative guidance, and more.</li> <li>· <u>Special Projects and Programs</u> are designed to help alleviate social isolation and loneliness, addressing the accessibility gap for homebound older adults.</li> </ul> <p>In FY21, CVCOA mobilized 450 volunteers to provide direct service, deliver meals on wheels, support mealsites, provide wellness classes, assist with medicare information, provide companionship and creative encouragement, and more. These volunteers served 32,870 hours in Central Vermont communities. CVCOA served 3,070 unduplicated clients in FY21, plus 6,585 additional interactions with community members for outreach and support. CVCOA services are free of charge. We do charge a modest stipend to private employers who request our Medicare &amp; You workshop for their employees. <b>All of us at the Central Vermont Council on Aging extend our gratitude to the residents of Morristown for their ongoing commitment to the health, well-being, independence, and dignity of older Vermonters in the Morristown community and throughout Central Vermont. Additional Note:</b> CVCOA has maintained its level of services to older Vermonters throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>	

<b>Clarina Howard Nichols Center</b>	<b>\$1,750.00</b>
<p>June 2021 marked forty years of the Clarina Howard Nichols Center providing services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Lamoille County.</p> <p>During the past year, Clarina served 294 individuals, including:</p> <p>Provided shelter to 40 individuals (23 adults and 17 children) for a total of 1,943 bed nights</p> <p>Provided criminal and civil court advocacy to 184 individuals</p> <p>Responded to 1,080 hotline calls</p> <p>Funding from the Town of Morristown supports the continued availability of high quality, no cost advocacy, education, and shelter services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence.</p> <p>Clarina's role in supporting safety at home became even more critical during the pandemic. Survivors were trapped in their homes. Tensions were high due to financial pressures, remote learning for children, and isolation from family and friends. As tensions rose, violence escalated and the opportunities to reach out for help were limited. Clarina's services have remained available. Our hotline was answered 24/7. We increased our outreach efforts to ensure that survivors, community members, and non-profit and State partners. Clarina staff worked with community partners on emergency planning efforts, including supporting expanded emergency shelter options, assisting with food distribution, and engaging with schools about child/family safety during remote learning.</p> <p>We also issued a plea to the community – You can help. If you suspect that someone is isolated at home with an abusive partner, here are some basic tips:</p> <p>Reach out – call, video chat, go for a walk (maintaining social distancing)</p> <p>Listen – allow the survivor to share what they want, when they want</p> <p>Believe – do not question the survivor about the severity or details of the abuse</p> <p>Offer resources – share Clarina's hotline number, talk about safety planning</p> <p>Don't judge – the survivor knows the safest options for their circumstance</p>	
<b>Everyone = Morristown Community Center</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
<p>The Everyone Equals Morristown Community Center (E=MC<sup>2</sup>) has faced many challenges in 2021. Despite the setbacks, we have experienced some great successes and are looking forward to new and exciting opportunities in 2022. In 2021, E=MC<sup>2</sup> was able to offer summer programming to youth in the community from early July to mid-August. Greg Davis, PE Teacher at Lamoille Union Middle School, coordinated a variety of events and activities including: art projects, basketball, gaming series, movies, team-building and leadership development activities and a BBQ to wrap up the summer session. These activities provided the opportunity for fun, building self confidence, leadership skill development and greater awareness and understanding of the local community. E=MC<sup>2</sup> was also able to complete the renovation of the second floor which includes a kitchen, a bathroom and storage space. Looking to 2022, E=MC<sup>2</sup> will relaunch after school programming for youth, including new activities in the second floor space. Other youth and adult programs will be restarted in the spring and summer of 2022. E=MC<sup>2</sup> is also excited to announce a new partnership with Lamoille Health Partners. The partnership will also involve support from Peoples Academy Middle Level, Lamoille County Mental Health Services and Laraway Youth &amp; Family Services. Thank you for your continued support!</p>	



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<b>Justice for Dogs</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<p>Throughout the pandemic Justice For Dogs in its 16th year continued with its mission of helping only local animals including Morrisville animals and their residents. Justice For Dogs operates with all volunteers with no paid staff at all. Justice For Dogs has helped Morrisville animals and residents this year in a variety of ways. Justice provided food for some Morrisville pets in need. Justice For Dogs received ownership of a Morrisville dog that was in severe neglect and Justice provided all the necessary medical help including surgery on his eyes at a cost of \$1650 that the dog needed. The dog will be adopted out upon his recovery. Justice has taken in several Morrisville feral and friendly cats and successfully located new homes for them. Many people have been assisted, when they call Justice For Dogs seeking information. In 2021 a Justice For Dogs volunteer worked at an animal rabies clinic sponsored by Stowe Veterinary Clinic in Morrisville for residents' pets. Justice promoted the clinic through its media outlets. Along with adoptions for the Morristown animals that come to us, Justice For Dogs continues to provide assistance to rescue animals that are in abusive /unsafe situations when these animals are brought to Justice's attention. Justice For Dogs sincerely wishes to thank the Morristown taxpayers, community businesses, foster animal families and dedicated volunteers, who work tirelessly for the animals. We thank the Morristown taxpayers for your support through the town appropriation, which helps us tremendously with the work that we do. Justice For Dogs always welcomes new volunteers to work with us in a variety of ways. Please give us a call at 472-3894, or contact us at justicefordogs@aol.com or check out <a href="http://www.facebook.com/justicefordogs">www.facebook.com/justicefordogs</a>.</p>	

<b>Lamoille Community Food Share</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<p>Lamoille Community Food Share is a locally funded, volunteer powered 501c3 non-profit corporation. Our mission is to help support and improve the physical well-being of individuals who might otherwise go hungry. To this end, we provide supplemental food, free of charge, in a supportive environment, striving to offer healthy choices within our budget. We help all those who ask, but our main service area consists of the towns of Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Morristown, Stowe and Wolcott. 2021 was another challenging year for LCFS. but with hardworking employees and volunteers as well as the support of our generous community, we have managed to keep up with the ever-increasing need for food assistance. We are currently seeing a 41% rise in the number of visits to the food share over pre-pandemic numbers. We invite people to come as needed, there are no restrictions. The support we receive from our community allows us to keep our doors open 6 mornings a week for those in need. More than ever, we appreciate the help we have received in the past and look forward to continued support from our friends and neighbors in Elmore. Your support of LCFS ensures that the citizens of Morristown have access to healthy nutritious food.</p>	
<b>Lamoille Community Civic Center</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>
<p>The Lamoille County Civic Center is located on Main Street in Morrisville. We normally offer programs and activities which include: Yoga, Bone Builders, Tai Chi, MahJong, and cards. On Sundays there is a church service offered by the Love Never Fails Church. Meals on Wheels was located at the Center until September 30, 2020, when they moved to their new location on the corner of Harrel Street and Munson Avenue. This has been a unique year. The Love Never Fails Church signed a three-year lease with the Civic Center, using the facility every Sunday and one</p>	

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night a week. When the governor closed public gatherings in the spring of the year, the Civic Center closed to the general public also. Once Governor Scott reopened churches, Love Never Fails Church began using the main hall again, following the regulations and guidelines for churches. Our other programs have remained canceled, and we expect them to remain that way until the spring. We have taken the opportunity to pursue some much needed repairs and updates. We contacted Efficiency Vermont to inspect the building, and make recommendations regarding ways we can improve the safety and efficiency. We are doing those recommendations now. With Meals and Wheels leaving the Civic Center, it has opened up a new opportunity and a new vision for the board as we move forward. We will be replacing the equipment that they took with them, and will refurnish the kitchen so that we will be able to hold events and rent the hall in the future. We are very excited about the possibilities that this opens for this beautiful building. The Center is a designated shelter for disasters. The Red Cross holds blood drawings during the year, which have continued through Covid-19. Members of the Association are welcome for all events. The Center will be available for rental for certain events again at some point in the new year. The phone number for the Civic Center is 888-4302.

<b>Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<p>Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity is a local, non-profit organization pursuing the building of decent, affordable housing for people in our county who do not qualify for a standard loan. The family selected is screened to meet income and personal guidelines and must participate in the building of their home. They must be able to repay their interest-free loan that covers the cost of materials and land. Labor is often donated by local contractors, volunteers and employees released to work on the house by local businesses. Our local Board coordinates and oversees the fund-raising, family selection, and site selection for homes to be built in Lamoille County. Covid had a significant impact on us. It knocked out our major fund-raising and changed the way we work. However, a major donation with a challenge grant allowed us to hire our first (part-time) employee – a construction manager. We are a very low overhead organization. Until Oct, 2021, We had no paid employees and depended on community volunteers to support our effort to strengthen our communities. Habitat often builds on donated land. We continue to work closely with Green Mountain Technical and Career Center's Construction and Electrical Technology students and in the fall of 2021 started Saturday volunteer crews. We have completed the heating and electrical systems, with the air handling and plumbing work scheduled to be completed by Christmas, 2021. The level of insulation and completed systems will allow us to continue to work inside the house through the winter. The house will meet Efficiency Vermont standards when completed. On behalf of the Board of Directors of Lamoille Habitat for Humanity, thank you for your support for helping to bring affordable housing to another local family. Volunteers for this project are appreciated and we can use help from those who do not want to swing hammers! Contact us at: LamoilleHabitat@gmail.com.</p>	
<b>Lamoille County Mental Health</b>	<b>\$3,900.00</b>
<p>Lamoille County Mental Health Services strives to provide the highest quality services and support to our community to enhance independence and quality of life. Over the past year we provided quality services to Lamoille Valley residents with all of our programs including a 24 hour 365 day a year Mobile Crisis Team (MCT) responding to requests from children, families, and individuals as well as local police, ambulance, Copley Hospital inpatient and Emergency Department, Lamoille Valley school districts and other partners. The Mobile Crisis Team also provides Critical Incident Stress Debriefing for first responders, families, and work colleagues coping with the aftermath of a traumatic event. This is the only full time mental health emergency crisis response service in the region. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 we served 239 individuals providing over 35235</p>	

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services over the course of fiscal year 2021. In the past five years, we have created a community peer support program, the Cadre team, to support individuals who are experiencing a difficult time to have a peer to talk with or to assist them in getting over a temporary challenge. We have also developed into a Zero Suicide agency to help reduce suicides in our area, among the highest county for suicide related deaths in Vermont. This effort has been successful in training over 200 staff and community members on basic suicide prevention and over 70 providers on doing specific suicide intervention therapy. As well, LCMHS is sponsoring a survivors of suicide support group which is open to all communities to help individuals cope with this challenging event. Funding support from local governments can help to expand these efforts. Our community and school treatment/support programs were engaged by Zoom and in person to work with children and families through the challenges of the early pandemic and as the 2021-2022 school year start we are continuing to develop new pathways to help families coping with both the Covid virus as well as a hybrid classroom model spawned by it. Meanwhile our Developmental Services program has also done phenomenally well as we have recently been found to continue to have one of Vermont's strongest employment programs for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In these challenging times, town contributions and support are always valued, making them more important than ever as all of us wrestle with the Covid 19 recovery. We are committed to do what we can to support our families and friends who find themselves in need and help to mitigate the many health impacts of the pandemic.

### **Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit**

**\$3,375.00**

The Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to investigating, prosecuting, and providing victim advocacy services for child sexual abuse, child serious physical abuse, adult sexual assaults, and crimes against vulnerable adults. The LCSIU represents a collaborative partnership between the Lamoille County State's Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, The Lamoille County Sheriff's Department, Morristown Police Department, Stowe Police Department, The Clarina Howard Nichols Center, and the Department for Children and Families, as well as various medical and therapeutic service providers. In fiscal year 2021, the Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit was involved in 95 incidents throughout Lamoille County: 84 investigations related to allegations of physical and sexual violence against children and 11 investigations related to allegations of abuse against adult victims. Town funds supplement our state funds and help us in supporting our detectives to investigate incidents in a timely manner and assist our victim advocates in helping victims through this very difficult and traumatic process. Town funds helped us train our core team; specific to the work we do. The LCSIU space in Hyde Park provides a secure and comfortable area to meet with victims and their non-offending caregivers, and through a multidisciplinary team approach, ensures victims can seamlessly access the services they need. In 2021, we were recommended and granted National Accreditation as a Child Advocacy Center (CAC). This designation means we meet rigorous national standards that ensure allegations of child sexual and physical abuse are investigated and prosecuted while providing coordinated support services to victims and their families. As the Executive Director, I would welcome opportunities to talk with Lamoille County groups and organizations about the important work of the LCSIU. Please contact me at 851-8116 if you have questions or would like additional information. Thank you for your continued support.

### **Lamoille Day Health Services**

**\$4,000.00**

Lamoille Day Health Services (aka Out and About) is proud to serve the community by fulfilling our mission of providing adults with an alternative choice for long-term healthcare while remaining as independent as possible in the care setting of their choice. We are honored the community is

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continuing to choose Lamoille Day Health Services (aka Out and About) to fulfill their needs in this way. Prior to the COVID 19 pandemic the number of participants we continue to serve had remained steady at an average of 20 to 25 people per day. We believe we are able to sustain these daily numbers due to our excellent care, devoted staff and positive atmosphere. The appropriations the town of Morristown gives is crucial in our ability to provide the services our community members require. Some of the services we provide in which the appropriations make possible are assistance with nursing services, personal care, transportation, fun activities, nutritious meals, and caregiver respite. As of March 1, 2021, in person Adult Day Services resumed at the Lamoille Day Health Services facility. We are currently keeping our daily numbers low due to COVID. The return to in person services is very welcome from participants, caregivers, and family members. Lamoille Day Health continues to support our participants not attending in person by making weekly phone calls, sending weekly mailings of activities, delivering gift bags, connecting with other community supports etc. to help meet the needs of our participants and to try and make this time a little less stressful and keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible until we can all be together again in our program.

<b>Lamoille Economic Development Corporation</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>
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These municipal funds help support multiple economic development services in your town and beyond. We welcome your continued endorsement of our mission to grow our local economy through small business support services, business financing and many other important initiatives. By supporting LEDC, you help bring many direct business services to our local small businesses, including one-on-one business advising and counseling for all entrepreneurs and start-up businesses in Lamoille County. These advising services are specific to each entrepreneur and are provided free of charge. These consulting sessions can cover topics including drafting business start-up plans, obtaining business financing, marketing your business, digital marketing strategies, accounting best practices, locating appropriate commercial spaces and more. If a business has needs that exceed our level of expertise, we have resources to refer businesses to the proper channels. Your funding support directly assists with this effort. In addition to free business advising & consulting services, LEDC also oversees the Lamoille County Revolving Loan Fund. This important loan fund provides businesses seeking financing with an opportunity that some lending institutions often do not allow. We accept higher risk loans to businesses that are often unable to obtain funding elsewhere, which creates opportunity for entrepreneurs that would not otherwise be able to start or maintain their business. This funding is sometimes used as a bridge loan to leverage additional financial services businesses may not be able to obtain without the additional assistance our loan fund provides. In addition, LEDC also has a marketing consultant contracted to work with individual businesses free of charge. This work runs the gamut of marketing activities, often with a focus on digital marketing. As part of this program, LEDC offers grants for website start-up builds and existing website redesigns. Your support helps fund this work. LEDC also conducts multiple small business workshops held at the Green Mountain Technical and Career Center. These workshops are well attended and receive good feedback from attendees. Entrepreneurs who attend learn a variety of topics including selling goods and services online, accounting best practices, human resources management, hiring foreign workers, seasonal worker visas and more. Your funding support also helps LEDC bring these workshops to business owners in your town and beyond. Many entrepreneurs have attended these small business workshops, which we recently began holding again in the fall of 2021 after they were shuttered for many months due to the COVID 19 pandemic. In addition, LEDC – along with the assistance of 11 other Regional Development Corporations throughout the state – works closely with trusted business support groups in Montpelier throughout the legislative session to promote and advocate for the needs of the local business community. All Vermont businesses benefit from this work in the way of legislative action aimed at funding and supporting their efforts. Your support

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helps make this effort possible. LEDC also serves as a point of contact for municipalities seeking additional information on economic development activities, local business projects, funding opportunities, legislative action and more. Our services are available to all businesses in all commercial sectors whether they are existing businesses looking to expand, start-ups or businesses seeking to relocate to Lamoille County. Strengthening the county's economy by helping facilitate the creation, retention and expansion of jobs and businesses and investing in the prosperity of Lamoille County communities are cornerstones to all LEDC efforts. It is only through your continued support that we can strive to accomplish these important goals.

<b>Lamoille Family Center</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
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Since 1976 thousands of individuals throughout the Lamoille Valley have received Lamoille Family Center's services, including home visiting, parent education, playgroups, child-care resource and referral, prevention programming, youth services, and emergency assistance. While we open our services to everyone, many of the families we serve face the overwhelming challenges of isolation, poverty, substance misuse and trauma. Our staff work with families to set realistic goals and celebrate each step achieved to create stable environments for children so they may have an opportunity to thrive. In fiscal year 2021, our caring and dedicated staff reached more than 4,000 individuals and impacted many more. Our Children's Integrated Services team provided family support and early intervention to 63 Morrisville families, totaling about 630 home or virtual home visits. LFC supported Morrisville residents in other ways, too: 89 kids received toys, games, books, and stocking stuffers through the Holiday Project; 216 residents, including 129 children, received emergency assistance including funding for rent and fuel and goods such as diapers and clothing; 24 kids received summer camp scholarships so that they could attend summer programs with their peers; 25 families were accompanied by a DULCE family specialist to their pediatric infant wellness visits; 29 infants and their families received Welcome Baby visits; 92 residents visited the Story Stroll; 6 youth facing crisis situations were attended to through LFC's Youth and Young Adult Program, and dozens of families and child care providers received child care support services including assistance with financial aid application and referral to regulated programs. Healthy Lamoille Valley, a community coalition and program of Lamoille Family Center, provided support to youth, parents, educators, medical offices, business owners and community members around prevention of youth substance misuse and promotion of healthy lifestyles. Countless children are stronger, safer and more resilient as a result of their involvement with the Family Center. Together, we strive to help families become mentally and physically healthy, strong and resilient. Support through volunteer time, donation of goods and services, and financial contributions remain vital to the sustainability of the Lamoille Family Center. We cannot do this work without you and we thank you for your support. Please call if you would benefit from our services.

<b>Lamoille Home Health &amp; Hospice</b>	<b>\$15,681.00</b>
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LHH&H is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> year of providing care to Lamoille County residents and their families. Understandably, 2021 was a challenging year for all of us. The COVID-19 pandemic has had an enormous impact on the way we serve our clients. The financial and emotional toll that it continues to take on many Vermonters is also very real. Our Agency is deeply committed to meeting the health needs of every resident. As a non-profit, we are able to ensure that everyone is cared for – not just those with an ability to pay. All of our neighbors matter to us, and through collaboration with our community health partners, it helps us to ensure delivery of the best possible care. Your town's support is a constant for us in the ever changing and challenging world of health care. Below is a recount of how LHH&H and your community came together to help us



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be successful. Last fiscal year, LHH&H staff made 14,046 home visits to residents of Morrisville. These visits included 5,216 nursing, 2,104 physical therapy, 835 occupational therapy, 101 speech therapy, 473 medical social worker, 1,727 licensed nursing assistants, 2,791 personal care attendant, 744 case management, 39 volunteer and 16 chaplain visits. Town allocations, personal donations and committed volunteers afford us the opportunities to provide the finest home health care with a hometown touch! LHH&H exists to service you and your loved ones – to provide hope, healing and recovery. Your continued support makes a world of difference to so many in Lamoille County.

### **Lamoille Housing Partnership**

**\$1,000.00**

Lamoille Housing Partnership (LHP) Mission Statement: Established in 1991, LHP develops, rehabilitates and maintains safe, decent, affordable housing through rental, home ownership, or other means to low and moderate income earning persons and families living within Lamoille County and the Town of Hardwick. LHP provides such assistance without discrimination or prejudice using a combination of private and public funding partnerships. LHP is a registered 501c3 nonprofit. Our mission in action reduces housing affordability barriers and closes the housing opportunity gap in the Lamoille Valley. We believe that all individuals regardless of income deserve the opportunity to lead thriving, healthy, dignified lives and this starts with a safe, stable, affordable home. LHP Economic & Community impact: • Over \$50 million invested in the development of 280+ affordable apartments and homes since 1991. • Over \$240,000 in property taxes paid to local municipalities in 2021. • Income eligible, affordable apartments designated for households that earn 30% to 120% of area median income. • 7 commercial spaces developed in downtown areas leased to restaurant and retail businesses. • 70 participants of Support And Services At Home (SASH,) free, voluntary health and wellness programming in 2021. • Prior to renting a home through LHP, 20% of LHP's residents have previously been at high risk of becoming or have experienced homelessness. • In 2021, LHP provided 13 renter households who previously endured homelessness a path out of homelessness into permanent, long term housing. LHP Resident Demographics: • Annual range of household incomes served: \$6,000 - \$58,000 • Populations served: low to moderate income (LMI) earning families, members of the workforce, aging persons, persons with disabilities, veterans and individuals who have experienced homelessness • Total residents served in Lamoille County and Hardwick: 454 • Total LMI families housed with children under age 18: 64 • Total LMI aging individuals and individuals with disabilities housed: 204 • Total LMI individuals housed previously at high risk of becoming or have experienced homelessness: 90 LHP Affordable Rental Apartment & Community Development Portfolio: • Morrisville: Arthur's on Main, Lamoille View, Morrisville Community HLP, Portland and Main. Total apartments, commercial spaces: 78, 2. • Jeffersonville: Mann's Meadow Family and Senior, Brewster River. Total apartments and commercial spaces: 40, 1. • Johnson: Lower Main Street & Mack Mudgett Drive, School Street. Total apartments: 28. • Stowe: Sylvan Woods. Total apartments: 39 • Hardwick: Bemis Block, Highland Hill HLP, Cherry Street, South Main Street, Evergreen Manor, Maple Street Apartments. Total apartments, commercial spaces: 98, 4. Service Area Housing Needs: Barriers to housing among local LMI populations include: housing costs that outpace wages, low vacancy rates, and a rental housing shortage with a disproportionate amount of subsidized, affordable options. Barriers to housing contribute to: severe rates of housing cost burdened households, homelessness and evictions, overcrowding, compromised access to basic needs such as food and health care, a workforce shortage. LHP apartment rental rates range from \*\$79 to \*\*\$940 per month and include utilities (\*subsidized apartments, \*\*higher rental rates represent market rate apartments in LHP portfolio, just 8%.) Comparatively, area market rate rentals range from \$900 to \$1,500 per month, and in most cases exclude heat and utilities. As of October 2021, LHP had 0 vacancies within our entire 280-unit rental portfolio and 480+ applicants on our waitlist. In the same month, 68 households are experiencing homelessness in area

communities and seeking long term housing. To develop solutions that reduce or end barriers to housing in our service area communities, we collaborate with local partners including Stowe Land Trust, Lamoille County Planning Commission, and Lamoille Valley Housing and Homelessness Coalition regarding affordable housing, workforce housing, homelessness, rentals and purchase property availability. Support and Services at Home (SASH) programming: Free health and wellness support program for aging persons and persons with disabilities living in congregate housing, plus Medicare recipients in surrounding communities. Program measurably reduces medical expenses, supports participants to healthfully and independently age at home. SASH assists approximately 5000 people statewide. Appropriation funding request: LHP requests level funding from the Town of Morrisville to total an appropriation of \$1,000. Intended use of appropriation: Appropriation funds are earmarked for exclusive use only in aspects of affordable housing infrastructure project development that advance projects from pipeline to construction in local communities. Fund uses include: community housing needs & assessment studies, feasibility studies, project design, development and construction costs, land and property acquisition, and additional project development specific costs. Appropriation funds are matched in state grant funds from Vermont Housing and Conservation Board. Funding received from area municipalities: Stowe, Morrisville, Cambridge, Hyde Park, Eden, Elmore, Johnson, and Waterville. Funding sources: Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, Vermont Housing Finance Agency, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits, Vermont Community Development Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, developer fees, philanthropic contributions from individuals and businesses.

**Lamoille Restorative Center**

**\$1,500.00**

Lamoille Restorative Center (LRC) empowers people to make good choices and connect positively to their community. Our mission is to uphold the dignity and resilience of individuals and families through restorative justice principles and programs. **The number of children, youth, and adults residing in Morrisville who were served by one of LRC's twelve (12) programs in fiscal year 2021 was one-hundred-thirty-three (133).** Across the Lamoille Valley in fiscal year 2021, staff at LRC worked with a total of **716** individuals, and specifically helped:

- **157** students get re-engaged with school.
- **74** people stay out of the justice system with the help of **42** volunteers; through restorative justice meetings where participants identify ways to repair the harm caused by their crime.
- **10** men and women re-entered their community from prison, established positive relationships and worked to avoid re-offending.
- **253** people get treatment for substance use and/or mental health issues. These people avoided deeper court involvement and many avoided potential prison sentences.
- **22** young people with disabilities and other barriers to employment prepare for the world of work and find meaningful employment.

These interventions save tax dollars, reduce recidivism, and help people address issues that often lead to crime in the first place. LRC relies on financial contributions from individuals and communities – like this town's appropriation. We are grateful for Morrisville's residents' continued support.

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<b>Meals on Wheels</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<p>The mission of Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County is to improve health and enhance the quality of life for our community elders by providing nutritious meals and social interaction. Our daily meal and well check visits help elders live independently in their own homes and community. Our work is only possible because of support from communities like yours. State and Federal funding accounts for 40% of our budget, and we fill in the gap by writing grants and campaign letters, fundraising activities, client contributions, and town appropriations.</p> <p>This fiscal year, October 1, 2020- September 30, 2021, Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County delivered over 47,000 meals. Of those 16,813 meals were delivered to 148 recipients in Morrisville. Thank you for your ongoing support. For more information about our services or to become a volunteer, please call 888-5011.</p>	
<b>North Country Animal League</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<p>NCAL has accepted 30 stray or surrendered animals thus far into our shelter in 2021 from Morristown. These 30 strays or surrenders amount to an approximate expense to NCAL of \$21,750 when using a minimum average expense of \$725 per animal for care, feeding and medical needs before adoption. Our adoption fees of \$275 per dog and \$100 per cat pay only a small amount of the expenses incurred: spay/neuter, deworming, vaccines, emergency medical, food and care. To ensure the adoption of homeless animals, we must keep our adoption fees as affordable as possible. We seek town-wide community support for our local stray and unwanted animals and help to provide them with humane care and permanent placement. Daily boarding fees at private kennels average \$25 per day. To board animals with an average stay of 22 days before adoption, your town would have spent a minimum of \$16,500 to house these strays, not including medical treatment, adoption services, overhead of staff and building, etc. NCAL is the best humane and financial solution for Morristown's stray and unwanted animals. In addition to taking Morristown's stray and surrendered animals, we served Morristown families through our NCAL Meals outreach, adoptions and humane education programs. Our NCAL Meals program is a free pet food assistance program that began in 2020, in response to the pandemic, to provide much-needed monthly assistance to vulnerable families and pets in our community. In 2021, NCAL Meals has served 45 families in Lamoille County of which 18 were in Morristown, providing 4,660 pounds of food for 86 pets in their homes, in addition to providing Lamoille County Food Share with 3,179 lbs of food for the families they serve. Our Humane Education programs serve over 217 local children annually through opportunities that teach compassion and responsibility with animals. These efforts include Humane Heroes summer camps, Horsemanship camps, riding lessons and afterschool horsemanship program. Our financial assistance towards tuition ensures all families, regardless of their financial status, can access these programs. Thank you for your consideration of our request for annual support from Morristown, without which many animals would suffer from cruelty or be needlessly euthanized. Together, we are creating a more humane community.</p>	
<b>Retired Senior Volunteer Program</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<p>The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) engages, inspires, and recognizes volunteers who serve Older Vermonters in Central Vermont and the Northeast Kingdom. Our program focuses on the healthy future of older Vermonters with measurable outcomes in companionship, wellness programs and home delivered meals. There are 480 RSVP volunteers in our service area that includes the counties of Orange, Lamoille, Washington, Essex, Caledonia and Orleans that collectively served 31,388 hours last year. The funding requested from Morristown is used to help offset the cost of supporting those volunteers. These costs are: training, recognition, travel,</p>	



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insurance, and coordination time. RSVP volunteers serve their community by leading evidence based wellness programs. These programs are designed to improve balance, increase strength and provide social connections. RSVP volunteers also serve at meal sites, visit people in their homes, and deliver Meals on Wheels all with the goal of improving the healthy futures of older Vermonters. There is more to volunteering than the outcomes achieved in service to others. A study by the Corporation for National and Community Service indicates that volunteering provides individual health benefits in addition to social advantages. This research has established a strong relationship between volunteering and health: those who volunteer have lower mortality rates, greater functional ability, and lower rates of depression later in life than those who do not volunteer. For more information, or to volunteer in your community, please contact us at 802-888-2190, e-mail [dnoyes@cvcoa.org](mailto:dnoyes@cvcoa.org) or visit [www.cvcoa.org/rsvp](http://www.cvcoa.org/rsvp). RSVP is your invitation to serve. Sponsored by the Central Vermont Council on Aging, it is a national program designed to provide opportunities to individuals 55 and older who continue to remain actively involved in the life of their community. Offices are located in Morrisville, Barre, and St. Johnsbury.

### River Arts

**\$10,000.00**

River Arts is a non-profit community arts center with a mission of enriching and empowering the community through the arts. River Arts is committed to serving local communities with ongoing art opportunities and exposure. For many, these programs serve as a vital connection to their community, encouraging therapeutic self-expression and enriching relationships to self and the community at large. Our core operating value is Arts for Everyone, and 2022 promises to be an exciting year of revitalization and growth for River Arts. In the past year, we have spent time restructuring both our leadership and programming. Alongside the board, we have been re-imagining River Arts in ways that would make us more inclusive and equitable. Embracing cooperative leadership, strengthening our community partnerships and expanding our programming to meet the needs of our community are all results of this internal restructuring. We feel that we have renewed our mission of Arts for Everyone regardless of age, race, gender, ability or financial means. Even during the challenging times of Covid19, River Arts hosted many classes, camps, programs and community events including bringing innovative exploratory arts. In 2021 we offered 10 camps and served 78 youth with nearly half of our campers receiving scholarships. River Arts has had an incredibly challenging year as all arts organizations have had. With the setbacks due to Covid19 we continued to keep the doors open and continue with programs. River Arts has worked hard to meet adversity with creativity. We have reframed "limitations" as valuable learning experiences to re-imagine ways to be a more inclusive and equitable organization. A community arts non-profit like River Arts is not possible without the support of our generous dedicated community. Behind every program and event, there are costs to both create and run them. River Arts relies on the generosity of others to help underwrite the expenses associated with high quality programming and events that bring energy and vitality to our community. We hope the town of Morrisville will help us to fully realize our mission.

### Rural Community Transportation

**\$10,963.00**

Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT), is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation which has provided public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex Counties since 1991, and now serves Lamoille County. RCT operates fare-free shuttle and commuter bus routes, allowing connections between towns in our region and the ability to travel throughout Vermont and beyond. RCT also provides demand-response transportation services under several programs, such as Medicaid, the Elderly & Disabled program, and Rides 2 Wellness. RCT runs four commuter routes to enhance access to employment, connecting Morrisville to the towns of Barre

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and Waterbury, and St. Johnsbury to Montpelier and to Littleton. We operate three shuttle routes tying Morrisville, Newport/Derby, and St. Johnsbury/Lyndonville residents and nearby Vermonters to essential locations, from grocery stores to medical centers. Shopping routes provide similar service spanning Morrisville and Stowe in the west, Newport and surrounding towns in the north, and Lyndon to New Hampshire in the east. A number of our 9,000 riders utilizing 74,000 trips in FY2021 have expressed their gratitude and noted their dependence on our services. Though the COVID-19 pandemic and RCT's practices of social distancing, mask requirement, and vehicle sanitization have had an impact on its passenger load, we have continued to operate uninterrupted and strive to provide safe, reliable, accessible, and affordable transportation. In FY2019, we provided over 300,000 rides; in FY2021, ridership decreased by about half. RCT continues to be greatly impacted by the pandemic; however, we are now operating at 100% capacity and do our part to keep healthy and safe those who may not have another means of pandemic-sensitive transportation. RCT gratefully benefits from a robust volunteer program, with fifty-five volunteers providing rides to neighbors and those needing non-shuttle transportation to access vital services. We depend on our volunteers to help meet the needs of their neighbors near and far. RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, our funding sources typically require between 20% and 50% locally matched dollars. All town appropriations received are used to provide the required local match, and are therefore crucial to RCT's operations. Your generosity allows RCT to transform your funding into the ability to thrive, grow, and provide your community with reliable quality transportation service.

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## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LOCAL REPORT

Twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. Additional information about your local health office and related programs can be found at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local>.

### COVID-19

It has been almost two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began, and in response, our families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless other groups have worked to better protect the health of our communities. Together we ensured towns had access to the vaccine, testing, and other services needed to make more informed decisions about their health. As of December 1, 2021, approximately

494,000 Vermonters received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

546,055 people have been tested and a total of 2,570,835 tests completed.

Many COVID-19 resources are now provided in over 20 different languages.

Up-to-date information, including town-level data can be found on the Health Department's website: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity>.

### Public Health Programs

In addition to COVID-19 response efforts, Local Health offices continue to provide health services and programs to Vermont communities, including but not limited to

In collaboration with Town Health Officers and other local partners, we help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health at a time when more of us are spending time at home with our families. Find information about environmental health and lead, asbestos, toxic chemicals, child safety, food safety, climate change, drinking water, and more at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/environment>.

The WIC nutrition program continues to provide primarily remote access to services with phone appointments. In 2021, an average of approximately 11,300 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont each month.

As of November 23, 2021, 193,000 flu vaccine doses have been administered. Protecting people from influenza continues to be particularly important as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19.

Thank you to everyone involved in supporting these efforts. We look forward to what 2022 brings, to seeing you in the community, and encourage you to stay in touch with us.