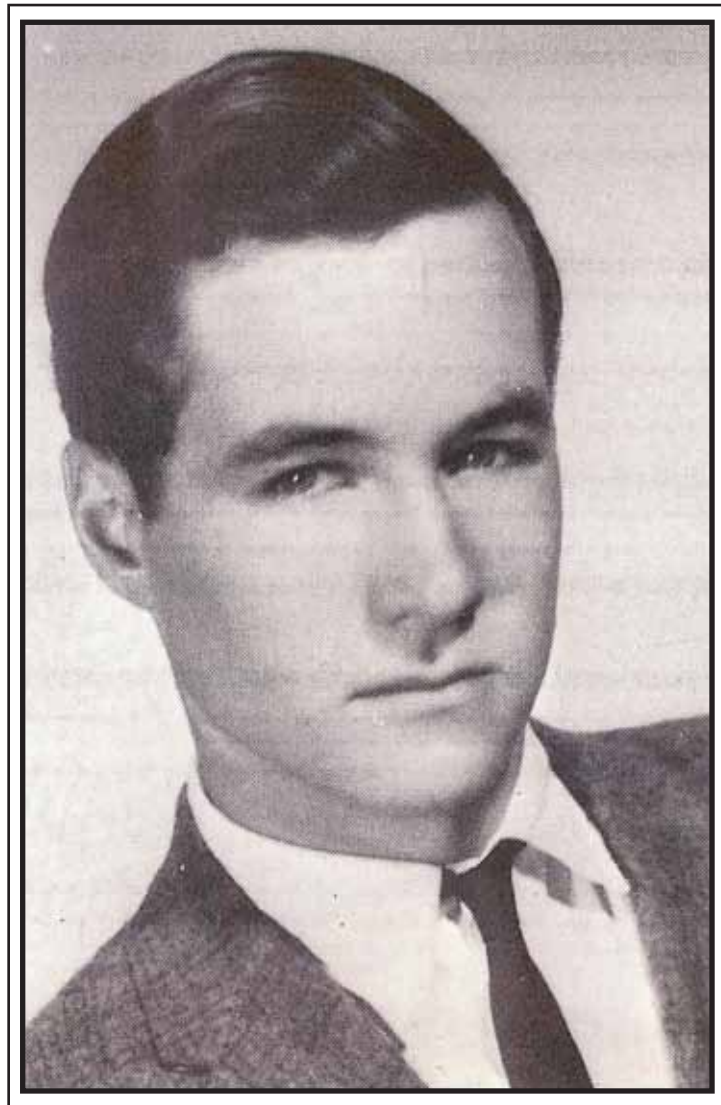


2013
ANNUAL REPORT

Town of
Monkton, Vermont



Please bring your Town Report with you to Town Meeting.
Town Meeting will be on March 4, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.
Polling Hours are from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Monkton Central School.

Marcel Noel Cousino

Marcel grew up in Monkton, attending Monkton Central School as one of the first classes. He graduated from Bristol High School, just a few years before Mt. Abe was built.

Marcel spent 3 years in the US Army from 1968 to 1971. He was first stationed at Fort Dix, NJ, then went on to Fort Eustis, VA, to be trained as an airplane mechanic.

While on leave, he married Zandra Flynn before leaving to serve in Germany for two and a half years. They lived in Schwaebisch Hall. While there, they traveled to Austria, Switzerland and throughout Germany, where they had their first camping experience. Scott was born in Stuttgart in 1970.

After being discharged from the Army, Marcel returned to work at Standard Register in Middlebury. At the same time, Marcel and Zandra built their house on Mountain Road in Monkton in 1972.

Marcel's next job was working at Polymers in East Middlebury. During this time, Amy was born in 1973.

His next venture took him to the Highway Department in Monkton where he has worked for over 30 years. A few years into this job, Ryan was born in 1985.

Marcel was a member of the Monkton Fire Department for several years. His hobbies are camping, bowling, hunting, fishing and spending time with family, which includes attending his grandchildren's activities.

Marcel is now retired, ready for the next chapter in his life!

(Written by Zandra Cousino)

**Thank you Marcel for your many years
of dedication to Monkton.**

Happy Retirement!

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Town of Monkton Officials

OFFICE	Elected / Appointed	Term Length	Term
Town & School Clerk:			
Sharon Gomez	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Asst. Town Clerk:			
John Phillips	Appointed		
Town & School Treasurer:			
Bill Joos (Interim - appointed 11/13)	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Asst. Treasurer:			
	Appointed		
Delinquent Tax Collector:			
William Joos (interim)	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Zoning Administrator:			
Kenneth Wheeling	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Town Moderator:			
Kenneth Wheeling	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
School Moderator:			
Kenneth Wheeling	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Select Board:			
John Phillips	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/14
Stephen Pilcher	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15
Anne Layn	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Roger Parker Jr.	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
John McNerney	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Constable #1			
Charles Huizenga Sr.	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Listers:			
Joseph Boisse	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Bernie Wisniowski	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
John Howard	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Auditors:			
Janet Cassarino	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Mary Jane Huizenga	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Elizabeth Pecor	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Justices of the Peace:	November Election		
Kenneth Wheeling	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15
Susan Camp (Interim 2013)	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15
Janet Cassarino	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15
Julie Mitchell	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15
Jane Low	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/15

Town of Monkton Officials

OFFICE	Elected / Appointed	Term Length	Term
Elementary School Board:			
Kristin Blanchette	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Marikate Kelley	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Robert Radler	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Jennifer Stanley	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Dawn Griswold	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
M.A.U.H.S. School Board:			
Dawn Griswold	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Shawna Sherwin	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Development Review Board:			
Peter Close	Appointed		03/10 - 03/14
Scott Gordon	Appointed		03/10 - 03/14
Open Position	Appointed		04/11 - 03/15
John Windsor	Appointed		08/11 - 03/14
Curtis Layn	Appointed		03/12 - 03/16
Chris Acker	Appointed		03/13 - 03/17
Philip Russell	Appointed		03/13 - 03/17
Thea Gaudette	Appointed	Alternate	08/11 - 03/15
Planning Commission:			
Open Position	Elected		03/12 - 03/15
Thea Gaudette	Elected		03/12 - 03/15
Wendy Sue Harper	Elected		03/11 - 03/14
Peter Close	Elected		03/13 - 03/17
Lee Mahony	Elected		03/13 - 03/17
Sam Burr	Elected		03/13 - 03/17
Open Position	Elected		03/13 - 03/17
Recreation Dept:			
Pete Aube	Appointed		03/13 - 03/16
Stephanie Murray	Appointed		03/13 - 03/15
Robert Radler	Appointed		03/12 - 03/15
Charles Huizenga Sr.	Appointed		03/13 - 03/16
Karla Huizenga	Appointed		03/11 - 03/14
Paul Low	Appointed		03/11 - 03/14
Ed Cook	Appointed		03/13 - 03/16
Health Officer:			
Robin Hopps	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Town Service Officer:			
Bailee Layn-Gordon	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Road Commissioner:			
Wayne Preston	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Asst. Road Foreman:			
Bruce Cassidy	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14

Town of Monkton Officials

OFFICE	Elected / Appointed	Term Length	Term
Fire Warden:			
Gregory Cota	Appointed	5 Yr. Term	04/09 - 04/14
911 Coordinator:			
Diane Bennett	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Town Municipal Building Committee:			
Charles Huizenga, Sr.	Appointed		
Robin Hopps	Appointed		
Thea Gaudette	Appointed		
Tom Steadman	Appointed		
Stephen Pilcher	Appointed		
Conservation Commission:			
Chris Slesar	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/16
Barbara Deal	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/15
Laura Farrell	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/17
Open Position	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Open Position	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/17
Delegates to Addison County Reg. Planning:			
Thea Gaudette	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Charles Huizenga Sr.	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Wendy Sue Harper (alt)	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Delegates to Addison County Solid Waste Management District:			
Deborah Gaynor	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Stephen Pilcher (alternate)	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Energy Committee:			
Charles Huizenga Sr.	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Wendy Sue Harper	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Peter Dufault	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Jay Frater	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Nate Palmer	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Becky Gould	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Open Position	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee (ANAC)			
Deb Gaynor	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Laura Farrell	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Open Position	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Open Position	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Rachel Schattman (alternate)	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Sam Burr	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Recycling Coordinator:			
Amy Moody	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Tree Warden:			
Open Position	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14

Town of Monkton Officials

OFFICE	Elected / Appointed	Term Length	Term
Animal Control Officer:			
Gary Clodgo	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Green Up Coordinator:			
Janet Kimball	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Monkton Fire Chief:	Chosen by the Fire Dept		
David Layn			
Monkton Asst. Fire Chief:	Chosen by the Fire Dept		
Curtis Layn			
Monkton Asst. Fire Chief:	Chosen by the Fire Dept		
Robert Howard			
Historical Society:			
Gil Coates, President	Chosen by MMHS		
Russell Mem. Library:			
Librarian:	Appointed by Library Committee		
Deb Chamberlin			
Asst. Librarian:	Appointed by Library Committee		
Dawn Thibault			
Russell Mem. Library Trustees:			
Patti Padua	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Pete Sutherland	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/16
Gretchen Beaupre	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
Kathy Malzac	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/11 - 03/14
A. Helena Nicolay	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/12 - 03/15
Grand Juror:			
Vacant	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Town Agent to Defend & Prosecute:			
Vacant	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Town Agent to Deed Real Estate:	Elected	1 Yr. Term	
Vacant			
Web Master			
Ian Shultz	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14
Vermont State Police Comm. Adv. Brd.			
Henry Boisse	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/13 - 03/14

**Town of Monkton
Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting
March 5, 2013**

The legal voters of the Town of Monkton met at the Monkton Central School at 10:00 AM on March 5, 2013.

Present: Selectboard (SB) Chair John Phillips, SB Vice Chair Stephen Pilcher, SB members Anne Layn, John McNerney, and Peter Norris, Sr., Town and School Clerk Sharon Gomez, Town and School Treasurer Charles J. Roumas

Town and School Moderator Kenneth Wheeling called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

The moderator advised that copies of the annual poll prepared by Senator Bill Doyle are available. Legislative reports are also available. The moderator requested to dispense with the reading of the Annual Town Meeting Warning in its entirety, with consideration to be given to each article individually, as has been customary. No audience member stated any objection. The moderator then proceeded to Article 1.

Article 1: To elect all Town Officers by Australian ballot.

The moderator reminded the audience that the polls were open until 7:00 PM today. The following were elected as Town Officers:

Town Moderator – 1 Year Term:
School Moderator – 1 Year Term:
Town & School Clerk – 1 Year Term:
Town & School Treasurer – 1 Year Term:
Selectboard – 3 Year Term:
Selectboard – 2 Year Term:
Auditor – 3 Year Term:
Lister – 3 Year Term:
Constable – 1 Year Term:
Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 Year Term:
Monkton Elementary School Board – 3 Years:
Monkton Elementary School Board – 1 Year:
Monkton Elementary School Board – 1 Year:
Mount Abraham UHS School Board – 3 Years:
Planning Commission – 3 Year Term:
Planning Commission – 3 Year Term:
Planning Commission – 3 Year Term:
Planning Commission – 3 Year Term:
Russell Memorial Library Trustee – 3 Year Term:
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Kenneth E. Wheeling – 476 votes
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Sharon G. Gomez – 463 votes
Charles J. Roumas – 454 votes
Roger Parker, Jr. – 414 votes
Stephen Pilcher – 424 votes
Elizabeth Pecor – 444 votes
Bernie Wisniowski – 432 votes
Charles Huizenga, Sr. - 474 votes
Roderick D. Burritt – 447 votes
Robert Radler – 428 votes
Kristin Blanchette – 415 votes
Marikate Kelley – 391 votes
Dawn Griswold – 438 votes
Sam Burr – 402 votes
Peter Close – 389 votes
Jay Frater – 379 votes
Lee Mahony – 379 votes
Helena Nicolay – 418 votes
Patti Padua – 426 votes
Peter Sutherland – 428 votes

Article 2: To receive and act on the Report of the Auditors as submitted.

Roger Wallace moved to accept the Report of the Auditors as submitted. Thea Gaudette seconded the motion. The moderator solicited discussion from the audience, though none was forthcoming. **The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**

Article 3: To set the date for the payment of Real Estate Taxes to the Town Treasurer.

Joe Boisse moved to establish a Real Estate Taxes payment due date/deadline of 5:00 PM, Friday, November, 15, 2013. Michael Bayer seconded the motion. The moderator solicited discussion from the audience. C. Roumas requested consideration of a time deadline on 11/15/13 (as indicated above). **The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**

Article 4: Shall the Town empower the Selectboard to set the Tax Rate when the Grand List is finalized?

J. Boisse moved to empower the Selectboard to set the Tax Rate, as noted above. Laura Farrell seconded the motion. The moderator solicited discussion from the audience, though none was forthcoming. **The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**

Article 5: Shall the Voters approve the following requests by various Social Service Agencies?

a) Addison County Community Action Group (Hope)	\$ 1,250.00
b) Addison County Diversion & Community Justice	\$ 550.00
c) Addison County Counseling Service, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00
d) Addison County Home, Health & Hospice, Inc.	\$ 1,946.00
e) Addison County Parent/Child Center	\$ 1,600.00
f) Addison County Readers (Imag'nLibraryLiteracy)	\$ 450.00
g) Addison County Transit Resources	\$ 850.00
h) Bristol Family Center	\$ 250.00
i) Bristol Recreation Department	\$ 1,500.00
j) Bristol Rescue Squad	\$ 3,700.00
k) Champlain Valley Agency on Aging (corrected)	\$ 1,100.00
l) Elderly Services	\$ 800.00
m) Green Up Vermont	\$ 150.00
n) Hospice Volunteer Services	\$ 300.00
o) John W. Graham Emergency Shelter	\$ 1,000.00
p) Lewis Creek Association	\$ 550.00
q) Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	\$ 198.00
r) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	\$ 285.00
s) Vergennes Rescue Squad	\$ 600.00
t) Vermont Adult Learning	\$ 700.00
u) Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$ 195.00
v) Women Safe (Women in Crisis)	\$ 1,000.00
	<u>\$20,474.00</u>

M. Kelley moved that the listed Social Service Agency requests be considered as a group. The motion was seconded by T. Gaudette. There was no discussion. Kevin Brennan moved that the question be considered; John Linn seconded the motion. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.

A motion to recess at 10:11 AM was made by B. Wisniowski. M. Bayer seconded the motion. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.

K. Wheeling introduced Vermont House of Representatives members Michael Fisher and David Sharpe, who represent Monkton. D. Sharpe commented on the difficult year facing the state, despite the recent weather related challenges having passed. D. Sharpe pointed out the difficulty in funding any type of major legislation. M. Fisher recognized Moderator K. Wheeling for his years of service, and a round of applause followed. M. Fisher spoke about VT Health Net, and the transition to follow. M. Fisher emphasized access to coverage, and the challenge resulting from high out-of-pocket costs. M. Fisher discussed the "cost shift" proposal involving \$24 million. M. Fisher remains hopeful that premium rates will decline. M. Bayer commented on the revenue shortfall in the state, and asked about increasing revenue via the wealthiest Vermonters via a capital gains tax. M. Bayer asked if any chance exists to increase the capital gains tax. M. Bayer also commented that the poorest people in Vermont will be faced with rising costs, and be asked to pay more. D. Sharpe commented on the capital gains tax, which was adjusted several years ago. M. Fisher mentioned the challenge of health care access for many. Kristin Farrell inquired of M. Fisher about possible reductions in health care premiums. M. Fisher replied that the health care bill clearly defines health insurance rates. D. Sharpe advised that the legislature has no appetite for raising taxes. Roger Wallace asked about H131, the "weatherization bill." D. Sharpe believes the tax proposals behind H131 are unworkable. M. Bayer commented on the best way to raise taxes (i.e., in his view: progressive – based on a taxpayer's ability to pay), and chastised the legislature for not recognizing same. M. Bayer expressed disappointment with the legislature's taxation policies. M. Fisher mentioned "Green Mountain Care," which features a broad based approach to financing. M. Fisher mentioned it was an honor to witness community activism in Monkton related to the Addison Natural Gas Project (ANGP), and congratulated the community. A round of applause followed.

T. Gaudette moved to suspend the recess and return to the business of the Town Meeting at 10:34 AM. D. Gaynor seconded the motion. The motion was voted in affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.

Article 6: Shall the Voters approve the following sums of money for the listed purposes?

a) Salaries and General Expenses	\$ 371,055.04
b) Highway Expenses	\$ 752,557.41
c) Monkton Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	\$ 55,000.00
d) Russell Memorial Library	\$ 21,620.00
e) Monkton Museum and Historical Society	\$ 900.00
f) Recreation Fund	\$ 4,500.00
Total:	\$1,205,632.45

The moderator solicited interest in dividing the questions for individual consideration. **M. Bayer moved to divide the questions and consider each individually. J. Linn**

seconded the motion. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator, who referenced pp. 118-119 in the 2012 AR.

1. Item 6a) **J. Boisse moved to discuss Salaries and General Expenses in detail; Peter Huber seconded the motion.** R. Wallace asked about the impact on tax rates if Article 6 passes in its entirety; Town Treasurer C. Roumas received permission from the SB to respond. C. Roumas confirmed an additional .05 tax increase. C. Roumas mentioned increases to the budget (including \$41,000 for legal expenses). R. Wallace asked a follow up question: what is the base? Per C. Roumas, .3696 (see p. 30 of 2012 AR). C. Roumas explained that the base will increase from .3696 to .4850, if the articles are approved. Marcel Cousino asked for a rough approximation of what to expect on his 2013 tax bill. C. Roumas responded, and provided an example. J. Boisse asked what assumptions were made in determining the tax rates, and referenced the Grand List. C. Roumas provided preliminary figures. J. Boisse asked if any growth was assumed in the Grand List. "No," per C. Roumas. The moderator asked if there were other questions or comments. There were none. **A motion was made from the floor to vote on the proposed total of \$371,055.04. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**
2. Item 6b) **Peter Wendland moved to discuss the question related to Highway Expenses. The motion was seconded by J. Boisse.** J. Linn asked if new roadway paving is contemplated. "No," replied Road Commissioner Wayne Preston, but retreatment will happen. Ivor Hughes asked if the ANGP will result in any new highways. P. Norris commented that Monkton roads and winter maintenance are better than almost all other Addison County roadways. P. Norris also praised W. Preston's efforts to secure numerous grants. A sustained round of applause for W. Preston and the Monkton Highway Department followed. The moderator asked if the audience had any other questions or comments. **With discussion concluded, a motion from the floor to approve \$752,557.41 in Highway Expenses was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**
3. Item 6c) **T. Gaudette moved to discuss the question. P. Wendland seconded the motion.** There was no discussion. **A motion was made to vote on the proposed total of \$55,000.00. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**
4. Item 6d) **J. Boisse moved to consider the question. The motion was seconded by P. Wendland.** The moderator asked if the audience wished to discuss any aspect of the question. There were no questions or comments. **A motion was made to vote on the proposed total of \$21,620.00. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**
5. Item 6e) **P. Wendland made a motion to consider the question. B. Wisniowski seconded the motion.** The moderator inquired if any discussion would be forthcoming. There was no discussion. **A motion was made to vote on the proposed total of \$900.00. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**
6. Item 6f) **P. Wendland moved to consider the question. The motion was seconded by Ralph Fitz-Gerald.** There was no discussion. **A motion was made to vote on the**

proposed total of \$4,500.00. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.

Article 7: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY - TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT: Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Monkton in an amount not to exceed One Million Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,050,000) be issued for the purpose of financing the construction of a town office building/library, at an estimated cost of One Million Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,050,000)?

The moderator reiterated that the article was open for discussion only, and warned the audience to refrain from expressing opinions. A lengthy discussion followed. M. Cousino asked if the bond amount only covered construction costs, and did not include ongoing operations expenses. ("Yes," per J. Phillips). Laura Farrell asked about current utility costs versus projected utilities with the new building. J. Phillips and S. Pilcher responded to the inquiry. An audience member asked about the ongoing maintenance of the current town hall. The building's exterior was painted 2 years ago (and will again require attention soon.) Nina Badger asked about open hours for the new building. Robert Radler asked for confirmation of the new building's size (5,300 square feet). Dolores Norris asked about the disposition of the existing town hall. J. Phillips replied that no set plan exists, but the SB is evaluating options.

Article 8: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY - TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT: Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Monkton in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollar Dollars (\$120,000) be issued for the purpose of financing an addition to the fire station, at an estimated cost of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollar Dollars (\$120,000)?

The moderator cautioned the audience to refrain from making statements supporting or dismissing the article. Al Finkbeiner asked for a confirmation of where the addition would be built. C. Huizenga replied. Chief David Layn added further details. A. Finkbeiner asked about the interest rate on the bonds/notes. C. Roumas provided financial details of the bond being considered, including the need to retain bond counsel. Bill Talbot asked about the interest rate. S. Pilcher commented on the actions of the SB, which sought the flexibility of issuing a bond, or financing the project with commercial paper.

Article 9: Shall the voters of Monkton authorize the Selectboard to form a legal fund to represent the Town's interests in the PSB proceedings for the Addison Natural Gas Project, especially an issue that would have an adverse impact on the health, safety or aesthetics of the town, for a sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000)?

Kevin Brennan moved to consider the question. Sue Ledoux seconded the motion. Renee McGuinness requested a current update on events related to the Addison Natural Gas Project (ANGP). J. Phillips responded, and mentioned his contact with the Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC). R. McGuinness asked if a sum to cover projected legal expenses had already been determined. "No," per S. Pilcher, who mentioned the lawyers' recent work for the SB. L. Farrell wanted to know who benefits from the ANGP, and whether eminent domain could apply. J. Phillips responded, and advised that access to natural gas would become available for certain Monkton residents. J. Phillips also cited the potential future benefits to the region as a whole. L. Farrell made a follow-up question: could Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. (VGS) use eminent domain in this matter? "Yes," per J. Phillips. S. Pilcher reviewed the process involving the Public Service Board

(PSB)/landowner/VGS. L. Farrell referenced a precedent from Connecticut. John Zykowski asked if the town had been granted party status. "Yes," per J. Phillips. Nathan Palmer confirmed that eminent domain will likely apply, and expressed his disapproval of the project in its entirety. Ivor Hughes read a statement against the ANGP, endorsed Article 9, and cited projected future energy costs and the resulting negative impact on Monkton residents. R. McGuinness spoke about VGS, and voiced her support of Article 9. M. Cousino commented that "the pipeline is going through anyway." A. Finkbeiner asked if the line would be plastic or steel. J. Phillips replied that specifications appear in the filing. A. Finkbeiner asked about the prospect of tapping into the gas line. J. Phillips responded that he believes Monkton will ultimately receive distribution. M. Bayer mentioned "serial misrepresentations" by VGS, and expressed his support of Article 9. M. Bayer expressed a "no confidence whatsoever" vote in VGS, and was very skeptical of the PSB's ability to support the needs of the town and Monkton residents. M. Bayer mentioned the positive economic ramifications to VGS' business, if the pipeline is completed. Michael Hurlburt spoke against VGS, and urged support of Article 9. R. Wallace spoke in favor of Article 9, but believes holding out for distribution to Monkton residents is unrealistic. An audience member asked if the pipeline/ANGP could be rerouted or otherwise not enter Monkton. J. Phillips replied, and offered the opinion that it is too late to stop the project. Jane Palmer mentioned her contact with other nearby landowners, nearly all of whom oppose the ANGP. R. Wallace reiterated his understanding of the public good aspect in place as it relates to the ANGP and urged approval of Article 9. Robin Hopps spoke in favor of Article 9, and mentioned the need to support all Monkton neighbors, even if one's own property will not be impacted. The moderator reinforced the need to address comments toward the Article in question. Larry Grace asked if the town has the legal fund money set aside. "No," advised J. Phillips. C. Roumas confirmed that the tax rate impact, if Article 9 is approved, will be \$.03. Holly Lukens commented that everyone in Monkton is impacted, not just a handful of property owners along the proposed pipeline route. H. Lukens spoke in favor of Article 9. Jennifer Baker explained the rationale for adding Article 9. J. Baker commented on details made via various requests to the SB. J. Baker does not believe that it is "too late in the game." J. Baker spoke out against VGS. J. Baker restated the importance of the SB acting as the voice of the town. J. Baker commented on the genesis of the \$50,000 sum. J. Phillips commented on his discussions with the town attorney regarding the projected cost of proceedings/expert witnesses, etc... Based on preliminary discussions, the SB hopes that the amount appearing in Article 9 will suffice. The SB pledged to do its best to keep expenses in line. Barbara Deal recognized the ANGP-driven work of the SB as being respectful and responsive, while showing concern for all Monkton citizens. B. Deal wanted the audience to understand "that we're all in this together."

The moderator asked if the audience wished to discuss the question further. There was no interest in more discussion. **The motion to approve the question and create a legal fund not to exceed \$50,000 was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**

Article 10: Shall the Voters of Monkton advise the Selectboard not to issue any road permits for any transmission pipeline route that follows any town road right-of-way under any circumstance, and not to issue any permits for transmission pipelines to cross any town roads until the Selectboard thinks that town residents' concerns about safe setbacks are satisfied?

Article 10: Shall the Voters of Monkton advise the Selectboard not to issue any road permits for any transmission pipeline route that follows any town road right-of-way under any circumstance, and not to issue any permits for transmission pipelines to cross any town roads until the Selectboard thinks that town residents' concerns about safe setbacks are satisfied?

D. Gaynor made a motion to consider the question. R. Hopps seconded the motion. Kevin Corrigan questioned the language in the article, and preferred that "addressed" be struck and replaced with "satisfied." **K. Corrigan moved a secondary motion to strike "addressed", and instead substitute "satisfied."** **M. Bayer seconded the motion.** The moderator solicited discussion. R. Wallace mentioned the need for flexibility in the article's language. J. Baker, who authored the article, confirmed that she has no concern(s) regarding whatever language ultimately appears. J. McNerney asked for a clarification of whether the article is "advisory" only, or not. Depending upon the vote, is this article binding on the SB? (Yes, if approved). M. Bayer commented on what he viewed as imprecise language. J. Boisse commented on content. **The Corrigan secondary motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote and so declared by the Moderator.**

Wendy Sue Harper moved that the language be changed further by adding "until the Selectboard thinks that" as indicated above; R. Hopps seconded the motion. The Hopps secondary motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote and so declared by the Moderator.

Sue Regier asked what the SB can do and cannot do in this matter. M. Bayer asked about transmission lines versus distribution lines, about which J. Phillips spoke as well. Marikate Kelly asked about criteria for issuing road permits. J. Phillips explained that most requests are from power companies, and involve telephone poles or power lines. J. Phillips repeated that the SB is empowered to apply criteria/make permits. J. Phillips confirmed that no specific ordinance exists. Eugenie Doyle questioned the beneficiaries of the ANGP. S. Pilcher commented on E. Doyle's "beneficiary" inquiry, and mentioned 5 plans originally presented. T. Gaudette mentioned that 6 VGS plans were originally presented to the ACRPC, perhaps 2.5 years ago. ACRPC made no judgement on the plans presented. Later, International Paper approached ACRPC about access to gas service. A pipeline on the NY side is not viable, for whatever reason(s). Ed Wageman asked if the SB will contact landowners, if the ANPG is approved. S. Pilcher also commented on requests made to VGS. J. Palmer asked about whether the new filing contains language applying the 300' setback. J. Phillips replied that no new maps have been received by Monkton.

There were no other comments or questions. **The motion (reflecting the revised language appearing in the Article) was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.**

Article 11: Shall the Town of Monkton split the Articles for Town Meeting Day in the following way. Articles for the Town Meeting NOT to be voted on by Australian ballot will be discussed and voted on the Saturday before the first Tuesday in March. Articles for the Town Meeting that WILL be voted on by Australian ballot will be voted on the first Tuesday in March.

M. Cousino made a motion to consider the question. S. Pilcher seconded the motion. S. Pilcher authored the Article and explained his intent. J. Linn expressed a concern that only Australian ballot items would be discussed while Town Meeting was convened.

Australian ballot will be discussed and voted on the Saturday;" the motion was seconded by M. Bayer. Further discussion followed. Patrick Rowe pointed out a contradiction in the article, if the voters approve the amended language. The moderator advised about Roberts Rules of Order. **S. Pilcher moved the question; seconded by M. Rickner. The motion was voted in the negative by voice vote, defeated, and so declared by the moderator.**

J. McNerney moved to strike the first 2 sentences and instead add wording to read "move town meeting to Saturday, with Articles to be voted on Tuesday." R. Radler seconded the motion. More discussion followed. R. Radler expressed concern about the disruption to the school. Laurie Earle noted that the Addison Central School closes for Town Meeting Day, as do state offices. D. Norris mentioned the need to have town meeting scheduled to accommodate the most voters possible. An audience member noted that parking is always a challenge. R. Radler asked if the proposed new town office could accommodate the town meeting. "No," per J. Phillips. Several audience members spoke in favor of retaining a weekday meeting. K. Corrigan commented on the history of town meetings on Tuesdays, and the difficulty that poses for many to attend. Deb Boyer asked why voting cannot happen on a different day. M. Bayer spoke in support of a Saturday meeting, but noted that moving the date will not necessarily increase attendance. R. Hopps estimated that 10% of Monkton's population attended today. D. Gaynor spoke against the amendment, but asked the SB to study the issue (and consider forming a committee or circulating a town-wide survey, for example). S. Desimone suggested that an Australian ballot be used to answer the question, so those not here can have a voice. Alice Camp commented on the importance of the issue. **An audience member moved the question. The motion was voted in the negative by voice vote, defeated, and so declared by the moderator.**

C. Huizenga moved to adjourn at 12:40 PM. S. Desimone seconded the motion. The motion was voted in the affirmative by voice vote, and so declared by the moderator.

Minutes submitted by
Bill Joos

Approved:

Sharon M. Gomez Town Clerk
John Phillips - selectboard

**ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
MONKTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MARCH 4, 2013**

The legal voters of the Monkton Town School District met at the Monkton Central School (MCS) at 7:30 PM on March 4, 2013.

School Board (SB) Members Present: Dawn Griswold, Robert Radler, Kristin Blanchette, Marikate Kelley, and Jennifer Stanley

Others Present: School Moderator Kenneth Wheeling, ANESU Assistant Superintendent Nancy Cornell, MCS Principal Susan Stewart, School Treasurer Charles Roumas, Town and School Clerk Sharon Gomez (minutes taker), and approximately 15 Monkton residents.

School Moderator K. Wheeling called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM. K. Wheeling referenced page 114 of the 2012 Annual Report (2012 AR) of the Town of Monkton. With the consent of the house, the moderator dispensed with the reading of the warning in its entirety. The audience then considered each article individually.

Article 1: To establish salaries for the Town School District Officers.

The moderator advised that the article was open for discussion. The article was discussed briefly, mainly about the current pay rate of \$31.00 per meeting, the same rate as last year. S. Pilcher moved to maintain the same pay rate of \$31.00 per meeting. Charlie Huizenga seconded the motion. **The voters responded in the affirmative, and the motion was so declared by the moderator.**

Article 2: To elect all town school district officers by Australian Ballot. Polls are open from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM, Tuesday March 5, 2013.

The moderator referred the audience to page 117 of the 2012 AR to see the listed candidates.

Article 3: For discussion only: VOTE TO BE TAKEN BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013 BETWEEN 7:00 AM AND 7:00 PM. Shall the voters of the Monkton Town School District appropriate \$2,608,505 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2013?

The moderator advised that the article was open for consideration. A very lengthy discussion followed. Andy Letourneau asked about the change in the Assessment – Supervisory Union (account 5331) appearing on page 103 (see footnote 5331 located on page 105). R. Radler explained it was a district-wide decision. John McNerney stated that MCS would be losing a half person when one person was employed to serve the district. S. Stewart advised that there is no formal technology support system now. S. Stewart reported that four people would be available to assist, including a help desk. The SU is stepping in to assist MCS.

Julianna Doherty shared her concern about students “limping along,” and how some children are not able to use the computers fully because of the technology issues within MCS. Laura Farrell asked questions about the school’s wireless problems. Mark Rickner stated that he does not see funds in the budget for updates to either computer equipment/technology or money set aside to address technology challenges. The audience expressed much concern about the reliability of the technology being used in MCS classrooms today. Another concern voiced was the cost to upgrade. M. Rickner asked about the disposition of any remaining funds in the technology budget.

Article 4: To see if the voters of the Monkton Town School District will authorize the Monkton Town School District Board of Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year, as provided in 16 V.S.A. ‘562 (9).

J. McNerney moved to approve the article as warned; Lauren Parren seconded the motion. **The voters responded in the affirmative, and the motion was so declared by the moderator.**

Article 5: To transact any business properly coming before said meeting.

Deb Mager-Rickner mentioned Safe Routes to School, and suggested building walking paths around town so students could walk to MCS. It was also mentioned that state and federal funding might be available. Steve Pilcher advised that Thea Gaudette is investigating guidelines and funding options for Safe Routes to School. M. Rickner said that information should be in a file at town hall from prior work on the topic.

The audience expressed concern about instrumental music instruction related to changes and cutbacks. It was suggested that instrumental and vocal music arts instruction should be available at MCS.

R. Radler invited anyone interested to come in and help at MCS. Residents are also always welcome to participate in the monthly school board meetings.

L. Farrell voiced a concern about the MCS roof, which still has minor leaking. The roof has received numerous temporary fixes over time. Significant structural concerns will need to be addressed.

Eugenie Doyle questioned the librarian’s position (.5 librarian/.5 technology). S. Stewart explained the details related to this position.

J. Doherty asked about the math program. J. Doherty questioned whether a need exists to retain a math specialist on staff. J. Doherty wondered if the students are prepared well enough academically for their move to MAUMS/MAUHS.

A. Letourneau mentioned a rumor that NECAPS were going away. A. Letourneau was told that the school was moving to the Smart Balanced Achievement Consortium (SBAC), with assessments to be taken online. M. Rickner stated his concern with the online assessment program. S. Stewart understands the concern, which she views as valid. S. Stewart advised the audience that MCS is already using some online testing assessment programs, so the children are familiar with the process. Terri Fitz-Gerald wanted to know if SBAC testing hones in on a specific skill level for each child. M. Rickner asked if all the testing was improving learning. K. Blanchette advised that scores for students receiving free and reduced lunches have improved.

C. Huizenga made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 PM; seconded by S. Pilcher.

The moderator adjourned the meeting.



Zandra & Marcel - 2005

Auditors' Report

The undersigned auditors of the Town of Monkton have examined the financial accounts, records and reports of the town officers and declare them to be correct to the best of our knowledge. The financial statements submitted in the Annual Town Report accurately represent the financial position and results of the operation of the Town of Monkton for the year ending, December 31, 2013.

The town reports are mailed to the legal voters of the Town of Monkton as required by the Vermont State Statutes. If you do not receive a copy, you may pick one up at the Town Clerk's office.

Each year, after our year-end audit of the town's books, we begin working on the next year's town report. It is essential that we receive the reports from town groups in a timely manner so that we can get the town report into people's homes by the required time before Town Meeting.

We appreciate any pictures you can provide for next year's Town report; kids, pets, an event, an interesting scene - all are welcome! Drop pictures off at the Town Hall any time. If you want your pictures back, please be sure to put your name & phone number on the envelope. Thank you to those of you that have provided pictures in the past.

Each year, the Monkton Town Report is dedicated to a person, town organization or building. Past tributes have included more than fifteen people, the road crew, Russell Memorial Library, the fire department and our old historic Town Hall. We would welcome input for future covers and/or dedications of Monkton's Town Report. Please submit your suggestion in writing to the auditors by January 1st of 2015 for next year.

Respectfully,

Janet Cassarino, M. Jane Huizenga and Elizabeth Pecor
Auditors, Town of Monkton, VT



A Dedication to Ruth French 1913-2013

Ruth Elizabeth Meader French was born in Monkton on June 19th, 1913 to Frank and Edna Meader. As a youngster, she followed her older brothers around as they worked on the farm or in the woods and in the spring, sugaring. They, in her words, always “looked out for her” and she always thought a lot of them.

Ruth graduated from Bristol High School in 1931 and from Castleton Normal School in 1933. She went on to teach at the Kaolin School, the Shattuck School and the Ridge School (all one-room schools in Monkton).

She and Randall French were married on June 25th, 1942. Randall soon had to leave for the Army. After WWII ended, they were back in Monkton starting their dairy farm and raising their family of three children.

When the youngest child was old enough to start school, Ruth went back to teaching, this time at the Barnumtown School. The town built Monkton Central School in 1960, which she taught at until she retired in 1970.

Always a farmer at heart, during the summers she worked with Randall on the farm, especially during haying time. She drove the tractor to mow and rake and did most of the baling while Randall loaded the wagon.

Like many rural people, Ruth loved nature and animals. She would often point out interesting things to her children. “What animal made that track?” or “What plant or flower is that?” she would ask. One summer there was an orphaned baby woodchuck that learned to drink from a doll’s bottle.

In her nineties, despite her age, she still had some of her sense of humor and would sometimes come out with a surprising “zinger”!

Ruth was a Quaker by birth and attended the Friends Church at Monkton Ridge. She was active in town affairs, was on the Board of Civil Authority and was a Justice of the Peace. She was a 50 year member of the Florona Grange, a member of the Cedar Lake Homemakers Club and was a past member of the Eastern Star.

(As written by Marlene French Russell)



Ruth French feeding “Chucky”



Monkton Ridge School-1938

Teacher Ruth Meader w/ eight grades

Back Row- Rollin Thomas, Robert Carpenter, Guy Burritt, Rod Burritt, Floyd Carpenter

3rd Row- Edwin Russell, Hester Lawrence, Mary Lee Russell, Mildred Sweet, Lorraine Casey, Charles Bell

2nd Row- Lois Burbank, Irene Sweet, Ila Belle Burritt, Miss Meader, Letty Cox, Charlene Bell, Rachel Lawrence

Front Row- Gordon Owen, Arland Sweet, Clark Bell, Duane (?) Sweet, Dickie Hamel, Richard Sweet



Barnumtown School-1956

Standing- Teacher Ruth French, Gregory Cota, Roger Shea, Chuck Meader, Sheila Agan, Alton Owen,
Margaret Parker, Yvette Morin

Back Row Seated- Robert Morin, Joyce Shepard, Marcia Hanson, Darlene Smith, George Agan

Middle Row Seated- Janice Vrooman, Gary Weller, Bernadette Cousino, Margaret French, Keith Rivers

Front Row Seated- John Provoncha, Roger Cota, Brenda Bennett, Bruce Parker

Peter Norris Sr.

Pete is a 45 year resident of Monkton, moving to town after receiving his engineering degree. With the help of his brothers, he built a home on Monkton Ridge in 1969 for his family; wife, Delores and children Helen, Peter Jr. and Mike. They also built a barn to house livestock and hay. Being raised on various farms in Vermont, Pete, part of a family of fifteen children, eleven of which were boys, raised cattle; haying the fields on Mountain Road during weekends and vacations.

Pete has been active with and helped to implement many changes going on in town through the years, including the formation and being a lifetime member of the Monkton Volunteer Fire Department, forming zoning regulations, purchase of and the Monkton Rec Field with the help of a federal/state grant, being a member of the Monkton Planning Commission for three years and being a member of the Select Board during two different periods for a total of fifteen years.

Pete worked at IBM for 28 years receiving an IBM corporate award in 1989. He was also appointed to the State Act 250 Board in 2009 by then Governor Jim Douglas and continues in that capacity presently. Pete still remains active in town interests and gatherings.

Family is an important part of Pete's life with many gatherings and participation in family plans and problem solving through the years. He looks forward to the fall of the year, when deer hunting starts. He has many cherished memories of time spent hunting with his brothers.
(Information from Michael Norris)

Thank you, Pete, for being an important citizen of Monkton.



Selectboard Report 2013

This past year, 2013, has been a year of change and contentious issues.

Change has come in several forms, with many valued members of the community leaving Monkton or retiring from long held positions. A short, and by no means comprehensive list, would include:

- Peter Norris (Selectboard Member)
- Mike Bayer (Chair of the Planning Committee)
- Janet Dermody (DRB member)
- Chuck Roumas (Town and School Treasurer)
- Rod Burritt (Delinquent Tax Collector)
- Marcel Cousino (member of the Highway Department)
- Caitlin Cusack (ANAC Secretary and Tree Warden)

The loss of the institutional knowledge represented by these long-serving members of town government will be a challenge.

But change also came in the form of the continued expansion of the Monkton Energy Committee, a new Town Plan generated by the Planning Committee, a Public Areas Ordinance adopted by the Selectboard and the anticipated signing of a contract with Efficiency Vermont to implement PACE projects in Monkton.

Monkton has also had no shortage of difficult issues. First and foremost, is Vermont Gas and the Addison Natural Gas Project (ANGP), which is slated to run a natural gas pipeline 7.5 miles through the heart of Monkton. There have been many changes to the route, discussions, hearings, letters and testimony with regard to this issue. The chronology is well captured on the Town website under Town Info/Vermont Gas Project.

At Town Meeting in March, two articles were passed with regard to the ANGP. Article 9 authorized the Selectboard to spend up to \$50,000 to represent the Town of Monkton's interests before the Public Service Board (PSB). Article 10 advised the Selectboard not to issue a Town Right-of-Way permit until town residents' concerns about safe setbacks are satisfied.

In June the Selectboard approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Vermont Gas with regard to the ANGP. This MOU did not give support to the project. The MOU addresses some of the concerns the Town has with the project that include, but are not limited to, the environmental impacts, safety, construction practices, easement language, and economic impacts of the pipeline. While the MOU is far from perfect, the Selectboard is proud of the concessions it was able to obtain from Vermont Gas in the negotiations.

The PSB, after long deliberations and testimony from numerous parties including representatives of the Town of Monkton, Monkton landowners Nate and Jane Palmer and Michael Hulburt, awarded a Certificate of Public Good (CPG) for the ANGP on December 23, 2013. While there were some modifications of the pipeline route in the 157 page Final Order issued by the PSB, there remain two landowners with residences within the 300 foot safety setback requested by the Selectboard.

The Selectboard is currently considering the Town Right-of-Way Permit application by Vermont Gas.

In addition to Vermont Gas, the Town of Monkton was, and in some cases still is, involved with several other legal proceedings.

- Brisson Stone applied for a conditional zoning permit to construct a rock crushing operation on Monkton Road. This application was denied by the DRB after a series of long and spirited hearings. Brisson Stone is currently appealing the decision in Environmental Court and filed a separate action in the Environmental Court on procedural grounds. The Selectboard authorized legal counsel in support of the efforts of the DRB.
- Donald Gould has sued the Town claiming that the adoption of the Unified Planning Document (the new zoning regulations) adopted by special election in February 2012 was flawed on procedural grounds. He also claims constitutional violations.
- Willowell applied for a conditional zoning permit to construct multiple buildings on Bristol Road over several phases. The DRB approved the zoning permit with several conditions. Willowell is contesting the conditions in Environmental Court, and again the Selectboard has had to hire legal counsel to support the DRB.
- The Listers were involved in two legal cases. In the first, a carryover from the 2011 Grand List, the Vermont Supreme Court unanimously upheld the practice used by the Listers to assess multi-lot parcels. In the second, the taxpayer and the Listers negotiated a settlement which was acceptable to the Superior Court.

The Selectboard hosted a workshop for members of Town Government on good governance, core values and how to run a successful meeting. The Selectboard hopes to hold similar trainings in the coming year.

Creating the town budget and setting the Municipal Tax rate is an important part of any year for the Selectboard. When setting the Tax Rate for 2013 the Selectboard was very disappointed with the tax rate calculation. The Municipal Tax Rate is a result of the 2013 budget presented in the 2012 Town Report but the Selectboard did not understand the continuing effect of the decision taken in

the 2012 budget to run a deficit equal to the 2013 delinquent taxes. The 2013 Municipal Tax Rate was 0.5238, or as it is sometimes referred to 52.38 cents.

While this rate is quite high, and the Selectboard has worked with all parts of Town government to decrease it. Historically speaking the Municipal Tax Rate has only increased by 3% over the rate declared in 2008 and 2009. Here is the historical data:

- 2008 – 0.5088
- 2009 – 0.5088
- 2010 – 0.4186
- 2011 – 0.4418
- 2012 – 0.3696
- 2013 – 0.5238

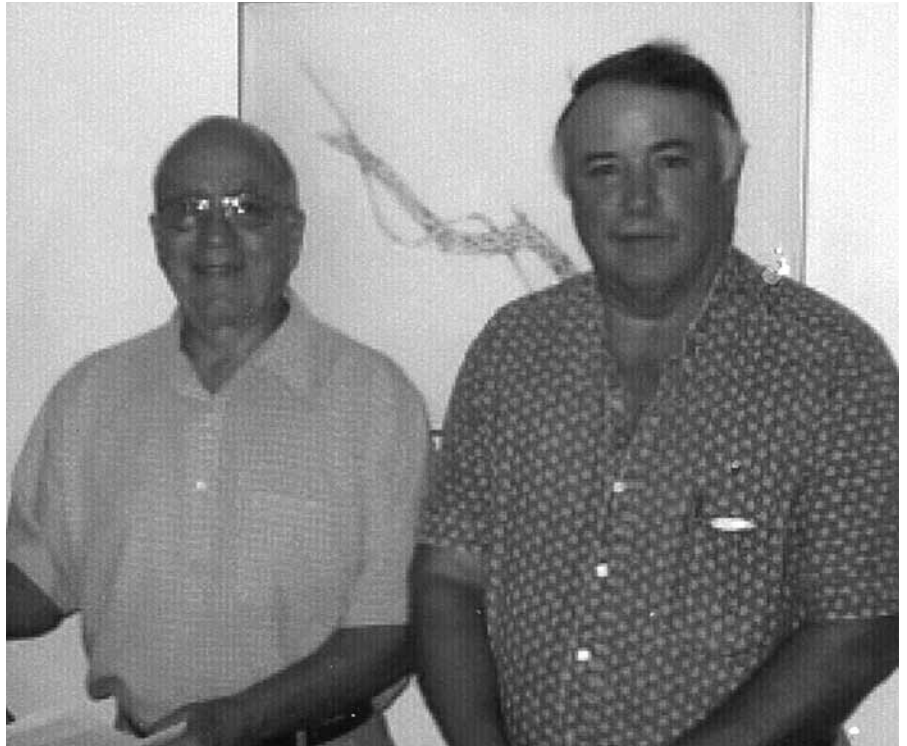
The 2014 budget currently submitted by the Selectboard will result in an approximate Municipal Tax Rate of 0.5073 (50.73 cents) if all the budgetary articles pass as written. The Budgetary Municipal Tax Rate Worksheet is included in this report on the following page.

The Selectboard is very appreciative of those who serve the Town of Monkton, as volunteers for various committees, as volunteer firefighters, at Russell Memorial Library, as members of the Highway Department, and at Town Hall. Thanks also to the citizens of Monkton who attend meetings, write letters, participate in Town Meeting and engage in conversation about the Town.

Respectively Submitted,

Monkton Selectboard

Anne Layn – Vice Chair
John McNerney – Clerk
Roger Parker Jr.
John Phillips
Stephen Pilcher – Chair



Former Monkton Selectmen
Henry Boisse & Peter Norris

**Calculating the 2014
Projected Municipal Tax Rate
For Budgetary Purposes**

The Selectboard calculates a projected Municipal Tax Rate to help make decisions regarding amounts to fund Capital and Special Funds and to help make judgments regarding spending in parts of the budget. These calculations are not precise since the Grand List is part of the equation. The Grand List is the sum of all the property assessments in Monkton. Also, Articles in the Town Warning can be amended or voted down.

Simply put the Municipal Tax Rate is the budget surplus or deficit from the previous year plus the Town expenses minus the Town revenues with the result divided by the Grand List.

The 2013 General Fund deficit = **\$ 160,804.57**
The 2013 Highway Fund surplus = **\$29,312.68**

The Town Revenues for 2014 occur in two places in the budget:

General Fund Total Revenues = **\$ 281,362.35**
Highway Fund Total Revenues = **\$ 149,770.00**

The Town Expenses for 2014 come from several locations

Article 5 = **\$ 21,224.00**
Article 6 = **\$ 1,170,331.73**
Article 10 = **\$ 10,000.00**

There are also some funds which are funded at the discretion of the Selectboard

Highway Capital Equipment Fund = **\$ 20,000.00**

The projected total property taxes to be raised in 2014 is all the expenses minus all the revenues

Projected Taxes To Be Raised = **\$921,915.27**

The 2013 Grand List (divided by 100 for the purposes of calculating tax rate) was **\$1,790,416.59**. The Listers have projected a 1.5% increase in the Grand List so the projected grand list for 2014 is

Projected 2014 GrandList = **\$1,817,272.84**

Projected 2014 Municipal Tax Rate = **0.5073**

Road Commissioner's Report 2013

After many years, changes have started with the road crew. Long-time employee, Marcel Cousino, has retired after 31 years of devoted service to the Town of Monkton. We hired Marcel in 1982 with what, I think, was very little knowledge of what his job would be like for the next 31 years. During the ice storms when you could not even stand up, but still had to get in the truck to sand, the blizzards, floods and anything else the weather could dish out, Marcel was there to meet the challenge. I think back on those years and cannot think of a time when I called him into work on a weekend or middle of the night that he did not show up. Thanks Marcel, from all of us. Enjoy your retirement!

FYI: We spent a lot of time mowing roadsides this year. The new mower that we purchased works great and is much faster. Wet years like we had this summer and fall means a lot more grading of the gravel roads, which in turn means extra costs of blades and fuel. We did about 1000 ft. reconstruction on Mountain Road, 2000 ft. on Boro Hill and about 1000 ft. on Rotax Road. Hopefully these areas will no longer be a problem during mud season.

We are asking to trade our 1990 John Deere bucket loader this year because of some repair costs that are due. We purchased it used in 2000 and have utilized it for thirteen years. If we purchase a new one, it should last 20 to 25 years.

Wayne Preston
Road Commissioner



Bruce Cassidy, Earl Hanson, Wayne Preston, Marcel Cousino

Town of Monkton Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2013

Treasurer's Message

Greetings:

The attached statements and notes report the Town's financial status and activity for the past year. You are encouraged to read the notes preceding the financial statements because they define terms and fund types used and amplify information in the statements. These were prepared internally from our own computerized records.

The Selectboard's proposed 2014 budget, 2014 summary of proposed expenditures and 2014 Capital Replacement Plan, along with a listing of the Town's Major Fixed Assets, are shown after the financial statements for your information.

The Treasurer ensures the Town Monies are securely held, receive a fair return, and are distributed prudently and accurately to employees and vendors in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and the direction of our citizens via the annual Town Meeting. The Treasurer is also responsible for the billing and receipt of annual property taxes.

2013 was the sixth year for the revised procedure the State uses to report and pay property tax adjustments from the Vermont Department of Taxes. The Town received electronically the Department's list of property owners' names and school parcel account numbers (SPAN) to credit homeowners' property tax adjustments towards 2013 property taxes. The Town then issued each property tax bill for the remaining balance due. Once again, in 2013, the Town never actually received these homestead rebate monies to distribute to the schools. The State pays these monies directly to the schools, on its own pre-determined schedule, essentially bypassing the Town accounts. This will continue to present a cash flow challenge for the Town especially during the Apr-Nov period. The Town does internal borrowing against reserves. The Town did need a Tax Anticipation Note during 2013.

Important Reminders to Taxpayers:

- Tax bills are mailed to the owner of record as of April 1st of each year. If you have sold your property by the time you receive your tax bill, please forward the bill to the new owners.
- If you have your taxes escrowed with your mortgage, you should pay close attention to changes in your net taxes due and communicate with your mortgage lender. The escrow companies will not necessarily be aware of changes unless they hear from you and will withhold at a level higher than you prefer. Forwarding a copy of your tax bill to your escrow company will help ensure your taxes are paid accurately and on time.
- Subject to approval at Town Meeting, taxes are due for 2014 in the Treasurer's office by 5:00 PM, Monday, November 17, 2014. Check your tax bills closely. The due date and time will appear on the bill. The Town accepts postmarks only that are **PRIOR TO THE DUE DATE** (That means no later than Saturday, November 15th, 2014).
- There is also a secure lockbox to the right of the Town Hall's front door where payments can be inserted. The lockbox is checked several times daily. Taxpayers using the lockbox will be mailed a receipt. Thankfully, many taxpayers are now using the lockbox or mail their payments. This has reduced lines and waiting time.

- You may also make pre-payments to the Treasurer anytime during the year. Any partial payments made during the year up to the due date are recorded as on time, and are not subject to late penalties or interest charges. Unfortunately, historically, 3-5% of Monkton's residents have "delinquent balances" (those unpaid as of the due date deadline) subject to penalty and interest charges each year. By offering the options of mail, lockbox drop-off, and pre-payments, the Town continues to try to minimize this impact on its citizens.

2013 was a year of transition in the Treasurer's office, with the departure of Charles J. Roumas, who relocated to Connecticut. Mr. Roumas served the Town and Schools with distinction for five years. Mr. Roumas provided great expertise, and his contributions were many. I want to thank the many citizens who have welcomed me to the position of Interim Treasurer. I pledge to do my best to learn the intricacies of the position, and serve the Town well.

Best wishes for a year filled with health, enjoyment and prosperity.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William C. Joos', with a stylized flourish at the end.

William C. Joos, Interim Treasurer
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Town of Monkton
Financial Statements
For The Year Ended December 31, 2013

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Town of Monkton
Notes to Financial Statements
For The Year Ended December 31, 2013

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Town of Monkton ("Town") is organized, according to State law and Town Charter under the governance of a five (5) member Selectboard to provide the following services for the Town: public health and safety, highways and streets, public improvements, planning and zoning, recreation, and general administration.

Reporting Entity:

This report includes all of the services provided by the Town to residents, and all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of Town. The criteria used by the Town are financial accountability and the nature and significance of the relationship.

Fund Accounting:

The Town uses several funds and account groups to account for its financial position and results of operations. A fund or account group is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses as appropriate established to record the financial position and result of operations of a specific activity. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Concentration of Risk:

The Town receives the majority of its revenues from property taxes and service charges assessed on residences and businesses located in the Town of Monkton. Additionally, the Town receives revenues from the State of Vermont primarily as highway and community development grants.

The various funds and account groups are grouped in the general-purpose financial statements in this report, as follows:

Governmental Fund Types:

Governmental Fund Types account for the ongoing general government activities of the Town that are financed with general government revenues.

General Fund - The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds (except for major capital projects) of specific revenue sources that are restricted or designated for expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Project Funds - The Capital Project Funds are used to account for all resources to be used for acquisition, construction or improvement of major capital facilities, infrastructure and equipment. Separate capital projects are reported as separate funds.

Fiduciary Funds (Agency Funds):

Agency Funds. The Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other funds and/or governmental units.

Town of Monkton
Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended December 31, 2013

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurements of results of operations.

Account Group:

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the long-term debt associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - General long-term debt account group accounts for the principal amount of long-term debt and other long-term obligations of the governmental funds. The account group is not a fund. It is concerned only with the measurement of financial position. It is not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

Basis of Accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounting and reported in the financial statements. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus.

The Town's governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. Accordingly, only current assets and liabilities are included on the balance sheet and the fund balances report only spendable resources. Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net assets. These funds use the modified cash basis of accounting. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are available and measurable and expenditures are recorded when the fund liability is incurred and funds are released. Revenues that may be accrued include federal and state grants, property taxes, and interest. Other financing sources such as bond proceeds are recognized when the debt is issued or the transaction is completed.

The agency funds are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. The assets of the agency funds are accounted for on the modified cash basis of accounting, and funds liabilities equal their assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of reporting cash flows, all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable/Allowance for Doubtful Accounts:

No allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary, since the Town has the right to put a lien on property with delinquent property taxes.

Prepaid Items:

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future periods. In the governmental funds, the cost of prepaid items is generally recorded as an expenditure when the payments are made. In the proprietary funds, these items are recorded as prepaid items.

Town of Monkton
Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended December 31, 2013

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Long-term Obligations:

Long-term debt expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for at face value in the general long-term debt account group, not in the governmental funds. Debt proceeds are reported in a governmental fund as an other financing source, net of any premium or discount and issuance costs. Expenditures for the payment of principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized in the General and Highway operating funds when the payments are due.

Budgets:

The Town is required by state law to adopt a budget for the General and Highway Funds. The budget is presented on the modified cash basis of accounting. The operating budget is prepared by the Selectboard and approved by the Selectboard at a properly warned meeting for presentation to the voters. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures by line item and the means of financing them. The budget is approved by town voters at a properly warned annual town meeting. The voters vote on the total expense amount and not on the individual line items presented in these financial statements.

NOTE 2 - PENSIONS

VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

All municipal employees who work on a regular basis for not less than 24 hours per week and for not less than 1040 hours in a year are eligible to participate in the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System ("VMERS"). Enrollment is mandatory and employees must be enrolled in the VMERS as soon as the eligibility requirements previously described are met, regardless of any probationary period established by the town. There are four levels of contributions and benefits in the System called Groups A, B, C, and D. The Town participates in Group B. Normal retirement for Group A members is age 65 or the completion of 5 years of service, whichever is later. Normal retirement for Group B members is age 62 and the completion of 5 years of creditable service. Normal retirement for Group C and D members is age 55 and the completion of 5 years of creditable service. A member may receive reduced benefits at age 55 if they have 5 years of service and have made contributions for at least 2.5 years.

The System is an actuarial reserve, joint-contributory program. Both the members and the Town make contributions to the fund according to Group B from the following options:

	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
Employees' contributions (% of gross wages)	2.50%	4.625%	9.250%	11.00%
The Town's contributions (% of gross wages)	4.00%	5.125%	6.625%	9.625%

Employee contributions are withheld pre income tax by the Town and are remitted to the State of Vermont. Such withholdings totaled \$9,207 during the year. The Town contributed \$10,216 during the year.

NOTE 3- SHORT TERM DEBT

Because the Town bills and collects its property tax revenues towards the very end (mid-November) of each fiscal year (same as calendar year), cash flow management can be challenging. For the first 10.5 months of each year, the Town pays employees and vendors from monies collected from the prior year. On May 13, 2013, the Town secured a Tax Anticipation Note for \$295,000 from the National Bank of Middlebury. Total Interest Expense associated with this Note is \$2,593.54, and is included within 2013 General Fund expenditures.

NOTE 4 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The Town issues general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities, renovations, and equipment purchases. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the issuing entity. These bonds are generally issued as 20-year serial bonds with equal amounts of principal maturing each year. The Town's debt obligations for less costly projects (e.g. road equipment) are notes payable from local institutions.

The following is a summary of general obligation bonds & notes at year-end:

People's United Bank, John Deere 772D motor grader note payable, interest at 3.80% paid annually, principal of \$10,200 due October 27 th of each year until October 27, 2014. Originally borrowed \$99,000 via Citizens Bank on November 30, 2005; switched lenders in 2009 for better rate.	\$10,200
People's United Bank, 5 acres Ridge Road land note payable, interest at 2.25% established annually, principal of \$18,400 due September 10 th of each year until September 10 th , 2012, originally borrowed \$92,000 on September 11, 2007.	\$ 0
Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, Fire Station bond payable, scheduled at 4.07% paid semi-annually, principal of \$20,000 due December 1 st of each year until 2015, then \$15,000 due on December 1 st of 2016, originally borrowed \$275,000 on July 1, 2002. (Bond refinanced by VMBB July '11 @ 2.965% NIC)	\$55,000
People's United Bank, 2009 Mack dump truck note payable, interest at 3.35% paid annually, principal of \$21,560 due August 1 st of each year until August 1 st , 2013. Truck purchased July 31 st , 2008 for \$166,497.50. Originally borrowed \$107,800.	\$ 0
Merchants Bank, 2013 Mack dump truck note payable, interest at 1.69% payable June 14, 2013. This will be renewed annually for 5 years, with a principal reduction payment annually of \$21,806, until June 13, 2017. Truck purchased June 28, 2012 for \$189,030.00. Total borrowed was \$109,030.	\$ 87,224
Total	<u>\$152,424</u>

The annual debt service requirement to maturity for general obligation bonds and notes including interest are as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
During the year ended December,			
2014	52,006	4,232	56,238
2015	41,806	2,839	44,645
2016	36,806	1,755	38,561
2017	<u>21,806</u>	<u>654</u>	<u>22,460</u>
Totals	<u>\$152,424</u>	<u>\$9,480</u>	<u>\$161,904</u>

The following is a summary of changes in Long-term Debt:

	Balance December 31, 2012	Increase	Decrease	Balance December 31, 2013
13 Mack Dump Truck Note	109,030	0	21,806	87,224
09 Mack Dump Truck Note	21,560	0	21,560	0
John Deere Motor Grader	20,400	0	10,200	10,200
Fire Station Bond	<u>75,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>55,000</u>
Totals	<u>\$225,990</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$73,566</u>	<u>\$152,424</u>

NOTE 5- CASH AND REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Cash deposits with financial institutions at December 31st are presented below:

As major revenues are received during the year bank deposits may temporarily exceed \$250,000.

There are four categories of credit risk that apply to the Town's bank balances:

1. Insured or collateralized with securities held by the government or by the government's agent in the government's name.
2. Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the bank's name.
3. Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the government's name. (i.e. repurchase agreements)
4. Uncollateralized.

Balances held in each area are as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
- Insured (FDIC)	\$250,000	\$250,000
1. Insured or registered or secured, held by Town or by the Town's agent in the Town's name	0	0
2. Uninsured and Unregistered: Collateral held by the counterparty or its Trust department or agent but not in Town's name	151,435	249,504

3. Uninsured and Unregistered:		
Collateral held by the counterparty's trust		
department or agent in the Town's name	0	0
4. Uncollateralized and Uninsured	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total deposits	\$ <u>401,435</u>	\$ <u>499,504</u>

All amounts of insured and collateralized cash always equal total deposits throughout the year. Bank Balance exceeds Carrying Amount due to outstanding checks written in 2013 not yet cashed by payees.

NOTE 6 - COMMITMENTS

The Town receives significant financial assistance from the State of Vermont. Entitlement to the resources is generally based on compliance with terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable federal and state regulations, including the expenditure of the resources for eligible purposes. Substantially all grants are subject to financial and compliance audits by the grantors. Any disallowance because of these audits becomes a liability of the fund that receives the grant. As of year-end, the Town estimates that no material liabilities will result from such audits.

NOTE 7 - RESERVED FUND BALANCES

Reserved fund balances represent amounts that must be used for specific purposes within that fund and cannot be spent otherwise without prior approval of funding source or Select Board. Reservations at year-end are for the following:

Special Revenue Funds:		<u>GASB No. 54 Fund Bal Class</u>
Property Valuation Review (PVR)	268	Restricted
Act 68 Reappraisal	101,892	Restricted
Agricultural & Natural Areas	178,218	Committed
Stabilization(formerly Town CapReserve)	15,551	Committed
Recreation	14,796	Assigned
Planning/ Zoning	22,469	Assigned
Total	<u>\$333,194</u>	
Other Governmental Fund:		
Highway	<u>\$29,313</u>	Unassigned
Capital Projects Fund:		
HWY Capital Equipment	50,100	Committed
Community Center Building	<u>17,863</u>	Assigned
Total	<u>\$67,963</u>	

NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Town.

In addition, the Town of Monkton is a member of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) for Medical Benefits, Workers Compensation and Unemployment Compensation Programs. VLCT is a nonprofit corporation formed to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont cities and towns and is owned by the participating cities and towns.

To provide insurance coverage, VLCT has established a self-funded fully insured program in conjunction with CIGNA. A portion of member contributions is used to purchase reinsurance and to fund a reserve required by the reinsurance. Contributions in excess of claims requirements, reserve fund requirements, reinsurance and administrative costs are returned to participants. The pooling agreement does not permit the pool to make additional assessments to its members.

To provide unemployment coverage, VLCT has established a separate trust of funds from member contributions to pay administrative costs, unemployment claims, and provide excess reinsurance protection. Contributions are based on payroll expense and the previous two-year unemployment compensation experience. In the event that total contributions assessed to and made by all members result in an actual or projected financial deficit and VLCT UIT is unable to meet its required obligations, the Program will be terminated with each member assessed their proportionate share of the deficit.

To provide worker's compensation (WC) coverage, VLCT has established a separate trust of funds from member contributions to pay administrative costs and workers compensation coverage. Contributions are based upon formulas applied to payroll expense. At the end of the coverage period, the members will be assessed or refunded any difference between estimated contributions and actual expenses. VLCT audits every community it serves to confirm WC data.

NOTE 9 - DEFERRED REVENUE

The deferred revenues at year-end consisted of the following:

Property Taxes and Interest	\$134,382
Federal funds	0
State funds	0
Other funds	0
Total deferred revenues	<u>\$134,382</u>

NOTE 10 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes become an enforceable lien upon Town of Monkton property holders as of April 1st of each year. Taxes were levied in September 2013 and were payable in one installment by November 15, 2013. Taxes not paid on time are listed as delinquent taxes and related penalties and interest charges are assessed. The Town bills all property tax assessed for the benefit of the Town and the School District.

Property Tax 2013: TAX RATE x GRAND LIST = TOTAL RAISED

Property Tax Levied:

Non-Residential Education Tax	\$1.7465	\$ 395,983.59	\$ 689,011.45
Homestead Education Tax	1.8420	1,396,060.00	2,571,542.52
Muni Tax & 13 Lodged Grand List	0.5238	1,790,843.59	<u>938,043.82</u>

Property Taxes Levied from Lodged Grand List 4,198,597.79

Homestead/Non-Resident Status, Appraisal & Other Adjustments 0.00

Gross Property Taxes Levied **4,198,597.79**

Less: Education Portion of Homestead Rebates Paid by State

Directly to Schools (i.e. Never Received nor Distributed by Town): (584,228.92)

Less: Muni Portion of Homestead Rebates Paid by State

Directly to Town: (13,228.38)

Net Property Taxes Levied for Collection by Town **\$3,601,140.49**

2013 Taxes Due Warranted to Delinquent Tax Collector on 11/16/13: \$162,287.75

Total Delinquent Tax Balance as of 12/31/13: 128,595.59

FIVE YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON: 2009 – 2013:

(Per \$100 of assessed value)

	<u>Town Tax Rate</u>	<u>Homestead Ed Tax Rate</u>	<u>Non-Resident Ed Rate</u>
2009	.5088	1.5195	1.7007
2010	.4186	1.6288	1.7213
2011	.4418	1.6806	1.6998
2012	.3696	1.7220	1.6821
2013	.5238	1.8420	1.7465

Town of Monkton
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Groups
December 31, 2013

	Governmental Fund Types				Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Group	
	General Fund	Highway Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Agency Funds-Escrow & Tax Sales	General Long-Term Debt	Totals
ASSETS:							
Current Assets:							
Cash	(123,597.59)	29,312.68	333,193.80	67,963.60	80,562.21		387,434.70
Delinquent Taxes/Assessments Receivable	128,595.59						128,595.59
Interest Receivable (Estimated)	5,788.80						5,788.80
Inventory	-	-					-
Total Current Assets	10,786.80	29,312.68	333,193.80	67,963.60	80,562.21	-	521,819.09
Other Assets:							
Amount to be Provided for:							
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	-					152,424.00	152,424.00
Total Other Assets						152,424.00	152,424.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>10,786.80</u>	<u>29,312.68</u>	<u>333,193.80</u>	<u>67,963.60</u>	<u>80,562.21</u>	<u>152,424.00</u>	<u>674,243.09</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:							
Liabilities:							
Deferred Revenue	134,382.39						134,382.39
Other Current Liabilities	5,000.00						5,000.00
Amount Held for Agency Funds	-				80,562.21		80,562.21
Notes Payable	-					97,424.00	97,424.00
Bond Payable	-	-	-	-	-	55,000.00	55,000.00
Total Liabilities	139,382.39	-	-	-	80,562.21	152,424.00	372,368.60
Fund Equity:							
Fund Balances:							
Unreserved	(128,595.59)	29,312.68	333,193.80	67,963.60			(128,595.59)
Reserved							430,470.08
Total Fund Equity	(128,595.59)	29,312.68	333,193.80	67,963.60	-	-	301,874.49
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	<u>10,786.80</u>	<u>29,312.68</u>	<u>333,193.80</u>	<u>67,963.60</u>	<u>80,562.21</u>	<u>152,424.00</u>	<u>674,243.09</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Balance Sheet
Special Revenue Funds
December 31, 2013

	PVR Education Fund	Act 60 Reappraisal	Agricultural and Natural Areas Conservation	Town Stabilization Fund (Formerly Capital Reserve Fund)	Recreation Fund	Planning/ Zoning Fund	Totals
ASSETS:							
Current Assets:							
Cash	\$ 267.88	\$ 101,891.77	\$ 178,217.72	\$ 15,551.00	\$ 14,796.32	\$ 22,469.11	333,193.80
Total Current Assets	<u>267.88</u>	<u>101,891.77</u>	<u>178,217.72</u>	<u>15,551.00</u>	<u>14,796.32</u>	<u>22,469.11</u>	<u>333,193.80</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>267.88</u>	<u>101,891.77</u>	<u>178,217.72</u>	<u>15,551.00</u>	<u>14,796.32</u>	<u>22,469.11</u>	<u>333,193.80</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:							
Liabilities:							
None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances:							
Reserved	267.88	101,891.77	178,217.72	15,551.00	14,796.32	22,469.11	333,193.80
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>267.88</u>	<u>101,891.77</u>	<u>178,217.72</u>	<u>15,551.00</u>	<u>14,796.32</u>	<u>22,469.11</u>	<u>333,193.80</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Special Revenue Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

	PVR Education Fund	Act 60 Reappraisal	Agricultural and Natural Areas Conservation	Stabilization Fund (Formerly Capital Reserve Fund)	Recreation Reserve Fund	Planning/Zoning Fund	Totals
REVENUES							
Investment Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21.24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21.24
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,808.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,808.33
State Payments	\$ -	\$ 7,913.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,913.50
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,913.50</u>	<u>\$ 35,829.57</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,743.07</u>
EXPENDITURES							
Routine Expenses	-	9,616.25	20,000.00	-	-	-	29,616.25
Facilities Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>-</u>	<u>9,616.25</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,616.25</u>
39 EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-	(1,702.75)	15,829.57	-	-	-	14,126.82
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):							
Transfers In (Out)	-	-	-	(50,000.00)	2,468.09	-	(47,531.91)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	-	(1,702.75)	15,829.57	(50,000.00)	2,468.09	-	(33,405.09)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, 2013	267.88	103,594.52	162,388.15	65,551.00	12,328.23	22,469.11	366,598.89
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2013	<u>\$ 267.88</u>	<u>\$ 101,891.77</u>	<u>\$ 178,217.72</u>	<u>\$ 15,551.00</u>	<u>\$ 14,796.32</u>	<u>\$ 22,469.11</u>	<u>\$ 333,193.80</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Balance Sheet
Capital Project Funds
December 31, 2013

	REC Community Center Building Fund	Highway Capital Equipment Fund	Totals
ASSETS:			
Current Assets:			
Cash	\$ 17,863.60	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 67,963.60
Total Current Assets	<u>17,863.60</u>	<u>50,100.00</u>	<u>67,963.60</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>17,863.60</u>	<u>50,100.00</u>	<u>67,963.60</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:			
Liabilities:			
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-
Fund Balances:			
Reserved	17,863.60	50,100.00	67,963.60
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>17,863.60</u>	<u>50,100.00</u>	<u>67,963.60</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
Changes in Fund Balances
Capital Project Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

	REC		Highway	
	Community	Center	Capital	
	Building	Equipment	Fund	
	Fund			Totals
REVENUES				
Investment Income	\$	2.60	\$	-
Grants				-
Other Financing Sources	-	-	-	
Property Tax Income	-	-	20,000.00	20,000.00
Donations-FundRaising	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>2.60</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>		<u>20,002.60</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Construction & Fundraising Expense	632.34	-	-	632.34
Applied to Rotary Mower Purchase	-	-	9,900.00	9,900.00
Account Transfers	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>632.34</u>	<u>9,900.00</u>		<u>10,532.34</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(629.74)	10,100.00		9,470.26
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(629.74)	10,100.00		9,470.26
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, 2013	18,493.34		40,000.00	58,493.34
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2013	<u>\$ 17,863.60</u>	<u>\$ 50,100.00</u>		<u>\$ 67,963.60</u>

Town of Monkton
Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Balance January 1, 2013	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance December 31, 2013
Assets:				
Tax Sale (9/6/12) - Excess Funds - Parcel B	\$ 13,533.47	\$ 1.99	\$ -	\$ 13,535.46
Tax Sale (7/9/13) - Excess Funds - Parcel BO	\$ -	\$ 3,244.75	\$ -	\$ 3,244.75
Tax Sale (7/9/13) - Excess Funds - Parcel K	\$ -	\$ 3,778.01	\$ -	\$ 3,778.01
Tax Sale (7/9/13) - Excess Funds - Parcel T	\$ -	\$ 2,025.44	\$ -	\$ 2,025.44
West Escrow Account	\$ 57,969.92	\$ 8.63	\$ -	\$ 57,978.55
Total Assets	\$ 71,503.39	\$ 9,058.82	\$ -	\$ 80,562.21
Liabilities:				
Amount Held for Agency Funds	\$ 71,503.39	\$ 9,058.82	\$ -	\$ 80,562.21
Total Liabilities	\$ 71,503.39	\$ 9,058.82	\$ -	\$ 80,562.21

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

GENERAL FUND

Revenues	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Grant Income							
Property Tax		9,477.25	(10,801.33)	4,111.02	201,693.69	70,512.87	151,336.38
Current Use/Hold Harmless		66,874.00	58,232.00	65,024.00	65,000.00	55,654.00	55,000.00
ANR PILOT		1,112.00	1,112.00	1,112.00	1,112.00	1,112.00	1,112.00
Act 60 Equalized Ed. GL		916.00	918.00	925.00	925.00	931.00	940.00
Town Clerk Fees		20,796.00	20,750.50	27,165.00	27,000.00	27,839.00	28,000.00
Liquor Licenses		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	70.00
Copier Use Fees		2,565.13	2,257.55	3,888.12	3,800.00	3,329.26	3,800.00
Dog Kennel License		69.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	50.00	50.00
Dog Licenses & Fines		2,871.00	2,119.50	1,907.00	2,000.00	1,837.50	2,000.00
Judicial Fines		39,646.55	32,806.46	33,563.63	32,000.00	30,716.50	32,000.00
Town History Books		20.00	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising-Tax Sale		1,371.00	1,174.50	1,874.18	1,500.00	1,398.30	1,500.00
Interest Income		794.81	296.43	180.19	150.00	50.25	30.00
Ed Tax Ovrpmt Refund		26,330.61	494.44	383.09	-	-	-
Misc. Revenue		5,971.00	7,992.69	7,507.00	7,500.00	10,943.25	7,500.00
Postal Facility Rental Fee		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sale of Equip or Property		-	-	-	-	-	-
Del Taxes		197,065.21	154,947.95	122,428.53	102,512.35	140,205.97	126,560.35
Del Taxes - Interest		16,760.26	11,624.18	10,210.11	8,500.00	9,054.98	12,600.00
Wkrs Comp Reimbursement		155.00	580.22	299.33	300.00	388.76	300.00
Account Transfers		883.80	1,783.20	1,753.00	1,800.00	-	-
DRB First Cut Fees		-	-	50.00	-	100.00	100.00
DRB Subdivision Fees		2,861.40	2,325.00	1,450.00	2,000.00	-	1,500.00
DRB Boundary Adj Fees		-	-	-	100.00	100.00	100.00
DRB Variances Fees		200.00	400.00	100.00	200.00	-	100.00
DRB Conditional Use Fees		-	200.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	100.00
DRB Appeals Fees		-	-	-	100.00	-	-
DRB Administrator Fees		7,897.75	8,656.71	8,306.20	8,300.00	9,192.32	8,000.00
Municipal Planning Grants		-	-	5,513.00	2,362.00	2,362.00	-
Conservation Comm Grants/Matches		18,238.25	8,631.23	10,080.71	-	-	-
Total Revenues		422,926.02	306,295.23	308,025.11	469,049.04	366,027.96	432,698.73

General Government Expenses

General Government Payroll						
Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Town Clerk Fees	20,796.00	20,750.50	27,165.00	27,000.00	27,839.00	28,000.00
Town Clerk Salary	8,499.96	8,538.07	10,519.08	10,500.00	10,499.84	10,500.00
Assistant Town Clerk	10,681.50	11,225.00	9,260.00	13,520.00	11,971.50	11,000.00
Treasurer	24,230.80	25,000.04	25,961.58	25,000.04	24,423.10	32,500.00
Assistant Treasurer	4,536.00	4,588.00	4,932.00	5,105.50	6,593.01	-
Web Master	390.00	390.00	200.00	284.60	300.00	300.00
Selectboard	6,985.00	7,080.00	7,485.00	7,080.00	7,660.07	7,080.00
Selectboard Administrative	526.00	1,081.50	1,021.50	1,500.00	971.25	1,500.00
Auditors	5,853.00	5,706.00	6,090.50	6,650.00	7,546.00	6,650.00
BCA - Election Officials	3,576.65	1,489.47	3,485.54	2,200.00	1,335.15	2,200.00
Custodian	875.00	921.20	1,061.55	950.00	1,062.95	1,000.00
Constable	500.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Fire Warden	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Health Officer	906.04	466.00	466.00	600.00	250.08	600.00
Animal Control Officer	915.00	750.00	1,155.00	1,000.00	930.00	1,000.00
Tree Warden	-	-	-	-	-	-
FICA	10,293.52	10,286.41	11,368.90	10,824.00	11,097.45	11,400.00
VMERS DB - Employer	1,213.21	1,250.08	1,299.21	1,281.25	725.66	1,368.00
Health Insurance	1,999.92	2,008.89	384.60	-	-	-
Appraisal	13,515.00	14,103.75	17,966.45	21,500.00	15,445.50	15,000.00
Reappraisal	-	-	-	-	1,345.00	-
Zoning Administrator	11,521.03	14,201.43	16,010.55	18,000.00	14,785.70	16,000.00
DRB Board Members	1,460.00	1,260.00	1,800.00	2,000.00	1,610.00	2,000.00
DRB Clerical	741.00	899.75	1,567.50	1,800.00	206.25	1,800.00
DRB Recording Secretary	894.00	712.50	1,900.74	2,000.00	1,164.00	2,000.00
Planning Comm. Bd Members	1,640.00	920.00	1,140.00	1,680.00	1,430.00	1,680.00
Planning Comm. Clerical	-	-	-	200.00	-	200.00
Total Payroll	132,798.63	134,128.59	152,740.70	161,175.39	149,691.51	154,278.00

Town Office		Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Account							
Copier Rental		2,069.93	2,349.94	3,046.31	3,000.00	2,900.02	3,000.00
Office & General Supplies		3,931.70	4,486.39	5,628.75	5,600.00	4,325.70	5,000.00
Postage		2,186.76	2,130.01	2,297.94	2,500.00	2,524.84	2,650.00
Equipment/Furniture		548.73	705.14	320.25	1,000.00	24.37	750.00
Computer Equip & Software		1,636.96	100.00	2,535.00	3,500.00	342.00	3,000.00
Computer Contract Service		2,423.30	2,452.61	2,490.62	3,000.00	2,329.25	2,500.00
Conferences & Training		590.00	435.00	780.00	1,000.00	1,713.96	1,500.00
Mileage Reimbursement		776.08	875.23	1,021.12	1,000.00	851.60	1,000.00
Telephone		2,049.07	2,035.96	2,113.07	2,100.00	2,133.55	2,200.00
Heat		1,934.09	2,600.33	2,706.65	3,000.00	3,638.38	3,200.00
Electricity		1,387.44	1,299.79	1,400.63	1,450.00	1,586.34	1,600.00
Service/Finance Charges		-	-	-	-	99.10	-
Total Town Office		19,534.06	19,450.40	24,340.34	27,150.00	22,469.11	26,400.00
General Expenditures		Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Account							
Sheriff Dept.		21,576.98	21,291.86	21,387.22	30,000.00	29,192.80	30,000.00
Insurance - Workmens Comp		12,650.00	11,120.00	12,115.00	12,580.00	12,580.00	15,324.00
Insurance - Prop & Liab		7,676.00	10,260.00	8,718.00	11,753.00	11,753.00	16,209.00
Appraisal		1,080.65	870.17	997.61	1,000.00	3,111.91	1,000.00
Reappraisal		1,475.00	1,275.00	1,275.00	1,275.00	-	-
PVR Education Expense		883.80	508.20	478.00	600.00	484.80	600.00
Printing /Advertising		5,991.81	5,861.63	6,492.23	7,000.00	6,897.75	7,000.00
Property Maint & Upgrade		9,582.00	1,339.00	869.20	4,000.00	1,348.96	3,000.00
Consultant Fees, Audit		-	7,720.00	7,112.50	7,720.00	7,763.35	5,000.00
Association Dues & Fees		2,685.00	2,743.00	2,895.00	2,900.00	2,885.00	2,900.00
Legal Fees		12,328.11	1,893.45	20,000.00	20,000.00	53,651.90	25,000.00
BCA-Elections Expense		3,863.48	970.85	1,200.00	1,200.00	-	3,600.00
Property Tax Appeal Settled		-	-	-	-	7,351.36	1,000.00
Recycling Expenses		8,382.40	7,739.53	6,794.63	8,000.00	6,387.20	8,000.00
Animal Expense		1,193.01	742.04	1,500.00	1,500.00	896.92	1,500.00
Restoration of Records		-	2,647.00	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00
New Municipal Building Comm Expense		15,971.14	6,168.15	4,000.00	4,000.00	5,619.16	500.00
Cemetery Maintenance		540.00	1,305.63	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,481.18	4,000.00
County Taxes		12,650.86	12,168.42	9,180.19	9,182.35	9,180.19	9,200.00
Tax Maps		-	-	-	-	4,951.37	1,400.00
Tax Sales		2,408.09	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Principal Pmts: Genl Fund LTD		*	38,400.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Interest Expense (incl TAN interest)		6,838.91	5,694.93	4,389.35	8,184.50	5,778.04	6,000.00
Education Tax Underpay Correction		-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous (includes ANAC G&A)		243.28	58.85	9,170.99	500.00	66.00	100.00
Total General Expenditures		128,020.52	140,777.71	144,574.92	155,394.85	193,380.89	163,333.00

DRB	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
	Supplies & Postage	445.79	180.86	258.09	300.00	156.19	300.00
	Printing	-	-	-	150.00	-	100.00
	Advertising	661.88	405.53	624.77	700.00	279.58	300.00
	Office, Computer Equip & Software	-	-	-	250.00	-	-
	Conferences & Training	200.00	-	-	200.00	-	200.00
	Mileage Reimbursement	95.68	52.92	70.88	100.00	-	100.00
	Legal Fees	363.35	6,058.19	17,021.58	20,000.00	4,470.00	5,000.00
	Refunds & Misc Expenses	-	350.00	28.35	-	-	-
	Total DRB	1,766.70	7,047.50	18,003.67	21,700.00	4,905.77	6,000.00
	Planning Commission						
	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
	Supplies & Postage	61.44	-	190.40	-	74.05	900.00
	Printing	1,119.83	993.00	-	1,000.00	-	500.00
	Advertising	828.69	152.24	-	500.00	232.00	500.00
	Mileage Reimbursement	572.00	450.00	392.80	575.00	94.40	600.00
	Consultants	200.00	-	-	500.00	-	1,650.00
	MPG Expenses	-	-	4,728.24	2,362.00	3,146.69	-
	Add City Reg'l Ping Comm. Assess.	2,135.16	2,135.16	2,138.40	2,197.80	2,197.80	2,263.73
	Legal Fees	3,164.28	875.55	663.88	1,000.00	-	500.00
	Total Planning Commission	8,081.40	4,605.95	8,113.72	8,134.80	5,744.94	6,913.73
	Conservation Commission						
	Consultant-WildlifeCrossing Project**	2,020.66	10,973.36	7,738.58	-	-	0
	Total Conservation Commission						
	Energy Committee						
	Supplies & Postage	-	-	-	200.00	33.96	200.00
	Mileage Reimbursement	-	-	-	200.00	70.00	200.00
	Misc. Expenditures	-	-	-	100.00	30.00	100.00
	Total Energy Committee				500.00	133.96	500.00
	Total General Government	292,221.97	316,983.51	355,511.93	373,555.04	376,192.22	357,424.73

Appropriations	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Addison Cty Communit Action(HOPE)		1,000.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Addison Cty Court Diversion		-	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Addison Cty Counseling Service Inc.		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Addison Cty Home Health & Hospice		1,946.00	1,946.00	1,946.00	1,946.00	1,946.00	1,946.00
Addison Cty Humane (Homeward Bound)		500.00	500.00	150.00	0.00	-	250.00
Addison Cty Parent/Child		1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Addison Cty Transit Resources		450.00	650.00	850.00	850.00	850.00	850.00
Bristol Family Center		200.00	200.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Bristol Recreation Dept.		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Bristol Rescue Squad		3,000.00	3,500.00	3,700.00	3,700.00	3,700.00	3,700.00
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging		1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Elderly Services		800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
RC & D Council		-	-	100.00	0.00	-	0.00
Green Up Vermont		150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Hospice Volunteer Service		275.00	275.00	275.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
John D. Graham Emergency Shelter		900.00	900.00	900.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Lewis Creek Association		550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Open Door Clinic		-	-	-	-	-	500.00
Otter Creek Natural Resources CD		198.00	198.00	198.00	198.00	198.00	198.00
Retired&Senior Volunteer Program		285.00	285.00	285.00	285.00	285.00	285.00
UWAC-Add Cty Readers		-	450.00	450.00	450.00	450.00	450.00
Vergennes Rescue Squad		300.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Vermont Adult Learning		700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
Vermont Center for Indep Living		195.00	195.00	195.00	195.00	195.00	195.00
Women Safe		750.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Monkton Volunteer Fire Dept		65,800.00	59,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	33,000.00
Russell Memorial Library		17,098.00	20,269.16	18,953.00	21,620.00	21,620.00	20,150.00
Monkton Museum - Hist Soc		900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00
Total Appropriations		101,697.00	100,588.16	95,452.00	97,994.00	97,994.00	75,274.00
Total G.F. Expenditures		393,918.97	417,551.67	450,963.93	471,549.04	474,320.18	432,698.73
Budget						2,771.14	
Total General Fund Expenses (over)under						(108,292.22)	
Revenue						(102,512.35)	
Jan 1, 2013 Fund Balance:						50,000.00	
Transfer from Town Stabilization Fund:							
Dec 31, 2013 General Fund Balance:						(160,804.57)	

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

HIGHWAY

Revenues	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
	HWY State Aid	141,886.48	218,624.34	115,859.05	147,063.00	146,896.44	146,730.06
	Paving Grant	31,813.33	-	227,243.00	-	1,181.96	-
	Property Taxes (Incl.LTD&Article7Proj)	436,054.00	571,941.85	464,706.44	598,337.64	598,337.64	594,956.94
	Overweight Permits	565.00	645.00	660.00	650.00	680.00	700.00
	911 Signs	104.70	220.00	100.00	220.00	200.00	220.00
	Post Office Parking Maintenance	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	500.00
	MVFD Diesel Fuel Purchase	804.47	897.25	1,291.31	900.00	1,043.00	1,050.00
	Misc Revenue	444.59	10,095.84	221.00	3,000.00	197.82	300.00
	Sale of Equipment	-	1,354.90	7,500.00	-	-	-
	Account Transfers/Surplus Usage	-	-	-	1,886.77	-	-
Total Revenues		611,972.57	804,279.18	818,080.80	752,557.41	748,786.86	744,457.00
Highway Expenses							
	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
	Regular employees	168,532.15	176,608.29	180,242.67	185,607.00	186,365.03	188,880.00
	Part-time Employees	-	587.25	141.75	600.00	344.25	600.00
	FICA	12,892.61	13,555.25	13,799.13	14,244.84	14,283.08	14,506.00
	VMERS DB - Employer	8,472.28	8,868.02	9,068.48	9,280.35	9,490.32	9,444.00
	Health Insurance	64,882.87	67,939.54	53,287.99	59,789.16	54,515.27	60,557.00
	Dental Insurance	3,149.58	2,822.32	2,883.12	3,000.00	2,866.67	3,100.00
	Short Term Disability Insurance	492.96	492.96	492.96	493.00	482.69	500.00
	Insurance - Unemployment	1,867.00	1,706.00	1,562.00	1,633.00	1,371.00	1,700.00
	Unemployment Claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Payroll		260,289.45	272,579.63	261,478.10	274,647.35	269,718.31	279,287.00
	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
	Equipment/Tools/Supplies	2,686.99	2,932.31	9,337.36	5,600.00	4,541.02	5,500.00
	Conferences & Training	-	-	-	200.00	-	300.00
	Telephone	1,561.40	1,600.56	1,638.98	1,700.00	1,671.46	1,700.00
	Heat	6,725.90	8,046.98	4,960.56	6,000.00	4,862.71	5,500.00
	Electricity	1,600.52	1,586.50	1,513.84	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Trash Removal/Dumpsters	1,555.13	1,636.81	1,653.43	1,700.00	1,653.11	1,700.00
	Capital Equipment Expense	2,108.50	2,500.00	3,217.00	-	-	-
	Property Maint & Upgrade	3,762.75	1,200.65	123,022.45	6,000.00	4,774.40	4,000.00
Total Garage Expenses		20,001.19	19,503.81	145,343.62	23,000.00	17,502.70	20,500.00

General Highway Expenses	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Insurance - Prop & Liab	9,356.00	11,134.00	10,303.00	10,004.00	11,243.00	13,514.00
Insurance Claim Settlement	-	-	-	-	(388.55)	-
Grease & Oil	2,213.23	2,100.00	2,250.68	2,400.00	1,057.86	2,400.00
Equipment & Tools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Fuel	41,209.26	42,000.00	45,575.86	48,000.00	53,015.36	50,000.00
Repairs, Parts, Blades	23,670.54	25,000.00	29,296.32	28,000.00	33,811.17	30,000.00
Oxygen & Acetylene	199.11	400.00	324.07	400.00	87.00	400.00
Interest Expense	5,467.23	4,043.00	2,607.32	3,340.06	3,335.02	3,340.00
LTD Principal Pmts-Trucks (Note 6)	-	42,260.00	31,760.00	53,566.00	53,566.00	43,366.00
Misc. Expenditures	633.49	600.00	1,012.31	600.00	633.08	600.00
Total General Highway Expenses	82,748.86	127,537.00	123,129.56	146,310.06	156,359.94	143,620.00
Road Maintenance	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	Actual FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Rental Equipment	14,301.17	18,089.92	16,482.42	19,000.00	10,219.92	15,500.00
Gravel	70,914.51	74,229.74	61,210.24	77,000.00	64,781.22	77,000.00
Salt	31,863.47	37,701.81	23,291.50	32,000.00	39,400.96	32,000.00
Winter Sand	22,120.50	17,388.00	22,813.00	22,800.00	17,125.74	22,800.00
Summer Chloride	22,591.34	22,877.64	22,247.64	24,000.00	18,480.90	24,000.00
Winter Solution Chloride	-	-	5,581.00	5,600.00	3,198.00	3,300.00
Hot Mix	100,510.01	92,943.50	175,264.58	101,000.00	100,408.43	101,000.00
Cold Patch	-	237.00	301.27	-	285.00	-
Culverts	5,107.34	10,159.47	11,193.62	8,000.00	2,967.00	6,000.00
Signs, Painting	5,697.08	1,896.58	3,476.33	3,000.00	3,446.38	3,300.00
911 Signs	91.05	140.60	48.50	200.00	130.05	150.00
Highway Upgrade/Paving	15,000.00	15,645.00	20,073.00	16,000.00	17,316.40	16,000.00
Total Road Maintenance	288,196.47	291,309.26	361,983.10	308,600.00	277,760.00	301,050.00
Total Highway Expenses	651,235.97	710,929.70	891,934.38	752,557.41	721,340.95	744,457.00
Highway Expenses over Budget					(31,216.46)	
Highway Expenses over Revenue				Jan 1 '13 Balance	27,445.91	
				Dec31 '13 Balance	1,866.77	
					29,312.68	

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON
RECREATION COMMITTEE

Recreation Committee Revenue (See Note*)	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Property Tax		3,000.00	3,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Activities Fees		4,384.75	4,347.00	4,955.00	4,473.00	4,400.00
After School Ski Program		6,850.00	7,550.00	6,765.00	4,825.00	3,500.00
Donations		104.51	834.13	596.00	100.00	500.00
Uniforms, Supplies/Equip		-	-	-	-	-
Facilities Rental		210.00	505.00	825.00	500.00	300.00
Grants		-	-	-	-	-
Interest Income		-	6.88	4.60	1.74	-
Misc Revenue		80.00	228.45	190.00	50.00	-
Account Transfers		4,380.68	-	-	1,780.00	-
Total Recreation Comm. Revenue		19,009.94	16,471.46	17,835.60	14,995.43	2,350.00
Recreation Committee Expense						
Activities Fees		512.72	480.00	345.00	600.00	600.00
After School Ski Program		6,880.00	7,550.00	6,765.00	4,930.00	3,500.00
Uniforms, Supplies/Equip		2,398.47	1,834.52	879.77	1,900.00	2,500.00
Electricity		202.50	193.73	234.14	180.00	200.00
Committee Expenses		125.00	272.31	190.00	300.00	250.00
Facilities Maintenance		7,164.72	6,197.58	6,735.24	5,969.34	8,500.00
Facilities Upgrade		1,726.53	-	-	300.00	-
Account Transfers		-	-	-	-	-
Total Recreation Comm. Expense		19,009.94	16,528.14	15,149.15	12,527.34	15,550.00
Recreation Committee Expenses (over)/under Revenue					2,468.09	

* Note: \$2468.09 Ops surplus added to Rec Reserve Fund. Balance at December 31, 2013: \$14,796.32

LEGAL FUND - ADDISON NATURAL GAS PROJECT

Legal Fund - ANGP Revenue	Account	Actual FY - 2010	Actual FY - 2011	Actual FY - 2012	Budget FY - 2013	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2014
Property Tax		-	-	-	25,000.00	-
Total Legal Fund - ANGP Revenue					25,000.00	
Legal Fund - ANGP Expense						
Legal Fees - ANGP						
Total Legal Fund - ANGP Expense					27,035.08	
Legal Fund - ANGP Expense (over)/under Revenue					(2,035.08)	

**TOWN OF MONKTON
INVENTORY OF TOWN CAPITAL ASSETS
12/31/2013**

ASSET	Date in Service	HIST. COST	EST VALUE*
TOWN REAL ESTATE:			
Town Hall & Land	1859	NA	\$ 202,264.00
Russell Memorial Library	1970	Donated	\$ 85,000.00
Town Garage	1987	\$152,560.00	\$ 319,739.00
Salt Shed	1987	\$24,850.00	\$ 50,000.00
Morse Park (47.1 acres)	1996	Donated (\$90K)	\$ 206,300.00
Town Center Land (Bean)	2006	\$95,000.00	\$ 95,000.00
Rec Field and Pavilion (6.2 acres)	1986		\$ 50,000.00
Rec Field Storage Shed	NA		\$ 3,383.00
Old School House	pre-1965		\$ 15,450.00
Recycling Utility Bldg			\$ 2,575.00
Town Land-Old Dump			
Town Cemetery (Monkton Rd by R. Parker)			
Cemetery-Layn Farm			
Cemetery-Church Rd			
Swamp Lots-(2)- E. Side of Lime Kiln Rd			
Meaders Swamp Lots (3):			
(All on East side of Bristol Rd)			
TOWN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT:			
1994 John Deere 410D Backhoe	1994	\$83,413.00	NA
1990 John Deere 544E Bucket Loader	2000	\$40,000.00	NA
1995 Case 5240A Tractor	2000	\$35,000.00	NA
2003 Int'l Tandem Dump Truck	2003	\$72,983.00	NA
2005 John Deere 772D Road Grader	2005	\$187,000.00	NA
2005 Diamond Roadside Mower	2005	\$24,590.00	NA
2007 Ford F550 Dump Truck	2007	\$71,932.00	NA
2009 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	2008	\$166,677.00	NA
2013 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	2012	\$189,030.00	NA
2013 Diamond Side Rotary Attach. Mower	2013	\$9,900.00	NA

*** Estimated Value is either guaranteed replacement insured cost or appraised value.
The Town is in process of updating this information. The intention is to provide
taxpayers with a quick reference of Town Owned Major Capital Assets (Value >\$5000).
This does not include office equipment, or other miscellaneous content within buildings, etc.**

2014 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT PLAN											
	Year Purchased	Life Cycle (Years)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020		
1994 J.D. Backhoe Loader	1994	21		X							
1990 J.D. Bucket Loader	2000	15	X								
1995 Case Tractor	2000	21		X							
2003 International Tandem Dump	2003	13			X						
2005 J.D. Road Grader	2005	16								X	
2005 Diamond Roadside Mower	2005	12				X					
2007 Ford Dump Truck	2006	10			X						
2009 Mack Dump Truck	2008	10					X				
2013 Mack Dump Truck	2012	10									

2014 Long Term Debt

Existing Annual Long Term Debt Expense/Payoff Schedule											
	Balance Due	Annual Amount	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020		
2005 J.D. Road Grader	10,200	10,200	10.20								
2009 Mack Dump	-	-	-								
2013 Mack Dump(bought in '12)	87,224	21,806	21.80	21.80	21.80	21.80					
Fire Station Addition Bond	55,000	20,000	20.00	20.00	15.00						
TOTALS	152,424	52,006	52.00	41.80	36.80	21.80	0	0	0		

2014 TOTAL MUNICIPAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES & 2 YEAR COMPARISON			
2014 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY			
ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL MONIES TO BE VOTED	TOTAL 2014 EXPENSE
Operating Budget To Be Voted			
6	Salary & General Expenses	357,424.73	
6	Highways	754,357.00	
6	Recreation Committee Fund	4,500.00	
Total Operating Budget			1,116,281.73
Appropriations To Town & Outside Agencies To Be Voted			
6	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	33,000.00	
6	Russell Memorial Library	20,150.00	
6	Monkton Museum & Historical Society	900.00	
5	Social Agencies	21,224.00	
Total Appropriations			75,274.00
Special Funds (To Be Voted) & Capital Expense (Prev. Approved)			
10	Agri-Natural Areas Conservation Fund	10,000.00	
Article 11, 2005 Town Mtg		20,000.00	
Total Special Funds and Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved			30,000.00
Capital Expense To Be Voted			
New Bucket Loader - Highway Department		100,000.00	
Capital Expense, Long Term Debt Existing			
Capital Budget	Bonds & Notes Due		
	2013 Mack Truck-Note Due	21,806.00	
	Fire Station Addition - Bond Due	20,000.00	
	2005 Road Grader - Note Due	10,200.00	
This \$52,006 Capital Expense (LTD) is included in Gen'l and HWY budgets at top.			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			1,221,555.73
2013 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY			
ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	TOTAL 2013 Budgeted EXPENSE
Operating Budget To Be Voted			
6	Salary & General Expenses	371,055.04	
6	Highways	752,557.41	
6	Recreation Committee Fund	4,500.00	
Total Operating Budget			1,128,112.45
Appropriations To Town & Outside Agencies To Be Voted			
6	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	55,000.00	
6	Russell Memorial Library	21,620.00	
6	Monkton Museum & Historical Society	900.00	
5	Social Agencies	20,474.00	
Total Appropriations			97,994.00
Special Funds & Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved			
Article 5, 2007 Town Mtg	Agri-Natural Areas Conservation Fund	35,531.52	
Article 11, 2005 Town Mtg		20,000.00	
Total Special Funds and Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved			55,531.52
Capital Expense Voter DEFEATED			
Australian Ballot Initiative re: New Town Hall Constuction		1,050,000.00	
Australian Ballot Initiative re: Fire Station Addition		120,000.00	
Capital Expense, Long Term Debt Existing			
Capital Budget	Bonds & Notes Due		
	2013 Mack Truck-Note Due	21,806.00	
	2009 Mack Truck-Note Due (Final Pmt)	21,560.00	
	Fire Station Addition - Bond Due	20,000.00	
	2005 Road Grader - Note Due	10,200.00	
This \$73,566 Capital Expense (LTD) is included in Gen'l and HWY budgets at top.			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			1,281,637.97

**TOWN OF MONKTON, VERMONT
POLICY FOR PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES AND
FOR COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES**

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines so that all taxpayers will be treated fairly in the payment of property taxes and will know the process for the collection of delinquent taxes.

1. Property taxes are due by 5:00 P.M. and payable to the Town Treasurer on or before the due date posted on the tax bills unless otherwise noticed. Taxes paid by mail must be postmarked prior to the due date on the tax bill; otherwise they will be deemed delinquent and subject to all applicable penalties. The Town of Monkton is not responsible for mailed tax payments not received.
2. There will be no grace period allowed for late payment.
3. Once the due date has passed, the Town Treasurer will give the Delinquent Tax Collector a list of all delinquent property taxes.
4. After the list of all delinquent property taxes is received, the delinquent tax collector will send a notice to each delinquent tax payer, itemizing the amount due; including tax, interest and penalties (the collector's fee). The delinquent tax collector may also send additional notices to delinquent taxpayers from time to time.
5. Payments, or portion thereof, received after the due date are subject to 1% interest charge plus a 2% collector's fee if paid in full within ten (10) days of the due date, and to 1% per month interest charge (1½ % per month after the first three (3) months), AND AN 8% TAX COLLECTOR'S FEE IF PAID THEREAFTER.
6. Partial payments will be applied first to any costs or expenses that may be due, then to outstanding interest, and the remainder will be divided proportionately between the principal amount of the tax, the delinquent tax collector's fee, and any attorney's fee (if applicable).
7. If a delinquent tax payer has not made arrangements for satisfactory monthly payments to the delinquent tax collector on or before six (6) months after the due date, the delinquent tax collector will take those steps required under Vermont law to sell as much of the property on which the tax is due as is necessary to pay the property tax, interest, penalties, and all legal costs (including attorney's fees and legal notices).
8. The tax collector may, in his discretion, take those steps under Vermont law to schedule a tax sale at any time when taxes are delinquent. In exercising his discretion, the tax collector may take into account, among any other relevant factors, the following considerations: the amount of taxes that are delinquent; the taxpayer's history of delinquency in previous years; whether or not the property has been the subject of tax sales in previous years while owned by the same taxpayer; whether or not delay may impair the town's ability to collect in full taxes owed; whether or not delay may require the town to borrow additional funds in anticipation of taxes. Typically property will not be included in a tax sale, until at least \$250.00 in total delinquencies have accrued.
9. In the event that no one purchases the property at tax sale, or, if in the judgment of the tax collector, proceeding with the tax sale is inadvisable, the tax collector shall collect the delinquent taxes using any or all of the means permitted by law.
10. Each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes based on any of the grounds listed in 24 V.S.A. 1535 and to request that a portion only of the property be sold at tax sale upon meeting the conditions listed in 32 V.S.A. 5254.

Adopted by
The Board of Selectmen

DATE

John Phillips /s/

01/26/04

Norton Bennett /s/

01/26/04

H A Boisse /s/

1/26/04

2013 Delinquent Tax Report

	Parcel ID	Delinquent Tax Due*			
1	01.207.009-001	2,487.86	Balance	01/01/13	\$102,512.35
2	01.207.009-005	2,613.11			
3	01.208.004-000	** 4,386.91	Total Delinquent	11/16/13	162,287.75
4	02.114.003-002	** 2,144.13			
5	02.216.002-000	4,045.20	Total Delinquent		264,800.10
6	02.216.006-008	1,677.75			
7	02.237.003-000	1,674.53	Received		136,097.26
8	03.206.003-000	3,246.53			
9	03.206.014-000	3,943.51			
10	03.206.020-000	** 124.86	Balance	2013	128,702.84
11	03.206.020-000	** 97.87	Adjustments		-107.25
12	03.206.023-000	87.20			
13	04.101.163-000	426.81	Total Delinquent		\$128,595.59
14	04.102.017-000	2,392.90			
15	04.102.020-001	821.85			
16	04.102.020-002	490.38			
17	04.102.029-000	1,053.42	William C. Joos		
18	04.102.039-000	2,264.25	Interim Delinquent Tax Collector		
19	04.102.058-000	880.87			
20	04.102.062-000	667.15			
21	04.102.066-000	751.47			
22	04.102.088-000	3,610.98			
23	04.111.048-000	2,744.79			
24	04.222.003-000	2,220.36			
25	04.226.032-000	3,258.97			
26	05.102.006-000	** 113.00			
27	05.103.013-05W	13,803.26			
28	05.103.023-001	2,341.06			
29	05.103.023-200	1,355.37			
30	05.111.032-100	3,845.89			
31	05.114.002-000	** 200.00			
32	07.101.208-004	2,861.31			
33	08.103.049-000	2,527.63			
34	08.103.050-001	543.16			
35	08.103.060-000	2,951.39			
36	08.105.022-000	** 420.57			
37	08.105.022-007	3,613.28			
38	08.105.037-000	** 1,851.85			
39	08.227.016-004	708.34			
40	09.206.102-000	5,494.13			
41	09.206.106-001	1,642.22			
42	09.206.110-009	257.29			
43	10.233.006-000	1,105.18			
44	11.233.003-000	12,454.20			
45	11.233.003-003	1,128.34			
46	12.206.129-000	** 926.17			
47	13.101.083-000	4,844.82			
48	13.101.095-000	1,144.55			
49	13.101.105-000	4,256.82			
50	14.101.138-000	2,570.70			
51	14.101.140-000	4,806.00			
52	14.101.145-000	2,799.94			
53	14.224.024-000	22.71			
		<u>\$128,702.84</u>			
	Adjustments	-107.25			
	Total Delinquent 12/31/13	\$128,595.59			

Notes: * Amounts listed are base taxes only; interest and penalty also apply.

** Indicates parcels for which partial payments have been received.

Senators' Report

Dear Monkton Residents,

We are happy to have this opportunity once again to contribute to your Town Report. We feel honored to serve you and represent you in the Vermont Senate. Our highest priority is to help ensure that you receive accurate, timely, and fair service from all state agencies with which you interact—both as individuals and as a town.

Senator Ayer

I continue to serve as Chair of Senate Health and Welfare, which deals with mental health and all of Human Services as well. Our two top priorities in the Health area involve a step back to reconfirm how we're doing before we make any more changes.

UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE When we passed legislation that directed us to move forward with universal health care, we set certain conditions and based it on certain assumptions. Senate Committees will likely recheck those assumptions: what do we pay for health care, who pays it and how? What sort of work force will we need and how do we make that happen? How do the administrative, delivery and payment reforms stack up in regard to cost, quality and access to care? This work will be divided among senate committees and will involve a lot of complicated work.

MENTAL HEALTH The second big item is to recheck the functioning of our mental health system. Our goal was to provide more services closer to home and a new, smaller, intensive care facility. While portions are not yet finished, we will determine how these community resources are working and use that information to inform our steps forward.

BUDGET The budget is a huge cloud over all of this. Our deficit reflects, in large part, decreases in federal aid and increases in families with problems such as homelessness, substance abuse, underemployment and the like. A fellow senator remarked that he'd seen this "movie many times before" and wondered if we can continue to cut expenses without looking at revenues. Stay tuned for a lively discussion.

Senator Bray

I serve on the Senate Finance Committee and Senate Agriculture Committee. My goal is to promote sustainable economic development to build a more prosperous, sustainable, and healthy Vermont economy. My work is focused on:

BETTER TAX POLICY AND PROGRAMS: Developing taxes that are more fair, sustainable, predictable, and easily understood.

A STRONGER FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ECONOMY Continuing to develop Vermont's food system by supporting and developing programs that bring more fresh, whole local foods to our schools, workplaces, and marketplace.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING Developing workforce education and training programs to help students and the un- and under-employed find better jobs.

A BROADER PUBLIC GOOD FOR THE GAS LINE PROJECT While legislators have no say in projects before the Public Service Board, I set to work over the last year to broaden the public benefit of any project that might be approved. As a result, this project has been changed in important ways to save money for customers and reduce pollution for everyone. The project will now serve more homes and businesses sooner, provide more weatherization services to customers and non-customers alike along the distribution lines, and serve more low-income Vermonters.

In addition, I am working here in Addison County to develop a natural gas filling station for heavy vehicles, and in the legislature to create a clean energy fund for all towns that host the pipeline, so that Monkton will have steady funds for decades to come to develop clean energy projects of interest to residents who wish to be free of fossil fuels.

Last, I am partnering with our Congressional delegation to get national safeguards put into law for fracking and gas transmission.

If you have questions or comments on issues or proposed legislation, please get in touch. We appreciate hearing from you, as the more we hear from you, the better we are able to represent you. You can get a message to us via the Sargeant at Arms at (800) 322-5616, or (802) 828-2228. Or, you can email us at caver@leg.state.vt.us and cbray@leg.state.vt.us. We look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Senator Claire Ayer
Senator Chris Bray



Turn-out for 2013 Town Meeting

REPORT OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Usually, I write a narrative report which contains the number of permits granted during the year. I decided it might be more instructive, however, to compile the statistics for the past five years. I have laid them out in a comparative chart, which is quite revealing.

New homes for 2013 only exceed by 1 those permitted in 2010. The number of accessory buildings is significantly lower and number of additions were average. Administrative paperwork reveals that there has been a steady increase in the requests for Letters of Compliance. Curb cut requests, made to the Select Board, were only 2 less than the highest number of 10 in 2009.

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
New Homes	12	7	9	11	7
Accessory Bldgs	9	16	24	23	24
Additions	14	21	19	10	15
LOC's	28	26	24	23	19
Curb Cuts	8	4	0	3	10
911 #s	12	5	10	0	0
Renewals	0	0	0	0	2
Cond. Use	2	0	1	0	1
Boundary Adj.	1	1	0	0	0
1st Cut	2	1	0	0	0
Variances	0	1	4	0	2
Subdivisions	1	5	5	6	8
Change Of Use	0	2	0	0	0
Appeals	0	1	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth E. Wheeling
Zoning Administrator

FINANCES:

New Homes -	\$ 4638.00
Accessory Building -	1499.50
Additions -	1039.02
LoCs -	1400.00
Curb Cuts -	385.00
911#s -	240.00
	<u>\$ 9201.52</u>



Marcel Cousino

PLEASE NOTE: Effective with the new zoning regulations, voted in February 2012, New homes now require a CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY. These are increasingly being asked for when refinancing or selling properties. Issuance requires an inspection when the new residence is completed.

REPORT OF THE LISTERS

During the year, the listers reviewed numerous properties including visits to 43 parcels where changes or additions were being conducted. Included in these, were 10 new house visits. Also 84 property transfers were processed.

The equalization study conducted by the Department of Taxes indicated the Common Level of Appraisal, which is a measure of how closely the assessed value of property in town is to fair market value, is 84.6%. The Department of Taxes requires the town to conduct a reappraisal if the CLA value drops below 80%. Seeing as we are near this lower percentage, the Listers are considering conducting a town wide reappraisal, in the near future, using an independent appraisal firm, to establish a more favorable ratio of values. The cost of this reappraisal should not impact the tax rate due to the fact that the Listers have a budget, funded by the State, which is earmarked for this purpose.

Over the past few years the Listers' practices concerning multi-lot parcels have been challenged. In a unanimous decision, issued January 24, 2014, the Vermont Supreme Court concluded that the Town's approach to these parcels "has a rational basis and is constitutionally valid."

Respectfully submitted,

Bernie Wisniowski
Joe Boisse
John Howard



Madison & Papa Marcel

2013 Annual Report from the Development Review Board

New activity considered by the DRB was down from past years, though revenues from subdivisions and other zoning permits remained comparable to 2012. (See Zoning Administrators Report for details.)

The two major issues that consumed much of 2012, The Brisson Stone Application for a “Sand and Gravel Operation” and The Willowell Foundations Conditional Use Application, have not been resolved and are presently in the courts. Brisson Stone’s Case has been heard, but no decision has been filed to date. Willowell’s Case will be heard later this month. Both cases have been time consuming and required both legal depositions and court appearances from various DRB members. We all look forward to their conclusion.

The Monkton Design Review Board continues to make every attempt to treat all citizens equally and fairly, following the rules and regulations of the current Unified Planning Document for the Town of Monkton, “respecting the rights of landowners while protecting the interests of the town as a whole”

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Close
Chair, Monkton DRB



Marcel & Scott in Germany - 1970

Monkton Planning Commission

The Planning Commission meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Its work includes updating the Town Plan, updating the Unified Planning Document, which houses Monkton's zoning and subdivision regulations, and projects that help the Town serve its citizens effectively.

Please look for our upcoming activities on the Town website at: <http://monktonvt.com/boards-and-committees/planning-commission/or> on Front Porch Forum (Monkton's electronic bulletin board).

Starting in 2012 and continuing in 2013, most of the Planning Commission's work has been to complete a rewrite of the Town Plan. The Planning Commission received a Municipal Planning Grant for \$7875 in 2012, which provided support in rewriting the Town Plan through spring of 2013. This grant supported the rewrite with better formatting, readability, as well as the new Economic Development section required by State law. The Planning Commission had its hearing on the rewritten Town Plan on October 15th. Comments provided by citizens helped us decide to strengthen the language in the Utilities and Facilities section. The second hearing for the Town Plan was on January 3rd. The Commission voted to send the Town Plan to the Select Board for their review.

Monkton was one of four towns that received a 2012 Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC), Traffic Advisor Committee (TAC) Planning Study grant. Monkton's grant was for \$15,000. The Planning Commission designed the study to examine the intersection of State's Prison Hollow Road and Monkton Ridge and examine the feasibility of a formal park and ride in town.

If the ridge is to function as part of a village center, it must be walkable (and bikeable), allowing people to move safely while connecting the key points between the municipal land and the Friends Methodist Church to the north and the current town hall, library and general store to the south. This feasibility study provides a conceptual design for a sidewalk including: proper alignment of the intersection, visual cues for traffic calming, and the best location for a park and ride facility. It will determine methods and approximate cost of creating the infrastructure to enhance the developing town center.

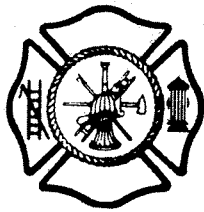
In September 2013, Michael Bayer resigned; he was a longtime Planning Commission member. The Commission thanks Michael for all his many years of service to the Town and his thoughtful input to the planning process. The vacancy will hopefully be filled by election on Town Meeting Day.

When the rewritten Town Plan has been adopted, we will begin working on the Town Plan's priorities and updating the Unified Planning Document.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Sue Harper, Chair

Sam Burr, Vice-Chair, Peter Close, Jay Frater, Thea Gaudette, Secretary, and Lee Mahony
Monkton Planning Commission



Monkton Volunteer Fire Department

3747 States Prison Hollow Road
Bristol, Vermont 05443

Annual Report 2013

Last year was another busy one for your fire department, which responded to 51 emergency alarms in 2013. This total exceeded our call volumes in 2012 (36) and 2011 (35). Of the 51 emergencies last year, 24 were fires, most of which were minor and extinguished easily. We responded also to 13 medical emergencies and several motor vehicle accidents.

One of the most consistent challenges to a small, rural department is to maintain an active roster of enthusiastic, well trained members sufficient to ensure a safe, professional and quick response whenever any emergency presents itself. We begin 2014 with 19 members, most of whom are away from Monkton during the workday. Our 19 members were very active, however, when available. Last year, firefighters completed 550 combined hours of training, and provided another 605 combined hours toward various activities, the 51 alarm responses, business meetings, work nights, and fund raising efforts. We responded when called to assist the Bristol and Vergennes Rescue Squads with medical emergencies, and nearby towns, most notably Bristol and Hinesburg, to fight structure fires or assist with calls requiring additional equipment and manpower. We worked closely with the Vermont State Police at accident scenes. In November, we responded with our well equipped rescue boat to Monkton Pond to return a fisherman to shore after his vessel had capsized. Fortunately, the weather cooperated, and a successful rescue was made without delay.

2013 was a year of transition within the department's membership, as a number of long standing, experienced leaders departed the MVFD to pursue other opportunities. Among our departing firefighters, we are particularly proud of Kevin Alexander, who resigned as a 2nd Assistant Chief this past June. Kevin decided to become a career firefighter, and joined the Burlington Fire Department. While with the MVFD, Kevin earned numerous training awards and was named *Outstanding Firefighter of the Year* several times. We also said goodbye to Captain Tracy Clark, a very dedicated firefighter with many years of service who earned several *Most Active Member* awards during his time with us. Firefighter Ric Wolak resigned at year's end. We thank them all for their service, and wish them well in the future.

We were pleased to welcome several new members in 2013, including Marc Beaupre, David Heath and Jasmine St Francis. As is true every year, the department still needs more new members! We welcome all interested neighbors to learn more about us and what we do. No job is too big (or small) that can't be made easier with more hands. No experience is necessary – just a willingness to learn, and an interest in helping your neighbors. We will find a spot for you. **PLEASE consider joining the MVFD.** Kindly contact me at 453-2286 (or any MVFD member) if you have any questions. We gather most Wednesday evenings at the fire station for meetings and training; consider yourself invited!

The MVFD elects its leaders each January. I am pleased to acknowledge the following officers for 2014:

Chief	David Layn	Captain	Rick Gomez
1 st Assistant Chief	Curtis Layn	Lieutenant	George Roy
2 nd Assistant Chief	Robert Howard	Lieutenant	Buzz Kuhns

Several members were recognized recently by their peers for outstanding performance and significant contributions last year. Robert Howard, our newly elected 2nd Assistant Chief, was voted again as the *Outstanding Firefighter of the Year*, a recognition Bob has received since 2011. Bob's dedication, time commitment and eagerness to learn set him apart. Bob sets an excellent example for all us, but most especially for new members. I am pleased to announce that Adrian Hicks, a new father to son Dylan, secured the department's *Training Award*, for logging the most training hours. Our *Most Active Members* in 2013 were 1st Assistant Chief Curtis Layn and Captain Rick Gomez, both of whom exceeded 115 hours. Other firefighters who logged significant training and emergency response hours included Greg Cota and Matt

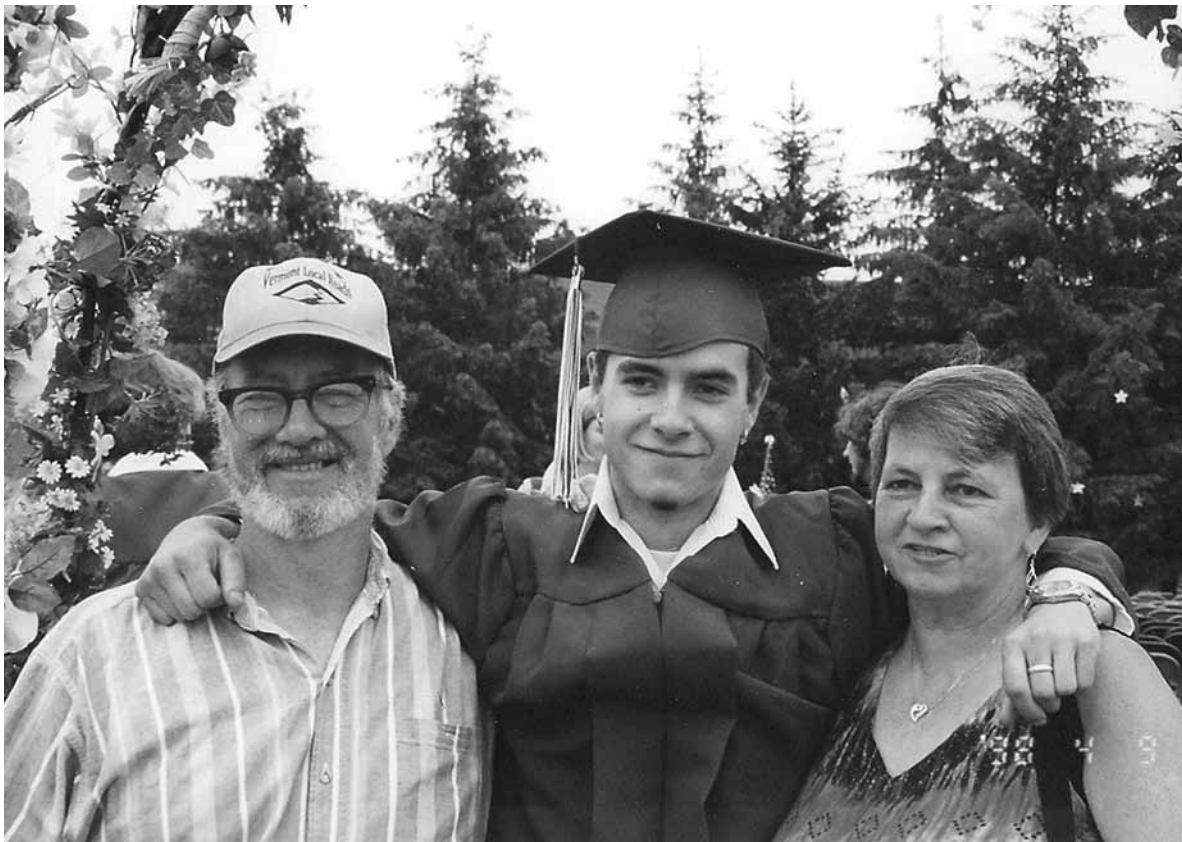
DuPont. Mike New was invaluable as well, and provided regular administrative support. We appreciate the dedication and contributions made by each and every member.

We also appreciate the continuing support we receive from our auxiliary group, the town, our families, neighbors, and mutual aid fire departments. We thank you for your encouragement and good wishes, and we pledge to do our best to earn your trust. Also, 2014 marks the return to service of Monkton First Response, which has proven to be a very valuable service for the community.

Please visit us at the fire station, perhaps during our annual breakfast, or in September at the Mug Bog fundraiser. We all wish you and your family a safe and healthy 2014!

Respectfully,

David Layn
Chief
Monkton Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.



Marcel, Ryan & Zandra - 2003

Monkton Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Treasurer's Report
January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Account Balances - January 1, 2013

Checking	20,283.79
Money Market Account	4,528.36
Total	<u>\$24,812.15</u>

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	
Town Appropriation	55,000.00		
Donations	300.00		
Fund Raising	747.71		
Fund Raising - Mud Bog	19,569.70		
Grants	4,128.71		
Insurance Refund - VLCT	346.00		
Interest	4.53		
Other - Miscellaneous	111.00		
Rent - USPS	1,700.00		
Sale of Used Equipment	400.00		
Awards		624.27	
Building Repair & Maintenance		1,539.12	
Dispatch Services		1,863.28	
Dues, Schools & Training		1,264.79	
Electric Service		2,901.31	
Equipment Repair & Maintenance		2,410.51	
Extinguisher Expense		222.75	
Gasoline / Oil (vehicles)		1,043.00	
Heat (Fuel pre-buy)		4,232.50	
Insurance		11,270.00	
Meeting Expense / Supplies		864.51	
Miscellaneous		2,236.04	
Mowing		400.00	
New Equipment		7,998.80	
New Radio Equipment		-	
Office Supplies & Postage		459.04	
Radio Repair & Maintenance		-	
Telephone Service		461.57	
Truck Payment		9,702.19	
Truck Repair & Maintenance		1,024.10	
Total	<u>82,307.65</u>	<u>50,517.78</u>	<u>\$31,789.87</u>

Truck and Equipment Fund	<u>32,705.04</u>
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Checking - Carrying Amount	19,364.09
Money Market Account	4,532.89

Total	<u>23,896.98</u>
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**Monkton Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Proposed 2014 Budget**

Awards	175.00
Building Repair & Maintenance	12,200.00
Dispatch Services	1,800.00
Dues, Schools & Training	1,050.00
Electric Service	2,750.00
Equipment Repair / Maintenance	750.00
Extinguisher Expense	250.00
First Response	7,000.00
Gasoline / Oil	925.00
Heat (2014 fuel pre-buy)	4,500.00
Insurance	8,500.00
Meeting Expense / Supplies	750.00
Miscellaneous	2,500.00
Mowing	400.00
New Equipment	6,000.00
New Radio Equipment	1,400.00
Office Supplies & Postage	100.00
Radio Repair & Maintenance	750.00
Telephone Service	450.00
Truck Replacement Fund	10,000.00
Truck Repair / Maintenance	1,750.00

\$64,000.00

The fire department is requesting **\$33,000** for 2014, which represents a 40% reduction from its 2013 request (\$55,000). The fire department has been fiscally responsible and consistently successful with its fund raising activities.

E 911

911 is working for everyone and has enabled Fire, Rescue, Law enforcement and others to better serve all of us. Work is still needed to make it even better, and that's where you, the towns people come in.

Numbers are assigned to every home, business, school, etc in town. This works only if you use them. By the state's recommendation, all numbers are available at the town clerk's office, or can be ordered for a small fee.

For those who have not put up your number yet, they are a valuable asset for you and your family in case of an emergency. Please go to the Town Clerk's office and pick up or order your number and post it.

Directions for putting up your number, follow this report. It is important that your numbers be displayed prominently and clearly visible from the road..

Remember, if we can't find you , a minute can be a lifetime!!!!

911 Co-Ordinator,
Town of Monkton
Diane Bennett

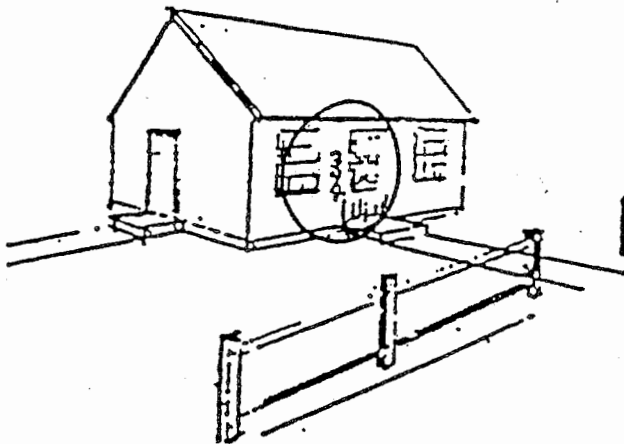


Marcel, Zandra & family - grandson Garrett, Garrett's girlfriend Hanna, granddaughters Tanika & Mikayla, son-in-law Randy, grandson Kolby, daughter Amy, son Ryan, daughter-in-law Toni - 2011

Where to Affix Street Numbers

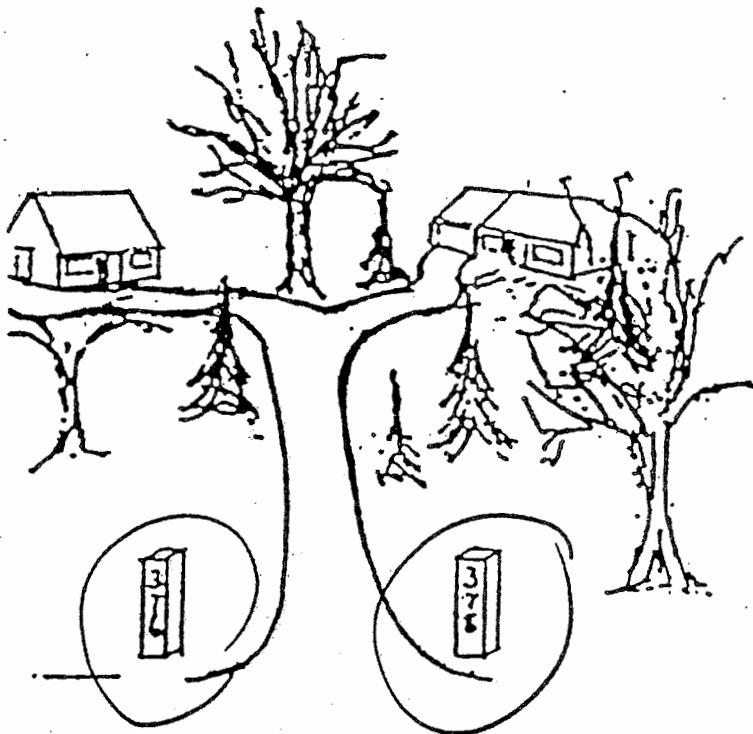
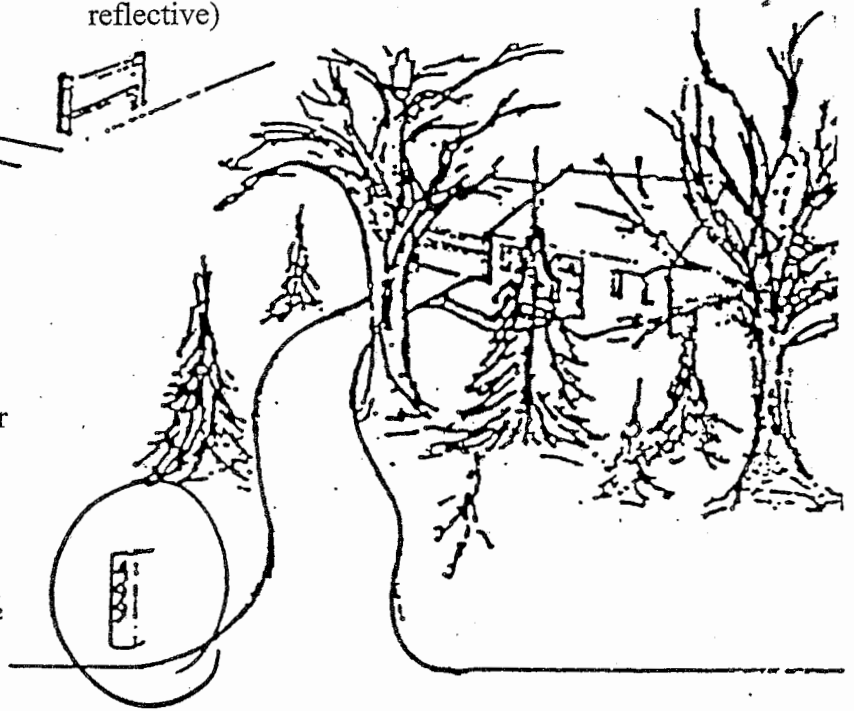
Residence on Street

Numbers on Main Entrance
(Min. 3 " high x 2 ½ wide
reflective)



Residence on Back Lot or
not visible from street.

Number on solid post or
mail box at end of drive-
way. (Min. 3" high x 2 ½
wide reflective.)



More than one residence
on Back Lot or Not Visible
from Street.

All numbers on end of
driveway on solid post
or mailbox. Each structure
has number at main
entrance visible from
driveway.
(Min 2" high x 2 ½ wide
(reflective)

Monkton Emergency Management Report

2013 was relatively uneventful. Let's hope 2014 will be as good.

Please try to be prepared for any emergency that could come along. Some items that you need to stock up on and have on hand in case of an emergency would be:

- Water
- Flashlights and batteries
- Canned food
- A hand held can opener
- Toothbrush and paste
- Extra prescription medicines if possible

The shelter at Monkton Volunteer Fire Department is equipped to house up to 40 people. If you have a pet, it should be brought in a cage with its own food. Pets will be housed nearby in another location.

Pete Aube
Monkton Emergency Manager



Charlie Huizenga, Sr.



2013 Monkton Energy Committee Report

The Monkton Energy Committee had an interesting and productive 2013. Our main focus for 2013 was communication and implementation of the Vermont Home Energy Challenge. Formal adoption of the PACE program for the town has been a 1Q14 focus.

As you may know, the town of Monkton voted on town meeting day 2012 to become a PACE district. This was the 1st step in allowing Monkton residents to access loans through the program.

The **PACE** program (**Property Assessed Clean Energy**) creates an affordable way for homeowners to finance energy efficient home improvements such as insulation upgrades, installation of improved windows, efficient lighting, biomass heating systems, solar hot water and solar photovoltaic additions – and more. With the PACE program the savings gained through the energy efficiency will be greater than the monthly payments for the upgrades.

Once the state funding was approved, the PACE program was reviewed by the Monkton Select Board. As of this writing, we anticipate formal adoption of the program in the 1st quarter of this year. PACE allows homeowners to borrow up to \$30,000 with up to a 20 year payback period against equity in their home to fund energy efficiency or alternative energy projects. The assessment loan is tied to the property and stays with the property if it is sold. Efficiency Vermont will administer Monkton's program as our agent. The agent works with towns to administer the program and local lending institutions that provide the assessment loans.

For more information contact Jay Frater or visit:

[http://www.efficiencyvermont.com/Site-](http://www.efficiencyvermont.com/Site-Search?indexCatalogue=global&searchQuery=pac&wordsMode=1)

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Towns across Vermont signed up in 2013 for a friendly competition to improve the efficiency (and comfort) of the homes in our towns.

There were 2 categories being measured and tracked by Efficiency Vermont.

As of January, we have achieved 81% of our goal of homeowners pledging to reduce energy usage – only 3 other towns (out of the 80 participating) had a higher percentage of participation!

Although we show only 5% of our goal for home energy efficiency related projects completed to date, I know there are several projects in the works which could finish before the competition deadline of February 15th, 2014.

Thanks to all who participated!

The HEC officially ended on February 15th of this year. It is widely recognized that weatherization is the most cost effective way to save fuel and money – and it is never too late to invest in improving the energy efficiency of our homes. There are many ways the state offers to help us do that.

The State of Vermont has a **Weatherization Program** for low-income families.

NOTE: FREE AUDITS and FREE WEATHERIZATION WORK are available through Champlain Valley Weatherization to households with income levels below the following:

Household Size	Addison County
1	\$30,060
2	\$34,320
3	\$38,640
4	\$42,900
5	\$46,380
6	\$49,800
7	\$53,220
8	\$56,640

This is a great way to save money on energy costs!

If a household member receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Reach Up, 3SquaresVT, or Home Energy Assistance, you are automatically eligible for weatherization services. For more information, please contact the Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity in Hinesburg at 482-4180 or visit their website at: <http://www.cvoeo.org/>.

Efficiency Vermont offers programs to save money and improve the energy efficiency of your home, business or farm. They offer up to \$2,500 in incentives per household to help Vermonters pay for energy efficiency home improvements completed by (or overseen by) a certified Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® contractor. After an energy audit, they will make recommendations on weatherization, efficient lighting, heating, and more. For more information, please contract Efficiency Vermont at: 1-888-921-5990 (toll free) or visit their website at: <http://www.efficiencyvermont.com/Index.aspx>.

You can reduce your home energy costs by having an independent, certified contractor perform an energy audit on your home. They go through your home from top to bottom and give you a report on where cold air is getting in and how to keep it out. They can help you prioritize energy efficiency improvements; many also will install them. Audits are available through certified contractors or can be scheduled for \$100 through Neighborworks of Western Vermont. This year you will be able use the PACE program to pay for home energy improvements.

In 2013 we received the energy report from the audit on the Monkton town garage. This audit was funded in part by a small grant from Addison County Regional Planning Commission that paid for 75% of the audit. At \$8000 per year, the Town Garage costs the most to heat of all town buildings (not counting the Monkton Central School). As a result of this audit, the Monkton Select Board has decided to insulate the town garage roof. We will monitor the energy usage through Portfolio Manager (energy tracking software offered by the state) and expect to see a reduction in energy usage.

MEC continues to investigate options for a solar array on municipal land for the town or school. We have met with several installers and have looked at some sites in town. There are numerous new and creative ways of building and funding community based solar projects. Many offer homeowners without space or appropriate land/orientation to still invest in solar power. As one option, we await a legal analysis of the possibility of installing solar arrays on conserved land. We will continue to help the School Board and Select Board examine the feasibility of reducing the School's and Town's energy use (and potentially offering homeowners in town) with a renewable solar option.

The MEC went through some personnel changes in 2013. We first want to thank Charlie Huizenga for all of his efforts while he was on the committee – co-chair from inception of the committee through mid 2013!

Since Charlie's departure, we have added two new members – Becky Gould and Nate Palmer – welcome to both, and thanks for the contributions they have already made to the committee and the town!

If you are interested in energy and creating a more efficient, affordable and sustainable energy future in Monkton please consider joining the **Monkton Energy** Committee – we still have 2 open positions to fill. We have numerous interesting projects planned for the coming years –continuation of our efforts to reduce energy usage in town buildings, research into installation of a municipal solar array, development of a comprehensive town energy plan, creation of a town wood bank, working with the school and VEEP (Vt Energy Education Program) to include energy into the curriculum, and more. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Town Hall. For more information contact any of the MEC members.

Jay Frater (chair)	jfrater@monktonvt.com	(802) 989-9078
Peter Dufault (secretary)	pdufault@monktonvt.com	(802) 233-0248
Wendy Sue Harper	wsharper@monktonvt.com	(802) 453-2680
Becky Gould	bgould@monktonvt.com	(802) 598-7088
Nate Palmer	npalmer@monktonvt.com	(802) 425-2115



Marcel & Zandra - 1993

Animal Control Officer Report

This has been another busy year for the A.C.O. I have had calls that range from simple to severe. In the past year I have responded to the following calls:

Dog Bites.....	1 (serious)
Dog Complaints.....	38
Dogs Lost.....	11
Cats Abandoned.....	0
Deceased Dogs / Animal Cruelty....	0
Dogs vs. Chickens.....	0
Dog Noise Complaints.....	1
Dogs Out of Control.....	4
Goats at Large	2
Sheep at Large.....	2

This does not include the other calls I settled over the phone or with quick visits. We seem to have a growing number of animals that need to conform to the "Animal Ordinance". **(THIS MEANS THE OWNERS)** Copies of the Animal Control Ordinance are available at the Town Hall and on the Town Website.

Per Article 5 of the ordinance, no owner or keeper of a domestic animal shall permit said pet to run at large. The owner or keeper of the pet shall **not** allow the animal to enter or remain on the property of others; including lawns, gardens, yards, schoolyards, public buildings, parks, and/or playgrounds at any time or in any manner in which it would be unlawful for the owner or keeper to so enter or remain.

To all who walk their dogs on the walking trails at the recreation field, **please pick up after your dogs.** Families and children of all ages use the walking trails and there should not be any dog residue lying around to contaminate shoes, etc. **All dogs must also be under the control of their owners when on public property.** Morse Park regulations require that all dogs be on a leash.

In the current year, things have looked better for the responsibility of the public and I thank you. It makes my job easier. Please look at the chart above and see how we have made the town of Monkton a better place to live!

WINTER is here! Please make sure you pets have food, water and shelter. Keep your loved ones warm.

Vermont Statutes impose the responsibility of Animal Control enforcement on the respective towns. State laws require dogs to be **vaccinated** and **licensed**. This is to protect the public. Dogs cannot be licensed unless proof of current vaccination is provided when licensing the dog.

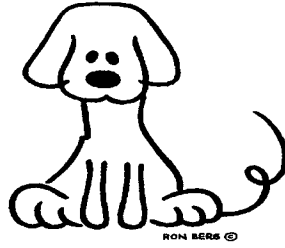
Please have your pets spayed or neutered.

The 24 hour cell phone # is **355-4870** for any animal problems. Please leave a message and your phone number so I can return your call.

Monkton Rabies Clinic
March 25th - 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Monkton Volunteer Fire Dept.
Cost- \$ 15 per animal
Bring a copy of most recent Rabies Vaccination.

Respectfully
Gary Clodgo
Animal Control Officer

DOG REPORT FOR 2013



Remember to register your dog!
On or Before April 1

All we need is a copy of your dogs valid rabies certificate

341 Dogs Licensed

Jan. – April 1

Spayed / Neutered \$11.00

Un-Neutered \$15.00

Information for Special Licenses for Kennels
available at the Town Clerks Office.

After April 1

Spayed / Neutered \$13.00

Un-Neutered \$19.00

For dog problems contact:
Animal Control Officer:
Gary Clodgo at 355-4870

S. Gomez, Town Clerk

**A rabies clinic is scheduled for March 25th at the Monkton Vol. Fire Department
from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. The fee per rabies shot is \$15.00 per animal.**

**** Please be sure to bring a copy of the most recent Rabies Vaccination. ****



Ryelee & Toby

Morse Park Regulations Walk Path & Ball Fields

Activities Allowed:

- X-country Skiing
- Walking, running, snow shoeing
- Bicycling
- Snowmobiling, **if there is sufficient snow**
- Ball Playing
- Camping, **by permit only**
- Charcoal fires **only**

NOTE! If you are walking with a dog, **all dogs must be on a leash!**
Owners are also required to **clean up** dog waste.

Activities Not Allowed:

- No ATV's
- No 4-Wheel drive cars or trucks
- No Horses



Mike Palmer & Marcel with his moose

MONKTON RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Monkton Recreation Committee meets the first Monday of every month. Meetings are held in the school library at 7:00PM. All meetings are open to town residents.

The Monkton Recreation Committee coordinates and/or sponsors the following community programs:

T-ball/Little League/Softball
Basketball
Friday night ski program at Bolton Valley
Soccer
Lacrosse – Addison United Lacrosse

Annual Events sponsored by the Monkton Recreation Committee:

Monkton Corn Roast – August
5K run – June
Santa's visit – December

Property Maintenance coordinated by the Monkton Recreation Committee:

Recreation Path at Morse Park (1.3 miles)	Soccer and lacrosse fields at Morse Park
Parking lot at Morse Park on Pond Road	Access road/equipment shed at Morse Park
Lower parking lot at the school	Lower playing field adjacent to school
Little league field on Hollow Road	Pavilion/outhouse at little league field*

***Contact Pete Aube @ 453-2700 to reserve the pavilion for family and/or community event**

Current initiatives:

- 1. Phase 2 and 3 of pavilion at Morse Park**
- 2. Posting recreation opportunities on the Town of Monkton website**

We would like to take this opportunity to THANK all the individuals who have given their time as volunteers to coach, assist with coaching, perform field maintenance, work with concession stands, coordinate our programs and/or donate funds to make our growing youth population able to participate in all our self-supporting programs!

Help us to make our community better by making a tax exempt donation to Monkton Recreation. For more info, please call one of the following committee members and visit the Town of Monkton website for future updates.

Current committee members:

Pete Aube	Charlie Huizenga
Paul Low	Bob Radler
Karla Huizenga	Ed Cook
Stephanie Murray	

Russell Memorial Library Trustees' Report

3pm to 7pm Tuesdays and Thursdays / 9am to 1pm Fridays and Saturdays

Once again the trustees, along with our hard-working librarians Deb Chamberlin and DawnThibault, are pleased to report an increase in materials loaned, new card-holding patrons and many other library services for this past year. We would like to encourage town residents of all ages to stop in to check out our continually updated selection of books, access the internet on our two computers, or bring your own - many folks use our WiFi, indoors or out. If you can't find a selection, ask about the inter-library loan service. We also have day passes to state parks, the Shelburne Museum and the ECHO Center. Come check them out!

In 2013 we held our six week summer reading program. The children were provided with a reading log to keep track of their summer reading and received a free book order coupon worth \$6.00-paid for with library funds. This coupon was awarded to the participants after they turned in their reading logs in September to their classroom teachers. Twenty-two children participated in the program and used their book club coupon at school to order a book of their choice. This was a nice collaboration between the school and town library.

Our popular story hours for small fry and their folks with library assistant extraordinaire, Judi Leavstrom, takes place on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 11:00-12:00. Halloween fell on a Thursday this year when the library was open. Our librarian, Deb Chamberlin, gave out a free book to each child who came in costume. Deb had eighty patrons visit including a canine in costume! As a welcome to new families and newborns, we proudly participate in Dolly Parton's wonderful program "Imagination Library". Through this program, with thanks to co-funding from the town, each child receives a free book monthly until they are five years of age.

Our 27th annual Strawberry Festival, our biggest fundraiser of the year, took place on June 23rd. Many thanks to Susan Stewart and everyone at Monkton Central School for hosting us again this year. We again featured local berries and toppings, hot dogs, yards of used books, a silent auction of local goods and services and music from "Swing Noire", back by popular demand. Hundreds of folks came and enjoyed, helping us to raise much needed funds for our library. We look forward to being with you this coming June!

The Extension Master Gardeners Project at the Russell Memorial Library was a labor of love for many members of the community. The concept was to create a beautiful space that can be used by adults and children to learn, relax and enjoy in Monkton center. Many people donated time, money, plants and garden tools. Special thanks goes to the Library Board and especially Kathy Malzac, Extension Master Gardeners Kathy Bushey and Patricia New, Suzanne Snyder of Suzanne Snyder, LLC for design ideas, Mike Cousino for installation of a water spigot, Neat Repeats Resale Shop in Middlebury for a generous grant, Greentree Realty and New England Oral Surgery for their very generous donations. Thanks also to Mike New for refurbishing the picnic table, the Rollins family for the donation of a hose, watering can and watering wand, Anna Lester for a rain barrel and numerous community members for donations of plants. Each year, more gardens will be added and maintained by the Extension Master Gardeners for the town's enjoyment.

Please visit the library website at russelllibraryvt.wordpress.com, check for our information on the town website monktonvt.com or "friend" us on Facebook

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Beaupre, co-chair	Helena Nicolay, secretary
Patti Padua, co-chair	Pete Sutherland
Kathy Malzac, treasurer	

Russell Memorial Library
Treasurer's Report
January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Current Assets as of 1/1/13

Checking	11,958.13
Money Market Account	1,187.13
Certificates of Deposit	15,913.03
TOTAL	<u>\$29,058.29</u>

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	
Voter Appropriation	21,620.00		
Grant Income - Garden Project	350.00		
Miscellaneous Revenue, inc. Donations	853.08		
Strawberry Festival Fund Raiser	1,774.34		
Interest Income	22.42		
			2014 Proposed Budget
Books		2,287.62	2,000.00
Cleaning		100.00	100.00
Computer/Maintenance		297.48	200.00
Computer Svc/Contract		225.00	-
Dues & Subscriptions		250.00	250.00
Gifts Given		144.31	100.00
Maintenance - Building		139.09	200.00
Maintenance - Grounds		400.00	500.00
Miscellaneous Expenses - Garden Project		558.58	-
Office Supplies		115.61	100.00
Payroll		13,553.48	15,000.00
Postage & Delivery		18.00	50.00
Programs		38.37	150.00
Utilities:			
Electricity & Heat		1,187.28	1,100.00
Telephone		447.29	400.00
Total	<u>24,619.84</u>	<u>19,762.11</u>	<u>4,857.73</u>
			<u>20,150.00</u>

Current Assets as of 12/31/13

Checking	8,726.32
Money Market Account	1,187.73
Certificates of Deposit	15,935.45
Voter Appropriation - Balance	8,066.52
TOTAL	<u>33,916.02</u>

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Malzac, Treasurer for the Board of Trustees

2013 Recycling Center Report

The following students are members of the **Monkton Maples 4H** and run Monkton's recycling center. We thank them for their service to our community!

Katrina Smith	Kaitlyn Gomez	Justin Kimball	Andre Latourneau
Ian Brennan	Julia Rickner	Natalie May*	MK Charnley
Calvin Joos	Isabel Brennan*	Izzy Moody*	Ben Charboneau
Jackson Radler	Eliza Latourneau	Greta Joos	Margaret Moody
Katherine Moody	Aiden May	Jacob Fay	Gillianne Ross
Emma Radler			

* designates one of the organizations officers

These students work in teams to run our town's recycling center. The center is open every 2nd and 4th Saturday each month from 9am to 12 noon.

Please help our 4H students by not dumping household garbage, any packing Styrofoam and Styrofoam meat trays, plastic grocery bags, durable plastics (like Tupperware). Shredded paper may be recycled and is preferred left in a clear plastic bag. Just ask our students if you have any recycling questions.

Addison County Solid Waste Management District in Middlebury accepts items like appliances, motor oil, old paint, fluorescent lights. The transfer station is open Monday - Saturday. The Monkton Recycling center does not accept these items, but frequently finds them left at our center & we have to then dispose of them. It is illegal dumping to put such items & household trash in the recycling bins.

Other Monkton Maples 4H Activities:

- The 4H volunteered at the Bristol Food Shelf
- Our members worked during the Addison County Field Days at the Dusty Chuck Food Booth to support the Addison County 4H organization.
- Our 4H distributed Green Up Day bags and assisted community members with selecting routes for clean-up around town.
- Our students made a \$325 donation to Jacob Gordan- a Mt. Abe Student battling Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
- Our group baked 24 loaves of bread for in the Holiday Gift baskets distributed by the scouts in December.
- We volunteered at the 5 Town Community Dinner at Mary's Restaurant

Our 4H appreciates your donations of bottles and cans as we fund all of our activities with this money and money raised from Town Meeting Day Lunch.

Respectfully Submitted by- Amy Moody, Organizational Leader, Monkton Maples 4H

Green Up Day 2013

Green Up Day 2013, Monkton collected 1.09 tons of Green Up trash, 50 tires, and 4 electronics.

Thank you to Aiden May, Katherine Moody, Isabel Brennan and Izzy Moody who handed out Green Up Bags at the Firehouse from 8:00 – 12:00 and distributed 300 Green Up bags to eager volunteers!

Green Up Day 2014 will take place Saturday, May 3rd. This year our Green Up Day Project Leaders will again be members of the Monkton Maples 4H Community Service group. They will be using a town map to check off roads volunteers are cleaning up as well as handing out Green Up Day bags and gloves on Green Up Day from 8:00-12:00. Bags will also be available at the Town Hall during that week.

You may drop off collected Green Up Waste at the Town Garage on Green Up Day. If you find any trash/waste in your area that cannot be transported, please call the Town Garage at 453-3263. Report any hazardous waste to the ACSWD in Middlebury at 388-2333.

Please remember to keep tires and scrap metal separated from trash and do not overfill the bags – secure them properly so that they may be easily loaded onto the Town trucks for transport to the ACSWD in Middlebury.

Thank you to all the volunteers in Monkton who participate in Green Up Day and help to make it a continued success in our community!

Janet Kimball
Monkton Green Up Day Coordinator



Isabel Brennan & Izzy Moody handing out
Green Up Bags at the Firehouse



Another Successful Green Up Year!

ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (ACSWMD)

This has been a year of big changes at the Transfer Station and District offices in Middlebury. With the implementation of Act 148, the burden of recycling collection increased to include food waste and the ever-expanding collection of electronics waste. The number of visitors to the Transfer Station has been steadily increasing, along with increased traffic congestion from small haulers and residents moving around the Transfer Station disposing of various items. Inside the District offices, similar congestion was occurring. After a long and careful planning process, the bid from Weston & Sampson was accepted, and construction began in the late fall to improve overall site utilization, safety for all users of the Transfer Station, and to expand and improve office space within the District office building. Among other noticeable changes, visitors will have noted that the *Reuse It or Lose It!* building is unavailable until construction is completed.

The new Paint Law has taken effect, and the District repealed the \$2/load fee for latex paint as of 1/1/14. When the Paint Law is fully implemented in the spring of 2014, all specialty paints will be accepted at no charge. The upheaval surrounding the state contract for electronics waste disposal have had a significant impact on the District, since Goodpoint Recycling is located within Middlebury, and over the last two years has been a strong and steadfast partner to the District as electronics recycling has been more widely implemented.

District Staff and the Board of Supervisors continue to look for ways to push our waste diversion rate higher. Member towns are beginning to utilize the revolving loan fund that is available to each participating municipality within the District. This fund provides a no-interest loan to help with capital projects that support the District Mission. Possible projects might include the purchase of a larger container for recyclables or other improvements at the town's drop-off area.

One of the highest-impact aspects of the phase-in of Act 148 will be the mandatory diversion of organic waste. This includes yard and brush waste as well as food waste. The very large generators (104 tons or more per year) which are located within 20 miles of a certified organics management facility with the capacity to accept it (which includes the Transfer Station), are already required to send their food residuals to the Station. Each year from now until 2020, generators of smaller and smaller quantities will become included in the mandate. See the District website, www.addisoncountyrecycles.org/ for more details.

District staff members are very active in community education programs, and work closely with the county schools on recycling and composting education. Interactive presentations are available free to county schools, or teachers may schedule a tour for their students of the Transfer Station, a recyclables processing center, or a composting facility. Don Maglienti, the Program Coordinator, is a regular presenter at Monkton Central School and Mt. Abe.

The District continues to provide all services to the member towns on a fee-for-service basis, with no town assessments. Cost savings in 2013 resulted in the reduction in several rates for special items brought to the Transfer Station, and the tipping fee was reduced to pass these savings on to District residents. **Please see the announcements in the following pages for current rates and fees for all items.**

Deb Gaynor
Town of Monkton
ACSWMD Board of Supervisors, member

Transfer Station Hours:
 Mon-Fri: 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 Saturdays: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

**2014 TRANSFER STATION
 ADOPTED RATE SCHEDULE**

HazWaste Center Hours:
 Mon-Fri: 8:00 AM – Noon
 Saturdays: 9:00 AM – Noon

A \$1.00 admin fee is charged on all monetary transactions in addition to prices listed below.

WE ACCEPT:	PRICE/UNIT
MSW (Trash), Construction & Demolition Debris	\$123/ton
Minimum Fee -- Minimum Load Size -- 1/2 ton for regular MSW only	\$62.50
Minimum Fee -- 100 lbs. or less -- mixed debris	\$6.25/load
Appliances w/ CFCs (frig, freezer, AC, fountain, vending machine, dehumidifier)	\$10/ea.
Commercial-Grade A/C Units	At Cost
Appliances - no CFCs (furnace, washer/dryer, hot water heater, stove, dishwasher, microwave, woodstove)	No Charge
Asbestos, Non-Friable (packaging requirements apply)	\$200/ton
Batteries (wet-cell, automotive).....	No Charge
Batteries (small dry-cell, cell phones, rechargeable, button cell, lithium, lithium ion, NiMH, NiCad).....	No Charge
Books (hard and soft cover).....	No Charge
Clean Wood , natural wood or raw lumber/ pallets (untreated, unpainted) – Residential Customers – Car/Truck ...	\$2.50/load
Residential Customers w/ Trailer	\$5/load
Business Customers.....	\$45/ton
Mulch loading assistance (upon request).....	\$5/load
Electronics (larger items or quantities may be charged by weight at the discretion of the scalehouse operator)	\$0.23/lb
Computers, whole systems (includes everything)	\$11/ea. No Charge*
Computers, by piece (monitor or CPU or printer)	\$6/pc. No Charge*
Televisions (Regular size TV).....	\$7/ea. No Charge*
(Console size TV)	\$15/ea. No Charge*
Desktop Photocopier	\$11/pc.
Small Electronics (Fax, VCR, DVD, Stereo, CD Player, Shredder)	\$2.50/pc.
Mixed Bag (cords, adapters, CDs, tapes, cassettes, DVDs, chips, cards - grocery bag size)	\$5/bag
Fire Extinguishers – >5 lbs	\$5/ea.
Fluorescent Light Bulbs – Compact Fluorescent Lamps.....	No Charge
U-Tube, Circular or Straight Tubes 4 ft. or shorter	\$0.25/ea. No Charge**
Straight Tubes longer than 4 ft., or HID	\$0.50/ea. No Charge**
UV, Neon or other Specialty Lamps	\$1.95/ea.
Food Waste (Residential only)	No Charge
Hazardous Waste – Residential	No Charge
Hazardous Waste -- Business (CEG) -- Must call for an appointment day/time	Actual Cost+\$5 Fee
Leaf & Yard Waste (grass clippings, leaves, small twigs)	\$1/load
Light Ballasts (containing PCBs)	\$2.25/ea.
Maple Tubing (call for acceptance guidelines)	No Charge
Mercury Devices (thermometers, thermostats and all other intact devices)	No Charge
Motor Oil (uncontaminated only, drums by appointment)	No Charge
Oil Filters (Residential)	No Charge
Business – Individual filters.....	\$0.25/ea.
– 55-gallon drum full (crushed or uncrushed)	\$45/drum
Pressurized Cylinders – 1-lb Cylinder – Residents/Businesses.....	No Charge/\$1 ea.
20-lb Cylinder (grill size)	\$3/ea.
Recycling – Single Stream Recyclables from Commercial Haulers, and Corrugated Cardboard (OCC)	\$10/ton
Minimum Fee – 100 lbs or < of SS Recyclables and/or OCC	\$2/load
REUSE IT OR LOSE IT! (for items accepted at the discretion of the scalehouse operator)***	
Household goods weighing 50 or < lbs	No Charge
Household goods weighing >50 lbs.....	\$3/ea.
Construction Materials (reusable dimensional lumber, doors, fixtures, windows).....	No Charge
Scrap Metal	No Charge
Tires – Passenger Tires.....	\$2/ea.
Large Truck Tires	\$6/ea.
Agricultural Tires	\$20/ea.
Earthmoving Tires, Extra Large Tires, Large Quantities of Any Tires	\$0.06/lb.

District Fee - \$33.40/ton for MSW, C&D (included in Transfer Station tip fee) and \$10/ton for contaminated soils used as ADC.

* VT E-Waste Law – No charge for households, 501(c)(3) charities, school districts, small businesses (10 or < employees) OR 7 or < covered items/visit.

**VT Mercury Lamp Law – No charge for general purpose mercury bulbs, 10 or </visit.

*** Please note that the household and construction material reuse sheds will remain closed until construction is completed.

Tel: (802) 388-2333 Fax: (802) 388-0271 www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org



ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

2013 ANNUAL REPORT

The Addison County Solid Waste Management District is a union municipal district formed in 1988 to cooperatively and comprehensively address the solid waste management interests of its 19 member municipalities: Addison, Bridport, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge and Whiting. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors composed of one representative and one alternate from each of the member municipalities. The Board meets on the 3d Thursday of the month at 7PM at the Addison County Regional Planning Commission Office, 14 Seminary Street, Middlebury, VT. The public is invited to attend.

District Mission

To seek environmentally sound & cost effective solutions for: (1) Promoting **waste reduction**; (2) Promoting **pollution prevention**; (3) Maximizing **diversion** of waste through reuse, recycling and composting; and (4) Providing for **disposal** of remaining wastes.

District Office and Transfer Station

Telephone: (802) 388-2333

Fax: (802) 388-0271

Website: www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org

E-mail: acswmd@acswmd.org

Transfer Station Hours: M-F, 7 AM–3 PM & Sat, 9 AM–1 PM

Office Hours: M-F, 8 AM–4 PM

HazWaste Center Hours: M-F, 8 AM–Noon & Sat, 9 AM–Noon

The District Office, Transfer Station and HazWaste Center are located at 1223 Rt. 7 South in Middlebury, and is currently undergoing construction to improve safety and site utilization. The Transfer Station accepts large loads of waste and single stream recyclables for transfer to out-of-District facilities. District residents and businesses may drop off a variety of other materials for reuse, recycling and composting. The *Reuse It or Lose It!* program will return to accepting reusable household goods and building materials after construction is completed in the Spring. A complete list of acceptable items and prices is posted on the District's website.

2013 Highlights

Product Stewardship. As a member of the VT Product Stewardship Council, the District strives to find new ways in which industry and government can partner to divert recyclable and hazardous wastes from disposal. The District helped to lead efforts to adopt a new extended producer responsibility law for paint, which will require manufacturers to pay for the collection and recycling of oil and latex paint beginning in Spring 2014. This will lead to a significant cost savings for the District, as the majority of hazardous waste collected consists of paint or paint products. The Transfer Station is also a registered collection site for the State electronic waste program and fluorescent lamp program, offering free recycling for most electronics and bulbs. **Act 148.** Act 148, Vermont's Universal Recycling Law, took effect this year. Act 148 focuses on the "3 C's" for organics and recyclables: consistency, convenience and cost-effectiveness. Bans on disposal of certain recyclables, leaf & yard waste and food residuals will be phased in, as will mandatory recycling and food collection by haulers and facilities. Recycling containers will be required in publicly owned places. The District is in a strong position to transition to the new solid waste law, as most of the elements of the new law are already in place here. As more information and data become available, the District will assist its member towns, haulers and the general public in comprehending and adapting to the new system. **Construction.** The Transfer Station passed the 40,000-visit mark this year. The increasing volume of recyclables and special wastes received has created the need for a safer and more efficient area for collecting those materials. The Transfer Station is now undergoing major construction of a new 1,400/sq.ft special waste building and access road, and a new covered tip wall. The existing waste building will receive new lighting and translucent panels to improve visibility. The District offices will be expanded to include two offices and a conference room. **Recycling Collection.** As of October, the Transfer Station received 475 tons of the 4,600 tons of single stream recyclables collected in the District. **Batteries.** The District began a new recycling program for alkaline and carbon zinc batteries this year and collected 1,300 lbs to date, as well as 3,560 lbs of various rechargeable batteries. The District also continues to recycle non-rechargeable lithium batteries and button cell batteries. **Illegal Dumping.** The District contracted with the Addison County Sheriff's Department in 2013 to enforce its ordinance against illegal dumping and burning of waste. As of September, the Sheriff's office received 32 illegal burning & dumping complaints. The District served as County Coordinator for Green-Up Day, assisting the many town volunteers who organize collection of roadside litter, with outreach, free gloves, prizes and - most importantly - free disposal of the roadside waste. This year, the District subsidized disposal of 15.28 tons of trash, 7.12 tons of tires, 4 batteries and various other abandoned hazardous wastes for a total economic benefit of \$4,000.

2014 Budget

The District's 2014 Annual Budget is \$2,496,874, a 2.36% increase over the 2013 Annual Budget (after subtracting the 2013 one-time contribution of \$230,000 from the General Fund to Designated Funds). The District Transfer Station will maintain the same rates as last year, with the exception of repealing the \$2/load fee for latex paint. The District Fee of \$33.40/ton for MSW/C&D and \$10/ton for contaminated soils approved for alternative daily cover at the landfill will remain the same. **There will be no assessments to member municipalities in 2014.** For a copy of the full 2013 Annual Report, please call us, or visit the District website at www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org.

Addison County Regional Planning Commission

14 Seminary Street

Middlebury, VT 05753

www.acrpc.org Phone: 802.388.3141

Fax: 802.388.0038

Annual Report –Year End June 30, 2013

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) provided the following technical assistance and planning to the region during its 2013 fiscal year:

Regional and Municipal Planning and Mapping

- Assisted member municipalities creating, adopting and regionally approving their municipal plans.
- Assisted member municipalities creating and adopting local regulations implementing their municipal plan.
- Provided data and mapping products to support on-going municipal planning activities.
- Provided technical assistance to municipal officials concerning municipal government.
- Represented the region in the Act 250 process and at the Public Service Board in Section 248 hearings.

Educational Meetings and Grants

- Hosted an educational workshop series in conjunction with VLCT, presented at the Town Officers Educational Conferences (TOEC) and hosted monthly public meetings on a wide variety of planning topics.
- Wrote or provided information and support to communities and organizations to secure grant funding.
- Community outreach/advisor role for Environmental Seminar/College Class

Emergency Planning

- Worked with Addison County's Emergency Planning Committee and Vermont Emergency Management staff to assist with municipal emergency planning efforts.
- Hosted "Local Emergency Managers Roundtables" to provide coordination among members.
- Worked with Vermont Emergency Management to exercise local and statewide disaster plans.
- Assisted local post-disaster recovery efforts following flooding.
- Provided training and response equipment recommendations to Public Service Board for VT Gas proposal
- Assisted in development of hazard mitigation grants that will fund development of plans for the towns of Bridport, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Leicester, Monkton, Panton, Salisbury, and Shoreham.

Energy Planning:

- Assisted towns in strengthening their energy plans by adding concrete goals, strategies and policies.
- Conducted audits on municipal buildings and worked with municipalities to implement energy savings
- Worked with municipalities to generate local power for municipal use
- Served as the Regional Coordinator for the Home Energy Challenge
- Worked with Neighborworks of Western Vermont to bring their weatherization programs to the Region.

Transportation Planning

- Supported the Addison County Transportation Advisory Committee's work on regional priorities and municipal planning studies.
- Supported Addison County Transit Resources by providing funding and technical support.
- Worked with municipalities to produce highway structures inventories of all local roads in the region.
- Performed traffic counts and safety inventories on unsignalized intersections for several municipalities.
- Assisted Towns with enhancement, park and ride and stormwater grants.
- Sponsored town transportation studies, planning and supported municipal capital budget development
- Conducted a day-long highway safety forum for municipal officials in Brandon on 29 May 2013.

Natural Resources Planning

- Actively support the efforts of the Addison County Watershed Collaborative.
- Developed a regional Forest Stewardship Plan to assist municipalities and landowners.

Addison
Lincoln
Salisbury

Bridport
Middlebury
Shoreham

Bristol
Monkton
Starksboro

Cornwall
New Haven
Vergennes

Ferrisburgh
Orwell
Waltham

Goshen
Panton
Weybridge

Leicester
Ripton
Whiting



Monkton Boy Scouts Troop 525

The Monkton Troop is going into 2014 strong with 37 boys and 16 registered adult leaders. This has allowed us to provide a great program for the youth. We did 40 nights of camping throughout the year at 17 different camping events. This doesn't include the day activities or the community service projects we have participated in. Some of the more memorable events for the boys in 2013 were whitewater rafting on the Hudson, overnight at Battleship cove in Massachusetts, and a camporee in Victory Bog. For a couple of Scouts and myself the big event of the year was two weeks at the National Jamboree in West Virginia. There were over 40,000 Scouts from the USA and the World in attendance.

Congratulations to Ben Charboneau and Nathan Unger our two newest Eagle Scouts for 2013.

We also want to thank the community for supporting us in the fund raisers that we conduct throughout the year. Without your support, we wouldn't be able to do so many of the great activities. Our next fund raiser is the Erik Davis annual spaghetti dinner and silent auction. This is usually on the first Saturday in May (Green-up day), however this year we were selected through a lottery process to attend the West Point camporee at the Academy. There will be over 6,000 Scouts from all over the USA in attendance. So our spaghetti dinner has been pushed out one week. We will be holding it at the school on Saturday May 10th.

In addition to going to West Point, we have some great activities lined up for the rest of the year. In April we are going to Jay Peak water park, in June we are going deep sea fishing, and whitewater rafting. Our big trip for the year is in August. Twenty four of us are headed down to the National BSA camp in the Florida Keys. We will be snorkeling, fishing, sailing and much more for the whole week.

In addition to camping, we provide a big helping of leadership, teamwork, and lots of skills.

Another great year is ahead us. If you know a boy that you think this would benefit or if you are interested in helping with our Troop, please send me a note or give me a call.

453-4859 rusbaker@gmavt.net

Submitted

Russ Baker

Scoutmaster Troop 525



Eli Rickner, Phoenix King, Brian Larson, Brice Winchester, Sam Kuhns

MONKTON MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Monkton Museum and Historical Society (MM&HS) activities in 2013 were considerably less than the hectic pace of 2012 with the Monkton 250th founding celebration. Our initial effort during the year is the display at Town Meeting. The 2013 display was dedicated to photos of the 250th founding celebration taken by Buzz Kuhns. Thank you Buzz for such beautiful and historic photographs.

A considerable amount of time in 2013 was spent on the development and planning for a Monkton History Tour. The tour was based on a 2006 write-up by Margaret French Sunderland. The tour travels a northern loop of roads then a southern loop, beginning and ending at the Recreation Field in the Boro. Historic buildings and sites along the route are pointed out and their historic significance described by the tour guide. The initial tour on August 10th was offered to Historical Society members and the second tour on October 5th was offered to all Monkton residents. For both tours, a 10-passenger van was filled with people interested in Monkton history. If there is enough interest, the tour will be held again. Please let us know if you would be interested in taking the guided tour. At Town Meeting, printed copies of the tour script will be available so that people can take the tour on their own and at their own pace. Copies will also be available at the Town Hall after Town Meeting.

MM&HS hosted a presentation in September of 2013. Ken Wheeling's presentation on sleighs was very interesting and well attended. Thank you, Ken.

Another activity that happens every year, but is not highlighted, is the inquiries we receive from people working on their family genealogies. Almost all inquiries come from outside Vermont. Even with very limited time available to do such research, we make every effort to respond to such inquiries in a timely manner. There were several visitors in 2013 that came to Monkton looking for family information and we spent as much time as they wanted helping them with their research. Our Town Clerk is very often involved in this effort as well. Thank you Sharon for your help with these inquiries.

At Town Meeting this year, information on how Monkton roads got their names will be displayed. The sources of many road names are self-evident, such as the name of a family that lives or has lived on a road. In other cases, the source is not readily evident. States Prison Hollow Road is a good example, which is probably one of the most questioned road name in Vermont. Also, many of the new road names that were established for the 911 emergency call network are a mystery to us. MM&HS encourages everyone with information about the history of a town road name to please contact us. We want to learn more about how Monkton roads got their names and you may have the information we need. Our email address is: monktonmhs@gmail.com or leave a message at 482-2277 and we will call you back.

Also this year, we hope to have a presentation ready for Memorial Day on the Civil War letters of Augustus T. Cox. Copies of the original letters as well as a transcription of each letter were received by MM&HS last year from a descendent of Monkton's Robert Cox family. Augustus was a Monkton boy who was wounded three times during the Civil War. The third wound at the Battle of Cedar Creek in Virginia was fatal. This year will be the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Cedar Creek and the death of Augustus Cox.

MM&HS efforts to preserve the Monkton Boro schoolhouse have been put on hold for the past couple years. In 2014, MM&HS will be evaluating what direction the preservation effort should take in the future.

Finally, thank you to the voters of Monkton and all Monkton residents for their support in our efforts to preserve Monkton history. We truly appreciate your help.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gill Coates, MM&HS President

MONKTON MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY FINANCIAL REPORTS

JANUARY 1, 2013 – DECEMBER 31, 2013		PROPOSED 2014 BUDGET	
BALANCE – 1/1/13:		BALANCE – 1/1/14:	
Checking Account	\$ 5,567.89	Checking Account	\$ 5,942.14
INCOME:		INCOME:	
Town of Monkton	\$ 900.00	Town of Monkton	\$ 800.00
Donations	293.00	Member Dues	200.00
Member Dues	200.00	Donations	200.00
Monkton History Tours - Fees	60.00	Town History Sales	<u>20.00</u>
Book Sales – "Monkton: The Way It Was" (Benefit EMC)	60.00	TOTAL INCOME:	1,220.00
Tee Shirt Sales	40.00		
Book Sale - 1961 History and Supplement	<u>10.00</u>	EXPENDITURES:	
TOTAL INCOME:	1,563.00	Presentation Expenses	\$ 500.00
		Archival Supplies	100.00
		Postage & Supplies	50.00
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	<u>(650.00)</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Monkton History Tours	\$ 768.00	BALANCE – 12/31/14:	
Presentation – Ken Wheeling	150.00	Checking Account	<u>\$ 6,512.14</u>
EMC Donation and Books ⁽¹⁾	110.00		
Copies, Protective Sleeves, Binder – Augustus Cox			
Civil War Letters	123.75		
Tee Shirts	32.00		
Monkton Yore CD - Willowell	5.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	<u>(1,188.75)</u>		
BALANCE – 12/31/13:			
Checking Account	<u>\$ 5,942.14</u>		
SPECIAL ACCOUNT – 2013 (Currently Designated for Boro School Preservation)		SPECIAL ACCOUNT - PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2014 (Currently Designated for Boro School Preservation)	
BALANCE – 1/1/13:		BALANCE – 1/1/14 to 12/31/14:	
Checking Account	\$ 5,674.03	Checking Account	\$ 5,674.03
INCOME:		NOTE: Historical Society members will continue to evaluate their approach to Boro school preservation in 2014, therefore, no expenditures are planned in 2014.	
None	0		
TOTAL INCOME:	0		
EXPENDITURES:			
None	<u>0</u>		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	<u>0</u>		
BALANCE – 12/31/13:			
Checking Account	<u>\$ 5,674.03</u>		
2013 Reports Submitted by Caroline Aubé, Treasurer		2014 Budgets Submitted by Gill Coates, President	

Note 1. East Monkton Church donation of \$50.00 made for use of the church and \$60.00 in book payments received by MM&HS.

Town of Monkton

Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee

2013

Mission statement: The Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee (ANAC) is dedicated to protecting the farmland, woodland, natural and recreational areas, and other open spaces that help give Monkton its distinctive rural character and quality of life.

The Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee (ANAC) has taken major steps forward in helping to conserve land and resources in and around Monkton in 2013, and since its inception in 2006. In 2013, the ANA fund assisted in conserving 99 acres of farmland and rare natural habitats at Orb Weaver farm, cheesemakers extraordinaire, allowing them to upgrade their barn and protect the future of the farm. We would like to thank the Muzzy's for conserving their land in 2012. We are so grateful we were able to expedite the conservation of the Muzzy's land. Despite deep personal losses the family is still farming and has left a lasting legacy to the town. In 2013, with no expenditures from the fund, ANAC also helped the Lewis Creek Association with outreach resulting from their Pond Brook Wetlands Protection Study.

In 2013 we evaluated the accomplishments the ANA fund has accomplished in the 7 years since our initiation, working closely with Vermont Land Trust (VLT) and Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB). The following table shows the projects we have completed to date.

Summary of ANAFund expenditures and acreage protected.

Conserved area	Year	ANA funds	Total acres conserved	Acres in Monkton
Raven Ridge	2010	\$15, 000	365 acres	201 acres in Monkton
Claflin Farm	2012	\$60,000	197 acres	122 in Monkton
Spooner-Muzzy Farm	2012	\$6,000	206 acres	45 in Monkton
Orb Weaver	2013	\$20,300	99 acres	all 99 in Monkton
Totals		\$101,300	867 acres	467 acres

The ANAC has initiated planning for a meeting early in 2014 with committees from adjacent towns. This meeting will be hosted jointly with the Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC), and will open discussion of a coordinated plan for keeping forests and wildlife habitat intact and connected across the landscape in our region.

We assist agricultural, woodland, natural and recreation area projects located completely or partially within Monkton in working their way through the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board and the Vermont Land Trust processes. ANAC initiates conversations with each involved landowner, helps them through the town's application process, and assists them as they work with other conservation agencies.

ANAC continues to work with Monkton landowners on a variety of projects and is actively seeking new proposals. We welcome any landowners who are interested in land conservation issues to meet with us. Our meetings are held at the Town Hall on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm, but be sure to check the calendar on the Monkton website for any changes.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Farrell, Chair
Sam Burr, Vice Chair
Deb Gaynor, Secretary
Rachel Schattman
Caitlan Cusack (retired)



Bristol Recreation Department

Bristolrec.org Facebook: Bristol Recreation Department Twitter: Bristol Rec. Dept.

The Bristol Recreation Department was a place of constant motion in 2013. Planning community events, classes and workshops makes the work day very interesting and fulfilling. We are privileged to work with the many talented community members who work as instructors and volunteers for the department, bringing their talents and sharing their passions with their neighbors.

The focus for the Rec. Dept. this year has been on creating and bolstering partnerships to bring opportunities to the community. In building these partnerships we are able to pool resources and create programming that otherwise would be impossible. A huge thank you to: Mount Abraham Union High School, Bristol Elementary School, Bristol Fire Dept., Champlain Valley Telecom, Middlebury Wind Ensemble, LC Jazz, B.A.S.K., The Grift, Bristol Financial Services, Mary's Restaurant, Champlain Valley Plumbing and Heating, Martins Hardware, Bristol Discount Beverage, Cubbers Pizza, Addison North East Food Service Co-op, Addison County Chamber of Commerce, Bristol Best Night Committee and In Stitches.

One of the most important partnerships formed was with the Bristol Police Dept. where we formed, along with other members from various groups in the community the **5 Town Drug and Safety Alliance**. The larger group has created 3 sub committees: education, prevention, and public safety. There have been several community meetings held and the group co-sponsored the showing of a Vermont made film on addiction in our area, "The Hungry Heart." Bristol Recreation Department will continue to offer healthy choices and education via our programming and directly to teens through the Hub Teen Center as our part in the struggle against addiction.

Throughout the year we offer many camps, classes, workshops and events including some family favorites such as: Breakfast with Santa, Parties in the Park, Summer Cabaret Music Series, a trip to a Lake Monsters game, Bio Blitz, Concerts, Summer Theater, Movies on the Park, Dance School, Summer Lunch Program, Harvest Festival, Cooking School, Carpentry, Lego workshops, Open Swim, Red Cross classes, Indie gaming, Senior Tai Chi, Pottery, Chicken Keeping, Rays River Camp, Dog Training, Community Pot Luck Dinner, Snowman contest, Halloween activities, Super Hero Training Academy and far too many other activities for me to list here. I encourage you to visit our website or Facebook page for photos from throughout the year. Many of these events are free and open to the public and those that we do charge for, we offer payment plans or we have a scholarship fund to help make activities available to all.

The Hub remains to be a safe and dynamic place for all teens. The staff obtains many grants to support programming. Our teen center is the envy of other communities. It is one of the longest running and well attended teen programs in Vermont. We are often asked by other communities how to maintain such a successful program; this past year alone representatives from 3 Vermont towns asked for our input. The Skate Park is one of the best in Vermont and appears on lists throughout the country as such.

A heartfelt thanks to our committed staff; Val Hanson, Matlakwauhtli Mayforth, , Ryan Krushenick, Bolton Littlefield and Samantha Rothberg for making Bristol Recreation a vital resource for our community. I believe passionately in the work of our department and that it adds value both fiscally & intrinsically to our community and I thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

2013 – Vermont Department of Health Town Report

At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community.

For example, in 2013 the Health Department:

Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families: we served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5 with WIC (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program). WIC provided individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables. In Addison County, 1,128 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.

We also provided access to local healthy foods through the Farm to Family Program, which is a coupon program for fruits and vegetables at local farmers markets. This year, the Middlebury District Office distributed 180 coupon books, valued at \$30 each, to Addison County families.

We also partnered with Addison County Relocalization Network (ACORN) and Northeast Organic Farmers Association of Vermont (NOFA-VT) to help Addison County residents purchase fall/winter community supported agriculture (CSA) shares. Twenty-five Addison County individuals and families received fall/winter CSA shares at 75% off the regular price from farms throughout the county.

We were fortunate to have four WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselors in Addison County in 2013. The Peer Counselors provided ongoing breastfeeding support to local WIC participants. We hosted two baby showers this year at our office to celebrate parents and their babies and so WIC participants could meet their Breastfeeding Peers. The breastfeeding initiation rate among Addison County WIC participants was 82%.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: This year, we partnered with local doctors and nurses to ensure children and adults were getting the immunizations they needed. We also responded to 153 cases of infectious disease in Addison County. During the mosquito and tick season, we provided extensive public information and outreach including a workshop for Town Health Officers on Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile virus and several public presentations on EEE, Lyme Disease, and Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA).

Your Health Department district office is in Middlebury, at 156 South Village Green, Suite 102, (802) 388-4644.

For more information, news, alerts and resources: Visit us on the web at www.healthvermont.gov. Join us on <https://www.facebook.com/vdhmiddlebury> and follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont.

The 2014 Town Health Officer Report

To the Residents of Monkton,

The Commissioner of Health, at the recommendation of the Town's Select Board, appoints the Town Health Officers (THO) in Vermont. During the three-year position, a Health Officer's main duty is to investigate and abate existing and potential health hazards in their Town.

The Health Officer, and the Select Board form the Local Board of Health. This Board is the entity that brings action against anyone creating a public health risk or hazard. However, it is the Health Officer and Deputy Health Officer who are required by Vermont State law to investigate all complaints. THOs have extensive authority to take emergency abatement steps, and may enforce any state health regulations and local health ordinances in the town.

A citizen may call the Town Health Officer to report unsafe conditions in rental housing or on public or private property, such as, to report failed septic systems, or possible environmental health violation.

As always, several animal bites were reported. Some issues that are brought to my attention are resolved through the Fire Marshall or Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation.

I welcome any questions you might have. Please call me if you suspect a threat to public health. Have a healthy year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Hopps
Monkton Town Health Officer
Cell# 802-989-2606
Email: rhopps@monktonvt.com



Marcel in grader



Ryan, Marcel, Scott & Zandra - 1988

MARRIAGES FILED IN 2013

<u>BRIDE AND GROOM</u>	<u>DATE OF MARRIAGE</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE:</u>
JOSEPH A. BOISSE DAVID L. WILLIAMS	7-Mar-13	MONKTON, VT.
MELODY ANNE DAIGLE LEE KENDALL KAUPPILA	9-Mar-13	MONKTON, VT.
JESSICA LYNN FRANCIS VICTORIA ANNE HARVEY	26-May-13	WILLISTON, VT.
SUSAN JENNE MORTON NEIL LEONARD WHITTELSEY	22-Jun-13	MONKTON, VT.
SARAH SOPHIA SHAPPY MATTHEW DAVID HUIZENGA	6-Jul-13	MONKTON, VT.
NAOMI WINTERFALCON MADELEINE WINTERFALCON	13-Jul-13	MONKTON, VT.
ALEXANDRA CATHERINE BRENNAN BRADEN D. BAXTER	31-Aug-13	WARREN, VT.
JENNEL LINDA MOLLEUR MATTHEW DAVID TATRO	14-Sep-13	FERRISBURGH, VT.
SARA JEAN OUELLETTE SHAWN MICHAEL SNIDER	21-Sep-13	DERBY, VT.
MARIE REGINA KLUSS RICHARD SANFORD ORSHOFF	29-Sep-13	BURLINGTON, VT.
THOMAS HOWARD PETERSON SHINING X CHANG	2-Oct-13	MONKTON, VT.
CATHERINE MARACA SCHMIT PIERATTINI LORENC DAHRI	11-Oct-13	MONKTON, VT.
ROBYN LYNNE TERRANOVA KAREN MARGARET WILSON	26-Oct-13	MONKTON, VT.

2013 BIRTHS

Childs Name:	Birth Date:	Parents:
Kayden Lucas Crosby	2/7/2013	Toni Jean Crosby Brian Shannon Crosby
Ciara Jayden Burke	2/10/2013	Sharon Lynn Burke Michael Timothy Burke
Olivia Rae Gordon	3/11/2013	Bailee Rae Layn-Gordon Scott Andrew Gordon
Ian Daniel Brown	3/12/2013	Elisabeth Anne Brown Christopher John Brown
Camille Annalea Sears	3/12/2013	Amy Leigh Sears Andrew Clement Sears
Kole Patrick Johnston	3/18/2013	Jessica Ann Johnson William Patrick Johnston
Kellen Taylor Booska	3/26/2013	Maeghan Alice Bennett Earl Guy Booska
Ezra Matthew Hamilton	4/5/2013	Sarah Jean Hamilton Daniel John Hamilton
Reed Alan Shepard	4/14/2013	Holly Anne Shepard Raymond Alan Shepard
Eamon Caleb Lackey	4/20/2013	Pamela Lynn Adams Lackey Dustin Dallas Lackey
Harper Towle LeCompte	5/6/2013	Kaylee Elizabeth LeCompte Logan Towle LeCompte
Bentley David Layn	6/14/2013	Jodi Sue Layn Alex Michael Layn
Kylie Ann Bacon	7/27/2013	Emily Jane Bacon Andrew James Bacon
Tessa Lily Kaufman	8/5/2013	Hannah Harding Kaufman John Arthur Kaufman Jr.
Mia Poppy Donnet	8/7/2013	Bethany Lynne Donnet Peter Carpenter Donnet
Felicity Marie Johnson	8/31/2013	Karrinne E. Johnson Benjamin F. Johnson
Melody Evelyn Rusik	9/7/2013	Donna M. Rusik Jeffrey J. Rusik
Alyssa Marie Fogg	10/9/2013	Carolyn Marie Fogg Robert Joseph Fogg
Dylan Michael Hicks	12/20/2013	Jane Lindholm Adrian Hicks
Gus Gardner Hopwood	12/27/2013	Hailey Lowell Cal Hopwood

DEATHS FILED IN 2013

<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
ERNEST FREDERICK MAYNARD	1/19/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
MICHAEL SOLOMON MAJARIAN	1/30/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
WILLIAM HENRY SMITH	2/2/2013	BRISTOL, VERMONT
MARY GOSPODAREK	2/25/2013	MIDDLEBURY, VERMONT
TRACEY FRANCIS SUMNER	3/22/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
RICHARD JEROME	3/27/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
RICHARD ALLEN GOULD	8/15/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
RUTH ELIZABETH FRENCH	8/19/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
CHARLES TAYLOR	9/1/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT
BRUCE ERNEST NYE	9/21/2013	BURLINGTON, VERMONT
ERNEST JAMES GAUDETTE	11/8/2013	BURLINGTON, VERMONT
JUDITH MARGARET HART	12/1/2013	MONKTON, VERMONT

MONKTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTS and PROPOSED 2014 – 2015 BUDGET

NOTE: The school budget is presented in a condensed, easier-to-read format. However, for those who may want to review the budget (current & proposed) in greater detail, it, along with other information about school operations, including the areas of policy and curriculum can be accessed on the ANESU website:

<http://www.anesu.org>

or by contacting the Superintendent's Office at 453-3657 to request a copy.

Monkton Central School
REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Monkton Central School Board of Directors would like to thank the Monkton community for their continued support of the Monkton Central School. We appreciate the trust you have placed in us. The Board would also like to recognize the Monkton school staff and administration for their continued efforts to provide Monkton students with a quality education in a warm, nurturing environment.

The administration has worked hard to create a budget that reflects the goals of the Board's Ends policy, while being financially sound. The 2014-2015 budget reflects a decrease in expenditures but an increase in Education Spending per Equalized Pupil. As is happening in many other districts in the state, enrollment continues to decline. While we do have fewer students in the building there are still a number of fixed costs that effect spending (for example, electricity, oil, contractual agreements and building maintenance). We consider this budget to be a step on the path to creating successful students who are life long learners and responsible citizens, while being mindful of the cost to the Monkton community.

Under Act 153, Special Education (SPED) services will now be moved from the local (Monkton) budget to the supervisory union budget. This consolidation does not reflect any changes to the educational services provided to children in the district. Monkton will pay for these services through an assessment from the SU. Currently, the Average Daily Membership (ADM) method is used for other shared services through the supervisory union; for example, food service, facilities management and technology. The ADM method allocates the cost to individual schools by their overall student population. In order to lessen the impact on our budget for the coming year a "bridge year" was created. For the 2014-2015 budget the assessment will allocate the costs to individual schools as a percentage of the total district budget, and then transition to the ADM method for the 2015-2016 year. The consolidation of SPED costs are expected to allow for the creation of more stable budgets over time, by leveling out the highs and lows which can sometimes be challenging to our school budget.

The Board would again like to thank you for your continued support of Monkton Central School. The contributions you make to MCS make it a special place every day, and you can take pride in knowing that you are helping the children of Monkton learn and grow.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Griswold, Chair
Bob Radler, Vice Chair
Kristin Blanchette, Clerk
Marikate Kelley
Jennifer Stanley

**Addison Northeast Supervisory Union
REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Dear Community Members,

It is my pleasure to provide the 2014 annual report to the citizens of our five-town area that constitute the Addison Northeast Supervisory Union. In each of our schools students are receiving high quality instruction from well-trained and dedicated teachers and support staff. In all districts, our organizational and management structures including curriculum and professional development, personnel, facility and financial management are sound. Through careful planning and oversight of spending, our school boards have made significant progress balancing budgets and as a result in the majority of our schools voters will see positive fund balances for the first time in many years. In addition, we have received unqualified financial audits in all school districts for two years in a row.

At the building level Principals are providing effective instructional leadership and management of daily school operations. Working with guidance and support from the Vermont Agency of Education in the development of a supervisory union action plan, our schools are making progress in meeting the performance and program requirements of the statewide accountability system. I am most pleased to report that the day to day efforts of all our teachers, staff and administrators have contributed to our success in meeting locally established student outcomes as described in the Board established ENDS Policies. For more information on ENDS monitoring reports please visit www.anesu.org.

While we are proud of our accomplishments we live in a changing world and we face multiple challenges. School expenses and obligations vary district by district and education spending per equalized pupil continues to increase in each of our districts due to declines in enrollment, revenue and other factors. School boards, administrators and finance staff have worked hard to control costs as the combined spending of all schools in the supervisory union shows an increase of less than 1.2%. The stewardship of our school buildings and furnishings is an important responsibility that we hold for our communities and is often neglected during periods of austerity. The proposed FY15 member district budgets include funding for necessary building repair, maintenance, as well as furniture replacements.

Soon we will move to a new student performance accountability system requiring a change in format from the paper and pencil NECAP test to the computer interfaced Smarter Balance Assessment Consortium (SBAC) test. This mandate requires locally supported technology infrastructure improvements to allow student access to the test that will be based on instructional outcomes related to new Common Core State Standards. Both our teachers and our students will have new expectations put upon them as a result of the move to these new standards. To respond to upcoming change in student testing methods our technology staff is in the process of trial testing each schools network and device capacity for compatibility with the SBAC test. In order to meet new and constant technology challenges in the most efficient way possible, the proposed FY15 budgets reflect continued centralization of technology services and strategic investments in each of our schools to meet these needs.

While the voluntary school district merger components of Act 153 have not been pursued in the ANESU other aspects of the law affect us. Most significant is the statutory requirement to provide special education and related services at the supervisory union level. As anticipated, the proposed FY15 supervisory union budget shifts costs associated with funding special education from local districts to the supervisory union. In essence, expenditures for special education instruction, related services and contracted services funded at the local level have been "zeroed out" from local budgets and those expenses, modified by individual student needs and negotiated salary and benefit increases, are now shared costs and shown as a special education assessment expense in each budget. Thank you for your support of our schools and the opportunity to serve each school in the Addison Northeast Supervisory Union. If you have any questions about school district operations or this report please contact me at 802-453-3657.

Respectfully submitted,
David P. Adams

Addison Northeast Supervisory Union

Tax Rate Summary

Proposed FY 15 Budgets

Preliminary Projections

Projected Equalized Tax Rate FY15 Elementary*
 Projected Equalized Tax Rate FY 15 MT Abe*
 Projected Act 130 Equalized Tax Rate

	Bristol	Lincoln	Monkton	New Haven	Starksboro
	\$ 0.7502	\$ 0.8804	\$ 0.7995	\$ 0.6904	\$ 0.8282
	\$ 0.8257	\$ 0.6839	\$ 0.8218	\$ 0.9150	\$ 0.7284
	\$ 1.5759	\$ 1.5643	\$ 1.6213	\$ 1.6054	\$ 1.5566

Common Level of Appraisal
 Projected Local Tax Rate
 Actual Tax Rate FY 14
 Change in Projected Tax Rate

	92.24%	102.14%	84.66%	100.55%	93.51%
	\$1.7085	\$1.5315	\$1.9151	\$1.5966	\$1.6646
	\$1.6052	\$1.4224	\$1.8420	\$1.4022	\$1.5611
	\$0.1033	\$0.1091	\$0.0731	\$0.1944	\$0.1035

*Includes anticipated \$1.01 statewide tax rate.

Education Spending (Expenses minus Revenues):

FY 14
 FY15

	Bristol	Lincoln	Monkton	New Haven	Starksboro	Mt Abraham
	7.65%	6.00%	7.19%	6.16%	2.70%	0.00%
	0%	8.34%	-2%	-1.04%	4.85%	3.77%

Act 130 Basis (Estimated) - Each School's Budget and Equalized Pupils Determined Independently w/ Debt

School Spending Per Equalized Pupil:

FY13 Act 130
 FY 14 Act 130
 FY 15 Act 130

	Bristol	Lincoln	Monkton	New Haven	Starksboro	Mt Abraham
	\$ 12,914	\$ 13,631	\$ 13,738	\$ 14,478	\$ 12,759	\$ 13,552
	\$ 14,296	\$ 13,643	\$ 15,109	\$ 14,800	\$ 13,094	\$ 14,055
	\$ 14,567	\$ 14,398	\$ 15,401	\$ 15,196	\$ 14,248	\$ 14,706

Change in Per Pupil Spending Amount
 Change in Per Pupil Spending Percent

	\$ 271	\$ 755	\$ 292	\$ 396	\$ 1,154	\$ 651
	1.90%	5.53%	1.93%	2.68%	8.81%	4.63%

Monkton Central School
REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

This school report is respectfully submitted to inform the citizens of Monkton regarding the current focus of the work at Monkton Central School. We continue our efforts to provide comprehensive and appropriate educational opportunities to the children of Monkton in a welcoming, safe and supportive environment. We appreciate your support in this endeavor.

Student performance outcomes remain an area of focus Monkton Central School. Curriculum-based performance assessments; research-based progress monitoring tools; observational data; as well as the New England Common Assessment (which will have been administered for the last time this school year), are used as data points to evaluate our instructional programs. Results on the Science NECAP Assessments taken by fourth graders in the Spring of 2013 show an improvement in student performance. The performance trend in Reading and Math (fall 2012) is going up as well. Unfortunately however, MCS did not make Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) overall according to the Vermont Agency of Education. The AYP determination is based on the fact that our upward trend is not steep enough to ensure that all students will meet grade level standards by 2015. The school has been assigned a School Improvement Consultant and has created a School Improvement Team to revise the School Action Plan according to very specific state guidelines that are designed to effectively focus our efforts. Implementation of the plan is underway.

There are a number of new initiatives happening at Monkton Central School. A renewed focus on math instruction has seen teachers taking advantage of local and statewide professional development opportunities. At the upper levels, a new math program is being piloted. Included in the proposed budget is a part-time Math Teacher Leader position. We have a School Leadership Team whose primary focus has been improving school climate. Parent engagement through the active Monkton Parent Teacher Organization has increased as it continues its support of enrichment opportunities for students while providing a vehicle for communication between the school and community. The school has established a student-mentoring program. The Four Winds science program is a great asset to the school, implemented by volunteers partnering with teachers. The commitment of the staff and community to support a positive school environment and success for all students remains strong and impressive.

The technology infrastructure and the facility itself have been significantly improved. Monkton Central School was able to have its server rebuilt last year with the guidance of the centralized IT staff. This improvement has revealed the next pressing need as an update in the hardware for students and staff. Another identified need is increased support for the instructional use of technology. There are plans to meet these needs supported in the proposed budget. Regarding the facility, some of the deferred maintenance projects became urgent due to the excessive rainfall and resulting flooding over the summer. Drainage systems around most of the building were reconstructed. In addition, air quality issues continue to be monitored and improvements have been made as necessary.

Monkton Central School has undergone a number of changes in personnel for a variety of reasons, including reduction in staff, professional advancement opportunities, relocation, and retirement. Long time teacher and coach, Kevin Grace accepted a position as Technology Integration Specialist in the Burlington School District. Lauren Fereshetian moved to the Carolinas to teach. Kate Gagner has returned to MCS to fill the 5-6 teaching vacancy full time. Laura Sturtevant resigned. Meghann Goetz filled her position at the third and fourth grade level. The reduction of one teaching position resulted in Lydia Davison finding a position in another school district. Emily Driscoll is our new PE teacher replacing Brian Godfrey who took on a full time position at Richmond Elementary School nearer his home. Sandy Dahl retired after an illustrious music career in the district. Carina Ellis has taken on the position of general music teacher. Chris Duca and Valerie Calzini served as Special Education teachers at Monkton for one year each. Chris relocated to Philadelphia to raise his children near his family and Val moved to the ANESU Early Education Program. Jennifer Morgan and Marcie Davey were hired as our special educators. Ashley Kossick, our Speech and Language Pathologist, moved to Utah to use her skills in a hospital setting. Melissa Vorsteveld replaced her. As always, the veteran faculty and staff have been welcoming of the more recent hires.

Monkton Central maintains its warm atmosphere, friendliness and commitment to designing and facilitating meaningful learning opportunities for its students in a safe environment. We are grateful to the community for the many ways it supports the school.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Stewart, Principal

MONKTON SCHOOL BUDGET INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Monday, March 3, 2014

at 7:00 PM

followed by the

ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

at 7:30 PM

Monkton Central School gymnasium

Please bring this report to the meeting.

AUSTRALIAN BALLOT VOTE ON

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014, 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Monkton Central School gymnasium

MONKTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
2013 - 2014

NAME	POSITION	DEGREE	YRS/EXP
ADMINISTRATION			
Susan Stewart	Principal	ME+27	3 ADM
TEACHING STAFF			
Caitlin Leggett	Kindergarten	BS	4
Stacy Carter	Grade 1/2	BA+50	9
Suzette Way	Grade 1/2	ME+36	37
Barbara Yerrick	Grade 1/2	ME+34	15
Suzanne Foley	Grade 3/4	ME	28
Meghann Goetz	Grade 3/4	ME	2
Virginia McLane	Grade 3/4	ME+40	25
Mary Kate Gagne	Grade 5/6	BA+43	2
Kelly Pierpont	Grade 5/6	ME+8	13
Marcie Davey	Special Educator (.50)	MAT	0
Emily Driscoll	Physical Education (.60)	ME	2
Carina Ellis	General Music (.40)	BA+30	2
Holly Esterline	Library (.50)	MA+31	17
Ann Fisher	Guidance Counselor (.60)	MA+25	17
Michaela Granstrom	Art (.40)	ME+35	35
Jennifer Morgan	Special Educator	BA+43	1
Stephanie Murray	Literacy Interventionist	ME+30	15
SUPPORT STAFF			
Melanie Bouchard	School-Based Clinician (.60)		
Cynthia Castle	Secretary		
Elaine Charpentier	Educational Assistant		
Lillian Cota	Educational Assistant (PT)		
Shelly Cota	Educational Assistant		
Bonita Huizenga	Educational Assistant		
Dwight Irish	Educational Assistant		
Brian LaRock	Custodian		
Anne Marie Letourneau	Educational Assistant		
Hilary Mack	School Nurse (PT)		
Heather McConville	Food Service Manager		
Nancy Perlee	Educational Assistant		
Debra Preston	Food Service		
Steve Raymond	Facilities Manager		
Jodi Rotax	Library Assistant (PT)		
Sheri Smith	Educational Assistant		
Melissa Vorsteveld	Speech Language Assistant		

Monkton Estimated Education Tax Rate for FY 2015

ACT 130 CALCULATES A TAX RATE BY SCHOOL

		Elementary	Mt Abraham
Expenditures		\$2,578,248	\$14,091,304
Revenues		\$ (294,093)	-\$1,983,004
[1]	Education Spending	\$2,284,155	\$12,108,300
[2]	Equalized Pupils	147.9	823.38
[3]	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$15,444	\$14,706
[4]	Spending Adjustment	164.6122%	156.743%
	(District spending as a percentage of Base Education amount)	\$9,382	
[5]	Estimated Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.010	\$1.6626
[6]	Percentage of Total Town Students	48.09%	51.91%
[7]	Percentage of Prorated Tax	\$0.7995	\$0.8218
[8]	Combined Prorated Tax		\$1.6213
	\$0.800 + \$0.822		
[9]	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)		84.66%
[10]	Estimated Property Tax Rate		\$1.9151

- [1] Revenues deducted from budgeted expenses by school to determine education spending include special education and transportation reimbursements received from the ST of VT, Medicaid, interest and other miscellaneous revenue.
- [2] The equalized pupils number by SCHOOL is based on the last two years average daily membership (including Pre-K through grade 12) and is adjusted for specific factors, such as secondary vs elementary students, students in poverty situations, and students with limited English proficiency.
- [3] This is the number by SCHOOL that will be compared to the base education amount (\$9,382) to determine the adjustment to the state education tax rate of \$1.01. This number less qualified debt spending is also compared to the penalty ceiling of \$16,138 to determine if property taxes will be increased as a result of spending in excess of the ceiling.
- [4] The State Education Tax Rate is multiplied by this percentage to determine the Homestead Education Tax Rate by SCHOOL. This is the rate before adjustment for the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA).
- [5] State Tax Rate of \$1.01 times SCHOOL Spending Adjustment.
- [6] This number represents the ratio of the town's equalized pupils at each SCHOOL to the total number of students.
- [7] This number reflects the percentage of students in town by SCHOOL (#6) times the Estimated Homestead Tax Rate to produce a Percentage of Prorated Tax by SCHOOL.
- [8] Prorated Tax BY SCHOOL are combined to produce a Town Tax Rate.
- [9] The Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) is the State's method of equalizing education grand lists between towns. It is based on recent property sales compared to the listed value of the properties sold. Towns that haven't completed a reappraisal in several years will usually have low CLA's, while towns recently reappraised will have CLA's near 100%.
- [10] This is the total estimated residential property tax rate based on the recommended state rate of \$1.01, adjusted for SCHOOL budgets and also for CLA.

Estimated Equalized Tax Rates - FY 15
(Replaces Assessments)

Act 130 is the law that accounts for all revenues and expenses by school.

> Under Act 130, a tax rate is calculated for each SCHOOL

> The SCHOOL rate is then prorated for the town based on the ratio of the town's equalized pupils at the SCHOOL to the total number of the town's equalized pupils

>The prorated tax rates for the individual schools are then combined to determine the total education homestead tax rate for the town

This prorated tax rate replaces the dollar assessment to towns from union schools

This system is intended to allow taxpayers to clearly understand all revenues and expenses related to education at each school and to see the direct impact of each school's budget on the tax rate.

Estimated Equalized Homestead Tax Rates - FY 15

Mt Abraham Union High School

\$1.5831 based on \$1.01

**ALL TAX RATES BELOW ARE ESTIMATED BASED ON PROPOSED BUDGETS
AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BASE HOMESTEAD TAX RATE**

		Equalized Pupils	% of Total	Estimated Tax Rate	Prorated Rate
Bristol	Elementary	277.95	47.84%	\$1.5681	\$0.7502
	Mt Abe	303.05	52.16%	\$1.5831	\$0.8257
	Town Total	581.00	100.00%		\$1.5759
Lincoln	Elementary	120.77	56.80%	\$1.5500	\$0.8804
	Mt Abe	91.85	43.20%	\$1.5831	\$0.6838
	Town Total	212.62	100.00%		\$1.5643
Monkton	Elementary	147.90	48.09%	\$1.6626	\$0.7995
	Mt Abe	159.65	51.91%	\$1.5831	\$0.8218
	Town Total	307.55	100.00%		\$1.6213
New Haven	Elementary	97.31	42.20%	\$1.6360	\$0.6904
	Mt Abe	133.28	57.80%	\$1.5831	\$0.9150
	Town Total	230.59	100.00%		\$1.6054
Starksboro	Elementary	159.03	53.99%	\$1.5340	\$0.8282
	Mt Abe	135.52	46.01%	\$1.5831	\$0.7284
	Town Total	294.55	100.00%		\$1.5566

District: **Monkton**
County: **Addison**

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Addison Northeast

Statutory calculation. See
note at bottom of page.Recommended homestead
rate from Tax Commission.
See note at bottom of page.

9,382

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Expenditures

		FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$2,352,997	\$2,521,280	\$2,608,505	\$2,578,248	1.
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3.	<i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$2,352,997	\$2,521,280	\$2,608,505	\$2,578,248	4.
5.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$2,352,997	\$2,521,280	\$2,608,505	\$2,578,248	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.

Revenues

10.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$279,330	\$358,074	\$289,682	\$294,093	10.
11.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit reduction if included in revenues (negative revenue instead of expenditures)	-	Not allowed	Not allowed	Not allowed	12.
13.	<i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues	-	-	-	-	13.
14.	Total local revenues	\$279,330	\$358,074	\$289,682	\$294,093	14.

15.	Education Spending	\$2,073,667	\$2,163,206	\$2,318,823	\$2,284,155	15.
16.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	154.91	157.46	153.47	147.90	16.

17.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$13,386.27	\$13,738.13	\$15,109.29	\$15,444	17.
18.	<i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$534.23	\$516.81	\$523.72	\$548	18.
19.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	-	-	19.
20.	<i>minus</i> Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-	22.
23.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	NA	-	-	23.
24.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-	24.
25.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	threshold = \$14,733	threshold = \$14,841	threshold = \$15,456	threshold = \$16,168	25.
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$13,386	\$13,738	\$15,109	\$15,444	26.
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$15,444 / \$9,382)	156.675% based on \$8,544	157.493% based on \$8,723	165.111% based on \$9,151	164.612% based on \$9,382	27.

Prorating the local tax rate

28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (164.612% x \$1.010)	\$1.3631 based on \$0.87	\$1.4017 based on \$0.89	\$1.5520 based on \$0.94	\$1.6626 based on \$1.010	28.
29.	Percent of Monkton equalized pupils not in a union school district	50.780%	51.670%	49.640%	48.09%	29.
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (48.090% x \$1.66)	\$0.6922	\$0.7243	\$0.7704	\$0.7995	30.
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	80.01%	82.04%	82.45%	84.66%	31.
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town ($\$0.800 / 84.66\%$)	\$0.8651 based on \$0.860	\$0.8829 based on \$0.87	\$0.9344 based on \$0.94	\$0.9444 based on \$1.01	32.

If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a **PARTIAL** homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.

33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (164.612% x 1.80%)	2.82% based on 1.80%	2.83% based on 1.80%	2.97% based on 1.80%	2.96% based on 1.80%	33.
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (48.090% x 2.96%)	1.43% based on 1.80%	1.46% based on 1.80%	1.47% based on 1.80%	1.42% based on 1.80%	34.
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at Mt. Abraham UHSD	49.22%	48.33%	50.36%	51.91%	35.
36.		-	-	-	-	36.

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,382. The tax commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.01 and \$1.51. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 1.80%.

**Monkton Central School
Major Budget Changes
2014-2015**

	2013-2014 Budget	2014-2015 Budget	Percent Change
Total Salaries	\$ 1,341,718	\$ 1,047,346	-22%
Total Benefits	\$ 433,187	\$ 332,671	-23%
Reserve for Negotiations	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Major Changes	\$ 1,774,905	\$ 1,380,017	-22.25% *
 Salaries & Benefits as a % of Total Budget	 68.0%	 53.5%	

Education Spending

	2013-2014 Budget	2014-2015 Budget	
Educational Expenses	\$ 2,608,505	\$ 2,578,248	-1.16% *
Less: Local/State/Federal Revenue	\$ (289,682)	\$ (294,093)	1.52%
 Educational Spending	 \$ 2,318,823	 \$ 2,284,155	 -1.50%
 Equalized Pupils	 153.47	 147.9	 -3.63%
Education spending per equalized pupil	\$ 15,109	\$ 15,444	2.21%

***NOTE: Special Education services transferred to ANESU and is now shown under Special Education Assessment in the budget.**

Monkton Town School District
Monkton Central School Expense Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
5111 Salaries-Professional Staff	\$946,783.00	\$937,142.00	\$955,509.00	\$842,369.00
5112 Salaries-Assistants	\$240,816.00	\$197,139.00	\$207,704.00	\$63,082.00
5113 Salaries-Other Support Staff	\$60,439.00	\$71,505.00	\$65,407.00	\$63,458.00
5114 Salaries-Summer School	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5115 Health Buy-Out	\$12,132.00	\$11,882.00	\$11,382.00	\$4,182.00
5116 Salaries-Custodians	\$64,814.00	\$65,892.00	\$69,244.00	\$70,512.00
5121 Salaries-Professional Staff Substitutes	\$17,500.00	\$10,717.00	\$16,500.00	\$0.00
5123 Salaries-Assistant Substitutes	\$4,400.00	\$5,135.00	\$4,400.00	\$1,000.00
5126 Salaries-Other Support Staff Substitutes	\$1,600.00	\$461.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00
5127 Salaries-Professional Stipends	\$5,118.00	\$2,455.00	\$7,822.00	\$2,393.00
5129 Salaries-Support Stipends	\$0.00	\$731.00	\$2,150.00	\$350.00
Subtotal Salaries:	\$1,355,102.00	\$1,303,059.00	\$1,341,718.00	\$1,047,346.00
5211 Group Health-Professional Staff	\$144,002.00	\$174,192.00	\$180,797.00	\$160,885.00
5212 Group Health-Support Staff	\$53,761.00	\$52,842.00	\$88,305.00	\$37,556.00
5221 Social Security (FICA)	\$101,743.00	\$93,212.00	\$100,508.00	\$80,123.00
5231 Group Life Insurance	\$2,089.00	\$2,946.00	\$2,122.00	\$1,701.00
5241 Retirement Contributions	\$8,411.00	\$8,725.00	\$9,028.00	\$5,481.00
5251 Workers' Compensation	\$9,314.00	\$8,599.00	\$8,890.00	\$7,020.00
5261 Unemployment Compensation	\$811.00	\$3,903.00	\$3,315.00	\$3,929.00
5271 Tuition Reimbursement	\$16,151.00	\$9,067.00	\$24,052.00	\$21,832.00
5281 Group Dental Insurance	\$8,764.00	\$9,253.00	\$9,696.00	\$8,965.00
5291 Disability Insurance	\$6,011.00	\$5,729.00	\$6,474.00	\$5,179.00
Subtotal Benefits:	\$351,057.00	\$368,468.00	\$433,187.00	\$332,671.00
5955 Reserve for Negotiations - Professional	\$31,417.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5956 Reserve for Negotiations - Support	\$13,468.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Reserve for Negotiations:	\$44,885.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5311 Purchased Services-Section 125	\$800.00	\$261.00	\$163.00	\$300.00
5321 In-Service-Professional Staff	\$1,128.00	\$0.00	\$348.00	\$353.00
5322 In-Service-Support Staff	\$942.00	\$0.00	\$241.00	\$245.00
5323 Conference Fees	\$4,000.00	\$2,865.00	\$4,409.00	\$4,113.00
5324 School Based Clinician	\$15,267.00	\$17,894.00	\$18,198.00	\$19,000.00
5331 Assessment-Supervisory Union	\$103,209.00	\$112,946.00	\$152,794.00	\$214,998.00
5331 Assessment-Early Education	\$7,897.00	\$7,897.00	\$8,032.00	\$19,094.00
5331 Assessment-Special Education	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$401,605.00
5332 Testing & Evaluation	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,533.00	\$0.00
5333 OT/PT Services	\$1,000.00	\$3,985.00	\$2,450.00	\$254.00
5337 Purchased Service From SU	\$74,369.00	\$84,051.00	\$96,191.00	\$54,624.00
5339 Other Professional Services	\$43,827.00	\$46,208.00	\$14,329.00	\$20,780.00
5341 Technical Services	\$1,379.00	\$2,475.00	\$1,350.00	\$907.00
5361 Legal Services	\$1,000.00	\$10,565.00	\$1,017.00	\$5,000.00
5371 Audit Services	\$7,000.00	\$4,550.00	\$7,119.00	\$7,226.00
Subtotal Purchased Services:	\$262,818.00	\$293,697.00	\$308,174.00	\$748,499.00

Monkton Town School District
Monkton Central School Expense Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
5411 Water/Sewer	\$2,200.00	\$2,023.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,900.00
5421 Disposal Services	\$3,600.00	\$4,106.00	\$4,230.00	\$3,800.00
5422 Snow Plowing Services	\$3,200.00	\$2,150.00	\$3,254.00	\$4,000.00
5424 Lawn Care Services	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
5429 Other Cleaning Services	\$300.00	\$19.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
5431 Repairs & Maintenance Services	\$3,500.00	\$3,287.00	\$23,700.00	\$3,650.00
5435 Repairs - Grounds	\$1,700.00	\$82.00	\$3,200.00	\$2,000.00
5436 Repairs - Buildings	\$9,300.00	\$6,057.00	\$15,800.00	\$8,000.00
5442 Rental of Equipment & Vehicles	\$6,000.00	\$4,492.00	\$6,102.00	\$3,944.00
5499 Other Purchased Property Services	\$2,750.00	\$2,256.00	\$2,220.00	\$2,850.00
Subtotal Property Services:	\$35,150.00	\$27,072.00	\$64,706.00	\$34,744.00
5511 Student Transportation - Fuel Surcharge	\$4,532.00	\$3,569.00	\$4,609.00	\$4,678.00
5518 Student Transportation Services - SPED	\$13,000.00	\$37,996.00	\$19,950.00	\$0.00
5519 Student Transportation Services - Regular	\$72,264.00	\$76,892.00	\$78,038.00	\$80,038.00
5562 Union School Assessment	\$0.00	\$13,991.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Transportation Services:	\$89,796.00	\$132,448.00	\$102,597.00	\$84,716.00
5521 Property Insurance	\$3,532.00	\$3,261.00	\$3,592.00	\$3,300.00
5522 Liability Insurance	\$4,700.00	\$4,850.00	\$4,779.00	\$5,900.00
5526 Umbrella Insurance	\$730.00	\$609.00	\$742.00	\$650.00
5531 Telephone	\$2,000.00	\$3,696.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,045.00
5532 Postage	\$800.00	\$716.00	\$907.00	\$919.00
5533 Internet Provider Services	\$670.00	\$514.00	\$910.00	\$0.00
5541 Advertising	\$250.00	\$289.00	\$300.00	\$305.00
5551 Printing & Binding	\$500.00	\$91.00	\$509.00	\$516.00
5566 Tuition To Private Schools	\$0.00	\$5,790.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5581 Travel-Employee	\$2,170.00	\$774.00	\$2,590.00	\$2,569.00
5591 Food Service Subsidy	\$10,507.00	\$10,507.00	\$10,686.00	\$19,568.00
Subtotal Other Services:	\$25,859.00	\$31,097.00	\$28,015.00	\$36,772.00
5611 Consumable Supplies	\$34,460.00	\$23,032.00	\$34,796.00	\$29,619.00
5622 Electricity	\$28,000.00	\$25,719.00	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00
5623 Propane	\$1,500.00	\$340.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,600.00
5624 Oil	\$26,500.00	\$31,755.00	\$28,000.00	\$31,000.00
5641 Textbooks	\$5,191.00	\$2,423.00	\$5,195.00	\$4,514.00
5642 Periodicals	\$975.00	\$1,179.00	\$1,928.00	\$1,854.00
5651 Audiovisual Materials	\$715.00	\$0.00	\$728.00	\$594.00
5661 Manipulatives	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$2,844.00	\$1,786.00
5671 Software	\$8,776.00	\$9,001.00	\$8,314.00	\$2,064.00
5699 Non-Capitalized Equipment	\$13,750.00	\$4,016.00	\$9,054.00	\$56,307.00
5733 Equipment-Furniture & Fixtures	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
5734 Equipment-Computers	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Supplies & Equipment:	\$127,567.00	\$97,465.00	\$121,659.00	\$163,338.00

Monkton Town School District
Monkton Central School Expense Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
5811 Dues & Fees	\$3,300.00	\$4,770.00	\$3,448.00	\$3,502.00
5832 Interest-Construction	\$19,810.00	\$18,936.00	\$18,936.00	\$18,936.00
5835 Interest Expense	\$11,233.00	\$9,197.00	\$11,424.00	\$12,992.00
5837 Interest on Deficit Financing	\$3,500.00	\$1,608.00	\$1,599.00	\$0.00
5838 Interest on Water Treatment System	\$120.00	\$122.00	\$0.00	\$122.00
5891 Miscellaneous Expenditures	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$255.00	\$260.00
5912 Principal-Construction	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
5917 Principal on Deficit Financing	\$91,500.00	\$91,387.00	\$91,387.00	\$0.00
5918 Principal on Water Treatment System	\$1,447.00	\$696.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,440.00
5921 Sinking Fund Expense	\$11,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
5930 Fund Transfer-Outgoing	\$0.00	\$11,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5931 Mainstream Block Grant Transfer	\$6,154.00	\$5,693.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5934 Transfer-State EEE Funding	\$20,729.00	\$17,816.00	\$19,960.00	\$22,910.00
Subtotal Dues, Interest, Principal & Transfers:	\$229,043.00	\$221,225.00	\$208,449.00	\$130,162.00
 Total Expenses:	 \$2,521,277.00	 \$2,474,531.00	 \$2,608,505.00	 \$2,578,248.00

FY15 Budget Footnotes:

5111 - Professional Staff salaries increased 3% per Teachers contract.

5112/5113 - Assistant/Other Support Staff salaries increased 2.6%.

5211/5212 - Group Health Insurance - 4.5% increase in premiums for 2014-2015.

Also reflects costs for any changes in enrollment status for employees.

5331 - ANESU Assessment

-Includes centralized finance and administrative services district wide.

-Includes all Information Technology costs including staff, equipment, software, and maintenance.

-Professional Development/In-Service costs for all district schools.

-Purchased Services - Purchased services costs assessed across all schools instead of on a specific school basis. Provides a broader range of service level to schools.

-District Facilities Director increased to full time (from half time) to provide needed direction and management to District schools maintenance & operations needs.

-Assessment percent for each school is calculated on a student enrollment count as of 10/1/13 (ADM).

5331 - Special Education Assessment

Special Education Services are now consolidated under the ANESU in accordance with

Act 153. The ANESU now has one budget for Special Education district wide.

The cost for Special Education services for 2014-15 has been assessed to each school.

Special Education is now a single assessment in each budget. This gives individual schools access to the full range of Special Education resources district wide rather than just through a school's individual budget.

5591 - ANESU Food Service Cooperative

The ANESU Food Cooperative is now funded at a 20% assessment level for the program. Previously the Food Cooperative (and prior to that individual schools) was only funded at an approximate 10% subsidy which did not cover the full cost of our excellent food service program. The 20% assessment will allow the program to break even without dramatic increases in the price of school lunches for our students.

Monkton Town School District
Monkton Central School Revenue Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
001-1510-4000 Investment Income	\$14,553.00	\$11,252.00	\$14,300.00	\$8,580.00
001-1910-4000 Other Revenues-Rental	\$0.00	\$925.00	\$150.00	\$500.00
001-1990-4000 Miscellaneous Other Local Revenue	\$200.00	\$1,288.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-1993-4000 E-Rate Reimbursement	\$2,653.00	\$2,377.00	\$2,520.00	\$2,520.00
001-1999-4000 COBRA Fees	\$0.00	\$68.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Local Revenue:	\$17,406.00	\$15,910.00	\$16,970.00	\$11,600.00
001-2000-4000 Subgrants Received From SU-Medica	\$30,688.00	\$4,295.00	\$5,641.00	\$4,560.00
Subtotal Subgrant Revenue:	\$30,688.00	\$4,295.00	\$5,641.00	\$4,560.00
001-3110-4000 Education Fund Payments	\$2,163,203.00	\$876,421.00	\$2,318,823.00	\$2,284,155.00
001-3110-4001 Residential Property Taxes	\$0.00	\$993,436.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-3110-4002 Non-Residential Property Taxes	\$0.00	\$293,348.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-3150-4000 State Aid Transportation	\$15,107.00	\$28,948.00	\$15,692.00	\$16,403.00
001-3201-4000 SPED Mainstream Block Grant	\$60,348.00	\$60,348.00	\$57,070.00	\$58,196.00
001-3202-4000 SPED Expenditures Reimbursement	\$165,504.00	\$135,530.00	\$147,254.00	\$180,424.00
001-3204-4000 Early Essential Education Grant	\$20,729.00	\$17,816.00	\$19,960.00	\$22,910.00
001-3205-4000 SPED State Placed Students	\$48,292.00	\$71,004.00	\$27,095.00	\$0.00
Subtotal State Revenue:	\$2,473,183.00	\$2,476,851.00	\$2,585,894.00	\$2,562,088.00
001-5400-4000 Adjustment Of Prior Year Expenditur	\$0.00	\$3,042.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-5700-4000 Restricted Revenue - Forfeiture S125	\$0.00	\$855.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous Revenue:	\$0.00	\$3,897.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Revenue:	\$2,521,277.00	\$2,500,953.00	\$2,608,505.00	\$2,578,248.00

Monkton Town School District

LONG TERM DEBT

June 30, 2013

	<u>Balance</u> <u>July 1, 2012</u>	Additions	Payments	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2013</u>
1998 Addition:				
Vermont Municipal Bond Bank:				
Interest at 3.55% - 5.16% payable semi-annually,				
and Annual Principal Payments of \$60,000				
through December, 2018.	420,000		60,000	360,000
Special Environmental Revolving Loan Fund				
for Water Treatment System - through 2016	6,220			6,220
2012 Deficit Financing Note 1.75% fixed rate	182,774		91,387	91,387
Total	426,220		151,387	457,607

Debt Service Requirements:

	<u>FY</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
	2014	60,000	15,978	75,978
		91,387	1,599	92,986
	2015	60,000	13,829	73,829
	2016	60,000	24,705	84,705
	2017-2019	180,000	18,546	198,546
**Environmental Loan		6,220		6,220
Total		457,607	74,657	532,264

****Application for forgiveness grant currently under review by State of Vermont**

MARSHALL TRUST

In 1994 Monkton Central School received \$8,000 from the Arlein R. Marshall Estate designed for the rental of musical instruments for the music department or for those students who cannot afford to rent such instruments.

Value:		<u>31-Dec-13</u>
	Mutual Funds - Bonds	\$5,375.52
	Mutual Funds - Equities	\$27,834.39
	Market Value 12/31/13	<u>\$33,209.91</u>

INDEPENDENT AUDIT

Monkton Central School has an annual Independent Audit performed on its Financial Records. Jeffrey Bradley, P.C. Certified Public Accountant performed the 2012-2013 Audit. The audit is available on the ANESU website or in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, 72 Munsill Avenue, Suite 601, Bristol, Vermont 05443 or by calling 453-3657.

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2015 Report

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Monkton Central School
S.U.: Addison Northeast S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2013 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, FY2013 enrollment ≥ 100 but <200
 (40 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 11 out of 40

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Waitsfield Elementary School	PK - 6	154	15.10	1.00	10.20	154.00	15.10
	Brewster Pierce School	PK - 4	155	9.20	1.00	16.85	155.00	9.20
	Samuel Morey Elementary School	PK - 6	160	13.93	0.78	11.49	205.13	17.86
	Monkton Central School	PK - 6	161	13.30	1.00	12.11	161.00	13.30
← Larger	Vernon Elementary School	PK - 6	165	15.60	1.00	10.58	165.00	15.60
	Proctor Elementary School	PK - 6	169	15.60	1.00	10.83	169.00	15.60
	Bethel Elementary School	PK - 6	171	11.10	1.00	15.41	171.00	11.10
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			142.03	12.41	1.00	11.45	142.06	12.41

School District: Monkton
LEA ID: T127

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These data include district assessments to SUs. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to each other.

FY2012 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2012 FTE ≥ 100 but < 200
 (30 school districts in cohort)

Grades offered in School District
 Student FTE enrolled in school district
 Current expenditures per student FTE **EXCLUDING** special education costs

Cohort Rank by FTE
 (1 is largest)
 10 out of 30

School district data (local, union, or joint district)			
Smaller →	Huntington	K-6	140.24
	Newbrook Joint Contract School	PK-5	143.69
	Vernon	K-6	151.42
	Monkton	K-6	162.82
← Larger	Middlesex	PK-6	162.90
	Starksboro	K-6	163.36
	Woodstock	K-6	167.40
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			141.98

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

FY2014 School District Data

		School district tax rate				Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
		Grades offered in School District	SchlDist Equalized Pupils	SchlDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchlDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
LEA ID School District					Use these tax rates to compare towns rates.			These tax rates are not comparable due to CLA's.
Smaller →	T078 Franklin	K-6	131.22	10,536.75	1.0823	1.1567	97.71%	1.1838
	T222 Warren	PK-6	146.09	12,482.52	1.2822	1.3522	100.39%	1.3469
	T212 Underhill Town	K-4	149.59	14,130.68	1.4515	1.3745	99.14%	1.3864
	T127 Monkton	K-6	153.47	15,109.29	1.5520	1.5187	82.45%	1.8420
← Larger	T124 Middlesex	PK-6	155.99	13,686.69	1.4059	1.4480	96.06%	1.5074
	U047 Mettawee Comm. UESD #4	K-6	160.64	14,727.01	1.5128	-	-	-
	T196 Starksboro	K-6	165.05	13,093.84	1.3450	1.4072	90.14%	1.5611

The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

(K) data provided by the commissioner which enable a comparison with other schools, or school districts if school level data are not available, for cost-effectiveness. The commissioner shall establish which data are to be included pursuant to this subdivision and, notwithstanding that the other elements of the report are to be presented in a format selected by the school board, shall develop a common format to be used by each school in presenting the data to community members. The commissioner shall provide the most recent data available to each school no later than October 1 of each year. Data to be presented may include student-to-teacher ratio, administrator-to-student ratio, administrator-to-teacher ratio, and cost per pupil.

Addison Northeast Supervisory Union Expense Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
5111 Salaries - Professional Staff	\$728,410.00	\$675,163.00	\$867,321.00	\$2,206,644.00
5112 Salaries - Assistants	\$26,114.00	\$0.00	\$136,000.00	\$1,382,118.00
5113 Salaries - Other Support Staff	\$375,071.00	\$374,074.00	\$398,870.00	\$578,549.00
5115 Health Buy-Out	\$1,750.00	\$6,674.00	\$5,000.00	\$14,868.00
5124 Salaries - Student Stipends	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,550.00
5125 Salaries - Support Staff Tutors	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
5129 Salaries - Support Stipends	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,450.00	\$25,136.00
Subtotal Salaries:	\$1,131,345.00	\$1,055,911.00	\$1,409,641.00	\$4,223,065.00
5211 Group Health - Professional Staff	\$100,302.00	\$79,715.00	\$145,130.00	\$506,984.00
5212 Group Health - Support Staff	\$112,146.00	\$101,745.00	\$173,003.00	\$661,238.00
5221 Social Security (FICA)	\$86,547.00	\$77,714.00	\$109,809.00	\$324,234.00
5231 Group Life Insurance	\$2,456.00	\$2,925.00	\$4,072.00	\$8,592.00
5241 Retirement Contributions	\$12,843.00	\$13,427.00	\$20,008.00	\$43,171.00
5251 Workers' Compensation	\$8,026.00	\$6,998.00	\$9,340.00	\$26,470.00
5261 Unemployment Compensation	\$6,160.00	\$5,619.00	\$7,795.00	\$28,019.00
5271 Tuition Reimbursement	\$7,620.00	\$0.00	\$7,750.00	\$24,097.00
5281 Group Dental Insurance	\$7,901.00	\$7,141.00	\$10,813.00	\$46,228.00
5291 Disability Insurance	\$5,498.00	\$4,776.00	\$7,148.00	\$19,849.00
Subtotal Benefits:	\$349,499.00	\$300,060.00	\$494,868.00	\$1,688,882.00
5957 Reserve for Negotiations - ANESU	\$47,572.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5958 Reserve for Negotiations - Purchased	\$29,090.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Reserve for Negotiations:	\$76,662.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5311 Purchased Services - Section 125	\$0.00	\$435.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5321 In-Service - Professional Staff	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$15,601.00	\$15,400.00
5322 In-Service - Support Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,236.00	\$4,240.00
5323 Conference Fees	\$4,685.00	\$4,541.00	\$4,766.00	\$9,727.00
5333 OT/PT Related Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,478.00
5338 District Course Related Expense	\$0.00	\$20,819.00	\$41,189.00	\$41,806.00
5339 Other Professional Services	\$19,000.00	\$11,420.00	\$50,584.00	\$105,300.00
5341 Technical Services	\$25,050.00	\$24,541.00	\$25,476.00	\$25,858.00
5361 Legal Services	\$1,000.00	\$6,350.00	\$1,017.00	\$13,032.00
5371 Audit Services	\$12,000.00	\$8,750.00	\$12,204.00	\$12,387.00
Subtotal Purchased Services:	\$61,935.00	\$76,856.00	\$155,073.00	\$251,228.00
5411 Water/Sewer	\$0.00	\$94.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5421 Disposal Services	\$900.00	\$812.00	\$915.00	\$929.00
5423 Purchased Custodial Services	\$5,200.00	\$4,575.00	\$5,288.00	\$5,368.00
5431 Repairs & Maintenance Services	\$1,000.00	\$2,375.00	\$1,017.00	\$19,877.00
5432 Maintenance - Vehicles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$508.00
5441 Rental of Land & Buildings	\$53,000.00	\$54,035.00	\$55,170.00	\$55,998.00
5442 Rental of Equipment & Vehicles	\$10,540.00	\$5,057.00	\$10,720.00	\$3,046.00
Subtotal Property Services:	\$70,640.00	\$66,948.00	\$73,110.00	\$85,726.00

**Addison Northeast Supervisory Union
Expense Budget**

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
5518 Student Transportation Services - SPED	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$116,573.00
5521 Property Insurance	\$250.00	\$149.00	\$254.00	\$254.00
5522 Liability Insurance	\$2,400.00	\$3,296.00	\$2,441.00	\$4,110.00
5531 Telephone	\$8,500.00	\$8,280.00	\$8,644.00	\$11,774.00
5532 Postage	\$4,075.00	\$3,791.00	\$4,144.00	\$4,224.00
5533 Internet Provider Services	\$500.00	\$631.00	\$509.00	\$11,666.00
5541 Advertising	\$800.00	\$977.00	\$814.00	\$826.00
5551 Printing & Binding	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$254.00	\$258.00
5561 Tuition To Other Vermont LEAs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$232,000.00
5566 Tuition to Private Schools	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
5581 Travel - Employee	\$11,700.00	\$11,151.00	\$11,900.00	\$17,529.00
Subtotal Other Services:	\$28,475.00	\$28,275.00	\$28,960.00	\$439,214.00
5611 Consumable Supplies	\$12,816.00	\$9,188.00	\$11,919.00	\$55,890.00
5613 Food (Instructional & Refreshments)	\$950.00	\$399.00	\$966.00	\$1,137.00
5622 Electricity	\$2,500.00	\$4,317.00	\$2,542.00	\$2,581.00
5624 Oil	\$4,500.00	\$3,081.00	\$4,577.00	\$4,645.00
5626 Gasoline	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,155.00
5641 Textbooks	\$575.00	\$193.00	\$585.00	\$594.00
5642 Periodicals	\$350.00	\$447.00	\$356.00	\$361.00
5671 Software	\$1,000.00	\$239.00	\$1,018.00	\$81,352.00
5699 Non-Capitalized Equipment	\$1,800.00	\$9,883.00	\$4,166.00	\$116,216.00
5734 Equipment-Computers	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37,740.00
5739 Equipment-Other	\$1,200.00	\$1,557.00	\$0.00	\$36,940.00
Subtotal Supplies & Equipment:	\$25,691.00	\$29,304.00	\$26,129.00	\$345,611.00
5811 Dues & Fees	\$6,900.00	\$6,288.00	\$7,017.00	\$7,321.00
5891 Miscellaneous Expenditures	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$305.00	\$309.00
5893 Late Charges	\$0.00	\$48.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5894 Background Check Expense	\$0.00	\$678.00	\$1,220.00	\$1,239.00
Subtotal Dues, Interest, Principal & Transfers:	\$7,200.00	\$7,014.00	\$8,542.00	\$8,869.00
Total Expenses:	\$1,751,447.00	\$1,564,368.00	\$2,196,323.00	\$7,042,595.00

Addison Northeast Supervisory Union

FY15 Budget Notes

The ANESU budget has increased by \$4,846,272 for FY 2014-2015. Eighty eight percent (88%) or \$4,258,800 is new and funds the delivery of special education and related services previously carried in the District's six school budgets. In accordance with Act 153, special education service costs have been consolidated under the ANESU and assessed back out to the District's six schools.

All of Information Technology (IT) Services have been consolidated under the ANESU and is part of the ANESU assessment. In addition to personnel and benefits, this includes all IT equipment, software, internet, maintenance and all other associated IT costs. This change results in an increase of approximately, \$308,609 or 6.3% of the overall increase.

In addition, Purchased Services have been moved from the individual school budgets and consolidated under the ANESU for more effective use of those services. That cost (approximately \$247,000, or 5% of the ANESU increase) is now included in the ANESU assessment.

Those increases (SPED, IT and Purchased Services) amount to approximately 99.3% of the \$4,846,272 increase.

The remaining amount of the increase (approximately \$32,000 or .007%) is for Administrative and Finance budget increases, including salary increases at the same level as school personnel. Additional funds for legal services have been budgeted to reflect the actual amounts required each year.

Addison Northeast Supervisory Union Revenue Budget

Account Code/Description	Budget 2012-2013	Actual Audited 2012-2013	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015 Budget
001-1510-4000 Investment Income	\$2,500.00	\$1,222.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,606.00
001-1931-4000 Supervisory Union Assessment	\$1,026,961.00	\$1,124,963.00	\$1,524,891.00	\$2,218,762.00
001-1932-4000 Special Education Assessment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,258,800.00
001-1941-4000 Services To Other Vermont LEAs	\$357,867.00	\$394,941.00	\$386,511.00	\$139,048.00
001-1943-4001 District Course Related Revenue	\$0.00	\$19,721.00	\$41,189.00	\$41,806.00
001-1949-4000 Grant Administration Fee	\$35,252.00	\$47,454.00	\$14,990.00	\$12,311.00
001-1990-4000 Miscellaneous Other Local Revenue	\$500.00	\$12,705.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
001-1992-4000 Background Check Income	\$0.00	\$532.00	\$1,220.00	\$1,239.00
001-1993-4000 E-Rate Reimbursement	\$8,300.00	\$5,521.00	\$5,500.00	\$6,508.00
001-1999-4000 COBRA Fees	\$50.00	\$270.00	\$230.00	\$150.00
Subtotal Local Revenue:	\$1,431,430.00	\$1,607,329.00	\$1,976,231.00	\$6,681,430.00
001-2791-4000 Subgrants Received - I3 Network Gran	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Subgrant Revenue:	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
001-3201-4000 SPED Mainstream Block Grant	\$56,812.00	\$56,812.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal State Revenue:	\$56,812.00	\$56,812.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-5290-4000 Fund Transfer - Medicaid	\$28,050.00	\$6,772.00	\$32,830.00	\$8,586.00
001-5290-4001 Fund Transfer - Consolidated Admin.	\$28,826.00	\$0.00	\$36,754.00	\$25,297.00
001-5290-4002 Fund Transfer - Flow Through	\$137,085.00	\$0.00	\$130,416.00	\$294,019.00
001-5290-4003 Fund Transfer - Title IIA	\$21,387.00	\$0.00	\$15,092.00	\$33,263.00
001-5400-4000 Adjustment Of Prior Year Expenditure:	\$0.00	\$1,371.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
001-5700-4000 Restricted Revenue - S125 Forfeiture	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous Revenue:	\$215,348.00	\$8,203.00	\$215,092.00	\$361,165.00
Total Revenue:	\$1,708,590.00	\$1,677,344.00	\$2,196,323.00	\$7,042,595.00

The percentage used to determine each town's portion of the Supervisory Union Assessment for 2014-2015 is based upon the 10/1/13 headcount.

Towns/Schools	Percentage 2013-2014	Budget 2013-2014	Proposed 2014-2015
Bristol	0.1718	\$262,281.25	\$381,183.31
Lincoln	0.0827	\$120,161.41	\$183,491.62
Monkton	0.0969	\$152,794.08	\$214,998.04
New Haven	0.0620	\$98,050.49	\$137,563.24
Starksboro	0.1008	\$157,521.24	\$223,651.21
Mt. Abraham	0.4858	\$734,082.53	\$1,077,874.58
Addison Northeast District	1.0000	\$1,524,891.00	\$2,218,762.00

**WARNING
ANNUAL MEETING
UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #28
(Bristol, Lincoln, Monkton, New Haven, Starksboro)**

The voters of Union High School District # 28 are hereby warned and notified to meet at Mt. Abraham Union High School in Bristol, Vermont, on **Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 7:00 PM** to discuss and transact the following business. Article 4 requires a vote by Australian Ballot to take place on **Tuesday, March 4, 2014** at the annual polling places of the respective towns at hours conforming to those of each town.

- ARTICLE 1. To receive and act upon the reports of the Union High School District Officers.
- ARTICLE 2. To establish the salaries for elected officers of Union High School District # 28.
- ARTICLE 3. To elect officers following nominations from the floor.
a) A Moderator; b) A Clerk; c) A Treasurer; d) An Auditor for the term of 3 years.
- ARTICLE 4. For discussion only: VOTE TO BE TAKEN BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014, AT THE ANNUAL POLLING PLACE AND TIMES OF EACH RESPECTIVE TOWN.
Shall the Union High School District # 28 adopt a budget of \$14,091,304 for the school year beginning July 1, 2014?
- ARTICLE 5. To see if the voters of the Union High School District will authorize the Union High School District Board of Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year, as provided in 16 V.S.A. § 562 (9).
- ARTICLE 6. To transact any other business proper to come before said meeting.
- ARTICLE 7. To adjourn the Annual Meeting.

Dated at Bristol, Vermont, this 21st day of January 2014.

LANNY SMITH
Lanny Smith, Chair
Board of Directors
Union High School District # 28

Karen Wheeler
Karen Wheeler, Clerk
Union High School District # 28

WARNING
UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #28
(Bristol, Lincoln, Monkton, New Haven, Starksboro)

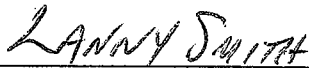
The voters of Union High School District #28 are hereby warned and notified to meet at the annual polling places of the respective towns on **Tuesday, March 4, 2014**, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following article of business.

Hours of opening and closing of polls will conform to those of each town:

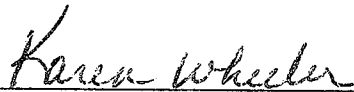
Bristol	Holley Hall	9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Lincoln	Burnham Hall	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Monkton	Monkton Central School	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
New Haven	New Haven Town Hall	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Starksboro	Robinson Elementary School	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Union High School District #28 adopt a budget of \$14,091,304 for the school year beginning July 1, 2014?

Dated at Bristol, Vermont, this 21st day of January 2014.



Lanny Smith, Chair
Board of Directors
Union High School District #28



Karen Wheeler, Clerk
Union High School District #28

**WARNING
ANNUAL MEETING
MONKTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The legal voters of the Monkton Town School District are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Monkton Central School in Monkton, Vermont on **Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:30 PM** to discuss and transact the following business. Articles 2 and 3 require a vote by Australian Ballot to take place on **Tuesday, March 4, 2014** at Monkton Central School between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

ARTICLE 1: To establish salaries for the Town School District Officers.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all town school district officers by Australian Ballot. Polls are open from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM, Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

ARTICLE 3: For discussion only: VOTE TO BE TAKEN BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014 BETWEEN 7:00 AM AND 7:00 PM.
Shall the voters of the Monkton Town School District appropriate \$2,578,248 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2014?

ARTICLE 4. To see if the voters of the Monkton Town School District will authorize the Monkton Town School District Board of Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year, as provided in 16 V.S.A. '562 (9).

ARTICLE 5: To transact any business properly coming before said meeting.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 2014.

Monkton Board of School Directors

Dawn K. Griswold 1/22/14
Dawn Griswold, Chair

Robert Radler 1/22/14
Robert Radler, Vice Chair

Kristin Blanchette 1/22/14
Kristin Blanchette, Clerk

Jennifer Stanley 1/22/14
Jennifer Stanley

Marikate Kelley 1/22/14
Marikate Kelley

ATTEST:

Sharon M. Gomez
Sharon Gomez, Town Clerk

1/28/14
Date

WARNING

PATRICIA A. HANNAFORD REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 26 and MARCH 4, 2014

Member Districts are Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Panton, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham and Weybridge.

The legal voters of the Regional Technical School District are hereby warned to meet at the Hannaford Career Center, Middlebury, Vermont in said district on February 26, 2014, at **7:00 P.M.**, to **transact and vote on the following business:**

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following officers:

a) A Moderator b) A Treasurer c) A Clerk

ARTICLE 2: To hear and act upon the reports of the Treasurer and Auditors of the District.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the voters of said District will vote to authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money, pending receipt of payment from member districts, by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date for the purpose of paying the sum approved by the voters.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the voters of the district will vote to pay a stipend to each voting member of the Board of Directors not to exceed **\$600.00** per member per year. Stipend pro-rated based upon number of warned board meetings attended.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the voters of the said District will vote to authorize its Board of Directors to place **\$69,081** of the FY13 unreserved fund balance in the Building and Equipment Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the voters of said District will vote to authorize its Board of Directors to use funds in the Building and Equipment Reserve Fund for capital improvements and program equipment.

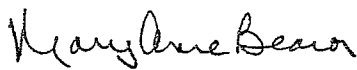
ARTICLE 7: To do any other business proper to come before said meeting.

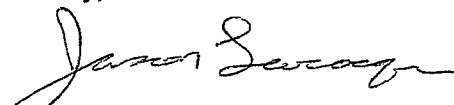
The meeting will then be recessed to March 4, 2014 on which date member district voters are further warned to vote on the article listed below by Australian ballot at their respective polling places:

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District approve the sum of **\$3,519,637** to defray current expenses for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding orders and obligations, said amount to include **\$99,724** from fees, grants and state appropriations to defray expenses of the Adult Technical Education Program?

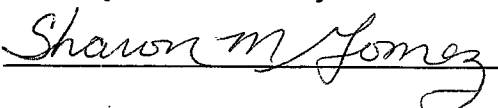
The legal voters and residents of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District are further warned and notified that an informational meeting will be held on the above-listed Australian ballot article on Wednesday, February 22, 2014 at the Hannaford Career Center in the Town of Middlebury, Vermont immediately following the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District's annual meeting which begins at 7:00 pm.

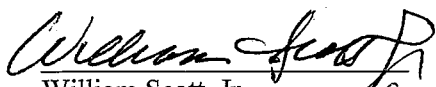
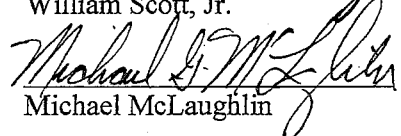
Dated this 11th day of December, 2013 at Middlebury, Vermont.


Mary Anne Bearor, Clerk
PAHRTSD


Jason Larocque, Chair
PAHRTSD

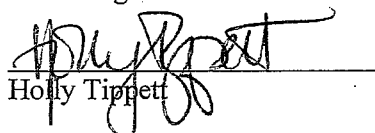
Monkton Town Clerks Office, Recorded and Posted
This 28th day of January 2014

Attest.  Town Clerk


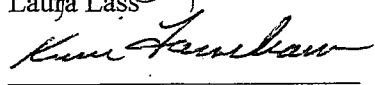

 William Scott, Jr.

 Michael McLaughlin

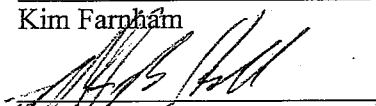
Tim Steady

Kurt Haigis

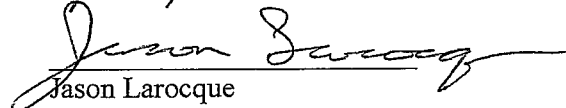

 Holly Tippet

Harold Nisun


 Laura Lass

 Kim Farnham


 Robert Hall


 Mark Perrin


 Jason Larocque

The polling places and hours of the member districts of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District are as follows:

District	Location	Polling Hours
Addison	Addison Town Clerk's Office	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Bridport	Bridport Masonic/Community Hall	10:00 AM-7:00 PM
Bristol	Holley Hall	9:00 AM-7:00 PM
Cornwall	Cornwall Town Hall	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Ferrisburgh	Ferrisburgh Central School	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Lincoln	Burnham Hall	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Middlebury	Middlebury Municipal Gym	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Monkton	Monkton Central School	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
New Haven	New Haven Town Hall	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Panton	Panton Town Clerk's Office	8:00 AM-7:00 PM
Ripton	Ripton Town Office	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Salisbury	Salisbury Town Clerk's Office	8:00 AM-7:00 PM
Shoreham	Shoreham Town Offices	10:00 AM-7:00 PM
Starksboro	Robinson Elementary School	7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Vergennes	Vergennes Fire Station	9:00 AM-7:00 PM
Waltham	Waltham Town Clerk's Office	10:00 AM-7:00 PM
Weybridge	Weybridge Town Clerk's Office	8:00 AM-7:00 PM

The legal voters of the Patricia A Hannaford Regional Technical School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated, and by Section 706W of Title 16, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Australian ballots shall be commingled and counted at the Middlebury Union High School cafeteria by representatives of the Boards of Civil authority of the member town school districts under the supervision of the Clerk of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District.

2014
CANDIDATES FOR MONKTON TOWN OFFICES

TOWN OFFICERS	CANDIDATES	2014
MODERATOR, TOWN	KENNETH E. WHEELING	1 YEAR
MODERATOR, SCHOOL	KENNETH E. WHEELING	1 YEAR
TOWN CLERK, TOWN & SCHOOL	SHARON M. GOMEZ	1 YEAR
TREASURER, TOWN & SCHOOL	WILLIAM C. JOOS	1 YEAR
SELECT BOARD	ANNE LAYN	3 YEARS
SELECT BOARD	HENRY A. BOISSE	2 YEARS
LISTER	JOHN HOWARD	3 YEARS
AUDITOR	JANET CASSARINO	3 YEARS
CONSTABLE	CHARLES HUIZENGA SR.	1 YEAR
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR	WILLIAM C. JOOS	1 YEAR
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD	MARIKATE KELLEY	1 YEAR
Vote for not more than two	BAILEE LAYN-GORDON	1 YEAR
	JENNIFER STANLEY	1 YEAR
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD	KRISTIN BLANCHETTE	3 YEARS
PLANNING COMMISSION (Remainder of Term)	IVOR HUGHES	1 YEAR
PLANNING COMMISSION	WENDY SUE HARPER	3 YEARS
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES	GRETCHEN BEAUPRE	3 YEARS
Vote for not more than two	SUZANNE LEDOUX	3 YEARS
GRAND JURER		1 YEAR
TOWN AGENT TO DEFEND & PROSECUTE		1 YEAR
TOWN AGENT TO DEED REAL ESTATE		1 YEAR

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING-2014

**THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF MONKTON ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND
WARNED TO MEET AT THE MONKTON CENTRAL SCHOOL ON
TUESDAY MARCH 4, 2014 AT 10:00 A.M. FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:**

**ARTICLE 1 AND ARTICLE 7 TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT
POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 AM AND WILL CLOSE AT 7:00 PM**

ARTICLE 1: To elect all Town Officers by Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 2: To receive and act on the Report of the Auditors as submitted.

ARTICLE 3: To set the date for the payment of Real Estate Taxes to be paid to the Town Treasurer.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town empower the Selectboard to set the Tax Rate when the Grand List is finalized?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Voters approve the following request by various Social Service Agencies?

a)	Addison County Community Action Group (Hope)	\$1,250.00
b)	Addison County Diversion & Community Justice	\$ 550.00
c)	Addison County Counseling Service Inc.	\$1,500.00
d)	Addison County Home, Health & Hospice, Inc.	\$1,946.00
e)	Addison County Parent/Child Center	\$1,600.00
f)	Addison County Readers (Imag'nLibraryLiteracy)	\$ 450.00
g)	Addison County Transit Resources	\$ 850.00
h)	Bristol Family Center	\$ 250.00
i)	Bristol Recreation Dept.	\$1,500.00
j)	Bristol Rescue Squad	\$3,700.00
k)	Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$1,100.00
l)	Elderly Services	\$ 800.00
m)	Green Up Vermont	\$ 150.00
n)	Homeward Bound Humane Society	\$ 250.00
o)	Hospice Volunteer Services	\$ 300.00
p)	John W. Graham Emergency Shelter	\$ 1000.00
q)	Lewis Creek Assn.	\$ 550.00
r)	Open Door Clinic	\$ 500.00
s)	Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	\$ 198.00
t)	Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	\$ 285.00
u)	Vergennes Rescue Squad	\$ 600.00
v)	Vermont Adult Learning	\$ 700.00
w)	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$ 195.00
x)	Women Safe (Women in Crisis)	\$ 1000.00

Total	\$21,224.00
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ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters approve the following sums of money for the listed purposes?

a)	Salaries and General Expenses	\$357,424.73
b)	Highway Expenses	\$754,357.00
c)	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	\$33,000.00
d)	Russell Memorial Library	\$20,150.00
e)	Monkton Museum and Historical Society	\$ 900.00
f)	Recreation Fund	\$4500.00

Total: \$1,170,331.73

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town of Monkton vote to adopt the proposed Monkton Town Plan dated January 2014 - 2019 to amend and replace the previous Monkton Town Plan, which expired in September 2012? Article to be voted by Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 8: Shall the town compensate the town collector of delinquent taxes by paying an annual salary of \$3500.00 in lieu of any statutory fees and commissions allowed under 32 V.S.A. § 1674?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters approve the designation of the Planning Commission position currently held by Sam Burr to be elected for a one year term when the term expires in 2016 and for a three year term in 2017 and thereafter to stagger the Planning Commission terms appropriately.

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters agree to replace the continuing annual \$0.02 tax rate assessment to fund the Town of Monkton Agricultural and Natural Areas Conservation Fund, authorized by Article 5, approved in March 2006, with an appropriation of \$10,000.00 for 2014?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters approve a sum not to exceed \$100,000 for the purchase of a new bucket loader?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters of Monkton denounce the Addison Natural Gas Project through Monkton?


ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters authorize the Select Board to borrow money from time to time and pledge the credit of the Town from the past and present indebtedness as may be necessary for them.

ARTICLE 15: To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.


Monkton Town Clerk
Received and Recorded
on 30th January, 2014 at 10:00 AM/PM


Stephen Pilcher, Chair Selectboard


Anne Layn, Vice Chair Selectboard

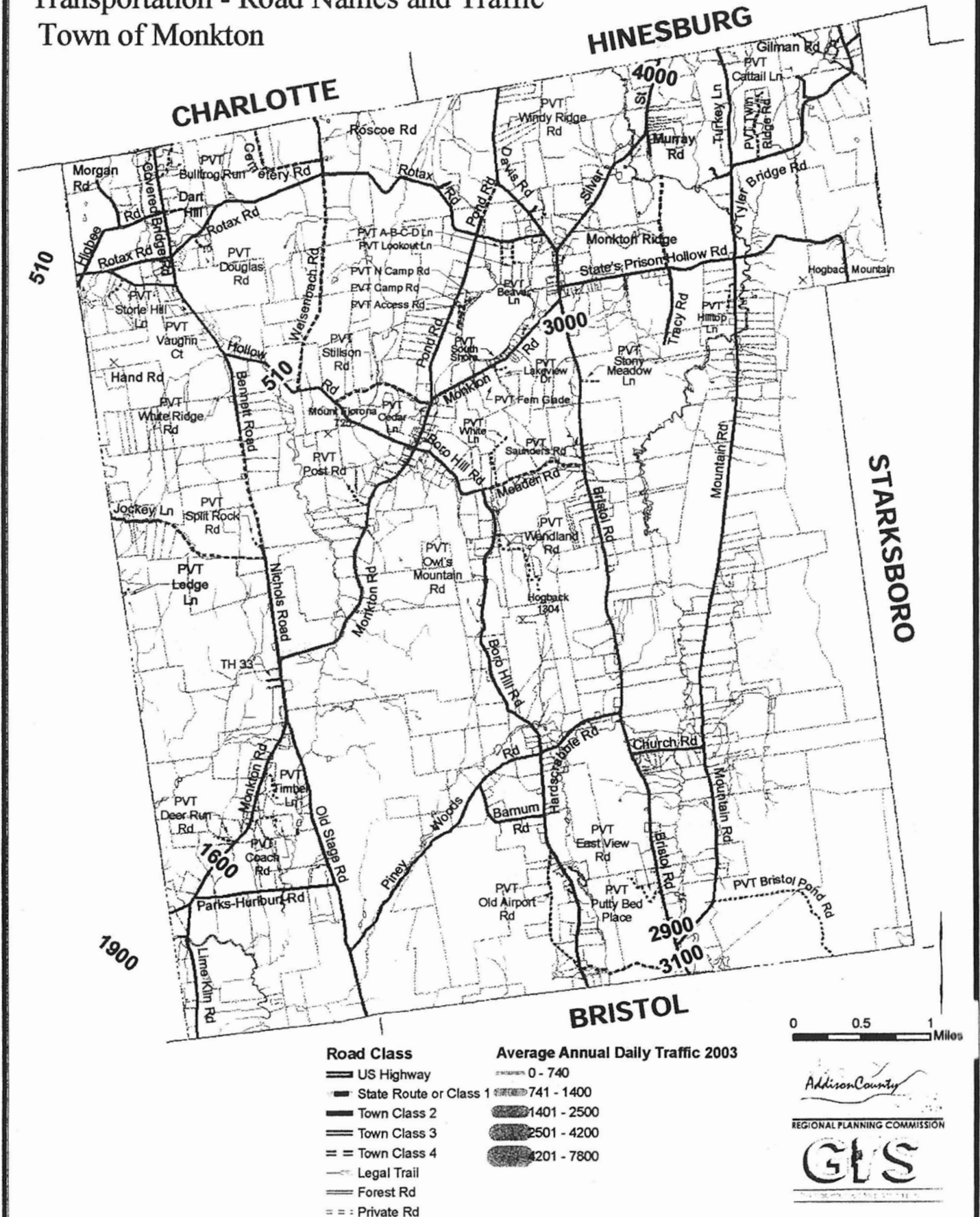

John Phillips, Member Selectboard


John McNerney, Member Selectboard

Attest: 
Sharon Gomez, Town Clerk
Monkton Town Clerk received


Roger Parker, Member Selectboard

Transportation - Road Names and Traffic Town of Monkton



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Community Information
Town of Monkton ~ Chartered in 1762

Town Clerk: Sharon Gomez 453-3800

Clerk's hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8 am. to 1pm.

Closed Wednesdays

Town Treasurer: William Joos

Treasurer's hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8 am. to 1 pm

Clerk & Treasurer's Evening Hours

Tuesday & Thursday

4 pm to 7 pm

Zoning Administrator: 735-6563

Kenneth Wheeling

Zoning Adm. Hours:

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

9 am. to 11 am.

2nd & 4th Tuesday

6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Listers: 453-4515

Bernard Wisniewski, Joseph Boisse, John Howard

Listers' Hours:

Monday & Wednesday

8 am. to 11 am

Zoning Adm. & Listers:

Thursday 5 pm to 7 pm

E-Mails: Town Clerk - monktontc@comcast.net

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Select Board - monktonsb@comcast.net

Zoning Adm. - monktonza@comcast.net

Listers- listers@monktonvt.com

Town website - www.monktonvt.com

Select Board:

John Phillips 453-5011

Anne Layn 453-2286

Steve Pilcher 425-2178

Roger Parker Jr. 877-3434

John McNerney 877-9929

Animal Control Officer: 355-4870

Gary Clodgo

Delinquent Tax Collector 453-3800

William Joos

Emergency #'s: 911

Fire, Rescue Squad, State Police

Town Garage: 453-3263

Wayne Preston

Town Constable: 877-2888

Charles Huizenga, Sr.

Schools:

Monkton Elementary 453-2314

Mount Abraham

Principal 453-2333

All other Depts. 453-2348

Superintendent's off. 453-3657

Russell Memorial Library: 453-4471

Librarian: Deborah Chamberlin

Asst. Librarian: Dawn Thibault

Hours:

3:00 PM – 8:00 PM Tuesday

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Friday

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Saturday

Meetings:

Select Board: 2nd & 4th Monday @ 7 pm

Zoning: 2nd & 4th Tuesday @ 7:30 pm

MM & Historical Society: 3rd Monday @ 7pm

Post Offices:

Monkton 453-3115

Bristol 453-2421

Hinesburg 482-2292

New Haven 453-2752

No. Ferrisburgh 425-3231

Starksboro 453-3711

Hospitals:

Porter Hospital 388-4701

Fletcher Allen 1-800-358-1144

Rutland Regional 1-800-649-2187

Northern New England Poison Center:

1-800-222-1222

Governor's Action Line: 1-800-649-6825

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828-3171

William Sorrell

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