

**Annual Report**  
**Town and School District**  
**BARNARD, VERMONT**  
**TOWN MEETING 2021**



**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

### **Barnard in the COVID19 Pandemic**

We would be remiss if we didn't attempt to identify the organizations and people who kept this community from faltering in the face of the Pandemic that plunged us into an abyss of uncertainty beginning in March of 2020. Who would we turn to for information? How would we sustain our own households and our community? What impact would all of this have on our children who lost social interactions with their peers because the schools closed? What of all the parents wanting to preserve a normal environment for their children while holding down their quickly vanishing or drastically redefined vocations? This little town barely skipped a beat. Information came on a daily basis from Health Officer Tom Morse who monitored state-wide trends and alerts; Barnard Helping Hands dove in to assure our residents needing help with food, rent, transportation and all the responsibilities of maintaining a household that help was just a phone call away. For months on end they never gave up and repeatedly encouraged residents to find comfort in asking for help. Linda Beaumariage, Mary Blanton and Patty Hasson took charge as the voices of angels among us. The Barnard General Store, under the capable direction and passion of Jillian and Joe Minerva, rallied to keep the store staffed, stocked and open for now homebound families. Jillian kept the holidays (July 4<sup>th</sup>, Halloween and Christmas) alive for the children who needed these more than ever, turning each into an opportunity to let the kids know there was still magic surrounding them. She also organized a Holiday Gift Basket Raffle to raise nearly seven thousand dollars for Helping Hands. The Town wouldn't have survived without the dedication of each of its town officers, highway department, Selectmen, Transfer Station, Fire and Rescue Department, Danforth Library and Pam Butler of The Thompson on behalf of Barnard. Even Twin Farms five-star resort gifted the community with special drive-thru dinners. To say we are blessed to live in Barnard where we take care of one another would be an understatement. So, continue to smile and be kind to each other for this is who we are.

### **Virginia Manny Lancaster**



The Barnard community lost a vibrant, dedicated public servant on October 14, 2020 when Virginia Lancaster passed from this earth. She grew up in NYC and graduated with a BA in Education from Goddard College. She met her future husband John Lancaster in Woodstock and they married in 1952. The following year she and John bought a farmhouse in Barnard where they lived for over 60 years. In all their years together, she pursued swimming, tennis, golf, skiing and horseback riding. She was a substitute teacher, ski instructor and the hill manager of then Sonnenburg Ski Area. She and John established and ran the alternative Turkey Hollow School for eight years in their home on Lime Pond Road. Among other accomplishments, she was a State Representative for the Windsor District and a Selectman and Auditor for the Town. To help inform townspeople of important issues, she published the Barnard Bulletin which was sent free of charge to every household in Barnard. Her sense of community was further evidenced in being a regular volunteer and the Green Mountain Horse Association, the Glad Rags sales and Woodstock's Ski Runners programs. Her children Richard, Gina and Justin carry on many of those efforts as do her grandchildren. Dear John survives Virginia.

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*The Auditors for Barnard would like to acknowledge and thank Rob Ramrath for his kind and patient assistance in the creation of this year’s Annual Town Report.*

# Pace & Hawley, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

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December 10, 2020

The Select Board  
Town of Barnard, Vermont

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Barnard, Vermont, for the year ended June 30, 2020. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information previously through our engagement letter dated May 18, 2020. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

## Significant Audit Findings

### *Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices*

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Town of Barnard, Vermont are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted, and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2020. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements was:

Management's estimate that all receivables were collectible and therefore an allowance for uncollectible accounts was not recorded in the financial statements to offset any future uncollectible accounts.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosure affecting the financial statements was:

The disclosure of the presentation of fund balance categories is significant to financial statement users because this communicates the level of constraints placed on assets in a particular fund.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

### *Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit*

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

### *Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements*

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. The misstatements corrected by management are shown in the accompanying listing of adjusting journal entries. The attached schedule summarizes uncorrected misstatements of the financial statements. Management has determined that their effects are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

### *Disagreements with Management*

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

### *Management Representations*

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 7, 2020.

### *Other Audit Findings or Issues*

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

### Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the schedule of revenues and expenditures budget and actual General Fund, schedule of revenues and expenditures budget and actual Highway Fund, schedule of the proportionate share of the net pension liability and the schedule of pension contributions, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on the balance sheet and schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the nonmajor governmental funds, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

### *Management Comments*

We would like to thank Diane and Alice for their help and assistance through the audit process. Additionally, we recognize their diligent efforts in overseeing the financial records of the Town including maintaining well organized deposits, vendor invoices, warrants, bank statement reconciliations and effectively using outside financial consultants such as NEMRC.

Restrictions on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the Select Board and management of the Town of Barnard, Vermont and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

*Pace and Hawley, LLC*

**Local Auditors' Report**

To the best of our knowledge, the Town of Barnard's statement of accounts and appointed independent Auditor's statement of accounts represent the conditions of the finances of the town.

The 2020 independent Auditor's report by Pace and Hawley, LLC, Certified Public Accountants is available at the Town Clerk's office.

The financial records of the school district for the year ending June 30, 2020 have been audited and a copy of the audit report is available from the offices of the business manager of the Supervisory Union #51 upon request.

Linda Caruso  
Beth Finlayson  
Tom Morse  
**Auditors**



**WARNING**  
**TOWN OF BARNARD**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MAY 15, 2021**

The legal voters of the Town of Barnard are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barnard Town Hall, 115 North Road in the Town of Barnard, Vermont on Saturday May 15, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business from the floor:

ARTICLES

1. To elect a Town Moderator.
2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers.
3. Shall the Town of Barnard proceed with the elimination of the Barnard Board of Listers in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2651c(b)(1) and direct the Barnard Board of Selectmen to replace the Board of Listers with a professional, State qualified, appraiser who shall have the same powers, discharge the same duties, proceed in the discharge thereof in the same manner, and be subject to the same liabilities as are prescribed for the Board of Listers under the provisions of Title 32, and amend the Selectman's Budget by removing the Listers Office portion of the Budget and adding the following section to the Selectman's Budget, for FY 2022:

Appraiser Contract:	\$36,000.00
Mapping/GIS:	\$6,500.00
Expenses/Supplies:	\$6,600.00
Office Equipment:	\$500.00
Selectboard Liaison:	\$10,000.00

4. To elect the following Town Officers by ballot: one Selectman for three years, one Lister for three years, one Auditor for three years, a Tax Collector for one year, a Delinquent Tax Collector for one year, a First Constable for one year, a Second Constable for one year, and to elect all other officers as made necessary by law.
5. To authorize the Treasurer to collect current taxes.
6. To see how the Town will have its property taxes collected and to set the due date.
7. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to reconcile the FY20 General Fund and Highway surplus or deficit, and in the event of a surplus, the amount is to be carried forward to the next fiscal year.
8. Shall the Town raise \$11,655.00 as the Town's portion for a renewal of the Intermunicipal Regional Energy Coordinator?
9. To vote a FY21 Highway budget of \$894,557.50 of which \$670,045.50 shall be raised by taxes, and a FY21 General Fund budget of \$821,308.07 of which \$577,743.07 shall be raised by taxes.

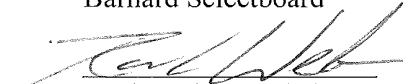


To do any other business which may come legally before this meeting.

Eligible residents can register to vote at the town clerk's office during normal business hours prior to town meeting, and at the town hall during town meeting. Early or absentee ballots are not available for votes "from the floor" at town meeting. Voters must be present to be counted.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

Barnard Selectboard

  
Rock Webster, Chair

  
Timothy Johnson

  
Robert Edmunds

**From VLCT, July/August, 2012, Secretary of State Jim Condos RE: Town Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of a meeting of a public body should not attempt to be a transcript of the meeting or a complete restatement of all public discussion at the meeting. 1 V.S.A. #312(b) provides a list of what must be included in minutes. In summary: Record all motions whether adopted or defeated, name of the maker of the motion, number of votes on each side in a motion, names of board members present, names of active participants in the meeting. Do not record discussion or expressions of personal opinion. Do not try to capture individual statements except for motions made.

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF BARNARD  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2020**

Moderator Paul Doton called the meeting to order at 11:23 A.M.

**ARTICLES:**

1. **To elect a Town Moderator.** Doug Martin nominates Paul Doton, second by Jerry Blakeney. **Voice vote elects Paul Doton Moderator.**
2. **To hear the reports of the Town Officers.** Beth Finlayson makes motion, second by Kurt Lessard. No discussion. **Voice Vote approves article.**
3. **To elect the following Town Officers by ballot: one Selectman for three years: Rock Webster** (Richard Lancaster, Doug Martin, Wes Hennig); **one Lister for three years: Virginia Nix** (Richard Lancaster, Mike Manning, Alice Rydjeski); **one Auditor for three year: Linda Caruso** (Beth Finlayson, Richard Lancaster, Sue Hickey); **a Town Clerk for three years: Diane Rainey** (Doug Martin, Mike Manning, Del Balch); **Tax Collector for one year: Diane Rainey** (Doug Martin, Richard Lancaster, Andy Cole); **a Delinquent Tax Collector for one year: Diane Rainey** (Doug Martin, Beth Finlayson, Fran Carbino); **a First Constable for one year: Wes Hennig** (Mike Manning, Richard Lancaster, Doug Martin); **a Second Constable for one year:** Rob Tracy nominates Chris Campbell, Chris refuses nomination, no other nominations, Moderator announces that Selectmen will appoint a Second Constable, **and to elect all officers as made necessary by law: Town Agent for one year: Lee Resseguie** (Kurt Lessard, Richard Lancaster, Terry Davis); **Trustee of Public Funds for three years: Diane Rainey** (Sue Lewis, Richard Lancaster, Fran Carbino); **Library Trustee for five years: Edythe Wright** (Margaret Edwards, Terry Davis, Pamela Fraser); **Cemetery Commissioner for five years: Robert Edmunds** (Rock Webster, Richard Lancaster, Terry Davis); **Town Treasurer for three years: Diane Rainey** (Doug Martin, Sue Hickey, Richard Lancaster). (Except as noted, all nominations were moved and a seconding motion made that nominations cease and the Town Clerk or Assistant Town Clerk cast one ballot for the person nominated. The first person named in parentheses nominated the person for office, the 2nd person moved nominations cease and the 3rd person seconded the motion.) **All pass by voice vote.**
4. **To authorize the Treasurer to collect current taxes.** Motion by Dan Leavitt, second by Paige Gibbs. **Voice vote passes article.**
5. **To see how the Town will have its property taxes collected and to set the due date.** Alice Rydjeski makes the motion **To have taxes collected in two equal installments, the first due date to be on or after August 21, 2020, with such due date being set by the Treasurer, the second due date to be February 24, 2021, with interest and penalties as allowed by State law on past due accounts. Payments must be in United States funds and be payable and legibly postmarked on or before the due dates.** Motion seconded by Sophia Stone. No discussion. **Voice vote passes article.**
6. **To authorize the Board of Selectmen to reconcile the FY19 General Fund and Highway surplus or deficit, and in the event of a surplus, the amount is to be carried forward to the next fiscal year.** Tom Morse makes motion, second by Terry Davis. No Discussion. **Voice vote passes article.**
7. **To vote a FY21 Highway budget of \$918,720.00 of which \$734,720.00 shall be raised by taxes, and a FY21 General Fund budget of \$855,701.69 of which \$575,701.69 shall be raised by taxes.** Tom Morse makes motion, second by Richard Lancaster. Alice Rydjeski makes motion **to amend article by deleting \$45,000 from General Fund for amount for "Barnard Academy – Rent Emerg Shelter"** Beth Finlayson seconds motion. Discussion. Voice vote defeats amendment, **Voice vote passes article.**

8. **Shall the Town make an additional principal payment of \$250,000 from accumulated budget surpluses as of June 30, 2019 in the General Fund as a prepayment on the Promissory Note held by Mascoma Savings Bank for construction of the emergency services building?** Tom Morse makes motion, second by Doug Martin. Discussion. **Voice vote passes article.**
9. **Shall the Town raise \$11,193.93 as the Town's portion for a Regional Energy Coordinator?** Motion by Tom Morse, second by Pamela Fraser. Discussion. Tom Morse makes **motion to move the question**, second by Margaret Edwards. Voice vote moves question. **Voice vote passes article.**

**To do any other business which may come legally before this meeting.** Alison Clarkson speaks of legislative activities. Crowd wishes Floyd VanAlstyne 100<sup>th</sup> happy birthday. Doug Martin makes **motion to adjourn**. **Meeting adjourns at 12:24 P.M.**

A true record of the March 3, 2020 Annual Town Meeting, to the best of our ability.

Attest: Diane L. Rainey, Town Clerk      Paul Doton, Moderator      Rock Webster, Selectmen

## **SELECTBOARD REPORT 2020**

The Selectboard echoes the thanks and sentiments offered in the Dedication page of this report regarding COVID-19. The virus created so many unknowns and very real threats to the community. In true Barnard form, the community pulled together, caring for one another, pushing forward where everyone did what they had to do to live and work. Of course, the Selectboard also fondly remembers the many contributions of Virginia Lancaster.

In April, we said goodbye to Preston Bristow who moved to a full-time position as Zoning Administrator in Killington. The Selectboard thanks Preston for his dedicated service since 2007. Preston was replaced by Rob Ramrath who is now Assistant to the Selectboard and Zoning Administrator.

Happily, there were no big, destructive weather events to report on this year which required reimbursement grants. However, the Selectboard is pleased with the Land Record Digitization project, where all formally recorded land records have been digitized and made available on-line back to April 1955. This was made possible by a \$38,347 grant from the state with the specific intention to allow access to these records without the need to visit town offices during the restrictions of COVID-19. Thanks to our Town Clerk Diane Rainey, her assistant Alice Rydjeski and Selectboard Assistant Rob Ramrath for this accomplishment.

You will see a special article to eliminate the Barnard Board of Listers to be replaced by a professional, state qualified appraiser. This year, two of our three listers retired from the board. Replacement of listers can be a daunting challenge. It is vital that the town have the capability to perform appraisals and prepare the Grand List on a professional, stable basis. Rather than continuing the struggle of maintaining a stable and capable board of listers, many towns are taking the approach of hiring external, highly experienced, professional appraisers. In the strong opinion of the Selectboard, this is the correct approach for Barnard and encourages our voters to approve the associated article. This change does not increase costs to Barnard taxpayer. The Selectboard thanks Lois Resseguie, Virginia Nix and Richard Lancaster for their many years of dedicated service on our Board of Listers.

The 'Town Beach' area by the General Store experienced record crowds this summer with many cars and pedestrians. Residents reported concerns for safety and the ability to smoothly travel up and down Stage road. The Selectboard directed parking and crosswalk lines be painted. In the spring, new 'No Parking' signs will be placed on the lakeside of Stage Road between the Post Office and the kayak launch to further mitigate issues. The Selectboard will continue to monitor the situation. Additionally, the Village Sidewalk Study is in full swing, supported by a committee of four community members. This long-range scoping effort will consider all aspects of pedestrian safety in the area which should provide additional insights. Please look for public meetings to be announced where you can hear more and contribute your inputs.

Last year the town voted to include Barnard in the services of a new six-town Intermunicipal Regional Energy Coordinator (IREC). The Selectboard has worked closely with the IREC throughout the year. Assessments have been performed for the Town Hall, Town Garage and the Transfer Station. Many substantial opportunities for energy savings have been proposed and work is ongoing. The Selectboard believes that over time, the energy savings will more than pay for the town's continued support of the IREC position. The Selectboard supports continued funding for this position.

Included in the budget are funds for long overdue maintenance activities for the Town Hall and Town Garage. Year-over-year, the budget differences with FY2022 are unremarkable and essentially level-funded. With budget stresses associated with COVID-19 at the state level, changes to Education Taxes are unpredictable.

## **Report from the Office of the Listers**

With the 2019 Barnard town-wide reappraisal behind us the Listers office was focused on more normal office procedures in 2020. However due to the Covid-19 pandemic the Listers schedule was far from normal. The Grand List abstract was not lodged until July 29, 2020, and Lister Grievance was held on August 10, 2020. This was the primary reason that the Tax Bills were not sent out until September. It is hoped that in 2021 the schedule will return to normal.

While checking property transfers the Listers discovered some discrepancies in property ownership, and the combining of contiguous parcels into a single taxable entity. These issues will be resolved prior to the lodging of the 2021 Grand List and should not result in any significant change in the Grand List.

There were 11 appeals at Lister Grievance in 2020 and none of these grievances were appealed to the BCA. One 2019 appeal to the State was heard in December. All Grievance Reports, Minutes and Annual Reports are available by following the links on the Listers page at [www.BarnardVT.us](http://www.BarnardVT.us).

The Barnard Grand List currently lists 810 parcels, of which 182 parcels are enrolled in the Current Use program. All Current Use issues for 2020 were resolved prior to the end of December.

In 2020 the Listers' overall spending was under budget by \$18,404.12, due to the reduction in the office workload, thus reducing Wages, Consulting, and Equipment spending. For the 2022 budget, we have increased Consulting Fees, to reflect the contracted amount of \$15,300.00. We have reduced spending for Equipment, and increased Mapping and Expenses/Supplies funding. With no expenses budgeted for Lister education, or a reappraisal, the 2022 budget has decreased \$100.00 over the 2021 budget.

On March 3, 2020, Virginia Nix was re-elected for a three-year term. As of the 2021 Town Meeting, Richard Lancaster's three-year term expires. Lois Resseguie and Virginia Nix have formally resigned as Listers as of the end of 2020. Therefore, three Listers will need to be elected if the Appraisal Contract article is not passed.

In 2020 New England Municipal Consultants (NEMC) was contracted to assist the Listers with office procedures for \$14,400.00 annually. This year the legal residents of Barnard will be asked to vote at Town Meeting on an Article that requests the Selectman to contract with NEMC for all appraisal services in the Town of Barnard. If the article passes the office of the Board of Listers will be eliminated, as per Title 17 V.S.A. § 2651c, and the funding for the contract between the Selectmen and NEMC for a yearly fee of \$36,000, along with other Appraiser's Office expenses, will become a line item elsewhere in the Selectmen's budget.

If the Listers Office is eliminated, the Mapping, Expense/Supplies and Equipment line items will need to be transferred to the Selectmen's Office, along with the new appraisal contract, resulting in an Appraiser's Office budget of \$49,600.00 and a Listers budget of \$0.00. If the Contract Appraiser Article fails, the Listers Office portion of the 2021 Municipal Budget will be \$61,750.00.

Respectfully submitted, December 14, 2020, by the Board of Listers  
Lois Resseguie, Virginia Nix, Richard Lancaster

# Budget If Contract Appraiser Article Passes

## Listers' Portion of the Selectmen's Budget Fiscal Year July 2021 – June 2022

Listers Budget Category	Budget FY 2020	Actual FY 2020	Budget FY 2021	Budget FY 2022	Change
Listers Wages	\$30,400.00	\$20,654.00	\$30,400.00	\$0.00	\$(30,400.00)
Social Security Taxes	\$2,450.00	\$1,580.05	\$2,450.00	\$0.00	\$(2,450.00)
Consulting.	\$12,000.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$14,400.00	\$0.00	\$(14,400.00)
Mapping	\$6,000.00	\$6,400.00	\$5,500.00	\$0.00	\$(5,500.00)
Expenses/Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$5,171.50	\$6,100.00	\$0.00	\$(6,100.00)
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>\$240.33</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$(3,000.00)</u>
Listers Budget Totals	\$60,850.00	\$42,445.88	\$61,850.00	\$0.00	\$(61,850.00)

## Appraiser's Office Portion of the Selectmen's Budget Fiscal Year July 2021 – June 2022

Selectmen's Budget Category	Budget FY 2020	Actual FY 2020	Budget FY 2021	Budget FY 2022	Change
Appraisal Contract	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00
Mapping/GIS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
Expenses/Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00
<u>Office Equipment</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
Appraisal Office Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,600.00	\$49,600.00

# Budget If Contract Appraiser Article Fails

## Listers' Portion of the Selectmen's Budget Fiscal Year July 2021 – June 2022

Listers Budget Category	Budget FY 2020	Actual FY 2020	Budget FY 2021	Budget FY 2022	Change
Listers Wages	\$30,400.00	\$20,654.00	\$30,400.00	\$30,400.00	\$0.00
Social Security Taxes	\$2,450.00	\$1,580.05	\$2,450.00	\$2,450.00	\$0.00
Consulting.	\$12,000.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$14,400.00	\$15,300.00	\$900.00
Mapping	\$6,000.00	\$6,400.00	\$5,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$1,000.00
Expenses/Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$5,171.50	\$6,100.00	\$6,600.00	\$500.00
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>\$240.33</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$(2,500.00)</u>
Listers Budget Totals	\$60,850.00	\$42,445.88	\$61,850.00	\$61,750.00	\$(100.00)

## GENERAL INFORMATION FY20

Taxable Grand List:		\$ 2,731,173.50	
Tax Rate:	Municipal (set by the Barnard Board of Selectmen):	\$ 0.1697	
	Highway (set by the Barnard Board of Selectmen):	0.3125	
	School (set by the VT Dept. of Taxes):		TOTALS
	Homestead	\$ 1.7398	\$ 2.222
	Non-Residential	\$ 1.6264	\$ 201086
Population:			958
Acres:			311360
Altitude:			1334 ft.
Zip Code:			05031
Barnard Volunteer Fire Department:	--EMERGENCY 911--		
Chief: Scott Mills			234-9073
Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Department:	--EMERGENCY 911--		
Chief: Art Levin			763-7044
Emergency			911
Fire Wardens: Scott Mills			234-9073
Rob Tracy			234-9785
Constables/Dog Wardens	Wes Hennig		234-5152
	Edge Cole		234-3758
Health Officer: Tom Morse			234-5256
Listers' Office: Wednesday 9-11 AM or by appointment			234-9576
Selectmen: Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 7 PM, Town Office			
	Rock Webster (Rock@Rockwebsterconstruction.com)		234-9391
	Robert Edmunds (bobedmunds.barnardVT@gmail.com)		234-9401
	Tim Johnson (mtjhanson@aol.com)		234-6827
Town Garage: Jeff Tracy, Foreman			234-6961
Town Office	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00 – 3:30		
Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Diane Rainey			234-9211 ext. 1
Transfer Station: Saturday 8-4 (during summer also Wed 4-8)			
Zoning Administrator: Robert Ramrath			234-9211 ext.2



# GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

November 3, 2020

listing only those receiving votes

## Barnard

### Justice of the Peace

Kimberly Barnhart - 202  
Jay Caruso - 348  
Linda Caruso - 333  
Paul Doton - 447  
Elizabeth Finlayson - 228  
Patricia Hasson - 249  
Jennette Lane - 90  
Thomas Morse - 345

## Vermont

### Representative to Congress

Peter Becker - 9  
Miriam Berry - 154  
Christopher Helali - 9  
Marcia Horne - 6  
Shawn Orr - 4  
Jerry Trudell - 4  
Peter Welch - 467

### Governor

Wayne Billado - 1  
Charly Dickerson - 1  
Kevin Hoyt - 1  
Emily Peyton - 8  
Phil Scott - 447  
Erynn Hazlett Whitney - 6  
David Zuckerman - 198

### Lieutenant Governor

Wayne Billado - 2  
Ralph Corbo - 2  
Cris Ericson - 12  
Molly Gray - 375  
Scott Milne - 255

### State Treasurer

Carolyn Branagan - 176  
Cris Ericson - 24  
Beth Pearce - 391  
Alex Wright - 39

## Secretary of State

Jim Condos - 412  
Cris Ericson - 16  
H. Brooke Paige - 170  
Pamala Smith - 34

## Auditor of Accounts

Cris Ericson - 101  
Doug Hoffer - 467

## Attorney General

T. J. Donovan - 438  
Cris Ericson - 33  
H. Brook Paige - 151

## State Senator

Alison Clarkson - 416  
Michael Jasinski - 134  
Richard McCormack - 372  
Alice Nitka - 325  
Keith Stern - 50  
Mason Wade - 55  
Doug Wilberding - 48  
Jack Williams - 156

## State Representative

Mark Donka - 204  
Heather Surprenant - 439

## High Bailiff

Matthew Harootunian - 60  
Shawn Orr - 37  
Robert Sand - 466

## National

### US President & Vice President

Joseph Biden/Kamala Harris - 465  
Howie Hawkins/Angela Walker - 6  
Jo Jorgensen/Jeremy Cohen - 5  
Alyson Kennedy/Malcom Jarrett - 1  
Kyle Kopitke/Taja Iwanow - 1  
Christopher Lafontaine/Michael Speed - 2  
H. Brooke Paige/Thomas Witman - 3  
Brock Pierce/Karla Ballard - 1  
Donald Trump/Michael Pence - 177

## TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator: (1-year term)	Paul Doton	2021
Town Clerk: (3 year term)	Diane L. Rainey	2023
Selectmen: (3 year terms)	Robert Edmunds	2021
	Tim Johnson	2022
	Rock Webster	2023
Listers: (3 year terms)	Richard Lancaster	2021
	Lois Resseguie	2022
	Virginia Nix	2023
Treasurer/Current Tax Collector: (3 year term)	Diane L. Rainey	2023
Delinquent Tax Collector: (1 year term)	Diane L. Rainey	2021
Auditors: (3 year terms)	Beth Finlayson	2021
	Tom Morse	2022
	Linda Caruso	2023
Constable, First: (1 year term)	Wes Hennig	2021
Constable, Second: (1 year term)	Edwin Cole	2021
Town Agent: (1 year term)	Lee Resseguie	2021
Trustees of Public Funds: (3 year terms)	Lee Resseguie	2021
	Tom Morse	2022
	Diane L. Rainey	2023
Library Trustees: (5 year terms)	Susan McNulty	2023
	Margaret Edwards	2021
	Edythe Wright	2025
	Judy Maynes	2022
	Ellen Miles	2024
Cemetery Commissioners: (5 year terms)	Phil Lewis	2023
	Sue Lewis	2024
	Robert Edmunds	2025
	Rodney Croft	2021
	Joseph Tokarski	2022
Barnard Academy Directors: (3 year terms)	Amelia Lennon	2021
	Carin Park	2022
	Rebecca Ward	2023
Windsor Central MUUD School District	Bryce Sammel	2021
Director (3 year Term)	Pamela Fraser	2022
Justices of the Peace:	Jay Caruso	2023
(Nov. elections for 2 year terms)	Linda Caruso	2023
	Paul Doton	2023
	Patricia Hasson	2023
	Tom Morse	2023

# TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED

(1-year terms unless otherwise noted)

## Conservation Commission: (3-year term)

Callee Simpson	2021	Dean Edmunds	2022
Gerald Fredrickson	2021	Steve Killam	2022
Douglas Blain	2021	Tom Platner	2021
Arlana Ruch	2023		

## Development Review Board: (3-year term)

Doreen Hurley	2021	Kurt Lessard	2022
Susan Hickey	2021	Randall Szott	2023
Teo Zagar	2022	Alternate: Greg Boulbol	2021
Alternate: Justin Park	2021	Alternate: Edythe Wright	2021

## East Ctr VT Telecomm. Dist. – delegate

- Alternate		Dan Leavitt	4/30/2021
- Alternate		Richard Lancaster	4/30/2021
		Patrick Kell	4/30/2021

## E-911-Cordinator: Robert Ramrath 2021

## Energy Committee:

Elizabeth Ferry	2021	three vacancies
Karen Thorkilsen	2021	

## Fire Wardens:

Scott Mills	2021
Rob Tracy	2021

## Green up VT:

Helping Hands – Mary Blanton	2021
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## Health Officer:

Tom Morse	2021
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## Librarians:

Margaret Edwards	2021
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## Emergency Mgt Director/Coordinator:

Mike Manning	2021
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## Ottauquechee Planning Commission:

Gerald Fredrickson	2021
Alternate: Steve Cota	2021

## Planning Commission: (3-year term)

Randall Szott	2021	Steve Cota	2023
Carin Ewing	2021	Robert Tracy II	2023
Gerald Fredrickson	2022	Greyling VanAlstyne	2021
Steve Johnson	2022		

## Pound Keeper: Wes Hennig 2021

## Recreation Committee:

Dean Edmunds	2021	Bryce Sammel	2021
Eben Farinas	2021	Lucas Coogan	2021
Tammy Gerdes	2021		

## Road Foreman:

Jeff Tracy	2021
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## Selectmen's Assistant:

Robert Ramrath	2021
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## Service Officer:

Position repealed by Vt Legislature -- call 211

## Solid Waste Supervisor:

Robert Edmunds	2021
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## Solid Waste Attendant

Wes Hennig	2021
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## State Police Advisory Bd

Mike Manning	2021
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## State Police Liaison:

Mike Manning	2021
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## Town Hall Supervisor

Robert Ramrath	2021
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## Transportation Advisory Comm.

Gerald Fredrickson	2021
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## Tree Warden:

Tim Johnson	2021
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## White River Valley Ambulance:

Lynne Tracy	2021
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## Zoning Administrator:

Robert Ramrath	2021
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## Barnard Academy Study Committee:

Building and Land (Voted at Town Meeting 2018)  
(School Board & Selectmen)

	Budget FY20	Actual FY20	Budget FY21	Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020	Budget FY22
<b>REVENUES</b>					
<b>HIGHWAY DEPT.</b>					
<b>Highway Revenue to be Raised in Taxes</b>	<b>853,465.00</b>	<b>853,465.00</b>	<b>734,720.00</b>	<b>367,360.00</b>	<b>670,045.50</b>
Projects and Grants					
Grants In Aid	17,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	27,891.32	21,500.00
Better Back Roads	8,000.00	16,361.64	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
Bridge 34 Rehab (BC1967)	124,740.00	82.73	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lime Pond Rd Culvert (CA0563)	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Road Inventory (BRO559)	0.00	7,844.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Spring Flood (BR4445)	0.00	120,295.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
7/2017 Storm (DR430)	0.00	6,157.43	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hazard Mitigation Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,612.00
Sidewalk Study (CA0615)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,400.00
Materials Reimbursement	0.00	87.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
State Aid	<u>129,000.00</u>	<u>132,284.20</u>	<u>129,000.00</u>	<u>101,951.27</u>	<u>129,000.00</u>
Trans.fr. Ded Hwy Emerg Repair					
Trans fr. Ded Flood Rec.FY13Art7					
<b>TOTAL, HIGHWAY REVENUES</b>	<b>1,252,205.00</b>	<b>1,136,578.23</b>	<b>918,720.00</b>	<b>497,202.59</b>	<b>894,557.50</b>
<b>MUNICIPAL</b>					
<b>Munic. Revenue to be Raised in Taxes</b>	<b>585,984.96</b>	<b>417,208.59</b>	<b>586,895.62</b>	<b>601,416.13</b>	<b>577,743.07</b>
Delinquent Prop. Taxes to be Collected	0.00	53,205.12	0.00	2,918.95	0.00
Interest	6,000.00	11,187.60	6,000.00	2,660.68	5,000.00
Penalties	2,500.00	15,520.69	2,500.00	597.53	500.00
Tax Collection Expenses Reimbursed	<u>100.00</u>	<u>433.16</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL, MUNICIPAL TAXES</b>	<b>594,584.96</b>	<b>497,555.16</b>	<b>595,495.62</b>	<b>607,618.29</b>	<b>583,243.07</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>					
Bank Interest	15,000.00	15,785.43	12,000.00	2,271.72	5,000.00
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>	<u>302.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL, MISC. REVENUE</b>	<b>15,000.00</b>	<b>16,087.93</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>	<b>2,271.72</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>STATE OF VERMONT</b>					
Current Use Reimbursement	120,000.00	155,624.00	140,000.00	140,408.00	140,000.00
Judicial Fines	15,000.00	10,519.16	15,000.00	9,571.25	8,000.00
PILOT Prog/ Lease Land	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>23,057.55</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>24,479.80</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL, STATE OF VT</b>	<b>160,000.00</b>	<b>189,200.71</b>	<b>180,000.00</b>	<b>174,459.05</b>	<b>173,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN OFFICE</b>					
Town Office Fees	16,000.00	16,873.75	15,000.00	11,736.38	15,000.00
Grant: OnLine Land Records	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,347.43	0.00
Liquor Licenses	750.00	715.00	1,200.00	0.00	715.00
Town Hall Rental	3,000.00	2,225.00	3,500.00	575.00	2,000.00
Zoning/Planning Grants	0.00	0.00	26,400.00	0.00	0.00
Zoning Permits	<u>750.00</u>	<u>1,340.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>930.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL, TOWN OFFICE</b>	<b>20,500.00</b>	<b>21,153.75</b>	<b>47,100.00</b>	<b>51,588.81</b>	<b>18,715.00</b>
<b>TRANSFER STATION FEES</b>					

	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
	FY20	FY20	FY21	FY21	FY22
				to 12/30/2020	
Recyclables	2,000.00	1,076.06	2,000.00	1,066.36	1,100.00
Station Sales	30,000.00	30,481.24	30,000.00	19,638.08	40,000.00
Town Office Sales	<u>200.00</u>	<u>809.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>171.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION	32,200.00	32,366.30	32,300.00	20,875.44	41,350.00
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL REVENUES</b>	<b>822,284.96</b>	<b>756,363.85</b>	<b>866,895.62</b>	<b>856,813.31</b>	<b>821,308.07</b>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES</b>	<b><u>1,252,205.00</u></b>	<b><u>1,136,578.23</u></b>	<b><u>918,720.00</u></b>	<b><u>497,202.59</u></b>	<b><u>894,557.50</u></b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>2,074,489.96</b>	<b>1,892,942.08</b>	<b>1,785,615.62</b>	<b>1,354,015.90</b>	<b>1,715,865.57</b>
<b>SPENDING</b>					
<b>HIGHWAY</b>					
EQUIPMENT OPERATIOINS					
Fuels	45,000.00	49,735.71	50,000.00	10,282.72	50,000.00
Insurance	7,000.00	5,364.91	7,000.00	6,293.46	7,000.00
Maintenance: Excavator	1,000.00	1,004.83	1,000.00	681.84	1,000.00
Maintenance: One-Ton Trucks	2,000.00	2,546.35	2,000.00	2,298.48	3,500.00
Maintenance: Grader	5,000.00	11,074.22	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Maintenance: Loader	5,000.00	1,928.94	1,000.00	340.00	1,000.00
Maintenance: Misc. Equip.	2,000.00	2,438.38	2,000.00	2,194.96	2,000.00
Maintenance: Dump Trucks	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>18,725.85</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>23,889.44</u>	<u>15,000.00</u>
TOTAL, EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS	75,000.00	92,819.19	76,000.00	45,980.90	84,500.00
GARAGE OPERATIONS					
Insurance	5,000.00	4,405.76	5,000.00	2,404.00	3,500.00
Maintenance & Repairs	5,000.00	3,492.67	5,000.00	180.06	12,000.00
Supplies & Tools	5,000.00	5,173.40	2,500.00	1,264.33	4,000.00
Utilities	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>1,561.75</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>715.72</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>
TOTAL, GARAGE OPERATIONS	17,500.00	14,633.58	14,500.00	4,564.11	21,300.00
MATERIALS					
Chloride	7,000.00	6,759.00	7,000.00	6,750.00	9,000.00
Culverts	7,000.00	12,286.17	7,000.00	5,172.80	5,000.00
Gravel & Hardpack	95,000.00	115,508.75	95,000.00	46,634.40	95,000.00
Guardrails & Signs	5,000.00	903.30	3,000.00	1,947.94	3,000.00
Heavy stone	3,500.00	6,407.80	3,000.00	5,287.88	4,000.00
Misc. supplies	500.00	1,004.11	500.00	282.54	500.00
Paving	1,500.00	1,327.82	1,500.00	7,100.00	1,500.00
Salt	35,000.00	22,459.36	35,000.00	3,548.60	35,000.00
Sand	<u>50,000.00</u>	<u>39,709.90</u>	<u>45,000.00</u>	<u>7,846.12</u>	<u>40,000.00</u>
TOTAL, MATERIALS	204,500.00	206,366.21	197,000.00	84,570.28	193,000.00
PROJECTS AND GRANTS*					
Better Back Roads	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bridge 34 Rehab (BC 1967)	137,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bridge 35 Turn-around	50,000.00	64,380.23	0.00	0.00	0.00
Road Inventory (BRO559)	0.00	7,767.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
East Barnard Bankslide	0.00	6,891.20	75,000.00	0.00	0.00
Lime Pond Culvert (CA0563)	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Budget FY20	Actual FY20	Budget FY21	Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020	Budget FY22
Misc Grants -- Town Share	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc Small Grants (LT \$10K)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,537.50
Sidewalk Study (CA0615)	0.00	0.00	0.00	984.07	9,600.00
Grants In Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,375.00
Mun.Rd.Gen.Perm.	2,000.00	1,350.00	2,000.00	240.00	2,000.00
Highway Projects	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
Engineering Services	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Paving/Resurfacing	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>	move to approps	0.00	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL, PROJECTS & GRANTS	452,600.00	155,388.85	102,000.00	1,224.07	29,512.50
ROAD CREW					
Health Benefits	77,450.00	93,837.09	98,150.00	40,950.37	110,400.00
Disability Insurance	1,500.00	1,773.29	1,600.00	598.43	1,680.00
Insurance - Unemploy & Work.Comp.	16,000.00	17,249.50	18,000.00	14,015.26	18,000.00
Retirement Funding	12,300.00	11,889.86	12,720.00	5,072.34	12,600.00
Social Security Taxes	16,335.00	15,281.71	16,250.00	6,467.29	16,065.00
Uniforms	6,500.00	7,960.54	7,500.00	3,263.44	7,500.00
Wages: Crew Overtime	12,000.00	10,079.64	12,000.00	1,095.00	10,000.00
Wages: Crew	140,000.00	136,031.00	140,000.00	55,585.00	140,000.00
Wages: Foreman Overtime	5,000.00	5,259.42	5,000.00	1,338.77	5,000.00
Wages: Foreman	<u>52,520.00</u>	<u>55,060.00</u>	<u>55,000.00</u>	<u>26,520.00</u>	<u>55,000.00</u>
TOTAL ROAD CREW	339,605.00	354,422.05	366,220.00	154,905.90	376,245.00
SUB-CONTRACTED SERVICES					
Equipment Rental	1,000.00	1,239.98	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
School Plowing	2,000.00	375.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Tree Removal	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>900.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>720.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
TOTAL, SUB-CONTR. SERV.	13,000.00	2,514.98	13,000.00	720.00	13,000.00
UNBUDGETED					
Irene Flood	<u>0.00</u>	<u>369.44</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL, UNBUDGETED	0.00	10,529.93	0.00	0.00	0.00
HIGHWAY APPROPRIATIONS					
Equipment Replacement Fund	150,000.00	150,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00
Emergency Highway Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Major Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<u>25,000.00</u>
Class IV Road Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Paving	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>
TOTAL, HIGHWAY APPROP.	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	177,000.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY SPENDING</b>	<b>1,252,205.00</b>	<b>986,674.79</b>	<b>918,720.00</b>	<b>441,965.26</b>	<b>894,557.50</b>
MUNICIPAL					
APPROPRIATIONS					
Art Bus	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Barnard Academy-Rent Emerg Shelter	44,035.00	44,035.00	45,000.00	22,500.00	0.00
Barnard Cemetery Comm.	30,000.00	30,000.00	25,000.00	12,500.00	35,000.00
Barnard Historical Society	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Barnard Vol. Fire Dept.	48,300.00	48,300.00	62,000.00	31,000.00	62,000.00
Broad Brook Vol. Fire Dept.	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	7,500.00	15,000.00

	Budget FY20	Actual FY20	Budget FY21	Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020	Budget FY22
Conservation Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	5,000.00
Danforth Library	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	4,500.00	9,000.00
Green Mtn. Ec.Dev.Corp.	459.00	459.00	459.00	459.00	459.00
Green Up	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Health Care & Rehab. Serv. SE VT	975.00	975.00	975.00	975.00	975.00
Job Bank	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Ottauquechee Health Foundation	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pentangle	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	0.00
VT Rural Fire Protection (VACD)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Recreation Committee	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00
Spectrum Teen Center	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Thompson Senior Center	2,250.00	2,250.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Two-Rivers Ott. Plan. Comm.	1,411.00	1,411.00	1,449.00	1,449.00	1,449.00
Visiting Nurses Assoc.	3,700.00	3,700.00	3,700.00	3,700.00	3,700.00
White River Valley Ambulance	59,661.00	58,240.50	56,820.00	33,145.00	58,714.00
Windsor County Mentors	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Woodstock Library	400.00	0.00	400.00	0.00	200.00
TOTAL, APPROPRIATIONS	234,291.00	232,470.50	243,403.00	134,828.00	209,197.00
AUDITORS' OFFICE					
Auditor's Wages	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	150.00
Auditor's Soc. Sec. Taxes	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	15.00
Expenses	1,000.00	839.65	1,500.00	253.75	1,000.00
External Audit	8,000.00	9,012.50	9,000.00	3,312.50	9,000.00
Town Reports	6,000.00	5,030.68	3,500.00	0.00	5,000.00
TOTAL , AUDITORS' OFFICE	15,270.00	14,882.83	14,270.00	3,566.25	15,165.00
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY	2,000.00	1,144.16	2,000.00	3,496.85	3,500.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
COUNTY TAXES					
Courthouse Bond	7,020.00	7,020.00	7,020.00	7,173.00	7,300.00
County Taxes	13,539.00	13,539.00	14,000.00	13,567.00	14,000.00
TOTAL, COUNTY TAXES	20,559.00	20,559.00	21,020.00	20,740.00	21,300.00
CURRENT TAX COLLECTOR					
Collector's Salary	9,367.00	9,547.42	10,367.00	5,183.62	10,367.00
Expenses	1,500.00	2,215.92	2,150.00	218.10	3,000.00
Social Security Taxes	720.00	730.34	793.00	396.50	793.00
TOTAL, CURRENT TAX COLLECTOR	11,587.00	12,493.68	13,310.00	5,798.22	14,160.00
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR					
Collector's Salary	9,367.00	9,547.42	10,367.00	5,183.62	10,367.00
Expenses	2,000.00	1,080.47	2,350.00	354.65	3,500.00
Social Security Taxes	720.00	730.34	793.00	396.50	793.00
TOTAL, DELINQ. TAX COLL.	12,087.00	11,358.23	13,510.00	5,934.77	14,660.00
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD					
Clerical Wages	750.00	561.00	750.00	129.00	750.00
Expenses & Notices	250.00	14.44	100.00	0.00	100.00



	Budget FY20	Actual FY20	Budget FY21	Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020	Budget FY22
Social Security Taxes	60.00	42.91	60.00	9.87	60.00
TOTAL, DEV. REV. BD.	1,060.00	618.35	910.00	138.87	910.00
FIRE & RESCUE BUILDING					
Cleaning	3,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance	3,000.00	2,545.21	3,500.00	0.00	3,000.00
Maintenance & Repair	2,000.00	2,696.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00	153.00	0.00	0.00
Solar System - Maint. & Repair	500.00	272.86	250.00	108.42	250.00
Utilities - Electricity	200.00	378.39	250.00	138.50	250.00
Utilities - Heat	4,000.00	2,221.20	3,000.00	608.71	3,000.00
Loan repayment - principle	82,377.07	82,377.07	82,377.07	250,000.00	82,377.07
Loan repayment - interest	32,592.89	30,831.13	28,823.62	14,364.89	19,020.00
TOTAL, EMERG. SERV. BLDG	128,169.96	121,321.86	122,353.69	265,220.52	109,897.07
OLD FIRE STATION					
Insurance	250.00	67.00	250.00	416.10	500.00
Maintenance & Repair	1,000.00	230.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Utilities	500.00	775.17	1,000.00	106.69	500.00
TOTAL, OLD FIRE STATION	1,750.00	1,072.17	1,750.00	522.79	1,500.00
LISTERS' OFFICE					
Consulting	12,000.00	8,400.00	14,400.00	6,000.00	15,300.00
Equipment	8,000.00	240.33	3,000.00	144.65	500.00
Expenses	2,000.00	5,171.50	6,100.00	2,989.59	6,600.00
Listers' Wages	30,400.00	20,654.00	30,400.00	10,597.25	30,400.00
Mapping	6,000.00	6,400.00	5,500.00	0.00	6,500.00
Social Security Taxes	2,450.00	1,580.05	2,450.00	810.70	2,450.00
TOTAL, LISTERS' OFFICE	60,850.00	42,445.88	61,850.00	20,542.19	61,750.00
PLANNING COMMISSION					
Clerical Wages	1,000.00	509.00	1,000.00	62.50	1,000.00
Consulting//Grants	6,000.00	0.00	32,400.00	0.00	1,500.00
Expenses & Notices	100.00	34.41	100.00	1.55	100.00
Social Security Taxes	80.00	38.94	80.00	4.79	80.00
Energy Committee	300.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
TOTAL, PLANNING COMM.	7,480.00	582.35	33,830.00	68.84	2,930.00
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Constables' Office	750.00	391.41	500.00	384.86	500.00
COPS	25,000.00	27,399.80	25,000.00	11,293.00	25,000.00
911 Expenses	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL, PUBLIC SAFETY	30,750.00	27,791.21	25,500.00	11,677.86	25,500.00
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE					
Assistants' Salaries	25,000.00	29,919.85	25,000.00	7,420.74	25,000.00
Contingency Expense	10,000.00	350.00	10,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Expenses & Supplies	2,500.00	1,409.36	2,500.00	642.82	1,500.00
Insurance: General Liability	2,200.00	1,772.86	2,200.00	1,164.94	2,000.00
Insurance: Public Officials	1,600.00	1,007.41	1,400.00	2,541.42	3,000.00
Insurance: Work. Comp//Unemploy.	1,250.00	562.80	1,250.00	867.30	1,250.00
Legal Fees	10,000.00	7,538.25	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00

	Budget FY20	Actual FY20	Budget FY21	Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020	Budget FY22
Selectmen's Wages	6,000.00	6,247.20	7,000.00	0.00	7,500.00
Social Security Taxes	2,400.00	2,766.95	2,400.00	567.81	2,500.00
Street Lights	1,500.00	1,582.48	1,000.00	674.56	1,000.00
VT League Cities & Towns	2,156.00	2,156.00	2,244.00	2,244.00	2,400.00
Website Maintenance	1,500.00	1,328.00	1,500.00	1,328.00	2,000.00
Town Operations IT	1,000.00	859.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
TOTAL, SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	67,106.00	57,500.16	67,494.00	17,451.59	64,150.00
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT					
Alliance Fees	10,800.00	10,492.60	10,800.00	10,260.08	11,500.00
Hauling & Disposal	43,000.00	45,952.30	45,000.00	23,715.55	50,000.00
Landfill Monitoring	5,000.00	4,710.00	5,000.00	2,535.00	5,000.00
Operating Maint. & Repair	10,000.00	1,330.12	10,000.00	53.37	10,000.00
Social Security Taxes	770.00	527.28	770.00	402.39	918.00
Utilities	1,000.00	641.06	500.00	115.78	500.00
VT Franchise Tax	1,000.00	1,261.55	1,000.00	314.24	1,000.00
Wages	10,000.00	6,892.50	10,000.00	5,260.00	12,000.00
Workmans Comp//Unempoy. Ins.	1,450.00	1,297.33	1,450.00	1,644.62	1,700.00
TOTAL, SOLID WASTE MGT.	83,020.00	73,104.74	84,520.00	44,301.03	92,618.00
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE					
Assistant's Wages	8372.00	8,953.90	8,372.00	4,328.60	10,764.00
Clerk's Salary	25,712.00	26,206.91	25,712.00	12,856.22	25,712.00
Continuing Education	100.00	30.00	100.00	27.50	100.00
Equipment	2,000.00	383.22	2,000.00	1,452.72	5,000.00
Expenses & Supplies	3,000.00	3,181.55	3,650.00	423.44	3,000.00
Grant: OnLine Land Records	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,404.92	0.00
Clerk: OnLine Records	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,831.98	5,100.00
Health Benefits	9,900.00	10,347.57	11,350.00	5,440.62	12,500.00
Record Restoration	15,500.00	16,257.61	15,750.00	9,901.10	17,245.00
Retirement Funding	3,990.00	4,057.06	4,156.00	2,077.92	4,156.00
Social Security Taxes	2,600.00	2,689.93	2,610.00	1,314.72	2,610.00
Telephone & Internet	500	460.55	500.00	223.56	500.00
TOTAL, TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	71,674.00	72,568.30	74,200.00	79,283.30	86,687.00
TOWN HALL					
Social Security Taxes	0.00	101.44	0.00	0.00	153.00
Cleaning - Wages	2,000.00	1,326.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Insurance	4,000.00	3,939.81	4,000.00	2,200.97	4,000.00
Maintenance and Repair	15,000.00	4,030.58	15,000.00	5,210.09	35,000.00
Rental Refunds	0.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities	6,000.00	5,461.29	6,500.00	651.75	6,500.00
TOTAL, TOWN HALL	27,000.00	14,934.12	27,500.00	8,062.81	47,653.00
TREASURER'S OFFICE					
Assistant's Wages	13,156.00	13,364.15	13,156.00	6,433.10	13,156.00
Continuing Education	1,000.00	430.00	1,000.00	27.50	100.00
Equipment	1,000.00	383.22	1,000.00	452.15	4,000.00
Expenses & Supplies	3,000.00	2,352.49	3,650.00	1,124.66	3,000.00
Social Security Taxes	2,600.00	2,641.80	2,600.00	1,287.99	2,600.00
Treasurer's Salary	20,815.00	21,177.43	20,815.00	10,407.80	20,815.00
TOTAL, TREASURER'S OFFICE	41,571.00	40,349.09	42,221.00	19,733.20	43,671.00

	<b>Budget FY20</b>	<b>Actual FY20</b>	<b>Budget FY21</b>	<b>Actual FY21 to 12/30/2020</b>	<b>Budget FY22</b>
ZONING ADMINISTRATION					
Expenses	1,500.00	686.19	1,500.00	565.14	1,500.00
Social Security Taxes	310.00	374.53	310.00	165.72	310.00
Wages	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,895.50</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>2,166.25</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
TOTAL, ZONING ADMIN.	5,810.00	5,956.22	5,810.00	2,897.11	5,810.00
SPECIAL VOTED ARTICLES					
Energy Coordinator -3/20 art. 9	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>11,193.93</u>	<u>5,550.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL, SPEC. VOTED ART.	0.00	0.00	11,193.93	5,550.00	0.00
TOTAL, MUNICIPAL SPENDING	822,284.96	751,152.85	866,895.62	649,814.20	821,308.07
TOTAL HIGHWAY SPENDING	<u>1,252,205.00</u>	<u>986,674.79</u>	<u>918,720.00</u>	<u>441,965.26</u>	<u>894,557.50</u>
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL AND HIGHWAY SPENDING</b>	<b>2,074,489.96</b>	<b>1,737,827.64</b>	<b>1,785,615.62</b>	<b>1,091,779.46</b>	<b>1,715,865.57</b>
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL AND HIGHWAY REVENUE</b>	<u>2,074,489.96</u>	<u>1,892,942.08</u>	<u>1,785,615.62</u>	<u>1,354,015.90</u>	<u>1,715,865.57</u>

## FISCAL YEAR SUMMARY OF GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

	FY18		FY19		FY20	
<b>FISCAL YEAR SUMMARY OF GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>						
General Checking Account Balance - Ending Previous Year	386,536.79		596,678.15		555,827.68	
ADD: Current Year Total Credits	6,615,615.21		6,031,982.31		6,556,603.49	
DEDUCT: Current Year Total Debits	<u>-6,405,473.85</u>		<u>-6,072,832.78</u>		<u>-6,570,230.38</u>	
FISCAL YEAR CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE to be Reconciled		596,678.15		555,827.68		542,200.79
Add Uncleared Deposits as of end of Fiscal Year	12,618.00		0.00		87,830.98	
Less Uncleared Checks as of end of Fiscal Year	-15,418.59		-16,634.89		-22,645.30	
Sweep Account Wire Transfers in Transit					<u>0.00</u>	
		<u>-2,800.59</u>		<u>-16,634.89</u>		<u>65,185.68</u>
<b>RECONCILED BANK BALANCE AS OF END OF FISCAL YEAR</b>		<b>593,877.56</b>		<b>539,192.79</b>		<b>607,386.47</b>
<b>FISCAL YEAR ENDING-MONTH BANK RECONCILIATION</b>						
Bank Statement Balances as of End of Fiscal Year						
General Checking	596,678.15		555,827.68		542,200.79	
Sweep Account	<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>	
Sub Total		596,678.15		555,827.68		542,200.79
ADD: Outstanding Deposits	12,618.00		0.00		87,830.98	
DEDUCT: Outstanding Checks	-15,418.59		-16,634.89		-22,645.30	
DEDUCT: Wire Transfers in Transit	<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>	
		<u>-2,800.59</u>		<u>-16,634.89</u>		<u>65,185.68</u>
<b>RECONCILED BANK BALANCE AS OF END OF FISCAL YEAR</b>		<b>593,877.56</b>		<b>539,192.79</b>		<b>607,386.47</b>

## DEDICATED FUNDS REPORT

		Beginning FY Balance	Town Appropriations	Other Revenue	Expenditures	Ending FY Balance
*	#201 EQUIPMENT REPLAC	24,860.10	150,000.00	127,851.57	-191,549.06	111,162.61
	#202 EMERGENCY HIGHW	51,138.38	0.00	550.61	0.00	51,688.99
	#203 TOWN FOREST	17,783.15	0.00	213.32	0.00	17,996.47
	#300 LISTER REAPPRAISI	16,542.61	0.00	8,246.95	-8,445.91	16,343.65
**	#320 PAVIING FUND	168,449.49	75,000.00	175,934.20	-365,282.24	54,101.45
***	#302 RECORD RESTORAT	0.00	0.00	5,791.71	0.00	5,791.71
	<b>DEDICATED FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>278,773.73</b>	<b>225,000.00</b>	<b>318,588.36</b>	<b>-565,277.21</b>	<b>257,084.88</b>
	<b>#400 CONSERVATION CC</b>	<b>58,202.49</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>693.26</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>63,895.75</b>

\*\$126800 P&H AJE(both Rev & Exp); \*\*\$175000 Stage Rd Grant; \*\*\*Vt mandate portion of recording fees into a dedicated fund

## LONG TERM DEBT REPORT

		Beginning	Principle	Interest	Ending
		FY Balance	Paid		FY Balance
<b>08 GRADER:</b>	Dedicated// Paid FY20	24,731.90	-24,731.90	1,210.84	0.00
<b>08 MOWER:</b>	Highway Budget//Paid FY19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>14 EXCAVATOR:</b>	Dedicated//Paid FY24	87,559.07	-16,824.99	1,751.17	70,734.08
<b>19 LOADER</b>	Dedicated//Paid FY26	126,800.00	-20,230.16	0.00	106,569.84
<b>FIRE &amp; RESCUE BUILDING:</b>	Mascoma Bank Bond// Paid FY32	1,059,408.86	-82,377.07	30,831.13	977,031.79
<b>LANDFILL CLOSURE:</b>	Pace & Hawley Annual AJE	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00
	<b>TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT</b>	<b>1,318,499.83</b>	<b>-144,164.12</b>		<b>1,174,335.71</b>

## TAX RATE CALCULATION

				Residential	Non-Residential
	<b>GRAND LIST VALUATION</b>		<b>2,770,331.00</b>		
<b>TAX DOLLARS TO BE RAISED (Voted at Town Meeting)</b>					
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	Budget	575,701.69			
	Special Articles	<u>11,193.93</u>			
	Total		<u>586,895.62</u>		
	<b>GENERAL FUND TAX RATE</b>			0.2119	0.2119
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>	Budget	734,720.00			
	Special Articles	<u>0.00</u>			
	Total		<u>734,720.00</u>		
	<b>HIGHWAY TAX RATE</b>			0.2652	0.2652
	STATE EDUCATION TAX RATES			<u>1.6899</u>	<u>1.6617</u>
	<b>TOTAL TAX RATES</b>			<b>2.1670</b>	<b>2.1388</b>

## TAX DOLLAR DISBURSEMENT

					Projected
	<b>FY18</b>	<b>FY19</b>	<b>FY20</b>	<b>FY21</b>	<b>FY22</b>
Barnard Central School (pre to 6th)	1,005,967.00	1,059,442.00	1,125,914.00	0.00	0.00
Woodstock Union High Sch. (7th to 12th)	856,522.00	918,185.00	934,949.00	0.00	0.00
Windsor Supervisory	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,286,130.00	??
State of Vermont (Act 46 School)	1,753,390.40	1,719,474.85	2,049,242.15	1,904,116.00	??
Municipal	518,174.44	519,919.08	585,984.96	586,895.62	577,743.07
Highway	<u>748,947.50</u>	<u>736,638.26</u>	<u>853,465.00</u>	<u>734,720.00</u>	<u>670,045.50</u>
<b>TOTAL TAXES TURNED OVER</b>	4,883,001.34	4,953,659.19	5,549,555.11	5,511,861.62	1,247,788.57

## ANNUAL TAX RATES

	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>FY19</b>	<b>FY20</b>	<b>FY21</b>
Emergency Services Building	0.0350 ***	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Municipal	0.1730	0.1900	0.1990	0.1697	0.2119
Highway	0.2610	0.2600	0.2558	0.3125	0.2652
School Tax - Residential	1.6347	1.4707	1.4870	1.7398	1.6899
School Tax - Non-Residential	1.5295	1.3947	1.3891	1.6264	1.6617
Grand List	2,886,390.12	2,873,958.10	2,879,641.38	2,731,173.50	2,770,331.00
*** included in municipal					

## SURPLUS//DEFICIT REPORT

Audited results of Certified Public Accountants Pace & Hawley, LLC

	MUNICIPAL		HIGHWAY	
Ending FY10 SURPLUS	304,980.00	Ending FY10 SURPLUS	0.00	
FY11 Deficit	-79,890.00	FY11 Deficit	-30,288.00	
FY12 Deficit	-16,419.00	FY12 Surplus	123,291.00	
FY13 Surplus	28,116.00	FY13 Surplus	395,452.00	
FY14 Deficit	-66,565.00	FY14 Deficit	-739,941.00	
FY15 Deficit	-13,709.00	FY15 Surplus	237,471.00	
FY16 Surplus	63,822.00	FY16 Deficit	-73,456.00	
FY17 Surplus	64,116.00	FY17 Surplus	133,145.00	
FY18 Deficit	-11,908.00	FY18 Surplus	86,870.00	
FY19 Surplus	126,906.00	FY19 Surplus	18,656.00	
FY20 Surplus	<u>5,211.00</u>	FY20 Surplus	<u>149,904.00</u>	
<b>Accumulated</b>				
Municipal Surplus/Deficit	<b><u>404,660.00</u></b>	Highway Surplus/Deficit	<b><u>301,104.00</u></b>	
<b>ACCUMULATED TOTAL DEFICIT/SURPLUS</b>				
<b>as of end of Fiscal Year on June 30th</b>				<b>705,764.00</b>
Audited results of Certified Public Accountants Pace & Hawley, LLC				
Municipal Surplus end FY20	404,660.00	Highway Surplus end FY20	301,104.00	
Fire & Res loan Paid FY21	<u>-250,000.00</u>	Grant \$ that we have not received yet	<u>-215,335.64</u>	
	<b><u>154,660.00</u></b>		<b><u>85,768.36</u></b>	
		<b>Realistic #</b>	<b>240,428.36</b>	

Please note that historically a surplus has been carried over to the next fiscal year rather than borrowing money in anticipation of taxes collected.



## VITAL STATISTICS

**Due to concerns about identity theft, the State of Vermont now processes and keeps records of all Vermont birth and death certificates. The Town of Barnard does not receive copies of such records. In order to obtain vital records copies please contact the State by phone at 1-800-439-5008 or online at [secure.vermont.gov/VSARA/vitalrecords](https://secure.vermont.gov/VSARA/vitalrecords)**

Processed in the Town of Barnard during fiscal year.  
July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

### BIRTHS

#### CIVIL MARRIAGES

Sept 22, 2019	Diane Mellinger & James Swift
Oct 16, 2019	Alisha Mowbray & Kevin Yapp
Jan 27, 2020	Justin Schoville & Sharon Wildberger
June 20, 2020	Caitlin Kingston & Andrew Kovalenko

### DEATHS

#### BURIALS or CREMATIONS

July 4, 2019	John Staab, Windward Cemetery
Aug 10, 2019	Myrna French, Methodist Cemetery
Sept. 16, 2019	Arnold Prior, East Barnard Ext.

## TOWN EQUIPMENT INVENTORY

1 – 15 Peterbilt Truck	1 -- 99 Chipper
1 – 15 Western Star Truck	1 -- 3" Water Pump
1 – 19 Western Star Truck	1 -- Plate Compactor
1 – 08 Roadside Mower	5 -- Snow Plows
1 – 14 Cat Wheeled Excavator	4 -- Sanders
1 – 16 Ford 550	2 -- Utility Trailers
1 – 19 Ford 350	1 -- Leaf Vacuum
1 – 19 Cat Loader	1 -- Lap Top Computer
1 – Gosen Hay Blower	1 -- Sand Screen
1 – 08 Caterpillar Grader	2 -- Road Rakes & 2 Blades
9 – 2-Way Radios & 5 Portable	1 -- Welder
1 – Air Compressor	1 -- Pressure Washer
2 – Chain Saws	Miscellaneous Garage Tools
2 – Generators	Miscellaneous Town Office Equipment

## DOG LICENSE REPORT

# of Tags	@	Tag \$	Collected
89	@	\$9.00	\$801.00
15	@	\$13.00	\$195.00
0	@	\$13.50	\$0.00
0	@	\$19.50	<u>\$0.00</u>
104	Dogs		\$996.00
Fee to the State of Vermont			
104	@	\$5.00	\$520.00

## DOG LICENSE FEES

By Vermont law, a person must license his or her dog on or before April 1 of every year.

The Vermont legislature has set license fees as follows with \$5.00 of each license sold going to the State of Vermont.

On or before April 1:

Neutered or spayed dog that is 6 months or older \$9.00

Unneutered or unsprayed dog that is 6 months or older \$13.00

After April 1

Neutered or spayed dog that is 6 months or older \$13.50

Unneutered or unsprayed dog that is 6 months or older \$19.50

If you become the owner/keeper of a dog 6 months or older after April 1<sup>st</sup>, you have thirty (30) days to license the animal.

You may license your dog(s) in person at the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours. You may also do so by mail (Town of Barnard, PO Box 274, Barnard, VT, 05031): send a copy of the dog's current rabies certificate, a copy of the neuter/spay certificate and the appropriate fee (checks made payable to Town of Barnard), and enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for returning dog tag.

## DELINQUENT REPORT

TAXPAYER	PARCEL		TAXPAYER	PARCEL
Barber, Leon & Mary Estate	04-0030	*	Louttit, Eric & Laura	04-0152
* Bertarelli, Paul	02-0060	*	Martel, Anthony & Lisa	06-0106
* Brown, Kevin & Diane	04-0083		New Twin Brook Farm	06-0754
Brown, Sheldon Est of	04-0581		Perkins, Carol	05-0613
* Byrd, Susan	06-0493		Poulin, Donald	06-0595
* Capuano, Paul	01-0197	*	Seitz, Howard II	04-0673
* Coogan, Jared	03-0147.2	*	Shortlidge, Todd	05-0678
* Dulmage, John	06-0216		Sigafoos, John	07-0509
* Helm, Jeffrey	05-0267	*	Stonewall Silver LLC	01-0329
Higbie, Harley III	02-0414.1	*	Strayton, Melissa	05-0458
* Johnson, Stephen & Nichols,	04-0160		Ward, Ralph	06-0753
Kellogg Pond Corp	01-0389			
<b>TOTAL DUE on 6/30/20</b>	<b>\$48,656.62</b>		<b>TOTAL DUE on 12/31/20</b>	<b>\$33,295.38</b>

- \* Paid in full or partial on or before 12/31/20
- Because of new confidentiality laws the VT Dept. of Property Valuation & Review and the VT League of Cities & Towns very strongly suggest that no individual delinquent amounts be posted or printed in Town Reports
- Amounts due include all Taxes, interest, penalties & expenses

## **BARNARD ENERGY COMMITTEE: 2020 REPORT**

At our March 2020 Town Meeting, the Selectboard presented a proposal to contract with Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) to share the services of an energy specialist with five other towns for FY21. This pilot project is designed to explore how best to give small towns access to professional energy transition expertise and project management. The goals are to reduce overall energy use, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and increase use of renewables. Voters approved the article by voice vote. Supporting this pilot project became the Energy Committee's main focus this year.

Geoff Martin was hired by TRORC in August 2020 and the selectboard tapped Elizabeth Ferry, Energy Committee chair, to be Barnard's representative to the six-town steering committee. It meets monthly to track progress and consider projects that towns may pursue jointly or separately.

**BARNARD'S PROJECT:** At the Selectboard's request, Geoff has focused on 1) energy efficiency assessments of the Town Hall and the Town Garage and 2) detailing options for improvement there. After an initial walkthrough, Geoff and the Selectboard ruled out formal energy audits projected to cost several thousand dollars each. Instead, Geoff is conducting the assessments himself, drawing upon his own audit experience and his access to engineers at Efficiency VT who provide cost-benefit analyses of various building envelope and heating system upgrades. He reports at Barnard Selectboard meetings about once a month.

**GATHERING BASELINE DATA:** To evaluate the potential savings from any proposed energy upgrade, baseline data must be gathered to measure 1) a building's air-tightness and 2) its typical energy use. Geoff has scheduled "blower door tests" for the former. For the latter, the Energy Committee tallied several years of utility bills for all town buildings. We include a snapshot of energy use at all five town buildings at the end of this report.

**TOWN HALL FINDINGS:** Thanks to the extensive renovations of the Town Hall undertaken by the town throughout the 1990s, Geoff found that the building does not need costly upgrades at this juncture. He did recommend a punch-list of low-budget improvements, including a cover on the drop-down attic stairs, air sealing in the basement, and completing the transition to LED lights inside and out. The Selectboard already has plans to install historically-accurate insulated front doors. Rob Ramrath, assistant to the Selectboard, is monitoring progress on all of these items.

**TOWN GARAGE OPPORTUNITIES:** Geoff's analysis to date reveals that there are several opportunities for increased building efficiency at the Town Garage, including weatherization (air sealing and improved insulation) in the attic, followed by researching options for replacing the 30-year-old heating system. As of this writing, he envisions a two-year approach, with building envelope upgrades in FY22 and likely a heating system replacement in FY23. He will soon be presenting the Selectboard with a detailed report showing estimates of costs, incentives, payback periods, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

FINAL THOUGHTS: In these times, choosing a new heating system is no longer a routine decision. The energy transition which the planet is pressing upon us creates a steep learning curve for us all, with financial, technical, and ethical dimensions. Having Geoff's skill set in the mix as we consider our options for replacing the heating system at the Town Garage is a great asset in finding the best way forward for Barnard.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Ferry and Karen Thorkilsen

## BARNARD'S MUNICIPAL ENERGY USE SNAPSHOT

### Electricity Used in Kilowatt Hours, by Building

### Solar Array Generation

kWh Used	Town Hall	Town Garage	Transfer Station	Fire & Rescue	Old Fire	5-Bldg. Total	School Portion	Array Generated kWh	Array Generated \$\$\$
kWh 2018	9,937	7,170	1,410	7,726	388	26,631	2,944	29,575	\$ 5,650
kWh 2019	10,961	7,547	1,726	7,678	280	28,192	2,438	30,630	\$ 5,948
kWh 2020	9,181	7,199	1,952	7,229	285	25,846	5,482	31,328	\$ 6,084
3-Year AVG	10,026	7,305	1,696	7,544	318	26,890	3,621	30,511	\$ 5,894
Percent of Generated	33%	24%	6%	25%	1%	88%	12%	TOTAL:	\$ 17,683

**Electricity Notes:** The town's solar array produces enough power each year to meet the needs of our five municipal buildings plus a fraction of Barnard Academy's needs. To date, this amounts to \$17,683 of electricity.

### Fuel Usage by Type and Building

	3-Year AVG 2018-2020	
	Gallons	Cost
<b>DIESEL</b>		
Town Garage: Heat & all Trucks Combined	21,203	\$ 46,893.82
<b>FUEL OIL #2</b>		
Town Hall: Heat	1,636	\$ 4,046.13
Old Fire Station: Heat	320	\$ 774.27
<b>TOTAL FUEL OIL</b>	1,956	\$ 4,820.40
<b>PROPANE</b>		
Fire & Rescue: Heat	1,432	\$ 2,872.08
Town Hall: Stove/Generator	136	\$ 289.07
Transfer Station Office: Heat	74	\$ 240.35
<b>TOTAL PROPANE</b>	1,641	\$ 3,401.51
<b>TOTAL ALL FUELS</b>	24,800	\$ 55,115.73

**Fuel Usage Notes:** Currently, a 1000-gallon diesel tank at the Town Garage feeds the heating system there as well as all town trucks, including fire trucks.

To track progress in reducing our carbon footprint, town decision makers will need separate totals of heating fuels (in gallons and dollars) for each building.

In addition, annual fuel use (in gallons and dollars) plus MPG data by vehicle should be considered when replacing trucks.

This level of detail is also key to being eligible for energy efficiency grants and incentives.

The Energy Committee will help create and maintain this database.

## **BARNARD HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT 2020**

The Barnard Historical Society had a quiet, but productive, year. The Covid-19 pandemic prevented scheduled open times at the Barnard Village Schoolhouse that houses the society, but the webmail address brought some questions and projects:

- A question was received about a teacher's handbell.
- An author for Woodstock Magazine who is updating information about Barnard in the 1937 WPA guide about Vermont requested location and background information on the Bowman family.
- We continue to correspond with the Vermont Historical Society about a "panther hike" to retrace the route of the hunt for the Barnard Panther, the last catamount or mountain lion to be killed in Vermont. This is delayed until the pandemic is quelled.

The Barnard Village Schoolhouse is now topped by a new standing seam roof that will protect the building for many decades. We are grateful to Rob Ramrath, who encouraged us to apply for matching grant funds for the project. It was not possible to go forward with the application, despite support from the town Selectboard, but other monies were found to accomplish the project.

The Barnard Historical Society annual report often shares information about an artifact in our collection to illustrate some aspect of life in Barnard. This year we depart from that practice to recognize a Barnard resident who celebrated his hundredth birthday on February 29, 2020 (so maybe his 25<sup>th</sup> birthday).

Floyd Van Alstyne enlisted in the Army before Pearl Harbor and served throughout WWII, taking part in the invasion of Italy as well as other campaigns. Returning from the war he took Marjorie Leavitt to be his wife and bought a hillside farm above East Barnard village. They raised five children and a dairy herd together on that farm as well as selling maple syrup and timber. As the Interstate system grew in the 1960s Floyd put his experience with heavy equipment to work in their construction as a bulldozer operator. You drive on his work when you travel on almost any interstate in Vermont. During those years he also worked on ski area construction, notably Jay Peak. Having added a sawmill to the farm operation, Floyd grew the lumber business and shifted from dairy to beef cattle. At 100 he continues to work on the farm and in the lumber yard alongside his two sons.

The Van Alstyne farm is the first in Vermont to have been registered as a Tree Farm. Floyd has served the town of Barnard as Constable, Lister, Fire Warden, and Conservation Board member. He is a founding – and still active – member of both the Broad Brook Fire Association and the Barnard Historical Society.

Oh, by the way, he remembers being told about the Civil War by his grandfather – who fought in it.

Making history and being made by it.

**The Charles B. Danforth Library Report to the Town of Barnard, Vermont**  
**Fiscal Year 2020: July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020.**

The Charles B. Danforth Library, serving the Barnard and East Barnard communities, is open year-round and staffed by five town-elected Library Trustees as well as other volunteers. Membership is free and open to full and part-time residents. The Danforth Library's Book Room offers a special children's corner, free EC Fiber Wi-Fi, and a comfortable space to read, write, and meet. The broad collection of fiction and non-fiction, DVDs and audio books for all ages is always being revitalized with donations and purchases. The Library's Holway Community Room is available free for classes, meetings, and events that are open to the public. The room is equipped with tables and chairs, and includes a media center with a 70-inch screen and DVD player.

In December 2018, as previously reported, the Library Trustees conveyed the Danforth property to the Town of Barnard. On July 1, 2020, the Danforth switched its insurance to the Town's policy. Trustee Edythe Wright initiated an arts program in June 2019, and on November 9, 2019, this program offered a dramatic reading of Barnard writer Adelaide McCracken's newly published book, *The Tyler/Chadwick Letters*. On June 5, 2019, the program held a "Color Works" exhibition of paintings and sculptures by 4 Barnard artists: Pamela Fraser, Amy Morel, Chloe Powell, & Edythe Wright. On March 12, 2020, opened a display of art work by Barnard's Kate Reeves & Julia Watson; but 3 days later, the Library had to be closed in response to the rising Covid-19 pandemic.

Open hours at the Library are generally Wednesdays 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to noon. During the pandemic, however, services varied based on the current health and safety guidelines issued by the state. Status updates were posted on the Barnard community email List and on the Town's website. The pandemic did not interfere with the ECFiber Wi-Fi made available to the public from outside the building.

The Danforth Library supports our local economy by purchasing books through Woodstock's Yankee Bookshop, which generously extends their publisher discounts to us. The Library thanks the LaDouceur family for their ongoing gifts dedicated to the purchase of children's and young adult books. On January 29, 2019, a fundraiser held in memory of Barnard's Sarah Mitchell gave the library the means to purchase, in her name, 30 books that now bear a special book plate honoring her.

Recently our long-term trustee Suzy Hickey retired, and Barnard resident Susan McNulty will fill out her term until March 2023. We thank Suzy for her years of valuable service. We thank our volunteers: Jill Anderson, Tom DeGiacomo, and Deb Klinefelter. And we thank the entire Barnard community for its continued patronage and support.

**Details of the Library's finances are available on the accompanying Financial Summary.**

***Respectfully submitted by the 2020 Charles B. Danforth Library trustees:***  
*Margaret Edwards, Susan Hickey (retiring), Judy Maynes (Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer), Susan McNulty, Ellen Miles, and Edythe Wright.*

Charles B. Danforth Library		
FY2020 Financial Statement: 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020		
<b>OPENING BALANCE 7/1/2019</b>		
Checking	\$ 268.94	
Savings I	\$ 4,005.31	
Savings II (Perry Fund)	\$ 3,907.55	
CD-1-Matures 6/26/2019	\$ 2,575.32	
CD-2-Matures 6/22/2019	\$ 3,944.99	
<b>Opening Balance</b>		<b>\$ 14,702.11</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Dividends	\$ 735.88	
Interest	\$ 25.85	
Gifts	\$ 828.00	
Sales	\$ 245.00	
Other Income (unclaimed property)	\$ 198.70	
Town of Barnard	\$ 9,000.00	
<b>Income</b>		<b>\$ 11,033.43</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Books/Media	\$ 1,568.01	
Insurance	\$ 1,971.00	
Electric	\$ 538.95	
Phone/Internet	\$ 1,240.43	
Propane	\$ 854.57	
Office Expense/Postage	\$ 237.90	
Security System	\$ 498.08	
Building Maintenance	\$ 747.46	
Librarian Stipend	\$ 200.00	
Furniture/Art	\$ 61.51	
Casual Labor	\$ -	
Bank Fees, Checks, Misc.	\$ 34.00	
<b>Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 7,951.91</b>
<b>Opening + Income - less expense</b>		<b>\$ 17,783.63</b>
<b>CLOSING BALANCE 6/30/2020</b>		
Checking	\$ 88.15	
Savings I	\$ 7,256.37	
Savings II (Perry, LaDouceur)	\$ 3,895.79	
CD-1-(5726)Matures 6/26/2020	\$ 6,543.32	
CD-2-Matures 6/22/2020 (Redeemed and balance deposited to CD-1)	\$ -	
Prepared by Judy Maynes, Assistant Treasurer	Closing Balance June 30, 2020	<b>\$ 17,783.63</b>

Arthur D. Perry Trust Fund Stock Values	Shares	Close	Value
Allstate (ALL)	40	96.43	3857.20
Morgan Stanley (MS)	32	47.61	1523.52
Norfolk Southern (NSC)	54	173.97	9394.38
AT & T (T)	1	29.18	29.18
Exxon Mobile (XOM)	64	42.82	2740.48
Discover (DFS)	16	49.37	789.92
Dupont (DD)	1	52.84	52.84
<b>Fiscal Year 2020</b>		<b>6/30/2020</b>	<b>\$ 18,387.52</b>
*Source: finance.yahoo.com, using adjusted close from historical data tab			



## Barnard Recreation Committee Report

In 2020, the pandemic was tough on all and slowed many of our plans to a halt. We were unable to have a regular baseball season but offered Summer ball at Vail field for older children in July & August. We also combined with Woodstock Rec to have a Soccer team consisting of children from Woodstock, Barnard, Pomfret, Reading, Bridgewater & Plymouth.

As we enter 2021, the Recreation Committee is looking forward for ways to improve recreation for not only the children in our town, but all our residents. We will be working on projects stalled from 2020(i.e., pickleball, 8ft basketball hoop) as well as having some exciting new projects coming for this year.

We will be asking for people interested in joining us to reach out and will be calling on the community to volunteer and help us complete some of our projects.

We appreciate your support!

### BARNARD RECREATION DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR REPORT

		FY18		FY19		FY20	
<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	(From Previous FY)	<u>6,054.54</u>		<u>3,658.59</u>		<u>7,080.37</u>	
			6,054.54		3,658.59		7,080.37
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>							
	Bottle Returns	951.00		1,185.40		1,135.50	
	Soccer Program	1,670.00		1,126.50		675.00	
	Baseball Program	0.00		380.00		200.00	
	Town Appropriations	6,800.00		8,000.00		8,000.00	
	Bank Interest	17.21		90.08		72.01	
	Donations	<u>925.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>			
<b>TOTAL FY RECEIPTS:</b>			<u>10,363.21</u>		<u>10,781.98</u>		<u>10,082.51</u>
<b>LESS ORDERS PAID:</b>							
	Lawn Maintenance	-1,800.00		-3,000.00		-3,000.00	
	Office Supplies	0.00		-50.00		0.00	
	Soccer Program	-4,617.34		-3,679.20		-4,728.15	
	Baseball Program	-5,340.47		-631.00		-317.50	
	Porta Potty Rental	-751.35		0.00		0.00	
	Community Events	<u>-250.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>		<u>-600.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL LESS FY ORDERS PAID:</b>			<u>-12,759.16</u>		<u>-7,360.20</u>		<u>-8,645.65</u>
<b>ENDING BALANCE:</b>				<b>3,658.59</b>		<b>7,080.37</b>	<b>8,517.23</b>
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<b>RECONCILED BANK ACCOUNTS:</b>							
	Year end Bank Statement	5,292.64		7,080.37		8,517.23	
	Uncleared Deposits	0.00		0.00		0.00	
	Uncleared Checks	<u>-1,634.05</u>		<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS FORWARD:</b>				<b>3,658.59</b>		<b>7,080.37</b>	<b>8,517.23</b>
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## **2020 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BARNARD CEMETERY COMMISSION**

In May the Commissioners once again honored our veterans by placing new flags on graves of all known Barnard veterans. From May to November, Commissioners worked weekly, as weather permitted, to keep the cemeteries respectful and in compliance with the cemetery rules and regulations. Some of the work completed include: Disintegrated stone was replaced, toppled stones righted, leaning stones given new foundations, and shrubs removed. We continue our work to verify cemetery maps.

Many thanks again this year to our mowers. Thanks as well to the Barnard taxpayers who continue to make our work possible.

Commissioners were informed by Selectmen that our previous hold-harmless documentation for using our own equipment (tractors, chainsaws, etc.) for doing work in the cemeteries was no longer acceptable. With the cost of the necessary insurance too costly for the individual Commissioners, the Commission voted to hire outside contractors when such work needed to be done and have budgeted for same.

### **Budget for FY 2021-22 was established as follows:**

Replacement stones	3 @ \$500	\$ 1,500
Flags	23 dozen	500
Commissioner's Labor		5,000
Stone Repair Supplies		950
Stone Wall Repair		800
Mowing		28,000
Brush Removal		5,325
Conference Fees		250
Outside Contractor fees for general repairs		<u>1,000</u>
<b>TOTAL FY 2021 BUDGET</b>		<b>\$44,325</b>

**REQUESTED FROM APPROPRIATIONS** **\$35,000\***

\* Remaining balance will come from monies on hand at end of current FY.

### **Cemetery Commissioners**

Robert Edmunds, Chair  
Rodney Croft  
Philip Lewis  
Susan Lewis  
Joseph Tokarski

## **BARNARD FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Barnard Fire Department and First Response Squad would like to thank the community for their continued support over the past year. With the COVID restrictions, we have all had to alter our lifestyles.

Over the year we managed to get our 2001 chassis replaced. The new 2020 International was delivered in August. The remounted body and truck were delivered in in early October and placed in service.

We are very fortunate that the Town supports our efforts. The members of the department would like to thank everyone for their continued support.

### **Account Balances 8/06/2020**

Checking	\$509.61
Donation Savings	\$13,359.98
Budget Savings	\$5,802.27
Loan Account	\$165,431.76 (Prior to paying for New Truck)

**Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Association  
Budget Report 2021**

The Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Association was founded in 1955 to provide fire protection to our neighbors in the Broad Brook watershed. The BBVFA offers and receives mutual aid from other area Fire Departments including, but not limited to, the Barnard Volunteer Fire Department and First Response.

Officers of the firefighting crew are Art Lewin, Fire Chief and Fred Schlabach, Deputy Chief. The Board of Trustees are as follows: Fran Carbino, Chair, Jerry Fredrickson, Assistant Chair, Ralph Kurek, Dan Leavitt, Fred Schlabach, Clay VanAlstyne and Mike Zube. Patrick Kell is the Treasurer and Mason Overstreet is the Secretary. As for roster changes, one of our longtime members, Vince Gross, has hung up his helmet and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank Vince for his years of service to the department. Vince's roster spot was replaced by one of our new neighbors, Gregg Freeman.

Despite the pandemic, it was an average year for the BBVFA with 4 calls. Thanks to all those who responded and/or helped with these incidents. Unfortunately, concerns around keeping the community safe forced us to cancel the annual Firemen's Fun Day as well as our 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Oyster Stew Supper. While we are hoping that we may be able to at least continue with Fun Day this year, it depends on the success of the vaccine and the overall reduction of risk as determined by the State of Vermont.

All our vehicles received their routine maintenance last year and the building is in good condition. We did have to replace one of our Portable Fire Pumps and we also took the opportunity to secure some needed PPE (gloves, masks, sanitizer, etc.). This year we are investigating alternatives for heating the firehouse during the winter to reduce our dependency on heating oil and welcome any insight or assistance for viable energy alternatives. While we replaced some aging radio batteries this year, we are still investigating communication upgrades to modernize the department.

We would also like to thank the volunteers and front-line healthcare workers who serve our community throughout the Upper Valley. We are truly grateful for your service and look forward to the days when we can spend time together again with the community.

Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Association  
Proposed Budget 2021 - 2022

	16/17 Actual	17/18 Budget	17/18 Actual	18/19 Budget	18/19 Actual	19/20 Budget	19/20 Actual	20/21 Budget	20/21 Actual*	21/22 Budget
<b>Insurance</b>										
Property & Auto	4743	4800	4614	4800	4692	4800	4720	4800	0	4800
Worker's Comp.	1116	1120	1217	1300	1217	1300	1217	1300	1217	1300
<b>Equipment &amp; Supplies</b>										
Fire / Rescue / Medical	0	2600	3269	2600	4060	3000	2024	4000	4196	4000
Office / HW / Misc.	0	100	70	100	10	100	0	100	88	100
<b>Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>										
Building (Firehouse)	0	1500	931	1500	2545	1500	457	1500	0	3000
Equipment / PPE / SCBA	0	2000	110	2000	0	2000	505	1000	49	1000
Vehicles / Apparatus	0	2000	3597	2000	109	2000	312	2000	1743	1000
<b>Utilities</b>										
Communications	800	1200	751	1200	743	1000	303	1000	130	500
Heating Oil / Electric	1700	2500	1862	2500	1945	2000	2142	2000	342	2000
<b>Other Expenses</b>										
Training	0	600	163	600	0	600	0	600	0	600
Community Hall Use	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
<b>Totals</b>	9359	19420	17584	19600	16321	19300	12680	19300	8765	19300

*\*All 20/21 Actuals are as of 01/08/21 and subject to change by the End of Fiscal Year (7/31/21).*

## **Barnard Helping Hands Annual Report**

Fifteen years ago, a group of Barnard residents started Barnard Helping Hands, and wrote the following mission statement. *Barnard Helping Hands is an ever-expanding circle of Barnard neighbors reaching out to connect members of our community with each other by matching the skills of our community with its needs. Our vision for this organization is to help people in physical, financial or emotional need.* 2020 has put this vision to the test and we are grateful for the incredible generosity of members and friends of our Barnard community, who have enabled us to provide meaningful financial help to some of our neighbors.

Once the state closed down in March due to the pandemic, many community members were suddenly out of a job and needed some assistance with bill paying and the purchase of food. Fortunately, the federal government stepped in with aid, but for many that was not enough. We have been able to provide over \$25,000 in assistance to community members, helping them with their mortgage payments, property taxes, car insurance and payments, heating bills, food gift cards and car repair. We usually deliver gift baskets of holiday food at Christmas, but because of the pandemic, we were not able to do this. Instead we sent food gift cards to 24 local households for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. We were able to put up our Secret Santa tree and our neighbors generously responded providing gifts for 11 local children.

We will continue to provide as much assistance as we can in the coming year. Thank you again to the many people who are so generously supporting our mission.

Co-Chairs Linda Beaumariage and Patty Hasson, Secretary - Becky Brettell, Treasurer – Mary Blanton and Board Members Louie Ahlen, Leah Crowley and Janice Fleet-Bean

## **TRORC 2020 YEAR-END REPORT**

The Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission is an association of 30 municipalities in east-central Vermont that is governed by a Board of Representatives appointed by each of our member towns. As advocates for our members, we seek to articulate a vision for building a thriving regional economy while enhancing the Region's quality of life. The following are highlights from 2020.

### **Technical Assistance on Planning Issues**

Our staff provided technical services to local, state and federal levels of government and to the Region's citizens, non-profits, and businesses. TRORC staff assisted numerous towns with revisions to municipal plans, bylaws and studies.

### **Creative Economy and Public Health**

This year, TRORC obtained Federal grant funding to support the marketing of the Region's creative economy sector. Staff hosted informational and networking events to enhance business promotion. TRORC also worked on public health projects with local hospitals and worked on including incorporating health-related goals and policies into town plans.

### **Emergency Management and Preparedness**

TRORC staff continued to serve on the State Emergency Response Committee, providing state officials with key local information to assist emergency planning. Our Local Emergency Planning Committee efforts with local emergency responders, organizations, and town officials continued meeting the needs of our first responders. TRORC assisted several communities with updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans.

### **Energy**

TRORC assisted six towns on Enhanced Energy Plans to save money for communities and further the State energy goals to meet 90% of Vermont's energy needs from renewable sources by 2050. TRORC has continued working to support town Energy Committees on energy efficiency outreach and education with funding from Efficiency Vermont.

### **Transportation**

TRORC managed the Municipal Roads Grants-In-Aid program in our Region. This provides funding for towns to implement Best Management Practices (BMP) on municipal roads ahead of the state's forthcoming Municipal Roads General Permit provisions. Funding provides for projects including grass and stone-lined ditches, upsizing and replacement of culverts, and stabilizing catch basin outlets.

Specifically, this past year, TRORC helped complete Barnard's Local Emergency Management Plan. Staff assisted the town on closing out a Better Roads grant to improve ditching and culverts on Stage Road. As part of the Grants in Aid Year 3 program, staff worked with the town to complete ditching and culvert improvements on Ashley Road and assisted with an equipment grant to purchase a haybale shredder. Staff conducted a speed study in East Barnard this summer and is the project manager for the Barnard Village Sidewalk Scoping Study.

*We are committed to serving you, and welcome opportunities to assist you in the future.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director*

*Jerry Fredrickson, Chairperson, Barnard*

## **BETHEL/ROYALTON SOLID WASTE PROGRAM**

### **FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

The towns of Bethel and Royalton jointly own a 22 acre parcel of land on Waterman Rd in Royalton which has been improved to provide facilities for aggregation and shipment of municipal solid waste, recyclables, and a variety of hazardous waste materials. The site also contains the now-closed landfill which served area towns from 1970 to 1993. By contractual agreement, other member towns also use the waste management program, these towns being Barnard, Stockbridge, Pittsfield, Rochester, Hancock and Granville.

Administration of the program has historically been managed by staff of the town of Bethel, under the direction and oversight of the Bethel and Royalton Select Boards. In August 2013, a new Inter-local Contract was approved and endorsed by the Bethel and Royalton Select Boards. This new agreement for administration of the solid waste program shifts management accountability and oversight from Bethel to the White River Alliance Board and the Alliance Manager.

In May 2016, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation approved the programs new “Solid Waste Implementation Plan” (SWIP) for purposes of managing solid waste and recyclables in accordance with the objectives of current local/state/national priorities. The new SWIP which began July 1, 2020 will run through June 2025.

Our facility operates under a license (or “Certification”) which is renewed every 10years. An application to renew was submitted to the Vermont Solid Waste Management Division in February 2014, and approval was issued May 7, 2014. The certification is valid until March 31, 2024. The former Bethel/Royalton landfill is also “operated” under a certification, which was renewed for an additional 5 year term to end November 9, 2021. This certification provides for adequate monitoring of any residual effects stemming from the landfill use.

From July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 a total of 5,015.00 tons of solid waste was collected at the transfer station “tipping floor”. This material was loaded into trailers for shipment to an in state lined landfill. Materials received for recycling totaled 741.58 tons. These materials were directed to various facilities for processing. Various special wastes are regularly collected in addition to the usual recyclables. These include paint, fluorescent bulbs, used motor oil, antifreeze, lead acid batteries and electronic waste. All fees vary depending on the material involved and the current expenses to the program for handling the materials.

Collection events for **Household Hazardous Wastes** were held in July 2020 at the Bethel Royalton Transfer Station and in August 2020 at the Rochester Town Hall Parking lot. A total of 182 families participated in the 2 events. These events provided a means for citizens of the member towns to safely dispose of materials, particularly those not normally taken at the facility such as pesticides, various cleaning compounds, acids, bases, contaminated fluids etc. The events are open to all member towns at no cost for up to 10 pounds or 10 gallons of material. Small quantities of materials generated by businesses are also acceptable at collection events, but a fee corresponding to program costs is assessed on business participants and an appointment must be made in advance. There will be 2 events in 2021. One at the Bethel Royalton Transfer Station in April and one in Rochester in September. This will allow access for those towns not located near the transfer station. The public is encouraged to inquire at the facility for exact dates and schedule.

We consider the solid waste program to be comprehensive in the services provided to the public, and the program staff is well trained to provide advice or assistance.

**This facility is open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 7am-1pm. It is closed on Sunday, Monday and Wednesday.**





## Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation

35 Railroad Row, Suite 101  
White River Junction, VT 05001

### Annual Report FY2020 (7/1/19 to 6/30/20)

- COVID-19. Since mid-March, GMEDC staff and its board have been committed to providing advocacy and assistance to hundreds of business, individuals, and community groups in our 30 towns as our primary activity, in partnership with the Governor's office, state and federal agencies, town staff, other non-profits, and RDCs. Helping to process emergency loans and recovery grant applications from the US Treasury and VT ACCD has required long hours of calls and meetings, and seemingly endless correspondence. This will continue as long as necessary.
- GMEDC helps business, organizations and community groups secure financing from Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) and other entities including USDA – Rural Development. We also manage Revolving Loan Funds for business support and disaster recovery. These provide gap financing not available elsewhere, especially following emergencies and other business interruptions
- During the past 9 years, GMEDC purchased 2 commercial facilities for tenants needing assistance and in 2019, we completed construction of a beautiful 28,000sf facility in Randolph for LEDynamics, a well-respected and innovative lighting manufacturer. This was made possible by a \$1M Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and mortgage financing from VEDA. Combined, these three companies have direct employment of over 275 people and are most important to their respective towns.
- Working with DED, we provide customized and confidential assistance to out-of-state companies interested in relocating to Vermont, as well as small and large companies hoping to stay here. Businesses receive individualized attention on matters regarding site location, financing, training programs, the Vermont Economic Growth Initiative (VEGI) tax incentives and a variety of other important issues including permitting, availability of housing, and the pursuit of Federal grants.
- We facilitate forums for career and technical education, manufacturing, day care, forestry and other key sectors. We rely on resources provided by DED that are available through grants to non-profits, municipalities and community groups. Our Small Business Development Center (VtSBDC) is staffed with a Business Advisor who is an expert in helping start-ups and established companies at no charge.
- GMEDC works collaboratively with state planning agencies to encourage appropriate land use, settlement and transportation patterns to stimulate healthy and vibrant communities, as desired by our 30 member towns. Assignments have included providing guidance and support for creation of state designated downtowns and village districts, to redevelop vacant public buildings, to start a community store, or purchase real property. Our focus is on local goals and aspirations to help overcome or deal with restrictions and constraints.
- Brownfield Redevelopment of contaminated sites with EPA grant funding is an important part of our services. We assist prospective purchasers with professional guidance and support necessary to return contaminated sites to productive use for business, housing, or community projects, thus stimulating increased employment, the local tax bases and vibrancy. We are also willing to hold title as an interim owner, and leverage our expertise with state and federal funding.



## **The Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF) Supports the Health and Wellness Needs of Barnard**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

### **Who We Are:**

The Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF) strives to improve the health and well-being of people who live in our core towns through grants, community partnerships, education opportunities and support of wellness initiatives. We believe accessible health and wellness care is a vital part of any community.

We assist in the health and wellness needs of the core towns of **Barnard**, Bridgewater, Hartland, Killington, Plymouth, Pomfret, Quechee, Reading, and Woodstock.

OHF's backbone programs, Good Neighbor and Homecare Grants, continue to be utilized extensively by those in need, especially during the COVID-19 health crisis. These programs have shifted to accommodate the increased and diverse needs of the communities OHF serves. Year to date, the foundation has received 199 grant inquiries totaling over \$185,000 in funding request from residents of its nine core towns. The foundation expects to exceed its current granting budget for 2020, and we fully expect to continue to provide pandemic relief into 2021.

### **About OHF's Good Neighbor Grant (GNG) program**

Our GNG program makes grants on behalf of individuals who are unable to pay for their health and wellness needs that are not covered by health insurance such as dental care, physical therapy, counseling, hearing aids, eyeglasses, and more. Assistance is based on financial need and applicants must live in the OHF catchment area.

**In 2020, OHF provided 6 grants to Barnard residents totaling over \$7,000. This equates to approximately 5% of our overall granting budget – double what we supplies last year to town residents. Town support from Barnard in the amount of \$1500 is invaluable to us and allows us to better serve the Barnard Community. Thank you!**

Additionally, OHF continues to provide services from the our Homecare Grants Program, as well as other wellness offerings, to the Barnard Community. These programs are all part of our commitment to providing access to health and wellness services while supporting overall community health. Together we can indeed create stronger, and healthier communities.

### **Our Funding Sources:**

Our funding comes through bi-annual appeal donations, town appropriations, targeted program fundraising, grant writing, a modest draw from our investments, and fundraising events.

### **How to Contact OHF:**

Ottauquechee Health Foundation (OHF)  
802-457-4188 | [www.ohfvt.org](http://www.ohfvt.org)  
PO Box 784 | 30 Pleasant Street | Woodstock, VT 05091

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The Thompson  
Your resource to age well



Critical support for community members at home has taken on a whole new meaning this year during the Covid pandemic. With the population we serve being the most at risk, the essential services provided by The Thompson have become a daily lifeline for many. In March and April, home-delivered Meals on Wheels more than doubled. Grocery and prescription deliveries became a daily occurrence. Curbside meal pick-up, friendly phone calls, and virtual programming kept people connected.

As an “essential service,” The Thompson has not missed one day of meals and services to our community since the pandemic began. We were active in town emergency planning and response to community members isolating at home. **More than 100 Barnard residents benefited from Thompson services over the past year, and the Thompson prepared and delivered more than 1,100 meals to Barnard homes.** The Thompson has provided grocery shopping, medical equipment, daily check-in calls, critical medical appointment rides, and evolved our programs and services to try to keep community members engaged and safe. Our Aging at Home vetted referrals program continues to actively make referrals to a wide variety of local resources.

Only 17% of our funding comes the Federal Older Americans Act channeled through the State of Vermont by Senior Solutions. 11% comes from the combined towns that we serve and the remaining amount of our \$600,000 annual budget comes from fundraising, grants, and donations for meals and transportation. Your continued support will help to ensure the success of this valuable community resource. Together, we truly can enrich the experience of aging in our area.

During the many changes in our lives this year, The Thompson evolved quickly to fulfill numerous needs and remained a vibrant community of energetic volunteers, eager participants, dedicated staff, expert advisors and teachers. Together, the Thompson community enriches aging in our area – even more in this time of crisis.

Please contact us at [info@thompsonseniorcenter.org](mailto:info@thompsonseniorcenter.org) or 457-3277 with any questions or needs. You can also see the menu and program calendar online at [www.thompsonseniorcenter.org](http://www.thompsonseniorcenter.org) or find us on Facebook. Thank you for your support!

Respectfully submitted,  
Deanna Jones, Executive Director  
The Woodstock Area Council on Aging, (d.b.a. The Thompson Center)

January 2021



The Spectrum Teen Center would like to thank the Town of Barnard for the generous support we have received over the years. We are always very grateful for the continued support. The Spectrum Teen Center has now been serving teens for 24 years in grades 9-12. In 2017, we opened our program up to middle school students. Our program serves teens from the towns that make up the Windsor Central Supervisory Union. We are under the umbrella of the WCSU.

In 2017, we took our programming out into the community. We found that connecting teens with their wider community helped teens experience new social settings, events, and activities, in a variety of venues creating new and different experiences. It helps teens establish relationships with area businesses and establishments while providing a safe environment and strengthening their connections within their community.

Over the past year, we were able to offer Miniature Golf/Pizza Night where teens play mini golf, ate pizza and enjoyed being outdoors. Each month, we continued to collaborate with Artistree Community Arts Center where together we featured "Branch Out Teen Nights" which are offered throughout the school year. We were able to offer several pizza nights at Pizza Chef where our average attendance is typically 25-40 teens. We collaborated in a number of teen movie nights at the Town Hall Theater with Pentangle, offered a night of swimming at the Upper Valley Aquatic Center and a night of Galactic Bowling at Rutland Bowlerama and more! These are *some* examples of the types of events that we offered. All these events are provided for **FREE!!!!!!**

In the fall and winter of 2019, we provided over 15 FREE events for teens. Unfortunately, due to the lockdown, we had to stop in person events for the spring. We have resumed programming this fall following all the guidelines put in place. Teens are really appreciating our events in a time where most are feeling isolated.

Due to the Coronavirus, we were not able to hold our two largest fundraisers, which are the John Langhans Road Race and the gate donations at the July 4th Fireworks celebration. This has greatly impacted our revenue for our program. Since we cannot hold any large fundraising events in the near future, town appropriations are going to be more helpful than ever.

Thank you again for your support!

The Spectrum Teen Center Co-Directors  
Heather Vonada & Joni Kennedy



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## Vermont Department of Health Local Report

### White River Junction District, 2021

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

#### COVID-19

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

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

#### Additional Programs

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

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

Learn more about what we do on the web at [www.healthvermont.gov](http://www.healthvermont.gov)

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**Town Narrative - Barnard  
For July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020**

For nearly 50 years, Windsor County Mentors has been creating and supporting mentoring relationships between caring adults and youth to help them thrive. By doing so, we create opportunities for the youth of Windsor County to realize their potential as healthy, responsible decision-makers. Mentoring offers vulnerable youth opportunities to share experiences with reliable adults to widen their vision of themselves, helping them to become confident, contributing members of their community.

WCM offers both school- and community-based mentoring partnerships, free of charge, to any Windsor County child between 5 and 18 who could benefit from a long-term, trusting relationship with an adult in their community.

In FY 2020, WCM served and supported 42 school- and community-based mentorships, with children from 16 towns. Collectively, these mentors volunteered over 1900 hours. Our mentees were distributed among 16 Windsor County public schools.

Our surveys demonstrate the positive effects of mentoring:

- Mentors (96%) would recommend mentoring to a family member, friend, or colleague.
- Mentee parents (100%) said their child is hopeful about his/her future.
- Mentees (82%) reported having a mentor has made a difference in his/her life.

WCM employs three regional outreach coordinators around Windsor County, assuring that we are able to grant each town the attention it deserves.

Financial support from Windsor County towns helps ensure the well-being of children and their families.

For more information on our mentorships, find us on Facebook, visit our website [www.wcmentors.org](http://www.wcmentors.org), or contact us at [ProgramsWC@outlook.com](mailto:ProgramsWC@outlook.com) 802-674-5101. WCM thanks the voters of Barnard for their support for the children of Windsor County.

Matthew Garcia  
Executive Director

**Vermont League of Cities and Towns**  
*Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government*

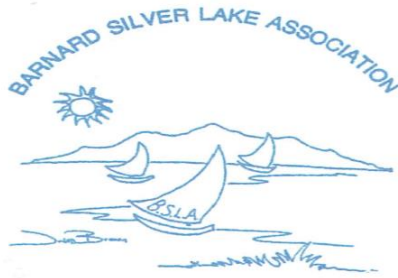
**About the League.** The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities, with a mission to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. It is directed by a 13-member Board of Directors elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state. The most recent audited financial statements are posted on our website, [vlct.org/about/audit-reports](https://vlct.org/about/audit-reports), and show that our positive net position continues.

**Member Benefits.** All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 139 other municipal entities that include villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts. Members have exclusive access to a wide range of specialized benefits, expertise, and services, including:

- **Legal, consulting, and education services**, including prompt responses to member questions that often involve how to comply with state and federal requirements. In 2020, VLCT's timely legal and technical assistance included answering more than 4,000 legal questions and publishing guidance, templates, research reports, and several new groups of FAQs explaining how municipalities can implement the state's COVID-19 requirements. To support Vermont's towns and cities in responding to the pandemic, VLCT quickly researched, assembled, and distributed important information about fiscal impacts, grant opportunities, and how to adapt town operations, hold public meetings remotely.
- **Trainings and timely communications on topics of specific concern to officials** who carry out their duties required by state law, as well as pertinent statewide topics. In response to the pandemic, the League provided online trainings, a virtual week-long conference, and timely announcements and information from state officials about how to comply with requirements and access to funding and assistance.
- **Representation before the state legislature and state agencies**, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and as a single, united voice. VLCT's recent legislative efforts have helped provide cities and towns additional resources to achieve tangible results on pressing issues such as responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, road and bridge repair, cybersecurity, housing and economic growth, renewable energy, emergency medical services, equity and inclusion, and ensuring the quality of our drinking water. Members are also represented at the federal level to Vermont's Congressional delegation and through our partner, the National League of Cities.
- **Access to two exceptional insurance programs.** The Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) provides comprehensive and cost-effective property, liability, and workers' compensation insurance coverage, programs, and services that protect the assets of your community. The VLCT Employment Resource and Benefits (VERB) Trust provides unemployment insurance, life, disability, dental, and vision insurance products to members at a competitive price. Both programs offer coverage and products that members need and ask for, help Vermont municipalities stretch their budgets, and are *only* available to VLCT members.
- **Access to a host of educational and informative materials and member conferences**, including a news magazine, handbooks, reports, articles, and events that all focus on the needs of local government and provide additional educational and networking opportunities.

At the heart of all these activities is VLCT's commitment to serving as a good steward of member assets, and we are proud of the progress we continue to make in that effort. Members are welcome to contact VLCT anytime to ask questions, and to access resources that can help each official and employee carry out the important work of local government. For a comprehensive list of member benefits and services, please visit [vlct.org/membersguide](https://vlct.org/membersguide) to download the VLCT Member Guide.

**To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, visit the VLCT website at [vlct.org](https://vlct.org).**



Greetings from Silver Lake,

Winter is almost here, snow has dusted Silver Lake and the sounds of migrating birds has quieted. All is rather peaceful after quite a summer.

If there is one good thing we can say about this challenging 2020 year it is, "Thank Goodness for Silver Lake!"

With lockdown and travel restrictions in parts of the country, many second home owners as well as others seeking a more socially distanced life, flocked to Barnard and surrounding towns. The lake was filled with sailboats, paddleboards, kayaks, canoes and swimmers, all enjoying a safe summer in a difficult year. A count one afternoon found 35 vessels of some sort enjoying the lake on a sunny afternoon.

Other lake observations include an abundance of Pond Weed in various spots this summer. A small group of volunteers, with state approval, pulled pond weed in the Grove in early July, only to find it back again by late August, though lesser so. Two loons were present all summer and there were frequent visits by two bald eagles. The lake water quality remains some of the best in the state.

There continues to be building and remodeling of structures around the lake. This year included finishing touches to one rebuild and the beginning of another in the Grove. In monitoring these projects, it appears that everyone has been following town and state procedures to insure protection of the lake.

Our annual meeting was cancelled this year due to the pandemic. The current BSLA Officers will continue in their positions, they are as follows; Pres: Pete Stoddard, VP: Laura Zantzinger, Secretary: Sharon Jackson, and Ellen Miles as Treasurer.

As always, we count on your help financially to continue monitoring the lake health, maintain the Dorothy Thompson Common, and offer community activities and projects. The BSLA is a non-profit volunteer association that is funded only by donations. They can be sent to:

PO Box 142, Barnard, Vermont. 05031.

Wishing you all a Happy Holiday season and a safe and healthy year to come. Hope to see you on the lake soon!! Thank you!

Pete Stoddard, BSLA, Pres



### **Windsor County Update**

With the advent of the pandemic in March of 2020, the County cut back its operations and took a very conservative approach to spending. Therefore, expenses during March, April, May and June, 2020, the last four months of the 2019 - 2020 fiscal year, were for the most part under budget, and the County's costs went down.

Because of these savings were able to lower the tax burden on Windsor County's 24 towns for the upcoming fiscal year. The amount of money that will be billed to the town for property taxes will decrease 3% from \$455,361 to \$441,319.

Additionally, we were able to increase our Operating Reserve and Capital Reserve accounts. The additional Capital Reserve funds will be used for Covid related improvements to the Court House in Woodstock and for two upcoming projects at the County Building in Woodstock - a new membrane roof for the cell block and the replacement of a very old boiler.

The Final Budget Hearing will be held remotely via Microsoft Teams at 4:30 PM on Wednesday, January 13, 2021. Please email [countyclerk@windsorcountyyt.com](mailto:countyclerk@windsorcountyyt.com) for instructions to join the meeting. Thank you.

**Health Care & Rehabilitation Services**  
**Annual Report for FY20 for the Town of Barnard**

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont, Inc. (HCRS) is a comprehensive community mental health provider serving residents of Windham and Windsor counties. HCRS assists and advocates for individuals, families, and children who are living with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders. HCRS provides these services through outpatient mental health services, alcohol and drug treatment program, community rehabilitation and treatment program, developmental services division, and emergency services programs.

Anyone with questions about HCRS services should contact George Karabakakis, Chief Executive Officer, at (802) 886-4500.

## **The Woodstock Area Job Bank**

*“Bringing together people who need work  
with people who need workers.”*

Since 1974 the Woodstock Area Job Bank has helped people in our community by matching those looking for work with those having jobs to be done.

Today the jobs listed vary from full-time professional to hourly household work – and everything in between. This valuable referral service has always been offered free of charge.

### **What’s happening at the Job Bank?**

- We provide individuals in our community with valuable work experience, exposure to new work environments, and opportunities to sharpen their skills.
- We provide businesses and families the opportunity to connect with workers in our community and even serve as mentors on the job.
- We support volunteers! We’re continuing our effort to promote volunteer opportunities in the area.
- We maintain an interactive website that allows employers to post jobs directly online AND the ability for job-seekers to register their skills online.
- We’re collaborating with area nonprofits to better serve our community by developing and maintaining a “Bit Time” List of workers available for small and one time jobs.

### **How are we doing? Our requests for workers continue to grow each year. There are over 50 active job seekers on our list. In 2020 employers posted 521 jobs.**

- The Job Bank serves job-seekers, volunteer-seekers and employers throughout the greater Woodstock area.

### **How are we funded?**

This year our funding request to the Town of Barnard remains level with last year.

**VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH**  
**Home Health, Hospice and Pediatric Services in Barnard, VT**

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is one of the oldest and largest non-profit providers of in-home healthcare services in the region. VNH is committed to providing the highest quality care throughout all stages of life, from maternal child care to end of life hospice care, and everything in between. Providing individuals and families with the care they need within the comfort of their own home allows them to maintain comfort and dignity throughout their time of care.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

Between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 VNH made 98 homecare visits to 14 Barnard residents. This included approximately \$9,198 in unreimbursed care to Barnard residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 79 home visits to 13 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 19 home visits to 1 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic we were forced to suspend these services in March. Since then, we have been rethinking our community wellness programs to find a way to continue to offer them following the pandemic.

Barnard's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



*Hilary Davis, Director Community Relations and Development (1-888-300-8853)*

## **WHITE RIVER VALLEY AMBULANCE**

Thank you, neighbors, for your continued support of White River Valley Ambulance. We are a non-profit, professional emergency medical service and ambulance transport agency serving the towns of Barnard, Bethel, Braintree, Brookfield, Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Randolph, Rochester and Stockbridge, an area of over 500 square miles. We are designated as a Vermont Critical Care Paramedic service, the highest licensed skill level that the state recognizes. With our 10 full-time staff and a number of part time staff we maintain two Paramedic level staffed ambulances 24/7, 365 days a year. From January 1, 2020 through November 20, 2020 White River Valley Ambulance responded to 1,342 emergency calls and transfers. This includes Advanced Life Support transfer between hospitals.

Training in emergency medical response is also an important part of our mission. We are a regional American Heart Association Training Center, providing CPR and First Aid courses to community members across central Vermont. We also provide advanced practice training to emergency response professionals and volunteers from throughout the state.

Funding for WRVA comes primarily from billed insurance and budget allocations from the towns we serve. Every town pays the same amount per capita. In 2021, the per capita amount will increase by \$1.00 to \$61.00, or 1.67%.

Looking back on 2020 and ahead to 2021, we are ever grateful for the numerous first responders and fire departments who we work with and who volunteer their time to help a neighbor in need. Your dedication and commitment to serve makes a difference in the lives of those who call for help. For that, we can never thank you enough. **3190 Pleasant St., Bethel, VT 05032 802-234-6800** [www.wvra.org](http://www.wvra.org)

**Matt Parrish,  
Executive Director**

### **2020 Barnard Arts Bus Township Essay**

In January 2020, The Arts Bus annual goal was to go wherever a child's imagination took us....and we had to hang on for a wild ride through a world of creativity and change! In spite of a pandemic, 2020 was our BIGGEST SERVICE YEAR EVER making over 3,250 direct connections of art education & supplies and indirect connections to art to over 150,000 people in Vermont. Plus, The Arts Bus was featured in two local news' spotlights reaching a televised audience across New England!

Through February, the bus was an after-school education resource with our traveling Puppet Factory & Theatre. In March, school and store closures resulting from the pandemic compelled us to re-tool programming to "Kits4Kids", through which provided over 2,020 free art supply kits in safe, individually-packaged units for artistic creations from beginner to advanced, through schools, libraries, town halls and businesses.

During the summer, The Arts Bus co-conducted Imagination & Animation Camps from its new Maker Space at The Chandler, working together with it, Kimball Public Library and The Underground Recording Studio to create and produce stage, puppet theatre and stop-motion stories live and on video. As soon as summer camps finished, the bus created and launched its 2020-21 ART Adventure Tour & Puppet Show, which will likely find its way to Barnard in 2021 for a family friendly afternoon of singing with puppets and dancing with trolls.

The bus no sooner stopped touring than it began PEACE by Piece Projects of community collages in towns across the White River Valley, celebrated new collaborations with artists and businesses in each own, and found ways to hire and pay for local artists and art-educators in a year when performance art was largely sidelined. In 2021, we aim to facilitate a Barnard community collage with through the local schools, libraries & residential facilities to bring all members of the town together through art.

There is no charge to climb aboard the Arts Bus. By providing a mobile art education service to Central Vermont, the Arts Bus is driven to provide a creative resource right where our communities need it. To learn more and see pictures, videos, and stories about The Arts Bus, we invite you to our Facebook page @artsbusvt or to visit our website [www.artsbusvt.org](http://www.artsbusvt.org).

## **ECFiber**

Barnard is a member of the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District, a Vermont municipality whose mission is to provide internet service to homes and businesses in its area. During the past year ECFiber added almost 1,200 new customers and now serves over 5,300 premises in 23 towns via 1,200 miles of fiber-optic cable. In recent months, the district approved applications from eight municipalities, and now consists of 31 member towns. Taken together, there are about 31,500 premises in the district located on almost 2,000 miles of roads.

In Barnard, ECFiber has completed construction of its network. As of November, 2020, there were 445 customers with service and 82 awaiting installation.

The global pandemic has, of course, proven beyond any doubt that rural Vermonters need access to world-class broadband. ECFiber is funded entirely by customer revenues, which in turn back tax-free municipal bonds issued by the district that provide capital to build our infrastructure. Please visit our website at [ecfiber.net](http://ecfiber.net) to learn more and to sign up if you're not already a subscriber. Signing up is easy and there is no obligation if you choose not to take the service.

Barnard Representatives to the ECFiber Governing Board  
Daniel Leavitt (Delegate), Richard Lancaster and Patrick Kell (Alternates)

[Barnard@ECFiber.net](mailto:Barnard@ECFiber.net)



## Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force

Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD)  
170 Lower Sumner Hill Road, Sumner, ME 04292  
(802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com | www.vacd.org

November 1, 2020

Re: **Request for Town Appropriation, Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program**

Dear Board of Selectpersons, Town Clerks and Auditors:

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations, and find financial support to support the costs of construction. During the **23+ years** of the program, almost **1200 grants** totaling **\$2.6 million** have been provided to Vermont towns for installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

The Rural Fire Protection Program has made a successful transition from the Northern Vermont and George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Councils to the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservation Districts, whose mission is to work with landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the state.

We have made several adjustments to the Rural Fire Protection Grant Program, including changing the name from Dry Hydrant Grant Program to Rural Fire Protection Program to better reflect the diverse range of projects we support. We have increased the maximum grant award amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per project. New rural fire protection systems, along with repair, replacement, relocation, upgrades of existing systems, and drafting site development, are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2020 was \$200,432, of which \$107,524 was paid in grants to Vermont communities for construction costs. The remaining budget covered site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Vermont Department of Public Safety through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks



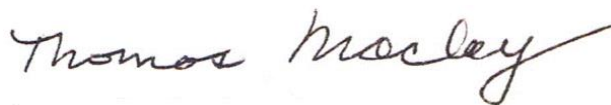
and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$100 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. Since last year's appropriation request, we have received nearly **\$10,000** in town appropriations from almost **100** towns, with contributions still coming in. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support.

**215** Vermont communities have benefitted from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

Enclosed please find a summary report for the Rural Water Supply Grant Program, as well as an invoice and W-9 from VACD in case they are required. VACD's tax form 990 is also available upon request. Please feel free to contact me, Troy Dare, or Jill Arace, Executive Director of VACD, with any questions you may have. Our contact information is provided below. If you would like to receive this appropriation request by mail instead of by email, please contact Troy Dare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tom Maclay, Chair  
Rural Fire Protection Task Force  
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Troy Dare, Program Manager & contact person Town Appropriation business  
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Jill Arace, Executive Director  
Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD)  
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**Rural Fire Protection Task Force Members:**

Tom Maclay, Chair, Marshfield VFD  
Bill Sanborn, Vice-Chair, Town of Maidstone  
Tyler Hermanson, VT Enhanced 9-1-1  
Haley Pero, Senator Bernie Sanders' Office  
Mike Greenia, Vermont Division of Fire Safety  
Christine Kaiser, Stowe VT  
Lars Lund, VT Forest Parks & Recreation Dept.

**Vermont Association of Conservation Districts  
Rural Fire Protection Program  
FY 2020 Financial Report (7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020)**

**Income**

Town Appropriations/Donations	9,625
VT Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Fire Safety	149,328
VT Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation (US Forest Service)	31,250
VACD	6,293
Sale of Dry Hydrant Spare Parts	3,836
Donation	100

<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>200,432</u></b>
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**Expense**

Personnel	61,523
Travel	4,744
Office and Services	23,357
Dry Hydrant Spare Parts	3,284
Rural Fire Protection Grants to Towns & Fire Departments	107,524

<b>Total Expense</b>	<b><u>200,432</u></b>
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<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u><u>0</u></u></b>
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**GREEN UP VERMONT**

[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

Green Up Vermont celebrated its 50th Anniversary of Green Up Day on May 30, 2020. Although 99% of all events were cancelled due to Covid-19, Green Up Day was successfully executed with social distancing by 14,000+ volunteers, cleaning up over 241 tons of litter, and 9,000 tires statewide. It is imperative for all of us to keep building awareness and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment. Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride and engagement.

Support from municipalities is essential to our program. Funds help pay for administrative and supplies, including 65,000 Green Up trash bags, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, poster and writing contests, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Early awareness initiatives for Green Up Day tripled the number of submissions to our annual poster art and writing contests and produced 184 applicants for our first scholarship. We were able to offer "Greener" bags made with 70% post-consumer waste; add a Green Scuba team to clean in Lake Champlain; and had over 100 editorial stories in the news as well as a national mention in the *Washington Post*.

Donations can be made to Green Up Vermont on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at [\*\*www.greenupvermont.org\*\*](http://www.greenupvermont.org).

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont).

**Green Up Day, May 1, 2021**



BarnArts Center for the Arts • P.O. Box 41 • Barnard, VT 05031  
802-234-1645 • [www.barnarts.org](http://www.barnarts.org) • [info@barnarts.org](mailto:info@barnarts.org)  
**Building Community through Art**

Winter 2021

Dear Barnard Residents,

During these difficult times, we still have much to celebrate at BarnArts, and we appreciate having you along on our journey! Your support is critical to BarnArts' survival as a community-run, community-focused arts organization that exists to serve a community that views art as essential to social well-being.

The last indoor event for BarnArts in 2020 was our 8<sup>th</sup> Masquerade Jazz & Funk Winter Music Festival – just days before the March lockdown – and just two weeks after we closed on our Winter production of *The Seagull* (whew!) We held our breath all spring, remaining nimble and hopeful. We were grateful to still hold onto most of our Summer and Fall programming, including 15 weeks of Music on the Farm, five outdoor productions of *Shrek the Musical* (following a 3-week outdoor camp for 30 kids), two fundraisers and six staged reading performances of *It Can't Happen Here* in different outdoor venue across Vermont. Amid the pandemic, we have strived to keep BarnArts as active as possible to best serve our community with opportunities to gather, enjoy Vermont and art, and work together for a common good.

In December we moved our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Winter Carols to Zoom, a joyous event as we were still able to sing together and gather online. (The video can be found on our website!) We are now working on new Zoom projects to get us through the winter, including a Local Music Show featuring Jack Snyder, Bow Thayer & Trifolium (Feb 13), and a Masquerade Jazz & Funk Zoom Dance Party, (March 6<sup>th</sup>), and an original Zoom theater presentation still in the forming. We are also busy at work on our Summer Schedule, including an outdoor production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, our 10<sup>th</sup> Summer Youth Theater and outstanding Music on the Farm programming. We will remain nimble as we negotiate the reopening of Vermont, but we hope to still hold our Race Around the Lake fundraiser on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Silver Lake State Park!

In 2021 BarnArts will be celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> year of community programming! We look forward to having you join us.

Best wishes from the BarnArts Board of Directors,

Cynthia Bystrak  
Ted Donlon  
Peter Kahn  
Carin Ewing Park  
Deborah Rice  
Stephen Stuntz

Linda Treash, Executive Director

### Celebrating 10 Years of BarnArts in 2021!

10 years of BarnArts Summer Youth Theater

10 years of Outdoor Adult Plays

10 years of Winter Carols

9 years of Masquerade Jazz & Funk Winter Music Carnival

9 years of Community Winter Plays

8 years of the Race Around the Lake

7 years of Holiday Cabaret

7 years of Music on the Farm

5 years of Artists in the Schools programming

4 years of Contra Dances and Community Potlucks

**WARNING FOR  
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
WINDSOR CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The legal voters of Windsor Central Unified Union School District, comprising the voters of the Towns of Barnard, Bridgewater, Killington, Plymouth, Pomfret, Reading, and Woodstock, are hereby warned and notified that an **Informational Hearing** will be held via audio/video conferencing pursuant to Act 92, on Thursday, February 25, 2021, commencing at 6:30 P.M., for the purpose of explaining the 2021-2022 proposed budget.

Pursuant to Act 162 of 2020, the legal voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at their respective polling places hereinafter named for the above-referenced towns on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, during the polling hours noted below, for the purpose of transacting during that time voting by Australian ballot.

The voters residing in each member district will cast their ballots in the polling places designated for their town as follows:

Barnard Town Hall	10 am – 7 pm	Plymouth Municipal Building	10 am – 7 pm
Bridgewater Town Clerk's Office	8 am – 7 pm	Pomfret Town Offices	8 am – 7 pm
Killington Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm	Reading Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm
Woodstock Town Hall	7 am – 7 pm		

**MARCH 2, 2021 – AUSTRALIAN BALLOT QUESTIONS**

**Article 1:** The legal voters of the specified towns designated within this itemized Article shall elect the following:

- Barnard: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Bridgewater: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Bridgewater: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining year of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Killington: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Plymouth: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining year of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Plymouth: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining two years of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Pomfret: one school director to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Pomfret: one school director to assume office upon election and serve the remaining two years of a three-year term or until their successor is elected and qualified
- Woodstock: two school directors to assume office upon election and serve a term of three years or until their successor is elected and qualified

**Article 2:** Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend **Twenty-Two Million Seven Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$22,755,638)**, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,784.13 per equalized pupil. This projected spending is \$654,112 or 2.96% higher than spending for the current year.

- Article 3:** Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District authorize the board of directors under 16 V.S.A. §562(9) to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?
- Article 4:** To elect an uncompensated Moderator who shall assume office upon election and shall serve for a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.
- Article 5:** To elect an uncompensated Clerk who shall enter upon their duties on July 1 following their election and shall serve a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.
- Article 6:** To elect a Treasurer, to be compensated \$6,500.00, who shall enter upon their duties on July 1 following their election and shall serve a term of one year or until their successor is elected and qualified.

Dated the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.



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Signature, WCUUSD Chair

Minutes of a meeting of a public body should not attempt to be a transcript of the meeting or a complete restatement of all public discussion at the meeting. 1 V.S.A. #312(b) provides a list of what must be included in minutes. In summary: Record all motions whether adopted or defeated, name of the maker of the motion, number of votes on each side in a motion, names of board members present, names of active participants in the meeting. Do not record discussion or expressions of personal opinion. Do not try to capture individual statements except for motions made.

**MINUTES  
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
BARNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 3, 2020**

The legal voters of the Barnard School District of Windsor County, Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Barnard Town Hall, located in Barnard, Vermont, in said District, on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. for the purpose of transacting business not involving voting by Australian ballot.

(Except as noted and necessary, all nominations were moved and a seconding motion made that nominations cease and the Town Clerk or Assistant Town Clerk cast one ballot for the person nominated. The first person named in parentheses nominated the person for the office, the 2<sup>nd</sup> person moved nominations cease and the 3<sup>rd</sup> person seconded the motion; all passed by voice vote)

Moderator Paul Doton calls meeting to order 10.03 AM. Salute to the flag. Randall Szott speaks on legislative activities.

**ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator for the ensuing year. Paul Doton** (Doug Martin, Andy Cole, Wes Hennig) **Voice vote Elects Paul Doton.**

Moderator Paul Doton announces that school ballot wording is correct but the warning is incorrect. He then explains procedures to be followed during today's meetings.

**ARTICLE 2: To accept the reports of the Barnard Academy School Directors for the school accounts and take action thereon.** Motion by Richard Lancaster, second by Pamela Fraser. Carin Park explains that Article 5 will be corrected. Discussion. **Andy Cole makes motion to table the Article since budget report is of questionable financial integrity. Gerald Fredrickson seconds motion.** Discussion. **Voice vote tables Article 2.**

**ARTICLE 3: With the specific understanding that if the District merges with the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District as of July 1, 2020, the following shall be null and void and of no force and effect: shall the voters of Barnard School District elect one (1) school Director to the Board of School Directors for a term of three (3) years? Rebecca Ward** (Carin Park, Richard Lancaster, Gerald Fredrickson)

**ARTICLE 4: With the specific understanding that if the District does no merge with the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District as of July 1, 2020, the following shall be null and void and of no force and effect: shall the voters of Barnard School District elect one (1) School Director to the Board of School Directors for a term that will expire on the date the District ceases to exist? Carin Park makes motion, second by Tim Johnson. Carin Park explains need for position. Rebecca Ward** (Dan Leavitt, Richard Lancaster, Dough Martin)

**ARTICLE 5: With the specific understanding that if the District merges with the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District as of July 1, 2020, the following shall be null and void and off no force and effect: shall the voters of Barnard School District approve the school board to expend one Million, Four Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$1,439,932) the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,440 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 8.6% higher than spending for the current year. Carin Park makes motion to amend Article 5 as follows: "... if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,917 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 0.3% lower than spending for the current year." Richard Lancaster second motion. Voice vote passes amendment. Discussion. Voice vote passes article.**

**ARTICLE 6: With the specific understanding that if the District merges with the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District as of July 1, 2020, the following shall be null and void and of no force and effect: shall the voters authorize the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?** Tim Johnson makes motion, second by Doug Martin. **Voice vote passes article.**

**ARTICLE 7: To transact any other business that my legally come before this meeting.** Discussion of budget, missing numbers, and confusing numbers with respect to merger. Pam Fraser points out that this may be the last school meeting and thanks all who have been involved. Dick McCormack speaks on legislative activities.

Meeting adjourned at 11:17 A.M.

Attest: Diane L. Rainey, Town Clerk Paul Doton, Moderator Rock Webster, Selectman

## **WINDOSR CENTRAL MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **Town of Barnard Results**

Article 2 – Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District approve the merger of Barnard School District with Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District, pursuant to the Articles of Agreement?

Yes – 198      No – 97      Blank - 8      Total Votes: 303

Article 3 – If Article 2 is approved, shall the voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend Twenty One Million Seven Hundred Eighty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$21,783,948), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year, of which Sixteen Million Eight Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three Dollars (\$16,896,833) is to be funded with taxes? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,673 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 2.82% higher than the combined spending per equalized pupil by Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District and Barnard School District for the current year.

Yes – 176      No – 114      Blank – 13      Total Votes: 303

Article 4 – If Article 2 is not approved, shall the voters of the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend Twenty Million Six Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$20,676,529), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year, of which Fifteen Million Six Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$15,668,914) is to be funded with taxes? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,754 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 3.27% higher than spending for the current year.

Yes – 165      Non – 114      Blank – 24      Total Votes: 303

733 voters on checklist - 303 votes cast, including 9 by absentee ballott



**ARTICLES TO BE VOTED BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT**

**BARNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ARTICLE 7: To elect one School Director to the Windsor Central Unified Union School Board for a term of three years, expiring March 2022.**

**Vote for not more than one**

**Pamela Fraser: 79**

**Write-Ins: Tim Johnson: 1  
Richard Lancaster: 1**

**Blanks: 5**

**WINDSOR CENTRAL MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Modified Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend eighteen million, ninety-five thousand, eight hundred thirty-four dollars (\$18,095,834), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,994 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil 3% higher than spending for the current year.**

**YES: 57**

**NO: 29**

**Blank: 0**

**Barnard Checklist**

Total Registered Voters:	726
Number of voters marked off on entrance checklist:	86
Number of Absentee Voters (included in entrance checklist):	0

## SCHOOL TREASURER'S FISCAL YEAR REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT									
SCHOOL CHECKING ACCOUNT									
		FY17		FY18		FY19		FY20	
BALANCE FORWARD:									
	Previous FY Checking Account Ending	187,295.67		211,783.65		201,682.09		47,456.70	
	WUSU Adjustment	503.66							
	Ending FY16 Balance		186,792.01						
ADD FY RECEIPTS:									
	Emergency Shelter Town Approp	41,500.00		42,330.00		43,100.00		44,035.00	
	Town Collected Taxes	981,405.00		1,005,967.00		1,059,442.00		1,125,914.00	
	State of VT	116,534.66		1,134.28		2,105.39		11,261.54	
	WUSU or High School	21,145.05		5,621.13		92,723.72		0.00	
	Students or Staff	13,264.68		14,470.94		10,687.30		9,205.10	
	Bank Interest	255.98		629.45		489.10		2,200.95	
	Donations	2,875.00		3,766.84		5,385.19		4,809.00	
	After-School Program	31,425.43		20,997.04		18,584.81		12,678.84	
	Refunds	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	
	Lunch Money	0.00		0.00		1,616.00		1,815.00	
	Tax Anticipation Loan	0.00		0.00		0.00		80,000.00	
FY TOTAL RECEIPTS:			1,208,405.80	1,094,916.68		1,234,133.51		1,291,919.43	
DEDUCT FY EXPENSES:									
	School Orders	-527,363.04		-431,824.11		-653,518.50		-588,568.04	
	Payroll	-656,051.12		-673,194.13		-734,840.40		-750,808.09	
	TOTAL EXPENSES:		-1,183,414.16	-1,105,018.24		-1,388,358.90		-1,339,376.13	
ENDING FY ACCOUNT BALANCE			211,783.65	201,682.09		47,456.70		0.00	
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SCHOOL FY ENDING ACCOUNT BALANCES									
	School Checking Account	153,446.69		166,136.44		6,164.83		-41,291.87	
	Equipment Fund	33,621.59		33,621.59		33,621.59		33,621.59	
	Health Fund	7,670.28		7,670.28		7,670.28		7,670.28	
	Uncleared Deposits	20,103.09		0.00		0.00		0.00	
	Uncleared Checks	-3,058.00		-5,746.22		0.00		0.00	
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES			211,783.65	201,682.09		47,456.70		0.00	
*****									

These numbers are based on checking account statements and signed School Board orders provided to the Barnard Treasurer from the Windsor Central Supervisory Union.

## **BARNARD ACADEMY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

The 2019-20 school year at Barnard Academy was marked by significant and even historic transitions. Staff retired, the single-town school district was dissolved, and the worldwide COVID pandemic forced the closure of the school building in mid-March of 2020.

The Barnard School District was merged with the Windsor Central Unified Union School District effective July 1, 2020. Barnard Academy had an enrollment of 79 PreK to Grade 6 students as of December 2019. Enrollment as of December 2020 was 72 PreK to Grade 6 students. The COVID pandemic led to an influx of new students to the school in September 2020, but it also led to almost an equal number of students who opted to learn at home.

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>December 2019 Total Enrollment</u></b>	<b><u>December 2020 In-building learners</u></b>	<b><u>December 2020 100% Remote learners</u></b>	<b><u>December 2020 Total Enrollment</u></b>
PreK 3 Year Olds	6	6	0	6
PreK 4 Year Olds	6	2	0	2
Kindergarten	12	7	1	8
Grade 1	6	7	4	11
Grade 2	13	8	1	9
Grade 3	4	9	0	9
Grade 4	9	7	0	7
Grade 5	11	7	2	9
Grade 6	12	9	2	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>72</b>

The number of teachers at the school was reduced by 1 full time equivalent (FTE) from the previous school year. This led to having five classroom teachers to instruct PreK, K-1, 2-3, 4-5, and 6). We bid farewell to Ingrid Johnson who retired in June 2019. We welcomed Jenny Hewitt, a veteran teacher of the District who transferred from Prosper Valley/Woodstock Elementary Schools. Principal Hannah Thein finished up her 30 plus years in education retiring in June 2019 after a three-year stint leading Barnard Academy. John Hansen joined the school in July as its new principal.

Our year was greatly impacted by the COVID pandemic. Schools throughout Vermont and the United States closed in mid-March 2020. Our students learned at home through the end of the school year utilizing virtual instruction and home study packets, assisted by their parents and other family members. The 2020-21 school year began with K-3 students attending school on-site four days a week; students in PreK and grades 4-6 attended only two days a week. K-6 students were remote learners on Wednesdays. Students and staff wore masks and had to go through a daily health screening upon arrival at school. Hand washing became a huge part of every day. Everyone had to stay six feet apart and different classes could not mix at all. Students had lunch in their classrooms and recess play was restricted to just students in one class playing with each other. The multi-purpose room was repurposed as the K-1 classroom to provide for the maximum amount of spacing among the students. In late October, after seeing how well students were abiding by all of the new procedures, we were able to have students in grades 4 through 6 return to the building four days a week. We kept the PreK on a two day a week schedule to provide some flexibility for teacher coverage if necessary due to any extended absences caused by the pandemic. At the start of January 2021, all students were 100% remote learners for the first two days after the holiday break.

Staff and students learned lots of new ways to get things done during the pandemic. Tents played a big role, with two large tents used during the fall of 2020 so that students could be outside in the fresh air as much as possible. Students used five-gallon paint buckets as seats and carried their supplies inside the buckets. We had guest artist Sabouyouma lead dance classes for a day on the field behind the school. Once winter took hold, the tents were taken down, but outdoor learning continued. The tennis courts were kept cleared of snow so that Physical Education classes could take place outdoors. Open House was held virtually. School start and end times were

modified to a rolling block with assigned arrival and dismissal times to spread out students at the two busiest times of the day.

Community partners continued to make a positive difference at the school. BarnArts, Dartmouth's Hood Museum of Art, Billings Farm, ArtisTree, W.I.S.E., and VINS all continue to provide awesome learning opportunities for our students. The Barnard BEES and the Barnard Education Fund seem to always be ready to help with funding at a moment's notice.

Thank you to the community for your continued support of Barnard Academy. In this most trying of years, we have continued to provide a quality education for the children of this and surrounding towns. We could not have done so without your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Hansen, Principal