

# Town of Sutton Vermont



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## 2023 Annual Report

For the year ending  
December 31, 2023

### Monthly Meeting Schedule

All meetings held at Sutton Fire Station  
691 Burke Rd

#### Development Review Board

4th Wednesday of the month @ 5:30 pm

#### Energy Committee

3rd Monday of the month @ 6:00 pm

#### Fire Department

Training Session - 1st & 3rd Tues @ 7:00 pm  
Meeting - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 pm

#### Select Board

Last Thursday of the month @ 6:00 pm

#### Zoning /Planning

4th Wednesday of the month @ 5:30 pm

### Important Email Addresses

#### Select Board

Timothy Simpson	dj.sim1@hotmail.com
Denis Royer II	royerfarm7@gmail.com
Jeffrey "Joe" Solinsky	cows5@gmail.com

#### Sutton Town Office

Town Clerk/Treasurer  
townclerksutton@gmail.com  
Website  
suttonvt.org

#### Lister Office

suttonlisters@yahoo.com

#### Collector of Delinquent Taxes

suttondelinquenttaxes@gmail.com

#### Zoning Administrator

Joe Witt joewitt50@yahoo.com

#### Zoning Planning Board Chair

Kurt Nygren dietzdog@gmail.com

### 911 Address Signs

Sutton Fire Department  
Kyle Seymour 802-473-0116 / 802-467-8825  
Shane Heath 802-535-7188

### Homestead Declarations (HS-122)

Vermont Department of Taxes  
Toll Free (866) 828-2865  
tax.individualincome@vermont.gov

### Telephone Numbers

#### Animal Control Officer

Candace Dane 802-535-7109

#### Caledonia County Sheriff

802-748-6666

#### Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Mary Gray 802-535-7110

#### Fire Chief

Kyle Seymour 802-473-0116  
802-467-8825

#### Fire Warden

Norbert Patoine 802-274-5681

#### Health Officer

Jeffrey "Joe" Solinsky 802-535-9944

#### JP's

Marlin "Chip" Devenger 802-467-3285  
Dianna Simpson 802-467-3511

#### Kingdom East Unified Union School District

802-626-6100

#### Municipal Building

Town Clerk	Phone	802-467-3377
	Fax	802-467-1052
Garage		802-467-8341
Listers		802-467-3964
Zoning Admin		802-467-3790

#### Post Offices

West Burke Post Office 802-467-3344  
Lyndonville Post Office 802-626-5421

#### Select Board

Timothy Simpson - Chair 802-274-6645  
Denis Royer II 802-467-8785  
Jeffrey "Joe" Solinsky 802-535-9944

#### Sutton School

802-467-3492

#### Town Constable

Kurt Nygren 802-535-5942

#### VT State Police

802-748-3111

#### Water Commissioner

Scott Spencer 802-467-3544  
802-745-8444

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# VOTE

## 2024

### Town Meeting & Presidential Primary

**March 5, 2024**

Sutton School Multi-Purpose Room

Town Meeting starts at 10:00 AM

**PLEASE BRING YOUR TOWN REPORT**

Polls will be open from 8:00 AM until 7:00 PM

Kingdom East Unified Union School Vote

by Australian ballot

### State Primary Election

**August 13, 2024**

Sutton Fire Department

Polls will be open from 8:00 AM until 7:00 PM

### Presidential Election

**November 5, 2024**

Sutton Fire Department

Polls will be open from 8:00 AM until 7:00 PM



Eligible residents will be able to register to vote on any day up to and including Election Day. Registration will be available at the town office on any day prior to the election during normal business hours and available on Election Day during the hours the polls are open.

*Dedicated to our citizens we lost in 2023*



*Andrew Blackford Grieves*



*Timothy Rumbinas*



*Walter Neal Warren*



*Thomas Gregory Hood, Sr.*



*Rowena Jane Miles*



*Archie R Stimpson*



*Ulric Malcolm Norris*



*James Elroy Simpson*

*Dedicated to our citizens we lost in 2023*



Sirreno Alvin Scranton Jr



Herbert Di Gioia



Carol Grace Barlow



Douglas George Solinsky



Hayden Tanner



Edmund Bradley Webber



Charlotte Eunice Stevens



Richard Harold Johnson Sr.



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[www.facebook.com/Sutton-Vermont-114979046567455](https://www.facebook.com/Sutton-Vermont-114979046567455)

## OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – THURSDAY

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

### Sutton Town Clerk

167 Underpass Rd  
Sutton, VT 05867  
(802) 467-3377 **PHONE**  
(802) 467-1052 **FAX**  
[townclerksutton@gmail.com](mailto:townclerksutton@gmail.com)

### Select-Board

Tim Simpson – Chair-----(802)-274-6645  
Denis Royer II -----(802) 535-7343  
Jeffrey “Joe” Solinsky -- (802) 535-9944

### Highway Garage

Shane Heath, Road Foreman  
(802) 535-7188  
Corey Brown, Highway  
(802) 745-8441

### Water Commissioner

Scott Spencer  
(802) 467-3544

### Listers

(802) 467-3964  
[suttonlisters@yahoo.com](mailto:suttonlisters@yahoo.com)

## SERVICES OFFERED BY THE TOWN OF SUTTON

Marriage Licenses  
Certified Vermont Birth & Death Certificates  
Fish and Wildlife Licenses  
Dog Licenses  
Notary Public  
Land Posting  
Green MT Passports

## ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

		Term Ends
Town Clerk	Patricia McClure	2025
Town Treasurer	Patricia McClure	2025
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	Mary Gray	2025
Moderator	Marlin "Chip" Devenger	2024
Select-Board	Tim Simpson	2024
	Denis Royer II	2025
	Jeffrey "Joe" Solinsky	2026
First Constable	Kurt Nygren	2024
Second Constable	Vacant	
Auditors	Candace Heath	2024
	Melanie Miller-Hansen	2025
	Elaine Bandy	2026
Justice of the Peace	Marlin "Chip" Devenger	2024
	Dianna Simpson	2024
	Vacant Seat	2024
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Listers	Paul Lane	2024
	Mary Gray	2025
	Candace Heath	2026
Town Grand Juror	Kathy Keizer	2024
Agent to Convey Real Estate	John Sylvester	2024
Water Commissioner	Scott Spencer	2024
Sexton of Cemeteries	Patricia Jackson	2024

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

		Term Ends
Town Service Officer	Elaine Bandy	2024
Town Environmental Officer	Jeff Norris	2024
Fence Viewer	Norbert Patoine	2024

## CONTINUED APPOINTED OFFICES

		Term Ends
Inspector of Wood, Shingles, Lumber	John Sylvester	2024
Fire Warden	Norbert Patoine	2024
Health Officer	Jeffrey "Joe" Solinsky	2024
Zoning Administration Officer	Joe Witt	2024
Town Planning Commission/DRB	Kurt Nygren - (Chair)	2026
	Robert Simms - (Co-Chair)	2026
	Adam Brugemann	2027
	Kate Berry-Buananno	2027
	Vacant Seat	2027
Zoning Clerk	Kate Berry-Buananno	2027
Budget Committee	Select-Board	
	David Tucker	2024
	Mary Gray	2024
	Patricia Jackson	2024
Conservation Commission	Jeff Norris	2024
Representative to Legislature Caledonia-3	Charles Wilson	2024
	Dennis Labounty	2024
Representative Lyndon State Rescue	Marlin "Chip" Devenger	2024

## SCHOOL OFFICERS

Superintendent	Sean McMannon	
Principal	Rachel Robillard	
Kingdom East Members	Jacob Simpson	2024
	Justin Williams	2024
School Treasurer	Dianna Simpson	2024

**WARNING**  
**TOWN OF SUTTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 5, 2024**

**The legal voters of the Town of Sutton are hereby notified to meet at the Sutton School multi-purpose room in said Town on March 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. to transact the following business from the floor:**

**NOTICE TO VOTERS:** Residents who are not already on the voter checklist may register to vote the day of Town Meeting.

**Article 1:** To elect a Moderator

**Article 2:** Shall the voters of Sutton accept the Town Report

**Article 3:** To elect all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

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|--------------------------------|---------|
| A. Select Board                | 3 years |
| B. Lister                      | 3 years |
| C. Town Grand Juror            | 1 year  |
| D. First Constable             | 1 year  |
| E. Second Constable            | 1 year  |
| F. Agent to Convey Real Estate | 1 year  |
| G. Water Commissioner          | 1 year  |
| H. Auditor                     | 3 years |
| I. Sexton of Cemeteries        | 1 year  |

**Article 4:** Shall the voters of Sutton authorize the Select Board to hire money, if necessary in anticipation of taxes, to meet current expenses for the ensuing year and how much?

**Article 5:** Shall the voters of Sutton authorize payment of real and personal property taxes due November 1, 2024 and physical delivery to the tax collector by 5:00 p.m. on that day?

**Article 6:** Shall the voters of Sutton vote to authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate in an amount sufficient to support the adopted budgets and any special appropriation articles approved when the Grand List is completed?

**Article 7:** Shall the voters of Sutton approve the amount of \$43,646.23 for the Ambulance service provided by Lyndon Rescue Inc. for calendar year 2024?

**Article 8:** Shall the voters of Sutton approve the following appropriations request?

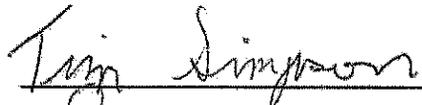
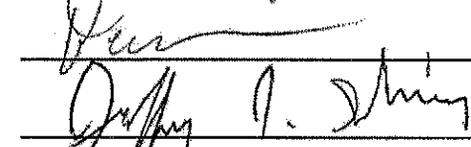
A. Burke Senior Meal Site	\$250.00
B. Caledonia Home Health Care	\$350.00
C. Cobleigh Public Library	\$1,200.00
D. Community Restorative Justice	\$250.00
E. Darling Inn Meal Site	\$400.00
F. Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	\$700.00
G. H.O.P.E.	\$500.00
H. Lyndon Youth Baseball/Softball	\$900.00
I. NEK Council on Aging	\$500.00
J. NEK Human Services	\$2,058.00
K. NEK Youth Services	\$250.00
L. Northwoods Stewardship Center	\$250.00
M. Powers Park / Village Improvement Society	\$1,000.00
N. Rural Community Transportation	\$700.00
O. Sutton Parent Teacher's Group	\$6,000.00
P. Umbrella	\$700.00
Q. Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$1,000.00
R. Vermont Green Up	\$100.00
S. Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$100.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$17,208.00</b>

**Article 9:** Shall the voters of Sutton vote to adopt the proposed general and highway fund budgets for the ensuing year as printed in the Town Report?

**Article 10:** Should the Town of Sutton consider regulating short-term rentals?

**Article 11:** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

**Article 12:** To Adjourn

  
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Sutton Select Board

Received for recording on 1/25/24  
Attest: Patricia J. McClure, Town Clerk & Treasurer

TOWN OF SUTTON  
RULES OF CONDUCT  
TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETINGS

1. We follow Robert's Rules of Order, except where State of Vermont Rules for the conduct of municipal meetings differ.
2. In order to speak, please:
  - a. Be recognized and given the floor by the Moderator.
  - b. Wait for the portable microphone to be brought to you.
  - c. Please use the microphone.
3. Everyone should remain seated and silent when someone has the floor. Interruptions are permitted only for Points of Order.
4. Speakers must address the Moderator and maintain decorum during debate.
5. Only registered voters of the Town of Sutton may speak during the meeting, except by permission of those present at the meeting. This would require a motion to suspend the rules and would require a 2/3 vote for passage.
6. Please speak no more than twice on any Article. This allows other the time to speak.
7. Any seven voters may require a paper ballot after the results of a voice vote have been announced.
8. Actions taken during "Other Business" are not binding.

If you have any questions about the procedures at a Town Meeting, please contact your Town Moderator.

Marlin Devenger  
Town Moderator  
School District Moderator

Lyndon Rescue, Inc.  
114 Vail Drive  
P O Box 401  
Lyndonville VT 05851-0401



Office: 802.626.1101  
Crew: 802.626.4337  
FAX: 802.626.8637  
[www.lyndonrescue.net](http://www.lyndonrescue.net)  
*In an emergency, Dial 9-1-1*

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**"CARING FOR THE KINGDOM"**

Town of Sutton,

In September 2023, Jillian McLaughlin stepped down from being the Director of Operations for Lyndon Rescue. We appreciate her dedicated years of service in leadership and are appreciative of her efforts to keep Lyndon Rescue a prosperous service. The Board of Directors hired Anthony Skelton to become the Director of Operations. Anthony is no stranger to Lyndon Rescue and has been with the organization in some capacity since 2006.

In 2023 we had 1,590 incidents which was lower than 2022 which had 1,516 incidents. Of these incidents, 892 were 911 transports and 201 were inter-facility transfers. That means that approximately 28% of our call volume resulted in no one being transported. These non-transports are the result of various types of calls, including lift assists, vehicle crashes with no injuries, and operational standby events, such as structure fires or law enforcement support.

In addition to responding to 911 calls, we continued to provide EMS coverage for events such as sports games and large gathering events, such as mountain biking events, races, and more. We offer child car seat inspections by appointment at our station with our three nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. Our American Heart Association CPR Instructors taught CPR and First Aid courses out in the community to daycares, businesses, and healthcare providers. Anyone interested in becoming CPR or First Aid certified can contact us for more information on course options.

In a challenging economy, paying adequate wages for professional staff is essential for recruitment and retention. Therefore, the Board of Directors took this to heart and approved a pay increase for current employees. We have also paid off our final ambulance loan in 2024. We are continuing to add a reasonable amount to our ambulance fund to offset the cost of a new ambulance, which now can exceed \$200,000. Additionally, we have discussed a proposal with Vermont State University to purchase our current building from the University and are actively working on a plan to expand the current building to accommodate all our vehicles. In the meantime, we are extremely grateful to the Town of Lyndon for the use of their Public Safety facility in housing one of our ambulances.

We want to thank all the residents of our member towns for their continued support as we navigate the challenges that Emergency Medical Services are experiencing, with lower federal insurance reimbursement rates and skyrocketing costs of equipment and supplies. When preparing our 2024 budget, we took a hard look at our finances and built what we believe to be an equitable and responsible budget to serve our communities in the coming year. The amount requested from all nine of the towns where Lyndon Rescue provides ambulance services increased by 4.1% for 2024. The amount in 2023 from Sutton was \$41,932.44 and the amount in 2024 is \$43,646.23.

Your representative on our Board of Directors is: Chip Devenger  
Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Skelton', written over a horizontal line.

Anthony Skelton, NREMT - Lyndon Rescue Director of Operations

**A Non-Profit Ambulance Company serving the communities of: Burke, East Haven, Granby, Kirby,  
Lyndon, Newark, Sheffier<sup>1</sup>, Sutton, and Wheelock**

## 2024 APPROPRIATION REQUESTS

Here is a short description of what each organization does for the people of Sutton. The full reports are at the Town Clerk's Office and are available for your inspection Monday - Thursday 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM. Also, the Moderator and Town Clerk will have them at the Town Meeting, March 5, 2024 to answer any questions.

### **Article 8: Shall the Town of Sutton approve the following requests for appropriations:**

**a) Burke Senior Meal Site – request - \$250**

Same as last year. The Burke Senior Meal Site is a non-profit organization that provides nutritious meals to seniors and homebound residents. They are also a central meeting place where seniors can enjoy social activities with their peers such as: live music, card games, bingo, craft classes, art lessons, and health and exercise workshops. They also provide information on current events, local happenings, health, legal and other issues facing seniors.

**b) Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice – request - \$350**

Same as last year. Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice is Northern Counties Health Care's certified Medicare and Medicaid comprehensive Home Care and Hospice division. They have proudly served the residents of Caledonia and Southern Essex counties since 1968. Their mission is to enhance the quality of life of individuals and families by providing compassionate, accessible and affordable patient-centered health services to our community. In 2023 they provided 966 visits to 34 residents of Sutton.

**c) Cobleigh Public Library – request - \$1,200**

Decrease of \$100 from last year. This will help them continue to provide programs and services for Sutton and all area towns. They remain committed to serving individuals and families from all over the area with high quality library services. They have books, Wi-Fi inside and outside, laptops and desktop computers, printing and copying services for a donation, technology help, children's programs every day, tax help from AARP, housing support from Rural Edge, and job hunting and resume assistance through the VT Dept. of Labor.

**d) Community Restorative Justice Center – request - \$250**

Same as last year. They hold restorative justice panel meetings for cases referred directly from law enforcement as well as cases referred from the Department of Corrections. Cases that go through the CRJC have a 32% reduction in recidivism. In the past 12 months, the CRJC provided services to 6 individuals from Sutton, which includes 1 reparative panel, 2 Sutton residents who served as court division clients, and have served 1 Sutton resident. They have also supported Restorative Practices in the school.

**e) Darling Inn Senior Meal Site – request - \$400**

Same as last year. In addition to providing a place at the Darling Inn Dining Room for seniors to enjoy a social setting and a nutritious meal Monday through Friday, they also deliver meals every day of the week to individuals who are homebound. Last year they served 29,536 nutritious meals at the dining room and to homes throughout the area. Their suggested donation of \$4.00 per meal doesn't cover the actual cost of the meals they serve and there are quite a number of seniors who are unable to contribute at all.

**f) Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium – request - \$700**

Same as last year. The Fairbanks Museum invites Sutton residents to take full advantage of the unlimited free general admission to the Museum to explore the nature, beauty and wonders of our world. The municipal appropriation provides essential support for the care of the Museum's historic building and the maintenance and exhibition of the most extraordinary educational collections in Northern New England. In 2023, they brought in more visitors and campers to the museum than ever before. Once again, their outdoor classroom transformed into a butterfly house for the summer, and Franklin's guides led the way to further discovery of their visitors. Campers learned about astronomy, drones, and robot. Our appropriation this year will support unlimited access to their new Science Annex.

**g) Green Up Vermont – request - \$100**

Same as last year. Green Up Vermont is a private, non-profit organization that relies on town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride and community engagement. May 6, 2023 Green Up Day continued to grow with 23,500 volunteers statewide who cleaned up nearly 348 tons of litter and 15,000 tires. They saw 23% more volunteers lend a hand and heard in many cases there was 30% less litter to be cleaned up. Tire collection was a 4.8% increase. Support is essential to their program. Funds help pay for green up day supplies, promotional outreach and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids and a \$1000 scholarship. This year, Green Up Day is on May 4, 2024

**h) H.O.P.E.- request- \$500**

Same as last year. H.O.P.E. is a private, non-profit agency, whose mission is to provide basic services to people in our community in a respectful and compassionate manner. They do this by helping families and individuals with life's basic needs. They provide clothing, food, household goods and so much more. As of September 2023, H.O.P.E. provided 1043 Food Pantry Vouchers, 797 backpack program bags, 163 children's clothing vouchers, 89 adult clothing vouchers, 353 Homeless/Domestic Violence Vouchers, 127 Diaper Bank Vouchers, and 13 emergency packages for a total value of \$67,969.50. In 2022, H.O.P.E. provided to approximately 62 residents (youth and adults) from Sutton.

**i) Lyndon Youth Baseball/ Softball- request- \$900**

Same as last year. Lyndon Youth Baseball / Softball (LYBS) is a non-profit organization who generally serves over 400 children ages 4 to 18 every year. A typical LYBS runs from May into July and includes Babe Ruth teams, Little League Majors teams, Minor League teams, Coach Pitch teams, and Tee Ball teams. In addition to their regular season, they also host and attend District Little League Baseball and State Babe Ruth Baseball. Their program also operates in vast majority by the work of more than 100 selfless individuals who volunteer countless hours. In 2023, LYBS had 44 children from Sutton join them.

**j) Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging- request- \$500**

Increase of \$115 from last year. The NEK Council on Aging serves as a central guide for older Vermonters to gain services and assistance in their communities. In FY 2023, the Council aided over 4,350 residents of the Northeast Kingdom and with their 14 congregate and home-delivered meals partners, delivered 209,379 meals. Their nutrition programs partially fund meal sites and home delivered meals under the guidance of their registered dietitians. They also offer a Helpline, Medicare counseling and Medicare Bootcamp, exercise and mobility programs; specially-trained staff who help people develop long-range planning as they age; family and caregiver support programs and respite grants; case management for those who need a bit more support with aging in place; and support to apply for fuel, food, and pharmacy programs.

**k) Northeast Kingdom Human Services- request- \$2,058**

Same as last year. The professional employees at Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. follow the mission to empower individuals, families and communities by promoting hope, healing and support. They are a non-profit service to support community members who cannot otherwise afford care to improve their lives through confidential program services for emergency crisis, mental health, addiction, and/or developmental/intellectual challenges. From July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, 39 individuals from Sutton accessed supportive care at NKHS.

**l) Northeast Kingdom Youth Services- request- \$250**

Same as last year. NEKYS's staff relies on appropriations from the area towns it serves to enable them to provide vital case management supports and services through its varied programs. NEKYS' Family and Youth Programs staff is available 24/7 to support youth and their families at times of crisis. Additionally, they can help mediate during family conflict as well as support youth as they transition into adulthood. Historically, NEKYS has served at least 8 Sutton residents per year.

- m) NorthWoods Stewardship Center- request- \$250**  
 Same as last year. NorthWoods Stewardship Center is a non-profit environmental education facility located in East Charleston, VT. They provide reduced-cost educational programs – including camps, after school programs and natural science activities; summer Conservation Corps jobs for youth; and a variety of workshops for adults throughout the year. They also manage a 1500-acre Demonstration Forest/ “outdoor classroom” used for timber production, recreation, wildlife habitat and landowner forestry trainings. Their education staff provides afterschool programming to the Kingdom East District.
- n) Rural Community Transportation, Inc.- request- \$700**  
 Same as last year. RCT is a non-profit 501(c) (3) corporation which provides public transportation services throughout Caledonia, Orleans, Essex and Lamoille Counties. In FY2023, RCT provided 1,275 rides to 28 residents of Sutton, traveling 30,627 miles at a total cost of \$30,035.87. RCT operates with federal and state funding; however, their funding sources typically require between 20% and 50% locally matched dollars. This is where all town appropriations are used.
- o) Sutton School Parent Teacher Group- request- \$6,000**  
 \$1,000 increase from last year. The Sutton Parent Teacher Group is a non-profit organization looking for assistance funding their Community and Student Events. They purchase winter clothing for students in need and spent \$1500 for 17 students in 2023. They provide students an opportunity 6 times a year to go skiing/snowboarding, ice skating and snow shoeing. The winter sports program has an annual cost of \$6,000-\$8,000. They put on the community Father/Daughter dance for anyone in the local community. They organize an annual Catamount Picnic Day at the end of the school year, which has an annual cost of about \$500.
- p) Umbrella- request- \$700**  
 Same as last year. Since 1976, Umbrella has ensured that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties have access to services that cultivate a Northeast Kingdom where all people thrive free from abuse and oppression. They operate 4 multi-faceted, client-centered programs and play a crucial role in decreasing the incidence and impact of domestic and sexual violence. Those four services offered include Social Change, Advocacy, Family Based Services and Economic Empowerment.
- q) Vermont Center for Independent Living- request- \$1,000**  
 Same as last year. VCIL is a statewide, non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities. Annual support from over 140 cities and towns across the state helps VCIL assist Vermonters with disabilities achieve dignified and self-determined lives. In 2023, they spent over \$1,300 on meals for Sutton residents.
- r) VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force- request- \$100**  
 Same as last year. 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 site for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, design installations and find financial resources to support the costs of construction. During the 26+ years of the program, 1,177 grants totaling over \$2.8 million have been provided to Vermont towns for the installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs. The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY2023 was \$199,158, of which \$82,374 was paid in grants to support the construction and repair of 17 rural fire protection projects throughout Vermont.
- s) Village Improvement Society/ Powers Park- request- \$1,000**  
 Same as last year. In 1915, Powers Park was a place for annual summer meetings. Over time, it evolved to have a pond for swimming and they are now on their third swimming pool since 1936. They now encompass 18 acres with an in-ground swimming pool, bathrooms, playground, basketball court, tennis courts, nature trails, pump track, pavilion and picnic area. They have been hard at work this past year in partnership with NVDA and Jay Miller Landscape Architecture having been awarded a Planning grant to plan for future improved use and development of the park and its activities for people of all ages and abilities, better linking the park to the town. With limited use of the bandstand park, Powers Park was able to host the Lyndonville Farmer’s Market on Friday afternoons with local vendors and live music.

Article 8 includes these

\*\*\*\*There are 19 requests for appropriations for 2024, totaling \$17,208.00

## List of Real Estate & Personal Property

### REAL ESTATE AND BUILDINGS:

Village School & Contents	1,945,500.00
Cemetery	14,800.00
Jackman Land	49.00
Site of Village School	4,900.00
Well & Well House	349,988.00
Town Land (Old Grange Location)	51,000.00
Town Office & Garage	424,700.00
Contents of Garage & Office	60,000.00
Salt Shed	95,918.00
Diesel Storage Container	3,920.00
School Property (Deos Land)	56,600.00
Town Land (Firehouse Location)	413,200.00

**TOTAL REAL ESTATE & BUILDINGS: 3,420,575.00**

### MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT:

Grader	244,000.00
JCB Backhoe	139,935.00
Welder & Accessories	2,450.00
Chain Saw	1,500.00
CB Radios	3,500.00
Hydraulic Jack	750.00
Fire Extinguishers	39.20
Cutting Torches	300.00
Pumps and Tanks	543.00
Mower	882.00
Bench Grinder	125.00
Compressor	969.22
Sand Screen	30,000.00
Power Washer	4,300.00
2019 International 10 Wheeler (Plow, Sander & Body)	191,720.00
2016 Western Star 6 Wheeler (Plow, Sander & Body)	100,000.00
Leaf Blower	8,500.00
Walk & Roll Roller	56,900.00

**TOTAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT: 786,413.42**

## COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES REPORT 2023

Name	Tax Year	Name	Tax Year
ALDRICH JONATHAN	2022 *	HEYWOOD WARREN	2022
	2023		2023
ALDRICH JONATHAN &	2023 *	HOLLOWAY BLAINE A	2023
ANCTIL KRISTOPHER	2023 *	KINGDOM VILLAGE LL	2023 **
BACON JONATHAN	2023	MCGRAW NORMAN R	2022 *
BACON NICHOLAS	2022		2023
	2023	MORRISON BENJAMIN	2022
BERRY JASON H & JE	2023		2023
BERRY JASON H & JE	2023	PASQUALE III FRANK	2023
BISHOP RUFUS B	2023 *	PERRY JAMES D	2023
BOUCHER TAMMY J	2023 *	PICCO JOHN L & AMANDA	2022
BURRINGTON TONY J	2023		2023
BUSH JEREMY	2022	PUCCINO MICHAEL J	2023 *
	2023	PUTNAM DOROTHY	2022 *
CALDWELL RALPH	2023		2023
CLARK CHARLES E	2023 *	ROLFE CRYSTAL	2023
COTE MARSHALL & GINA	2023 *	RUMBINAS TIMOTHY S	2023
DETH RUPERT	2023 *	SAVOY BYRON LANCE	2023
DODGE RUSTY & LISA	2021	SMITH MICHAEL D & JUDITH	2023 *
	2023	STIMPSON ARCHIE	2023
FRANCIS LAWRENCE L	2021 *	SWITSER SALLY	2022 *
	2022		2023
	2023	SYLVESTER ANDREW	2023
GERSDORF COREY R	2023	WEIS CHARLES C LIFE	2023
		YOUNG CYNTHIA	2023 *

\* Payment Arrangements Made

\*\* Paid in Full

Total Outstanding Delinquent Taxes \$73,726.43  
for years 2021 through 2023

## COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES REPORT DECEMBER 31, 2023

	DUE <u>12/31/2022</u>	Adj.	COLLECTED <u>2023</u>	BALANCE DUE <u>12/31/2023</u>
2019	\$ 187.47		\$ (187.47)	\$ -
2020	\$ 3,623.59		\$ (3,623.59)	\$ -
2021	\$ 10,099.67	\$ (65.91)	\$ (9,526.26)	\$ 507.50
2022	\$ 41,132.44	\$ (32.42)	\$ (29,484.48)	\$ 11,615.54
2023	\$ 101,773.56	\$ 18.17	\$ (40,188.34)	\$ 61,603.39
	<u>\$ 156,816.73</u>		<u>\$ (83,010.14)</u>	<u>\$ 73,726.43</u>

Adjustment explanation

\$18.17 Y/E 2022 overpayment to 2023

Proof to Balance

Prior year delinquent on December 31, 2022	\$ 54,944.84
2023 delinquent on November 3, 2023	\$ 101,773.56
Collected by Collector of Delinquent Taxes per G/L	\$ (83,010.14)
Total Adjustments	<u>\$ 18.17</u>
Total Delinquent Taxes as of 12/31/2023	<u>\$ 73,726.43</u>

## Collector of Delinquent Taxes Report December 31, 2023

With all this winter weather we are having, I hope you are all staying healthy and safe.

With the COVID VHAP program discontinued, we are back to having pre-COVID times, except everything is more expensive now. Having said that, the Sutton Town Fathers; Town Clerk; Highway Foremen and other town departments try extremely hard to keep their budgets as low as they are able to and still be able to operate the town efficiently.

For the town to operate efficiently that also means that taxes need to be paid.

If you feel you might not be able to pay your taxes in full by the due date of November 1, 2024, please consider making monthly payments to the Town Treasury.

**REMINDER:**

**The Town Clerk's Office will be open on November 1, 2024 until 5:00 PM. POST MARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED!**

**TAXES NEED TO BE PAID BY 5 PM ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2024 TO AVOID BEING DELINQUENT AND HAVE PENALTIES ADDED TO YOUR TAXES.**

In 2023, there were no tax sales held.

My goal, as in previous years, is to help those who are delinquent to get their taxes paid in full. Once that is accomplished, I encourage you to keep paying throughout the year towards your next year's taxes, so they do not become delinquent. I will continue to work with residents and non-residents to have their taxes be paid in full.

I appreciate all of those that have worked so hard to get their taxes current and those that are making payment agreements to get their taxes current. The last resort for me is to hold a tax sale on your property, something that is not pleasant to do but in fairness to all the property owners that pay their property taxes, this must be done.

I look forward to everyone having a healthy and safe New Year!

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Gray  
Collector of Delinquent Taxes

# Treasurer's Summary Report

## General - Highway

<b>General Ledger Balance 12/31/22</b>		<b>\$ 443,615.60</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>		
	General	\$ 2,116,844.22
	Highway	\$ 703,097.85
		<b>\$ 2,819,942.07</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
	General	\$ 1,653,209.49
	Highway	\$ 1,076,422.48
		<b>\$ 2,729,631.97</b>
<b>General-Highway Checking Balance 12/31/23</b>		
		\$ 533,925.70
	Outstanding Checks 2022	\$ 11,220.71
		<b>\$ 545,146.41</b>
<b>Proof of Balance</b>		
	General Checkbook Bank Balance	\$ 545,146.41
	2023 Outstanding Checks	\$ (8,313.37)
		<b>\$ 536,833.04</b>
<b>General Ledger Balance 12/31/23</b>		
		<b>\$ 536,833.04</b>

## 2023 Statement of Resources

On deposit General/Highway Acct	\$	536,833.04
Cash on hand	\$	150.00
Non-Arbitrage	\$	1.06
Tax Sale Escrow R/S/A	\$	13,527.65
Audit R/S/A	\$	12,846.30
Tabulator R/S/A	\$	6,997.16
Fire Truck R/S/A	\$	24,305.70
Capital Improvement R/S/A	\$	21,716.08
Vault R/S/A	\$	16,023.16
Gravel Fund R/S/A	\$	36,471.37
Highway Emergency R/S/A	\$	18,540.14
Tree Removal R/S/A	\$	7,504.12
On deposit Municipal Water	\$	11,389.28
Water Fund R/S/A	\$	3,152.36
Water Major Maintenance Fund R/S/A	\$	1,004.78
Cemetery Trust Funds (Restricted)	\$	23,144.18
Cemetery Trust Funds (Interest)	\$	10,210.48
Highway Equipment Replacement R/S/A	\$	209,123.87
Bridge /Culvert R/S/A	\$	66,858.58
Paving Fund R/S/A	\$	87,616.31
Reappraisal R/S/A	\$	70,228.02
Civil Defense R/S/A	\$	1,115.63
Zoning R/S/A	\$	308.00
Cemetery Equipment R/S/A	\$	9,370.04
ARPA Funds	\$	112,729.09
Window Dressers R/S/A		Closed
Delinquent Taxes Due (2021/2022/2023)	\$	73,726.43
Water Rents Due	\$	1,950.00
	\$	840,009.79

# 2023 Statement of Liabilities

## Loans With Community National Bank

<b>Non Arbitrage balance 12/31/22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>241.73</b>
1/4/2023 Payoff	\$	(240.68)
1/31/23 Interest	\$	0.01
<b>Balance 12/31/23</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1.06</b>

<b>LOC Loan balance as of 12/31/22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
2023 Transfers for FEMA Expenses	\$	427,565.95
<b>Balance 12/31/23</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>427,565.95</b>

<b>Grader Loan balance as of 12/31/22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>147,589.11</b>
2023 Payment	\$	(31,180.16)
2023 Interest	\$	2,726.15
<b>Balance 12/31/23</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>119,135.10</b>

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## Water Loans with USDA

<b>\$123,000 Loan balance as of 12/31/22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>109,200.02</b>
2023 Payment	\$	(4,196.00)
2023 Interest	\$	1,764.80
<b>Balance 12/31/23</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>106,768.82</b>

<b>\$19,000 Loan balance as of 12/31/22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,762.62</b>
2023 Payment	\$	(620.00)
2023 Interest	\$	229.14
<b>Balance 12/31/23</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,371.76</b>

# WATER SYSTEM 2023

Balance as of 1/1/2023                      \$ 13,949.04



**Receipts**

Water Rents	22,980.00	
Water Reconnection Fee	\$ 25.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 23,005.00</b>	
		<b>\$ 36,954.04</b>

**Disbursements**

Operating Expense	4,985.00	
Operator	1,385.25	
Administrative	500.00	
Check Expense	-	
Repairs & Maintenance	7,758.82	
Salt	2,235.00	
Supplies	-	
Testing	916.00	
Electric	1,941.42	
Heat	308.82	
Insurance	287.00	
Membership/ Dues	250.00	
Operating Fee	117.55	
Postage	63.90	
USDA Loan \$123,000	4,196.00	
USDA Loan \$19,000	620.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 25,564.76</b>	
<b>Checking Balance as of 12/31/2023</b>		<b>\$ 11,389.28</b>

<b>Major Maintenance RSA</b>	<b>\$ 1,004.27</b>	Beg. Balance
	<b>0.51</b>	Interest
	<b>\$ 1,004.78</b>	

<b>Water RSA</b>	<b>\$ 3,150.79</b>	Beg. Balance
	<b>1.57</b>	Interest
	<b>\$ 3,152.36</b>	

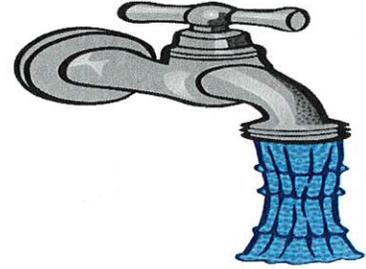
**Over Due Residents as of 12/31/23**

- Michelle Barton
- Angela Cochran
- Lisa Dodge
- Holli Jo Fenoff
- Laurence Howe       \*\*
- Michael Ramsey

**Total Outstanding: \$1950.00**

\*\* Paid in full

# WATER SYSTEM



## 2024 Water System Budget

INCOME	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget
Water Rent	22,400.00	22,180.00	25,750.00
Water Reconnection Fee	-	25.00	-

**TOTAL:                    \$        22,400.00    \$ 22,205.00    \$        25,750.00**

Expense	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget
Operating Expense	5,000.00	4,985.00	5,200.00
Operator	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Operator FICA	-	114.75	114.75
Administrative	500.00	500.00	500.00
Check Expense	-	-	125.00
Repairs & Maintenance	2,000.00	7,758.82	5,000.00
Salt	1,500.00	2,235.00	2,500.00
Supplies	100.00	-	100.00
Testing	3,000.00	916.00	2,000.00
Electricity	1,500.00	1,806.68	2,000.00
Heat	1,000.00	195.47	1,000.00
Advertising/ Notices	300.00	-	300.00
Insurance	400.00	287.00	270.00
Membership Dues	250.00	250.00	250.00
State of VT Operating Fee	100.00	117.55	117.55
Postage	100.00	63.90	100.00
USDA LOAN \$123,000	4,196.00	4,196.00	4,196.00
USDA LOAN \$19,000	620.00	620.00	620.00

**TOTAL:                    \$        21,566.00    \$ 25,546.17    \$        25,893.30**

**STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED  
DECEMBER 31 2023**

**GRAND LIST 2023**

Municipal	\$	1,073,831.00
Education-Residential	\$	638,949.00
Education- Non-Residential	\$	435,159.68

**TAXES TO BE RAISED**

		Grand List		Rate		Amount Raised
Town-General	\$	1,073,831.00	X	0.7096	\$	761,990.41
Veteran Exempt	\$	1,073,831.00	X	0.004	\$	4,295.33
				<u>0.7136</u>		
School-Residential	\$	638,949.00	X	1.2524	\$	800,219.79
Total Tax Residential				<u>1.966</u>		
School-Non-Residential	\$	435,159.68	X	1.38	\$	600,520.36
<b>Total Tax-Non-Residential</b>						
<b>Late Homestead Penalty</b>						
Total Tax Billing					\$	2,167,025.89
State Adjustments					\$	(1,898.16)
					<u>\$</u>	<u>2,165,127.73</u>

2023 Taxes Collected	\$	1,821,211.81
State Prebate Payments	\$	242,142.36
Delinquent Taxes To Be Collected	\$	101,773.56
	<u>\$</u>	<u>2,165,127.73</u>

**PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY**

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	<u>2023 Carryover</u>	<u>2024 EST INCOME</u>	<u>2024 TAX EXPENSE</u>
Town Clerk's Office	\$ 86,711.81		\$ 8,559.00	78,152.81
General	\$ 34,567.68		\$ 1,000.00	33,567.68
Bulding Utilities/Maintenance	\$ 9,614.72			9,614.72
Dog Account	\$ 670.00		\$ 900.00	(230.00)
Sheriff's Patrol	\$ 4,820.36		\$ 100.00	4,720.36
Auditors	\$ 1,080.90			1,080.90
Listers	\$ 28,645.29		\$ 5,800.00	22,845.29
Reappraisal	\$ -			-
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	\$ 11,067.00		\$ 8,000.00	3,067.00
Selectboard	\$ 4,323.60			4,323.60
Planning & Zoning	\$ 9,321.50		\$ 1,000.00	8,321.50
Board of Civil Authority	\$ 540.45			540.45
Election Expense	\$ 1,180.90			1,180.90
Cemetery	\$ 7,311.95		\$ 4,000.00	3,311.95
Grange Hall	\$ -		\$ -	-
Fire Station	\$ 38,127.00			38,127.00
Health Officer	\$ 100.00			100.00
Tax Revenue	\$ -		\$ 98,000.00	(98,000.00)
Community Appropriations	\$ 17,208.00			17,208.00
	<b>\$ 255,291.16</b>		<b>\$ 127,359.00</b>	<b>127,932.16</b>
	Total General Fund Budget:		\$ 255,291.16	
	Less Estimated Income:		\$ 127,359.00	
	Less Budget Surplus to offset taxes		\$ -	
			General Fund FY2023 Tax Expense:	\$ 127,932.16
<u>Highway-Operating</u>	\$ 445,660.61		\$ 56,800.00	\$ 388,860.61
<u>RESERVED-HIGHWAY</u>				
Highway - Equip. Replacement	\$ 259,123.87	\$ 209,123.87		\$ 50,000.00
Highway - Bridge/Culvert	\$ 72,858.58	\$ 66,858.58		\$ 6,000.00
Highway - Gravel	\$ 46,471.37	\$ 36,471.37		\$ 10,000.00
Highway - Emergency Repair	\$ 18,540.14	\$ 18,540.14		\$ -
Highway - Tree Removal	\$ 10,004.12	\$ 7,504.12		\$ 2,500.00
Highway - Paving	\$ 142,616.31	\$ 87,616.31		\$ 55,000.00
	<b>\$ 549,614.39</b>	<b>\$ 426,114.39</b>		<b>\$ 123,500.00</b>
<u>RESERVED-OTHER</u>				
Audit	\$ 15,846.30	12,846.30		\$ 3,000.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 26,716.08	21,716.08		\$ 5,000.00
Civil Defense	\$ 1,115.63	1,115.63		\$ -
Fire Truck	\$ 27,805.70	24,305.70		\$ 3,500.00
Reappraisal & Mapping	\$ 73,228.02	70,228.02		\$ 3,000.00
Zoning	\$ 308.00	308.00		
Vault	\$ 16,023.16	16,023.16		
Vote Tabulator	\$ 6,997.16	6,997.16		
Tax Sale Escrow	\$ 681.35	681.35		
	<b>\$ 168,721.40</b>	<b>\$ 154,221.40</b>	\$ -	<b>\$ 14,500.00</b>
<u>RESERVED-CASH ACCOUNTS</u>				
Perpetual Care/Cemetery/Equip	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	\$ -		<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<u>EMERGENCY MEDICAL</u>				
Lyndon Rescue	\$ 43,646.23			\$ 41,975.43
			<b>Total FY 2023 Tax Expense</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,467,933.79</b>	<b>\$ 580,335.79</b>	<b>\$ 184,159.00</b>	<b>\$ 701,768.20</b>
<b>TOTAL TOWN FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 1,467,933.79</b>			
Less Estimated Income	\$ (184,159.00)			
Less Carryover(reserved)	\$ (580,335.79)			
Amount needed to meet budget	\$ 703,439.00			\$ 701,768.20
<b>MUNICIPAL TAXES-24</b>	<b>\$ 703,439.00</b>			
			adjustments, fund balance, and grand list value in Aug <b>FUND BALANCES TO BE FINALIZED BY TAX RATE MTG</b>	

General Income Budget Town Clerk's Office	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
Recording & Copier Fees	8,000.00	8,000.00	6,617.25	1,382.75
Vault Restoration	-	-	2,665.00	(2,665.00)
Civil Marriage Licenses	-	-	15.00	(15.00)
Fish & Game Licenses	9.00	9.00	-	9.00
Land Posting	50.00	50.00	65.00	(15.00)
Green Mtn Passports	-	-	6.00	(6.00)
Vehicle Registration	-	21.00	9.00	12.00
Postage Reimbursement	-	-	-	-
Water Administrative	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
<b>Total Town Clerk's Office</b>	<b>8,559.00</b>	<b>8,580.00</b>	<b>9,877.25</b>	<b>(1,297.25)</b>

General				
Non Arbitrage Interest	-	-	240.68	(240.68)
Interest Income - Banks	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,590.01	(590.01)
Sale of Town Land	-	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Trans In - Vault RSA	-	-	604.75	(604.75)
Trans In - ARPA RSA	-	-	60,083.20	(60,083.20)
<b>Total General</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>63,518.64</b>	<b>(62,518.64)</b>

Tax Revenue				
Property Tax Revenue	-	-	1,340,276.38	(1,340,276.38)
Homestead Adjustment	-	-	20,442.27	(20,442.27)
Delinquent Tax	-	-	82,991.97	(82,991.97)
Delinquent Tax Interest	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,478.87	2,521.13
Tax Sale Income (Attorney)	-	-	-	-
Tax Sale Redemption Money	-	-	8,255.91	(8,255.91)
VT - Current Use Income	60,000.00	60,000.00	47,546.50	12,453.50
VT - PILOT Income	30,000.00	30,000.00	38,127.37	(8,127.37)
<b>Total Tax Revenue</b>	<b>98,000.00</b>	<b>98,000.00</b>	<b>1,543,119.27</b>	<b>(1,445,119.27)</b>

Planning & Zoning				
Zoning Permits/Fees	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,050.00	450.00
<b>Total Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>1,050.00</b>	<b>450.00</b>

Listers				
Equalized Edu Prop Tax	600.00	600.00	615.00	(15.00)
VT Reappraisal	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,227.50	(27.50)
Transfer from Reappraisal	-	-	6,705.00	(6,705.00)
<b>Total Listers</b>	<b>5,800.00</b>	<b>5,800.00</b>	<b>12,547.50</b>	<b>(6,747.50)</b>

Delinquent Tax Collector				
Delinquent Tax Penalty	8,000.00	10,500.00	6,639.32	3,860.68
<b>Total Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	<b>8,000.00</b>	<b>10,500.00</b>	<b>6,639.32</b>	<b>3,860.68</b>

General Continued Income Budget Dog Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
Dog Licenses	900.00	900.00	906.00	(6.00)
Late Charges	-	-	52.00	
Replacement Dog Tags	-	-	2.00	(2.00)
<b>Total Dog Account</b>	<b>900.00</b>	<b>900.00</b>	<b>960.00</b>	<b>(8.00)</b>
<b>Sheriff's Patrol</b>				
Motor Vehicle Fines	100.00	500.00	37.50	462.50
<b>Total Sheriff's Patrol</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>37.50</b>	<b>462.50</b>
<b>Cemetery</b>				
Perpetual Care Fees	-	-	200.00	(200.00)
Cemetery Lots Sold	-	-	-	-
Transfer From Trust Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,831.00	(2,831.00)
Sale of Equipment	-	-	400.00	(400.00)
<b>Total Cemetery</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>	<b>7,431.00</b>	<b>(3,431.00)</b>
<b>Fire House</b>				
Trans from Fire Truck RSA	-	-	20,750.00	(20,750.00)
<b>Total Fire House</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,750.00</b>	<b>(20,750.00)</b>
<b>Misc Revenue</b>				
Reimbursement/Water	-	-	177.34	(177.34)
Worker's Comp Refund	-	-	2.00	(2.00)
Transfer from LOC	-	-	427,565.95	(427,565.95)
<b>Total Unbudgeted Income</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>427,745.29</b>	<b>(427,745.29)</b>
<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>127,359.00</b>	<b>130,780.00</b>	<b>2,093,675.77</b>	<b>(1,942,093.77)</b>

General Expense Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
<b>Town Clerk's Office Expense</b>				
Clerk/Treas. - Salary	51,600.00	50,000.00	50,000.08	(0.08)
Opt Out Insurance Fringe	10,890.00	9,700.00	9,700.08	(0.08)
Asst. Clerk - Salary	5,000.00	10,900.00	3,222.96	7,677.04
Clerk/Treas. - FICA	4,780.48	4,567.05	4,523.47	43.58
Asst. Clerk - FICA	382.50	833.85	246.55	587.30
Child Care Contribution Tax	150.00	-	-	-
Clerk/Asst Retirement	3,358.83	3,059.62	3,059.46	0.16
Training & Support	100.00	200.00	35.00	165.00
Check Expense	200.00	200.00	195.00	5.00
Office Furniture	200.00	500.00	84.99	415.01
Office Equipment	200.00	500.00	29.99	470.01
Deed/Record/Vault Expense	-	-	604.75	(604.75)
Telephone & Fax Expense	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,717.89	(17.89)
Postage/Postage Meter	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,360.21	139.79
Web Site Expense	500.00	300.00	601.50	(301.50)
Copier Contract	1,600.00	834.00	764.50	69.50
Copier Expense	1,300.00	1,300.00	815.27	484.73
Computer/Internet Expense	750.00	750.00	768.67	(18.67)
Office Equip Repair/Programs	500.00	600.00	-	600.00
Mileage Reimbursement	500.00	500.00	445.82	54.18
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,019.79	480.21
Sheriff Alarm Coverage Dues	-	50.00	-	50.00
<b>Total Town Clerk's Office Expense</b>	<b>86,711.81</b>	<b>89,494.52</b>	<b>79,195.98</b>	<b>10,298.54</b>

**Select Board Expense**

Selectboard Salaries	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-
Minutes Clerk	1,000.00	1,125.00	900.00	225.00
Selectboard - FICA	229.50	229.50	229.50	-
Minutes Clerk - FICA	76.50	86.06	68.85	17.21
Child Care Contribution Tax	17.60	-	-	-

**Total Select Board Expense** 4,323.60 4,440.56 4,198.35 242.21

**General Expense**

Property/Casualty Insurance	5,426.68	5,977.00	5,977.00	-
Unemployment Insurance	104.00	130.00	53.34	76.66
Worker's Compensation Ins.	520.00	315.00	315.00	-
NEMRC Annual License	5,500.00	5,000.00	5,425.00	(425.00)
County Tax Assessment	10,000.00	10,878.00	8,449.00	2,429.00
Dues - VLCT	2,372.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	-
Dues - VMCTA	35.00	35.00	35.00	-
Dues - Chamber of Commerce	110.00	110.00	110.00	-
Advertising/Notices	500.00	600.00	168.00	432.00
Contributions/Donations	200.00	200.00	200.00	-
Legal Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,006.00	1,994.00
Green Up Expenses	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Bulky Day	3,500.00	3,000.00	3,444.49	(444.49)
Recycling	-	1,600.00	833.00	767.00
Recycling Per Capita Fee	1,000.00	850.00	967.78	(117.78)
Town Reports	1,800.00	1,500.00	1,497.71	2.29
Cloud Annual Services	250.00	240.00	260.40	(20.40)

**Total General Expense** 34,567.68 35,985.00 31,291.72 4,693.28

General Continued Expense Budget Account Election Expense	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
Election - Stipends	1,000.00	500.00	163.68	336.32
Election - FICA	76.50	38.25	12.53	25.72
Child Care Contribution Tax	4.40			
Supplies & Misc. Election	100.00	100.00	26.58	73.42
<b>Total Election Expense</b>	<b>1,180.90</b>	<b>638.25</b>	<b>202.79</b>	<b>435.46</b>
<b>Planning &amp; Zoning Expense</b>				
Zoning Admin. - Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-
Zoning Clerk - Salary	1,500.00	1,200.00	700.00	500.00
PC/DRB - Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,000.00	-
Zoning - FICA	535.50	512.55	321.30	191.25
Child Care Contribution Tax	10.00	-	-	
Zoning & Planning Training	300.00	300.00	216.00	84.00
Postage/Copies	100.00	100.00	42.65	57.35
Advertising/Notices	500.00	750.00	108.00	642.00
Outreach/Survey	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Supplies	100.00	100.00	11.60	88.40
NVDA Dues	776.00	776.00	776.00	-
<b>Total Planning &amp; Zoning Expense</b>	<b>9,321.50</b>	<b>10,238.55</b>	<b>7,175.55</b>	<b>2,563.00</b>
<b>Health Officer Expense</b>				
Mileage	100.00	-	-	-
<b>Total Health Officer Expense</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Lister's Expense</b>				
Lister's - Salary	8,500.00	5,000.00	7,320.72	(2,320.72)
Lister's - FICA	650.25	382.50	560.03	(177.53)
Child Care Contribution Tax	18.70	-	-	
Training & Support	300.00	300.00	-	300.00
Supplies	150.00	200.00	26.00	174.00
Dues - VALA	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Office Equipment	50.00	50.00	-	50.00
Telephone	700.00	705.00	664.08	40.92
Postage	100.00	150.00	10.40	139.60
Copier Lease	920.04	920.00	920.04	(0.04)
Copier Expense	100.00	100.00	70.40	29.60
Internet Access	300.00	303.00	300.63	2.37
Mileage, Assist Assessor	150.00	300.00	14.41	285.59
Cloud Annual Services	300.00	240.00	260.40	(20.40)
NEMRC Annual Support	800.00	672.00	750.95	(78.95)
Apex Annual Support	125.00	115.00	125.00	(10.00)
Advertising/Notices	150.00	100.00	132.00	(32.00)
Mapping Update	3,000.00	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
Cama License	650.00	600.00	628.90	(28.90)
License Marshall Swift	200.00	205.00	223.84	(18.84)
Trans - Reappraisal R/S/A	5,200.00	5,176.50	5,227.50	(51.00)
Trans - Reappraisal R/S/A	600.00	613.00	615.00	(2.00)
NEMRC Assessor Services	5,000.00	4,000.00	5,462.50	(1,462.50)
NEMRC Assessor Travel	600.00	400.00	748.16	(348.16)
Office Equip Repair/Maint	50.00	50.00	-	50.00
<b>Total Lister's Expense</b>	<b>28,663.99</b>	<b>23,632.00</b>	<b>24,110.96</b>	<b>(478.96)</b>

General Continued Expense Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
<b>Reappraisal Expense</b>				
Mapping Updates	-	-	6,705.00	(6,705.00)
<b>Total Reappraisal Expense</b>	-	-	6,705.00	(6,705.00)
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector Expense</b>				
Del. Tax Collector - Salary	8,000.00	10,500.00	6,130.21	4,369.79
Del. Tax Collector - FICA	612.00	803.25	468.96	334.29
Child Care Contribution tax	35.00	-	-	
Supplies	100.00	100.00	-	100.00
Postage & Envelopes	200.00	200.00	-	200.00
Workshop	120.00	120.00	48.00	72.00
Advertising/Notices	-	600.00	-	600.00
Tax Sale Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	8,255.91	(6,255.91)
<b>Total Delinquent Tax Collector Exp</b>	<b>11,067.00</b>	<b>14,323.25</b>	<b>14,903.08</b>	<b>(579.83)</b>
<b>Auditor's Expense</b>				
Auditors - Salary	1,000.00	1,500.00	734.73	765.27
Auditors - FICA	76.50	114.75	56.21	
Child Care Contribution Tax	4.40	-	-	-
<b>Total Auditor's Expense</b>	<b>1,080.90</b>	<b>1,614.75</b>	<b>790.94</b>	<b>765.27</b>
<b>Board of Civil Authority Expense</b>				
BCA - Stipends	500.00	500.00	-	500.00
BCA - FICA	38.25	38.25	-	38.25
Child Care Contribution tax	2.20	-	-	
BCA - Training	-	-	60.00	(60.00)
<b>Total Board of Civil Authority Expense</b>	<b>540.45</b>	<b>538.25</b>	<b>60.00</b>	<b>478.25</b>
<b>Dog Expense</b>				
Animal Control - Wages	-	200.00	-	200.00
Animal Control - FICA	-	15.30	-	15.30
W/C - Animal Control	20.00	-	-	
Mileage	250.00	100.00	248.48	(148.48)
Dog Tags	100.00	140.00	92.55	47.45
Pound Fees	300.00	150.00	300.00	(150.00)
<b>Total Dog Expense</b>	<b>670.00</b>	<b>605.30</b>	<b>641.03</b>	<b>(35.73)</b>
<b>Sheriff's Patrol Expense</b>				
W/C - Constable	41.00	44.00	44.00	-
Constable Liability Ins	279.36	552.00	552.00	-
Sheriff Contract	4,500.00	4,500.00	2,769.00	1,731.00
<b>Total Sheriff's Patrol Expense</b>	<b>4,820.36</b>	<b>5,096.00</b>	<b>3,365.00</b>	<b>1,731.00</b>

General Continued Expense Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
<b>Municipal Building Expense</b>				
Building Maint Salary	800.00	800.00	113.04	686.96
Building Maint - FICA	61.20	61.20	8.65	52.55
Child Care Contribution Tax	3.52	-	-	
Building Maintenance	2,000.00	2,500.00	1,504.77	995.23
Flag Pole Expense	-	-	709.14	(709.14)
Generators Expense	1,050.00	2,000.00	900.00	1,100.00
Building - Heating Fuel	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,134.49	865.51
Building - Electricity	1,000.00	1,000.00	726.58	273.42
Building - Dumpster	1,500.00	1,550.00	1,508.14	41.86
Building - Water	1,200.00	800.00	800.00	-
<b>Total Municipal Building Expense</b>	<b>9,614.72</b>	<b>10,711.20</b>	<b>7,404.81</b>	<b>3,306.39</b>
<b>Grange Hall</b>				
Grange	-	-	30,700.00	(30,700.00)
<b>Total Grange Hall Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,700.00</b>	<b>(30,700.00)</b>
<b>Cemetery Expense</b>				
Sexton - Salary	5,500.00	5,500.00	4,942.84	557.16
Sexton - FICA	420.75	420.75	378.13	42.62
Child Care Contribution Tax	24.20	-	-	
Maintenance	450.00	450.00	84.96	365.04
Materials & Supplies	-	300.00	-	300.00
W/C Insurance	167.00	30.00	30.00	-
Equipment Purchases	-	-	6,831.00	(6,831.00)
Fuel	500.00	500.00	433.36	66.64
Flags	250.00	200.00	197.13	2.87
Perpetual Care	-	4,000.00	-	4,000.00
<b>Total Cemetery Expense</b>	<b>7,311.95</b>	<b>11,400.75</b>	<b>12,897.42</b>	<b>(1,496.67)</b>
<b>Fire Protection Expense</b>				
Fire House Heating Fuel	3,000.00	3,500.00	2,880.84	619.16
Fire House Telephone	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,995.72	4.28
Fire House Electric	550.00	500.00	659.76	(159.76)
Property Insurance	5,508.00	5,767.00	5,694.00	73.00
W/C Assigned Risk	1,219.00	1,219.00	1,219.00	-
Small Engine Fuel	-	200.00	47.03	152.97
Fire Trucks Diesel	2,000.00	2,500.00	1,655.54	844.46
1995 Ford Brush Truck	-	-	20,750.00	(20,750.00)
Fire Department Cking	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	-
Emergency Dispatching	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,253.29	246.71
Alarm Monitoring	350.00	350.00	-	350.00
<b>Total Fire Protection Expense</b>	<b>38,127.00</b>	<b>39,536.00</b>	<b>58,155.18</b>	<b>(18,619.18)</b>

General Continued Expense Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
<b>Reserves Expense</b>				
Audit R/S/A	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-
Cemetery Equip R/S/A	1,000.00	2,500.00	2,900.00	(400.00)
Cemetery R/S/A	4,000.00	-	200.00	(200.00)
Fire Truck R/S/A	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	-
Reappraisal R/S/A	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-
Building Capital Fund R/S/A	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
Vault R/S/A	-	-	2,665.00	(2,665.00)
<b>Total Reserves Expense</b>	<b>19,500.00</b>	<b>17,000.00</b>	<b>20,265.00</b>	<b>(3,265.00)</b>
<b>Unbudgeted Expense</b>				
Kingdom East School Taxes Exp	-	-	15,718.28	(15,718.28)
Interest on Line of Credit	-	-	3,066.39	(3,066.39)
<b>Total Unbudgeted Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,784.67</b>	<b>(3,066.39)</b>
<b>Appropriations Expense</b>				
Burke Senior Meal Site	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Caledonia Home Health Care	350.00	350.00	350.00	-
Cobleigh Public Library	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	-
Comm. Restorative Justice	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Darling Inn Meal Site	400.00	400.00	400.00	-
Fairbanks Museum	700.00	700.00	700.00	-
H.O.P.E.	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Lyndon Baseball/Softball	900.00	900.00	900.00	-
NEK Council On Aging	500.00	385.00	385.00	-
NEK Human Services	2,058.00	2,058.00	2,058.00	-
NEK Learning Services	-	-	-	-
NEK Youth Services	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Northwoods Stewardship	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Powers Park	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
Rural Community Transport	700.00	700.00	700.00	-
Sutton PTG	6,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
Umbrella	700.00	700.00	700.00	-
VT Ctr Independent Living	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
VT Green Up Vermont	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
VT Rural Fire Prot. Task Force	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
<b>Total Appropriations Expense</b>	<b>17,208.00</b>	<b>16,193.00</b>	<b>16,193.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Emergency Medical Expense</b>				
Lyndon Rescue	43,646.23	41,975.43	41,975.43	-
<b>Total Emergency Medical Expense</b>	<b>43,646.23</b>	<b>41,975.43</b>	<b>41,975.43</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total General Fund Expense</b>	<b>318,456.09</b>	<b>323,422.81</b>	<b>379,015.91</b>	<b>(9,733.36)</b>

Highway Income Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
Overweight Permits	300.00	250.00	330.00	(80.00)
Road Access Permit	-	-	60.00	(60.00)
Road Damage Reimb	-	-	317.29	
Property Tax Revenue	-	-	480,935.43	(480,935.43)
State Aid - Class 2 HWY	27,000.00	54,000.00	82,669.72	(28,669.72)
State Aid - Class 3 HWY	28,000.00	56,000.00	86,468.25	(30,468.25)
Town of Sheffield	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	-
VLCT Grant	-	-		-
Sale of Materials	-	-	395.00	(395.00)
Transfer-In Bridge R/S/A	-	-	7,790.66	(7,790.66)
Transfer-In Gravel R/S/A	-	-	17,131.50	(17,131.50)
Wheelock Rd Grant	-	-	12,500.00	(12,500.00)
Simpson Hill Rd Grant	-	-	13,000.00	(13,000.00)
<b>Total Highway Income</b>	<b>56,800.00</b>	<b>111,750.00</b>	<b>703,097.85</b>	<b>(591,030.56)</b>

Highway Expense Budget Account	2024 Proposed Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	2023 Actual	Variance
<b>Highway Class 2 &amp; Class 3 Expense</b>				
Wages - Summer Class 2	24,000.00	18,000.00	21,855.19	(3,855.19)
Wages - Winter Class 2	26,650.00	21,000.00	24,349.73	(3,349.73)
Wages - Summer Class 3	30,500.00	32,500.00	28,020.62	4,479.38
Wages - Winter Class 3	41,500.00	47,000.00	38,870.75	8,129.25
Wages-Selectboard meeting	500.00	750.00	486.52	263.48
Child Care Contribution Tax	513.26	-	-	-
FICA - Highway Wages	9,435.67	9,122.63	9,526.02	(403.39)
<b>Total Highway Class 2 &amp; Class 3 Exp</b>	<b>133,098.93</b>	<b>128,372.63</b>	<b>123,108.83</b>	<b>5,263.80</b>

<b>Highway Materials Expense</b>				
Crushed Gravel	-	-	17,131.50	(17,131.50)
Crushed Stone	2,000.00	2,000.00	215.68	1,784.32
Winter Sand	30,000.00	32,000.00	29,641.44	2,358.56
Winter Salt	36,000.00	35,000.00	36,549.75	(1,549.75)
Magnesium Chloride	35,000.00	35,000.00	27,641.22	7,358.78
Cold Patch	1,000.00	1,000.00	846.00	154.00
Culverts	-	-	6,174.26	(6,174.26)
Sta-Mat/Ledge	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,501.33	498.67
Signs	1,500.00	1,500.00	651.78	848.22
Misc Road Materials	100.00	100.00	-	100.00
<b>Total Highway Materials Expense</b>	<b>108,600.00</b>	<b>109,600.00</b>	<b>121,352.96</b>	<b>(11,752.96)</b>

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Highway Contracted Services Expense

Plowing	18,000.00	18,000.00	21,500.00	(3,500.00)
Roadside Mowing	10,500.00	8,500.00	10,500.00	(2,000.00)
Trucking	-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
2023 Flood Contractgtor Exp	-	-	900.00	(900.00)

Total Highway Contracted Services Exp 28,500.00 31,500.00 32,900.00 (1,400.00)

Equipment Operation & Maint. Expense

Diesel	35,000.00	35,000.00	38,161.58	(3,161.58)
Oil & Grease	2,500.00	2,000.00	4,332.66	(2,332.66)
Fuel	400.00	500.00	281.23	218.77
DEF	1,500.00	-	1,399.70	
2016 Western Star	4,500.00	8,000.00	7,291.79	708.21
2019 International	10,000.00	8,000.00	14,486.55	(6,486.55)
JCB Backhoe Maintenance	5,000.00	9,000.00	15,168.47	(6,168.47)
2017 John Deer Grader Loan	31,180.16	31,180.16	31,180.16	-
2017 JD Grader/Maint	3,000.00	2,500.00	4,898.84	(2,398.84)
Sand Screen	-	150.00	-	150.00

Total Equip. Operation & Maint. Exp 93,080.16 96,330.16 117,200.98 (19,471.12)

Fringe Benefits Expense

Holiday Pay	-	-	2,019.78	(2,019.78)
Vacation Pay	-	-	2,542.40	(2,542.40)
Sick Leave	-	-	1,403.25	(1,403.25)
Work Clothing Allowance	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,359.36	(159.36)
Retirement	6,620.00	6,500.00	6,251.75	248.25
Health Insurance	18,283.68	16,000.00	25,644.29	(9,644.29)
Opt Out Insurance	10,890.00	9,700.00	4,318.77	5,381.23
Dental Insurance	837.24	837.24	1,325.63	(488.39)
EyeMed	104.40	104.40	156.60	(52.20)
HRA	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,593.71	(393.71)

Total Fringe Benefits Expense 37,935.32 35,541.64 46,615.54 (4,949.11)

Garage Expense

Shop Maintenance	7,500.00	7,500.00	5,281.47	2,218.53
Shop Tools	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,011.34	988.66
Telephone	725.00	725.00	665.36	59.64
Electricity	900.00	900.00	726.55	173.45
Waste Oil Furnace	750.00	750.00	484.00	266.00
Propane Furnace	100.00	100.00	-	100.00
Heating Fuel	7,000.00	7,000.00	4,187.74	2,812.26
Water	800.00	800.00	800.00	-
Grader Shed Expense	-	-	66.91	(66.91)

Total Garage Expense 19,775.00 19,775.00 13,223.37 6,551.63

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Grant Expenses

Wheelock Rd Grant Exp	-	-	5,705.12	
Simpson Hill Rd Grant Exp	-	-	9,876.39	(9,876.39)

Total Grant Expense

-	-	15,581.51	(9,876.39)
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Other Highway Expense

Tire Disposal	500.00	500.00	190.00	310.00
Roadside Misc Maintenance	250.00	250.00	-	250.00
Training	100.00	200.00	30.00	170.00
Street Light (Electric)	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,207.71	(7.71)
Property & Casualty Ins.	5,030.20	5,312.00	5,312.00	-
Unemployment Insurance	147.00	290.00	186.66	103.34
Workers Comp Insurance	7,804.00	7,624.00	7,896.00	(272.00)
Mileage	250.00	500.00	141.57	358.43
Advertising/Notices	900.00	900.00	828.00	72.00
Hydrological Application Fee	400.00	400.00	400.00	-
Hydrological Admin Process Fee	240.00	240.00	240.00	-
Hydrological Annual Op Fee	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,125.00	225.00
Equipment Rental	6,500.00	300.00	200.00	100.00
Calendar Brook Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	68,099.05	(68,099.05)
Pudding Hill Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	45,251.72	(45,251.72)
Fiddlehead Ln FEMA Exp	-	-	21,446.11	(21,446.11)
Simpson Hill Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	276,155.20	(276,155.20)
South Ridge Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	10,028.47	(10,028.47)
Chapman Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	4,275.40	(4,275.40)
King George Farm Rd FEMA Exp	-	-	2,310.00	(2,310.00)

Total Other Highway Expense

24,671.20	19,066.00	445,322.89	(426,256.89)
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Reserves Expense

Trans to Hwy Equip RSA	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	-
Trans to Bridge/Culvert RSA	6,000.00	5,000.00	6,616.40	(1,616.40)
Trans to Paving RSA	55,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	-
Trans to Gravel RSA	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	-
Trans to Tree Removal RSA	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	-

Total Reserves Expense

123,500.00	152,500.00	154,116.40	(1,616.40)
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Total Highway Expense

569,160.61	592,685.43	1,069,422.48	(463,507.44)
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	2024	2023
Highway	569,160.61	592,685.43
General	318,456.09	323,422.81
Less income	(184,159.00)	(242,530.00)
Total to be raised by taxes	703,457.70	673,578.24

## Town Reserves

<b>(CNB) Cemetery Interest Acct. 0270 Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 855.99</b>
Interest Transfers from Acct. 2170/9070	\$ 73.56
Cemetery Interest Earned	\$ 0.44
<b>Cemetery Interest Acct. 0270 Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 929.99</b>
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<b>(CNB) Cemetery Trust 2170 Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,343.94</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 21.90
Interest Transferred to Acct. 0270	\$ (21.90)
<b>Cemetery Trust 2170 Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,343.94</b>
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<b>(CNB) Cemetery Trust 9070 Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 14,480.59</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 51.66
Interest Transferred to Acct. 0270	\$ (51.66)
<b>Cemetery Trust 9070 Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 14,480.59</b>
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<b>(CNB) Cemetery Savings Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 7,935.35</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 3.97
Transfer from checking (lots sold & PC)	\$ 200.00
<b>Cemetery Savings Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 8,139.32</b>
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<b>(CNB) Cemetery Equipment RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 13,296.48</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 4.56
Transfer to checking (Equipment purch)	\$ (6,831.00)
Transfer from checking (old mower sold)	\$ 400.00
Transfer from checking (Budget)	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Cemetery Equipment RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 9,370.04</b>
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<b>(PSB) Cemetery Income Acct. 3195 Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,109.49</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 31.68
<b>Cemetery Income Acct. 3195 Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,141.17</b>
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<b>(PSB) Cemetery 12 Month CD 5580 Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 6,320.99</b>
Interest Earned/Dividends	\$ 32.65
Funds Transferred to 3195	\$ (30.77)
<b>Cemetery 12 Month CD 5580 Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 6,322.87</b>
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<b>(CNB) Highway Equipment RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 159,042.54</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 81.33
Transfer from checking (Budget)	\$ 50,000.00
<b>Highway Equipment RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 209,123.87</b>
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<b>(CNB) Bridge/Culvert RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 68,000.29</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 32.55
Transfer from checking (Budget)	\$ 5,000.00
Tranfered to checking	\$ (6,174.26)
<b>Bridge/Culvert RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 66,858.58</b>
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<b>(CNB) Audit RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 9,841.27</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 5.03
Transfer from checking (Budget)	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Audit RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 12,846.30</b>

## Town Reserves Continued

<b>(CNB) Capital Improvement RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 16,707.55</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 8.53
Transfer from checking (budgeted)	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Capital Improvement RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 21,716.08</b>
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<b>(CNB) Civil Defense RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,115.07</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 0.56
<b>Civil Defense RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,115.63</b>
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<b>(CNB) Lister Reappraisal RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 68,054.22</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 36.30
Transfer to checking	\$ (6,705.00)
Transfer from checking	\$ 5,842.50
Transfer from checking (budgeted)	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Lister Reappraisal RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 70,228.02</b>
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<b>(CNB) Zoning RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 307.85</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 0.15
<b>Zoning RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 308.00</b>
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<b>(CNB) Gravel RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 43,586.11</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 16.76
Transfer from checking (Budgeted)	\$ 10,000.00
Transfer to checking	\$ (17,131.50)
<b>Gravel RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 36,471.37</b>
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<b>(CNB) Paving RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,611.98</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 4.33
Transfer from checking (budgeted)	\$ 85,000.00
<b>Paving RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 87,616.31</b>
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<b>(CNB) Highway Emergency RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 18,530.87</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 9.27
<b>Highway Emergency RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 18,540.14</b>
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<b>(CNB) Fire Truck RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 20,795.71</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 9.99
Transfer to checking - Brush Truck	\$ (20,750.00)
Transfer from ARPA Funds - Brush Truck	\$ 20,750.00
Transfer from checking (Budgeted)	\$ 3,500.00
<b>Fire Truck RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 24,305.70</b>
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<b>(CNB) Tabulator RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 6,993.67</b>
Interest Earned	\$ 3.49
<b>Tabulator RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 6,997.16</b>

## Town Reserves Continued

<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>Vault RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 13,956.02</b>
	Interest Earned	\$ 6.89
	Transfer to Checking	\$ (604.75)
	Transfer from Checking	\$ 2,665.00
	<b>Vault RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 16,023.16</b>
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<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>Non Arbitrage Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 241.73</b>
	Interest Earned	\$ 0.01
	Paid off Non Arbitrage	\$ (240.68)
	<b>Non Arbitrage Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1.06</b>
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<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>Gould Tax Sale Escrow Opening Balance</b>	<b>\$ 681.01</b>
	Interest Earned	\$ 0.34
	<b>Gould Tax Sale Escrow Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 681.35</b>
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<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>Dodge Tax Sale Escrow Opening Balance</b>	<b>\$ 410.05</b>
	Interest Earned	
	<b>Dodge Tax Sale Escrow Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 410.05</b>
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<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>ARPA Funds Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 193,494.87</b>
	Interest Earned	\$ 67.42
	Transfer to checking	\$ (80,833.20)
	<b>ARPA Funds Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 112,729.09</b>
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<b>(CNB)</b>	<b>Tree Removal RSA Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 5,001.53</b>
	Interest Earned	\$ 2.59
	Transfer from checking (Budgeted)	\$ 2,500.00
	<b>Tree Removal RSA Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 7,504.12</b>

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### **Auditor's Report**

We have examined all accounts for the Town of Sutton and to the best of our knowledge the statements and reports for the year ending December 31, 2023 contained herein are correct.

Auditors for the Town of Sutton

Candace Heath *Candace Heath*

Melanie Miller-Hansen *Melanie Miller-Hansen*

Elaine Bandy *Elaine Bandy*

The reports for the Sutton School are published as submitted by Kingdom East Unified Union School District. The Sutton Town Auditors do not examine those accounts and do not give an opinion. The Sutton School books are managed entirely by the Kingdom East Unified Union School District.

## Caledonia County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff James Hemond

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Upon taking office of February of 2023 I was eager to make positive changes within the department. I immediately sought qualified competent applicants to add to the department's depleted roster. During the spring and summer I was able to add four new deputies to the ranks resulting in 11 deputies employed with the department. I reconnected with area Law Enforcement Fire, Emergency Services, Mental Health and Human Services Agencies not only in Caledonia County but State wide. Much of these relationships resulted in opportunities to train, assist with service to community members and law enforcement and combine resources to best serve the community. We completed our annual financial audit for the department in 2023 and it resulted in no findings or problems of any kind.

We continue to add vehicles to our fleet, 3 new patrol cruisers were purchased, replacing an aging fleet that have served us well. We have 9 marked cars, a transport van for prisoner transports, and one unmarked car for civil process service. The radar cart was deployed throughout the county providing speed deterrence where deployed.

It was my great pleasure to return to security services at this year's Caledonia County Fair. This would not have been possible without the dedication of my staff, but also much appreciated help from The Lamoille County Sheriff's Department. The department was also contacted throughout the year by several towns for contracted patrols. Of the 17 towns in the county the department provides services to 13 of these towns. Due to staffing shortages it has been difficult to provide consistent services to these communities but we are working hard to improve as well as increase our presence to provide consistent, quality, and cost effective Law Enforcement Services to you all of you. As much as possible we maintain an active presence with local schools to ensure the safety of students and staff. We have been involved with drills and evacuation plans and will continue to assist as needed. The department maintains a Take Back Drugs Location serving as a drop off for expired, unused and no longer needed Rx medications. 2023 saw the expiration of many deputies body armor. Grant money provided by the US Department of Justice sees to it that every six years body armor is replaced to provide every sworn member of Law Enforcement access to daily worn body armor. I took this opportunity to upgrade body armor providing all of us with the most protection available. The department also purchased Axon body worn cameras with funds received from a grant from the state of Vermont. I continue to apply for grants and seek funding to provide the most modern, quality, cost prohibitive equipment for the department to best serve the community.

I would like to announce the retirement of Sergeant Steven Gadapee and Deputy Gilbert Roberts. Each served over 30 years as Law Enforcement Officers and will be missed.

Having served with the department for 18 years I will continue to make my best effort to serve all of you in this wonderful community whether you live, work, play or raise a family. I am always available for any questions or comments here at the office and feel free to visit our Facebook page as well.

Respectfully;

*James Hemond*

Caledonia County Sheriff



## SUTTON LISTER'S REPORT December 31, 2023

Thank you to all the property owners working with Lister's and the NEMRC personnel on any changes you have made to your property and allowing us to inspect it to update our records.

The Lister's responsibility is to maintain an accurate Grand List since this is the only means to raise funds for the Town of Sutton to operate. This is accomplished by recording property transfers; subdivisions and updating properties with building permits issued. NEMRC will continue to update any new buildings/removal of buildings and follow up on building permits with the Lister's so there is continuity on a yearly basis from the re-appraisal going forward.

Effective January 1, 2024, Sutton's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) as reported by the State Division of Property Valuation and Review in a letter dated January 5, 2024, is 90.73%. The Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) is 10.11% If you would like more information on the CLA or COD you can go to the State of Vermont's web site at <http://tax.vermont.gov>

### **HOMESTEAD DECLARATIONS & PROPERTY TAX ADJUSTMENTS:**

- **Remember, you are required to file a Homestead Declaration (HS-122) EVERY YEAR if you are a Vermont resident and reside in the home on April 1.** Being the owner of a Vermont property does not necessarily mean you can file a homestead on the Vermont property. If you own another property or properties in other states where you reside, you should check to see if you should file your homestead there.
- **The Property Tax Adjustment Claim (Form HS-145) must be filed each year. You will also need to complete Schedule HI-144, Household Income.**

**For Veterans, you are required to contact the Veterans Administration to determine your Veteran's exemption status.**

Sutton has 603 taxable parcels as of April 1, 2023

336 Residential homes; 86 Mobile Homes; 35 Seasonal Properties; 8 Commercial;  
5 Utilities; 10 Farms; 20 Woodland; 102 Miscellaneous (included in the above totals are:  
11 veterans; 12 exempt properties "Church; town property; cemetery's" and 63 current use properties.)  
8 properties are State of Vermont Owned

Elected Lister's:

Paul Lane; Term expiration date 2024  
Mary Gray, Term expiration date 2025  
Candace Heath; Term expiration date 2026



## 2023 Select Board Report

2023 Was quite the washout. As most of you know, the south eastern part of town had some pretty serious flooding. Simpson Hill, Fiddlehead Lane, parts of Calendar Brook Road and parts of Pudding Hill Road took it pretty hard. Luckily, most of the rest of town was spared. Due to the extent of the flooding costs to repair the roads, we took out a line of credit in the amount of \$500,000.00 to pay for the repairs and construction of getting the roads back to normal until FEMA reimburses the town. I would like to recognize some of the people who helped the Sutton Road Crew work on getting the roads fixed. Simpson Dirtworx, Norbert & Dana Patoine, and Shufelt & Sons. Also PH Landscapes, Matt Gilman, Town of St. Johnsbury, Town of Barnet for hauling materials with their trucks. Also the Sutton Fire Department for keeping everyone safe. Thank you all for all of your help. We got R done.

I would like to give a special Thank You to our Sutton Road Crew, Shane Heath and Corey Brown. It was quite devastating at first but they did a great job not only coordinating the jobs and doing the work but keeping the paperwork organized for the office. Also a real big Thank You to our Town Clerk Patti McClure who kept all of the paperwork straight and documented by the day, by the foot, by the inch, meetings by phone and in person with FEMA and VT AOT. Without this, we would not get any reimbursement of funds. Thanks to all for doing your jobs so well. Now if FEMA comes through for us, we will be all good.

On a brighter note, the new 10-wheeler truck has been delivered to the dealer. Then it goes to get the body installed and the plow, wing and sander.

The road crew worked on and finished parts of Wheelock Road and upper Simpson Hill Road for the Better Back Roads Grants and we were funded for those.

The trash and recycling has changed a little. It is still pay per bag for trash but the recycling can be brought to him in a clear trash bag, no sort, for a small fee also along with compost. Or, you can utilize the Lyndonville Recycling if you don't want to pay a fee.

Fiscally, the town is in good standing, especially if and when FEMA comes through with funding. The Select Board and Budget Committee worked on the 2024 budget trying to be as conservative as possible to keep our town as is.

In closing, I can say this year has been challenging to say the least but without our core, Patti, Shane and Corey, it would have been a whole lot worse. Thanks people!

Tim Simpson  
Select Board Chair

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT



In the summer of 2023, the Town of Sutton sustained some flood damage that was pretty severe in some places. It was certainly not as bad as other towns in Vermont but it was still quite the process to get the roads back in operating condition. With the hard work of our road crew, Shane Heath and Corey Brown, and area small business people who didn't think twice to come to our aid, we were able to accomplish this. I am sure I can speak for us all for thanking our residents for all of your support and understanding in the time it took to get our roads back in shape. This task was not just about fixing the roads but a lot of hours were spent working on the requirements of FEMA to get reimbursement. I would like to thank Shane and Corey and all of the contractors for working so hard with me to keep all the paperwork organized to make my job easier to submit the documents to FEMA.

I had my first ever "First Amendment Audit" from a couple of individuals from out of state who make a living at this and post their videos on YouTube. Unfortunately, I was not prepared or even knew about such a thing and I was made out to be a horrible person who isn't deserving of my job. I would like to thank all of the Sutton residents who came to see me or called me to support me. It is really nice to work for a small community who appreciates my hard work.

I was able to get all of our land records online this year, which has made the traffic in the office slow down some. Researchers are able to go right to our website, [suttonvt.org](http://suttonvt.org), and look up land records which saves a lot of travel time. I continue to work on things to make the office more efficient and try to keep up with the times on what we make available for people.

Thank you for all your support and kind words again this year!

Patti McClure, Town Clerk & Treasurer



**TOWN OF SUTTON  
2023 REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
&  
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD**

DRB/PC started the year with four members and then was able to add a fifth. We are always looking for other members to join if anyone is interested.

Sub Division Applications were up last year probably due to the increase in property values. We have processed six new applications that are complete or in the process of completion. Two other applications were withdrawn. We are also in the process of revamping the application process to make it more Transparent to the Applicant.

Short Term Rentals (STR) were raised again this past year. Along with Airbnb rentals they have become very popular. Many of the towns around us are in the process of Creating Regulations for all types of rentals. This allows the towns to keep track of all their rental properties and identify the STRs and Air B&Bs. The need to regulate rental properties arises due to the population increase. As the population increases so does the demand for the services that go along with it. In short, it costs the town money that is not generated on the plus side.

The DRB created a list of possible regulations gathered from other towns in the state and our neighboring towns and submitted it to the select Board.

The Flood By-Laws and Energy Plans were reviewed by the DRB. We were informed that the State is in the process of updating the Flood By-Laws with new maps. We have not received them yet.

Your combined Board (PC/DRB) will continue to enforce the Sutton Unified By-Laws as written and adopted by the Town of Sutton on March 7, 2017, and amended on April 26, 2018. Thanks for your attention.

PC/DRB Members:

Kurt Nygren, Chair  
Rob Simmons, Vice Chair  
Kate Buonanno, Scribe  
Adam Bruggeman

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kurt Nygren Chair



## Sutton Energy Committee Annual Report

The following information outlines our work in 2023 to support the Town with reducing energy costs and meeting Vermont's climate goals.

### A. Window Dressers

1. Sutton participated in the regional build that occurred at the Lyndon Municipal Building in November. This is a program available every year to town members to reduce heating costs.

### B. Grants Awarded

1. Municipal Energy Resilience Program (MERP): This grant is funded by the VT Department of Buildings and General Services (BGS) and aims to help communities across Vermont reduce energy costs, operating costs, and greenhouse gas emissions. We applied for the grant for the purposes of increasing the energy efficiency of the Town Office and Fire Department.
2. MERP Mini-Grant: With this grant the Energy Committee can expand its presence, outreach, and goals to support the town and its community with energy resiliency.

### C. Plans for 2024

1. Continued efficiency projects for the Town Office, Garage, and Fire Department with funding provided by MERP.
2. Window Dressers

**A final note:** Anyone interested in being a member of the committee is welcome! If you would like to know more about our upcoming projects and lend a hand, or you have questions about solar, weatherization, building efficiently, and reducing fuel costs, please contact us.

Dana Patoine: [danapatoine@gmail.com](mailto:danapatoine@gmail.com)

Donna Nicol: [rdmnicol@gmail.com](mailto:rdmnicol@gmail.com)

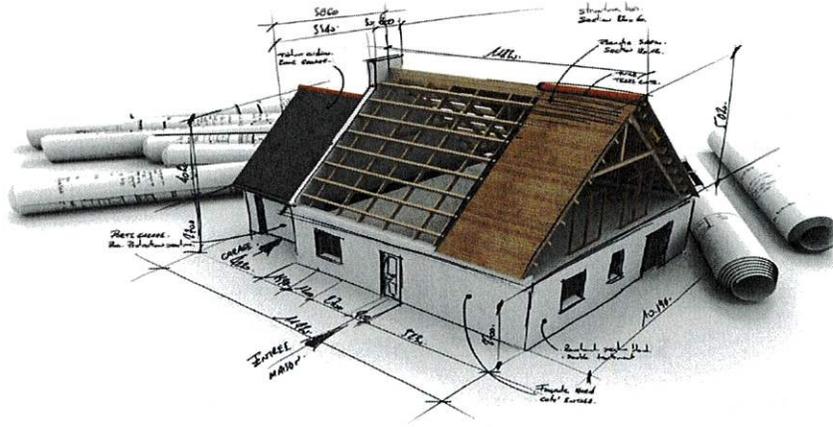
### 2023 Committee Members

Dana Patoine

Donna Nicol

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Nicol and Dana Patoine, current Co-Chairs



## ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT 2023

**Zoning Administrative Officer:**

**Joe Witt**

### Building Permits

Additions	0
Fencing	0
Garages	1
Mobile Homes	0
New Buildings	7
Porches / Decks	2
Sheds / Greenhouses	0
Subdivisions	0
Variances	0

Section 902.01 of the **UNIFIED DEVELOPED BYLAWS ADOPTED BY THE VOTERS OF SUTTON, MARCH 7, 2016** states:

"No land development, as defined in 24 VSA, § 4303(10) of the Act, may be commenced without a permit issued by the Zoning Administrator. No zoning permit may be issued by the Zoning Administrator except in conformance with these regulations." ("The Act" is Title 24 Vermont Statute's Annotated, Chapter 117, Vermont Municipal 84 Regional Planning & Development Act) The Term "Land Development, as used in Sutton's zoning bylaws, is defined in Title 24 VSA as follows: **"Land development means the division of a parcel into two or more parcels, the construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation or enlargement of any building or other structure, or of any mining excavation or landfill, & any change in the use of any building or other structure, or land, or extension of use of land."**

If you plan to undertake any project covered by the definition of land development above, Sutton's zoning bylaws requires that you apply for and obtain a zoning permit before work begins. Permit forms may be obtained from the Administrative Officer, online ([suttonvt.org](http://suttonvt.org)) or for your convenience at the Town Clerk's Office. The cost for a zoning permit has changed, please call the Town Clerk's Office for rates. Failure to obtain a zoning permit is a violation of Sutton's zoning bylaw that is published by a fine of not more than **\$50.00 per day** for as long as the violation exists. Permits are non-refundable.

# Local Health Office Annual Report: 2023

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802-748-5151 | [AHS.VDHStJohnsbury@vermont.gov](mailto:AHS.VDHStJohnsbury@vermont.gov)

Twelve Local Health Offices around the state are your community connection with the Vermont Department of Health. **The St. Johnsbury Local Health Office serves towns in Caledonia, southern Essex and a portion of Orange counties.** Some highlights of 2023 are below. For more information on our work and the areas we serve, visit [HealthVermont.gov/local/st-johnsbury](https://HealthVermont.gov/local/st-johnsbury)



## Pregnant People, Infants and Children

**Our Women, Infants & Children (WIC) team received 1 of only 13 national Premiere Level 2023 WIC Breastfeeding Awards of Excellence.**

- In 2023, our WIC Program **helped more than 775** pregnant people, infants and children under 5. We offer **healthy food**, breastfeeding **support**, nutrition **education** and community service **connections**.
- We worked with Salvation Farms to give families free local fresh **seasonal produce**.
- To make our services **more accessible**, our staff provided tele-WIC and expanded to 5 community clinic sites, including 2 daycares.



## Collaborations and Collective Impact

**Our team participates in many collaborative efforts in our community. Some 2023 highlights include:**

- **NEK Prosper!** - The Caledonia & Southern Essex County Accountable Health Community - working to leverage relationships and collaborative action to build community health equity.
- **NEK United** - Bringing together public health and community leaders to work towards advancing health equity and well-being for all. Our work together will bring limited national funding to our region.
- **Radon Test Kit Distribution** - Our pilot program worked with town clerks, librarians and health centers. It led to an increase in test kits distributed in Caledonia and Southern Essex counties.

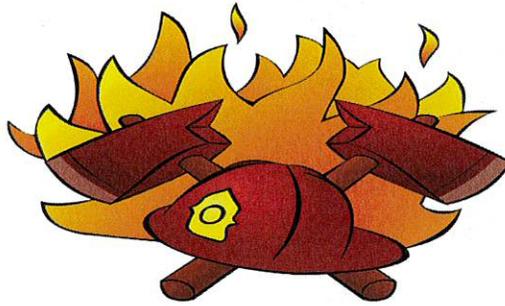


## Prepared and Responsive

**Our team is prepared to respond to changing community needs and emerging public health threats. In 2023 our staff:**

- **Investigated** reports of infectious diseases and outbreaks.
- **Vaccinated** uninsured or underinsured people with COVID, flu, Mpox and other immunizations.
- Distributed free **home drinking water test kits** after historic flooding affected many in our community.
- Joined the collaborative NEK long-term **recovery planning efforts** post-flooding.
- Supported the Northeast Kingdom **Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)** —contact us to volunteer!





## **Sutton Fire Department Chiefs Report 2023**

2023 was a busy and diverse year for the fire department. We had 42 calls which puts us quite a bit above our normal average. Weather played a large part in that increase. We started out the year with one of the longest stretches of dry weather we've had in recent memory. This caused an increased number of grass and brush fires. After a dry spring we managed to have one of the wettest summers on record. We assisted the road crew with traffic direction and washing out culverts following each heavy rain storms. The department also responded to several search and rescue calls in town and mutual aid.

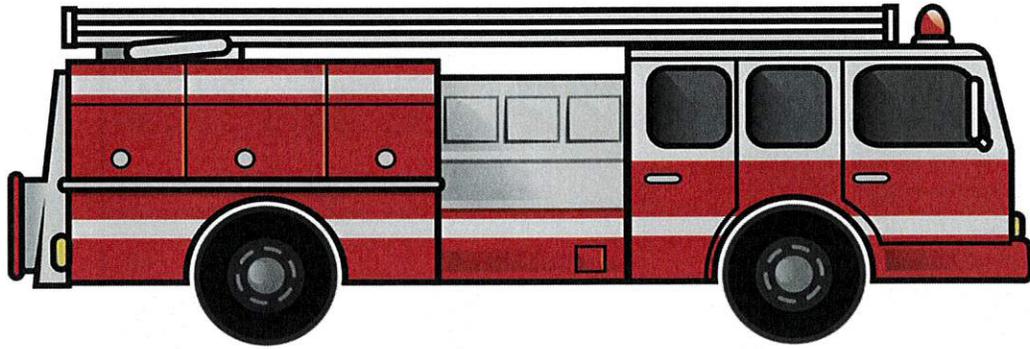
In response to the increase number of calls on back roads in narrow driveways we took the opportunity to invest in a smaller response vehicle. We picked up an extremely low mile 1995 F-Super duty and put in service as Sutton Squad 44. The truck carries 400 gallons of water and its own pump. This will allow us to make a quicker response to wildland and remote access fires and incidents.

In 2024 the Sutton Fire Department will continue our efforts to maintain both our skills and our equipment. We plan to be ready whenever the community needs us. If you are interested in joining, you can contact me at 802-473-0116.

As always check your smoke and CO detectors, have your furnace serviced regularly, and have a safe and healthy 2024.

Thanks,

Kyle Seymour, Fire Chief



## SUTTON FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS ROSTER 2023

Kyle Seymour  
Shane Heath  
Derrick Jenkins  
Dana Patoine  
Keith Ward  
Adam Colburn  
Denis Royer Jr  
Norbert Patoine  
Scott Brill  
Dennis Parent  
Ethan Strout  
Isaac Pike  
Ty Lantagne  
Madison Colburn  
Zebb Winot  
Alan Seymour  
Larry Seymour  
Glen Stine  
Gary Lospeich

Fire Chief  
Assistant Fire Chief  
First Captain  
Second Captain  
First Lieutenant  
Second Lieutenant  
Junior Fire Fighter  
Fire Warden  
Fire Fighter  
Lifetime Member  
Lifetime Member  
Lifetime Member  
Lifetime Member



## 2023 Sutton Fire Department Treasury Report

<b>Expenses</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>2023 Plan</b>	<b>2023 Actual</b>	<b>2024 Plan</b>
Allocation for Truck Savings	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Allocation for Electronic Technical			
Equipment savings	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Building & Grounds Maintenance	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,051	\$ 5,000
Allocation for SCBA testing	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250
Air Bottle replacement	\$ 1,700	\$ -	\$ -
New Gear	\$ 3,500	\$ -	\$ 3,500
Staff Development	\$ 500	\$ 760	\$ 500
Communications Equipment	\$ 1,250	\$ 603	\$ 1,250
VSFA Dues	\$ 400	\$ 266	\$ 300
Mechanical Equipment	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,219	\$ 1,200
Truck Maintenance	\$ 3,500	\$ 17,779	\$ 5,000
Yearly building alarm testing	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 300
Misc.	\$ 500	\$ 470	\$ 500
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 21,600</b>	<b>\$ 26,648</b>	<b>\$ 21,300</b>

<b>Income</b>			
	<b>2023 Plan</b>	<b>2023 Actual</b>	<b>2024 Plan</b>
Town Allocation	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Non-member donations	\$ 700	\$ 1,372	\$ 700
Member donations	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100
Outside services/time donated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest	\$ 5	\$ 7	\$ 5
Fundraising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 20,805</b>	<b>\$ 21,379</b>	<b>\$ 20,805</b>

Respectfully submitted: Dana Patoine, SVFD Treasurer

The Sutton Fire department spent more than anticipated this year due to purchase of Squad 44. It has increased our capability and allowed us to use a smaller more efficient truck when we don't need our large tanker 43 to car accidents and difficult to access driveways. Outfitting the truck with a new radio and getting a few repairs made account for most of the spending. We didn't spend as much as planning on building maintenance or replacing air bottles. We ended the year with approximately \$16,900 between our checking and savings accounts.



**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT**  
**Town of Sutton**  
**Candace Dane**  
**802-535-7109**

The Town of Sutton was a little busy this year with animal calls. We had several strays that were clearly dumped and unwanted, that were never claimed by an owner. There were too many animals that couldn't be properly taken care of, but thankfully the owners asked for help and they were moved on to their next best life.

The biggest problem, animal cruelty seems to be in fashion. That cute little puppy is no longer cute and won't obey your every command, so you beat it. That dog that you see every day and never complain about suddenly is a problem, so you shoot it and let it suffer. While it appears that the world in general is going mad, possibly the Town of Sutton could come together as a community and work to prevent this behavior. If you see something, say something. Stand up to the abusers, be observant, look around you, see what is happening, pay attention and make the damn call so we can stop the madness.

Everyone needs to do a better job of keeping their animal's home. This simple act of responsibility translates into keeping the animals out of harm's way. It keeps them away from the abusers or the individuals who feel they live in their own world and are above the law.

It is also that time of year when all dogs need to have a valid rabies vaccination and a town license. Please try to get this done in a timely manner and also make sure the Town Clerk has your updated contact information, lost dogs get home faster with this info.

**IMPORTANT: If you feel you are in a bind, are having trouble feeding your animals or simply cannot keep your animals anymore, don't let them starve and don't dump them! CALL ME/CALL THE TOWN, there is no shame in asking for help and it is kept private. Need food, hay, whatever, call and ask. There are resources to resolve situations which are beneficial to everyone.**

Let's all do what we can to make 2024 a more positive year for the animals and the humans in the Town of Sutton.

Sincerely,  
Candace Dane  
Animal Control Officer

# **ATTENTION!!!**

April 1st is Rapidly Approaching  
Don't forget to register your dog(s)!



**Please make sure the Town Clerk's Office  
has a current rabies certificate on file.**

**You can license your dog by mail, drop box or in person.**

## **Animal license fees prior to & including April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Dogs spayed or neutered	\$9.00
Dogs not spayed or neutered	\$13.00

## **Animal license fees after April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Dogs spayed or neutered	\$11.00
Dogs not spayed or neutered	\$17.00



## TIME TO SPAY & NEUTER CATS & DOGS and LICENSE!

The VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP), under VT Economic Services is administered by VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society (VVSA). Funded by a \$4.00 fee added to the licensing of dogs, resources are limited by the number of dogs licensed as required by law by 6 months of age. A rabies vaccination is required to license. The first vaccination can be given at 12 weeks of age. If unable to schedule an appointment with a vet office, Community Animal Aid (free to those on public assistance: 734-0259 at the E. Barre Fire Station) & Tractor Supply host monthly clinics. After vaccinating, contact your Town Clerk to license your dog. By statute, unlicensed dogs can be seized. Rabies is in Vermont and it is deadly.

Licensing identifies your dog and is proof the dog is protected in the event bitten by an animal, but would still need immediate medical attention. Vaccinations and licensing protect if they bite another animal or person, which could result in the quarantine of the animal or euthanized. If not proven by being licensed to be currently vaccinated, testing for rabies requires the brain to be examined.

For an Application for VSNIP send a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope to: VSNIP, PO Box 104, Bridgewater, VT 05034. Note if it is for a cat, dog, or both. To print out, go to: [VSNIP.Vermont.Gov](http://VSNIP.Vermont.Gov). VSNIP helps income challenged Vermonters with neutering and vaccinations. If approved, you'll receive a Voucher and instructions. If not, a list of low-cost resources will be sent. Several humane societies host spay neuter clinics open to the public. Your cost for a VSNIP surgery is \$27.00, if without complications. The balance is paid by fellow Vermonters with their \$4.00 fee collected at licensing. **Veterinarians and their staff are the backbone of this important program. Thanks to their generosity and altruistic vision, Vermont no longer uses routine euthanasia as a means of population control. Sincerely thank your veterinarian for their participation in VSNIP. If not currently a participating office, please ask them to join and help make a difference in your community. They are very needed.**

**Facts:** Female cats as young as 4 months can become pregnant. The "mom" cat can/will become pregnant when nursing is finished. Males travel for miles to find a female in heat, often not returning. Cats and dogs (naturally) mark their territory if not neutered. Resolve Carpet Cleaner and a single moth ball in its place will help deter from repeat markings. (Do not use moth balls with young children in the house.) 70% of cats and 15% of dogs using VSNIP are reported as strays or abandoned, which is cruel and illegal. Please do promote VSNIP, helping those that cannot afford to neuter, that will otherwise reproduce over and over. Repeat litters can cause uterine infection, mammary tumors, kidney failure, etc., leading to death. "Farm" cats are especially at risk. Be wary of any seller of animals that won't allow you to see how they are kept before acquiring and want to meet in a parking lot. Animals are often used as a means of making money, and their life may be the inside a room or cage. Please be the voice for those that cannot speak. Purchasing does not 'save' one, it 'enables' those to continue to misuse animals for money. Thank you for promoting this time proven program.

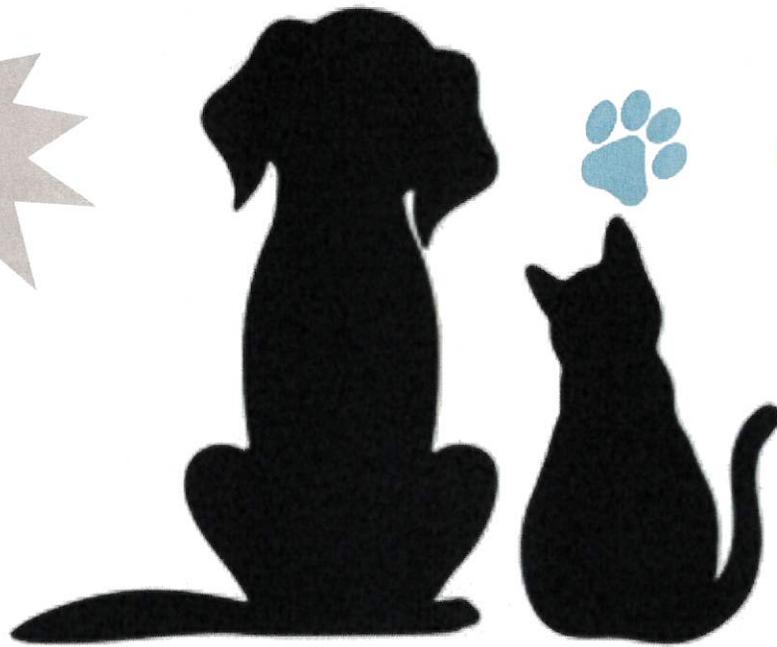
Thanks to now retired Lynn Murrell, DVM, who first agreed to extend reduced rates for animals in need, and all the Veterinarians and Clinics that served for the last forty years plus. A sincere thank you to Bernard "Snook" Downing for helping support many animals in need over the years with his hard work, contributions, and the donors we are unable to thank in print – but you know who you are! ***Together We Truly Do Make a Difference!*** 800 HI VSNIP (1-800-448-7647)

Sue Skaskiw, Administrator: VSNIP    Executive Director: VVSA



# Rabies Vaccination Clinic

**\$25**



**Saturday March 2, March 9, and March 23  
10 AM - 11:30 AM**

**Kingdom Animal Shelter - 1161 Portland St.  
St. Johnsbury, VT**

Cats and dogs only

Cats must be in a carrier, dogs must be on a leash

Cash or check only

Walk-in rabies clinic only, no appointment necessary







Dear NEK Neighbors,

We are pleased to present our 2023 Annual Report to all 56 towns in the NEK. As you know, we are the Communications Union District (CUD) for Northeastern Vermont - the municipal, non-profit organization whose mission is to build high-speed, fiber internet infrastructure to unserved and underserved communities in the NEK. As a resident of one of NEK's 56 towns, you have a voice through your town's representative to our Governing Board. To see who that is, please visit our website, [nekbroadband.org](http://nekbroadband.org) and go to the Member Towns page.

Our 2023 Annual Report shows the significant progress we've made in working towards our ambitious goals and we hope you enjoy reading it.

**AND** we know there is more work to be done. The two questions most often asked are "When are you coming to me? And how much will it cost?" To answer the 'When' we have to take into consideration multiple factors such as technical challenges, availability of grant funding, local interest and customer base, and material costs. All of these factors help us determine the most cost effective, efficient way to build a network that will need 2700 miles of fiber optics to reach everyone in the Kingdom. The easiest way to know when service will be available to you is to pre-register at [get.nekbroadband.org](http://get.nekbroadband.org). and stay up to date with messages and notifications.

We also know that affordability of high-speed internet is a critical issue to many living in our region. That's why we include a free router and free aerial installation up to 400 ft for every customer. NEK Broadband also participates in the ACP (Affordable Connectivity Program), helping to create affordable pricing for 27% of households in the district that are eligible. This federally funded program provides a discount of \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households. As of today, this program will run out of funds by mid April.

Last year we also started a program that gives NEK residents the opportunity to lend a hand to their low-income neighbors. For those customers who choose our 500/500 Mbps service, \$30 of their monthly payments will go towards giving a fellow low-income NEK resident an equivalent \$30 discount per month. For those who choose our 1 gig/1 gig service, their monthly payment will help 3 of their low-income NEK neighbors with an additional discount of \$30/month each. We have decided to use these funds to subsidize to the same level if the ACP shuts down.

At NEK Broadband, we continue to search for and create ways to make it easier for all of our neighbors to get access to high-speed internet because In today's interconnected world, access to online resources is essential for participating in various aspects of life, including education, employment, healthcare, and civic engagement. We are proud to work to bridge the gap and increase these opportunities for all of our neighbors in the NEK.

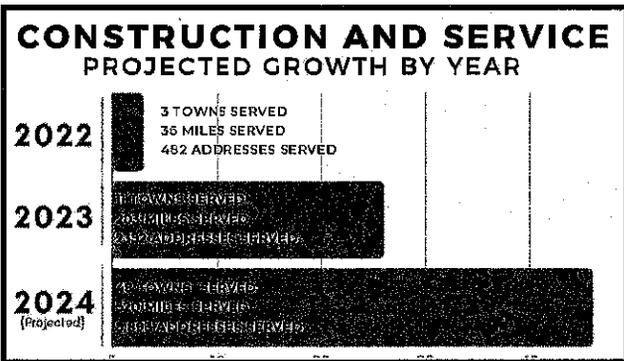
The NEK Broadband team

# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



## DELIVERING ON OUR PROMISE

In 2023, NEK Broadband put in place the additional staff, funding and infrastructure needed to continue delivering on its promise to bring high-speed, reliable internet to unserved and underserved communities in the NEK. We've made significant progress in building the "backbone" of our network throughout the region. This "backbone" of interlocking fiber optic cable will provide extra reliability for our internet service. We received a USDA ReConnect grant of 17.5 million to cover most of Essex County, thus freeing up more funds to expand our network build in the rest of the NEK. This year, we also increased our construction capacity and our ability to purchase and store more materials so that we can increase the speed of our buildout.



**2352**   
**SERVICE AVAILABLE**  
 WE NOW OFFER SERVICE TO 2352 ADDRESSES IN THE NEK.

**203**   
**MILES SERVED**  
 AT THE END OF 2023, WE NOW HAVE 203 MILES OF FIBER NETWORK SERVED THROUGHOUT THE NEK.

**179**   
**CUSTOMERS SERVED**  
 IN 2023, WE OVER DOUBLED THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS SERVED.



## GRANTS & FINANCING

- We were awarded a USDA ReConnect grant of \$17,474,000 that will cover most of the addresses in Essex county and Eastern Orleans and Caledonia counties.
- The Vermont Community Broadband Board (VCBB) approved an additional \$17.94 million in construction funding, bringing the total investment in NEK Broadband to \$38.9 million to date.
- Our 2022 financials were given an unqualified "clean" opinion (evaluation) by our auditors.

## BUILDING CAPACITY

- We are up to 6 full-time staff.
- We now have active warehouses in Danville, St. Johnsbury and Brighton for the storage of construction materials.
- We are working with state and vocational partners to train and increase the workforce in the NEK to help build our network.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

OVER \$15,876,591 HAS BEEN INVESTED IN NEK COMMUNITY-OWNED BROADBAND.

	2023 BUDGET TO ACTUAL (PROJECTED)		2024 PROPOSED BUDGET	
	Budget	Actual 2023 (Projected)	Projected Surplus from 2023	
Administrative Grant Revenue	\$2,252,718	\$996,599	Administrative Grant Revenue	\$2,564,532
Operations Revenue	\$747,767	\$222,790	Operations Revenue	\$852,455
Capital Grant Revenue	\$28,785,288	\$10,311,147	Capital Grant Revenue	\$36,200,196
<b>Total Cash In</b>	<b>\$31,785,773</b>	<b>\$11,530,536</b>	<b>Total Cash In</b>	<b>\$39,617,183</b>
Administrative Cost	\$1,847,194	\$652,862	Administrative Cost	\$1,885,621
Operational Cost	\$586,601	\$235,385	Operational Cost	\$678,912
Construction Cost	\$28,785,288	\$10,311,147	Construction Cost	\$36,200,196
<b>Total Cash Out</b>	<b>\$31,219,083</b>	<b>\$11,399,404</b>	<b>Total Cash Out</b>	<b>\$38,764,729</b>
Annual Net Cash Flow	\$566,205	\$131,132	Annual Net Cash Flow	\$852,455
Increase in Capital Assets	\$28,785,288	\$10,311,147	Increase in Capital Assets	\$36,000,196

## ABOUT NEK BROADBAND

We are a Communications Union District (CUD), a municipal entity representing our 51 member communities in Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans counties, plus Wolcott in Lamoille County. Our district is building high-speed broadband internet infrastructure for underserved communities in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom.

## SIGN UP FOR UPDATES

To order our service, get updates, or sign up for our newsletter, fill out the form at [get.nekbroadband.org](http://get.nekbroadband.org).



Greetings Town of Sutton,

The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District assists the Sutton community by providing recycling services to your town. **Your local transfer station is now located at 224 Church Street in Lyndonville and is open year-round Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Recycling can still be brought to 95 Underpass Rd in clear trash bags, unsorted, for a small fee.**

Accepted materials include: plastic containers #1-4 & #5 food-grade containers (black plastic containers and plastic bags are not accepted), all colors of glass, tin, aluminum, paper, cardboard, books, batteries and CFL bulbs, all free of charge. Trash is accepted for a fee. Ask the transfer station attendant for more details, or call the NEKWMD at 802-626-3532.



### 2024 BULKY DAYS

May 30 thru June 1, 2024 / 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Aug 29 thru Aug 31, 2024 / 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
LYNDONVILLE, VT  
802-626-3532

WEEKDAY HOURS: 8AM-3:30 PM  
SATURDAY HOURS: 8AM-2:30 PM

# Lyndon Recycling and Waste Disposal Guide

224 Church St. Lyndonville. Wednesdays, 8:00am – 4:00pm & Saturdays, 8:00am - 3:00pm  
 Scrap Metal, Appliances, & Tires (fees apply) accepted Mon-Fri, 8am-4pm & Sat. 8am-3pm



## SORT ITEMS



**RECYCLING MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY**

### MIXED PAPER

Newspapers, catalogs, telephone books, glossy inserts, paperback books, colored & white paper, wrapping paper and junk mail. Any color or type of paper.  
**NO brown Kraft bags, boxboard, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or metallic wrapping paper.**

### CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, BOXBOARD, & BROWN KRAFT BAGS

FLATTEN BOXES. All Cardboard and Boxboard food packaging. Remove excess tape. Staples are OK.  
**NO wax-coated cardboard, cardboard soiled with food, coffee cups, ice cream cartons, or Styrofoam.**

### TIN CANS

Labels are OK. Flattening not required. Separate from aluminum cans. Tin is magnetic.  
**\*MUST BE RINSED\***

### ALUMINUM CANS, FOIL AND FOOD TRAYS

Labels OK. Flattening not required.  
**NO snack bags, candy wrappers, coffee bags.**  
**\*MUST BE RINSED\***

### GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

\*Rinse, Remove Lids (recycle with tin) \*  
**NO porcelain, Pyrex, windows, crystal, light bulbs, lids, metal or wood.**

### BATTERIES

All types including primary and rechargeable batteries. Please bag similar types together and bag damaged batteries separately.

### PLASTIC CONTAINERS #1 – #4 & #5 Food Containers

**REMOVE CAPS / MAX. SIZE- 2 Gallons / NO BLACK PLASTIC / \*MUST BE RINSED\***

Includes food containers, health/beauty product, and cleaner containers. #5 included *if it's a food container*.  
**NO plastic bags or films, black plastic, screw-top caps, motor oil bottles, pesticide bottles, vinyl siding, toys, CD cases, VHS tapes, Styrofoam, syringes, or medical devices.**

### ADDITIONAL ACCEPTED MATERIALS:

- FOOD SCRAPS:** All food scraps, including meat, bones, dairy. Remove PLU stickers. No plastics, metals, paper.
- #6 PLASTIC FOAM (STYROFOAM):** #6 Expanded Polystyrene Foam. Any color, size. Must be rigid, dry, clean.
- ELECTRONICS:** TVs, computers (incl. mouse/keyboard/speakers), computer printers, radio/stereos, gaming systems, telephones, fax machines
- SCRAP METAL:** Metal appliances (stoves, washer/dryer, dishwasher), grills, water tanks, microwaves, metal roofing, pots and pans, bicycles. Any item that is mostly metal included. Drain fluids if necessary.
- FREON-CONTAINING APPLIANCES:** Fridges, freezers, A/Cs, dehumidifiers.
- SPECIAL WASTES:** Oil, oil filters, metal aerosol cans, lead acid batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and tires (fees apply)
- CLOTHING AND TEXTILES** – Drop and Swaps are held annually, call for more information.
- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE** – May through the end of September **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** in Lyndonville, & special Saturday events throughout the District. Call for details.
- STUMP DUMP** - Seasonal Drop-off, May–Oct. Clean, unpainted, untreated wood and yard debris only.
- HOUSEHOLD TRASH DROP-OFF:** Fees apply. Call GOT TRASH for current prices: 802-424-1280

Monday: 8am-noon

Wednesday, Friday: 8am–4pm

Saturday: 8am–3pm

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AT (802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), outreach@nekwmd.org

Updated 2/2023



## List of Common Items **NOT ACCEPTED** for Recycling

Please dispose of the following items in the trash unless otherwise stated.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT SAFELY AND PROPERLY DISPOSING OF A MATERIAL— CONTACT THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM

WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

(802) 626-3532 or (800) 734-4602. [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org), e-mail [outreach@nekwmd.org](mailto:outreach@nekwmd.org)

### Unacceptable Plastics Include:

Any **black plastic containers**

Motor oil, gas containers

Pesticide containers

Planting pots and trays

Plastic furniture

Plastic Toys

Coffee Makers

Coat hangers

Vinyl Siding

Maple Tubing

CDs, DVDs, VHS, and cases

Water line pipes and plastic tubing of any size

**Hard, rigid plastic** (if it shatters, it's not accepted)

### Unacceptable Plastic Bags and Films

Any type

### Unacceptable Cardboard

Pringles containers

Milk and Juice Cartons of any kind

Ice cream and waxy or plastic frozen food boxes

Cardboard with metallic interior

Single-use coffee cups

Soiled Cardboard

Waxy Cardboard

### Unacceptable Paper

Kraft brown paper bags (recycle with cardboard)

White or Brown Boxboard (recycle with cardboard)

Shiny, glossy, or metallic papers

Paper plates, cups, bowls

Single-use cups

Napkins, paper towels, tissue paper

### Unacceptable Glass

Crystal

Incandescent light bulbs

Automotive lights

Pyrex

Porcelain

### Unacceptable Aluminum

Chip Bags, Snack Wrappers, Pop tart Wrappers

Aluminum Flashing (recycle with scrap metal)

Coffee Bags

### Unacceptable Tin

Recycle these with Scrap Metal

Frying Pans

Large Pieces of Metal

Nails, Screws, Fasteners

Any tin that is a non-food container

### Unacceptable Food Scraps

PLU Stickers (sticks on fruits, vegetables)

“Biodegradable” bags, cutlery, bowls, plates

Food utensils

Plates, bowls, cups

Plastic bags

Styrofoam

Keurig cups

# 2024 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
SATURDAY, MAY 11	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Ryegate Transfer Station
SATURDAY, MAY 18	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Peacham Transfer Station
SATURDAY, JUNE 1	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Derby Recycling Center
SATURDAY, JUNE 8	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	Brunswick Town Office
SATURDAY, JUNE 22	8:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.	Newport Center Town Garage
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10	3:00 p.m. – 7:00p.m.	Barnet Transfer Station
SATURDAY, AUGUST 3	8:00 a.m. – 11:00a.m.	Greensboro Recycling Center
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14	1:00 p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Lunenburg Transfer Station
SATURDAY, SEPT. 28	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Lyndon Recycling Center

The NEKWMD reserves the right to terminate any collection early in the event that we are at storage capacity. Please limit HHW disposal at listed events to 25 gallons. If you have more than 25 gallons, please call our office to schedule an appointment at our Lyndonville facility, May 2 – Oct. 3, 2024.

**Not going to be able to make any of these dates? NOT A PROBLEM!** The NEKWMD will be accepting these materials by appointment at our Lyndonville facility from May 2, 2024 to October 3, 2024. Due to regulatory handling requirements, hazardous wastes will not be accepted without an appointment. Scheduling ahead ensures that a qualified individual will be on-site ready to accept your hazardous waste.

**\*\*HHW Collections are free and open to residents of all DISTRICT TOWNS\*\***

What are *Household Hazardous Products*? They are consumer products that contain ingredients that **may be**:

**Toxic**- poisonous if eaten, breathed, or absorbed through the skin

**Corrosive**- can burn or destroy living tissue if spilled on skin

**Reactive**- creates fumes, heat, or explosion hazards if mixed with certain materials such as water

**Explosive**- can explode with exposure to heat or pressure

**Flammable/Ignitable**- can easily be set on fire

To determine if a product in your home is hazardous, check the label for the following words:

Danger indicates that the substance is extremely flammable, corrosive, or toxic.

Poison means that the substance is highly toxic.

Caution/Warning is put on all other hazardous substances that are a somewhat lesser hazard, but are still dangerous if the directions are not followed closely.

Conditionally Exempt Generator businesses can also use the Lyndonville collections for the actual cost of the disposal of their materials. Please call ahead for pricing and an appointment.

**CONTACT THE NEKWMD IF YOU HAVE ITEM'S YOU CANNOT IDENTIFY**  
**802-626-3532 or 800-734-4602 or [www.nekwmd.org](http://www.nekwmd.org)**

The NEKWMD hazardous waste collection program is made possible in part by a grant from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. This year's grant totaled \$74074.31

# Acceptable HHW Materials

## HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- AEROSOLS
- AIR FRESHENERS
- AMMONIA
- ARTS AND CRAFTS SUPPLIES
- BLEACH
- CLEANERS (INCLUDES: DRAIN, OVEN, FLOOR, WINDOW, TOILET, RUG, ETC.)
- DISINFECTANTS
- METAL & FURNITURE POLISH
- MOTHBALLS
- MERCURY THERMOMETERS
- NAIL POLISH & REMOVER
- NI-CD, LITHIUM, MI-MH, AND BUTTON CELL BATTERIES
- SPOT & STAIN REMOVERS
- ALKALINE BATTERIES \*

## GARDEN SUPPLIES

- CREOSOTE
- DIOXINS
- FERTILIZERS
- FLEA KILLERS
- FUNGICIDES
- HERBICIDES
- INSECT SPRAYS
- MURIATIC ACID
- NO-PEST STRIPS
- PESTICIDES
- RODENT KILLERS

## GARAGE

- ANTIFREEZE
- BRAKE FLUID \*
- CORROSIVES

- CAR WAXES AND CLEANERS

## GARAGE (CONTINUED)

- ENGINE DEGREASERS
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS \*
- GASOLINE/DRY GAS
- KEROSENE
- LEAD-ACID CAR BATTERIES \*
- LIGHTER FLUID
- OIL-BASED PAINT
- LATEX-BASED PAINT
- PAINT THINNER
- PROPANE CYLINDERS
- SEALANTS
- STAINS/STRIPPERS
- SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS
- TRANSMISSION FLUID \*
- WOOD PRESERVATIVES
- USED MOTOR OIL AND FILTERS \*

\* ALSO ACCEPTED AT OIL AND BATTERY STATIONS YEAR ROUND

### PLEASE DO NOT BRING:

- ASBESTOS
- EXPLOSIVES, INCLUDING GUN POWDER, AMMUNITION
- FLARES
- INFECTIOUS WASTE
- PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
- RADIOACTIVE WASTE, INCLUDING SMOKE DETECTORS
- UNKNOWN GAS CYLINDERS
- EMPTY CONTAINERS

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## 2024 NEKWMD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 2	Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection by appointment in Lyndonville begins
MAY 4	Danville Bulky Day, Danville Stump Dump 8am-3pm
MAY 11	Ryegate HHW Collection, Ryegate Transfer Station, 8am-12pm
MAY 18	Peacham HHW Collection, Peacham Transfer Station 8am-12pm
MAY 18	Guildhall Bulky Day, 5635 VT Route 102 (HWY Salt Shed) 8am-12pm
MAY 25	Bloomfield Bulky Day, VT Route 102 Bloomfield, 8am-12pm
MAY 25	Albany Bulky Day, Albany Transfer Station, 8:30am-1pm
MAY 30 -June1	Sutton Bulky Days, NEKWMD facility Lyndonville, Appointment required
JUNE 1	Derby HHW Collection, Derby Recycling Center, 9am-1pm
JUNE 8	Brunswick Bulky Day & HHW Collection, Brunswick Town Offices, 8am-12pm
JUNE 22	Newport Center HHW Collection, Newport Center Town Garage, 8am-12pm
JUNE 29	Unified Towns and Gores Bulky Day, Hatchery Brook Rd., Averill, 8am-12pm
JULY 10	Barnet HHW Collection, Barnet Transfer Station 3pm-7pm
JULY 20	Maidstone Bulky Day, 1342 Rte. 102 Maidstone 8am-12pm
AUGUST 3	Greensboro HHW Collection, Greensboro Recycling Center 8am-11am
AUGUST 10	Unified Towns and Gores Bulky Day, Rte. 105 UTG Building, Ferdinand, 8am-12pm
AUGUST 14	Lunenburg HHW Collection, Lunenburg Transfer Station 1pm-5pm
AUG 29-31	Sutton Bulky Days, NEKWMD Facility, Lyndonville, Appointment required
SEPTEMBER 14	Bloomfield Bulky Day, VT Route 102 Bloomfield, 8am-12pm
SEPTEMBER 21	Danville Bulky Day, Danville Stump Dump, 8am-3pm
SEPTEMBER 28	Cabot Bulky Day, Cabot Recycling Center, 8am-3pm
SEPTEMBER 28	HHW Collection, NEKWMD Office, No appointment necessary, 8am-3pm
OCTOBER 3	HHW Collection by appointment in Lyndonville ends
OCTOBER 5	Albany Bulky Day, Albany Transfer Station, 8:30-1pm
OCTOBER 19	Brunswick Bulky Day, Brunswick Town Offices, 8am-12pm
For information on these events and others, contact the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District at (802) 626-3532, 800-734-4602, by e-mail at <a href="mailto:progmgr@nekwmd.org">progmgr@nekwmd.org</a> or check the updated calendar of events at <a href="http://www.nekwmd.org">www.nekwmd.org</a>	

**2024 NEKWM D BUDGET- APPROVED**

	A	B	C	D
1	BUDGET ITEM	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2023	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
2	<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>			
3	Advertising	\$300.00	\$144.25	\$300.00
4	Audit -- Financial	\$6,845.00	\$8,750.00	\$9,000.00
5	Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$2,500.00	\$2,129.60	\$2,500.00
6	Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$25.00
7	Surplus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
8	Cleaning	\$1,920.00	\$1,869.00	\$2,000.00
9	Copier	\$1,500.00	\$1,406.55	\$1,500.00
10	Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$5,500.00	\$6,444.16	\$6,500.00
11	Heating Fuel	\$1,300.00	\$988.42	\$1,500.00
12	Liability & Casualty Ins.	\$15,000.00	\$12,595.77	\$16,000.00
13	Legal Fees	\$3,000.00	\$702.00	\$2,000.00
14	Postage	\$2,000.00	\$1,860.48	\$2,000.00
15	Office Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$5,715.38	\$3,500.00
16	Secretary Stipend	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
17	Telephone/IT - Office	\$10,000.00	\$8,757.01	\$7,500.00
18	Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$4,511.00	\$1,000.00
19	Water/Sewer	\$1,200.00	\$1,175.76	\$1,400.00
20	<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$55,565.00</b>	<b>\$57,409.38</b>	<b>\$57,025.00</b>
21	Gross Wages	\$445,164.00	\$422,760.32	\$457,414.00
22	OT Wages--Warehouse	\$5,000.00	\$10,439.76	\$9,000.00
23	Fica (Employer Match)	\$27,942.00	\$27,564.01	\$28,918.00
24	Medi (Employer Match)	\$6,534.00	\$6,446.43	\$6,763.00
25	Unemployment/HCP Insurance	\$6,000.00	\$7,326.60	\$7,150.00
26	VMERS (Retirement)	\$25,725.00	\$27,593.95	\$30,709.00
27	Health Insurance	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$72,000.00
28	Workman's Comp. Insurance	\$27,500.00	\$25,573.23	\$34,000.00
29	Mileage - Employee	\$4,000.00	\$4,890.17	\$5,000.00
30	Life & Disability	\$5,700.00	\$7,840.36	\$7,750.00
31	Personnel Equipment	\$500.00	\$729.46	\$750.00
32	Training	\$500.00	\$30.00	\$500.00
33	<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$614,565.00</b>	<b>\$541,194.29</b>	<b>\$659,954.00</b>
34	<b>EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>			
35	Baler Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$853.13	\$3,000.00
36	Baler Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$7,793.24	\$5,000.00
37	Forklift Fuel	\$3,000.00	\$2,486.31	\$3,000.00
38	Forklift Repairs	\$4,000.00	\$7,804.67	\$3,500.00
39	Misc. Equipment Repairs	\$500.00	\$8,387.94	\$1,000.00
40	Skidsteer Repairs	\$3,000.00	\$4,980.23	\$3,000.00
41	Warehouse Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$3,440.29	\$3,500.00
42	Mack Truck Loan Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
43	Trucks--Diesel	\$27,000.00	\$27,537.50	\$28,000.00
44	Trucks--Repairs	\$15,000.00	\$33,038.85	\$27,500.00
45	<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$63,000.00</b>	<b>\$96,322.16</b>	<b>\$77,500.00</b>

**2024 NEKWM D BUDGET**

**2024 NEKWM D BUDGET- APPROVED**

	A	B	C	D
46	BUDGET ITEM	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL as of 12/31/2023	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
47	<b>BUILDING EXPENSES</b>			
48	Electricity	\$5,400.00	\$5,557.34	\$5,400.00
49	Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$150.35	\$1,500.00
50	Trash Removal	\$3,600.00	\$4,175.76	\$3,800.00
51	<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>	<b>\$9,883.45</b>	<b>\$10,700.00</b>
52	<b>PROGRAMS EXPENSES</b>			
53	Composting	\$26,000.00	\$22,970.00	\$23,000.00
54	Composter/Bin	\$3,500.00	\$2,785.60	\$3,500.00
55	Foam Cycle	\$0.00	\$48,500.00	\$0.00
56	Organics VT Grant	\$0.00	\$141,335.50	\$0.00
57	Education Outreach	\$7,000.00	\$7,560.43	\$8,000.00
58	Hazmat Disposal	\$35,500.00	\$56,545.30	\$40,000.00
59	Hazmat Supplies	\$5,500.00	\$5,986.48	\$5,500.00
60	Sale of Recyclables-Processing	\$24,000.00	\$33,718.71	\$22,500.00
61	Special Collections	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
62	Supplies	\$400.00	\$494.48	\$500.00
63	Tire Disposal	\$15,000.00	\$17,460.80	\$15,000.00
64	<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$117,150.00</b>	<b>\$337,357.30</b>	<b>\$118,250.00</b>
65	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$861,280.00</b>	<b>\$1,042,166.58</b>	<b>\$923,429.00</b>
66				
67	Capital Improvement Fund	\$24,000.00	\$26,500.00	\$24,000.00
68	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>	<b>\$26,500.00</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>
69				
70	<b>TOTAL NEK EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$885,280.00</b>	<b>\$1,068,666.58</b>	<b>\$947,429.00</b>
71	Grants--St of VT	\$80,000.00	\$124,686.17	\$111,000.00
72	Grants--Organics	\$0.00	\$141,335.50	\$0.00
73	Surplus Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
74	Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$59,000.00	\$58,465.00	\$59,000.00
75	Haz Mat/Paint Care	\$5,000.00	\$5,060.34	\$5,000.00
76	Interest Income	\$30.00	\$45.95	\$30.00
77	Miscellaneous Income	\$1,500.00	\$2,945.62	\$2,500.00
78	Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$2,000.00	\$2,070.60	\$1,500.00
79	Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$150.00	\$125.00	\$150.00
80	Sale of Recyclables	\$122,000.00	\$60,151.24	\$100,000.00
81	Compost Income	\$26,000.00	\$21,550.00	\$23,000.00
82	Electronics Income	\$14,000.00	\$18,751.08	\$19,000.00
83	Scrap Metal Income	\$18,000.00	\$16,631.04	\$18,000.00
84	Battery Income	\$5,000.00	\$4,710.45	\$5,000.00
85	Tire Income	\$15,000.00	\$14,732.50	\$15,000.00
86	Per Capita Assessment	\$50,000.00	\$49,763.82	\$54,506.00
87	Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$487,600.00	\$544,742.64	\$533,743.00
88	<b>TOTAL NEK REVENUES</b>	<b>\$885,280.00</b>	<b>\$1,065,766.95</b>	<b>\$947,429.00</b>



# TOWN OF SUTTON ROAD NAMES

ROAD NAMES	CLASS	HW #	ROAD NAMES	CLASS	HW #
Benton Drive	4	16	Morey Road	3	19
Burke Road	2	2	Mulholland Road	3	30
Calendar Brook Road	2	1	Newark Pond Road	3	12
Camp Road	3 & 4	14	North Ridge Road	3	9
Caplan Road	3	28	Nygrens Road	3	7
Center Street	2	3	Old Town Road	pvt	
Chapman Road	3	48	Patoine Bridge Road	4	
Church Street	2	40	Pierce Hill Road	3 & 4	7
Craig Pond Road	3 & 4	32	Pudding Hill Road	3	45
Cross Road	3	10	Queen Elizabeth Farm Lane	3 & 4	22
Dexter Road	3	52	Riendeau Road	3 & 4	43
Dolloff Pond Road	3	5	Robert Hazen Drive	pvt	
East Ridge Road	3	17	Rocky Ridge Road	3	13
Ernest Evans Road	3	18	Sargents Road	3	11
Fiddlehead Lane	3	48	Sheffield Road	2	3
Four Corners Road	3	21	Simpson Hill Road	3	41
Four Corners Trail	pvt		South Ridge Road	3	44
Freedom Road	4	42	Station Road	3	24
Freedom Road	pvt		Sutton Hollow Road	3	39
Gold Mine Road	3	35	Sylvester Drive	4	36
High Beams Road	3		Townsend Road	4	
Hopeful Acres	pvt		U S Route 5	2	State 5
Hundred Acres Wood	pvt		Underpass Road	2	1
King George Farm Rd	3	23	Union House Road	3	33
Laclair Road	3	25	VT Route 5A	2	State 5A
Lanes Way	3 & 4	49	Wheeler Mountain Road	3	15
Mable's Trail	pvt		Wheelock Road	3	38
Marl Pond Road	3	51	Wood Hill Road	3	37
Michaud Drive	3	26			

# 2023 CIVIL MARRIAGES



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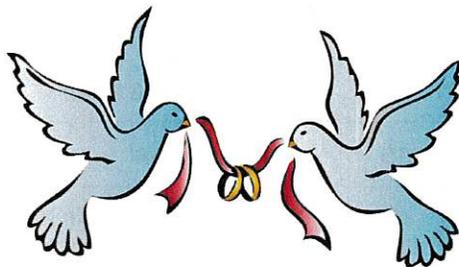
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Tristan Scott Henderson

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# 2023 BIRTHS



DATE	NEWBORN	PARENT	PARENT
March	Oden Alan Tanner	Megan Doris Parent	Casey Allen Tanner
May	Raelynn Ann Marie Berry	Felicia Lyn Squires	Jason Dillion Berry

2023



DEATHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>
<i>January</i>	<i>Andrew Blackford Grieves</i>	<i>87</i>
<i>January</i>	<i>Timothy Rumbinas</i>	<i>58</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>Walter Neal Warren</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>Thomas Gregory Hood, Sr.</i>	<i>74</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>Rowena Jane Miles</i>	<i>93</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>Archie R. Stimpson</i>	<i>76</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>Ulric Malcolm Norris</i>	<i>91</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>James Elroy Simpson</i>	<i>61</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>Sirreno Alvin Scranton, Jr.</i>	<i>82</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>Herbert Di Gioia</i>	<i>89</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>Carol Grace Barlow</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>Douglas George Solinsky</i>	<i>73</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>Hayden Tanner</i>	<i>90</i>
<i>November</i>	<i>Edmund Bradley Webber</i>	<i>76</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>Charlotte Eunice Stevens</i>	<i>85</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>Richard Harold Johnson, Sr.</i>	<i>87</i>

**WARNING  
TOWN OF SUTTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 7, 2023**

The legal voters of the Town of Sutton are hereby notified to meet at the Sutton School multi-purpose room in said Town of March 7, 2023 at 10 a.m. to transact the following business from the floor:

**NOTICE TO VOTERS:** Residents who are not already on the voter checklist may register to vote the day of Town Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Marlin Devenger at 10:00 A.M.

Marlin "Chip" Devenger read the Warning.

**Article 1:** To elect a Moderator.

Joe Solinsky, Chair of the Select Board opened the floor for nominations.

Gale Berry nominated Marlin "Chip" Devenger; Adam Bruggeman 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Close nominations by Paul Brouha; Clint Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 2:** Shall the voters of Sutton accept the Town Report.

Motion made to accept the Town Report by Candace Heath; Clint Gray  
2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Article 3:** To elect all necessary officers for the ensuing year  
Select Board 3 years.

Joe Solinsky was nominated by Clint Gray; Gale Berry 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Close nominations by Kurt Nygren; Adam Bruggeman 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Lister 3 years**

Candace Heath was nominated by Mary Gray; Melanie Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Close nominations by Dana Patoine; Kurt Nygren 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Town Grand Juror 1 year**

Kathy Keizer was nominated by Paul Brouha; Clint Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**First Constable 1 year**

Kurt Nygren was nominated by Rick Jackson; Adam Bruggeman 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Second Constable 1 year**

Rick Jackson was nominated by Kurt Nygren; Adam Bruggeman 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Rick Jackson declined position  
No other nominations from the floor  
Select Board will appoint Second Constable

**Agent to Convey Real Estate**

John Sylvester was nominated by Tim Simpson; Clint Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Water Commissioner**

Scott Spencer was nominated by Shane Heath; Paul Brouha 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Auditor 3 years**

Elaine Bandy was nominated by Adam Bruggeman; David Tucker 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Sexton of Cemeteries 1 year**

Pat Jackson was nominated by Mary Gray; Paul Brouha 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 4:** Shall the voters of Sutton authorize the Select Board to hire money, if necessary in anticipation of taxes, to meet current expenses for the ensuing year and how much?

Clint Gray motioned to authorize the Select Board to hire money to meet expenses up to \$100,000, if necessary; Kurt Nygren 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 5:** Shall the voters of Sutton authorize payment of real and personal property taxes due November 3, 2023 and physical delivery to the tax collector by 5:00 PM on that day?

Adam Bruggeman so moved; Clint Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 6:** Shall the voters of Sutton vote to authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate in an amount sufficient to support the adopted budgets and any special appropriation articles approved when the Grand List is completed?

Kurt Nygren so moved; Clint Gray and Adam Bruggeman 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 7:** Shall the voters of Sutton approve the amount of \$41,975.43 for the Ambulance service provided by Lyndon Rescue, Inc. for calendar year 2023?  
Gale Berry motion to approve; Joe Witt 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Article 8:** Shall the voters of Sutton approve the following appropriations request?

A. Burke Senior Meal Site	\$ 250.00
B. Caledonia Home Health	\$ 350.00
C. Cobleigh Public Library	\$1,300.00
D. Community Restorative Justice	\$ 250.00
E. Darling Inn Meal Site	\$ 400.00
F. Fairbanks Museum	\$ 700.00
G. H.O.P.E.	\$ 500.00
H. Lyndon Youth Baseball/softball	\$ 900.00
I. NEK Council of Aging	\$ 385.00
J. NEK Human Services	\$2,058.00
K. NEK Youth Services	\$ 250.00
L. Northwoods Stewardship Center	\$ 250.00
M. Powers Park/Village Improvement Society	\$1,000.00
N. Rural Community Transportation	\$ 700.00
O. Sutton Parent Teacher's Group	\$5,000.00
P. Umbrella	\$ 700.00
Q. Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$1,000.00
R. Vermont Green Up	\$ 100.00
S. Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$ 100.00

David Tucker motioned to approve A thru S; Paul Brouha 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Voice vote in the affirmative

**Article 9:** Shall the voters of Sutton vote to adopt the proposed general and highway fund budgets for the ensuing year as printed in the Town Report?  
Clint Gray so moved; Gale Berry 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hand vote in the affirmative

**Article 10:** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.  
Representative Dennis Labounty gave a legislative update:

1. S.5 Affordable Heat Act for Vermont: He said it will come out of the Senate and a new study committee will be established so this will not come up again until 2025 or 2026.
2. S.66 Independent Schools: Dennis opposes, this is in the Senate now.

3. State College to close libraries: discussion is in the Senate
4. Dennis said he is on the House Committee, where their topics are unemployment; workman's comp; minimum wage and affordable housing. By 2030 Vermont wants to build 40,000 new units for people to live.

Tim Simpson asked for ideas about cemetery locations. The Sutton Cemetery is needing to expand, but because of the Water Shed, the state will not allow expansion for the current cemetery, so he asking for ideas to accommodate this problem.

Dana Patoine, Energy Committee: Anyone interested in coming on this committee, to contact him.

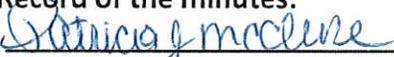
Joe Solinsky said that the Fire Department is being used for all their Select Board Meetings and all are welcome. The meetings are held the last Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM.

Article 11: To Adjourn.

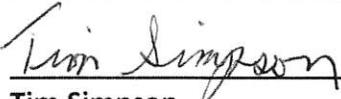
Paul Brouha motioned to adjourn at 11:13AM; Kurt Nygren Seconded Voice vote in the affirmative.

Submitted by  
Mary Gray, Clerk

A True Record of the minutes:

Attest:   
Patricia J. McClure, Town Clerk

Minutes reviewed and accepted on March 30, 2023

  
Tim Simpson

  
Denis Royer II

  
Jeffrey Solinsky

Town Meeting  
Attendance

3/7/2023

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Signature

MARLIN DeVenger

*Marlin DeVenger*

Mark Hall

*Mark Hall*

Tim Simpson

*Tim Simpson*

Norbert Patoine

*Norbert Patoine*

Rick Jackson

*Rick Jackson*

Debra Jackson

*Debra Jackson*

Adam Bruggeman

*Adam Bruggeman*

DAVID BUZZELL

*David Buzzell*

KJET NYGREN

*Kjet Nygren*

MARY A. GRAY

*Mary A. Gray*

LORI J SIMPSON

*Lori J Simpson*

Jacob Simpson

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Debbie Witt

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Annette Barrett

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Joe WITT

*Joe Witt*

Steve Barrett

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Shane Heath

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Elizabeth Hubbard

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DONALD PRINCE, JR.

*Donald Prince, Jr.*

Melanie Hansen

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Chint Gray

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Roland McClure

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Dennis C. Smart

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Candace Heath

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Lori Leslie Barry

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Mark Hoffman

Tisha Hankinson

Rebecca Jenkins

Richard Kelley

Amy Kelley

Dan Austin

ALISON BUCHANAN-DEXTER

Ben Wilcox

Gwen Stone

Bruce Patel

PAUL BRUNHA

Kale Berry-Buonanno

MARK BUONANNO

Linda Ward

Dan Jackson

Ryan Simpson

Jean Solinsky

Regan Solinsky

Justin Williams

Jessica Williams

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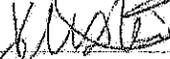
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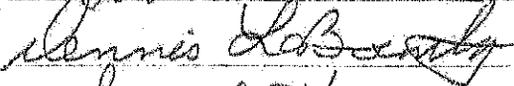
Douglas Barrett



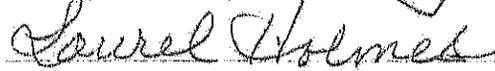
Kirsten Nelson



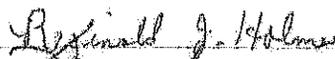
Dennis LeBeau



Laurel Holmes



Reginald Holmes



Perrich Jenkins



Ky la Segmon



Patricia McCrear



Dana Patoine



### 2023 Property Transfers

Date	Seller	Buyer	Property	Sale Price
February	Hazen, Thomas F Sutton, VT	Hazen, Thomas F & Candace P Sutton, VT	30.60 Acres & Dwelling 56 Robert Hazen Dr.	\$0 Family
	Hodge, Dale Brownington, VT	Hodge, Dale Revocable Trust Brownington, VT	137.00 Acres & Dwelling 238 South Ridge Rd	\$0 Trust
March	Hosford Family Trust West Burke, VT	The Nature Conservancy Arlington, VA	52.50 Acres & Dwelling 862 North Ridge Rd	\$250,868
	Fixx, Dennis Jr & Boivin, Kathleen M Sutton, VT	The Bank of NY Mellon Anaheim, CA	1.00 Acre & Dwelling 5269 Pudding Hill Rd	\$138,750
	Switser, Elvin D & Carrie J Sutton, VT	Goad, Timothy & Amanda Newport, VT	6.76 Acres US Route 5	\$55,000
	Petersen, Korrin N Middleborough, MA	Peterson, Theresa A & Christopher P Colchester, CT	52.20 Acres & Dwelling 581 Nygrens Road	\$33,750
	Opperman, Shannon & Cornell, Lesa Sutton, VT	Cornell Opperman Revocable Trust Sutton, VT	10.00 Acres & Dwelling 1105 Underpass Rd	\$0 Family
	Tanguay Homes Inc. Newport, VT 05855	Puccino, Michael J Jr Sutton, VT	2.00 Acres & Dwelling 99 Station Road	\$185,000
	Dodge, Rusty E Sutton, VT	Burrington, Tony Jr Danville, VT	3.00 Acres & Dwelling 2671 US Route 5	\$16,091.80
April	Gould, Audry Estate of Massapequa Park, NY	Deos, Andre & Justin Lyndonville, VT	11.00 Acres 4105 US Route 5	\$1,500
	Barrett, Stephen H & Annette M Sutton, VT	Barrett, Eric – Williston, VT & Barrett, Paul – Middlesex, VT	3.00 Acres & Dwelling 2061 Underpass Rd	\$0 Life Estate
	Faulkner, Neal West Burke, VT	Ovitt, Leesa & Jamie Sutton, VT	10.59 Acres Underpass Rd	\$91,500
	Smith, Wilfred K Estate Concord, VT	Hall, Mark Sutton, VT	11.00 Acres 1758 Station Rd	\$6,886.41
	Cole, Karen Sutton, VT	Cole, Karen L & Kearney, Alicia L Sutton, VT	60.37 Acres & Dwelling 809 Station Road	\$0 Life Estate
	Swallow, Frederick & Doreen Sutton, VT	Ouellette, Trenholm Sutton, VT	21.50 Acres & Dwelling 257 Michaud Drive	\$205,000
June	Bean, Dennis L & Jessica Sutton, VT	Cole, Fallon & Trepanier, Kamryn Lyndonville, VT	3.83 Acres & Dwelling 2108 Dolloff Pond Rd	\$0 Life Estate
	Guertin, Maurice A & Chartier, Carmen Sutton, VT	Cunningham, Scott N & Victoria C Sutton, VT	41.50 Acres & Dwelling 3038 North Ridge Rd	\$390,000
	Williamson, James A & Danielle East Setauket, NY	Desjardins, Scott Lyndonville, VT	5.0 Acres 93 Rocky Rd	\$13,500

### 2023 Property Transfers

Date	Seller	Buyer	Property	Sale Price
June	The Boulton Simons Family Trust New Windsor, NY	Marinell William & Amanda Belmont, MA	7.81 Acres 161 Morey Road	\$120,000
	Ball, Donald K & Bushey, Mary K Sutton, VT	Plumadore, Shawn & Martindale, Joann Havertown, PA	7.00 Acres & MH 4716 US Route 5	\$80,000
	Town of Sutton Sutton, VT	Hall, Mark Sutton, VT	6.20 Acres US Route 5	\$1,000
July	Solinsky, Douglas G & Janice Sutton, VT	Solinsky Kurt & Regan Casey Sutton, VT	14.60 Acres & Dwelling 20 Craig Pond Rd	\$0 Family
	The Bank of NY Mellon New York, NY	Sanborn, Kevin & Heidi Lyndonville, VT	1.00 Acre & Dwelling 5269 Pudding Hill Rd	\$140,567
	Henderson, Tristan Sutton, VT	Devereaux, Chris E & Kathy A Sutton, VT	Spring only 3391 Underpass Rd	\$1,000
August	Dale Hodge Revocable Trust Brownington, VT	South Ridge LLC West Burke, VT	137.00 Acres & Dwelling 238 South Ridge Rd	\$365,000
	Barrett, Stephen – Sutton, VT & Crepault, Sandra – Concord, VT & Keafer, Sarah – East St. Johnsbury, VT	Barrett, Benjamin Sutton, VT	5.50 Acres & Dwelling 2021 Underpass Rd	\$110,000
	Powers, Janice Sutton, VT	Powers, Sarah Lyndonville, VT	10.10 Acres & Dwelling 581 King George Farm Rd	\$0 Life Estate
	Esget, John D & Heather C Sutton, VT	Esget, John D Sutton, VT	17.00 Acres & Dwelling 3310 Underpass Rd	\$0 Family
September	Solinsky, Kurt & Regan Sutton, VT	Carron, Sandra L & David S New Bedford, MA	1.60 Acres & Dwelling 306 King George Farm Rd	\$272,500
	The Nature Conservancy Arlington, VA	Healy, Lisa A & Daniel J & Kevin J Hines Living Trust Westport, MA	52.50 Acres & Dwelling 862 North Ridge Rd	\$302,000
	Morehouse, Brett R & Janel P Sutton, VT	Brett Morehouse Life Est & Rivera, Brianna & Janel P Morehouse Life Est & Morehouse, Sage & Morehouse, Tucker Sutton, VT	7.00 Acres & Dwelling 3264 VT Route 5A	\$0 Family
	Hall Family Trust Danville, VT	Thurston, George W Jr St. Johnsbury, VT	36.19 Acres 1300 Marl Pond Rd	\$25,000
	Featheringham, Tommy R & Mohr Bettina R Sutton, VT	Mountain Brooke Farm, LLC Tinmouth, VT	161.20 Acres & Dwelling 566 Nygren's Rd	\$899,000

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October	Scranton, Dmitri J Brownstown, MI	Kohli Rajesh New London, CT	51.00 Acres & Dwelling 358 Nygren's Rd	\$264,000
	Chase John M Estate of Cheshire, CT	Victor Morales Concord, VT	12.00 Acres & Dwelling 350 Sargent's Road	\$150,000
	Trojano, Malcolm Norwell, MA	Trojano, Paul R Hull, MA	1.50 Acres & Dwelling 669 VT Route 5A	\$0 Family
November	Corey, Travis J & Berry, Michelle West Burke, VT	Kelley, John & Patricia Littleton, NH	9.30 Acres & Dwelling 839 East Ridge Rd	\$380,000
	Aresty, Ben Lyndonville, VT	Ytsera Terrene, LLC Lyndonville, VT	31.30 Acres & Dwelling 3100 Steendom Lane	\$0 Same owner
	Belanger, Robert K & Michaelyn A Sutton VT	Arden, Cassidy B – South Hero, VT & Belanger, Blake – Sutton, VT	7.08 Acres & Dwelling 3172 Calendar Brook Rd	\$0 Life Estate
	Durocher Family Revocable Trust Sutton, VT	Durocher, Nicholas Sutton, VT	40.50 Acres & Dwelling 842 Morey Rd	\$0 Family
	Durocher, Nicholas Sutton, VT	Nicholas Durocher Revocable Trust Sutton, VT	40.50 Acres & Dwelling 842 Morey Rd	\$0 Same owner
December	Johnson Richard H & Lesa M Sutton, VT	Johnson David R Sutton, VT	14.40 Acres & Mobile Home 617 Wheelock Rd	\$0 Life Estate

**OFFICIALS YOU SHOULD CONTACT ABOUT THE  
RISING COSTS OF PROPERTY TAXES**

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*KINGDOM EAST  
UNIFIED UNION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT*



# Kingdom East School Board Report

Kingdom East School District Community,

We greatly appreciate your continued support of all of our KESD schools! We exist to provide rigorous and engaging learning across a variety of environments to ensure the academic and social-emotional growth of ALL KESD students. In addition, we continue to focus on attracting and retaining high-quality staff to contribute to the growth of our students, and the vibrancy of our schools and communities. The KESD School Board is thankful for the heroic efforts of staff, parents and students to make our schools caring places that foster and support the character development and strong social and emotional health of our students.

Specifically, the KESD School Board would like to express our gratitude to Lyndon Town School Principal Amy Gale and Lunenburg School Principal Cheryl McVetty for their amazing contributions to their schools, communities and our district, as they plan for their upcoming retirements. With gratitude and appreciation, we wish Amy and Cheryl the very best in their well-deserved retirement!

Here are a few highlighted successes and continuous work with KESD's Strategic Priorities:

## Quality & Robust Academics

- *Art, music, technology, and world language in all schools*
- *iReady data system to track student progress in literacy and math*

## Character Development & Social-Emotional Health

- *Anti-bullying, Experiential, Athletics, Afterschool & Summer programs in all schools*

## Community Connections

- *Ongoing strong partnerships with Kingdom Trails, Village Sports Shop, Burke Mountain, Lyndon Outing Club and Vermont Rural Education Collaborative (VREC) to provide healthy, engaging learning opportunities for all students*

## Effective & Efficient Management of Resources

- *Ad Hoc Facilities committee working on comprehensive facilities plan across all schools*
- *Staff Recruitment and Retention Team working on attracting and retaining high-quality staff*

This report highlights our district programs, individual schools, and all of the details of the Board's proposed FY25 budget of **\$49,201,455**. Act 127, new legislation created to better support rural districts like KESD, provides an opportunity for the district to receive greater financial support from the Vermont State Education Fund. While budget development has been challenging due to a new method of counting students under Act 127, coupled with decreasing Common Level of Appraisals (CLAs), the proposed budget also offers an opportunity to continue to support students with the resources needed to meet our strategic priority of providing robust academics for ALL students.

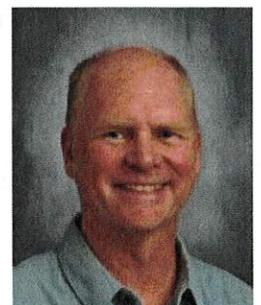
Every policy, decision, and strategy considers our students, staff, and community following the KESD mission statement that guides our efforts:

***"In partnership with the community, staff, and students, the Kingdom East School District is committed to providing a collaborative and equitable environment of educational excellence through rigorous learning experiences that develop individual and diverse talents and abilities of all our students to prepare them for successful lives as contributing, responsible citizens."***

On behalf of our entire team of board members, we thank you for your commitment to the Kingdom East School District and we look forward to serving the needs of our students and community now and into the future.



Cynthia Stuart  
School Board Chair



Sean McMannon  
Superintendent of Schools



# Sutton Village School

Rachel Robillard, Principal



As we reflect on another academic year, I am pleased to share the progress and achievements within our school community. Now entering my fifth year as your child's instructional leader, I am proud to continue our commitment

to providing students with a rigorous and engaging community-based academic experience at the Sutton School

Our dedication to rigorous and engaging community-based learning remains unwavering. This approach allows students to not only excel academically but also develop a strong sense of self. We believe in creating an educational environment that empowers students to explore and understand the world around them.

One notable addition to our school this year has been the outdoor classroom. This space has become a focal point for hands-on learning and exploration in our school. Our kindergarten program, in particular, has flourished with weekly sessions in the outdoor classroom, fostering a unique environment that enhances each child's learning experience.

With the new addition of two exceptional teachers, the middle school is thriving in all content areas providing students with diverse and enriching opportunities. Our focus in middle school is to enable students to explore topics of personal interest, fostering a love for learning that extends beyond the classroom.



I am delighted to inform the school community of the significant strides we have made in enhancing our ability to identify and support students at various stages of their learning journey. Across all grades, our commitment to targeted instruction and progress monitoring has yielded remarkable results, allowing us to better address the unique needs of each student.

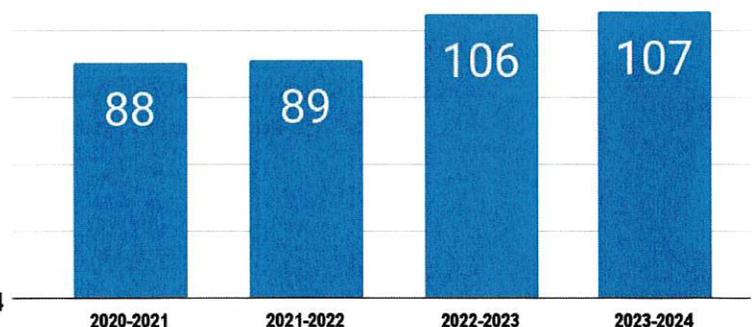
I extend my heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated staff, whose unwavering commitment to excellence is the backbone of our school's success. I also express gratitude to the parents and families in our community who partner with us in providing a high-quality education to our students. Your support is invaluable, and together, we continue to shape the future of our young minds.

As we embark on the upcoming years, I eagerly anticipate the continued collaboration with the school board, staff, parents, and the community at large. Together, we will sustain our commitment to providing students with an exceptional educational experience that prepares them for a lifetime of learning and success.



Grades: K-8  
Classroom Teachers: 9  
Special Educators: 2  
Support Staff: 6  
# Students PreK-8: 107

## Enrollment Trends (As of 10/1/23)



**2024 WARNING  
ANNUAL MEETING  
KINGDOM EAST UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 4, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Notice to Voters:**

Residents of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District (the “District”), comprising the voters of the Towns of Burke, Concord, Lyndon, Lunenburg, Newark, Sheffield, Sutton, and Wheelock, who are not already on the voter checklist, may register to vote up to and including the date of the vote, March 5, 2024.

For Australian Ballot issues, registered voters may apply for an early voter ballot at the Town Clerk’s Office of their resident town during the office’s regularly scheduled hours. (See Warning Addendum)

**Warning Notice:**

The Legal Voters of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District (the “District”), comprising the voters of the Towns of Burke, Concord, Lyndon, Lunenburg, Newark, Sheffield, Sutton, and Wheelock are hereby notified and warned to meet at **Hilton Hall, 64 Campus Lane, Lyndon Center** on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 5:00 p.m to hold the Kingdom East Unified Union School District Informational Meeting on Articles One (1) through Article Seven (7). Voting for Articles One (1) through Article Six (6) will be by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at the following voting locations and times

<b>Burke</b> , Burke Community Building, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>Newark</b> , Newark Street School, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
<b>Concord</b> , Concord Town Hall, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>Sheffield</b> , Sheffield Town Hall, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
<b>Lunenburg</b> , Lunenburg School, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>Sutton</b> , Sutton Village School, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
<b>Lyndon</b> , Lyndonville Municipal Building, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>Wheelock</b> , Wheelock Town Hall, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

**Information on how to access the meeting remotely:** (For Viewing and Public Comment ONLY)

- By telephone: Dial **1 312-626-6799**. When prompted enter the meeting ID: **88480729047**
- By computer: Download meeting software here: [zoom.us/download](https://zoom.us/download). Join the meeting by visiting <http://www.zoom.us/join>. You may be prompted to enter a meeting ID: **88480729047**
- By smartphone, tablet, or other device: Download and open the **ZOOM Cloud Meetings** app. You may have to create a free account or sign into your existing account. Select the option to join meeting and enter the meeting ID: **88480729047**

**Article 1:** To elect the following officers to serve from their election and qualification for one year or until the election and qualification of their successors. (Australian Ballot)

- Clerk
- Treasurer
- Assistant Treasurer

**Article 2:** To approve compensation, to be paid to District Officers. (Australian Ballot)

- Clerk
- Treasurer
- Assistant Treasurer

**2024 WARNING  
ANNUAL MEETING  
KINGDOM EAST UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 4, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**

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Article 3: To elect six (6) school directors from the nominees to serve on the Kingdom East Unified Union School District Board. (Australian Ballot)

- One (1) school director who is a resident of Concord for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Concord for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Lunenburg for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Lyndon for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Sutton for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Wheelock for a three-year term.

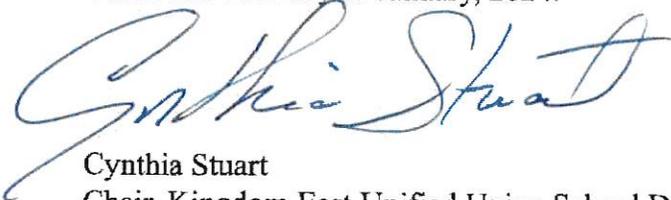
Article 4: Shall the voters of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District approve the Board of School Directors to expend \$49,201,454.91 which is the amount the Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? (Australian Ballot)

Article 5: Shall the voters of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District authorize the School Board to transfer the total amount (50%) of surplus funds in the school year ending June 30, 2024, if any, to the KESD Educational Facilities Reserve Fund and (50%) to the Tax Stabilization Fund? (Australian Ballot)

Article 6: Shall the voters of the district authorize the Board of School Directors to accept and expend such grant monies as may from time to time become available to the school district? (Australian Ballot)

Article 7: To transact any other school business thought proper when met.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2024.



Cynthia Stuart  
Chair, Kingdom East Unified Union School District, Board of School Directors

**WARNING ADDENDUM  
INFORMATIONAL MEETING  
KINGDOM EAST UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

March 4, 2024 at 5:00p.m.

**Town Clerk Office Hours by Town**

<b>Burke</b>	<b>Monday-Friday</b>	<b>8:00am-4:00pm</b>
<b>Concord</b>	<b>Mon, Tues, Thurs</b>	<b>8:00am-4:00pm</b>
<b>Lunenburg</b>	<b>Monday-Thursday</b>	<b>8:00am-12:00pm 1:00pm-3:00pm</b>
	<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00am-12:00pm</b>
<b>Lyndon</b>	<b>Monday-Friday</b>	<b>7:30am-4:30pm</b>
<b>Newark</b>	<b>Tues, Wed, Thurs</b>	<b>8:00am-3:00pm</b>
<b>Sutton</b>	<b>Monday-Thursday</b>	<b>7:30am-4:00pm</b>
<b>Sheffield</b>	<b>Monday, Friday</b>	<b>9:00am-3:00pm</b>
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00am-6:00pm</b>
<b>Wheelock</b>	<b>Tuesday, Thursday</b>	<b>8:30am-3:00pm</b>
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:30am-5:30pm</b>

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

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.

**Member Benefits** - All 247 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 142 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 and technical assistance**, including prompt responses to member questions that often involve how to comply with state and federal requirements. During the past year, staff responded to thousands of member questions and published guidance, templates, research reports, and FAQs. In 2022, VLCT began offering additional government finance training and consulting services and launched the new Federal Funding Assistance Program (FFAP). FFAP offers communities advice on complying with federal rules surrounding pandemic funding, provides direction and insight on accessing billions of dollars in federal infrastructure funding, and provides input to state leaders on designing and implementing grant programs for municipalities.
- **Trainings and timely communications on topics of specific concern to officials** who carry out their duties required by state law. The League provided training via webinars, onsite classes, and during the hallmark annual event, Town Fair, the largest gathering of municipal officials in the state. VLCT's Equity Committee also published an online equity toolkit that assists municipalities in centering the work of justice, diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging in their decision making, policies, practices, and programs.
- **Representation before the state legislature, state agencies, and the federal government**, 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 respond to the pandemic, address road and bridge repair, tackle cybersecurity, improve housing and economic growth, promote renewable energy, provide emergency medical services, address equity and inclusion, and ensure the quality of our drinking water. Specific success in 2022 includes securing \$45 million in funding to help municipalities make energy improvements in their buildings, securing \$250,000 for VLCT's Federal Funding Assistance Program, increasing Municipal Planning Grants to \$870,000, securing \$250,000 for the Vermont Office of Racial Equity to launch the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership Program, and increasing municipal authorities in statute. Members are also represented at the federal level to Vermont's Congressional delegation and through our partner, the National League of Cities.
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