

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF MONKTON, VERMONT



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**Town Meeting will be held at 10:00 AM Saturday March 1, 2025 at the Monkton Central School
Polls are open from 7:00 AM TO 7:00 PM at MONKTON TOWN HALL on March 4, 2025**

Please bring your Town Report with you to the meeting.

Stephen Pilcher Dedication

Stephen Pilcher has been a very dedicated public servant to the town of Monkton. Stephen attended the Snelling Center for Government leadership in 2013 and has used his leadership skills in supporting the Town of Monkton in numerous ways. Starting in 2005, he has been a Justice of the Peace, head of Emergency Management, a delegate to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission, and on the Development Review Board. Stephen has been a member of the Selectboard for the past 14 years and Chair for the past 11 years. Stephen's long hours of dedication have contributed to a lot of amazing changes in town. His efforts helped to bring into existence the new town building hosting the Town Hall services, the library and Community Room space. Stephen also contributed to discussion and allocation of resources in support of the creation of the Monkton Town Forest, recreation and other ARPPA fund supported projects. Enjoy your rest! You've earned it!

Peter Close Dedication

Peter Close has been a dedicated public servant to the Town of Monkton for over 21 years. In his years of service, Peter has been committed to making Monkton a better place for all of us to live.

In 2003, Peter Close joined the Zoning & Board of Adjustment which did the work of both the current Development Review Board and Planning Commission. Due to the workload in 2008, this board became two independent entities, the Development Review Board and the Planning Commission. Peter served on both. He continued to serve on the Development Review Board until March of 2020 when he stepped down from the Board—which he once chaired. Peter served on the Planning Commission until March of 2025. His combined work on these boards is 34 years!

Peter provided the Development Review Board and Planning Commission with a practical perspective as a builder, horse farmer, and conservationist. He provided an excellent historical perspective on past decisions made and the logic behind those decisions.

Peter committed Tuesday nights for town business, because the Planning Commission met on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month and the Development Review Board met on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. He would come to Town Hall every Tuesday night, even occasionally on the fifth of the month when there was no meeting. Now that's dedication!

We are delighted this Town Report is being dedicated to Stephen Pilcher and Peter Close. Thank you, Both, for your many years of service to Monkton.

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Revised: 1/24/25				
OFFICE	Elected/Appointed	Term	Term Exp.	
Town Clerk:				
Sharon Gomez	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Asst. Town Clerk:				
Becky Stearns	Appointed			Appointed by Town Clerk
Town Treasurer:				
Bill Joos	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Asst. Treasurer:				
** Open **	Appointed			
Town Administrator				
Stan Wilbur	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Delinquent Tax Collector:				
Bill Joos	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Zoning Administrator:				
Susan Gulrajani	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	(appt 12/10/24 for bal of term)
Town Moderator:				
Jerry Schwarz	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Select Board:				
Stephen Pilcher	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/26	
John McNerney	Elected	2 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/25	
Walter Crandall	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Marikate Kelley	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Joseph Szarejko	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Town Constable				
** Open **	Elected	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Assessor				
Lisa Burns	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Justices of the Peace:	November 2022 Election (expiring 1/31/25)			
Kenneth Wheeling	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/23 - 1/25	(November Election)
Kathy Malzac	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/23 - 1/25	(November Election)
Jane Low	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/23 - 1/25	(November Election)
Jerry Schwarz	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/23 - 1/25	(November Election)
** Multiple Open Positions **	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/23 - 1/25	(November Election)
Justices of the Peace:	November 2024 Election			
Kristen Blanchette	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Lynne Caulfield	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Jane Low	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Kathy Malzac	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Renee McGuinness	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)

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Amy Moody	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Norma Norris	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Jerry Schwarz	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Gail Vansteamburg	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
William Vansteamburg	Elected	2 Yr. Term	2/25 - 1/27	(November Election)
Auditors:				
Janet Cassarino	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Robin Huizenga	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Randall Charboneau	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
MAUSD Board:	(new unified school board)			
Kielee Pelland	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	Elected 3/5/24 to bal of term
Barbara Crandall	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Justin Pearson	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Development Review Board:				
Stephen Pilcher	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/22 - 03/26	
Michael Brennan (alternate)	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/22 - 03/26	(appt 7/9/24 for bal of term)
Chris Acker	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/21 - 03/25	
Vicky Stern	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/21 - 03/25	(appt 3/28/24 for bal of term)
Scott Gordon	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/24 - 03/28	
Curtis Layn	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/24 - 03/28	
Mark Bolz-Robinson	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/23 - 03/27	
Jaime Schulte	Appointed	4 yr. Term	03/23 - 03/27	
Planning Commission:				
Ivor Hughes	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Debra Sprague	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	(appt 8/27/24 for bal of term)
Peter Close	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Mike New	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	(appt 10/24/23 for bal of term)
Adam Miller	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	(appt 10/8/24 for bal of term)
Marilyn Cargill	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Wendy Sue Harper	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Recreation Committee:				
Rick Imes	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
John Zaikowski	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Adam Crary	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Ed Cook	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Sarah Bouchard	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	(appt 2/13/24 for bal of term)
Tim Hunt	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Paul Low	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Health Officer:				
** Open **	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Town Service Officer:				
** Open **	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Road Foreman:				
Shane Lawrence	Hired by Select Board			

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Fire Warden:				
Curtis Layn	Appointed	5 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/29	
911 Coordinator:				
Susan Gulrajani	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	(appt 1/14/24 for bal of term)
Emergency Management Director				
Stephen Pilcher	Appointed	1 yr Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Conservation Commission:				
Janet Schwarz	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/26	(appt 9/27/22 for bal of term)
Jaime Schulte	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/27	
** Open **	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/27	
Ann Miller	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/28	
David Moore	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/28	(appt 11/26/24 for bal of term)
Debra Sprague	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/21 - 03/25	(appt 11/22/21 for bal of term)
Sue Stasny	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	03/21 - 03/25	(appt 3/28/23 for bal of term)
Delegates to Addison County Reg. Planning:				
Stephen Pilcher	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	07/24 - 06/25	ACRPC terms run Jul-Jun
Debra Sprague	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	07/24 - 06/25	ACRPC terms run Jul-Jun
** Open ** (Alternate)	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	07/24 - 06/25	ACRPC terms run Jul-Jun
Transportation Advisory Committee				
Debra Sprague	Appointed	1 yr Term	07/24 - 06/25	Term runs July 1 - June 30
Stephen Pilcher (alternate)	Appointed	1 yr Term	07/24 - 06/25	Term runs July 1 - June 30
Delegates to Addison County Solid Waste Management District:				
Deborah Gaynor	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Jessica Demeritt (alternate)	Appointed	1 Yr Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Energy Committee:				
Mark Boltz-Robinson	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Dave Bristol	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
** Open **	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
John Dunham	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
** Open **	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee (ANAC)				
Jaime Schulte (Alternate)	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Laura Farrell	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Deborah Houghton	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Jessica Demeritt	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Susan Mahony	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Steve Parren (Alternate)	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	(appt 3/28/23 for bal of term)
John Mejia	Appointed	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Recycling Coordinator:				
Robin Hopps	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Avery Williams	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	

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Tree Warden:				
Mark Boltz-Robinson	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Animal Control Officer:				
Jane Palmer	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Dawn Vukas -volunteer deputy	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Green Up Coordinator:				
Deb Gaynor	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	01/24 - 01/25	January Appointment
Monkton Volunteer Fire Department				
Curtis Layn -- Chief	Chosen by Fire Dept			
Robert Howard -- Asst. Chief	Chosen by Fire Dept			
Dan Reinhart -- Asst. Chief	Chosen by Fire Dept			
Russell Memorial Library:				
Lisa Boeckman - Lead Librarian	Appointed by Library Trustees			
Katie Cyr -- Asst. Librarian	Appointed by Library Trustees			
Russell Mem. Library Trustees:				
Samuel Ludwig	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Jane Low	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/22 - 03/25	
Janet Fairchild	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Theresa Schwegel	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/23 - 03/26	
Cynthia Walcott	Elected	3 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/27	
Web Master				
Ian Schulze	Appointed	1 Yr. Term	03/24 - 03/25	
Town Forest Committee				
Peter Dufault	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/25	
John McNerney	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/26	
Jaime Schulte	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/26	
Callie Brynn	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/27	
Molly Parren	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/27	
CJ Buzzy	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/28	
Jessica Demeritt	Appointed	4 Yr. Term	exp 03/28	
Maple Broadband				
Mark Boltz-Robinson	Appointed	1 Yr Term	03/24 - 03/25	

Town of Monkton
Minutes of Annual Town Meeting
Saturday March 2, 2024 10:00am

Jerry Schwarz, town moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:01AM. There were approximately 80 citizens in attendance. The moderator explained guidelines for how the meeting would be run.

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

The moderator stated Article 1 will be voted on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at the town hall. Polls will be open from 7am to 7pm.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 15, 2024 by delivery to town hall by that date or postmarked on or before that date?
Wendy Sue Harper moved to authorize payment of property taxes on November 15, 2024. Roger Wallace seconded. The motion was voice voted in the affirmative, and so declared by the moderator.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$30,197.00 to the following social service agencies?

- a) Addison County Community Action Group (Hope) \$1,250.00
- b) Addison County Home, Health & Hospice, Inc \$1946.00
- c) Addison County Restorative Justice Services \$550.00
- d) Addison County Parent/Child Center \$1,600.00
- e) Addison County Readers \$450.00
- f) AgeWell \$1,500.00
- g) Bristol Family Center \$250.00
- h) Bristol Recreation Dept. \$2,000.00
- i) Bristol Rescue Squad \$8,748.00
- j) Counseling Service of Addison County Inc. \$1,600.00
- k) Elderly Services \$800.00
- l) Green Up Vermont \$150.00
- m) Have-A-Heart Food Shelf \$200.00
- n) Hinesburg Food Shelf \$500.00
- o) Homeward Bound (Humane Society) \$250.00
- p) John W. Graham Emergency Shelter \$1,000.00
- q) Lewis Creek Association \$550.00
- r) Monkton Mentors Program \$500.00
- s) Open Door Clinic \$500.00
- t) Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District \$198.00
- u) Red Cross \$500.00
- v) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program \$460.00
- w) Rural Fire Protection Program \$100.00
- x) Tri Valley Transit \$850.00
- y) Turning Point Center of Addison County \$1000.00
- z) Vergennes Area Rescue Squad Inc. \$600.00
- aa) Vermont Adult Learning \$700.00
- bb) Vermont Center for Independent Living – Addison \$195.00

cc) Women Safe Inc. \$1,250.00

Wendy Sue Harper moved to consider the listed social services as a block. Bill Martin seconded. The motion was voice voted in the affirmative, and so declared by the moderator.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize General Fund expenditures for operating expenses of:

- a) General Fund Deficit \$35,016.88
- b) Salaries and General Expenses \$567,380.94
- c) Monkton Volunteer Fire Department \$124,300.00
- d) Russell Memorial Library \$44,721.00
- e) Monkton Museum and Historical Society \$1,500.00
- f) Recreation Fund \$8,500.00
- g) Agricultural and Natural Areas Fund \$50,000.00
- h) Highway Capital Equipment Fund \$70,000.00

for a total of \$901,418.82 of which \$630,258.82 shall be raised by taxes and \$271,160.00 by non-tax revenues?

Mark Botz Robinson moved to authorize the General Fund expenditures. Bill Martin seconded.

Wayne Zeno asked about salaries and how many people does it cover. Stephen Pilcher referred to the town report and read off the paid positions. Wayne Zeno asked why we don't hear about the school any more. Marikate Kelley explained how the school became part of a larger district, and the annual report is no longer mailed to all residents. Wayne Zeno expressed concern about the school tax increase of 20%. He used to know what goes on in the school and no longer hears anything. He asked if the voters had any say in the school any longer. Marikate Kelley replied that they could vote on the budget. Barbara Crandall, a school board member for the Mount Abraham Unified School District, explained how to get more information. Wayne Zeno explained that he voted down the school budget last year because he is lacking information on the large expenditure. Jerry Schwarz stated that the discussion was not germane to Article 4. Both Barbara Crandall and John McNerney explained that in order to find information about the school, it needs to be accessed online from the school. Paper copies were available at the meeting. Roger Wallace asked about delinquent taxes. Steve Pilcher explained that taxes are collected in November and any taxes that are not collected by the end of the year contribute to a General Fund revenue shortfall. Article 4 shows a deficit and part of it is delinquent taxes. He said Roger Wallace was correct that a lot of delinquent taxes would be paid in 2024. Stephen Pilcher noted that the Selectboard was working on a tax sale for delinquent taxes. Roger Wallace asked, will the tax rate be set after delinquent taxes are collected? Stephen Pilcher referred to the town report. He explained the tax rate is not moveable. The tax rate is the amount of money that the town said it would raise, divided by the grand list. John McNerney said people pay delinquent taxes, then new people may become delinquent. He explained that it is the difference between the two. Randy Charbonneau asked about whether the highway surplus fund is committed or money not spent. If the money was not spent, why can't it pay off the deficit? He noted a surplus had been running for a few years. Why doesn't it pay off debt? He asked if we are running a deficit, why are we increasing spending instead of eliminating debt. Stephen Pilcher noted that the Town does not carry over either General Fund deficits or Highway surpluses. While the Town does have long term debts, such as the bond for the Town Offices, it does not have debts in the same way as the federal government. The general fund and the highway fund are separate as an informative measure. He explained Article 4 shows some expenses out of the budget so they can be seen and talked

about. Randy Charbonneau noted a deficit in prior years. He thinks it increases taxes. He would like to get rid of the deficit.

The motion was voice voted in the affirmative, and so declared by the moderator.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize Highway Fund expenditures for operating expenses of:

a) Highway Fund Surplus \$(290,286.16)

b) Highway Expenses \$1,101,392.66

for a total of \$811,106.50 of which \$611,062.50 shall be raised by taxes and \$200,044.00 by non-tax revenues?

Robin Hopps moved to authorize expenditures for the Highway Fund. Bill Martin seconded. The motion was voice voted in the affirmative, and so declared by the moderator.

Senator Ruth Hardy and Representative Caleb Elder attended the meeting. Senator Hardy spoke about government response to flooding and a bill that has provisions to improve response to natural disasters. She also spoke about open meeting law for public bodies, and a bill that continues to allow meeting in hybrid fashion or fully remotely. She introduced a comic book explaining how democracy works. Caleb Elder said he lives in Starksboro, has served for 6 years, and is stepping down. He explained \$37,000,000 funds all the schools in the 5 town district. He noted that some school funding was going away, Covid funds which were used to reduce taxes. He noted the challenge of school cost, the needs of the schools, and trying to find a more equitable funding provision. He said we know school budget increases are a problem and the legislature is working on it.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town of Monkton vote to eliminate the elected office of Lister and instead appoint an Assessor pursuant to 17 V.S.A §2651(c)(b). Article to be voted by Australian Ballot. Steve Pilcher explained that the article was printed differently in the annual report. The moderator read the correct article:

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters authorize the elimination of the Office of Lister and replace it with an Assessor appointed by the selectboard who shall have the same powers, discharge the same duties, proceed in the discharge thereof in the same manner, and be subject to the same liabilities as are prescribed for listers or the board of listers under the provisions of Title 32?"

Discussion commenced on the difference between the two versions of Article 6. The moderator said Robert's Rules does not allow discussion on articles to be voted by Australian Ballot. Roger Wallace asked for clarification on how it's been done in the past, and how it is being done currently. Jerry Schwarz said he may be more of a stickler on Robert's Rules than prior moderators.

ARTICLE 7: To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Discussion is not binding, noted Jerry Schwarz, it is merely advisory.

Stephen Pilcher said the town has difficulty filling elected positions. He noted that Lisa Burns, who does the heavy lifting for the listers, said it would be better to make the position appointed, and make it an assessor. Therefore the town would hire a professional assessor.

Tom Learmonth asked if it would cost money. SP said it was revenue neutral, mostly.

Jerry Schwarz again noted that matters being voted by Australian ballot may not be discussed during public meetings while he quoted from Robert's Rules.

Kristin Farrell asked if the difference between lister and assessor is electing versus appointing.

Robin Hopps, a new Monkton mentor, noted the positive aspects of becoming a mentor, and said it was very well run. She noted that the Monkton Museum and Historical Society are working on getting a space to display their collections. Robin Hopps said Nina Badger will be opening "It Used To Be Someone's" in the old town hall, and will offer the vault to display some of the historical society's items. She offered a big thank you to Bob Wahl, and Nina Badger for keeping the old town hall locally owned. Robin Hopps noted the work of the MMHS: the East Monkton History book, and scanning old photos so they can be widely accessed. Stephen Pilcher noted that he had a good time on the walk on the ridge led by the MMHS. He asked if there would be a walk in east Monkton? Robin Hopps noted it would be a drive.

Deb Gaynor, Monkton's representative to ACSWMD, thanked Jessica Demeritt for unflinching work coordinating the town drop off, a welcoming and well organized place. Avery Williams and Robin Hopps will be taking over and plan to emphasize the 5 Rs: refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, and recycle.

Roger Wallace asked someone to explain the difference between what was printed and what was read regarding Article 6. He also inquired about the assessor's process. Stephen Pilcher said putting together the town report is always an interesting process. He noted that the town meeting warning that was given to the town clerk was not the up to date one. He explained that the wording on Article 6 changed because he found something more specific on the VLCT site. The two are essentially the same. Lisa Burns introduced herself. She explained that it is an 18 month process to do assessment. Assessors go twice to double check their work. A final evaluation comes out about mid-May. Questions and concerns can be answered after that. Tom Learmouth asked if it would affect the CLA this year. Lisa Burns said the CLA would change with the new townwide assessment. The point is to create equity, answered Lisa Burns. Nina Badger asked about the assessor. Stephen Pilcher answered that Monkton's assessor is currently Lisa Burns. NEMRC is the town's professional assessor. They are local.

Jane Low noted the library is currently doing a town wide survey.

S. Pilcher noted it was the last days of Paul Low's service as a Selectboard member. He requested applause for Paul Low as a valuable, engaged member of the Selectboard and liaison to Road Crew.

Jessica Demeritt announced a total solar eclipse viewing party at the town hall on April 8.

Nina Badger wanted to add an omission to last year's minutes: she had wanted the town to sell the old town hall to MMHS for \$1.

Tom Kenyon wanted to know who would be the next liaison to the road crew? Stephen Pilcher answered that it would be determined at the next Selectboard meeting.

Bill Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Robin Hopps seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Demeritt

AUDITORS' REPORT 2024

The Auditors meet monthly - usually on the third Friday of the month to review the banking financial statements. Some things we examine are deposits, withdraws; validate check amounts to the actual bills and confirm the balances for the monthly activity. In addition, we may ask for clarification on large deposit, or payments made during the month.

In FY 2024 the Auditors conducted a review of Lower Town Hall Parking lot project. During the review, the Auditors determined the Town followed an established procedure; Design Proposal (used from original Town Hall design), Initial Cost Estimate, Request for Bids (Addison Independent 14MAR24), Bid Deadline (NLT 25MAR24), Select Board review and acceptance (Meeting Minutes 26MAR24) awarded to D&L Parker Property Services. Total cost of the project \$41,500. \$30,000 was received in Grant Monies and \$11,500 was from the Town Property and Maintenance funds. The project was completed within the estimated cost.

This Annual Town Report represents the financial position of the Town of Monkton for the year ending, December 31, 2024. The undersigned Auditors of the Town of Monkton have examined the financial statements and reports of the Town Officers and declare them correct to the best of our knowledge based on the timeliness of submissions.(1)

The Town report is mailed to the legal voters of the Town of Monkton and land owners as required by the Vermont State Statues ten days prior to Town Meeting.

The Town Report is compiled in January for the previous year, if you have local event pictures to submit; Include the name and phone number of person submitting the picture with a brief description of the picture, or have a recommendation of dedicating the Town Report to a special person, building or topic for the cover. Submit your suggestion in writing to the Auditors by December 10, of each year.

Respectfully,

Janet Cassarino, Robin Huizenga, Randall Charboneau

Notes:

1. Town Committees: The Auditors attempt to proof every report submitted and notify the Committee if a correction is needed. However, some Committees are late in submitting reports to the Auditors and as a result they are presented to the Town of Monkton as received. Reports from the Town Committees are due to the Auditors **no later than January 10th**, of every year.

Selectboard Report 2024

It has been a busy year for the Monkton Selectboard. There have been a number of projects which have been completed, new projects started and personnel changes at various levels of Town government.

One of the largest completed projects was the purchase of the 450 acre Monkton Town Forest. Much of the heavy lifting for the project was done by the Town Forest Committee (especially Jaime Schulte and Callie Brynn) and Bob Heiser of Vermont Land Trust. Because the primary access to the forest utilizes Old Airport Road there has been lots of work to convert the road from a private road to a town owned Class 4 road and create a road maintenance agreement that includes the Town. The Town Forest Committee has done extensive community outreach and engagement to develop an interim management plan and is working on the first iteration of a regular management plan which will define the goals and uses allowed in the Monkton Town Forest.

After several years of discussion all of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) projects have been identified and funded. The funds went to the Monkton Volunteer Fire Department (\$216,586), the Monkton Town Forest (\$161,535), a multisport hard court project (\$60,000), the Recreation Committee (\$54,245), Maple Broadband (\$50,000), East Monkton Church (\$25,000) and other smaller projects.

Other projects completed this year include paving the lower parking lot at the Town Offices and the finishing of the South Wing room adjacent to the Russell Memorial Library. This extra room will facilitate children's programming at RML and provide another community meeting space. The Selectboard also updated the Personnel Policy, approved updates to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, approved a new Town Plan (to be voted on by Australian Ballot), signed a Mutual Aid agreement with Addison County Regional Planning Commission, made a grant to the Turning Point Center of the Federal Opioid settlement funds.

The Selectboard would also like to acknowledge the road crew, for their work under difficult circumstances, especially Shane Lawrence the Road Foreman. For the second year in a row Monkton experienced extreme weather events – this year the rain and flooding of July 11th. Several roads required extensive repairs and Old Stage Road and Piney Woods Road remain closed. The Town is involved with FEMA in assessing these damages, detailing repair costs and developing mitigation strategies. FEMA will pay for 75% of the repair and mitigation costs and, because the Town has a Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) and Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP), the State of Vermont will pay another 12.5%. Shane Lawrence has also graduated from the Vermont Local Roads Leadership Academy.

The state-required town wide reappraisal was completed in early 2024 which resulted in changes to both the Grand List and the tax rate. As noted in the following projected tax rate calculation, the tax rate is equal to the projected taxes to be raised divided by the total value of the Grand List. The Grand List valuation has gone up substantially from \$2,681,000 to \$4,275,000 and the municipal tax rate which was projected to be .4695 was set to .2971.

Several key personnel changes occurred in 2024.

The Selectboard is losing 3 long time members with Marikate Kelley, John McNerney and Stephen Pilcher all deciding not to run for reelection or resigning. This is a lot of institutional knowledge to lose at one time but they have offered to help in the transition. The Selectboard would like to thank each of these board members for their years of service and dedication to the Town.

There have also been changes in the office of the Zoning Administrator. Andrew Peterson did an admirable job filling in as interim Zoning Administrator when Steve True left to take a full-time position in Norwich. The Town was lucky to hire Susan Gulrajani as our new Zoning Administrator. The Zoning Administrator is available at the Town Offices on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 am to 1 pm. Susan brings lots of experience to the position with a background in real estate and as Zoning Administrator in Bolton.

The Town also hired Caleb Dion to the Highway crew. Caleb has a diverse background and is proficient with heavy equipment.

The Selectboard would like to acknowledge Liz Paquette and other community volunteers for their work on the pollinator gardens.

This was the second full year with the new Town Administrator, Stan Wilbur. As Town Administrator he is responsible for assisting the Selectboard in the general administration of the Town including monitoring budgets, writing grants, responding to citizen complaints, and interfacing with state and federal agencies. Stan has been instrumental in working with both FEMA and the State of Vermont to get disaster relief funds.

The Selectboard would also like to recognize several contractors that provide services to the Town. Jill Marsano of Vermont Utility Management Systems took over as water systems operator and has resolved our water testing issues at the Town Office. Skip Lisle of BeaverDeceivers has helped the Town solve some of the problems related to beavers. Finally, we also thank Brian Barrows and his team of Brian's Lawn Care, who has been responsible for lawn care and landscaping in Town owned cemeteries, recreation field, common areas, and around the Town offices.

The Town of Monkton maintains a website for posting town business at www.monktonvt.com.

Creating the Town budget and setting the Municipal Tax rate is an important part of any year for the Selectboard.

This year's budget was exceptionally challenging. For the last several years the Highway Department has had substantial surpluses that resulted in lower tax rates. That is not the case this year and we had higher than expected delinquency rates in property tax payments.

The 2025 budget currently submitted by the Selectboard will result in an approximate Municipal Tax Rate of **0.3797** (**37.95** cents) if all the budgetary articles pass as written. The Budgetary Municipal Tax Rate Worksheet is included in this report on the following page.

Here is a listing of Municipal Tax Rates for the last 10 years:

- 2014 – 0.4991
- 2015 – 0.4707
- 2016 – 0.4828
- 2017 – 0.3929 (after reappraisal)
- 2018 – 0.3582
- 2019 – 0.4119
- 2020 – 0.4358 / 0.3937 (Selectboard altered budget)
- 2021 – 0.4383
- 2022 – 0.4467
- 2023 – 0.4541
- 2024 – 0.2971 (after reappraisal)
- 2025 – 0.3797 (estimated)

The Selectboard appreciates everyone who serves the Town of Monkton; as volunteers for various committees, as volunteer firefighters, as members of the Highway Department, at Russell Memorial Library and at Town Hall. Thanks also to the citizens of Monkton who attend meetings, write letters, participate in Town Meeting and engage in conversations about the Town.

Please remember that for this year Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2025 starting at 10:00 am at the Monkton Central School gym. The Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at the Town Offices at 92 Monkton Ridge Road.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monkton Selectboard

Walter Crandall,

Marikate Kelley – Vice Chair

John McNerney – Secretary

Stephen Pilcher – Chair

Joe Szarejko

**Calculating the 2025
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 and Articles in the Town Warning can be amended or voted down. The Grand List is the sum of all the property assessments in Monkton. As noted above the Town of Monkton is doing a town-wide reappraisal which will increase the Grand List and decrease the actual, rather than projected, tax rate. The budgeted amount of taxes to be raised will not change.

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 General Fund/ Other Appropriations and Highway Fund property tax calculations have been separated.

General Fund Expenses are:

Article 3 =	\$ 20,849.00
Article 4 (includes deficit) =	<u>\$877,790.72</u>
General Fund Total Expenses =	\$ 898,639.72

subtract

General Fund Total Revenues =	<u>\$ 263,710.00</u>
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General Fund Property Taxes = \$ 634,929.72

Article 5 (includes Highway Fund Deficit)	
Highway Expenses =	\$ 1,498,206.09

subtract

Highway Fund Total Revenues =	<u>\$493,558.40</u>
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Highway Fund Property Taxes =\$ 1,004,647.69

The projected total property taxes to be raised in 2025 are the sum of the General Fund and Highway Fund taxes needed.

Projected Taxes To Be Raised = \$1,639,577.41

The 2024 Grand List (divided by 100 for the purposes of calculating tax rate) was \$ **4,275,158.00**. Given a projected 1% increase in the Grand List, the projected grand list is **\$4,317,909.58**. The tax rate is the taxes to be raised divided by the Grand List.

Projected 2025 Projected Grand List = **\$4,317,909.58**

Projected 2025 Municipal Tax Rate = **0.3797**

Separating General Fund and Highway Department contributions to this tax rate:

General Fund and Other Appropriations=0.1470

Highway Department= 0.2327

Agricultural and Natural Areas Committee 2024 Yearly Report

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

We are happy to announce the closing of the Monkton Town Forest that the Town Forest Committee has been working on since 2022. Watch for announcements to celebrate with them in 2025!

ANAC applauds the hard work of the Town Forest Committee and their partners, who secured other major state and federal funding to make this happen! This 450-acre forest is a tremendous resource for present and future generations. There are existing woods roads, a variety of topography, and it is adjacent to the nearly 1,000 conserved acres of the Watershed Center in Bristol. The land has uncommon natural communities and species, multiple beaver ponds, wetlands, vernal pools, and headwater streams for the Pond Brook and Little Otter Creek watersheds. The property has significant conservation value as a large block of intact wildlife habitat that also provides water quality protection and outdoor education opportunities and offers access to nature and outdoor recreation for all.

The Selectboard approved a total of \$49,000 from the ANA Fund to help with Town Forest appraisal and project costs. The early commitment of ANA funds helped attract large state and federal grants to the \$1.15 million project. ANA Fund contributions represent 4.3% of the project's total budget.

Our current balance at the time this went press, minus funds appropriated for the town forest, is \$203,107.08. We are currently working on a group of three contiguous forest block projects, which will likely close in 2025-26. These will complete the conservation of a wildlife travel corridor extending from Raven Ridge south to Bristol.

The expenses for the three forest block projects are estimated to be \$35,000 per parcel including appraisals, recording fees, and the conservation easement monitoring endowment fund for each parcel. Two or three more potential projects are in the early stages.

We are occasionally presented with projects with a timeline of less than one year, which would not be possible without ANA Fund support (such as Full Belly Farm in 2018). ANAC would like to remain financially prepared to assist with any projects that come to us in a timely manner and ensure that we can continue to leverage the town's support to secure external funds.

In the last 14 years, Monkton's Agricultural and Natural Areas Fund has leveraged \$432,611 of town funds into \$5,493,200 of project funding for 12 projects that have conserved 2,378 acres (3.7 square miles!) of farmland, forest, and wetlands, and facilitated the transfer of an additional 179 acres to the next generation. The cost to Monkton averages \$182/acre for

preserving some of the most significant agricultural and natural areas in town. Monkton's average contribution to a project is 7.9% of the total project costs, representing a 1:12.7 leverage of the ANA Fund.

For more information on the Agricultural and Natural Areas Fund, join us at a meeting, or visit our page on the town website – accessible at bit.ly/monktonanac

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Farrell, Chair - Jessica Demeritt, Clerk - John Mejia - Jaime Schulte, Alternate

Susan Mahony, Vice Chair - Debbie Houghton - Steven Parren, Alternate

About ANAC: ANAC assists landowners in navigating the conservation processes for agricultural, natural, and recreation area projects located completely or partially within Monkton. ANAC engages in conversations with each involved landowner, helps them through the town's application process, and assists them as they work with *other conservation agencies*. *ANAC also performs a site visit, evaluates the project, and makes a recommendation to the Selectboard regarding use of the Agricultural and Natural Areas Fund to support the conservation project.*

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Please visit bit.ly/monktonanac, or the ANAC page on the town website, to find:

- *Field Naturalist Chris Ajello's May 2022 natural resource inventory report, recording of his presentation, and slideshow: Monkton's Ecological Landscape.*
- *Lyra Brennan's Pond Brook watershed work and her excellent local field guide are there too.*
- *Arrowwood Environmental's Natural Resource Inventory maps, report, and presentation*
 - Members of ANAC and the Conservation Commission participated on the panel that oversaw Act 171 (forest fragmentation) and natural resource mapping for the Planning Commission. The online digital maps depict the natural features and important resources within the town in much finer detail than the previous natural resource planning map.

Monkton Conservation Commission Report—2024

The role of the Monkton Conservation Commission (MCC), as described by Vermont statute, includes inventorying natural resources, providing educational programs and materials on conservation topics, sharing stewardship of some town lands, and advising other town committees on conservation issues.

The MCC co-sponsored two Lewis Creek Association (LCA) presentations this year. The January presentation at Monkton Central School featured herpetologists Jim Andrews and Matt Gorton, and transportation expert Chris Slesar, who discussed the natural history of amphibians and the effectiveness of the wildlife underpasses in Monkton. The underpasses were dedicated to honor Trish White and the late Marty Illick's work that helped make the tunnels a reality. At the second presentation, held in May at the Monkton Town Hall, Kate Kelly explained LCA's new water quality/landowners guidance manual, which helps property owners assess for stormwater problems and directs landowners to resources to design and implement improvements. The manual can be viewed at LCA's website at <https://www.lewiscreek.org/aots-guidance-manual>.

In May, MCC members Ann Johnston Miller and Debra Sprague attended a presentation in Ripton about Middlebury College students' work with students from Ripton Elementary School to lend stop-motion cameras that the students took home to photograph wildlife. The data collection was educational for both students and community members.

Also in May, the MCC sponsored a birding event in Morse Park, led by David Hof of New England Bird Tours. Over 20 attendees spent two hours observing a wide variety of bird species. We were hoping to see Morse Park's resident pair of bobolinks. The male bird did make an appearance, but not until the end of the walk, after most birders had left.

Prompted by a need to protect the bobolinks' habitat in the park, MCC and the Monkton Recreation Committee have been drafting a new Morse Park Management Plan. The plan was completed in November, and the Recreation Committee invited town residents to provide feedback in December and January before final approval by the Selectboard. The plan outlines the uses of the land, ways to enact good stewardship, maintenance of the land including mowing for the protection of natural communities, and management of invasive species.

Control of invasive plants continues to be a strong focus of the MCC. We held multiple sessions for wild parsnip eradication in Morse Park in June and July. In the wooded area behind Monkton Central School, we held two buckthorn sessions in May and one in October. We publicize these events on Front Porch Forum and the town Facebook page, and we welcome anyone who is able to join us in the upcoming 2025 season. We also have Uprooter tools available to loan out to town residents.

Additionally, MCC has committed to maintaining Monkton's wildlife/amphibian crossing on the Monkton/Vergennes Road, which has been maintained by Chris Slesar and Steve Parren since its creation in 2015. In three sessions in October and November, we cleared overgrowth and dug up and repositioned the protective amphibian slates.

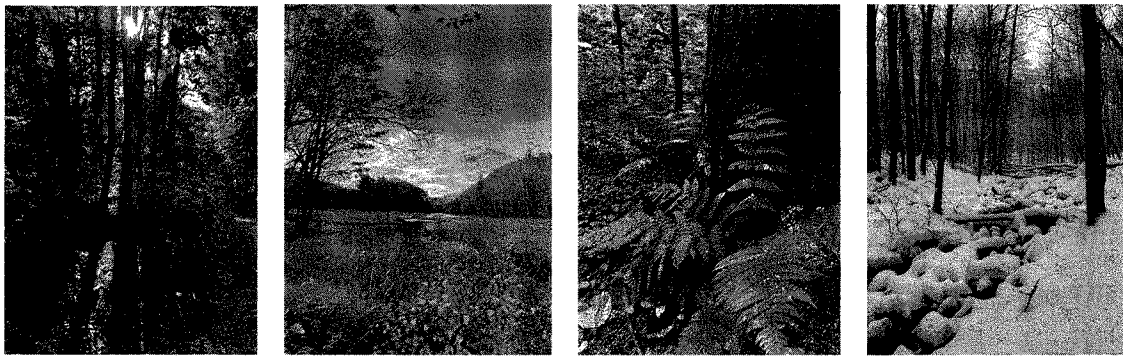
Thanks to our co-chair Sue Stasny, we now have an informative MCC brochure for new town residents. The trifold color publication, *Monkton's Natural Resources: A Guide for Residents*, highlights the natural/wild areas and scenic beauty town residents can enjoy, including the newly established Monkton Town Forest. It also discusses how residents can help maintain the health and beauty of our town's ecosystems. In addition to the paper copies for new Monkton residents, the brochure can also be accessed online at the MCC webpage.

MCC is excited that the Monkton Town Forest has become a reality. We are supporting the development of the forest management plan and are very happy to have this incredible town resource available to all residents in the coming years.

This year we welcomed David Moore as a new member of our commission. We thank retired member Nancy Wilson for her service. One position in our seven-member commission is available. We meet monthly on Zoom. Please consider joining us in this important work.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Johnston Miller (Co-chair), Sue Stasny (Co-chair), Janet Schwarz (Clerk), Debra Sprague (Treasurer), Jaime Schulte, David Moore



2024 Monkton Town Forest Committee Report

Celebration: After being in the town plan for over ten years, and a project of the Town Forest Committee for close to six, Monkton has its very own Town Forest! The Town of Monkton purchased the 450 acre property from the A. Johnson Company on 11/22/24 and officially established the Monkton Town Forest. It is a beautiful, diverse, unique piece of land that is now protected under a conservation easement held by Vermont Land Trust and VHCB and will be a part of our community in perpetuity. We will be planning a celebration this coming Spring.

This \$1.15 million project and piece of land was acquired and conserved through grants from the USDA Forest Service's Community Forest Program (\$400,000), Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB) (\$371,000), Davis Conservation Fund (\$10,000), NorthCountry FCU (\$2,000), allocations from Monkton's ARPA funds (\$161,362), Monkton's ANAC Fund (\$49,000), and some \$55,000 in generous private contributions from over 55 households and friends. A small group of Monkton volunteers worked on the final fundraising, we are grateful for the time and effort that was put in by Marilyn Cargill, Joan Holloway, Hilary Casillas, John McNerney and Callie Brynn. In total the Town's contribution (ARPA and ANAC) was 18% of the project, and did not involve any new taxpayer funds, with the other 82% coming from the grants and private donations. After project expenses the Town also retains a management fund of some \$30,000, which will be used to attract future small grants and to further establish the Town Forest.

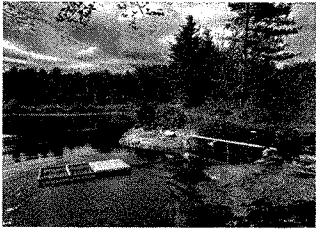
THANK YOU to those that have donated and made this community asset a reality, we couldn't have done it without you!

Committee: The Monkton Town Forest Committee was originally 5 members, but given the amount of work involved, we expanded to a 7 member committee in April. CJ Buzzy became a full time member and we welcomed Jessica Demeritt. We were quite busy over the last year and couldn't have done it without the devotion of this group!

Community Engagement: Community outreach about the project began in 2021 and is noted in town reports and on our webpage. In 2024 we continued to share the project with more Monkton residents, with a table at Town Meeting Day, the Russell Memorial Library Strawberry Festival, and on multiple occasions at the Recycling Center. It was great to talk with many of you, answer questions and listen to your concerns. Another highlight of the summer was the free piano recital at the East Monkton Church as part of David Feurzeig's 'Play Every Town' series. The generous donations went to the Monkton Town Forest fundraising effort and supported David's vision of climate, community, collaboration and communication. For more info: <https://tinyurl.com/PlayEveryTown> <https://tinyurl.com/EastMonktonChurch>. In the fall we began a new phase of community engagement, described under "**Management Plan**" below.

UVM Students: On May 8th, 2024, seven field naturalist graduate students from UVM's 2024 Landscape Inventory and Assessment class presented the results of their semester of work at the (then) future Monkton Town Forest, providing the community with a wealth of information about the human history of the parcel alongside the wildlife and plants that inhabit it today. Their recommendations and guidance have been very helpful for drafting the long-term management plan. A unique natural community was discovered towards the end of the semester but this group didn't have time to

research it further. A follow-up project was completed in the Fall by three students in the UVM Field Naturalist Field Practicum that focused on learning about the unusual pairing of red pine and hemlock.



Beaver Deceiver: Through a Vermont Land Trust grant, Skip Lisle installed a beaver deceiver device on the neighboring property that shares ownership with the Kaolin Dam. It has been functioning well and maintaining the water level through heavy rains while allowing the beavers to co-exist in their habitat. There's the possibility of adding additional devices on the eastern side of the Town Forest. If a need is identified, the committee will seek grant funding for those installations as well.

Interim Management Plan (IMP): The IMP went into effect on 11/22/24 and will continue until Spring 2025 when it is replaced by the long-term management plan. As you explore and enjoy the property, please be considerate of the Monkton Town Forest's neighbors by respecting property boundaries/posted land. Please park in designated areas off the traveled way, drive slowly and pack out what you carry in. See MTFC website for info on the allowed/restricted uses.

Management Plan: After hearing from the community, the management plan is being drafted by the committee and describes the land, its ecology, and the community's priorities for it in the context of what uses are protected, permitted, or restricted by the Conservation Easement. It is the guiding document for how the land will change (or not) as it becomes a town forest and how the community values can be integrated and balanced. We started this process with a community survey from August to November. A postcard with a link to the survey was mailed to all registered voters and paper copies were available at the town clerk's office. We also held a community management plan workshop on September 19th. The survey and workshop led into a series of topic meetings on uses that needed further discussion:

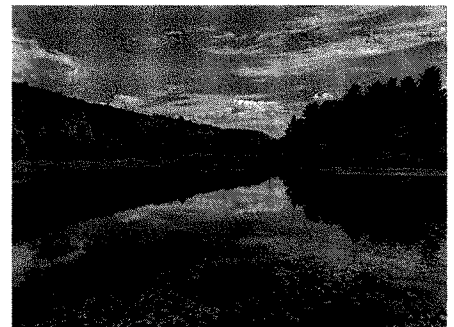


1. Dog walking & Horseback riding
2. Hunting, Trapping & Fishing (two sessions)
3. Mechanized recreation (biking, snowmobiling and races/events)
4. Extraction: Timber harvests, Maple sugaring, Foraging
5. Visual Aesthetic: Art & Signage.

We appreciate everyone that responded to surveys, attended meetings and shared their thoughts at the Recycling Center, Strawberry Festival, while listening to others, especially when opinions differed. Our committee is compiling feedback and will share a copy of the draft with the community once it is ready. In addition to considering the topics

mentioned, we are working to establish an ecological trail standard, process for handling invasives, wildlife habitat, and more! Then we will incorporate the additional public comments before presenting to the Select Board for review.

Thanks to everyone in the community and beyond that has supported the acquisition of the Monkton Town Forest. We look forward to coming together as a town to take care of, learn from and explore the forest for generations. We would like to give special recognition to Bob Heiser from VLT for guiding us through this lengthy and often complicated process, as well as the Monkton Conservation Commission, Planning Commission, Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee and the Select Board for their endorsements.



Respectfully submitted by The Monkton Town Forest Committee,
Callie Brynn, Jaime Schulte, John McNerney, Pete Dufault, Molly Parren, CJ Buzzy, Jessica Demeritt

Questions: townforest@monktonvt.com | **Website:** <https://monktonvt.com/boards-and-committees/town-forest-committee-2/>



Monkton Energy Committee

The Energy Committee focused efforts in 2024 on assisting the Selectboard and Town Administrator in the continued work behind the recommendations the MEC had made to the Selectboard in 2023. These included: solar array for the town hall, an EV charging station for the town hall parking lot, and a battery storage system for the town hall. The committee was unable to achieve quorum for several meetings this year, as the established committee size of seven meant that there were not enough members to make quorum possible.

The Energy Committee began drafting questions for town-wide survey on energy use, to update the data from 2016 that was used in the initial Enhanced Energy Plan. The draft questions and ideas were turned over in late 2024 to the Planning Commission, which was performing similar work, but across a broader set of elements of the Town Plan.

In 2024 the MEC also participated in acquiring and leveraging resources through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program (MERP), wherein consultants performed building efficiency surveys of several town buildings, and made recommendations for improving their energy efficiency. See <https://bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program> for more details.

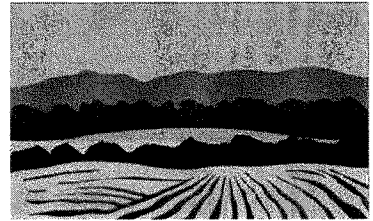
The Energy Committee provided information via social media to residents during the State's annual "Button Up" campaign, on weatherization initiatives, recommendations for improvements to insulation, and the free energy efficiency kit that each resident can request from Efficiency Vermont.

The Monkton Energy Committee also recommends, in support of the State initiatives to reduce carbon footprint and contributions to climate change, that the Town work to reduce, then eliminate the use of fossil fuels in town buildings.

Two Monkton Energy Committee positions remain open. The committee would welcome additional members to help guide the different projects. Folks interested should feel free to stop by an Energy Committee meeting (currently the third Thursday of every month), or reach out to selectboard@monktonvt.com or energy@monktonvt.com

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Boltz-Robinson, Chair
John Dunham
Dave Bristol



Monkton Tree Warden

The Tree Warden of a municipality is responsible for shade trees within town right-of-way and public spaces, now according to a Shade Tree Preservation Plan. For 2024, the Tree Warden continued to work on a draft Shade Tree Preservation Plan, in accordance with new statutes from November of 2020. The STPP will cover how trees are planted, maintained, and removed by the town, on both municipal properties and town right-of-way.

The plan will continue to be developed in 2025, working with various town committees, and with at least one public event for input.

The Tree Warden examined several areas of town where ash trees in the town right of way appeared to be stressed. A UVM Extension / Forests, Parks and Recreation forester examined one of the trees and determined that it was a type of ash mite, not Emerald Ash Borer, the invasive insect that plagues much of the ash in the state at this time.

Other trees threatening roadsides were examined, but were determined to not be within the town right of way. The Tree Warden uses a 3 rod standard for determining the town right of way on any road in Monkton, irrespective of the width of the usable road surface.

The Tree Warden was appalled to see the recklessly aggressive roadside mowing late this past summer on the town roadsides, and will work more in 2025 to coordinate roadside clearing with the Highway Dept. to ensure mowing does not damage trees in the right of way that do not pose an imminent hazard to the community.

The Tree Warden also reviewed the interim Monkton Town Forest Management Plan, and looks forward to working with the Town Forest Committee on aligning the Shade Tree Preservation Plan with the longer term Management Plan for the new Monkton Town Forest.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Shade Tree Preservation Plan work, which will be reviewed with a variety of committees and commissions of the Town as drafting takes place, or any other aspects of the tree warden role in Vermont, are welcome to reach out to TreeWarden@monktonvt.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Boltz-Robinson, Tree Warden

2024 Road Foreman Report

2024 was a busy year for the Highway Department. The town continued meeting compliance for the Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP) by installing better drainage and ditches, replacing culverts, and adding new material to the roadways. In addition to this, we completed more paving and played a big part in disaster relief.

Some notable projects that we completed was that we ditched, placed erosion control, and resurfaced 3 miles of Mountain Road, ditched and resurfaced Roscoe Road, and ditched and resurfaced the entirety of Pond Road, along with repaving 1.5 miles on Bristol Road, numerous culverts, and our fair share of tree and brush work.

This past year we were able to complete two Grants In Aid projects, accumulating in \$45,000; used on Roscoe Road and Mountain Road. In addition to these two grants, we were awarded \$27,000 for line striping, allowing us to paint fog lines on all of our class two roads which has proven to be a good way to slow down traffic.

The July 11 disaster struck town again this year creating major washouts, mudslides, and infrastructure failures. Silver Street and Monkton Road were two crucial Class 2 highways that experienced heavy damage, which the state will reimburse us 100% of the costs. A few other major washout areas include Piney Woods Road and Old Stage Road, which are both still closed for through traffic, Mountain Road, Davis Road, Higbee Road, Jockey Lane, and Tyler Bridge Road, which will all be covered under FEMA with our local match.

We are asking for your support to replace our 2016 Ford F550 dump truck. This truck is a jack of all trades which operates year round for us; allowing us to complete tree work, haul small batches of hot and cold mix for potholes, tow a trailer, plow and sand throughout the winter, and so much more. This truck is a pivotal piece of equipment for the highway department, and upgrading this to prevent expensive maintenance and get a good return on investment through trade-in is crucial. In accordance to our Capital Equipment Plan, this truck is on an 8 year rotation cycle.

2025 is expected to be a busy year – we plan to complete the disaster sites for FEMA; in addition to knocking down our long list of ditching, culvert replacements, and clearing the roadsides from brush and trees to allow roads to dry out quicker and create a safe environment for travel. We have also raised our budget a hair – trying to combat with the constant cost of inflation on materials, to make sure we are consistently getting all of our projects done for the year to keep everyone traveling smoothly.

I want to thank the Town of Monkton residents for their support throughout the years; especially this year. We have been thankful enough to gain a lot of headway with bettering the conditions of our roads and create safe travels for everyone. I would like to thank my great crew; Trevor Currier, Dan Bourgeois, and Caleb Dion for their outstanding and hard work, availability and flexibility throughout the entire year with unpredictable weather, and for taking pride in what they do. These three guys have helped create Monkton a safer place to travel. We ask that you continue to drive respectfully throughout our work zones so they are able to go home safely to their families each and every day. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the garage at (802) 453-3263.

Shane Lawrence

Road Foreman, Monkton Highway Department

2024 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It has been another busy and productive year in the town clerk's office. I am pleased to share the following highlights of 2024 with the community.

- Vital Records recorded: **12** Births, **5** Marriages and **7** Deaths.
- Land Records: **1413** pages of the land records (warranty deeds, quit claim deeds, mortgages, mortgage discharges, easements and liens) were received for recording.
- Voter Registrations **172** new voter registrations added to our voter checklist – **41** names removed.
- Certified copies: **81**
- Green Mountain Passports: **30** were issued.
- Dogs Registered in town: **183**

The VT Election Management System (VEMS), where you can register to vote or request an absentee ballot is available on line. As a registered voter, you can use "My Voter Page" by going to <https://mvp.vermont.gov/> to check your voter registration status, absentee ballot status, poll location, sample ballot, request an absentee ballot, etc. We are now offering same day voter registration at the polls.

The Vital Records Law (Act 46) became in to affect July 2019. Act 46 significantly changes the state laws that govern vital records – namely, birth and death certificates. Only certain parties will be able to apply to obtain a certified copy of a birth or death certificate and the individual must complete an application and show valid identification when applying for the certified copy. Certified copies of Birth, Death and Marriage certificates are available here if the event occurred while you were a resident here, or if a birth or death was pronounced in town. The Cost is \$10.

https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/HS_VR_App_Certified-Copy-Birth-Death-Form.pdf

Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Registration Renewals – In order for us to process your renewal, we must have the renewal form the DMV sends you. We can only accept checks or money orders for the amount of the renewal and are not allowed to accept any renewals more than 60 days old. There is a three dollar (\$3.00) fee for processing the renewal, which is separate from the registration fee and can be paid in cash. To register online at <https://mydmv.vermont.gov/>.

Excess Weight Vehicle Permits: Excess Weight Permits are required for operators of vehicles in excess of the posed weights for Monkton's roads and bridges. These permits cost \$5. For a single vehicle, or \$10 for a fleet, and they expire each year on March 31. A valid Certificate of Insurance is required with the fee.

Land Posting: If you post your land against hunting, shooting, fishing, or trapping, State law requires landowners to record this notice annually at the Town Clerk's; The fee is \$5.

Notary public services: The Town Clerk can notarize documents for you. This means that we need to see you sign your name. Please DO NOT sign before you come here. Bring an I.D. if we do not know you very well. There is no fee for this service.

Green Mountain Passports: These are available for residents of Vermont who are either over age 62, or a veteran of the uniformed services. The cost is \$2. The passport offers discounts at State Parks and the Addison County Fair.

Town of Monkton Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2024

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, which were prepared internally from our own computerized records.

The Selectboard's proposed 2025 budget, 2025 summary of proposed expenditures, and 2025 Capital Equipment Replacement Plan appear after the financial statements for your information.

The Treasurer ensures the Town's 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/Tax Collector is also responsible for the billing and receipt of annual property taxes.

Last year was the seventeenth 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 toward 2024 property taxes. The Town then issued each property tax bill for the remaining balance due. Once again, in 2024, 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 April – November period. The Town does internal borrowing against reserves.

Important Reminders to Taxpayers:

- The Town mails tax bills annually to the owner of record as of April 1st. If you have sold your property by the time you receive your tax bill, please forward the bill to the new owner(s). We encourage all taxpayers to read the reverse of their bill for important reminders about property taxes, including information related to the Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment.

- If you have your taxes escrowed with your mortgage, please 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 may withhold at a level higher than you prefer. **The Town recommends that you forward a copy of your tax bill to your escrow company to ensure accurate and timely payment.**

- Subject to approval at Town Meeting, 2025 taxes are due on or before **Monday, November 17, 2025.** Review your tax bill closely. The due date appears on the bill. Note that the Town now accepts postmarks up to and including **THE DUE DATE** (i.e., no later than **Monday, November 17, 2025**).

- A secure lockbox is located to the left of Town Hall's rear entrance to receive payments. The Tax Collector checks the lockbox several times daily. Taxpayers using the lockbox will be mailed a receipt. Thankfully, many taxpayers are now using the lockbox or mailing their payments. This has reduced lines and waiting time.

- Taxpayers can make pre-payments in any amount to the Treasurer/Tax Collector at any time during the year. Any partial payments made up to the due date are recorded as timely, and are not subject to late penalties or interest charges. Unfortunately, historically, 3-5% of Monkton taxpayers have “delinquent balances” (those unpaid as of the due date deadline) subject to penalty and interest charges, as applicable. By offering the options of mail, lockbox drop-off, and pre-payments, the Town attempts to minimize this impact on its citizens. Any tax overpayment will be refunded to the taxpayer as soon as practical after the November 17, 2025 due date.

We welcome your questions and comments via email, telephone, or during a visit to Town Hall.

Best wishes for a healthy and prosperous 2025 and beyond.

Respectfully submitted,

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

William C. Joos
Treasurer & Tax Collector
treasurer@monktonvt.com

Town of Monkton
Financial Statements
For The Year Ended December 31, 2024

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Town of Monkton
Notes to Financial Statements
For The Year Ended December 31, 2024

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 the 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 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 revenue from the State of Vermont primarily as highway and community development grants.

The various funds and account groups are organized 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 - 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.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurements of results of operations. The Town serves as an agent for the State of Vermont. As required by statute, the Town bills, collects, and remits statewide education property taxes. Activity related to statewide education property taxes is considered a custodial fiduciary activity.

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 fund liabilities equal their assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of reporting cash flows, all 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.

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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 another 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 VMERS 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.

VMERS is an actuarial reserve, joint-contributory program. Both the members and the Town contribute to the fund according to Group B (in bold) from the following options:

Employees' contributions (% of gross wages)	4.000%	6.375%	11.500%	12.850%
The Town's contributions (% of gross wages)	5.500%	7.000%	8.750%	11.350%

Employee contributions are withheld pre income tax by the Town and remitted to the State of Vermont. Such withholdings totaled \$18,224 in 2024. The Town contributed \$20,043 during the year.

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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. In the past, the Town secured Tax Anticipation Notes (TANs) whenever necessary prior to November 15th. For 2024, no TAN was required. For 2025, however, the Town anticipates securing a TAN based upon needs and current cash reserves.

NOTE 4 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of notes and capital leases payable at year-end:

Community Bank, N.A., 2020 Mack dump truck note payable, interest at 2.75%, payable starting April 28, 2021. The note is to be repaid over 5 years, with a principal reduction payment of \$15,353 annually plus accrued interest until April 28, 2025. Total borrowed was \$76,765. \$ 15,353

National Bank of Middlebury 2021 Massey Ferguson tractor note, interest at 1.9%, payable beginning June 29, 2022. The note is to be repaid over 5 years, with a principal reduction payment of \$23,600 annually plus accrued interest until June 29, 2026. Total borrowed was \$118,000. \$ 47,200

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank 2020 Series 2 bonds, interest rate of 1.98%, with a term of 20 years. The Town was allocated \$1,700,000 in financing, with semi-annual interest payments on May 1st and November 1st, starting on November 1, 2020. Annual principal payments of \$85,000 commenced November 1, 2021. \$1,360,000

Total	<u>\$ 1,422,553</u>
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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,	2025	123,953	26,891	150,844
	2026	108,600	25,463	134,063
	2027	85,000	24,344	109,344
	2028	85,000	23,572	108,572
	2029	<u>85,000</u>	<u>22,358</u>	<u>107,358</u>
Totals		<u>\$487,553</u>	<u>\$122,628</u>	<u>\$610,181</u>

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

	Balance December 31, 2023	Increase	Decrease	Balance December 31, 2024
20 Mack Dump Truck Note	30,706	0	15,353	15,353
21 MF Tractor Note	70,800	0	23,600	47,200
20 VMBB Series 2 Bonds	<u>1,445,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>85,000</u>	<u>1,360,000</u>
Totals	<u>\$1,546,506</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$123,953</u>	<u>\$1,422,553</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.

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 the Town's name	0	0
3. Uninsured and Unregistered: Collateral held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Town's name	52,044	278,083
4. Uncollateralized and Uninsured	<u>1,180</u>	<u>1,180</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$ 303,224</u>	<u>\$ 529,263</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 2024 not yet cashed by payees.

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Notes to Financial Statements
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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 Selectboard. Reservations at year-end are for the following:

Special Revenue Funds:		<u>GASB No. 54 Fund Bal Class</u>
Recreation	21,406	Committed
Property Valuation Review (PVR)	677	Restricted
Act 68 Reappraisal	7,263	Restricted
Agricultural & Natural Areas	203,119	Committed
Record Restoration Fund	22,228	Restricted
ARPA Fund	122,814	Restricted
Wildlife Crossing	2,467	Restricted
Town Forest Project	44,169	Restricted
July 2024 Storm – FEMA	(140,535)	Restricted
RML Operating	<u>43,095</u>	Committed
Total	<u>\$326,703</u>	
Capital Projects Funds:		
Highway Capital Projects	72,481	Committed
Municipal Building Fund	41,333	Unrestricted
Mountain Rd Culvert/FEMA	16,927	Restricted
Bike-Pedestrian Path	(9,714)	Restricted
RML Capital Drive	<u>15,168</u>	Committed
Total	<u>\$136,195</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.

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To provide insurance coverage, VLCT has established a program in conjunction with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont. 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 - 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 August 2024 and were payable in one installment by November 15, 2024. Taxes not paid on time were listed as delinquent taxes and interest charges were assessed. The Town bills all property tax assessed for the benefit of the Town and the School District.

Property Tax Levied 2024:	TAX RATE	x GRAND LIST ¹	=	TOTAL RAISED
Nonhomestead Education Tax	\$ 1.2103	\$ 1,276,586.08		\$ 1,545,052.07
Homestead Education Tax	1.2411	3,010,460.00		3,736,281.92
Hwy Tax & '24 Lodged Grand List	0.1428	4,279,225.00		611,073.33
Muni Tax & '24 Lodged Grand List	0.1543	4,279,225.00		<u>694,518.93</u>
Gross Property Taxes Levied:				\$ 6,586,926.25
Less: Education Portion of Homestead Rebates Paid by State				
<u>Directly</u> to Schools (i.e., neither received nor distributed by Town):				(854,971.07)
Less: Muni Portion of Homestead Rebates Paid by State				
<u>Directly</u> to Town:				<u>(17,911.97)</u>
Net Property Taxes Levied for Collection by Town:				\$ 5,714,043.21
2024 Taxes Due Warranted to Delinquent Tax Collector on 12/06/24:				\$ 216,058.92
Homestead/Nonhomestead status, Assessor (CU) & other adjustments:				<u>(7,384.89)</u>
				\$ 208,674.03
Total 2024 Delinquent Tax Balance as of 12/31/24:				\$ 118,973.89

¹ The Grand List for the Highway and Municipal Tax is slightly smaller than the Grand List for the Education Tax due to exemptions granted to Comcast Corporation and certain veterans.

Town of Monkton
Notes to Financial Statements
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EIGHT -YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON: 2017 – 2024:
(Per \$100 of assessed value)

	<u>Municipal Tax Rate</u>	<u>Homestead Ed. Tax Rate</u>	<u>Nonhomestead Ed. Rate</u>
2017	.3929	1.5544	1.4648
2018	.3582	1.5402	1.5726
2019	.4119	1.6547	1.6267
2020	.3937	1.7294	1.6939
2021	.4383	1.7482	1.7317
2022	.4467	1.6972	1.6701
2023	.4541	1.8558	1.7220
2024	.2971	1.2411	1.2103

Town of Monkton
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Groups
December 31, 2024

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	Governmental Fund Types				Account Group	
	General Fund	Highway Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	General Long-Term Debt	Totals
ASSETS:						
Current Assets:						
Cash	1,180.43	85,702.42	423,069.81	136,195.34	-	646,148.00
Due from Other Funds	(20,328.74)	52,448.56	-	-	-	32,119.82
Total Current Assets	(19,148.31)	(40,769.79)	423,069.81	136,195.34	-	678,267.82
Other Assets:						
Amount to be Provided for:						
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	-	1,422,553.00	1,422,553.00
Total Other Assets	-	-	-	-	1,422,553.00	1,422,553.00
TOTAL ASSETS	(19,148.31)	(40,769.79)	423,069.81	136,195.34	1,422,553.00	2,100,820.82
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:						
Liabilities:						
Other Current Liabilities	19,653.94	-	-	-	-	19,653.94
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Notes Payable	-	-	-	-	62,553.00	62,553.00
Bond Payable	-	-	-	-	1,360,000.00	1,360,000.00
Total Liabilities	19,653.94	-	-	-	1,422,553.00	1,442,206.94
Fund Equity:						
Fund Balances:						
Unreserved	(38,802.25)	(40,769.79)	423,069.81	136,195.34	-	(79,572.04)
Reserved	-	-	-	-	-	559,265.15
Total Fund Equity	(38,802.25)	(40,769.79)	423,069.81	136,195.34	-	479,693.11
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	(19,148.31)	(40,769.79)	423,069.81	136,195.34	1,422,553.00	1,921,900.05

Town of Monkton
Combined Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Governmental Fund Types					Totals
	General Fund	Highway Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects and Other Funds		
REVENUES						
Property Taxes ¹	\$ 472,217.09	\$ 611,082.50	\$ 103,221.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$	1,256,500.59
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	29,142.45	-	-	-		29,142.45
Investment Income	4,362.85	-	101.33	6.14		4,470.32
Other Revenue	57,844.07	9,377.88	36,780.75	-		104,012.70
Grants	12,651.09	21,892.39	-	-		34,543.48
Loan Proceeds	-	-	-	-		-
Sale of Property/Equipment	-	-	-	-		-
State Payments/Refunds	58,755.68	166,068.85	8,695.50	-		233,520.03
TOTAL REVENUES	634,973.23	808,401.62	148,808.58	70,006.14	\$	1,662,189.57
EXPENDITURES:						
Payroll	187,631.27	377,934.52	-	-		565,565.79
Routine Expenses	336,199.42	761,472.99	538,873.03	-		1,636,545.44
Appropriations	158,697.00	-	-	-		158,697.00
Facilities Construction/Maintenance	-	-	-	11,500.00		11,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	682,527.69	1,139,407.51	538,873.03	11,500.00		2,372,308.23
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(44,254.46)	(331,030.89)	(390,064.45)	58,506.14		(710,118.66)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(44,254.46)	(331,030.89)	(390,064.45)	58,506.14		(710,118.66)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, 2024	5,452.21	290,261.10	813,134.26	(69,430.50)		1,039,417.07
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2024	\$ (38,802.25)	\$ (40,769.79)	\$ 423,069.81	\$ (10,924.36)	\$	329,298.41

Note: ¹ General fund property tax revenue includes general fund current & delinquent taxes. School property tax revenue (and expense) is now reported as a separate fiduciary fund, reported in the accompanying notes.

< The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. >

Town of Monkton
Combining Balance Sheet
Special Revenue Funds
December 31, 2024

	Recreation Fund	PVR Education Fund	Act 68 Reappraisal	Agricultural and Natural Areas Conservation	Record Restoration Fund	ARPA Fund	Wildlife Crossing Fund	RML Operating	Totals
ASSETS:									
Current Assets:									
Cash	\$ 21,405.85	\$ 677.55	\$ 7,262.99	\$ 203,119.32	\$ 22,228.23	\$ 122,814.21	\$ 2,466.92	\$ 43,094.74	\$ 423,069.81
Due from Other Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Current Assets	<u>21,405.85</u>	<u>677.55</u>	<u>7,262.99</u>	<u>203,119.32</u>	<u>22,228.23</u>	<u>122,814.21</u>	<u>2,466.92</u>	<u>43,094.74</u>	<u>423,069.81</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>21,405.85</u>	<u>677.55</u>	<u>7,262.99</u>	<u>203,119.32</u>	<u>22,228.23</u>	<u>122,814.21</u>	<u>2,466.92</u>	<u>43,094.74</u>	<u>423,069.81</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:									
Liabilities:									
None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances:									
Reserved	<u>21,405.85</u>	<u>677.55</u>	<u>7,262.99</u>	<u>203,119.32</u>	<u>22,228.23</u>	<u>122,814.21</u>	<u>2,466.92</u>	<u>43,094.74</u>	<u>423,069.81</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES:	<u>21,405.85</u>	<u>677.55</u>	<u>7,262.99</u>	<u>203,119.32</u>	<u>22,228.23</u>	<u>122,814.21</u>	<u>2,466.92</u>	<u>43,094.74</u>	<u>423,069.81</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Special Revenue Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Recreation Fund	PVR Education	Act 68 Reappraisal	Agricultural and Natural Areas Conservation	Records Restoration & Preservation Fnd	ARPA Fund	Wildlife Crossing Fund	RML Operating Fund	Totals
REVENUES									
Property Taxes	\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44,721.00	\$ 103,221.00
Investment Income	6.72	-	-	79.53	-	-	-	15.08	101.33
Other Revenue	4,659.00	-	-	-	5,276.00	-	-	26,855.75	36,790.75
State Payments	-	-	8,695.50	-	-	-	-	-	8,695.50
TOTAL REVENUES	13,165.72	-	8,695.50	50,079.53	5,276.00	-	-	71,591.83	148,808.58
EXPENDITURES									
Routine Expenses	12,817.96	-	25,960.71	46,812.50	10,915.12	362,296.47	-	80,070.27	538,873.03
Facilities Construction/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	12,817.96	-	25,960.71	46,812.50	10,915.12	362,296.47	-	80,070.27	538,873.03
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	347.76	-	(17,265.21)	3,267.03	(5,639.12)	(362,296.47)	-	(8,478.44)	(390,064.45)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):									
Transfers In (Out)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	347.76	-	(17,265.21)	3,267.03	(5,639.12)	(362,296.47)	-	(8,478.44)	(390,064.45)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, 2024	21,058.09	677.55	24,528.20	199,852.29	27,867.35	485,110.68	2,466.92	51,573.18	813,134.26
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2024	\$ 21,405.85	\$ 677.55	\$ 7,262.99	\$ 203,119.32	\$ 22,228.23	\$ 122,814.21	\$ 2,466.92	\$ 43,094.74	423,069.81

Town of Monkton
Combining Balance Sheet
Capital Project Funds
December 31, 2024

	Highway Capital Projects Fund	Municipal Building Fund	RML Capital Drive Fund	Mountain Rd Culvert FEMA Fund	Bike-Pedestrian Path Fund	Totals
ASSETS:						
Current Assets:						
Other Current Assets	\$ 72,480.94	\$ 41,333.32	\$ 15,168.10	\$ 16,927.13	\$ (9,714.15)	\$ 136,195.34
Due from Other Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Current Assets	<u>72,480.94</u>	<u>41,333.32</u>	<u>15,168.10</u>	<u>16,927.13</u>	<u>(9,714.15)</u>	<u>136,195.34</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>72,480.94</u>	<u>41,333.32</u>	<u>15,168.10</u>	<u>16,927.13</u>	<u>(9,714.15)</u>	<u>136,195.34</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:						
Liabilities:						
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances:						
Reserved	72,480.94	41,333.32	15,168.10	16,927.13	(9,714.15)	136,195.34
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 72,480.94</u>	<u>\$ 41,333.32</u>	<u>\$ 15,168.10</u>	<u>\$ 16,927.13</u>	<u>\$ (9,714.15)</u>	<u>\$ 136,195.34</u>

Town of Monkton
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
Changes in Fund Balances
Capital Project Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Highway Capital Projects Fund	Municipal Building Fund	RML Capital Drive Fund	Mountain Rd Culvert FEMA Fund	Bike-Pedestrian Path Fund	Totals
REVENUES						
Property Tax Income	\$ 70,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00
Investment Income	-	-	6.14	-	-	6.14
Other Financing Sources	-	-	-	157,523.97	28,344.56	185,868.53
Other Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations - Fund Raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>70,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6.14</u>	<u>157,523.97</u>	<u>28,344.56</u>	<u>255,874.67</u>
EXPENDITURES						
Routine Expenses	-	-	-	-	38,058.71	38,058.71
Equipment Purchase	-	690.12	-	-	-	690.12
Facilities Construction/Maintenance	-	11,500.00	-	-	-	11,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>-</u>	<u>12,190.12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,058.71</u>	<u>50,248.83</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	70,000.00	(12,190.12)	6.14	157,523.97	(9,714.15)	205,625.84
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	70,000.00	(12,190.12)	6.14	157,523.97	(9,714.15)	205,625.84
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, 2024	2,480.94	53,523.44	15,161.96	(140,596.84)	-	(69,430.50)
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31, 2024	<u>\$ 72,480.94</u>	<u>\$ 41,333.32</u>	<u>\$ 15,168.10</u>	<u>\$ 16,927.13</u>	<u>\$ (9,714.15)</u>	<u>\$ 136,195.34</u>

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

GENERAL FUND

Revenues	Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Grant Income		-	6,736.00	-	-	5,000.00	-
LHMP - Grant Income		-	-	-	-	3,651.09	-
Mini-Grant: Energy Program		-	-	-	-	4,000.00	-
Property Taxes		177,065.48	228,578.36	303,994.73	487,234.82	351,111.53	530,466.34
Current Use/Hold Harmless		50,568.00	53,802.00	55,223.00	55,000.00	56,564.00	57,000.00
ANR PILOT		1,153.80	1,168.68	1,168.68	1,170.00	1,168.68	1,170.00
Act 60 Equalized Ed. GL		987.00	993.00	1,005.00	1,000.00	1,023.00	1,000.00
National Opioid Settlement Fund		-	-	508.16	-	194.15	-
Town Clerk Fees		33,803.00	22,903.00	19,080.00	19,000.00	16,570.00	15,000.00
Liquor Licenses		-	70.00	70.00	140.00	170.00	140.00
Copier Use Fees		3,108.00	3,338.72	2,548.10	2,500.00	2,127.85	1,500.00
DMV-AOT Fees		-	6.00	6.00	-	6.00	-
Records Restoration Fees		-	-	-	-	-	-
Dog Licenses & Fines		2,569.00	2,322.00	942.00	2,000.00	2,946.00	3,000.00
Facilities Rental		-	75.00	180.00	-	180.00	-
Judicial Fines		14,706.50	48,457.50	29,542.78	25,000.00	22,631.50	25,000.00
Interest Income (General Fund)		2,146.15	5,486.15	4,785.87	4,500.00	4,360.36	3,200.00
Interest Income (HRA)		-	-	0.34	-	2.49	-
Misc. Revenue		253.68	12.90	9.04	-	1,272.03	-
Postal Facility Rental Fee		500.00	500.00	792.50	550.00	557.76	900.00
Delinquent Taxes		183,405.94	169,289.12	164,750.07	140,000.00	121,105.56	130,000.00
Del Taxes - Interest		15,483.37	7,450.98	17,289.57	9,000.00	20,596.45	10,000.00
Del Taxes - Penalty		4,556.02	4,484.70	6,860.71	2,500.00	8,546.00	7,000.00
DRB Subdivision Fees		1,940.00	800.00	800.00	1,200.00	1,025.00	1,200.00
DRB Boundary Adj Fees		-	270.00	125.00	200.00	135.00	200.00
DRB Variances Fees		-	135.00	-	200.00	-	200.00
DRB Conditional Use Fees		135.00	-	-	200.00	210.00	200.00
DRB Administrator Fees		9,336.55	9,849.20	5,765.40	7,000.00	9,818.78	7,000.00
Municipal Planning Grants		1,500.00	490.00	-	-	-	-
Donations		400.00	10,000.00	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues		503,617.49	577,218.31	615,446.95	758,394.82	634,973.23	794,176.34

**General Government Expenses
General Government Payroll**

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025
Town Clerk Salary	35,807.77	37,453.95	41,085.78	41,270.04	41,085.14	45,000.00
Assistant Town Clerk	5,729.75	5,095.50	4,972.50	13,000.00	12,981.78	14,000.00
Treasurer	35,000.00	36,413.62	39,944.49	40,123.65	39,943.92	45,000.00
Assistant Treasurer	7,989.00	8,359.50	4,698.84	2,000.00	-	5,000.00
Delinquent Tax Collector	3,500.00	3,641.45	3,994.53	4,012.47	3,994.58	4,132.84
Web Master	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Town Administrator	-	9,423.12	38,042.49	38,213.00	38,041.78	40,324.00
Selectboard	6,910.00	6,720.00	8,455.00	7,700.00	6,781.68	7,700.00
Selectboard Administrative	215.00	1,065.00	1,845.00	2,000.00	1,774.50	2,000.00
Auditors	1,328.00	3,761.00	2,847.60	4,000.00	1,896.48	4,000.00
BCA - Election Officials	190.94	274.31	161.46	1,000.00	239.23	1,000.00
Constable	250.00	250.00	-	250.00	-	250.00
Fire Warden	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Health Officer	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	-	600.00
Animal Control Officer	-	3,300.00	3,600.00	3,360.00	3,600.00	3,360.00
Recycling Coordinator	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	300.00	300.00
FICA	18,118.97	10,324.69	13,499.98	14,751.43	15,114.58	15,767.94
VT Child Care Contribution	-	-	-	848.45	400.71	906.91
VMERS DB-Employer	-	612.50	2,431.66	2,627.14	2,627.98	2,823.00
Insurance - Workmens Comp	3,775.75	12,188.25	546.39	12,000.00	1,741.53	1,377.44
Insurance - Prop & Liab	6,990.25	5,797.00	11,533.82	20,000.00	19,464.30	11,465.64
Insurance - Unemployment	-	-	-	444.00	187.75	451.99
Assessor	11,403.75	6,390.00	7,467.51	15,000.00	9,616.25	12,000.00
Assessor - Reappraisal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zoning Administrator	7,621.51	9,200.58	8,476.35	13,000.00	7,328.00	15,600.00
DRB Board Members	-	-	2,030.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00
DRB Clerical	-	-	-	1,200.00	-	-
DRB Recording Secretary	-	-	-	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Planning Comm. Bd Members	990.00	510.00	-	1,600.00	1,240.00	1,600.00
Planning Comm. Clerical	-	-	60.00	200.00	114.66	200.00
Total Payroll	147,220.69	162,180.47	197,093.40	243,500.18	209,024.85	238,909.76

Town Office

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Copier Rental	2,499.73	2,334.18	2,622.70	2,500.00	2,764.87	2,800.00
Custodian	3,195.85	7,571.25	8,100.00	8,100.00	2,160.00	8,100.00
Office & General Supplies	3,535.05	3,285.48	2,796.01	3,000.00	2,926.87	3,000.00
Postage	3,343.50	3,628.43	4,642.16	3,800.00	4,122.21	3,800.00
Equipment/Furniture	674.70	753.20	48.54	700.00	1,071.50	1,000.00
Computer Equip & Software	1,932.10	1,343.83	1,190.47	1,500.00	1,473.99	1,500.00
Computer Contract Service	13,425.61	13,948.35	19,003.94	20,000.00	23,584.13	20,000.00
Conferences & Training	244.00	25.00	10.00	700.00	20.00	500.00
Mileage Reimbursement	395.03	249.55	308.50	300.00	493.12	300.00
Water System	-	-	3,370.11	1,000.00	1,413.71	1,000.00
Telephone	3,010.44	3,908.92	4,017.73	3,700.00	4,223.15	4,000.00
Heat	2,474.73	917.24	7,577.43	7,000.00	6,559.73	7,000.00
Electricity	4,379.84	7,109.90	645.70	600.00	648.00	600.00
Trash Removal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Town Office	39,110.58	45,075.33	54,333.29	52,900.00	51,461.28	53,600.00

General Expenditures

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Sheriff Dept.	25,747.51	23,436.55	32,722.18	33,500.00	31,536.76	33,500.00
Appraisal	1,105.39	13,429.17	9,000.79	20,000.00	3,269.25	15,000.00
Reappraisal	-	765.30	-	-	-	-
PVR Education Expense	-	-	-	200.00	-	200.00
Printing /Advertising	7,322.45	6,665.66	7,501.36	7,500.00	9,605.00	9,000.00
Property Maint & Upgrade	1,010.24	24,538.11	9,843.74	20,000.00	26,083.54	15,000.00
Consultant Fees, Audit	5,692.50	5,060.00	3,567.50	4,200.00	1,625.00	4,200.00
LHMP - Consultant Fees	-	-	-	-	3,709.15	-
Energy Program: Consultant Fee	-	-	-	-	3,500.00	-
Association Dues & Fees	4,940.00	5,060.00	125.00	5,225.00	7,886.00	5,300.00
Legal Fees	2,783.68	789.84	5,306.76	9,000.00	3,853.60	6,000.00
BCA-Elections Expense	1,151.40	1,846.37	1,441.56	2,000.00	1,593.23	2,000.00
Property Tax Appeal Settled	-	2,018.82	-	-	-	-
National Opioid Settlement	-	-	-	-	549.31	-
Recycling Expenses	13,175.76	10,167.04	9,402.32	12,000.00	9,650.51	10,000.00
Animal Expense	1,945.96	2,496.76	1,709.69	2,500.00	1,690.80	2,500.00
Restoration of Records	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Fees - Marriage Licenses	50.00	950.00	425.00	700.00	195.00	700.00
Park and Ride Expense	303.99	316.13	322.33	330.00	332.70	330.00
New Municipal Building Comm Expense	8,414.06	-	-	-	-	-
Cemetery Maintenance	4,000.00	5,550.00	5,600.00	5,800.00	5,600.00	6,000.00
County Taxes	13,653.43	15,695.00	16,066.00	16,369.89	17,439.00	18,000.00
Tax Maps	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,200.00
Tax Sales	-	-	-	-	139.50	-
Debt Principal Pmts: Genl Fund LTD	100,600.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
Interest Expense	40,594.29	26,801.76	26,418.86	26,010.86	26,010.86	25,600.00
Miscellaneous (includes ANAC G&A)	400.00	74.50	60.00	-	43.00	-
Total General Expenditures	237,640.66	235,411.01	219,263.09	255,335.75	244,312.21	243,530.00

DRB

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Supplies & Postage	49.41	-	-	50.00	106.48	50.00
Advertising	143.39	530.71	301.50	400.00	211.50	400.00
Computer Equipment & Software	-	-	129.99	-	-	-
Conferences & Training	-	-	-	100.00	-	100.00
Legal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total DRB	192.80	530.71	431.49	550.00	317.98	550.00

Town Forest Committee

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Advertising, Postage & Printing	-	-	-	750.00	1,353.50	950.00
Consultants	-	-	-	1,500.00	1,500.00	250.00
Events	-	-	-	250.00	-	300.00
Private Road - Shared Maintenance	-	-	-	3,945.00	-	1,800.00
Total Town Forest Committee				6,445.00	2,853.50	3,300.00

Housing Committee

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Advertising, Postage & Printing	-	-	-	1,000.00	-	-
Consultants	-	-	-	-	-	-
Events	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Housing Committee				1,000.00		-

Planning Commission

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Supplies & Postage	-	-	-	500.00	-	500.00
Printing	32.07	287.72	534.35	500.00	771.72	500.00
Advertising	969.15	502.39	609.00	600.00	652.50	300.00
Mileage Reimbursement	-	-	-	50.00	80.27	50.00
Consultants	1,500.00	375.33	120.00	1,400.00	-	-
MPG Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
Conferences	-	-	-	-	106.37	300.00
ACRPC Assessment	2,745.60	2,806.65	2,869.02	-	2,806.65	3,000.00
Legal Fees	-	451.50	-	-	-	-
Total Planning Commission	5,246.82	4,423.59	4,132.37	3,050.00	4,417.51	6,650.00

Conservation Commission						(Proposed)	
Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025	
Supplies & Postage	356.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consultants	-	1,500.00	-	-	-	-	-
MCG Expense	-	490.00	-	-	-	-	-
Conferences	-	-	-	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Activities / Mapping Project	-	495.00	2,601.00	650.00	7,799.00	650.00	650.00
Training	-	-	-	-	10.00	-	-
Educational Opportunities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Conservation Commission	356.00	2,485.00	2,601.00	750.00	7,809.00	750.00	

Energy Committee						(Proposed)	
Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	Budget FY - 2025	
Supplies & Postage	-	-	-	500.00	-	-	-
Mileage Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Expenditures	-	-	-	400.00	-	-	-
Total Energy Committee				900.00			
Total General Government	429,767.55	450,106.11	477,854.64	556,985.93	523,830.69	547,289.76	

Appropriations	Account	Actual FY - 2021			Actual FY - 2022			Actual FY - 2023			Budget FY - 2024		(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025	
		1,250.00	550.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	550.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	550.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	550.00	1,250.00	550.00
	Addison City Community Action (HOPE)													
	Addison City Court Diversion													
	Counseling Service of Addison City, Inc.													
	Addison City Home Health & Hospice													
	Homeward Bound													
	Addison City Parent/Child													
	Bristol Family Center													
	Bristol Recreation Dept.													
	AgeWell													
	Elderly Services													
	Rural Fire Protection Program													
	Green Up Vermont													
	Hospice Volunteer Service													
	John D. Graham Emergency Shelter													
	Lewis Creek Association													
	Monkton Mentors Program													
	Open Door Clinic													
	Other Creek Natural Resources CD													
	Retired & Senior Volunteer Program													
	Tri-Valley Transit													
	UWAC - Addison City Readers													
	Vermont Adult Learning													
	Vermont Center for Indep Living													
	Women Safe													
	American Red Cross													
	Have-A-Heart Food Shelf													
	Hinesburg Food Shelf													
	Turning Point Center of Addison County													
	Monkton Volunteer Fire Dept													
	Monkton Museum & Historical Society													
	Bristol Rescue Squad													
	Vergennes Area Rescue Squad													
	Total Appropriations	87,849.00	517,616.55	87,849.00	99,249.00	549,355.11	127,449.00	158,697.00	679,227.69	158,697.00	158,697.00	167,629.00	167,629.00	714,918.77
	Total G.F. Expenditures	517,616.55	517,616.55	517,616.55	549,355.11	549,355.11	605,303.64	712,982.93	712,982.93	712,982.93	712,982.93	712,982.93	712,982.93	712,982.93
	Total General Fund Expenses (over) under	(13,999.06)	(13,999.06)	(13,999.06)	27,863.20	27,863.20	10,143.31	45,411.89	(44,254.46)	45,411.89	(44,254.46)	79,257.57	79,257.57	79,257.57
	Revenue - Actual													
	January 1, 2024 Unassigned Fund Balance													
	Committed Fund Balance - Stabilization Fund													
	Assigned Fund Balance - Planning & Zoning													
	January 1, 2024 Total Fund Balance													
	December 31, 2024 Unassigned General Fund Balance:													
	Committed Fund Balance - Stabilization Fund													
	Assigned Fund Balance - Planning & Zoning													
	December 31, 2024 Total Fund Balance													

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

HIGHWAY

Revenues	Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
	HWY State Aid	160,882.55	162,949.19	239,545.58	81,500.00	166,068.85	83,000.00
	Highway Grants	319,528.14	198,314.14	141,565.78	117,044.00	21,892.39	215,000.00
	Disaster Expenses - Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	-	194,058.40
	Property Taxes (Incl.LTD&Article7Proj)	706,314.22	579,715.57	636,946.20	611,062.50	611,062.50	1,004,647.69
	Overweight Permits	1,280.00	1,330.00	1,325.00	1,300.00	1,280.00	1,300.00
	911 Signs	20.00	110.00	-	200.00	170.00	200.00
	Street Signs	-	-	-	-	88.00	-
	Sale of Equipment	10,460.00	2,000.00	-	-	-	-
	Misc Revenue	342.90	2,773.25	9,157.54	-	7,839.88	-
	Total Revenues	1,198,827.81	947,192.15	1,028,540.10	811,106.50	808,401.62	1,498,206.09

Highway Expenses	Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
	Regular employees	200,062.53	215,119.60	240,271.82	246,890.59	252,964.45	279,638.10
	Part-time Employees	-	-	60.00	11,500.00	-	12,000.00
	FICA	6,478.94	16,456.61	17,820.53	19,766.88	17,286.27	22,310.31
	VT Child Care Contribution	-	-	-	568.46	566.08	1,283.21
	VMERS DB - Employer	12,241.62	13,684.70	15,974.32	16,973.73	17,414.87	19,574.67
	Health Insurance	51,976.56	60,565.24	29,076.19	52,500.00	65,692.83	90,221.76
	Dental Insurance	932.30	1,672.16	877.66	1,200.00	1,972.00	2,515.20
	Short Term Disability Insurance	290.94	324.83	246.97	250.00	427.00	343.00
	Insurance - Unemployment	1,229.00	745.00	414.00	307.00	827.25	301.01
	Life Insurance	92.80	75.60	67.50	75.00	109.80	100.00
	HRA Reimbursements	-	-	2,960.50	7,500.00	2,345.76	7,500.00
	HRA Fees	-	-	-	400.00	297.54	400.00
	Workers Compensation Insurance	-	-	336.00	14,100.00	18,030.67	15,147.96
	Total Payroll	273,304.59	308,643.74	308,105.49	372,031.66	377,934.52	451,335.22

Garage Expenses	Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
	Equipment/Tools/Supplies	10,813.62	12,016.11	12,129.94	15,000.00	18,711.30	18,000.00
	Conferences & Training	-	-	-	500.00	-	-
	Telephone	1,771.48	1,522.83	994.19	2,000.00	968.50	1,300.00
	Heat	4,293.56	3,913.03	3,262.81	5,900.00	2,677.48	4,200.00
	Electricity	2,460.90	3,149.59	3,139.56	3,200.00	2,750.65	3,000.00
	Trash Removal/Dumpsters	2,430.41	2,651.11	2,898.35	2,700.00	2,983.54	2,700.00
	Capital Equipment Expense	16,285.00	61,168.96	7,041.19	18,500.00	9,089.00	20,000.00
	Property Maint & Upgrade	9,157.31	10,599.47	1,860.00	9,000.00	9,583.53	20,000.00
	Total Garage Expenses	47,212.28	95,021.10	31,326.04	56,800.00	46,764.00	69,200.00

General Highway Expenses

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Insurance - Workmens Comp	3,184.75	13,017.00	12,144.71	12,200.00	-	-
Insurance - Prop & Liab	-	-	12,761.38	-	13,548.46	16,391.00
Insurance Claim Settlement	-	-	-	-	4,550.00	-
Grease & Oil	4,836.37	8,017.33	9,866.08	7,000.00	10,758.62	7,200.00
Permit Fees	-	-	1,765.00	1,800.00	1,350.00	1,500.00
Equipment Fuel	38,625.54	64,434.47	54,065.15	52,000.00	55,172.14	53,000.00
Parts	19,292.64	31,246.24	34,000.15	30,000.00	31,423.00	30,000.00
Tires	5,222.86	3,175.57	13,231.91	10,000.00	7,836.94	10,000.00
Equipment Repairs	30,002.23	15,576.01	17,386.58	22,000.00	35,949.13	26,000.00
Blades	5,733.41	12,169.67	5,533.34	10,000.00	7,294.27	10,000.00
Oxygen & Acetylene	967.96	447.43	656.47	1,000.00	701.98	850.00
Interest Expense	2,768.49	3,943.45	3,081.49	2,208.00	2,178.81	1,319.01
LTD Principal Pmts-Trucks	43,164.20	38,953.00	38,953.00	38,953.00	38,953.00	38,953.00
Misc. Expenditures	3,876.90	952.90	-	1,000.00	345.04	1,000.00
Total General Highway Expenses	157,675.35	191,933.07	203,445.26	188,161.00	210,061.39	196,213.01

Road Maintenance

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Rental Equipment	1,445.00	142.56	1,000.00	2,000.00	575.00	4,000.00
Gravel Stockpile	10,192.19	14,724.66	9,470.12	16,500.00	20,514.66	18,000.00
Salt	49,662.35	45,099.87	38,374.82	67,000.00	58,105.17	67,000.00
Winter Sand	17,387.54	39,082.70	18,103.16	42,000.00	20,284.28	44,000.00
Summer Chloride	19,304.35	22,950.00	20,700.00	25,000.00	25,702.76	26,000.00
Winter Solution/Chloride	-	-	-	1,000.00	-	-
Hot Mix	228,918.09	200,997.06	174,951.28	180,000.00	169,300.09	425,000.00
Cold Patch	555.33	536.41	1,386.24	1,200.00	1,578.66	1,200.00
Culverts	12,064.68	9,619.65	16,994.88	10,000.00	8,809.74	10,000.00
Signs, Painting	3,976.87	2,391.08	9,942.24	12,500.00	39,734.49	12,500.00
911 Signs	80.54	199.43	134.99	200.00	253.19	-
Highway Upgrade/Paving	1,335.00	4,695.95	1,600.00	8,500.00	11,710.00	10,000.00
Contract Services	18,942.50	21,281.84	9,085.44	26,000.00	53,640.00	26,500.00
Erosion Control	5,540.80	9,151.39	5,839.70	7,500.00	9,055.26	9,500.00
Gravel - Road Upgrade	54,091.07	71,689.01	25,970.32	85,000.00	85,384.30	90,000.00
Total Road Maintenance	423,496.31	442,561.61	333,553.19	484,400.00	504,647.60	743,700.00
Total Highway Expenses	901,688.63	1,038,159.52	876,429.98	1,101,392.66	1,139,407.51	1,460,448.23
Highway Exp (over)/under Rev - Actual	297,139.18	(90,967.37)	152,110.12	(290,286.16)	(331,030.89)	37,757.86
January 1, 2024 Total Fund Balance					290,261.10	
December 31, 2024 Total Fund Balance					(40,769.79)	

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Recreation Committee Revenue		Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Account							
Property Tax		7,500.00	7,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
Activities Fees		2,985.00	2,565.00	890.00	1,900.00	1,684.00	2,000.00
Donations		1,070.00	1,065.00	-	500.00	2,500.00	500.00
Supplies/Equipment		160.00	-	-	-	-	-
Facilities Rental		490.00	2,080.00	1,210.00	1,700.00	475.00	1,000.00
Grant Income		-	-	4,220.00	-	-	-
Interest Income		7.33	6.56	5.33	-	6.72	-
Total Recreation Comm. Revenue		12,212.33	13,216.56	14,825.33	12,600.00	13,165.72	12,000.00
Recreation Committee Expense							
Account		Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Activities Fees		572.99	18.00	-	500.00	-	500.00
Uniforms, Supplies/Equip		5,197.88	1,382.06	1,700.47	2,000.00	871.29	1,500.00
Electricity		530.15	523.76	568.87	500.00	588.63	500.00
Facilities Maintenance		7,599.80	14,464.15	10,227.46	9,600.00	11,358.04	9,500.00
Total Recreation Comm. Expense		13,900.82	16,387.97	12,496.80	12,600.00	12,817.96	12,000.00
Recreation Committee Expenses (over/under Revenue)		(1,688.49)	(3,171.41)	2,328.53		347.76	
January 1, 2024 Total Fund Balance						21,058.09	
December 31, 2024 Total Fund Balance						21,405.85	

MULTI-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

Russell Memorial Library Operating Fund

RML Revenue

Account	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Grant Income - Rural Libraries	8,697.91	5,052.99	1,300.00	2,700.00	5,564.00	350.00
Property Tax	-	-	15,015.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	-
Donations	35,096.51	29,170.00	37,046.33	44,721.00	44,721.00	38,463.38
Interest Income	12,940.00	325.00	901.00	300.00	1,155.00	1,500.00
Transfers In/Out	7.82	8.42	9.64	-	15.08	-
Miscellaneous Revenue	19.50	-	5,000.00	-	-	10,000.00
Strawberry Festival	-	1,976.50	2,793.05	2,700.00	5,136.75	3,000.00
Total RML Revenue	56,761.74	36,550.91	62,065.02	65,421.00	71,591.83	53,313.38

RML Expenses

	Actual FY - 2021	Actual FY - 2022	Actual FY - 2023	Budget FY - 2024	Actual FY - 2024	(Proposed) Budget FY - 2025
Payroll - Librarian	12,504.48	14,455.14	14,204.49	23,750.00	24,199.93	31,172.00
Payroll - Assistant Librarian	5,339.87	6,452.52	5,927.33	7,287.00	5,338.95	5,136.00
Payroll - Other Staff	3,377.50	5,272.75	8,679.75	1,360.00	2,775.25	1,969.00
FICA	1,623.44	2,025.75	2,204.09	2,479.00	2,388.97	2,929.00
VT Child Care Contribution	-	-	-	-	73.95	202.00
Books - All Other	2,292.37	3,428.65	3,868.66	4,000.00	4,105.42	4,000.00
General Office Supplies	224.75	454.34	59.30	100.00	676.40	250.00
Postage & Delivery	55.00	117.78	124.44	200.00	66.00	80.00
Office Supplies - Book Processing	-	-	223.95	300.00	217.06	250.00
Computer Equipment & Software	1,964.86	416.25	-	400.00	21.19	400.00
Computer Expenses	67.50	1,681.39	1,944.00	3,000.00	-	-
Conferences & Training	-	-	55.00	100.00	213.29	250.00
Mileage Reimbursements	-	13.75	9.17	100.00	28.14	50.00
Telephone Expenses	746.23	875.00	877.01	950.00	844.43	875.00
Electric & Heat	1,097.83	442.29	-	-	-	-
Insurance - WC & P&C	-	382.25	536.20	435.00	466.88	400.00
Janitorial Services	-	-	-	360.00	-	200.00
Board Authorized Gifts	-	100.00	81.00	250.00	150.00	100.00
Expenses - Grants	-	5,967.34	1,494.21	300.00	5,060.88	350.00
Expenses - Rural Libraries	-	-	-	15,000.00	30,000.00	-
Expenses - Donations	-	6,241.24	325.15	2,700.00	-	1,500.00
Dues & Subscriptions	1,282.70	1,283.20	1,311.56	1,500.00	1,639.10	1,700.00
Maintenance - Bldg	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance - Grounds	600.00	500.00	-	-	-	-
Programs	339.26	442.59	355.94	500.00	433.98	500.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	4,473.75	94.50	180.00	200.00	279.80	300.00
Strawberry Festival Expenses	-	390.59	884.99	450.00	1,090.65	700.00
Total RML Expenses	35,989.54	51,037.32	43,346.24	65,721.00	80,070.27	53,313.00
RML Expenses (over)/under Revenue	20,772.20	(14,486.41)	18,718.78	(300.00)	(8,478.44)	-
January 1, 2024 Total Fund Balance					51,573.18	
December 31, 2024 Total Fund Balance					43,094.74	

2025 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT PLAN											
	Year Purchased	Life Cycle (Years)	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	
1994 John Deere Backhoe/Ldr	1994	21									
2005 John Deere Road Grader	2005	15		X							
2013 Mack Dump Truck	2012	10									
2013 John Deere Bucket Loader	2014	15					X				
2014 John Deere Excavator	2015	10			X						
2016 Ford Dump Truck	2015	8	X								
2018 Western Star Dump Truck	2017	10				X					
2020 Mack Dump Truck	2020	10						X			
2021 Massey Ferguson Tractor & roadside mower	2021	15									
2020 GMC 2500 Crew Cab Pickup	2022	8						X			
2024 Mack Dump Truck	2024	10									


2025 LONG TERM DEBT										
Existing Annual Long Term Debt Expense/Payoff Schedule										
	Balance Due	Annual Amount	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
2020 Mack Dump Truck	15,353	15,353	15,353							
2021 Massey Ferguson Tractor	47,200	23,600	23,600	23,600						
2021 New Community Center	1,360,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
TOTALS	1,422,553	123,953	123,953	108,600	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000

2025 TOTAL MUNICIPAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES & 2 YEAR COMPARISON				
2025 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY				
ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL MONIES TO BE VOTED	TOTAL 2025 EXPENSE	
Operating Budget To Be Voted				
4	General Fund Deficit	79,257.90		
4	Salary & General Expenses	547,289.44		
4	Recreation Committee Fund	8,500.00		
4	Agri-Natural Areas Conservation Fund	22,500.00		
4	Highway Capital Equipment Fund	35,000.00		
5	Highway Expenses	1,460,448.23		
5	Highway Fund Deficit	37,757.86		
Total Operating Budget			2,190,753.43	
Appropriations To Town & Outside Agencies To Be Voted				
4	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	125,000.00		
4	Russell Memorial Library	38,463.38		
4	Monkton Museum & Historical Society	1,500.00		
3	Social Agencies	20,849.00		
4	Bristol Rescue Squad	15,880.00		
4	Vergennes Area Rescue Squad, Inc.	4,400.00		
Total Appropriations			206,092.38	
Special Funds (To Be Voted) & Capital Expense (Prev. Approved)				
Total Special Funds and Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved				
Capital Expense To Be Voted				
6	2026 Ford F550 Dump Truck	114,801.00		
Total Capital Expense (To Be Voted)			114,801.00	
Capital Expense, Long Term Debt Existing				
Capital Budget	Bonds & Notes Due			
	2020 Mack Dump Truck - Note Due	15,353.00		
	2020 VMBB Bond - Annual Principal Payment	85,000.00		
	2021 Massey Ferguson Tractor - Note Due	23,600.00		
This \$123,953 Capital Expense (LTD) is included in General and HWY budgets at top.				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			2,511,646.81	

2024 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY				
ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	TOTAL 2024 Budgeted EXPENSE	
Operating Budget Voter Approved				
4	General Fund Deficit	35,016.88		
4	Salary & General Expenses	567,380.94		
4	Recreation Committee Fund	8,500.00		
4	Agri-Natural Areas Conservation Fund	50,000.00		
4	Highway Capital Equipment Fund	70,000.00		
5	Highway Expenses	1,101,392.66		
5	Highway Fund Surplus	(290,286.16)		
Total Operating Budget			1,542,004.32	
Appropriations To Town & Outside Agencies Voter Approved				
4	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	124,300.00		
4	Russell Memorial Library	44,721.00		
4	Monkton Museum & Historical Society	1,500.00		
3	Social Agencies	30,197.00		
Total Appropriations			200,718.00	
Special Funds & Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved				
Total Special Funds and Capital Expense Previously Voter Approved				
Capital Expense Voter Approved				
Total Capital Expense (Voter Approved)				
Capital Expense, Long Term Debt Existing				
Capital Budget	Bonds & Notes Due			
	2020 Mack Dump Truck - Note Due	15,353.00		
	2020 VMBB Bond - Annual Principal Payment	85,000.00		
	2021 Massey Ferguson Tractor - Note Due	23,600.00		
This \$123,953 Capital Expense (LTD) is included in General and HWY budgets at top.				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			1,742,722.32	

2017 - 2024 Delinquent Tax Report

		2017 - 2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2017 - 2024
		Delinquent Tax Due*	Delinquent Tax Due*	Delinquent Tax Due*	Delinquent Tax Due*	Delinquent Tax Due*	Delinquent Tax Due*
Parcel ID							by Parcel ID
1	01.111.039-001				& 1,873.25	5,060.34	6,933.59
2	01.207.009-004				& 3,213.24	3,519.28	6,732.52
3	02.114.003-001				7,091.91	8,067.61	15,159.52
4	02.216.010-000					1,284.19	1,284.19
5	02.216.015-006				369.15		369.15
6	03.206.020-000				&	2,332.26	2,332.26
7	03.206.023-012					2,628.78	2,628.78
8	03.218.001-000					527.60	527.60
9	04.102.017-000	6,195.66	2,619.19	1,186.69	2,626.55	2,873.10	15,501.19
10	04.102.028-000				5,593.42	9,769.46	15,362.88
11	04.102.029-000				1,305.66	1,205.92	2,511.58
12	04.102.030-012					2,310.84	2,310.84
13	04.102.030-014				&	474.04	474.04
13	04.102.032-200				141.45	122.10	263.55
14	04.102.052-000	1,333.30			1,366.59	956.76	3,656.65
15	04.102.54A-000					866.01	866.01
16	04.102.060-000					698.34	698.34
17	04.102.062-000	936.65				744.49	1,681.14
18	04.111.048-000				&	1,792.00	1,792.00
19	04.111.048-003				&	2,019.27	2,019.27
20	04.221.003-000				829.09	642.15	1,471.24
21	04.222.003-000					2,185.74	2,185.74
22	04.226.032-000				4,288.61	5,476.00	9,764.61
23	05.101.094-000				8,162.55	8,118.86	16,281.41
24	05.101.094-004					8,249.37	8,249.37
25	05.103.013-004					10,404.07	10,404.07
26	05.103.024-000				&	123.32	123.32
27	05.114.002-000			370.44	380.82		751.26
28	05.215.005-004				4,349.23	4,410.62	8,759.85
29	06.206.031-000					470.15	470.15
30	06.206.066-010				&	6,081.37	6,081.37
31	07.101.172-000	91.85	95.48	93.13	95.75	99.49	475.70
32	07.101.208-004					4,037.78	4,037.78
33	07.226.025-401				134.91	129.64	264.55
34	08.103.045-002				6,401.46	8,035.22	14,436.68
35	08.103.050-001				&	565.27	565.27
36	08.103.057-000				& 613.00	273.57	886.57
37	08.103.060-000					2,390.74	2,390.74
38	08.105.013-000					1,751.17	1,751.17
39	09.206.116-003				&	80.92	80.92
40	11.105.039-000					626.79	626.79
41	13.101.069-000				&	822.34	822.34
42	13.215.016-000				&	4,550.99	4,550.99
43	13.215.03C-000					2,913.80	2,913.80
44	13.215.12C-000				1,949.78	2,752.51	4,702.29
45	14.101.145-000					2,610.99	2,610.99
		2017 - 2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total Delinquent - All Years
Total Delinquent Taxes* as of 12/31/24, by year:		\$ 8,557.46	\$ 2,714.67	\$ 1,650.26	\$ 56,867.79	\$ 118,973.89	\$ 188,764.07


William C. Joos
Delinquent Tax Collector

Notes: * Amounts listed are base taxes only; interest and penalty also apply.
& Indicates parcels for which partial payment(s) have been received.

**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. Payments to the Town of Monkton can be made at any time in person at Town Hall, via the drop box at Town Hall, or via mail. There are several deadlines described in this document regarding payments. To meet these deadlines you must either be present at Town Hall, your payments must be in the drop box or, if paying by mail, the envelope must be postmarked by the deadline. **There are no grace periods allowed for late payment.**
2. Property taxes are 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 by 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.
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 taxpayer, itemizing the amount due; including tax, interest and penalty. 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 the following interest and penalties. Late payments paid in full within fifteen (15) days of the due date are subject to a 1% interest charge. Payments received more than fifteen (15) days late are subject to a penalty of 4% and interest charges of 1% per month for the first three (3) months and 1½% per month thereafter.
6. Payments will be applied first to outstanding interest, and the remainder will be divided proportionately between the principal amount of the tax, penalty, and any other costs or expenses including attorney's fee (if applicable).
7. If a delinquent taxpayer 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, penalty, and all legal costs (including attorney's fees and legal notices).
8. The Delinquent Tax Collector may, at their discretion, take those steps under Vermont law to schedule a tax sale at any time when taxes are delinquent. In exercising this

discretion, the Delinquent Tax Collector may take into account, among any other 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 a 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 \$500.00 in total delinquencies has accrued.


9. In the event that no one purchases the property at tax sale, or, if in the judgment of the Delinquent Tax Collector, proceeding with the tax sale is inadvisable, the Delinquent Tax Collector shall collect the delinquent taxes using any or all of the 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.

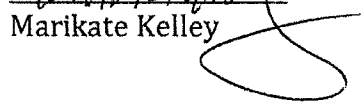
Adopted by the Board of Selectmen at a Regular Selectboard meeting held on the 22nd day of November, 2022.


Stephen Pilcher


Paul Low


John McNerney


Marikate Kelley


William Martin

2024 Assessor Report, Common Terms and Calendar

The Assessor, in conjunction with the Town contracted professional appraiser, New England Municipal Resource Center (NEMRC) completed the mandated Town-wide Reappraisal.

Property values had risen causing our Common Level of Assessment (CLA) to drop, to 72.04% from 80.78%, in 2022 falling below the CLA threshold triggering the reappraisal. Properties were valued at their Fair Market Value by an unbiased professional with access to the latest information and technology available. NEMRC personnel visited properties, completed measurements, updated photos, and performed interior inspections. The two-year project was completed on schedule and on budget.

- 1,028 Reappraisal Notices were mailed to all owners of record as of 4/1/2024,
- 31 Grievances were heard,
- 22 were approved and 9 were denied,
- 2 Appeals were made to the Board of Civil Authority and both were denied with no further action taken.

During 2024, voters in the Town of Monkton approved replacing the existing Board of Listers with an appointed Assessor to provide the most cost effective and efficient service to property owners. The individual in previous Administrative Lister position became the Assessor. The Assessor is supported by a professional NEMRC Assessor. The Assessor remained a part-time position and questions for the Assessor are best addressed via email at listers@monktonvt.com or please call us directly at 802-453-4515. The Assessor is happy to schedule in person appointments when requested or required. The Assessor's Office appreciates your understanding that response times may not be immediate, but will be timely to the best of my abilities. Please do not hesitate to let me know of any urgent issues.

Online resources have been updated and can be accessed through the Town of Monkton website. The Town Info tab has an option for Parcel and Zoning Maps. The Interactive Digital and Zoning Map allows you to access parcel Property Record Cards and tax maps. Tax maps were updated in 2024 and are updated *annually after the close of the tax year*. In order to keep our files as current as possible, kindly notify the Assessor of any change in mailing address.

Respectfully,

Lisa Burns— Assessor

Common Terms:

Coefficient of Dispersion (COD)

The coefficient of dispersion is a measure of equity. It shows how fairly distributed the property assessment is within a town. A high COD (above 15) means that many taxpayers are paying more than their fair share, and some are paying less. If a Town's COD is higher than 15, a town is ordered to reappraise. The COD is the average of the absolute deviation of each sales ratio from the median ratio divided by the median ratio.

Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)

The common level of appraisal is the education property value (listed value) divided by the equalized Education property value.

Grand List

The Municipal Grand List is the value used to raise municipal funds. One percent of the listed value as established by the local assessing official. The education Grand List values are used to raise statewide education funds. The Grand List included any personal property taxable at the local level and excluded locally voted exemptions.

Calendar:

The activities of the Assessors follow the current State of Vermont statutory calendar.

January 15

Final Grand List 411 reported to the State of Vermont for reconciliation of the Education Property Tax Due to school.

Property Valuation sends the Current Use parcels that have received preliminary approval for the upcoming tax year. We receive the information as an electronic file and continue to process the Current Use file until all parcels are certified, the Current Use Exemptions must be 100% certified by December 31 of each year.

February

On the first Tuesday, if there is no suit pending, the Listers and Selectboard certify the Grand List Book.

Beginning in February, electronic downloads for Homestead Declarations are available and each download is reviewed as it is processed. This process is ongoing through October.

Beginning in February and continuing through the fall, all sales are reviewed and vetted as part of the State of Vermont Three (3) year Equalization Study.

April 1

Assessment Date. All parcels are brought up to date regarding current value. Construction completion, and additional building project, decks, garage or outbuildings and condition changes are accounted for and the assessed value calculated as of April 1 of each year.

June 4

Latest date to lodge the Grand List, change of appraisal notices sent.

June 30

Education Tax Rates available from the Department of Taxes.

July 1

State Payment (income sensitivity education tax payments) information transmitted to the Town.
Payments are ongoing through November 1 of each year.

July 9

Grievance Hearings end and Results of Grievance mailed.

August 15

Copy of Grand List form 411 (abstract of the Grand List) and Form 427 (statement of Taxes Assessed) due at the Department of Taxes.

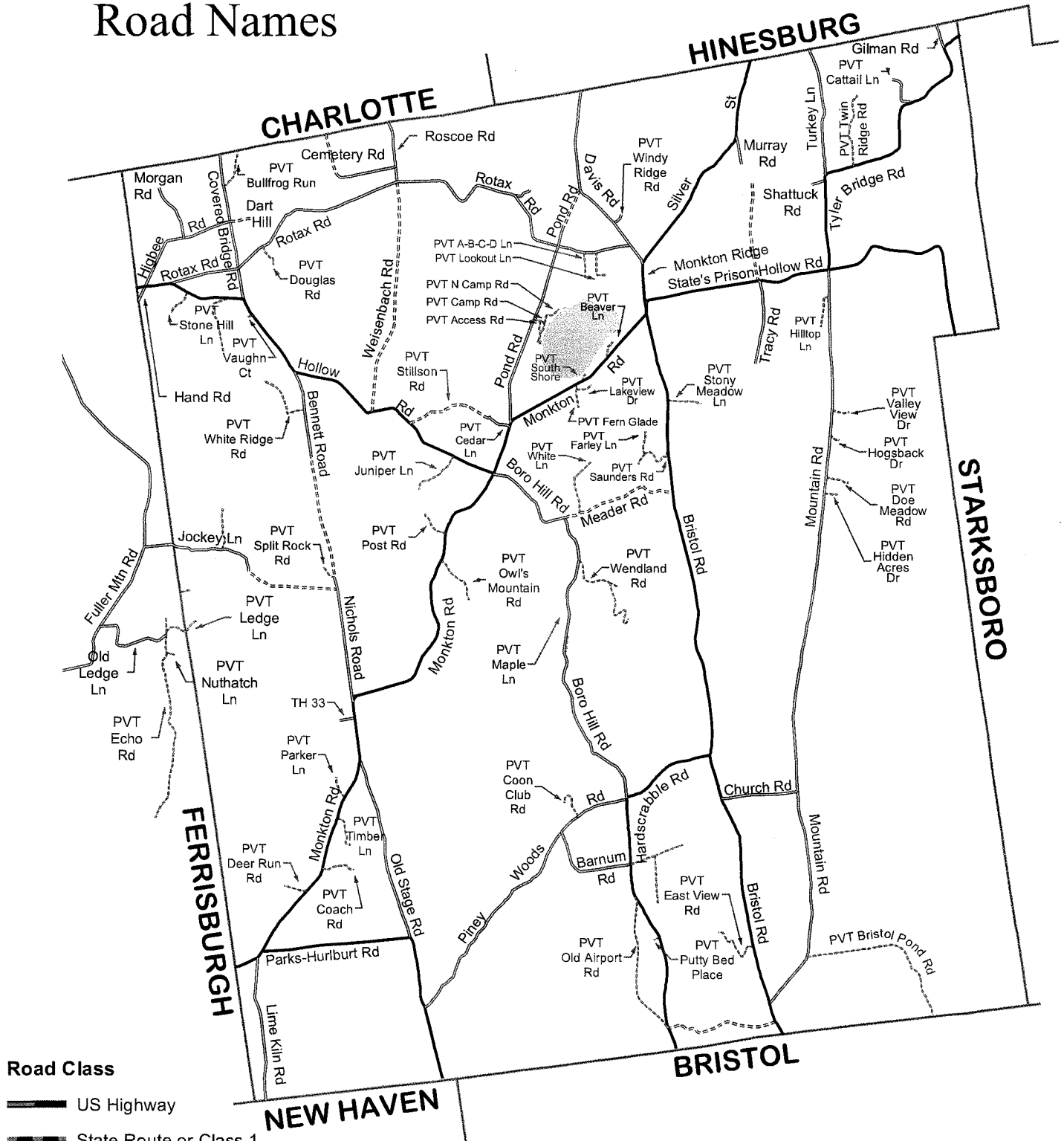
September 1

Applications for Current Use programs due to the Department of Taxes.

December 31

Final Grand List sent to the Department of Taxes for information finalizing Town Education Tax.

Town of Monkton Road Names



ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Monkton's New Zoning Administrator

In late 2024, Susan Gulrajani, our new Zoning Administrator, was hired. Susan has lived in Addison County for decades and most recently has taken up residence in Huntington serving as Zoning Administrator for Bolton, as well. Susan's background is in real estate practicing with Coldwell Banker Hickok and Boardman and two local firms over her career in Addison County. She recently retired as a realtor and now focuses on her career in zoning.

The past year was a transitional time for the Monkton Zoning Office. The town of Monkton would like to thank the departing Zoning Administrator Kris Perlee for his five years of service also to recognize Andrew Peterson for stepping up in an interim capacity until October when the new permanent Zoning Administrator, Steven True, was appointed. The Zoning Administrator will continue to work with the Development Review Board to ensure the processing of requests is smooth and timely, processing permits, and working with applicants.

The Town of Monkton Unified Planning regulations require a zoning permit for all building projects, boundary adjustments and land development. Under the Regulations, land development is defined as dividing a parcel of land into two or more parcels, the construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation, or enlargement of any building or other structure, or of any excavation or land filling, and any change in the use of any building or other structure or land, or extension of use of land.

Monkton's zoning regulations affect every property in the Town of Monkton, and they are concerned with more than just construction. For instance, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation requires any activity in a Class I or Class II wetland, or its associated buffer zone is prohibited unless it is a allowed use under the Vermont Wetland Rules (VWR) or unless it receives a permit allowing such activity.

If you are planning on developing your property in any way, from patios to homes to everything in between, I encourage you to contact me for information and guidance. I can help you to determine the town's regulations and how they apply to your plans, which applications are needed, and the required fees. You can reach me by email at zoning@monktonvt.com. (Note: because this is a part-time position, please allow for a few days to answer your email or return your phone call.)

Also, if you have completed your project, please contact me for a certificate of occupancy permit (CO) to close out your project. In many cases, a CO is required to close out the zoning permit prior to the use of occupancy of a primary residence or other insulated structure. A missing (but needed) CO is considered a cloud on the title of a property, which may prevent you from closing on the sale of your property down the road. If you're unsure if you (or a prior owner) obtained a CO on the prior zoning permit, I can check the status and confirm if this is an issue for your property. Copies of the Monkton Unified Planning documents and the town Zoning District Map are available online on our website.

Below is the year in review of zoning activities in the Town of Monkton.

	2024
Applications	
New Residential	3
Accessory Building (shed/garage/porch)	5
Addition	1
Other	1
TOTAL	10

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Gulrajani
Zoning Administrator

Monkton Planning Commission

The Planning Commission (MPC) meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Its work includes updating the Town Plan and the Unified Planning Document (UPD), which contains Monkton's zoning and subdivision regulations to manage growth and to complete projects that help the Town effectively serve its citizens. Meetings are open to the public. Most 2024 meetings were hybrid: in-person at the Town Hall and on Zoom.

This year our focus was working to update the Town Plan. We opened sections containing Census data and natural resources sections to address forest integrity as required by Vermont Act 171. Based on feedback other sections were updated as well.

MPC used information from the Natural Resources Inventory completed in 2023 to develop maps identifying the major forest blocks, habitat connectors, wildlife corridors, and wetlands. This new data will be used to help protect core forest areas per Vermont Act 171, which will help Monkton have better stormwater protection and promotion of groundwater recharge, provide for wildlife habitat, and protect forest integrity.

Additionally, 2020 Census data and new text were added to sections on population, education and childcare, housing, and economic development. We updated these sections as well as the utilities and facilities sections with current information. We want to thank everyone who provided feedback; it made the Town Plan better!

An informational meeting and public hearing on the revised Town Plan were held on October 1st. We want to thank Stan Wilbur, Monkton's Town Administrator, for moderating our hearing and Jessica Demeritt for taking minutes. Directly following the hearing, the Town Plan was passed and forwarded to the Select Board for their review and hearing. The Town Plan will be included on the ballot on Tuesday, March 4th, 2025.

Co-chairs Marilyn Cargill and Wendy Sue Harper attended the Resilient Vermont 2024 Conference hosted by Norwich University Center for Global Resilience & Security on the Norwich University campus on March 19th. This year's theme was *After the Floods*. The Vermont floods in the summer of 2023 highlighted the broad and ongoing need for investments in systems that support our health, safety, and well-being. This year's conference focused on building resilient communities and individuals. Speakers represented the educational community, the indigenous community, the military, and the health field.

In October, Planning Commission member Debra Sprague attended by Zoom the Vermont League of Cities and Towns annual *Planning and Zoning Forum*. Presentations included a review of 2024 legislative changes related to new housing development that affect some state regulations, including Act 250, and a discussion of changes to the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Municipal Policy. Additionally, the lead attorney for the Slate Ridge zoning enforcement case shared her insights on best practices for handling zoning violations.

Marilyn Cargill and Debra Sprague also participated in a December Zoom presentation titled *Navigating Vermont's Climate Risks and Building Resilience in Rural Communities*. This event was the first in a series targeted at building local capacity and knowledge to equitably adapt to extreme weather events in Vermont. Panels of local leaders and national experts covered such topics as Vermont's climate risks, designing collaborative outreach processes with communities, and key strategies for rural resilience. Debra also sat in on the second December session on flood insurance and housing, which covered housing affordability and home protections and best practices for housing buyouts and moving communities out of harm's way.

Starting in October the MPC worked with the Select Board to advertise for a new Zoning Administrator (ZA). We would like to thank Steven True for his service to the town and Andrew Petersen for again serving as the interim ZA. We welcome Susan Gulrajani as Monkton's new ZA.

Also in October, the MPC started developing the 2025 10-year Town-wide Planning Survey. Every 10 years, we survey our Town about development and planning issues. We have started to discuss questions for the 2025 survey, which will be available online and in paper copy. Please keep an eye out for the survey and tell us your thoughts. This survey helps us better reflect the whole town in planning decisions.

The MPC had some transition this year. We want to thank Gayle Chellis-Grim, who was the former Commission Clerk, and member Gary Strait for their years of service to Monkton. We would like to welcome Debra Sprague and Adam Miller, who are our newest Commission members. We are excited to have them on the Commission.

Please look for our upcoming posted-activities and announcements on our webpages on the Town website where you can also view *Agendas*, *Minutes* and *Project Reports*. You are welcome to contact members with questions and comments.

Respectfully Submitted by The Monkton Planning Commission:

Marilyn Cargill, Co-Chair, Peter Close, Wendy Sue Harper, Co-Chair, Ivor Hughes, Adam Miller, Michael New, Clerk, and Debra Sprague

Development Review Board

The Development Review Board (DRB)'s role is to apply and interpret the rules, regulations, and guidance of the State of Vermont and the Town of Monkton to subdivision projects, changes to parcels, some uses of property, and waiver applications. All permits, use applications, subdivisions, boundary line adjustments, waivers, etc., begin with the Zoning Administrator. Some types of applications are then referred to the DRB.

The DRB would like to thank Phil Russell who retired from the Board in May after many years of service. Vicky Stern (Alternate) was appointed by the Selectboard to fill the rest of his term. In August Michael Brennan joined the DRB as our new Alternate. We also appreciate Steven True's service to Monkton as Zoning Administrator and DRB Clerk. Steven moved to a position in Norwich in October. Also in October we welcomed back interim Zoning Administrator Andrew Peterson and in December our new Zoning Administrator, Susan Gulrajani.

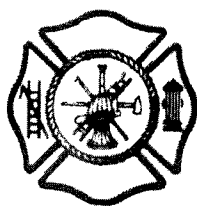
In 2024 the DRB approved two Subdivisions, two Conditional Uses, and two Boundary Line Adjustments. In total one new building lot and eight new dwelling units are in these Subdivisions. The Conditional Uses allowed for an accessory structure at an existing residence in the Conservation District and a change of use for the 1859 Town Hall building. One Boundary Line Adjustment resolved an easement related to the Monkton Town Forest project and the other increased side yard space to build a garage at a residence.

The DRB makes every effort to conduct its work fairly and consistently in accord with the rules, regulations, and guidance of the State of Vermont and the Town of Monkton, as documented in the Unified Planning Document (zoning), the Monkton Town Plan, and state law. Where there is flexibility within that framework, as applications are evaluated, we seek to balance the interests of landowners and of the community as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis Layn (Chair)
Jaime Schulte (Vice-Chair)
Vicky Stern
Chris Acker

Scott Gordon
Stephen Pilcher
Mark Boltz-Robinson
Michael Brennan (Alternate)



Monkton Volunteer Fire Department

3747 States Prison Hollow Road
Bristol, Vermont 05443

During 2024 your volunteer fire department responded to 57 emergency calls. These calls included not only fires but, automobile accidents, carbon monoxide detector activations, medical assists, and down powerlines. As is always, we appreciate the assistance we receive from our neighboring Fire Departments, Monkton First Response, Monkton Highway Department, Bristol Rescue Squad, Vergennes Area Rescue Squad.

Your department is currently made up of 12 active members. These members all attend weekly trainings and meetings to keep the department ready for the next emergency. Some members work in town and are able to respond to daytime emergencies and assist our mutual aid departments. This is a very critical relationship we share with the surrounding communities to keep us all equipped day and night for any emergency that might arise. Every year we like to recognize those who go above and beyond. This year the members of the department voted Greg Cota the *Outstanding Firefighter of the year*. The award for the most training hours was earned by David Bristol. Our *Most active* award for those attended the most calls was given to Matt Dupont and Dylan Layn. These two along with Greg Cota, Robert Howard, and Curtis Layn responded often this year. This year we welcomed David Bristol and Dylan Layn to our team, they along with the other members of the department collectively logged several hundred hours of training this year. Aside from training we spent countless hours on emergency scenes in town or assisting our neighboring departments.

The Monkton Fire Department's truck replacement fund has grown substantially these last few years with the help of you the taxpayers, our mud bog fund raiser, and Individual donations. We were able to sign a contract for the new truck last year and currently are expecting delivery later this year. The select board appropriated \$150,000 of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds for the down payment. This allowed us to not start the financing process until year 2025, allowing us to benefit from lower interest rates and increased down payment.

We are always in need of more volunteers to join us in the coming years. This year we were able to start up our JR program again, this allows kids aged 15 and up to join and work alongside seasoned firefighters. We welcome anyone who is interested to stop by the station on a Wednesday night or talk to any member about joining. There is a place for everyone, feel free to contact me (453-6919) if you have any questions.

The following is a list of current department leadership elected by the department members to serve for 2025:

Chief Curtis Layn	Captain Matt Dupont	Lieutenant Buzz Kuhns
1st Asst Chief Robert Howard	Captain Logan Young	Lieutenant Rick Gomez
2nd Asst Chief Dan Reinhart	Secretary Logan Young	Treasurer Rick Gomez

We thank our families, neighbors, the Town Selectboard, the rescue squads (most notably Monkton First Response), law enforcement agencies, and our all-important mutual aid partner-fire departments for their continuing support.

We appreciate your continuing support and encouragement. Best wishes for a safe and healthy 2025!

Curtis Layn, Chief Monkton Volunteer Fire Department

12/18/2024 Monkton Volunteer Fire Department 2025 Town Meeting Budget Submission

Monkton Volunteer Fire Department

12/18/2024	2023 Income	2024 income
Town to Operating Budget	\$58,200.00	\$64,300.00
Town to Truck Fund	\$40,000.00	\$60,000.00
ARPA Funds	\$56,586.00	\$150,000.00
USPS/Station Rental	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00
Donations	\$3,765.00	\$13,015.00
Fundraising	\$11,813.00	\$19,371.00
Total	\$173,764.00	\$310,086.00

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025
	Budget	Actuals	Proposed	actuals	Proposed
		12/31/2023	Budget	12/4/2024	Budget
Awards	\$100.00	\$865.80	\$100.00	\$214.98	\$100.00
Building Repair and Main.	\$4,000.00	\$1,631.73	\$4,000.00	\$2,740.00	\$4,000.00
Cleaning and Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,669.53	\$1,800.00	\$250.00	\$1,800.00
Dispatch Services	\$1,600.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,047.00	\$1,800.00
Dues, Training and Meetings	\$2,000.00	\$676.06	\$1,500.00	\$766.00	\$1,000.00
Electric Service	\$3,500.00	\$2,929.87	\$3,500.00	\$3,826.23	\$3,500.00
Equipment Repair/Supplies	\$4,500.00	\$6,944.54	\$7,000.00	\$13,277.00	\$8,000.00
Shelter Related Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$14,725.44	\$1,000.00	\$961.00	\$1,000.00
Heating Fuel	\$6,000.00	\$7,061.27	\$6,000.00	\$2,604.20	\$6,000.00
Insurance	\$7,100.00	\$8,617.75	\$8,700.00	\$8,766.00	\$10,000.00
Monkton First Response	\$2,000.00	\$394.15	\$4,000.00	\$150.00	\$2,000.00
New Equipment and Gear	\$10,000.00	\$25,044.81	\$10,000.00	\$40,453.84	\$25,000.00
Office Supplies and Postage	\$700.00	\$1,122.62	\$1,200.00	\$4,913.19	\$5,000.00
Radios and Supplies	\$5,000.00	\$1,229.00	\$5,000.00	\$24,813.00	\$7,000.00
Telephone/Internet Service	\$1,200.00	\$1,147.69	\$1,200.00	\$1,160.68	\$1,200.00
Truck Repair and Maint.	\$7,500.00	\$3,967.32	\$7,500.00	\$3,426.76	\$7,500.00
Operating Budget	\$57,700.00	\$79,577.58	\$64,300.00	\$110,369.88	\$84,900.00

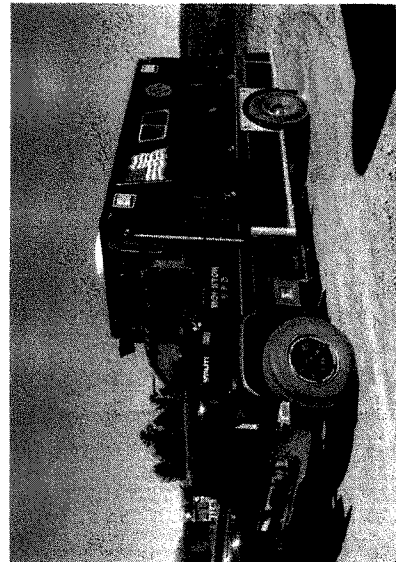
MVFD is Requesting \$85,000 for Operating Budget and \$80,000 for truck fund Total = \$165,000

<u>Balances December 31, 2023</u>	Balances December 31, 2023	Balances 12/31/24	
Checking	\$3,844.12	\$22,432.61	
Money Market	\$104,582.55	\$93,663.45	
Truck Fund	\$61,317.24	\$111,826.78	CD
	<u>\$169,743.91</u>	<u>\$227,922.84</u>	

MONKTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

VEHICLES

<u>VEHICLE</u>	<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>MODEL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ESTIMATED REPLACEMENT YEAR</u>
ENGINE #1	PUMPER	FREIGHTLINER	HEAVY TRUCK	MEDIUM CONVENTIONAL	1999	2025
ENGINE #2	MINI-PUMPER	GMC	HEAVY TRUCK	TOPKICK	1992	2031
TANKER	WATER SUPPLY	FREIGHTLINER	HEAVY TRUCK	M2	2006	2032
UTILITY #1	FIRE/ACCIDENT SUPPORT	GMC	HEAVY RESCUE	S8500	1994	2025
BRUSH #1	BRUSH FIRE/TOWING	FORD	PICK UP	F250	2002	2027
				AVERAGE AGE	25 YEARS	



Bristol Rescue Squad

In 2024, the Bristol Rescue Squad (BRS) responded to approximately 1,330 calls between 9-1-1 incidents and Interfacility transfers. The Bristol Rescue Squad yet again saw another 20% or increase in incidents, over the previous year. Over the past year, BRS has brought on additional Advanced EMT's resulting in near 100% Advanced Life Support (ALS) Coverage. Along with the increased ALS coverage, Bristol Rescue Squad implemented an Interfacility Transfer program, to help offset the costs of increased paid staffing, while also assisting in moving patients around Vermont and beyond, transporting over 18,800 miles between 9-1-1 calls and Interfacility Transfers.

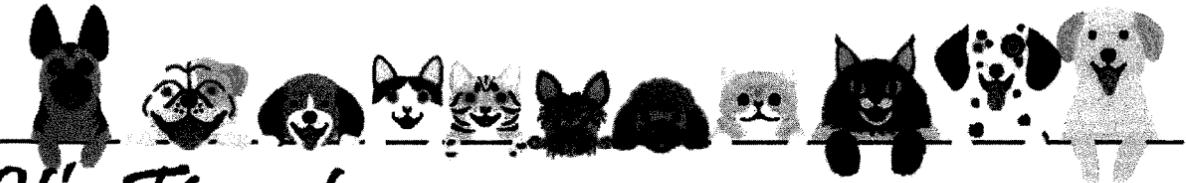
The Bristol Rescue Squad was the recipient of over \$20,000 in grants from community organizations, which supported the purchase of training equipment which are being used to continually increase the capabilities of Bristol Rescue Squad providers. These training aids include an interactive, high-fidelity mannequin that allows providers to train at all interventions within their scope of practice, while also enabling higher level providers to train on the simulator into the future and during inter-agency trainings. The following individuals were voted onto the BRS Board of Directors this year:

- Liam Knight, President
- Maria Bedell, Vice President
- Mark Boltz-Robinson, Treasurer
- Allison Hayes, Secretary
- Ori Tzuriel, trustee-at-large

This year, the Bristol Rescue Squad has requested an increase in town appropriations from \$6 per capita to \$10 per capita, to remain competitive in the hiring of Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers. This request still puts the BRS requested allocations below surrounding agencies and well below the approximated state average of \$29 per capita. The increased funds will be used to offset the increasing costs of supplies, staffing and health care for full-time EMS staff. Bristol Rescue Squad would like to thank our communities for their support, along with our incredible staff. A special thank you to the five-town fire départements for their incredible dedication, to the Middlebury Regional EMS and Vergennes Area Rescue Squad for their mutual aid and to the Bristol Police Department, Addison County Sherriff's Department and the Vermont State Police, for their assistance as well. Finally, we would like to thank the families of all BRS providers, who support our crews in serving their communities, while working in a field that we love.

Respectfully,

William Elwell, Chief; Eli Rickner, Deputy Chief; The Bristol Rescue Squad Board of Directors



It's Time to
REGISTER YOUR PETS

**Please remember to register your dog(s)
On or before April 1st**

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

183 Dogs Licensed in Year 2024

Jan. – April 1

After April 1

**Spayed / Neutered \$14.00
Un-Neutered \$17.00**

**Spayed / Neutered \$19.00
Un-Neutered \$22.00**

**RABIES CLINIC
March 25, 2025
At Monkton Vol. Fire Dept.
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
RABIES VACCINE ARE \$20.00**

**Please be sure to bring a copy of the most recent rabies
vaccination.**

The Monkton Community Dog Park is now 4 years old!

As we reflect on the past year, we once again realize how it's the **community** that the dog park has created that really helps to keep us moving forward. We'd like to extend a **Note of Gratitude** from all of us on the Monkton Community Dog Park Committee, to all who use and love the dog park. The Monkton Community Dog Park Committee is grateful for:

- ❖ Everyone who picks up poop, whether it's from their dog or not, pitches in to help keep bark mulch in the mud wallows, snow and ice from the entrances, and brings a sense of community and love for dogs to the park with them during each visit.
- ❖ Bill Houston, who once again brought his weed trimmer to the park all summer long and kept the entry area and front of the park neat and tidy.
- ❖ Paul Low who was awarded "Outstanding Supporter" for his unyielding commitment to the dog park. This honor is commemorated by a plaque which was generously created and donated by Ben Raphael of Wooden Hammer and is hanging in the gazebo.
- ❖ All the donors, large and small, and the volunteers who keep the Dog Park going and make it a safe, fun place for dogs to play and for dog people to meet and visit.

Please all join us in marveling at the fact that this incredibly successful community resource is 100% donor-funded and volunteer-run. Monkton is an amazing community!

Highlights from Our 4th Year at The Monkton Community Dog Park

Anniversary Party - In early June, we celebrated our fourth year with an anniversary party and fund-raiser. We were fortunate to have Patti Casey and Tom Mackenzie of Shady Rill, two of Vermont's cherished musicians, grace us with their lovely voices and beautiful music. Our guest vendors La Chapina and Monkton's own BEVO brought delicious tostadas and a variety of beverages to the celebration, and courtesy of the Dog Park, everyone enjoyed a celebratory piece of cake. Dogs and people made new friends, while enjoying a lively competition for our 50:50 raffle.

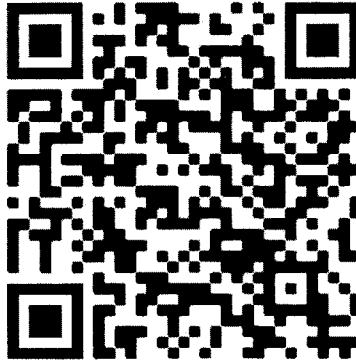
Annual Seeding – In late April several committee members gathered for our annual spring grass seeding and fencing project. Our repeated efforts are paying off with fewer dirt patches and more green grass for our people and pups to enjoy.

Be on the lookout for more exciting community activities coming this spring.

Questions, concerns, or just want to pitch in and help?

We are committed to ensuring that decision-making for the Monkton Community Dog Park is an inclusive and transparent process. Anyone interested in joining the workgroup or sharing ideas is welcome. The Dog Park Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at 7pm via Zoom. If you don't want to join the committee and just want to lend a hand, let us know and we'll come up with a plan for you. To attend a meeting, join the committee or request additional information contact us at dogpark@monktonvt.com.

Snap a picture of the QR Code to donate through the MCDP GoFundMe page.



If you prefer donating by check, you can do that too!
Please make your check payable to Monkton Community Dog Park and mail it to:
Monkton Dog Park, Monkton Town Hall, 92 Monkton Ridge, North Ferrisburgh, VT 05473

MONKTON COMMUNITY DOG PARK - WELCOME!

Please read and understand all dog park rules before using the dog park.

- Dogs must be licensed, vaccinated and healthy.
- Dogs must be kept in sight and under voice control at all times.
- Limit: 2 dogs per adult
- Minimize excessive barking.
- Dogs in heat and dogs under the age of 12 weeks are prohibited.
- Pick up your dog's waste and dispose of it properly.
- Dogs that display aggression toward people/dogs must be removed immediately.
- Children under 12 must be supervised by an adult.
- Keep your dog from jumping on other dogs or people.
- Owners are legally responsible for their dogs and any injuries caused by them.
- No glass, food, alcohol, or smoking - all other Morse Park rules apply.

Hours of Operation: The Park will be open from dawn to dusk.

In an emergency, please call 911.

Questions or concerns?

Contact dogpark@monktonvt.com

The Monkton Dog Park Committee and/or Town of Monkton will not be liable for any injury or damage caused by any dog or person in the park. Users of the park do so at their own risk. All dogs and their owners must comply with the Town of Monkton Animal Control Ordinance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monkton Community Dog Park Committee

Cathie Buscaglia, Chair, Deb Gaynor, Treasurer, Ian Schulze, Secretary, Kerrie Garvey

DOG LICENSING & THE VT SPAY NEUTER INCENTIVE PROGRAM aka “VSNIPI”!

Pursuant to: 20 VS.A. §3581 of the Vermont Statutes Title 20: Internal Security and Public Safety, Chapter 193: Domestic Pet or Wolf-hybrid Control. Sub-chapter 002: Licenses: **A dog must be licensed (registered) by six months of age at your town office to be legal. Proof of a rabies vaccination within the last year is required. Dogs not licensed can be seized and euthanized per state statute.**

Registering identifies your dog. It's proof of protection against rabies in case an animal or person is bitten. Immediate medical attention is needed. Animals not vaccinated and registered could be quarantined or possibly seized and euthanized, enabling the brain to be tested. Rabies is deadly. PLEASE LICENSE NOW!

2023 Vermont Statutes Title 20 - Internal Security and Public Safety Chapter 193 - Domestic Pet or Wolf-Hybrid Control §3621. Issuance of warrant to impound; complaint.

(a)(1) The legislative body of a municipality may at any time issue a warrant to one or more police officers, constables, pound keepers, or appointed animal control officers, directing them to promptly impound all dogs or wolf-hybrids within the town or city not licensed according to the provisions of this subchapter, except as exempted by section 3587 of this title, and to enter a complaint against the owners or keepers of the impounded dogs and wolf-hybrids.

A puppy (or kitten) can have their first rabies vaccination after 12 weeks of age. Community Animal Aid hosts a Wellness Clinic, including rabies vaccinations, for those unhoused or those receiving state benefits usually on the 2nd Saturday of the month: East Barre Fire Station. Check for updates: AnimalAidVT@gmail.com or 802-734-0259. Tractor Supply Stores host a monthly rabies clinic, and some VT Humane Societies and veterinarians offer a rabies clinic in March.

THE VT SPAY NEUTER INCENTIVE PROGRAM aka “VSNIPI”

VSNIPI helps income eligible Vermonters have dogs and cats spayed/neutered and vaccinated at a very reduced cost to them. Veterinary offices are throughout the state and we invite other veterinarians to join this altruistic effort to help continue eliminating routine euthanasia of mostly, an over population of cats, kittens. For an application, call 802-672-5302. Push #2 for instructions, or visit: VSNIPI.VERMONT.GOV Sue Skaskiw, Administrator

TOGETHER WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Monkton Recreation Committee - 2024 Report

Committee members: Sarah Bouchard, Ed Cook, Adam Crary, Tim Hunt, Rick Imes, Paul Low, John Zaikowski (Chair)

Monkton Recreation Volunteer committee meeting schedule:

When: 1st Monday of each month
What Time: 7pm
Where: New Town Hall
All Meetings are open to the public.

Monkton Recreation Committee coordinates and/or sponsors the following community youth teams:

Mt. Abe Little League baseball and softball (tee, farm, minors, and majors teams/ages 5-12)
Soccer (K through 6 grade)
Basketball (K through 6 grade)
Lacrosse (when available)
Youth basketball open gym

Property operations and maintenance coordinated by Monkton Recreation:

Recreation walking path at Morse Park
Morse Park Parking lot
Pavilions at Morse Park and the Recreation Field
Volleyball, Soccer, Softball, and Lacrosse fields at Morse Park
Baseball and soccer fields at the Recreation Field on Hollow Road
Lower playing and ball field adjacent to Monkton Central School

Morse Park and Recreation Field Pavilion Rentals:

The Pavilions at Morse Park and the Recreation Field are available to reserve for family/community gatherings or events. Contact Paul Low @ 425-2742 to reserve a pavilion.

Fees are: \$75.00 for residents and \$100.00 for non-Monkton residents.

The Sports Year in Review:

The Recreation Committee is very proud of and grateful for the community volunteers, coaches, and parents that helped make our children and adult programs successful this past year. Our youth sports programs and coach/parent mentors are strong and Monkton's teams show great sportsmanship and talent on the fields and courts. Their success and pride is a reflection of the investment and opportunity we can afford them. A few highlights from our teams in 2024: For the winter of 2024, The grade 5-6 Boys basketball team led by Adam Bouchard placed well in the annual Middlebury Tournament in February 2024, and was runner up in the 5-Town Tournament held later that month. For the spring of 2024, Little League baseball had another successful season. Youth basketball open gym continued to make a strong showing as well. We had a great fall 2024 soccer season, where we lucked out with the weather and had over 60 participants. As of the drafting of this report, the 2024-2025 basketball season is off to a great start.

Special thanks go to a variety of businesses for their generosity to our sports programs, activities, and facilities over the past several years. These include Clark-Wright Septic, 802 Print, Yates Family Orchard, MAUSD, Dicks Sporting Goods, Vermont Landlords Association,

VHB, Bennett and Zaikowski P.C., and undoubtedly more that we apologize if we missed. Special thanks also go out to Kristen Blanchette for her continued support and dedication serving the Monkton Little League baseball/softball programs through her coordinator and MALL president roles, Terri Fitzgerald for the volleyball program, and many other dedicated coaches, sponsors, and volunteers. Our youth sports and adult programs are made possible through these efforts, and our youths' excitement and success in each sport is truly a reflection.

Other Highlights:

The Recreation Committee previously obtained approval to fund several projects through ARPA totaling \$54,245.00, which include recouping lost revenue from activity fees during the pandemic, enhancing the Rec Field baseball field and Morse Park ballfield, purchasing and installing exercise equipment at Morse Park, repairing sections of the Morse Park walking path, installing a 3-hole disc golf course at Morse Park, and construction of a Dog Park Shade Structure at Morse Park. Last spring the Recreation Committee, with the help of local volunteers, completed upgrades to the Morse Park ballfield. Special thanks to Jonathan Sykes and Matt MacAskill for their help. A special thanks also goes out to Steve Yates who donated time and machinery to see the work to completion. Work to construct a basketball court and pickleball courts has also commenced at Morse Park, led by the tireless efforts of Kevin Lambert. The Rec Committee anticipates continuing work on its other projects in the coming year. The Rec Committee, in partnership with the Town's Conservation Commission also completed work on an updated management plan for Morse Park that strives to balance varying management objectives. The Monkton Community Dog Park continues to enhance Morse Park and serve as a resource for meeting community members and their furry companions. If you have a dog, give it a try and enjoy a unique social opportunity in Town.

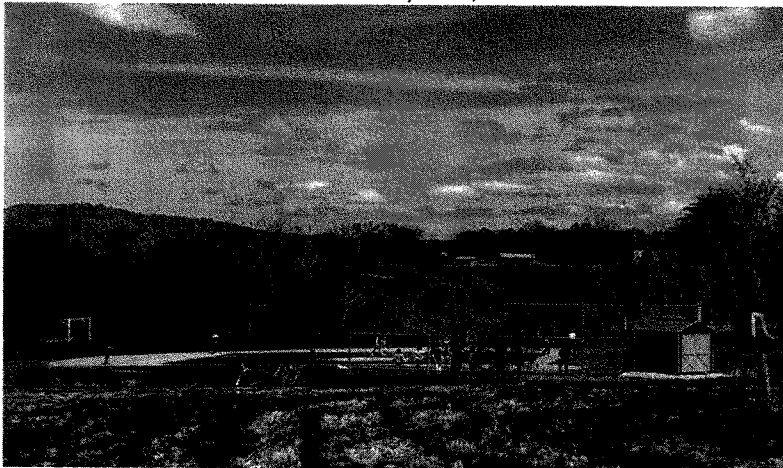
The Recreation Committee is always in need of dedicated volunteers and committee members to help provide valuable learning experiences for our children and adults. Please join us at our monthly meetings for more information and consider coming out to support our youth teams during games. In addition, take some time to explore our recreation facilities.

MORSE PARK and RECREATION FIELD REGULATIONS:

Activities Allowed:

X-country Skiing, Walking, running, snow shoeing, Bicycling, snowmobiling (sufficient snow only), Ball Play, Camping (by reservation and permitting), Charcoal fires only

Activities not allowed: Atv's, 4 wheel vehicles of any kind, and horses



The upgraded Morse Park ballfield in use for 2024.



GREEN UP VERMONT
www.greenupvermont.org

**Success on
Green Up Day
May 4, 2024**



Green Up Day, saw a 30% growth in volunteers over 2023, picked up over four tons of litter and 15,813 tires. In flood clean-up projects we took care of an additional 10,000 tires. We also attempted a Guinness World Records® title and succeeded! The record is: “The Most Pledges Received to Pick Up Trash in 24 Hours.” Vermont is the only State in the nation that can boast this achievement and the only State that offers a program like Green Up Day. As one of Vermont’s favorite traditions, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont, and keep residents civically engaged.

Green Up initiatives are year-round and further our environmental impact with waste reduction programs, additional clean-up efforts, and educational initiatives. We received a special flood recovery donation from Subaru of New England and have been able to rally volunteers and pay for many flood clean-up projects across the State.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are requesting level funding for 2025.

Thank you for supporting this crucial program that takes care of where we all get to live, work and play.

Be an Environmental Hero – Donate on **Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form** or at **www.greenupvermont.org**.

2025 Green Up Day is May 3rd.

Green Up Vermont is a 501c3 nonprofit.

Monkton Recycling Center Report

Monkton's Recycling Center, located at 4047 State Prison Hollow Road, continues to be a hub of activity from 9am-noon on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month.

Monkton's recycling webpage has lots of useful information:

<http://monktonvt.com/town-services/monkton-recycling-center/>

Recycling reminders: these items do not go in Blue Bin but can go in special recycling at Addison County Solid Waste Management District location (ACSWMD) with two locations:

1. District Transfer Station ACSWMD 1223 Rte. 7 South in Middlebury, M-F, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Note: HazWaste Center has different hours. See website)
2. And the new District Residential Drop-Off location opened in 2024 at 100 Kings Way (65 Campground Rd.) in New Haven, Fri., 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sat., 7 a.m. to noon

Take these items for free to ACSWMD to save money on trash disposal:

- Clean filmy plastic: Ziplock bags, shrink or bubble wrap go in the *Filmy Plastic* bin
- Scrap and misc. pieces of metal go in Metal Waste at ACSWMD
- Clean, dry clothing is accepted at the Textile Recycling.
- Pairs of shoes are accepted at the Textile Recycling.
- Books go in the book bin.

These items go in the trash:

- Black plastic such as take-out containers.
- Styrofoam: all Styrofoam, such as egg cartons, meat trays.
- Durable goods such as dog toys or laundry baskets.

Be a *real-recycler* and not a *wish-cycler*; only recycle the Recyclables!

For more information on recycling at the ACSWMD Transfer Station see the website for *News*: seminars and reports, *Recycle Right*: What goes in the Blue Bin, *A-Z Guide* to Recycling and more at: <https://www.addisoncountyrecycles.org/>

Thank you also to all our dependable and dedicated volunteers, because without them the recycling center would close: Kathy Boyer, Cedar Lake 4-H Club, Eugenie Doyle, Fiber Flock 4-H Club, Friends of MT Abe Musical, Joan Holloway, Rob Hunter, Kim Jones, Carroll Maxwell, Julie McGowan, Monkton Friends Methodist Church, and Troop 525. We also appreciate our reliable haulers Acker Waste Management and Casella Waste Management, and THANK YOU, Monkton residents for recycling!

Finally, thank you to Jessica Demeritt for her years of service as the past Recycling Coordinator, and Amy Moody and Alyssa Charboneau, her predecessors, who made the Center the success that it is today.

If you, or a group in which you are a member, would like to volunteer, please email me.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Hopps
Monkton Recycling Center Coordinator
recycling@monktonvt.com

Russell Memorial Library Trustee's Report

The mission of the Russell Memorial Library is to promote positive growth in our community by providing free access to library materials, resources, and programs for personal enrichment, self-education, and leisure.

We just wrapped up our first year under the leadership of our new Lead Librarian, Lisa Boeckman, and what a year it has been! The number and variety of programs has been impressive and many funds were secured through grant writing. Programming included:

- ⌘ Tuesday Toddler Time
- ⌘ 802 Home School Group
- ⌘ After School Hang on Thursdays
- ⌘ Music Night with the taco truck in July
- ⌘ Library Yoga on Saturdays
- ⌘ Plant Medicine Workshops with local resident Julie Mitchell
- ⌘ Book talks with Ivor Hughes and Jackson Ellis
- ⌘ Storytelling Event emceed by resident Samara Anderson in May
- ⌘ Nerd Nights (Dungeons & Dragons, magic cards, board games)
- ⌘ Two Wreath Making sessions
- ⌘ Large gatherings of Stitch & Spin, a group meeting on the 3rd Sunday each month, 10-1:00

The annual Strawberry Festival was, by far, our greatest ever! We had TWO fabulous local bands, an interactive art project, kids' activity area, lots of food, and plenty of books. Both bands had us all bopping and we hope for their return. The 2025 Strawberry Festival will be on Sunday, June 22 – so save the date! This event requires help from MANY volunteers and we can't do it without them.

With the help of two large grants from Rural Libraries, the lower parking lot underwent grading and paving with a new walkway to the patio area. This will make accessibility to the patio easier for some folks. A grant from NASA allowed us to purchase STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) learning equipment and a grant from Winnie Belle Learned provided funds to purchase supplies & equipment for kids. Funds from the 5-Town Friends of the Arts helped with summer programming and art for the library and funds from the local PTO help pay for our band at the Strawberry Festival.

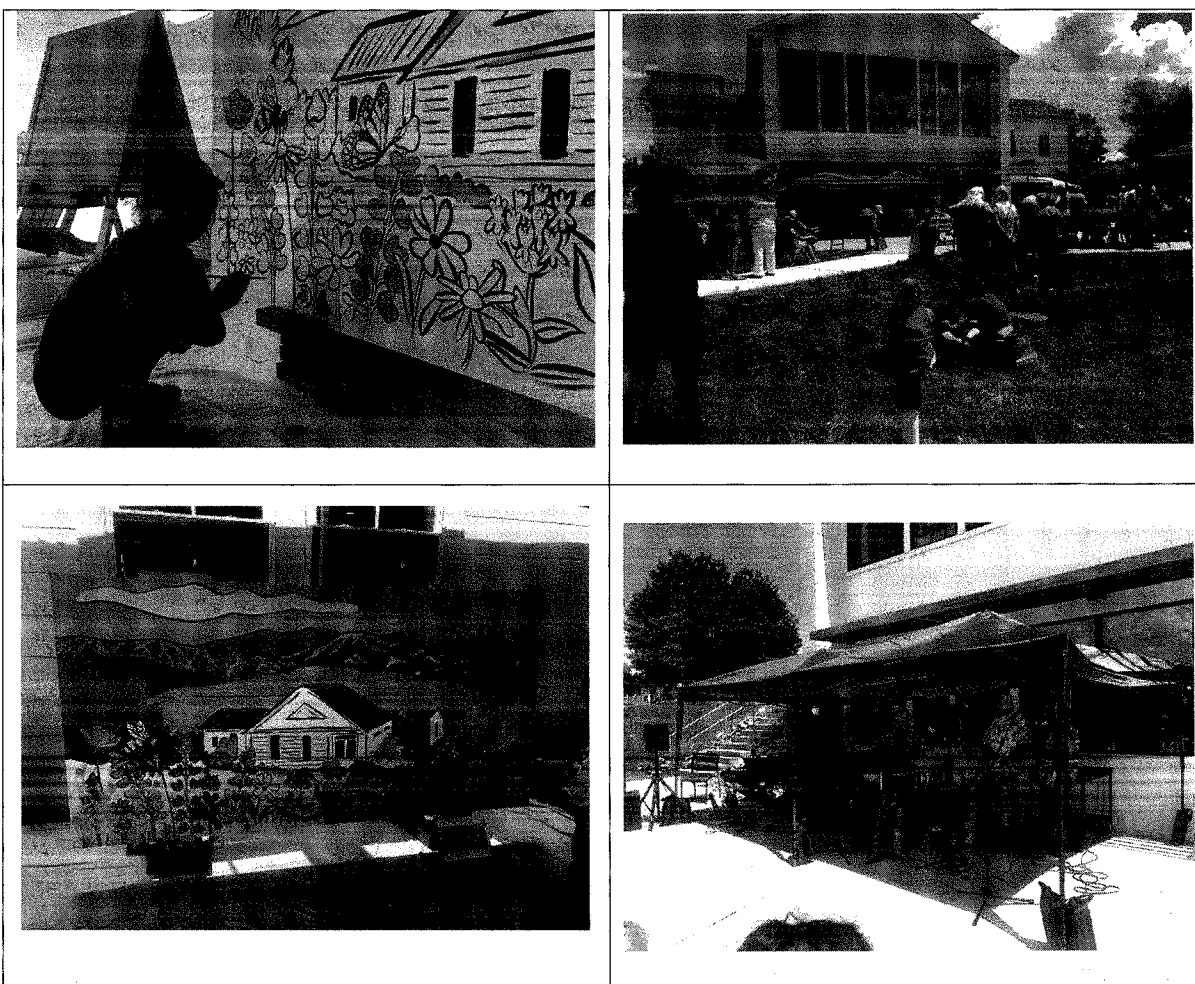
As this report is being written, the space adjacent to the library (the "South Wing") is finally getting finished. This space will house our children's area, storage closets, and an additional community space for meetings & presentations. The Monkton Museum & Historical Society will be setting up space for their collection in what is currently our children's area.

The Library's proposed budget for 2025 is \$53,313 and we are requesting \$38,463 from taxpayers. The tax appropriation is a 13.9% decrease from 2024 due to a \$10,000 transfer of carried over funds. The balance of our expenses will be paid for by grants and donations.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Low, Chair
Cindy Walcott, Treasurer
Janet Fairchild

Theresa Schwegel
Samuel Ludwig, Secretary



Russell Memorial Library by the Numbers:

PATRON LIBRARY VISITS: 3,672

Books Checked Out: 3,387

New Library Cards: 111

GAMES CHECKED OUT: 148

Seed Catalog Visitors: 148

ILL REQUESTS: 121 / ILL LOANS: 96

Monkton Scouts BSA

BSA Troops 525 and 802 were chosen to be part of a pilot program by the Boy Scouts of America, to operate as one coed troop. This is how we have been rolling for a while now so the transition has been a smooth one, even streamlining our adult leadership committee. And although we all roll under the Troop 525 flag, we continue to serve all youth ages 11-17, creating opportunities for youth leadership and character building. Just like in years past, 2024 was full of fun and adventure.

A few chilly days in February, our annual food drive at the recycling center helped to fill local pantry shelves. It also served as good preparation for our winter camping trip to Eden, VT where several scouts built and slept in Quinzees (snow shelters). It is always an empowering experience for the youth, and adults, who participate in this activity.

As springtime sprung, so did the scouting spirit. Members of the troop attended Spring Camporee, where they shared fellowship with scouts from across the state. We helped adorn Monkton's cemeteries with flags on veterans graves in advance of Memorial Day and challenged our primitive camping skills with a weekend backpacking trip to Silver Lake.

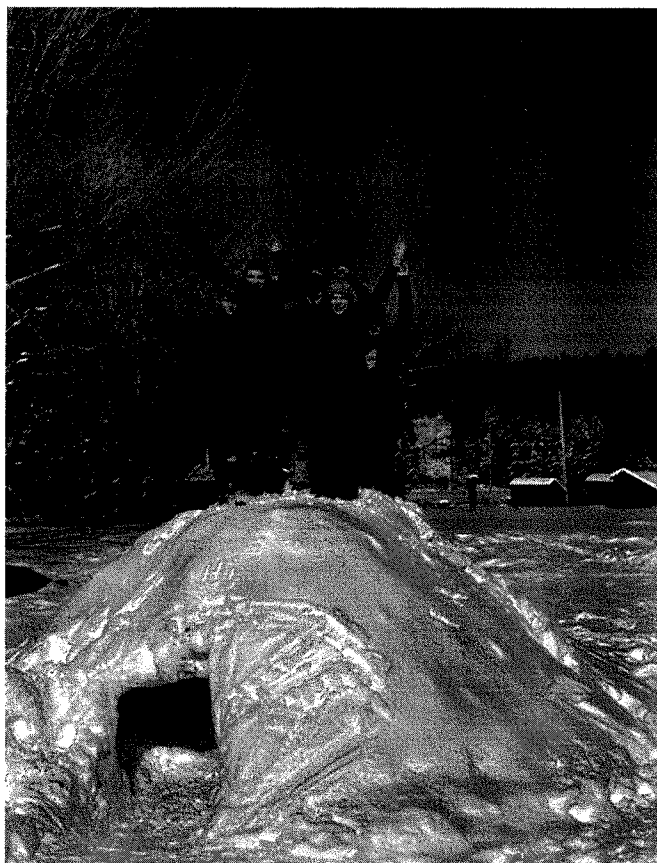
Summertime brought us on a long planned and anticipated trip to Cape Cod, MA. While staying at BSA Camp Greenough, Scouts traveled by bike to nearby beaches and historic sites. We also spent a day deep sea fishing. We returned to Vermont in time for a week's worth of Summer Camp at Mt. Norris. Always a fun time!

In the fall we were grateful for the opportunity to help out The Monkton Fire Department, our new charter organization, at their annual Mud Bogs. Setting up and taking down shade tents and awnings, parking cars and picking up litter are a few jobs the scouts did. We also put on our annual Haunted Trail in the forest behind MCS. The Scouts enthusiasm and creativity behind spooking their community is always impressive. A contingent of Scouts marched in the Scouts Salute to Veterans parade in Brandon, just as the chilly weather was settling in again.

As usual it was another great year for scouting in Monkton. So much of what we do is enabled by the support we receive from this wonderful community. So much thanks for your donations of food, returnables, money and time modeling for these youth what an active, involved and inclusive group of citizens looks like.

Yours in Scouting,

Karen & George Parker
Scoutmasters Troops 802 & 525



SNOW IGLOO WINTER CAMPING #1



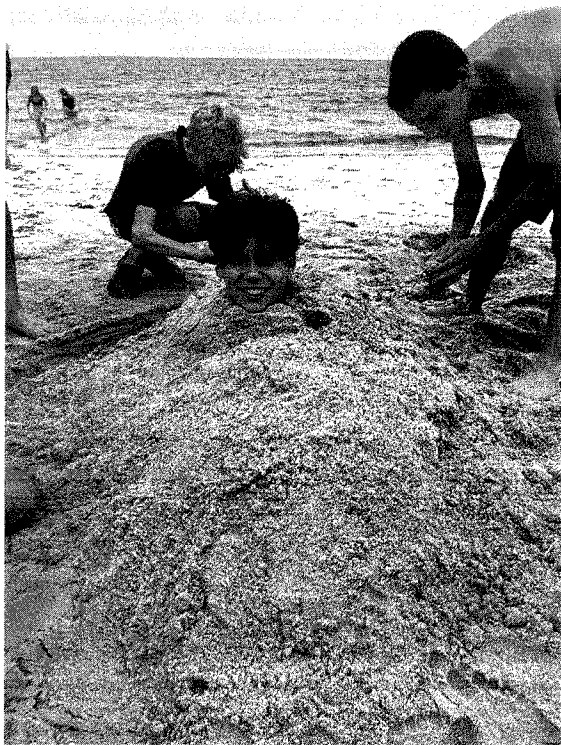
SNOW IGLOO WINTER CAMPING #2



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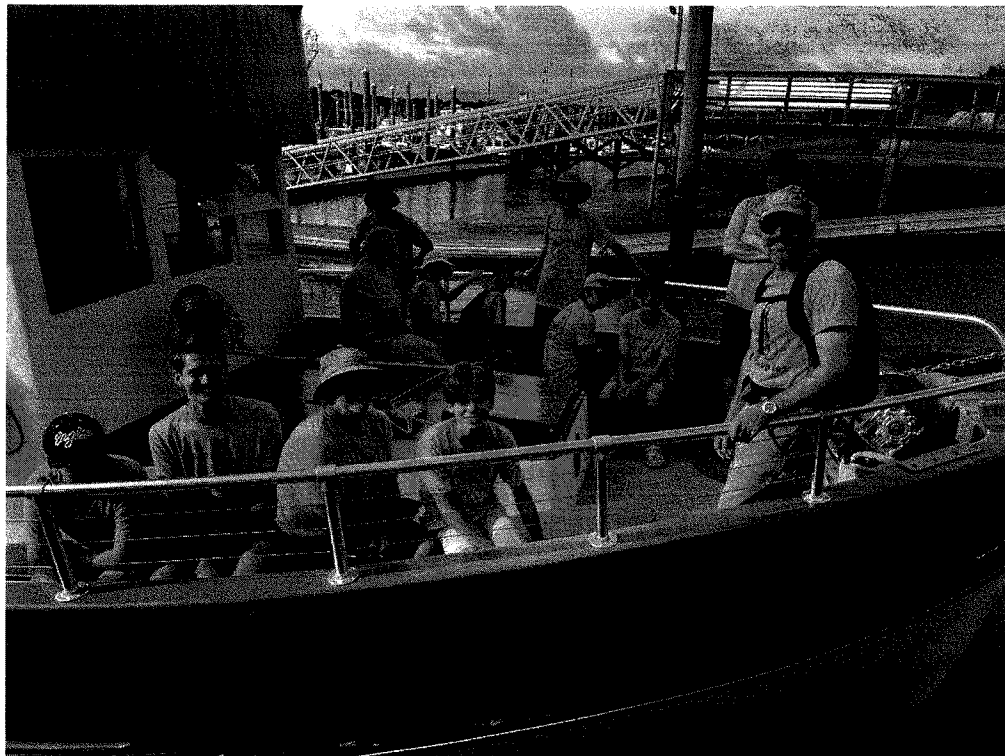
4TH OF JULY PARADE



CAPE COD BEACH FUN



CAPE COD BIKING



CAPE COD FISHING BOAT ADVENTURE

MONKTON MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY TOWN REPORT

The Monkton Museum & Historical Society (MM&HS) remains committed to our mission statement:

Monkton Museum & Historical Society is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and displaying items relevant to Monkton's heritage. We seek to educate and entertain residents, and the interested public, which provides insight to Monkton's past and present for future generations.

To this end, we have met monthly throughout the year in a hybrid fashion of in-person and Zoom meetings. We had a variety of intriguing presenters and we had scanning days, using our new scanner. We are planning a new museum and have an outreach hub in the former 1859 Town Hall vault. We have over 100 members on our Monkton Museum and Historical Society Facebook page and utilize our website www.monktonhistory.org to share calendars and events with the public. We look forward to continuing our presentations, publishing more research, scanning more pictures, gathering more oral histories and passing on the legacy of our Monkton past. We hope to partner in activities with other local historical societies, the East Monkton Church Association and explore, research and revitalize our local cemeteries. We are thankful to live in a community that values its history and supports the MM&HS. Come visit with us on the 3rd Monday of the month. Look for Zoom links on Front Porch Forum, when events are announced.

Our presentations were well attended this year, as we learned of the richness of our local history. In 2024, we heard from fellow Addison County community member Gary Russell about his experiences as an African-American man, teacher and coach living in Vermont. Historian and author Elise Guyette shared her research on African-American families from the Monkton, Hinesburg and Lincoln areas in the 18th and 19th centuries. Jane Williamson, Bo Price and Alicia Grangent talked to us about Stephen Bates, the first black sheriff in Vermont and the journey to get him an official historical Vermont marker in Vergennes, the town where he served for decades. We then heard from locals Teresa Payea and Lee Kauppila about the Cedar Lake Association history. Historian Lucinda Cockrell shared the story of Benjamin Lincoln, namesake of Lincoln, who was second in command to General George Washington. Ironically, Lincoln never visited Vermont. Candace Polzella and Robin Hopps gave a comprehensive history of the Monkton Fire Department that many former and current volunteers attended. Cindy Walcott presented the history of our Monkton Roads and Lauren Parren shared the history of the Dart School. We concluded the year in partnership with the East Monkton Church Association's "Songs of the Season" event. If you were unable to attend these events, and would like to hear one of the talks, we have most of them Zoom recorded

and available on our website. We are excited for our new year and will post the topics of the events, as they are confirmed.

In addition to these presentations, we had two meetings where community members shared their photos and stories for our collection. Look for future sharing dates.

We have created a vibrant community of historians who have been working to illuminate the various histories of the different areas of Monkton. We have hardcopy publications available for purchase about the development of Monkton Ridge and East Monkton. These are also available on our website and here is a link:

<https://www.monktonhistory.org/monkton-self-guided-history-tours/>

We have been planning for the Monkton Museum, working with the Russell Library to utilize space to bring access to our collection for the community. Our most recent donations for the Museum include a sled used in the early 20th century on Monkton Ridge and two scythes used in the fields that the new Monkton Town Hall overlooks. We also have discovered a treasure trove of notes from Leon Bushey, a Monkton historian largely responsible for our official Monkton History book. We are excited to share our findings with the larger community.

We participated in the annual Trunk or Treat sponsored by the Monkton Friends Methodist Church and the Russell Memorial Library. We were excited to make history look interesting to the trick or treaters who may grow up to become MM&HS members.

A big thank you to Bob Wahl and Nina Badger for allowing MM&HS to use the former 1859 Town Hall vault as a welcome launch to our town history. We envision this space will interest visitors to check out the evolving Monkton Museum at the Monkton Town Hall. We also thank Robin Hopps for her service as MM&HS Vice President and Trustee.

We thank you for any interest you have in the MM&HS and hope to meet you, as we share our Monkton History. Please join us in investigating our local history and sharing it with our community. Email us at monktonmhs@gmail.com to become a member. We welcome all Monkton residents and those with Monkton connections or interest to join us in the exciting plans we have for 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen B. Farrell- MM& HS President

Ian Gramling-Secretary

Teri Fitz-Gerald- Board Member & Treasurer

Patrick A. Polzella- Board Member

Addison County Regional Planning Commission

14 Seminary Street Middlebury, VT 05753 • www.acrpc.org • Phone: 802.388.3141

Annual Report –Year End June 30, 2024

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) provided the following services during its 2024 fiscal year:

Regional and Municipal Planning and Mapping

- Worked with Waltham, Ferrisburgh and Addison on Municipal Planning Grants and Starksboro on its village center.
- Worked with Bristol, Lincoln, Shoreham and Salisbury on Bylaw Modernization projects focused on housing.
- Represented the Region in Act 250 and Section 248 hearings.
- Assisted municipalities with Town Plan updates; New Haven, Ripton, Lincoln, Bridport, Addison.
- Supported Middlebury, Vergennes and Ferrisburgh in the Transit Oriented Design (TOD) master plan process.
- Assisted municipalities with housing studies; Shoreham, Bridport, Cornwall.

Educational Meetings and Grants

- Hosted educational workshops on planning topics, including housing, planning essentials and flood resiliency bylaws.
- Wrote or provided information and support to communities and organizations to secure grant funding.
- Participated in Bridport's Community Visit.

Emergency Planning

- Worked with Addison County's Regional Emergency Management Committee (REMC) and Vermont Emergency Management staff to assist with municipal emergency planning and training.
- Helped all communities update Local Emergency Management Plans (LEMPs)
- Completed 2 municipal Local Hazard Mitigation Plans (LHMPs) and initiated plans with 5 additional municipalities
- Updated Mutual Aid agreements for municipal Public Works Departments.
- Completed two Flood Resilient Communities Fund (FRCF) grants.
- Administered one Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant with GMP in Panton
- Assisted Vermont Emergency Management and FEMA with summer flooding response and assistance.

Energy Planning:

- Helped all towns access capacity grants and energy assessments through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program.
- Worked with Efficiency Vermont and municipalities to implement enhanced energy plans.
- Began work rewriting the Regional Enhanced Energy Plan with the Energy Committee.
- Developed an online map of renewable energy resources and siting.

Transportation Planning

- Updated the Addison County Transportation Plan with the guidance of the Transportation Advisory Committee.
- Supported Tri-Valley Transit by providing leadership and technical support.
- Worked with municipalities to reduce road erosion from local roads.
- Assisted Towns with bike and pedestrian, Better Roads and stormwater grants.
- Served as a Municipal Project Manager for projects in Middlebury, Weybridge, Bridport, and Ferrisburgh.
- Conducted traffic and pedestrian studies and hosted the regional Walk/bike council meetings.
- Administered a Planning and Environmental Linkages Study for Vergennes and surrounding communities

Natural Resources Planning

- Actively supported the efforts of the Addison County River Watch Collaborative.
- Worked with municipalities to support conservation commissions.
- Served as the Clean Water Service Provider for the Otter Creek Basin, providing funding for 14 projects.
- Provided educational outreach supporting the Otter Creek Tactical Basin Plan update.
- Assisted in stormwater planning projects and Ecosystem Restoration Program grants.

Brownfields Planning

- Administered EPA-funded Community Wide Assessment grant for 10 brownfield sites

Addison	Bridport	Bristol	Cornwall	Ferrisburgh	Goshen	Leicester
Lincoln	Middlebury	Monkton	New Haven	Orwell	Panton	Ripton
Salisbury	Shoreham	Starksboro	Vergennes	Waltham	Weybridge	Whiting





ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

2024 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 21 member municipalities: Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge and Whiting. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors (Board) comprised of one representative and one alternate appointed by each of the member municipalities. The Board holds hybrid meetings on the 3^d Thursday of the month at 7 PM, and the Executive Board meets monthly 8 days prior to the Board at 4:30 PM. All meetings are open to the public.

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 Stations

Telephone: (802) 388-2333 **Fax:** (802) 388-0271 **Website:** www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org
E-mail: acswmd@acswmd.org **Middlebury Transfer Station Hours:** M-F, 7 AM–3 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM
Office Hours: M-F, 8 AM–4 PM **HazWaste Center Hours:** M-F, 8 AM–2 PM & Sat, 8 AM–1 PM
New Haven Transfer Station Hours: Fri. 7 AM – 2 PM & Sat, 7 AM – Noon

The District Office, Transfer Station and HazWaste Center are co-located at 1223 Rt. 7 South in Middlebury. 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 various other materials for reuse, recycling and composting. A complete list of acceptable items and prices can be found on the District's website. The ACSWMD Regional Residential Transfer Station is located at 100 Kings Way off of 65 Campground Road in New Haven. This facility accepts residential bagged waste and single stream recyclables, as well as food scraps and leaf & yard waste.

2024 Highlights

New Regional Residential Drop-off. On August 16, 2024, the ACSWMD opened a new regional residential solid waste transfer station at 100 Kings Way off of 65 Campground Road in New Haven, VT. This regional facility will serve residents from all 21 member towns of the District. This regional facility, open on Fris. and Sats., can accept a variety of recyclables along with residential bagged Municipal Solid Waste (MSW). While not intended to replace the small-town drop-offs, this facility will offer a sustainable system to provide more comprehensive and accessible service for residents. The District contracted with Champlain Construction for Phase 1 construction, completed in August. JR and Sons will provide a mobile collection system at the site during Phase 1. In Phase 2, the new regional residential transfer station will be constructed and fully staffed, and will accept residential single stream recyclables, food scraps, leaf & yard debris, scrap metal, electronics (E-Waste), MSW, fluorescent light bulbs, tires, books, plastic film/bags, and confidential documents for shredding/ recycling. A new regional HazWaste (HHW) Center on an adjacent lot is planned for Phase 3 to accept HHW and Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) hazardous waste. Design & permitting of the HazWaste Center is in progress.

HHW Extended Producer Responsibility Law. In 2023, Vermont enacted the first-in-the nation Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Extended Producer Responsibility Law. H.67 requires producers of hazardous household products to safely collect and dispose of them. It is the eighth Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) law enacted in Vermont. EPR is a legislative tool that extends a manufacturer's responsibility for its product throughout all lifecycle stages. Under an EPR program, financial and management responsibility for products is shifted away from local governments and back to the manufacturers. The District will continue to participate in numerous planning sessions to implement the new EPR law for HHW along with the VT Agency of Natural Resources and other solid waste planning entities to ensure the success of this critical program. The program goals include a reduction in public sector costs for managing HHW, increased public outreach, and incentives for producers to design products that are less toxic.

2025 Annual Budget

The ACSWMD Board of Supervisors adopted its 2025 Annual Budget, including the Rate Schedule for CY2025, on Nov. 21, 2024. The new rates will take effect on Jan. 1, 2025. As with prior years, the 2025 Annual Budget will be funded by a combination of: (1) tip fees collected at the Transfer Station; (2) a per-ton District Fee on all waste generated within the District and destined for disposal; (3) donations or fees at special events sponsored by the District; (4) the sale of items such as compost bins; (5) grants, if available; (6) profit sharing of scrap metal; and (7) manufacturer EPR reimbursements. **There will be no assessments to member municipalities in CY2025.** The new tip fee for Municipal Solid Waste & Construction/Demo Debris at the District Transfer Station in Middlebury will be **\$156/ton**, an \$8.00/ton increase primarily due to an increase in vendor prices. Rates on a few other items will have nominal changes. For a copy of the 2024 Annual Report and/or adopted CY2025 Rate Sheet, please call the District at 802-388-2333, or e-mail the office at acswmd@acswmd.org. Both documents are also available on the District's website at www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org.

Transfer Station Hours:
Mon-Fri: 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Saturdays: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Addison County Solid Waste Management District

2025 Adopted Rate Schedule

TRANSFER STATION & DISTRICT FEES

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

HazWaste Center Hours:
Mon-Fri: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Saturdays: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

MSW (Trash), Construction & Demolition Debris	.....\$156/ton
Minimum Fee - 100 lbs. or less - mixed debris	.....\$9 load
(Telephone poles must be cut into 10' sections)	
Appliances w/ CFCs (refrigerator, freezer, window A/C, water fountain, vending machine, dehumidifier)	.....\$15/ea.
Commercial-Grade A/C units & outdoor residential A/C units	.....At Cost
Appliances - no CFCs (furnace, washer, dryer, hot water heater, stove, dishwasher, microwave, woodstove, etc.)	.....No Charge
Asbestos, Non-Friable (packaging requirements apply)	.....\$250/ton
Asphalt Shingles and Drywall Recycling	.....\$110/ton
Ashes (wood)	.....\$1/load
Batteries (wet-cell, automotive)	.....No Charge
Batteries (primary cells, small dry-cell, cell phones, rechargeable, button cell, lithium, lithium ion, NiMH, NiCad)	.....No Charge ¹
Books (hard and soft cover) – Residential	.....\$2/load
Business	.....\$80/ton
Clean Wood , brush, branches, (cut into 16" logs if > 6" diameter)	
Residential, up to 1 regular pick-up truck	
or small trailer	.....\$7/load
Large loads or Business	.....\$60/ton
Mulch loading assistance	.....\$10/scoop
Cooking Oil (large quantities call ahead)	.....No Charge
Documents (Secure Destruction), small amounts only	.....No Charge
Electronics (large items or quantities charged by weight at the discretion of the scalehouse operator)	.....\$0.23/lb
Computers, whole systems (includes everything)	.....No Charge (or \$11/ea. ²)
Computers, by piece (monitor or CPU or printer)	.....No Charge (or \$6/pc. ²)
Televisions (Regular size TV)	.....No Charge (or \$7/ea. ²)
(Console size TV)	.....No Charge (or \$15/ea. ²)
Desktop Photocopier	.....\$11/pc.
Small Electronics (Fax, VCR, DVD/CD, Stereo, Telephones, etc.)	.....\$2.50/pc.
Mixed Bag (cords, adapters, CDs, tapes, cassettes, DVDs, chips, cards - grocery bag size)	.....\$5/bag
Film Plastic & Plastic Bags (must meet acceptance criteria, Residential)	.....No Charge
Business limit 1 CY per week or less	.....\$20
Fire Extinguishers – Any size	.....\$5/ea.
Fluorescent Light Bulbs – Compact Fluorescent Lamps	.....No Charge
U-Tube, Circular or Straight Tubes 4 ft. or shorter	.....No Charge (or \$0.35/ea. ³)
Straight Tubes longer than 4 ft.	.....No Charge (or \$0.60/ea. ³)
HID Lamps	.....No Charge (or \$1/ea. ³)
UV, Neon or other Specialty Lamps	.....\$1.95/ea.
Food Waste (Residential, containers up to 5-gal)	.....\$1/ea.
(Business, containers up to 5-gal)	.....\$1.00/ea.
(Business, 32-gallon container)	.....\$15/ea.
(Business, 48-gallon container)	.....\$20/ea.

Hazardous Waste (Residential) – (including all paint)	.....No Charge
Hazardous Waste (Business, VSQG) (including all paint)	.....Actual Cost+\$5 Fee ⁴
Must call for appointment daytime	.....\$2/load
Leaf & Yard Waste (grass clippings, leaves, small twigs) - 3 CY or less	.....\$20/load
Over 3 CY	.....\$2.25/ea.
Light Ballasts (containing PCBs)	.....\$20/CY
Maple Sap Tubing (call for acceptance guidelines, by appointment only)	.....No Charge
Mercury Devices (intact thermometers, thermostats, etc.)	.....No Charge
Motor Oil (Residential, uncontaminated only, 10 gal or less per day)	.....\$1.50/gal.
(Residential > 10 gal), uncontaminated only	.....No Charge
Oil Filters (Residential)	.....\$0.30/ea.
(Business) Individual filters	.....\$13/pail
(Business) 55-gallon pail full	.....\$140/drum
Propane Tanks , 1-lb (Residential)	.....No Charge
1-lb (Business)	.....\$1/ea.
20-lb or larger (grill size, resident or business)	.....\$15/ea.
Recycling – Single Stream Recyclables from Commercial Haulers	.....\$125/ton
Single Stream self-hauled from Businesses - Min. Fee 1 CY or less	.....\$10.00
Single Stream self-hauled from Businesses > 1 CY	.....\$125/ton
Composting Supplies	
Compost Bin	.....\$78/ea.
Kitchen Collectors	.....\$6/ea.
Green Cone Solar Digester	.....\$138/ea.
5-Gallon Green Bucket	.....\$8/ea.
5-Gallon Green Bucket - Pail Only	.....\$2/ea.
Scrap Metal	.....No Charge
Stumps	.....\$15/CY
Textiles (Must be clean, dry and in bags)	.....No Charge
Tires - Passenger Tires	.....\$4/ea.
Large Truck Tires	.....\$12/ea.
Agricultural Tires, Earthmoving Tires, Oversized Tires	.....\$0.20/lb.
Car & Light Truck up to 20" - Large Quantity by the pound	.....\$0.11/lb.

District Fee – \$35/ton on all MSW and C&D disposed of (included in Transfer Station tip fee), and \$10/ton on contaminated soils approved by ANR for use as ADC.

Scale Weights are \$5.00 per vehicle.

¹VT Battery Law - All batteries are collected at no charge.

²VT E-Waste Law – No charge for households, 501(c)(3) charities, school districts, small businesses (10 or < employees) OR 7 or < covered items/visit.

³VT Mercury Lamp Law – No charge for general purpose lamps if 10 or < /per day.

⁴VT Paint Law – No charge for architectural paint. The \$5-per-visit admin. fee will be waived on paint-only loads.

Tel: (802) 388-2333 | Email: acswmd@acswmd.org | AddisonCountyRecycles.org

ACSWMD Town Drop-Off Information

Addison County Solid Waste Management District Residential Drop-Off

Location: 100 Kings Way (off 65 Campground Rd.), New Haven, VT. **Fridays: 7 AM-2 PM, Saturdays: 7AM-Noon**

Hauler: JR & Sons (802) 735-9760



Addison County
Solid Waste Management District
(802) 388-2333, www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org
1223 Rte. 7 S, Middlebury | 65 Campground Rd., New Haven

All town drop-offs accept food scraps, recycling, bagged trash, and seasonally, leaf & yard waste. If in need of a scale weight or bringing a large load, household hazardous waste, and, or, special wastes, please visit the District Transfer Station in Middlebury. For details on rates and other special wastes collected, contact the drop-off directly.

Town Drop-Off Time		Hauler
Addison: 65 VT Rte. 17 West	Saturdays: 9 AM-11 AM	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Bridport: Old Town Landfill, Happy Valley Rd.	Saturdays: 7:30 AM-Noon	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
Bristol: Town Garage on Pine St.	Saturdays: 8 AM-Noon	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Cornwall: 112 School St.	Saturdays: 1 PM-3 PM	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Goshen: Curbside Trash & Recycling	Wednesdays	Dave Sabatini (802) 247-6350
Leicester: 2241 Fern Lake Rd.	1st & 3rd Saturday: 9 AM-Noon	Van Denton (802) 247-8340
Lincoln: 1111 Downingsville Rd.	Saturdays: 8 AM-1 PM	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
Middlebury: 49 Wilson Rd.	Saturdays: 8 AM-10 AM	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Middlebury: 1442 Route 7 S	Tues. & Thurs.: 2 PM-6 PM, Saturdays: 8 AM-Noon	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
Monkton: 4047 States Prison Hollow Rd.	2nd & 4th Saturday: 9 AM-Noon	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
New Haven: 78 North St.	Saturdays: 8 AM-Noon	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Ripton: 333 Peddler's Bridge Rd.	1st & 3rd Saturday: 9 AM-Noon	Warren King (802) 388-4082 Webb & Sons (802) 388-4532, Casella (800) 292-0297
Salisbury: Old Town Landfill, Upper Plains Rd.	Saturdays: 8 AM-1 PM	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Shoreham: 28 School St.	Saturdays: 8 AM-Noon	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
Starksboro: 3904 Rte. 116	1st & 3rd Saturday: 8 AM-11 AM	Acker Waste Management (802) 453-6701
Vergennes: Intersection of Canal & West St. (Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton & Waltham)	Saturdays: 8 AM-Noon, Wednesdays: 2 PM-6 PM	R&L Rubbish (802) 388-6288
Weybridge: 460 Quaker Village Rd.	Saturdays: 9:30 AM-11 AM	Chris Anderson (802) 545-2874 Kimball (802) 545-2891, Casella (800) 292-0297
Whiting: 79 So. Main St.	2nd & 4th Saturday: 9 AM-11 AM	BK Services (802) 779-2950

Emergency Management Report 2024

The job of Emergency Management Director (EMD) is to reduce the threat posed by hazards through mitigation, plan strategies to respond to disasters when they occur, and coordinate with local, State and Federal resources to assist in response and recovery. By way of trying to meet this mission statement the following actions were taken in 2024:

1. Reviewed and updated the Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP). The LEOP exists as a compendium of names, contact information and procedures to follow in the event of an emergency. There are now updated copies of the LEOP at the Monkton Fire Station, the Monkton Central School and the Town Hall.
2. The Town of Monkton has received a grant under the 2021 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program to update our Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP). The plan is currently under review at the State and from there it will be reviewed and approved by FEMA. Thank you to everyone who worked on this plan or attended one of the community outreach events. The LHMP is available on the Town website under Town Services\Emergency Management.

The flooding throughout the State in 2024 is a reminder of the importance of emergency preparation.

The best way to be prepared for an emergency is to make sure you have what you need to shelter in your home for several days. Items to think about would include:

Emergency Food and Water for 3 days
Flashlight with extra batteries
Portable radio with extra batteries
First aid kit
Non-electric can opener
Essential medicines for at least 7 days
Having the ability to heat your house without grid electricity

Monkton is a beautiful and safe town to live in; let's continue to make it as resilient as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Pilcher
Monkton Emergency Management Director

Maple Broadband Communications Union District 2024 Annual Report

As one of Vermont's 9 Communications Union Districts, Maple Broadband is transforming how Addison County towns access the digital world. Our expanding network, powered by local governance and strengthened through strategic partnerships, is bridging digital divides across our 20 member towns: Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge, and Whiting.

2024 Accomplishments

These numbers tell the story of what we can achieve when we work together. Through careful planning and dedicated effort, we exceeded expectations across every measure - from miles of fiber installed to community members engaged:

- Activated 135.9 new miles of fiber service in 2024, for a total of 240.7 miles with available service across portions of 12 towns;
- Nearly 500 customers now receive Maple Broadband service;
- Maple Broadband achieved a 98% satisfaction rate among current customers;
- Awarded \$669,800 in new grant funding;
- Met 100% of construction obligations, under the Vermont Community Broadband Board's grant, on schedule and under budget;
- Engaged over 325 community members through surveys and interviews to guide our strategic improvements.

Our partnership with Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT)/Green Mountain Access continues to expand fiber access throughout our region. In 2024 WCVT:

- Installed over 56 miles of fiber service drops;
- Activated service on over 75 miles of mainline fiber in portions of Addison, Bridport, Bristol, Ferrisburgh, Monkton, New Haven, Starksboro, and Weybridge;
- Converted 1,000+ customers to fiber, with more conversions scheduled daily.

For the expanded version of our Annual Report, including construction plans, maps, and timelines see this link on our website: <https://www.maplebroadband.net/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/FINAL-Maple-Broadband-Annual-Report-2024.pdf>.

MAPLE BROADBAND 2025 Budget

Income:	Budget 2024		2024 Projected	Budget 2025		
Operational Revenue						
Subscriber Payments Received	\$	382,610	\$	376,000	\$	777,920
Installation Fees Received	\$	73,480	\$	56,679	\$	49,030
Dividend Revenue	\$	500	\$	1,394	\$	1,000
Interest Income	\$	60,000	\$	53,000	\$	30,000
Less Low-Income Installation Subsidies	\$	(9,447)	\$	-	\$	(10,000)
Less Low-Income Subscription Subsidies	\$	(9,677)	\$	(550)	\$	(10,000)
Less Allocation for Buried Subsidies	\$	(10,000)	\$	-	\$	(10,000)
Other Miscellaneous Fee Income	\$	-	\$	4,000	\$	-
Sub-Total Operational Revenues	\$	487,466	\$	490,524	\$	827,950
Grants Revenue						
Pre-Construction	\$	733,749	\$	1,292,697	\$	775,261
Construction	\$	4,223,730	\$	2,579,349	\$	1,238,000
Town ARPA Contributions	\$	35,000	\$	35,000	\$	-
VCBB ARPA Match	\$	415,000	\$	415,000	\$	-
BEAD Subrecipient Capacity	\$	-	\$	135,840	\$	-
BEAD	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sub-Total Grants Revenues	\$	5,407,479	\$	4,457,886	\$	2,013,261
Financing						
Financing	\$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	2,000,000
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$	8,894,945	\$	4,948,410	\$	4,841,211

EXPENSES:

Operating Expenses

Advertising and Promotion	\$	15,000	\$	10,500	\$	40,000
Bad debt	\$	11,478	\$	1,793	\$	15,558
Insurance	\$	25,000	\$	16,872	\$	20,000
Marketing	\$	85,000	\$	122,842	\$	65,000
Meals	\$	500	\$	178	\$	350
Pole rentals	\$	59,000	\$	58,587	\$	85,000
Office Supplies	\$	750	\$	617	\$	750
Postage and Shipping	\$	250	\$	13	\$	100
Technology Subscriptions	\$	2,500	\$	5,326	\$	5,500
Payroll Taxes	\$	9,688	\$	8,648	\$	9,253
Wages	\$	108,000	\$	109,890	\$	115,560
Benefits	\$	53,090	\$	42,924	\$	55,000
Professional Services	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Auditing Expense	\$	20,000	\$	20,000	\$	25,000
Financial Administration	\$	25,000	\$	6,213	\$	7,500
Stipends	\$	-	\$	8,000	\$	24,000
Legal Expense	\$	10,000	\$	48,626	\$	35,000
Other Professional Services	\$	5,000	\$	29,595	\$	15,000
Membership Fees	\$	12,500	\$	11,175	\$	15,000
Bank Service Fees	\$	5,000	\$	4,000	\$	6,000
Merchant Credit Card Fees	\$	11,478	\$	4,338	\$	15,558

Website	\$	30,000	\$	1,615	\$	10,000
Travel Expense	\$	3,000	\$	2,360	\$	3,000
Hub utilities	\$	3,500	\$	5,214	\$	8,500
Misc./Admin/Other	\$	2,500	\$	-	\$	2,500
Costs related to obtaining debt	\$	50,000	\$	-	\$	50,000
Debt Service (Interest)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	120,000
Sub-Total Operational Expenses	\$	548,235	\$	519,325	\$	749,130

Construction

Pre-Construction Services						
Detailed Network Design	\$	100,000	\$	29,580	\$	150,000
VPS Design Oversight	\$	120,000	\$	-	\$	-
Permitting/ROW Services	\$	10,000	\$	9,901	\$	20,000
Permitting/ROW Application Fees	\$	5,000	\$	6,590	\$	15,000
GIS Services	\$	5,000	\$	-	\$	-
Make Ready	\$	400,000	\$	110,937	\$	500,000
Construction Costs						
Materials	\$	1,950,000	\$	1,437,354	\$	1,079,089
Freight Costs	\$	7,500	\$	-	\$	7,500
Storage	\$	4,000	\$	3,816	\$	3,816
Construction Labor	\$	4,500,000	\$	3,437,821	\$	2,937,268
Construction Oversight	\$	287,500	\$	160,049	\$	200,000
Other Construction Costs	\$	-	\$	3,470	\$	-
Sub-Total Capital Expenses	\$	7,389,000	\$	5,199,517	\$	4,912,673
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$	8,485,469	\$	5,718,841	\$	5,661,803
NET CHANGE:	\$	409,476	\$	(770,431)	\$	(820,592)

Total Construction Grant Expenses	\$	6,811,500	\$	5,102,841
Total Pre-Construction Grant Expenses	\$	1,035,278	\$	556,967
Total Operational Expenses	\$	90,457	\$	21,306

Beginning Cash	\$	1,077,580.15
Plus: Net Cash Flow	\$	(820,591.98)
Ending Cash	\$	256,988.17

For the purposes of this report we were required to make estimates. These estimates may depend upon the outcome of future events and may need to be revised as circumstances change.

2024 BIRTHS

DOB	CHILDS NAME	PARENTS
02/07/2024	MARSANO, ATLAS JOHN	CONRAD J. MARSANO LYDIA M. SABOURIN
02/22/2024	COUSINO, EMERSON JOY	ELYSE J. COUSINO LEVI R. COUSINO
02/26/2024	CAHILL, HENRY MARK	LAURA F. CAHILL LIAM B. CAHILL
02/29/2024	BOWERS, OLIVIA MAE	JULIA M. BOWERS DAVID C. BOWERS IV
04/13/2024	CONNELL, ELSEY DAVISON	SABRA L. CONNELL RICHARD A. CONNELL
05/05/2024	HUNT, GWENDOLYN LUCIA	DEVON M. O'BRIEN IAN T. HUNT
05/19/2024	BARROWS, EVAN JAMES	MAKAILA A. COTA RYLIE J. BARROWS
06/22/2024	RUSSELL, MARLOWE CLARE	ALLISON C. RUSSELL MICHAEL K. RUSSELL
07/15/2024	MITCHELL, HARRIS JAMES	BROOKE A. MITCHELL BENTON J. MITCHELL
09/28/2024	DE PAULA, LOUEY KAIO MALZAC	KIRSTEN R. MALZAC DE PAULA KAIO C. DAMASCENO DE PAULA
10/01/2024	MCLAM, VICENTE CLIFFORD	ALEJANDRA GOMEZ MCLAM DANIEL MCLAM
12/01/2024	REINHART, CHARLES DAVID	ELLEN M. POST DANIEL R. REINHART

2024 DEATHS

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH
NORMA TEBO	03/21/2024	BURLINGTON, VT
ROLLIN JIMMO	05/13/2024	BRISTOL, VT
VALERIE A. MULLIN	08/16/2024	MONKTON, VT
GEORGE W. WHITNEY JR.	11/3/2024	BURLINGTON, VT
MARY JANE HUIZENGA	11/6/2024	MONKTON, VT
BONITA M. LARROW	11/14/2024	MONKTON, VT
GRAYDON B. STEVENS	12/27/2024	BURLINGTON, VT

2024 MARRIAGES

	DATE OF MARRIAGE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
MARIKATE E. KELLEY MARGARET E. HARVEY	01/06/2024	CHARLOTTE, VT
AMY SUE COLLINS ROGER A. PARKER JR.	01/13/2024	MONKTON, VT
ROBIN Z. TOMPKINS JOHN F. BERRY	01/24/2024	MIDDLEBURY, VT
DAVID D. DARR KAREEN R. OBYDOL-ALEXANDRE	08/17/2024	MONKTON, VT
MICHAELA M. ARMELL KYLE V. ARMELL	09/22/2024	FERRISBURGH, VT

**Mount Abraham Unified School District
(Bristol, Monkton, New Haven, Starksboro)**

The legal voters of the Mount Abraham Unified School District, consisting of the Towns of Bristol, Monkton, New Haven, and Starksboro are hereby notified and warned to meet in person (Mount Abraham Library) on **Monday, March 3, 2025, at 4:30 PM**, to consider and act upon the following articles (Articles 1-9) and to discuss the articles to be voted upon by Australian ballot (Articles 10 - 12). **Legal voters who attend via Zoom may not act upon articles from the floor but may participate for informational purposes only.** The legal voters are further notified and warned that voting on Articles 10 - 12 shall take place by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the official polling places of the respective Towns comprising the district.

Please click the link below to join the Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87999222464?pwd=uVGTE3ZHKc6UqbdAsCbWFrYBQtqoiC.1>

Meeting ID: 879 9922 2464

Passcode: xTE8fl

Dial by your location

1-929-205-6099

1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 879 9922 2464

Passcode: 949024

To be acted upon on Monday, March 3, 2025.

- Article 1: To elect a moderator who shall assume office immediately and serve a one-year term or until the election and qualification of a successor.
- Article 2: To elect a Clerk who shall assume office on July 1, 2025 and serve a one-year term or until the election and qualification of a successor.
- Article 3: To elect Co-Treasurers who shall assume office on July 1, 2025 and serve one-year terms or until the election and qualification of successors.
- Article 4: To establish the salaries for the elected officers of the District.
- Article 5: To authorize the District Board of Directors to borrow money by the issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenues for the fiscal year 2025-2026 per 16 V.S.A. §562(9).
- Article 6: To hear and act upon the reports of the School District directors and officers.
- Article 7: To discuss articles to be voted upon by Australian ballot (Articles 10 - 12)
- Article 8: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.
- Article 9: To adjourn the meeting until 7:00 AM March 4, 2025, when voting by Australian ballot shall commence.

To be voted upon by Australian ballot on March 4, 2025

- Article 10: Shall the legal voters of the Mount Abraham Unified School District authorize the School Board of Directors to transfer an amount not to exceed One Million, Forty Thousand Dollars (\$1,040,000) from the current funds contained within the Capital Reserve Fund into the general fund to pay for expenses to be incurred as part of the Mt. Abraham Union High School roof replacement project? The balance of the Capital Reserve Fund, not including fiscal year 2024 balance, as of June 30, 2024 was One Million, Seven Hundred Seventy One Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$1,771,800).
- Article 11: Shall the legal voters of the Mount Abraham Unified School District authorize the School Board of Directors to deposit Eight Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$819,990) of the District's audited fund balance from fiscal year 2024 into the Capital Reserve Fund? The total audited fund balance from fiscal year 2024 as of June 30, 2024 is Eight Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$819,990).
- Article 12: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend Thirty-Four Million, Eight Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$34,894,443), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? The Mount Abraham Unified School District estimates that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in per pupil education spending of Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty-Eight and Thirty-One Cents (\$14,628.31), which is 2.11% higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.

For the purpose of voting by Australian ballot:

In person voting will be available at local polling places on **March 4, 2025, from 7am – 7 pm**. To request to have an MAUSD absentee ballot mailed to you, please contact your Town Clerk, or use the "My Voter Page" online resource from the Secretary of State which can be found here: <https://mvp.vermont.gov/>. Please make your request for **mailed** ballots to your Town clerk no later than **February 25, 2025**. Absentee ballots must be returned before the close of the Town Clerk's office on the day before the election, or to the polling place before 7:00PM on the day of the election, in order to be counted.

Voters of the Town of Bristol will vote at Holley Hall located at 1 South St, Bristol, VT 05443. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Monkton will vote at the Monkton Town Offices located at 92 Monkton Ridge, Monkton, VT 05469. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

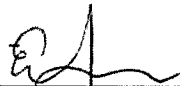
Voters of the Town New Haven will vote at the New Haven Town Hall located at 70 North St, New Haven, VT 05472. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Voters of the Town of Starksboro will vote at the Robinson Elementary School located at 41 Parsonage Rd, Starksboro, VT 05487. The Polls will open on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:00AM and close at 7:00 PM.

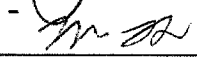
Upon closing of the polls in Monkton, New Haven and Starksboro, the ballot boxes will be sealed, transported to, and re-opened at Holly Hall in the Town of Bristol, where the ballots will be counted and comingled by a tabulator under observation of representatives of the Boards of Civil Authority of the Towns of Bristol, Monkton, New Haven and/or Starksboro under the supervision of the Clerk of the Mount Abraham Unified School District.

The legal voters of the Mount Abraham Unified School District are further notified that voter qualification and registration relative to said meeting shall be as provided in Section 706(u) of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

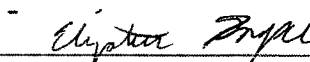
On behalf of the Mount Abraham Unified School District Board of Directors:


Erin Jipner, Chair of the Board

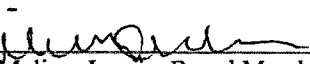
Dated this 30th day of January 2025

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Mike Dash, Board Member, Vice Chair

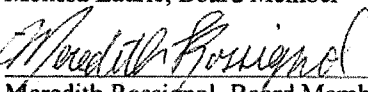
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Liz Sayre, Board Member, Clerk

Dated this 30 day of January 2025

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Melissa Laurie, Board Member

Dated this 30th day of January 2025


Meredith Rossignol, Board Member

Dated this 30th day of January 2025

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Kielee Pelland, Board Member


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Justin Pearson, Board Member

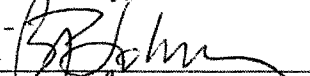
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Barbara Crandall, Board Member

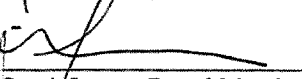
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Kristen Toy, Board Member

Dated this 29 day of January 2025

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Brad Johnson, Board Member

Dated this 29th day of January 2025

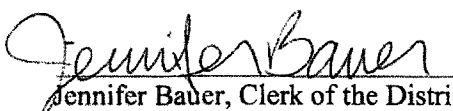
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Sarah Louer, Board Member

Dated this 30th day of January 2025

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Kathi Apgar, Board Member

Dated this ____ day of January 2025

Received for the record and recorded this 30th day of January 2025 by:


Jennifer Bauer, Clerk of the District



WARNING - February 20, 2025 and March 4, 2025

**Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District
Annual Meeting February 20, 2025 and March 4, 2025**

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

The legal voters of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District are hereby warned to meet at the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District, Middlebury, Vermont in said district on February 20, 2025 at 4:00 P.M., to transact and vote on the following business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following officers: a) Moderator b) Treasurer c) Clerk

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

ARTICLE 3: To determine 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 said District will vote to authorize its Board of Directors to allocate its FY24 fund balance as follows: One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) of the school district's fund balance as revenue for the 2025-2026 operating budget.

ARTICLE 5: To do any other business proper to come before said meeting.

A Public Information Hearing will take place immediately following Article 5, to discuss Article 6 (Proposed Budget). The meeting will be recessed until March 4, 2025 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 6: Shall the voters of the Patricia A. Hannaford Regional Technical School District approve the school board to expend \$5,704,280 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? This budget represents an **8.04%** increase over expenses for the current year. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending at the Patricia A. Hannaford Career Center to be **\$34,920** per full-time equivalent student on a 6-semester trailing average. This projected spending per full-time equivalent student is **9.34%** higher than spending for the current year.



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

Addison - Addison Community center 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Bridport - Bridport Community Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Bristol - Holley Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Cornwall - Cornwall Town Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Ferrisburgh - Town Hall and community center 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Middlebury - Middlebury Recreation Center 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Monkton - Monkton Town Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

New Haven - New Haven Town Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Panton - Panton Town Hall 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Ripton - Ripton Community House 8:00 AM-7:00 PM

Salisbury - Salisbury Town Office 8:00 AM-7:00 PM

Shoreham - Shoreham Town Office 7:00 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 Hall 10:00 AM-7:00 PM

Weybridge - Weybridge Town Office 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Dated this 13th day of January, 2025 at Middlebury, Vermont.

Kim Farnham, Board Chair
PAHRTSD

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARNING - 2025

**THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF MONKTON ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND
WARNED TO MEET AT THE MONKTON CENTRAL SCHOOL ON
SATURDAY MARCH 1, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M. FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:**

**ARTICLES 1 AND 7 TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON
TUESDAY MARCH 4, 2025 AT THE MONKTON TOWN OFFICES
POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.**

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

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes on November 17, 2025 by delivery to town hall by that date or postmarked on or before that date?

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters appropriate a total of \$20,849.00 to the following social service agencies?

a) Addison County Community Action Group (Hope)	\$1,250.00
b) Addison County Home, Health & Hospice, Inc.	\$1,946.00
c) Addison County Restorative Justice Services	\$ 550.00
d) Addison County Parent/Child Center	\$1,600.00
e) Addison County Readers	\$450.00
f) AgeWell	\$1,500.00
g) Bristol Family Center	\$250.00
h) Bristol Recreation Dept.	\$2,000.00
i) Counseling Service of Addison County Inc.	\$1,600.00
j) Elderly Services	\$800.00
k) Green Up Vermont	\$150.00
l) Have-a Heart Food Shelf	\$200.00
m) Hinesburg Food Shelf	\$500.00
n) Homeward Bound (Humane Society)	\$250.00
o) John W. Graham Emergency Shelter	\$1,000.00
p) Lewis Creek Association	\$550.00
q) Monkton Mentors Program	\$500.00
r) Open Door Clinic	\$500.00
s) Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	\$198.00
t) Red Cross	\$500.00
u) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	\$460.00
v) Rural Fire Protection Program	\$100.00
w) Tri Valley Transit	\$850.00
x) Turning Point Center of Addison County	\$1,000.00
y) Vermont Adult Learning	\$700.00
z) Vermont Center for Independent Living – Addison	\$195.00
aa) Women Safe Inc.	\$1,250.00

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize General fund expenditures for operating expenses of:

a) General Fund Deficit	\$79,257.90
b) Salaries and General Expenses	\$547,289.44
c) Monkton Volunteer Fire Department	\$125,000.00
d) Bristol Rescue Squad	\$15,880.00
e) Vergennes Area Rescue Squad Inc.	\$4,400.00
f) Russell Memorial Library	\$38,463.38
g) Monkton Museum and Historical Society	\$1,500.00
h) Recreation Fund	\$8,500.00
i) Agricultural and Natural Areas Fund	\$22,500.00
j) Highway Capital Projects Fund	\$35,000.00

for a total of \$877,790.72 of which \$614,080.72 shall be raised by taxes and \$263,710.00 by non-tax revenues?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize Highway fund expenditures for operating expenses of:

a) Highway Fund Deficit	\$37,757.86
b) Highway Expenses	\$1,460,448.23

for a total of \$1,498,206.90 of which \$1,004,647.69 shall be raised by taxes and \$493,558.40 by non-tax revenues?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters approve a sum not to exceed \$114,801.00 for the purchase of a Ford F550 truck.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town of Monkton vote to adopt the Monkton Town Plan 2025-2033 as approved by the Selectboard on December 19, 2024. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

	<u>/s/ Marikate Kelley</u>
Monkton Town Clerk	Marikate Kelley, Vice Chair Selectboard
Received and Recorded	
On : _____	<u>/s/ Joe Szarejko</u>
	Joe Szarejko, Member Selectboard
	<u>/s/ Walter Crandall</u>
	Walter Crandall, Member Selectboard
Attest: /s/ Sharon Gomez	
Sharon Gomez, Town Clerk	<u>/s/John McNerney</u>
Monkton Town Clerk received	John McNerney, Member Selectboard

MONKTON LOCAL ELECTION MARCH 4, 2025

TOWN CLERK - 1 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2026	SHARON M. GOMEZ
TOWN MODERATOR - 1 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2026	JERRY L. SCHWARZ
CONSTABLE - 1 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2026	
MAUSD BOARD - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	KIELEE PELLAND
AUDITOR - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	RANDALL CHARBONEAU
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 1 YEAR REMAINDER OF A 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2026	SAM PEISCH
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 2 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2027	RANDALL CHARBONEAU
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 2 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2027	ANTHONY DELGRECO
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 2 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2027	JOHN DUNHAM
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 2 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2027	MATTHEW HUIZENGA
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	JESSICA DEMERITT
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	SCOTT L GORDON
SELECTBOARD MEMBER - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	TOM STEADMAN
PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	SAMUEL H. BURR
PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	ADAM MILLER
PLANNING COMMISSION - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	
PLANNING COMMISSION - 2 YEAR REMAINDER OF A 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2027	DEBRA SPRAGUE
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	SAMUEL LUDWIG
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 3 YEAR TERM	2025 - 2028	ADAM MCGOWAN

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

8 am to 1 pm

Clerk & Treasurer's Evening Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday

4 pm to 7 pm

Zoning Administrator: 453-3800

Susan Gulrajani

Zoning Adm. Hours:

Monday 8 am to 1 pm

Thursday 8 am to 1 pm

Listers / Accessor: 453-4515

Lisa Burns,

Listers / Accessor Hours:

By Appointment

E-Mails: Town Clerk – townclerk@monktonvt.com

Treasurer - treasurer@monktonvt.com

Select Board - selectboard@monktonvt.com

Zoning Adm - zoning@monktonvt.com

Listers- listers@monktonvt.com

Animal Contr. aco@monktonvt.com

Town website - www.monktonvt.com

Select Board:

Steve Pilcher-chair

Joseph Szarejko

Walter Crandall

John McNerney

Marikate Kelley

Animal Control Officer see website

Delinquent Tax Collector 453-3800

William Joos

Emergency #'s: 911

Fire, Rescue Squad

State Police 388-4919

Town Garage: 453-3263

Town Constable: see website

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: Lisa Boeckman

Hours:

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Friday & Saturday

Meetings:

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

DRB/ Zoning: 2nd & 4th Monday @ 7:30 pm

MM & Historical Society: 3rd Monday @ 7pm

Planning Comm. 1st & 3rd Tuesday @ 7 pm

Post Offices:

Monkton 453-3115

Bristol 275-8777

Hinesburg 482-2292

New Haven 453-2752

No. Ferrisburgh 425-3231

Starksboro 453-3711

Hospitals:

Porter Hospital 388-4701

UVM Medical 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

(e-mail) www.vermont.gov/governor

Attorney General: 802-828-3171

Charity R. Clark

Representatives:

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(e-mail) mcordes@leg.state.vt.us

Herb Olson 802-828-2228

(e-mail) holson@leg.state.vt.us

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(e-mail) rhardy@leg.state.vt.us

Steven Heffernan

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U.S. Senators:

Peter Welch 1-888-605-7270

(e-mail) www.welch.senate.gov

Bernard Sanders 1-800-339-9834

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U.S. Representative:

Becca Balint

(e-mail) www.balint.house.gov

Note: Town Meeting is on the Saturday preceding the first Tuesday of March
Election Day is the first Tuesday of March