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# Town of Wilmington Information

Chartered April 29, 1751

Population 1,876 ~ Altitude 1,580 feet ~ Area 26,624 acres (41.6 sq. miles)

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

**Deerfield Valley Rescue** 

**9-1-1** (**24** hour emergency)

464-5557 (Business Office)

**Fire Department** 

**9-1-1** (24 hour emergency)

464-8022 (Business Office)

**Police Department** 

**9-1-1** (**24** hour emergency)

464-8593 (Business Office - answered 24 hours, 7 days a week with Wilmington

Police responding)

Lobby Hours: 8 am to 5 pm

Lobby Staffed: 8-11 AM and 12-5 PM Saturday-

Wednesday

**Town Website:** 

www.wilmingtonvermont.us

**Town Email:** 

idefrancesco@wilmingtonvt.us

**Administrative Offices** 

464-8591 FAX 464-8477

MON - FRI 8 AM TO 4:30 PM

**Board of Listers Office** 

464-8591 FAX 464-8477

MON - FRI 8 AM TO 4:00PM

dkingsley@wilmingtonvt.us

Deborah Kingsley, Administrator

**Highway Department** 

464-5515 (Town Garage)

Winter Hours: (November - March)

MON - THU: 6:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

FRI: 6:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

SAT - SUN: CLOSED

**Summer Hours: (April - October)** 

MON - THU: 6:00 AM TO 4:30 PM

FRI - SUN: CLOSED

**Library: Pettee Memorial** 464-8557

Website: www.petteelibrary.org

Email: petteelibrary@yahoo.com

Sunday: Noon - 2PM

Monday: 10AM - 4PM

Tuesday: Noon - 6PM

Wednesday: Noon - 6PM

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Thursday: Noon - 6PM

Friday: Noon - 4PM

Saturday: Noon - 4PM

**Schools:** 

**Twin Valley Elementary School** 464-5177

Twin Valley Middle/High School 368-2880

**Superintendent's Office** 

464-1300

**Town Clerk's Office** 

464-5836

Email: wilmclrk@sover.net

M-W: 8:30 am to noon and 1 pm to 4 pm

TH-FR: 8:30 AM TO 4 PM

**Town Nurse** 802-681-8740

jafnurse@yahoo.com

Or call the Town Office 802-464-8591

**Transfer Station** 464-5666

SUN AND FRI: 8 AM TO 3:30 PM

TUES: 12 NOON TO 3:30 PM

**Recycling Facilities** 

Beaver Street 24 Hours

Transfer Station (see hours above)

**Wastewater Treatment Plant** 

464-3862 FAX 464-8348

ilazelle@wilmingtonvt.us

Wilmington Water District 464-3746

Raymond Lavoy, Commissioner

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## Permits and Licenses

Application Forms are available at our website **www.wilmingtonvermont.us.**Look under "DOCUMENTS" on the top menu bar and go to "Applications"

#### **DEPARTMENT NAME AND PERMITS REQUIRED:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**: 464-8591

**Right-of-Way Permit** for new driveways onto town roads or any construction work in town right-of-way.

**Single Trip Over-Width Permit** for any over-width load (anything over 8'6" wide) to travel on Town of Wilmington roads. Permit valid for 1-way trip only.

**Transfer Station Permit** for use of Transfer Station on Miller Road. (Also available at the Transfer Station on Sundays 8 - 3:30 when Administrative Office is closed.)

#### **WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: 464-3862**

**Sewer Permit** for capacity allocation and connection to municipal sewer system.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: 464-8022 Burn Permits required for ALL open air burning of brush, weeds or grass!

Fire Department (M-F) 8am - 5pm. Call first 464-8022 (non-emergency #) to see if fire chief available.

After hours (reasonable please) call VT Forest Fire Warden Richard Covey at 464-7341.

**If no one is available at fire station** (M–F) 8am - 5pm and weekends check at Police Dept. 464-8593 to see if a dispatch staff member is available.

Please pre- plan and thank you for your cooperation.

**TOWN CLERK OFFICE:** 464-5836

**Dog Licenses** for all dogs on or before April 1 of each year. Up-to-date Certificate of Vaccination for Rabies required for licensing. Rabies vaccination is required for all dogs, cats, ferrets, and wolf hybrids.

**Liquor and Tobacco Licenses** required annually to sell liquor and tobacco products. Applications at Town Clerk's office. Liquor licenses must be approved by Selectboard and State Liquor Control Board.

**Marriage Licenses:** Wilmington residents must acquire a license in Wilmington and may marry or unite anywhere in the state. Non-residents may acquire the license from any town clerk in the state and may marry or unite anywhere in the state.

#### **ZONING DEPARTMENT PERMITS:** 464-8591

**Sign Permit** for any new or altered sign.

**Zoning Permit** required for any land development, including new construction, structural alterations and new or additional uses as required by Ordinance.

#### DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR:

**Conditional Uses** 

**Historic Review District Proposals** for any land development, such as new construction, exterior changes, and signs for *ALL* properties located in the Historic Review District.

Flood Hazard Review

Planned Unit Developments (PUDs)

**Rights of Way** (in lieu of 150' footage road frontage requirement for access)

Variances

# 2014 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)	Office/Name	Term Exp (Y	<u>rs)</u>
MODERATOR			CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS		
Robert Fisher	2015	(1)	James R. Burke	2018	(5)
TOWN CLERK			Walter F. White	2019	(5)
Susan Haughwout	2016	(3)	Donna D. Moore	2015	(5)
TOWN TREASURER			Richard Covey	2016	(5)
Christine Richter	2015	(1)	Scott Moore	2017	(5)
SELECTBOARD			SCHOOL MODERATOR		
Jacob White	2016	(3)	Robert Fisher	2015	(1)
James R. Burke	2015	(2)	SCHOOL DIRECTORS		
Thomas Fitzgerald	2016	(2)	Dennis Richter	2016	(3)
Susan Haughwout	2017	(3)	Janna Ewart- Appointed	2015	(2)
Diane Chapman	2015	(3)	Adam Grinold	2017	(3)
BOARD OF LISTERS			Kathy Larsen	2016	(2)
Diane Schipke	2015	(1)	Philip Taylor	2015	(3)
Leonard Chapman	2015	(1)	JUSTICES OF THE PEACE		
Gerald B. Osler	2016	(3)	Rosemarie Blair	2015	(2)
Kay Martin Schwader	2017	(3)	Marcia Dorey	2015	(2)
Lynne Matthews	2015	(3)	Thomas J. Fitzgerald	2015	(2)
FIRST CONSTABLE			Frederick W. Houston	2015	(2)
Peter D. Barton	2015	(1)	Elizabeth McEwen	2015	(2)
SECOND CONSTABLE			Thomas Consolino	2015	(2)
Gary Wax	2015	(1)	Frank Spencer	2015	(2)
GRAND JUROR					
Pat Johnson	2015	(1)			
TOWN AGENT					
Pat Johnson	2015	(1)			
TRUSTEE OF C.C. HAYNE	S FUND				
Carl M. Boyd	2015	(1)			
LIBRARY TRUSTEES					
Margaret Streeter	2018	(5)			
Louis Clark	2019	(5)			
Ann G. Ottaviano	2015	(5)			
Carolyn T. Palmer	2016	` /			
Katrina Martin	2017	(5)			

# 2014 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions APPOINTED OFFICIALS

TOWN MANAGER			Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)
Scott Murphy			WEIGHER OF COAL		
ROAD SUPERVISOR			Peter Morris	2015	(1)
William C. Hunt			SURVEYOR OF WOOD/SHINGLES		
POLICE CHIEF			William B. Adams	2015	(1)
Joseph Szarejko			DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD		
FIRE CHIEF			Debby Dorsett	2015	(3)
Kenneth March			Wendy Manners	2016	(3)
ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF			Vacant	2016	(3)
Richard Covey			Peter Wallace	2017	(3)
FINANCE OFFICER			Vacant	2017	(3)
Christine Richter			DRB ALTERNATES		
HEALTH OFFICER			Paul Tonon	2015	(2)
Craig Ohlson			Margaret Streeter	2015	(2)
DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER			Fred Houston	2015	(2)
Scott Murphy			RECREATION COMMISSION		
ZONING/SIGN ADMINISTRATO	)R		Karen Molina	2015	(4)
Craig Ohlson			Cindy Hayford	2016	(4)
DOG WARDENS			Leitha Cipriano	2017	(4)
Debby Dorsett			Randy Knaggs	2018	(4)
Tanya Sparano			Vacant	2018	(4)
Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)	GREEN UP CO- CHAIRS		
TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN	[		Kathryn Larsen	2015	(1)
Richard Covey	2019	(5)	Rebecca Sweeney	2015	(1)
TREE WARDEN			PLANNING COMMISSION		
Fred J. Skwirut	2015	(1)	Wendy Manners	2015	(4)
ENERGY COORDINATOR			Vincent Rice	2015	(4)
Chuck Clerici	2015	(1)	John Lebron	2016	(4)
SENIOR SOLUTIONS REP.			Carolyn Palmer	2017	(4)
Jennifer Fitzgerald	2015	(1)	Lynne Matthews	2018	(4)
TOWN SERVICE OFFICER			WINDHAM SOLID WASTE DIST. REP.	1	
Joseph Szarejko	2015	(1)	Merrill Mundell	2015	(1)
FENCE VIEWERS			SOLID WASTE ALTERNATE REP.		
William B. Adams	2015	(1)	Thomas Consolino	2015	(1)
Nicki Steel	2015	(1)			

Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)	Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)
MEMORIALHALL BOARD			BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE		
Selma Schiffer	2015	(1)	Alice Greenspan	2015	(4)
Barbara Lipstadt	2015	(1)	Keith Herbert	2015	(4)
Kathleen Wallace	2015	(1)	Cheryl LaFlamme	2015	(4)
Alan Greenspan	2015	(2)	Katy Little	2015	(4)
Jeanne MacDougall	2015	(2)	Lee Schindel	2015	(4)
Alice Greenspan	2015	(3)	Fred Skwirut	2015	(4)
Mark O'Maley	2015	(3)	Celia Weissman	2015	(4)
WINDHAM REGIONAL COMM	IISSIONERS		Mary Wright	2015	(4)
Thomas Consolino	2015	(1)	Vacant	2015	(4)
Vacant	2015	(1)	Vacant	2015	(4)
TRAIL COMMITTEE			Vacant	2015	(4)
John Greene	2015	(4)	BI-TOWN ECONOMIC DEV. COMM		
Robert Fisher	2015	(4)	Ryan Holton		
Christa Gannon	2016	(4)	Jim Burke		
Ann Ottaviano	2016	(4)	Heidi Taylor		
Spencer Crispe	2017	(4)	Gretchen Havreluk		
Joe Arnold	2017	(4)			
Gary Henry	2018	(4)			
TRAIL COMMITTEE ALTERN	ATES				
Tim Hunt	2017	(4)			
John Gannon	2018	(4)			

# Vacancies in Town and School Offices

To Be Elected By Australian Ballot at Town Meeting March 3, 2015

OFFICE (Term)	INCUMBENT	CANDIDATES
TOWN MODERATOR (1)	Robert Fisher	
TOWN TREASURER (1)	Christine Richter	Christine Richter
SELECTBOARD (3)	Diane Chapman	
SELECTBOARD (2)	James Burke	
LISTER (3)	Lynne Matthews	
LISTER (1) (Vote for 2)	Len Chapman Diane Schipke	
FIRST CONSTABLE (1)	Peter D. Barton	
SECOND CONSTABLE (1)	Gary Wax	
GRAND JUROR (1)	Pat Johnson	
TOWN AGENT (1)	Pat Johnson	
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (5)	Donna Moore	
LIBRARY TRUSTEE (5)	Ann Ottaviano	
CC HAYNES FUND TRUSTEE (1)	Carl M. Boyd	
SCHOOL MODERATOR (1)	Robert Fisher	
SCHOOL DIRECTOR (3)	Philip Taylor	

Timothy Cunningham-resigned

Janna Ewart-Appointed

SCHOOL DIRECTOR (2)

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## 2015 W A R N I NG ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

## Wilmington, Vermont Tuesday, March 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington are hereby notified and warned to meet in the former High School Gymnasium in said Wilmington, Vermont, at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 04, 2014, to consider and act on the following articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot (Voting for all Australian Ballot articles will be held in the former High School Gymnasium in said Wilmington, Vermont, on March 04, 2014, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.)

- Article 1: To elect all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of the Town. (Australian Ballot -Polls open 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.)
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report.
- Article 3: To see what date or dates will be set for the payment of taxes (8/14/15 and 2/26/16).
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,866,389 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2016 (7/1/15 to 6/30/16).
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,167,098 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2016 (7/1/15 to 6/30/16).
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$150,000 for the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000 for the Memorial Hall Capital Fund
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 to fund the Playground Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 11: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 21st day of January 2015.

#### Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington

James Burke, *Chairman*Diane Chapman, Vice Chair
Susan Joy Haughwout, *Clerk*Jacob White
Thomas Fitzgerald

# Town of Wilmington Special Meeting Warning March 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the former High School Gymnasium in the Town of Wilmington on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) in the forenoon (a.m.), at which time the polls will open, and seven o'clock (7:00) in the afternoon (p.m.), at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following Article of business:

#### ARTICLE 1

Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Wilmington in an amount not to exceed Two Million One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,130,000), subject to reduction from available state and federal construction grants-in-aid and other financial assistance, be issued for the purpose of constructing wastewater collection and treatment facility improvements, such improvements estimated to cost Two Million One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,130,000)?

The legal voters and residents of the Town of Wilmington are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Selectboard, of the Town of Wilmington held on January 21, 2015. Received for record and recorded in the records of the Town of Wilmington on January 22, 2015.

Town of Wilmington By Its Selectboard:

James Burke, Chair Diane Chapman, Vice Chair Susan Joy Haughwout, Clerk Jacob White Thomas Fitzgerald

# **Façade Improvement Grants**

PROPERTY	OWNER	PROJECT COST	REQUEST AMOUNT	APPROVED AMOUNT	OWNER CONTRIBUTION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
	Round 1					
	TK Properties					
9 S Main St	South Main, LLC	17,000	5,000	5,000	12,000	Construction minor
19 E Main St	Kathleen Kelly	9,700	5,000	0	4,700	construction/painting/ landscape
48 N Main St	TK Properties North Main, LLC	6,500	2,500	2,500	4,000	Paint/Shutters/ fencing/lighting
10 W Main St	Crafts Inn	36,000	5,000	5,000	31,000	Porch roof repair
179 VT RTE 100 N	North Star Bowl/ Steve Butler	10,180	5,000	5,000	5,180	Painting/ replace clapboards
7 W Main St	Leslie & Herbert Burdett	10,850	5,000	5,000	5,850	Porch & stair construction
225 Rte 9 W	RH Log Works, LLC	10,020	5,000	0	5,010	Deck w/ railings/ replace sign
26 W Main St	Albert Wurzberger	6,700	5,000	5,000	1,700	Replace clapboards and paint
14 E Main St	Ann Herrmann	3,600	2,700	2,700	900	Stone wall
6 N Main St	Edward Erhard	15,800	5,000	5,000	10,800	Replace clapboards and paint
	Totals Round 1	126,350	45,200	35,200	81,140	
	Round 2					
18 N Main St	Old Red Mill Inn	8575.77	5,000	5,000	3575.77	Renovation of Entrance
25 S Main St	Meg Donahue Gallery 25 South Main	8765	5,000	5,000	3765	Repair Clapboards/paint sign
	Totals Round 2	17340.77	10,000	10,000	7340.77	
	Round 3					
35 W Main St	West End Antiques	5669.19	4,251.19	4,251.19	1418.00	Repair clapboards and paint
21 W.M. C.	The Feel Dir.	050	500	500	250	G:
31 W Main St	The Fashion Plate  Totals of All Rounds	850 <b>150,209.96</b>	500 <b>59,951.19</b>	49,951.19	350 90,248.77	Signage

## 1% Local Option Tax Fund Usage

<b>Events</b>	Fund

Events FY 13	<u>Fund</u>					
F Y 13 -	Vietnem Vets Moving Well	\$2,00	Λ			
-	Vietnam Vets Moving Wall Respect the Receptacle	\$2,00 \$54				
-	July Village Stroll	\$90 \$90				
_	ITV Fest	\$2,00				
	II v I est	Ψ2,00	TOTAL	\$5,440		
FY 14			TOTAL	φυ,ττο		
-	DVFDA-Fireworks	\$2,00	0			
_	Doggie Palooza	\$84				
_	Quilt Show	\$90				
_	WW Bright Lights	\$2,00				
_	Pumpkin Fest	\$42				
_	WW Winter Stroll	\$63				
_	Fiddlehead Festival	\$2,00				
_	MH Board-2 Events	\$1,55				
		Ψ1,00	TOTAL	\$10,359		
FY 15			101112	420,000		
	July Village Stroll	\$90	0			
_	Blueberry Fest	\$75				
-	Doggie Palooza	\$1,00				
_	Uncommitted at this time	\$7,35				
		+ - ,	TOTAL	\$10,000		
Events	<b>Programs Spent and Committed</b>	Since Inception			\$25,799	
	1% Local On	tion Tax Fund l	Expenditures fr	om Applicants		
-DVFD	A-Fair Fireworks	\$3,0				
-CERT	Trailer	\$8,0				
-WW D	Downtown Dual Trash Receptacles	\$14,0	00			
-RT 100	0 Barrels & Banners	\$9,9	95.40			
-TV Al	umni Assoc	\$2,5	500			
-WW C	Gateway signs	up to \$20,0	000			
-Busine	ess Broadband Internet	\$20,0	000			
-Oxbov	w Rest Area Improvements up to	\$5,0	000			
				TOTAL	\$82,545	
	Expenditures					
-FY 20	15 Wilmington Works	\$25,0	00			
-FY 20	15 SeVEDS	\$5,6				
-Revolv	ving Loan Outstanding	\$6,0	00		¢27.739	
Facade	e Improvement Grants				\$36,628	
	ached list				\$49,951	
Total	Spent and/or Committed				<u>\$194</u>	,823
Total &	Monies Dessived Cines Inscritis	_		ĆE60 4E0		
rotai N	Monies Received Since Inception	ı		\$560,450		

Current Balance as of 12/30/2014

\$408,936

### TOWN OF WILMINGTON 2014 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ABSTRACT MARCH 4, 2014

ARTICLE 1: Elected all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of

the Town

**ARTICLE 2:** Voted to accept the Town Report.

**ARTICLE 3:** Voted to set the payment of taxes on 8/15/14 and 2/27/15.

ARTICLE 4: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,248,347 to care for the expenses and

liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2015 (7/1/14 to 6/30/15).

**ARTICLE 5:** Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,303,675 to care for the expenses and

liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2015 (7/1/14 to 6/30/15).

ARTICLE 6: Voted to raise and appropriate \$225,000 for the Town Road Equipment Reserve

Fund.

ARTICLE 7: Voted to raise and appropriate \$150,000 for the Fire Department Equipment

Reserve Fund.

**ARTICLE 8:** Voted to raise and appropriate \$25,000 for the Memorial Hall Capital fund.

**ARTICLE 9:** Voted to raise and appropriate \$12,000 for the Library Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 10: Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the Playground Capital Reserve Fund.

**ARTICLE 11:** Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 for the Town Hall Capital Fund.

ARTICLE 12: Voted to create a Tax Stabilization Policy for new or expanding businesses pursuant

to

24 VSA § 2741.

**ARTICLE 13:** Voted <u>not</u> to create an Emergency/Disaster Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to 24

VSA § 2804,

**ARTICLE 14:** Voted <u>not</u> to raise any money for an Emergency/Disaster Capital Reserve Fund.

**ARTICLE 15:** Voted to allow optional electronic delivery of the Annual Town Report pursuant to

24 VSA § 1682.

ARTICLE 16: Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,000 for general budget support of the Pool

Learning Center.

**ARTICLE 17:** Transacted non-binding business.

PREPARED MARCH 6, 2014

ATTEST:

SUSAN JOY HAUGHWOUT WILMINGTON TOWN CLERK

DATE: MARCH 6, 2014

Town of Wilmington 2014

	Comparative Budget Report								
	Budget	Sections S	Summary	- Actual Co	osts to To	wn			
		Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Budget FY16					
1	Total Net Budget	2,815,469.17	2,973,022.00	3,421,487.28					
3				Proposed	Net	% Change			
3	Account	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Budget FY16	Difference	FY15 to FY16			
4	Town Clerk								
5	Funds needed	78,358.72	83,676.00	87,111.78					
6	Revenues	42,382.60	32,500.00	32,500.00					
7	net	35,976.12	51,176.00	54,611.78	3,435.78	6.71%			
8	Listers								
9	Funds needed	73,247.41	79,592.00	111,269.76					
10	Revenues	29,892.58	27,915.00	30,415.00					
11	net	43,354.83	51,677.00	80,854.76	29,177.76	56.46%			
12	Police Department								
13	Funds needed	499,034.53	436,049.00	457,296.95					
14	Special appropriation	15,000.00	0.00	0.00					
15	Revenues	105,799.92	68,100.00	67,100.00					
16	net	408,234.61	367,949.00	390,196.95	22,247.95	6.05%			
17	Fire Department								
18	Funds needed	153,605.20	168,205.00	183,161.48					
19	Special appropriation	100,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00					
20	Revenues	20,098.00	18,798.00	19,198.00					
21	net	233,507.20	299,407.00	313,963.48	14,556.48	4.86%			
22	Transfer Station								
23	Funds needed	112,818.52	123,249.00	126,852.47					
24	Revenues	69,039.31	73,500.00	74,300.00					
25	net	43,779.21	49,749.00	52,552.47	2,803.47	5.64%			
26	Library								
27	Funds needed	105,991.28	108,149.00	109,500.00					
28	Special appropriation	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00					
29	Revenues	5,118.84	2,265.00	2,265.00					
30	net	112,872.44	117,884.00	119,235.00	1,351.00	1.15%			
31	Memorial Hall								
32	Funds needed	30,124.02	21,725.00	21,350.00					
33	Special appropriation	10,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00					
34	Revenues	3,067.00	3,500.00	2,800.00					
35	net	37,057.02	43,225.00	43,550.00	325.00	0.75%			
36	Recreation Commission								
37	Funds needed	14,703.96	13,613.00	11,996.00					
38	Revenues	4,382.00	4,500.00	650.00					
39	net	10,321.96	9,113.00	11,346.00	2,233.00	24.50%			

# Comparative Budget Report (continued)

40	Account	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Net Difference	% Change FY15 to FY16		
41	Cemetery							
42	Funds needed	20,000.00	30,000.00	38,000.00				
43	Social Services Agencies							
44	Funds needed	34,231.81	36,198.00	36,198.00				
45	All Other							
46	Funds needed	1,074,238.01	1,186,321.00	1,241,597.47				
47	Special appropriation	84,358.46	47,448.00	46,933.00				
48	Revenues	701,603.30	845,800.00	374,650.00				
49	net	456,993.17	387,969.00	913,880.47	525,911.47	135.56%		
50	Highway							
51	Funds needed	1,378,514.37	1,437,975.00	1,408,748.37				
52	Special appropriation	150,000.00	225,000.00	200,000.00				
53	Revenues	149,373.57	134,300.00	241,650.00				
54	Net	1,379,140.80	1,528,675.00	1,367,098.37	-161,576.63	-10.57%		

	General Fund, Special/Capital Appropriations & Highway								
		Total Budg	et Except Sew	er					
		Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16			
1	Total Budget	4,036,660.00	3,946,226.29	4,184,200.00	4,267,404.28	83,204.28			
2	Total Revenue	-839,863.00	-1,130,757.12	-1,211,178.00	-845,528.00	365,650.00			
3	Amount to be raised via property tax	3,196,797.00	2,815,469.17	2,973,022.00	3,421,876.28	448,854.28			
4	FY 16 Estimated tax rate	0.4845		0.4493	0.5015				
5	using estimated Grand List								
6									
7	Base GF Budget Expenditures	2,249,156.00	2,196,353.46	2,286,777.00	2,424,722.91	137,945.91			
8	HW Budget Expenditures	1,575,516.00	1,528,514.37	1,662,975.00	1,608,748.37	-54,226.63			
9	One-Times and Reserve Accounts	211,988.00	221,358.46	234,448.00	233,933.00	-515.00			
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11									
12	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16			
13	TOWN OFFICES								
14	Moderator, Election Officer, Ballot	1,200.00	600.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	0.00			
15	Selectboard	6,300.00	5,400.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	0.00			
16	TOWN CLERK								
17	Salary Town Clerk	42,647.00	42,646.76	43,926.00	45,243.78	1,317.78			
18	Assistant Town Clerk	25,605.00	25,621.47	28,250.00	31,868.00	3,618.00			
19	Supplies & Postage Town Clerk	1,800.00	1,767.50	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00			
20	TC Training/Expenses	2,200.00	1,878.18	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00			
21	Taping Town Meeting	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	0.00			
22	Recording Supplies/Materi	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,200.00	-200.00			
23	Copier/Computer/Office Eq	1,500.00	1,502.40	1,500.00	1,900.00	400.00			
24	Election Supplies/Postage	300.00	300.00	300.00	100.00	-200.00			
25	Animal Rabies Control Sup	400.00	434.41	400.00	400.00	0.00			
26	Vote Tabulator prog/maint	1,500.00	1,004.00	3,000.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00			
27	Digitization Grant	0.00	204.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
28	Treasurer								
29	Town Treasurer	4,105.00	4,104.88	4,228.00	4,354.84	126.84			
30	Finance Officer	45,485.00	45,484.92	46,850.00	48,255.50	1,405.50			
31	Listers								
32	Assistant Salary	46,206.00	45,741.56	47,592.00	49,019.76	1,427.76			
33	Lister Training	250.00	125.00	250.00	250.00	0.00			
34	Lister's Salaries/Expense	12,000.00	6,638.42	10,250.00	15,000.00	4,750.00			
35	Mapping	2,500.00	2,125.75	3,000.00	5,000.00	2,000.00			
36	Grievance Costs/GMA	4,000.00	1,500.00	2,500.00	5,000.00	2,500.00			
37	Yearly Grand List Main -	12,000.00	14,603.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	15,000.00			
38	Appraisal Supplies/Comput	1,500.00	1,513.68	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00			
39	Reappraisal Comm - Everet	3,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	10,000.00	6,000.00			

40	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
41	Town Manager					
42	Salary TM	71,500.00	71,500.00	73,645.00	75,854.35	2,209.35
43	Expenses TM	1,400.00	1,636.07	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
44	Postage/Supplies/Equipmen	5,500.00	4,090.08	5,500.00	5,300.00	-200.00
45	Official Meeting Expense	225.00	265.36	225.00	225.00	0.00
46	Mileage Reim	250.00	0.00	900.00	1,000.00	100.00
47	Administrative Secretary	36,488.00	34,442.72	37,583.00	36,354.00	-1,229.00
48	Zoning Administrator	39,748.00	36,025.51	40,940.00	43,496.90	2,556.90
49	Receptionist/Admin Assist	24,864.00	18,653.98	18,000.00	18,540.00	540.00
50	Reconciliation Analyst	250.00	157.56	250.00	250.00	0.00
51	Ads Non-Zoning	750.00	382.95	650.00	650.00	0.00
52	Comp.Support/Equipment	7,000.00	2,867.10	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
53	Telephone/Internet	6,000.00	6,079.91	6,100.00	6,100.00	0.00
54	Tax Bills printing/envelo	4,000.00	4,988.27	4,000.00	4,500.00	500.00
55	Tax Sale Expenditures	750.00	324.49	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
56	Admin/SB Training/Expense	1,500.00	550.77	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
57	Copier - Administration	2,500.00	3,188.15	2,500.00	3,000.00	500.00
58	Cemetery Expenditures	20,000.00	20,000.00	30,000.00	38,000.00	8,000.00
59	Zoning,DRB, SBA					
60	Training/expense	300.00	253.57	500.00	500.00	0.00
61	Advertising	300.00	1,008.29	800.00	800.00	0.00
62	Postage/Materials	50.00	175.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
63	POLICE DEPARTMENT	65 112 00	CF 111 00	67.065.00	(0.07(.05	2.011.05
64	Chief	65,112.00	65,111.80	67,065.00	69,076.95	2,011.95
65	Sworn Payroll	189,834.00	177,380.24	189,834.00	199,220.00	9,386.00
66	COPS Grant	5,000.00	26,453.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
67	Part-Time Payroll	6,000.00	14,390.42	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
68	Dispatchers	50,000.00	56,094.66	55,000.00	55,000.00	0.00
69	Overtime	17,800.00	26,626.72	17,800.00	22,000.00	4,200.00
70	Outside Employment	14,500.00	18,537.28	14,500.00	14,500.00	0.00
71	Cruiser Replacement	23,418.00	24,759.61	25,250.00	29,750.00	4,500.00
72	Cruiser Operation/Maint	26,500.00	39,371.59	26,500.00	26,500.00	0.00
73	Photographic Equipment	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
74	Uniform Purchase	2,000.00	1,521.35	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
75	Uniform Maintenance	1,400.00	1,586.62	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
76	Firearms Ammunition	750.00	779.00	950.00	950.00	0.00
77	Radar	500.00	520.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
78	Telephone	4,800.00	5,982.97	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
79	Postage	600.00	301.68	450.00	350.00	-100.00
80	Office Supplies	1,250.00	1,995.95	1,250.00	1,200.00	-50.00
81	Office Equipment	400.00	136.80	250.00	250.00	0.00
82	Equipment Maintenance	1,750.00	5,715.67	1,750.00	2,500.00	750.00
83	Computer Hard & Software	750.00	892.89	750.00	750.00	0.00
84	Statewide Record Database	8,000.00	8,827.57	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
85	Copier PD	1,250.00	1,719.68	1,550.00	1,600.00	50.00
86	Inservice Training	2,000.00	1,492.19	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00

87	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
88	Training Aids & Materials	500.00	1,490.19	500.00	500.00	0.00
89	Community Awareness	150.00	241.34	150.00	150.00	0.00
90	Radio Maintenance	1,500.00	1,530.50	1,000.00	1,500.00	500.00
91	Equipment Replacement	2,500.00	12,525.95	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
92	Association Fees	250.00	110.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
93	Chief's Expenses	400.00	280.28	400.00	400.00	0.00
94	PD Safety Compliance	250.00	59.40	250.00	250.00	0.00
95	Investigation costs	750.00	919.23	750.00	750.00	0.00
96	Prisoner Transport	1,800.00	804.20	1,000.00	900.00	-100.00
97	PD Alarm	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
98	Towing	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
99	Applicant Advertising	50.00	575.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
100	Asset Forfeiture Purch	0.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
101	CDBG Grant PD/FD Relocati	0.00	10,682.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
102	FIRE DEPARTMENT					
103	Chief's Salary	48,695.00	48,794.88	50,156.00	51,660.68	1,504.68
104	Asst. Chief's Salary	2,000.00	2,000.04	2,060.00	2,121.80	61.80
105	Labor	21,000.00	16,797.00	21,000.00	30,000.00	9,000.00
106	Officers salary	2,000.00	1,733.16	2,000.00	2,060.00	60.00
107	Emerg Op Center Personnel	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	750.00	-250.00
108	Electricity	2,500.00	2,465.20	2,400.00	2,475.00	75.00
109	Telephone	2,150.00	2,524.56	2,400.00	2,525.00	125.00
110	Firefighter Assoc	700.00	649.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
111	Administrative costs	1,950.00	1,843.83	1,950.00	1,900.00	-50.00
112	Training/Incentives	4,500.00	700.00	4,000.00	3,750.00	-250.00
113	FD Radio Maintenance	2,000.00	2,810.27	2,000.00	2,500.00	500.00
114	Code Compliance	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
115	Air Packs	3,500.00	2,548.80	5,600.00	5,600.00	0.00
116	Water Rent	1,000.00	1,000.90	1,100.00	1,000.00	-100.00
117	Sewer Rent	350.00	315.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
118	Fire Alarm	300.00	187.50	300.00	250.00	-50.00
119	Truck Maintenance	6,000.00	10,952.83	6,000.00	8,000.00	2,000.00
120	Gas & Oil	2,500.00	1,266.70	2,500.00	2,000.00	-500.00
121	Building Maintenance	3,000.00	2,696.59	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
122	Extinguisher - Recharge	300.00	138.70	300.00	275.00	-25.00
123	Equipment, New & Replacem	4,500.00	2,167.57	4,500.00	4,000.00	-500.00
124	Helmets, Boots, Coats	3,000.00 1,600.00	5,216.18 308.84	3,500.00 1,600.00	4,500.00 1,200.00	1,000.00
125	Hose Foam	350.00	0.00	350.00	·	-400.00
126 127	Heating Oil - Fire Dept	5,470.00	4,617.08	5,470.00	350.00 5,250.00	-220.00
127	Fire Prevention	250.00	368.56	250.00	250.00	0.00
128	Travel Expenses	2,000.00	997.01	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
130	Dispatch Assessment Wilmi	37,215.00	36,627.00	37,215.00	39,152.00	1,937.00
131	Disp Assess Searsburg	3,941.00	3,878.00	4,204.00	5,242.00	1,038.00
131	FEMA Fire Grant - Hose	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
132	PEMA FIR GIAIR - HOSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

133	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
134	GREEN MOUNTAIN BEACH			9		
135	GMB Mowing	1,000.00	990.00	1,000.00	1,100.00	100.00
136	Maintenance & Improvement	500.00	968.50	500.00	5,500.00	5,000.00
137	Toilets	1,225.00	780.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
138	INSURANCE					
139	Employment Practices	4,000.00	5,217.31	4,000.00	5,700.00	1,700.00
140	Liability, Prop & Auto	45,000.00	49,224.83	45,000.00	55,000.00	10,000.00
141	Public Officials Liabilit	3,000.00	3,025.83	3,000.00	3,200.00	200.00
142	Firemens Disability	1,250.00	1,203.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
143	Workers Comp.	27,000.00	25,260.97	27,000.00	27,000.00	0.00
144	HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES					200.00
145	Town Nurse	14,708.00	15,341.81	14,708.00	14,708.00	0.00
146	Senior Solutions	450.00	450.00	450.00	350.00	-100.00
147	Hospice	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	0.00
148	Morningside	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	0.00
149	Health Care & Rehabilitat	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	0.00
150	R.S.V.P.	400.00	800.00	400.00	200.00	-200.00
151	Windham Cty Youth Service	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
152	Womens Crisis Center	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
153	V Nurse Alliance/W Crisis	5,562.00	5,562.00	5,562.00	5,562.00	0.00
154	Gathering Place	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
155	SEVCA	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	-500.00
156	Deerfield Valley Comm Car	750.00	750.00	750.00	1,550.00	800.00
157	Windham Cty Humane Societ	500.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	-250.00
158	DV Food Pantry	500.00	500.00	500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
159	Windham Child Care Associ	500.00	500.00	500.00	750.00	250.00
160	Kids Country Day Care	4,185.00	4,185.00	4,185.00	3,685.00	-500.00
161	DV Comm Partnership	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
162	Pool Learning Center	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	2,500.00	-500.00
163	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	47.000.00		47.000.00	47.000.00	
164	Social Security	65,000.00	64,708.23	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00
165	Health Care	200,825.00	198,783.54	201,000.00	250,000.00	49,000.00
166	Disability/Life Ins	4,750.00	4,772.79	5,800.00	5,500.00	-300.00
167	Retirement	40,220.00	37,979.30	39,000.00	40,000.00	1,000.00
168	Employment Security	500.00	1,462.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
169	Uniforms	0.00	21.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
170	Groundskeeper	6,695.00	6,342.74	6,896.00	7,102.88	206.88
171	TRANSFER STATION Operator/Papild Maint	22.060.00	21 040 10	22 040 00	24 067 47	1.010.47
172	Operator/Build Maint	32,960.00	31,848.19	33,949.00	34,967.47	1,018.47
173	WCSW Assessment	22,525.00 1,300.00	16,615.47	25,000.00	25,924.00	924.00 50.00
174 175	Electricity/Heat	,	1,583.34	1,300.00	1,350.00	
176	Telephone WCSW Assessment	450.00 22,525.00	970.94 16,615.47	550.00 25,000.00	550.00 25,535.00	535.00
177	Electricity/Heat	1,300.00	1,583.34	1,300.00	1,350.00	50.00
1//	Licenteny/11cat	1,500.00	1,303.34	1,300.00	1,330.00	30.00

178	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
179	Post Closure Expense	3,200.00	0.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	0.00
180	Tire Recycling	750.00	303.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
181	Transport	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
182	Disposal & Containers	60,000.00	59,246.95	58,000.00	60,000.00	2,000.00
183	Maint/Improve/Supplies	1,000.00	2,250.63	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
184	Legal/Professional/Audit					
185	Legal Fees - Tax Sale	0.00	512.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
186	Legal-General Matters	7,000.00	14,734.15	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
187	Legal-Zoning enforcement	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	750.00	-250.00
188	Legal-Human Resources	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
189	Legal Fees-VCOM	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
190	Zoning Appeals	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
191	Audit	22,100.00	14,500.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	0.00
192	Legal Roads	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
193	Engineering Roads	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
194	LIBRARY					
195	Library	0.00	2,288.28	2,265.00	0.00	-2,265.00
196	Library Appropriation	103,703.00	103,703.00	105,884.00	109,500.00	3,616.00
197	Memorial Day	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
198	MEMORIAL HALL					
199	Electricity	1,000.00	2,021.88	1,350.00	1,300.00	-50.00
200	Water Rent	1,200.00	1,014.10	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
201	Sewer Rent	650.00	630.00	650.00	650.00	0.00
202	Maintenance	2,400.00	9,099.01	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
203	MH Grounds	800.00	760.50	800.00	800.00	0.00
204	Heat	5,000.00	9,446.98	6,000.00	5,500.00	-500.00
205	Fire Alarm/Phone	1,300.00	802.98	1,100.00	1,000.00	-100.00
206	MH Insurance	3,100.00	3,280.51	1,700.00	1,800.00	100.00
207	MH cleaning/janitorial	525.00	413.06	525.00	700.00	175.00
208	Marketing	1,500.00	2,655.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
209	Planning Commission					
210	Municipal Planning Grant	0.00	6,120.94	2,100.00	0.00	-2,100.00
211	Windham Regional Dues	3,339.00	3,339.00	3,339.00	3,500.00	161.00
212	Zoning Rewrite	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
213	Manuals/Resource material	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
214	Public Notices	200.00	72.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
215	Postage	50.00	62.56	50.00	50.00	0.00
216	Training Expenses	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
217	RECREATION COMMISSION					0.00
218	Elemen. Program Director	2,215.00	3,270.46	2,300.00	2,500.00	200.00
219	Elemen. Counselors	3,250.00	4,469.90	4,500.00	2,446.00	-2,054.00
220	MS Program Director	3,265.00	3,363.00	3,363.00	3,200.00	-163.00
221	MS Counselors	2,200.00	1,900.60	2,000.00	2,600.00	600.00
222	Adult & Jr. Soccer	300.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	-200.00

223	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
224	Elemen. Programs	950.00	950.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
225	MS Supplies	750.00	750.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
226	Drama Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
227	D V Farmers Day Assn	4,425.00	4,425.00	4,425.00	4,425.00	0.00
228	Fireworks/Events	10,500.00	8,500.00	10,500.00	8,750.00	-1,750.00
229	Portable Toilets	3,400.00	3,060.00	3,400.00	3,200.00	-200.00
230	Green-Up Day	75.00	57.00	75.00	75.00	0.00
231	Beautification Committee	16,282.00	15,826.11	2,932.00	2,932.00	0.00
232	Flowers/Barrels	0.00	0.00	16,000.00	17,600.00	1,600.00
233	Tennis Courts	500.00	165.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
234	Valley Youth Sports	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
235	SELECTPERSONS CONTINGENO					
236	Grant Match Funds/Assistance	100,000.00	13,424.90	100,000.00	75,000.00	-25,000.00
237	Misc.	3,000.00	2,089.39	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
238	Economic Development	52,500.00	40,479.10	52,500.00	52,500.00	0.00
239	Street Lights	11,750.00	11,599.18	11,750.00	12,000.00	250.00
240	County Court	30,582.00	32,035.00	30,582.00	35,200.00	4,618.00
241	TOWN HALL					
242	Electricity	6,200.00	8,276.56	6,200.00	7,500.00	1,300.00
243	Heat	5,400.00	5,593.90	5,400.00	8,200.00	2,800.00
244	Supplies	1,500.00	1,225.42	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
245	Fire Alarm	1,100.00	650.00	1,000.00	900.00	-100.00
246	Water Rent	2,000.00	1,255.60	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
247	Sewer Rent	900.00	834.75	900.00	900.00	0.00
248	Maintenance	6,000.00	1,672.57	6,000.00	5,500.00	-500.00
249	Elevator	2,000.00	2,100.00	2,000.00	2,100.00	100.00
250	Janitorial & Carting	6,500.00	6,817.00	6,600.00	6,600.00	0.00
251	Town Reports	2,500.00	3,164.31	3,000.00	3,150.00	150.00
252	Vermont League Dues	2,689.00	2,689.00	2,901.00	2,982.00	81.00
253	Wilmington School User Fe	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00
254	Wilmington Water District	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	0.00
255	WWD Merger/Acquisition	2,500.00	1,550.63	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
256	Web Site	600.00	804.15	600.00	800.00	200.00
257	Subtotal ONE-TIME, SPECIAL AND	2,249,156.00	2,249,156.00	2,196,353.46	2,286,777.00	90,423.54
258	CAPITAL					
259	Demolition of Garage	0.00	9,375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
260	Garage Bond	41,860.00	41,855.46	41,448.00	40,933.00	-515.00
261	Town Hall Cap	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
262	Memorial Hall Capital	10,000.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
263	Playground Capital	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
264	Police Officer Reserve Fu	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
265	Library Capital	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
266	Fire Department Equipment	100,000.00	100,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00
267	Dover/Lobbyist	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
268	SEVEDS	5,628.00	5,628.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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269	Subtotal	211,988.00	211,988.00	221,358.46	234,448.00	13,089.54
270	24.000					
271	Total General Fund	2,461,144.00	2,461,144.00	2,417,711.92	2,521,225.00	103,513.08
		Budget			Proposed	Change FY15 to
272	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	FY16	FY16
273	Highway Salaries	305,086.00	306,106.77	314,239.00	323,666.17	9,427.17
274	Highway Superintendent	58,000.00	58,111.31	59,740.00	61,532.20	1,792.20
275	Unscheduled Overtime	36,500.00	26,833.57	36,500.00	36,000.00	-500.00
276	Social Security	29,760.00	29,006.71	31,400.00	32,300.00	900.00
277	Health Insurance	155,400.00	148,423.55	164,646.00	165,000.00	354.00
278	Disability Insurance	2,750.00	2,755.81	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
279	Retirement	20,980.00	20,010.26	21,000.00	22,600.00	1,600.00
280	Uniforms	3,900.00	2,874.41	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
281	Fire Alarm	1,000.00	500.00	1,000.00	900.00	-100.00
282	Workers Comp	22,000.00	18,645.52	22,000.00	23,000.00	1,000.00
283	Culverts	11,750.00	15,224.86	12,750.00	15,000.00	2,250.00
284	Rails	2,500.00	12,138.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
285	Chloride	23,000.00	33,820.04	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00
286	Gravel/Stone/Fabric-Misc	120,000.00	82,423.02	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
287	Resurfacing	217,000.00	214,343.21	270,000.00	200,000.00	-70,000.00
288	Salt	48,000.00	43,109.19	48,960.00	63,900.00	14,940.00
289	Sand	70,000.00	71,837.40	68,000.00	70,000.00	2,000.00
290	Snow Removal	32,000.00	56,790.00	32,000.00	36,000.00	4,000.00
291	Sidewalks/Park n Ride	44,800.00	18,646.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
292	Signs	2,400.00	1,392.78	2,400.00	2,200.00	-200.00
293	Crack Sealing	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00	3,000.00	-1,500.00
294	Stabilization/Fabric/Hay	1,500.00	3,609.54	1,500.00	2,000.00	500.00
295	Maintenance to Equipment	50,500.00	53,200.58	54,000.00	57,000.00	3,000.00
296	Fuel	70,000.00	68,906.25	77,000.00	77,000.00	0.00
297 298	Rental/Contracted	13,500.00 900.00	2,843.07 435.20	6,000.00 900.00	5,000.00 500.00	-1,000.00 -400.00
298	Training Electricity	2,700.00	4,186.58	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
300	Tools & Supplies	18,500.00	16,107.84	19,050.00	19,900.00	850.00
301	Personal Protective Equip	1,500.00	408.71	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
302	Telephone	1,750.00	2,705.43	1,750.00	2,100.00	350.00
303	Insurance - Vehicles/Bldg	19,000.00	25,139.97	20,000.00	21,000.00	1,000.00
304	Computer/Office Supplies	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
305	Water Rent	0.00	847.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
306	Sewer Rent	890.00	850.50	890.00	900.00	10.00
307	Bldg/Maint/Improvements	500.00	4,249.02	500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
308	Heating	7,000.00	6,275.98	7,000.00	6,500.00	-500.00
309	Pagers	800.00	756.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
310	Bridge Rehab CH	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
311	Bldg/Maint/Improvements	500.00	4,249.02	500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
312	Heating	7,000.00	6,275.98	7,000.00	6,500.00	-500.00
313	Pagers	800.00	756.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
314	Bridge Rehab CH	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
315	Sidewalk Study TAP TA14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
316	TRE Appropriation	150,000.00	150,000.00	225,000.00	200,000.00	-25,000.00
317	Total Highway	1,575,516.00	1,528,514.37	1,622,975.00	1,608,748.37	-54,226.63
318						
319	Total General Fund & Highway	4,036,660.00	3,946,226.29	4,184,200.00	4,267,404.28	83,204.28

	REVENUES						
	Tot	al Revenues Ex	cept for Sewer		<u> </u>		
					Proposed	Change	
1	General Fund Revenues	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Budget FY16	FY15 to FY16	
2	Interest Del Taxes	44,000.00	42,178.85	48,000.00	44,000.00	-4,000.00	
3	Penalty Del Taxes	54,300.00	54,954.46	54,300.00	54,300.00	0.00	
4	TransCanada Payment	43,000.00	44,205.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5	Misc Grants	3,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	
6	Municipal Planning Grant	0.00	7,317.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	
7	Glebe Land	22,500.00	24,340.77	22,500.00	25,500.00	3,000.00	
8	GF Dog/Liquor Licenses	3,250.00	3,434.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00	
9	Zoning/Septic fees	13,000.00	29,016.15	18,000.00	25,000.00	7,000.00	
10	Zoning Enforcement Fee	200.00	0.00	250.00	200.00	-50.00	
11	Permit Recording Fees	400.00	429.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	
12	Land Sales/Redemptions	13,500.00	371,306.04	13,500.00	10,000.00	-3,500.00	
13	Misc. Administ. Income	100.00	1.60	100.00	100.00	0.00	
14	Misc Income	0.00	454.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	
15	Act 60-Grand List Admin	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00	
16	PILOT Payment	8,000.00	9,658.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00	
17	State Education Fund	18,000.00	19,223.13	18,000.00	19,200.00	1,200.00	
18	Listers income	415.00	414.08	415.00	415.00	0.00	
19	Reapp State/Parcel Paymen	27,500.00	29,478.50	27,500.00	30,000.00	2,500.00	
20	Land Use	28,000.00	31,734.00	28,000.00	31,700.00	3,700.00	
21	Administrative WWTP	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	0.00	
22	Town Clerk Fees	35,000.00	42,382.60	32,500.00	32,500.00	0.00	
23	Fees & Fines - Police	52,000.00	47,337.55	52,000.00	48,000.00	-4,000.00	
24	Sale of Cruiser	2,750.00	3,795.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
25	Misc Police Income	500.00	2,244.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	
26	PD Outside Employment Inc	11,000.00	12,846.09	11,000.00	12,000.00	1,000.00	
27	PD Alarm Registration Fee	3,900.00	2,600.00	3,100.00	2,600.00	-500.00	
28	COPS Grant	0.00	14,779.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	
29	DUI Enforcement Grant	8,000.00	3,513.70	2,000.00	0.00	-2,000.00	
30	Governor's HW Safety Gran	0.00	8,435.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	
31	GHSP Equip Grant	16,800.00	10,248.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	
32	CDBG Grant Co-Relocation	0.00	5,713.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
33	Fees - Town of Searsburg	16,798.00	16,798.00	16,798.00	16,798.00	0.00	
34	Somerset	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	
35	Misc Fire Department	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	
36	Hazardous Cleanup Income	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
37	LF Metal Recycling	2,500.00	2,472.41	3,500.00	2,800.00	-700.00	
38	Transfer Station Fees	70,000.00	66,566.90	70,000.00	71,500.00	1,500.00	
39	Library repayment	9,450.00	5,118.84	2,265.00	2,265.00	0.00	
40	Elementary Program Fees	1,000.00	3,425.00	3,500.00	0.00	-3,500.00	
41	MHS Fees	650.00	957.00	1,000.00	650.00	-350.00	
42	Mem Hall Cleaning	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
43	Memorial Hall Rent	1,000.00	1,350.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	
44	Memorial Hall Event Donat	2,500.00	1,717.00	2,500.00	1,800.00	-700.00	
45	Interest GF	9,000.00	8,711.24	9,000.00	8,500.00	-500.00	
46	Transfer from Garage Capital	0.00	44,176.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	
47	Surplus	0.00	0.00	590,000.00	102,000.00	-488,000.00	
48	Subtotal General Fund	531,963.00	531,963.00	981,383.55	1,076,878.00	95,494.45	

1	Highway Revenues	Budget FY14	Actual FY14	Budget FY15	Proposed Budget FY16	Change FY15 to FY16
2	Permits	500	488.00	500.00	450.00	-50.00
3	State Aid	132000	137,163.73	132,000.00	137,000.00	5,000.00
4	Grant Income		10,345.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
5	Park n Ride Grant	41300	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	Paving Grant		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Misc. Income	800	910.61	800.00	900.00	100.00
8	Interest - Road	2300	466.23	1,000.00	800.00	-200.00
9	Surplus	131,000.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
10	Subtotal Highway	307,900.00	307,900.00	149,373.57	134,300.00	-15,073.57
11	Total General Fund & Highway	839,863.00	839,863.00	1,130,757.12	1,211,178.00	80,420.88



Bill Hunt & Jeff Longe receiving an award for Snowplowing Safety- Photo by B. Hunt

	CAPITAL AC	COUNT ACT	ΓΙVΙΤΥ	
	BRIDGE REHABILITATION	TOWN ROAD EQUIPMENT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	TOWN TRAILS RESERVE FUND
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	25,026	238,332	3,800	10,359
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	0	225,000	0	C
INTEREST	88	920	3	27
OTHER RECEIPTS	61,4100	00	0	150
TOTAL	25,114	464,252	3,803	10,536
EXPENDITURES	1,575	208,158	200	6,069
DEBT SERVICE	00	0	0	C
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	23,539	256,094	3,603	4,467
EXPENSE ITEMS				HTW Trail Bridges
	TOWN HALL CAPITAL	MUNICIPAL RECORDS RESERVE	PD ASSET FORFEITURE	ANIMAL CONTROL
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	23,504	32,446	1,576	15,628
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	5,000	0	0	0
INTEREST	65	135	1	61
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	14,615	0	1,663
TOTAL	28,569	47,196	1,577	17,352
EXPENDITURES	14,329	10,999	1,441	605
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	14,240	36,197	136	16,747
EXPENSE ITEMS		Record Digitization	Cruiser Internet	
	PLAYGROUND	MEMORIAL HALL CAPITAL	SEWER CAPITAL	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	9,598	23,779	467,157	218,363
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	1,000	25,000	0	150,000
INTEREST	6	21	1,323	764
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	13,018	37,471	0
TOTAL	10,604		505,951	369.127
EXPENDITURES	0		15,715	0
DEBT SERVICE	0		0	0
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	10,604		490,236	369,127
EXPENSE ITEMS	10,00-1		New Truck	303,127
	BEAUTIFICATION FUND	REAPPRAISAL		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	5,698			•
RECEIPTS:	2,000	==,00:		
TOWN APPROPRIATION	0	0		
INTEREST	21			
OTHER RECEIPTS	0			
TOTAL	5,719	_		
EXPENDITURES	3,/19			
	0	,		
DEBT SERVICE				
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	5,719	0		

CAPIT	CAPITAL ACCOUNTS EARNING INTEREST ONLY						
	REVENUE SHARING	SCHOOL FIELD	DRY HYDRANT GRANT	FIRE HOUSE CAPITAL			
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	984	1020	1,854	10,591			
INTEREST	1	1	7	6			
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	985	1,021	1,861	10597			
	HOUSING CAPITAL	PD CONFLICT RESOLUTION	DAVENPORT LEGACY	ENERGY EFFICIENCY RESERVE			
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/14	2,704	7	425	8640			
INTEREST INCOME	10	0	0	31			
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	2,714	7	425	8671			

## Long Term Debt

### Garage Bond

Interest At 2.6%

10 Year Bond

\$35,000 Per Year For The First 8 Years \$30,000 Per Year For The Final 2 Years

#### Year 4

Balance Due as of 7/1/14 \$270,000.00 2014-15 Payments \$35,000.00

Balance as of 6/30/15 \$235,000.00

## Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade

Interest at 0% 5 Year Bond

Balance Due as of 7/1/14 \$13,900.00

First Payment Due 11/1/2019

## Status of Revenue Sharing

January 1, 2015

Balance \$985.56 Restricted Funds (Green Mountain Beach) 504.00 Unrestricted Funds 481.56

	Sewer Fund							
	2 Year Comparison							
	Budget Actual Budget							
1	Account Revenues	<u>FY - 14</u>	<u>FY - 14</u>	<u>FY - 15</u>				
2	Sewer Rents Income	223,752.00	229,963.62	253,959.00				
3	Other Revenues	3,600.00	5,689.15	3,600.00				
4	Surplus	23,000.00	0.00	0.00				
5								
6	Total Revenues	250,352.00	235,652.77	257,559.00				
7 8	Expenses							
9								
10	Wages	102,020.00	101,214.24	104,894.00				
11	<b>Employee Benefits</b>	67,562.00	58,690.27	67,965.00				
12	Plant	49,750.00	44,242.31	49,700.00				
13	Supplies	6,500.00	3,712.18	6,500.00				
14	Compost/Bio Testing	3,000.00	2,643.15	3,000.00				
15	Composting Expense	3,500.00	933.50	3,000.00				
16	Sludge Maintenance	6,500.00	3,576.65	6,000.00				
17	FEMA/Irene Expenditures	0.00	17,100.00	0.00				
18	Total Expenditures	250,352.00	247,898.81	257,559.00				

## **DELINQUENT SEWER POLICY**

# Town of Wilmington Adopted January 24, 2007

Understanding that it can be difficult for people to pay their town sewer taxes, it is the responsibility of all to pay their required share or others have to pay higher sewer taxes to make up the difference. This policy is designed to give clear instructions as to how to avoid being delinquent, a system by which people can become whole if they become delinquent, and the steps the town of Wilmington will take if a taxpayer does not meet their obligations to the town and the other citizens.

Postmarks with date taxes are due are accepted as on-time payments.

Each month sewer taxes are delinquent the town will send a notice to the delinquent taxpayer. Interest is added on the fifteenth day of each month before the notice is mailed. An 8% penalty is added after the March installment.

If the taxpayer has two installments delinquent the town will notify the taxpayer of the date by which full payment must be received or payment arrangements made. Expected tax sale costs once a tax sale process begins, and /or other methods' costs will also be included. It is the responsibility of the delinquent tax payer to respond to the notice or the town will initiate the steps to collect either by taking the property to tax sale or utilizing other statutory methods to collect payment. Payment arrangements may be agreed-to provided it will pay the bill in full within 1 year. Current taxes will also need to be paid in full as they become due. A signed contract must be filed with payment arrangements. Under this plan the partial payments will be applied proportionally to principal, interest, and penalty (if any).

If no arrangement is made by specified date or taxpayer defaults on contract then either tax sale proceedings will be started and/or the town will utilize other statutory methods to collect payment.

If the town utilizes a tax sale the town will begin the following actions to sell as much of the property as is necessary to pay the delinquent tax, and fees:

The collector will proceed with the tax sale according to the procedures specified in 32 V.S.A., section 5252.

Costs of preparing and conducting the sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer.

All penalty and interest charges are used by town to defer cost of sending delinquent notices and other expenses related to collecting delinquent taxes.

Tax abatement is a process by which a taxpayer may ask to have his or her taxes lessened, moderated or diminished. Sewer tax abatement request goes to the board of selectmen. For information on abatement of sewer taxes see Vermont Statute 24 V.S.A., section 5147.

Delinquent Sewer Rents as of 12/16/14							
Name Years Amount Due Name Years Amount Due							
Todd Gareiss	2013-14	333.86	TK Property North Main*	2013-14	1,501.77		
David Harrower*	2013-14	312.11	TK Property South Main*	2013-14	1,187.71		
Lorri Lackey	2013-14	333.86	Gleennice Weinburg*	2012-14	980.49		
LH Ponchos LLC 2013-14 2,543.81							

\*These taxpayers are on payment plans to payoff taxes in 1 year.

## **DELINQUENT TAX POLICY**

## **Town of Wilmington**

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Postmarks are accepted as on-time payments.

Paying up-coming taxes by installment to avoid delinquency is acceptable.

Once taxes are delinquent a warrant is filed with the collector of delinquent taxes.

Each month taxes are delinquent the tax collector will send a notice to the delinquent taxpayer. Interest is added on the first day of each month before the notice is mailed. Town–approved interest rate is one per cent per month for the first three months and thereafter one and one-half percent per month starting from the due date of each installment. An 8% penalty is added after the February payment is missed. When a taxpayer is delinquent, unless he/she is on an agreed-to payment plan, any payment made will be applied first to outstanding interest and penalties. Any remaining payment will be applied to the principal.

If the taxpayer is 1 full year delinquent the collector will notify the taxpayer of the date by which full payment must be received or payment arrangements made. Expected tax sale costs once a tax sale process begins, or other methods' costs will also be included. It is the responsibility of the delinquent tax payer to respond to the notice or the town will initiate the steps to collect either by taking the property to tax sale or utilizing other statutory methods to collect payment. Payment arrangements may be agreed-to provided it will pay the bill in full within 1 year. Current taxes will also need to be paid in full as they become due. A signed contract must be filed with payment arrangements. Under this plan the partial payments will be applied proportionally to principal, interest, and penalty (if any).

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If the town utilizes a tax sale the tax collector will begin the following actions to sell as much of the property as is necessary to pay the delinquent tax, and fees:

The collector will proceed with the tax sale according to the procedures specified in 32 V.S.A., section 5252.

Costs of preparing and conducting the sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer.

All penalty and interest charges are used by town to defer cost of sending delinquent notices and other expenses related to collecting delinquent taxes.

Tax abatement is a process by which a taxpayer may ask to have his or her taxes lessened, moderated or diminished. Abatement request goes to the board of abatement, which is made up of the board of civil authority plus the listers and town treasurer. For information on abatement of taxes see Vermont Statute 24 V.S.A., section 1535.

## Taxes Owed as of 1/1/15

## Two or more payments delinquent

Name	Amount	Year(s)	Name	Amount	Year(s)
Julio & Marc Bruno	465.57	2013-14	Terri & Ronda Gilbert	3,909.53	2013-14
Patricia Chapman*	5,590.96	2013-14	Jarred Green*	5,586.90	2013-14
Kenneth Clark*	1,385.00	2013-14	Delores Greene	2,464.62	2013-14
Andrew Cook*	3,805.43	2012-14	James Hanley	279.35	2013-14
Gerard Costello	19,403.97	2001-14	Imperial Funding	186.22	2013-14
John Daley III	3,119.02	2013-14	Robert Maffucci	1,974.04	2013-14
Ulysses Davis	9.34	2013-14	Jorge Rodrigues	3,538.36	2013-14
Floyd & Christine Edwards*	5,349.45	2013-14	Terri & Ronda Gilbert	3,909.53	2013-14
Mark Fleischman	7,728.55	2013-14			
			TOTAL TAXES DUE	64,796.31	·

<sup>\*</sup>These taxpayers are on payment plans to pay off delinquency within 1 year

# Status of Delinquent Taxes

**Delinquent Taxes 1/1/14** \$214,506.91 Collections 155,294.94

 Subtotal
 59,211.97

 Delinquents Added
 154,232.85

 Delinquent Taxes 1/1/14
 \$213,444.82

# Wilmington's Contribution to the State Education Fund

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Payment to State	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Payment to State			
FY99	\$494,060	FY08	\$4,821,634			
FY00	\$1,136,680	FY09	\$4,889,864			
FY01	\$1,484,554	FY10	\$4,897,891			
FY02	\$1,375,846	FY11	\$4,103,934			
FY03	\$1,603,580	FY12	\$4,033,783			
FY04	\$1,825,882	FY13	\$4,225,835			
FY05	\$2,458,493	FY14	\$4,299,382			
FY06	\$3,572,491	TOTAL	\$49,435,662			
FY07	\$4,211,753					
*Total tax raised FY14 approximately \$ 12,510,000 of which \$4,299,382 was sent to the state						

<sup>\*\*</sup>Legally unable to collect

# **LIBRARY Budget**

# 2014 Town Vehicle Inventory

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

1993	Ford LN-8000 Utility Truck
1997	International 2674 Pumper Truck
2001	International 2674 4x2 Pumper Truck
2011	Spartan Fire Truck
1998	14 foot Rescue Boat and Trailer
2000	Arctic Cat Snowmobile w/
	Ambulance Sled and Trailer
2006	Bombardier ATV
2005	GMC Pickup with Plow

### WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

1	997	New Holland Tractor Model 4630DA
2	001	Load Rite Utility Trailer
2	002	US Jetting Sewer Jetter
2	014	Ford F-350

### TRANSFER STATION

1988 Ford 555B Backhoe

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

2010	Chevrolet Impala (will be replaced by 2015 Impala in February)
2011	Chevrolet Impala
2012	Chevrolet Impala
2014	Chevrolet Impala
2015	Chevrolet Impala
1999	Snowflow Snowmobile Trailer*
2001	Arctic Cat Snowmobile*
2008	Arctic Cat Snowmobile*
(*Prope	rty of So. VT Snowmobile Task Force)

### ROAD DEPARTMENT

Trucks	
2002	International Truck #14
2007	International 7500 Dump Truck #12
2008	GMC Truck #19
2009	International Dump Truck #11
2010	International Dump Truck #18
2011	Ford F-350 Truck #13
2013	Dodge RAM Truck #20
2014	Dodge Truck #10
2015	International Dump Truck #15
Equipmo	ent

Equipme	ent
1066	Allia Chalmana DD

1966	Allis Chalmers DD100 Grader
1979	Joy Air Compressor
1989	Hudson Trailer
1990	Eager Beaver Chipper
1990	Trackless Sidewalk Machine
1998	Case 621B Loader
1999	Bomag Roller Model BW1420-2
2003	Exmark Mower
2004	Caterpillar M316C Wheeled Excavator
2004	Caterpillar 143H Motor Grader
2004	Karavan utility Trailer
2006	John Deere 450JLT Bulldozer
2007	John Deere 410J Loader/Backhoe



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## C.C. Haynes Fund

The C.C. Haynes Fund was established with a bequest to the inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington from the late Clinton C. Haynes to be used "...for the benefit of agriculture in said town..." and, among other things, for "...such lectures as said trustee may deem advisable to improve the morals of the people of said town..." A trustee elected annually at Town Meeting manages the Haynes Hall building and the fund.

In 2014 only one application was received for the two scholarships that are offered by the C. C. Haynes Fund. The William A Pool scholarship was awarded to Beau Doucette who is a junior at the University of Rhode Island. The landscape architecture program helps Beau focus on sustainability by integrating renewable and local resources. We wish him success in his continuing education.

To apply for either scholarship any person living in Wilmington may write a simple letter asking to be considered for financial assistance. The recipient may be anyone enrolled in a course of study beyond high school in an accredited institution. Applications are made by writing to C.C. Haynes Fund Trustee, Town of Wilmington, P.O. Box 217, Wilmington, Vt. 05363, stating school of choice, field of endeavor and financial need. Preference will be given to a person studying agriculture or related fields such as environmental studies.

The C. C. Haynes Hall was used to house the Deerfield Farmer's Day Youth exhibits, the Baptist Church Bake sale and winter storage of the Wilmington wooden benches again this year. Contributions from White Wolf Consulting for the use of the building for Saturday night auctions help fund the C. C. Haynes scholarships.

### 2014 C. C. Haynes Fund Financial Statement

Assets January 1, 2014			
Cash on Hand	561.94		
Value - Certificate of Deposit	54,124.32		
Total Assets		54,686.26	
Income			
Contributions	450.00		
Interest from Certificate of Deposit	137.26		
Total Income			587.26
	Expenses		
William A Pool scholarship	1000.00		
Total Expenses		1000.00	
Assets December 31, 2014			
Cash on Hand	261.94		
Value - Certificate of Deposit	54,011.58		
<b>Total Assets</b>		54,273.52	

Respectfully submitted, Carl M. Boyd, *Trustee* 

## **Grand List 2014 Billed**

(Taxable properties only-State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

	REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Total Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Education Listed Value	Non-Residential Education Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
1	Residential I	1,597	366,538,440	76,991,239	289,547,201	366,538,440
2	Residential II	333	153,261,189	47,301,239	105,959,950	153,261,189
3	Mobile Homes-U	47	887,500	18,000	869,500	887,500
4	Mobile Homes-L	19	1,054,000	577,000	477,000	1,054,000
5	Seasonal I	59	4,472,500	0	4,472,500	4,472,500
6	Seasonal II	17	3,287,100	461,000	2,826,100	3,287,100
7	Commercial	136	61,659,066	994,200	60,664,866	61,659,066
8	Commercial Apts	9	2,251,500	225,000	2,026,500	2,251,500
9	Industrial	1	500,000	0	500,000	500,000
10	Utilities-E	3	12,703,300	0	12,703,300	12,703,300
11	Utilities-O	0	0	0	0	0
12	Farm	1	295,000	295,000	0	295,000
13	Other	186	41,040,975	2,055,500	38,985,475	41,040,975
14	Woodland	0	0	0	0	0
15	Miscellaneous	635	22,148,605	40,000	22,108,605	22,148,605
16						
17	TOTAL LISTED REAL ESTATE	3,043	670,099,175	128,958,178	541,140,997	670,099,175
18						
19	P.P. Cable	2	174,369		174,369	174,369
20	TOTAL LISTED P.P.	2	174,369		174,369	174,369
21 22 23	TOTAL LISTED VALUE		670,273,544	128,958,178	541,315,366	670,273,544
24	EXEMPTIONS					
25	Veterans 10K	7	70,000	60,000	10,000	70,000
26	Veterans >10K	,	210,000	00,000	10,000	70,000
27	v eterans > 1011		210,000			
28	Total Veterans	7	280,000	60,000	10,000	70,000
29						
90	P.P. Contracts	2	174,369			
31	Non-Apprv(voted)	2	125,000			
32	Total Contracts	2	299,369	0	0	0
33						
34	Current Use	39	7,304,555	3,137,905	4,166,650	7,304,555
35	Special Exemption	2		0	5,017,150	5,017,150
36	Total Exemptions TOTAL MUNICIPAL	41	7,883,924	3,197,905	9,193,800	12,391,705
37	GRAND LIST TOTAL EDUCATION		6,623,896.20			
38	GRAND LIST			1,257,602.73	5,321,215.66	6,578,818.39
39	NON-TAX		83 Non-Tax parcels are not included in 411	, ,		

# **2014 Current Use Exemptions**

	Name	Assessed Value	Landuse Acreage	Landuse Exemption	Grand List
1	BAILEY ARTHUR H & ELLEN C	235,000	63.2	60,900.00	1741.00
2	BERTLES JEANNETTE W	630,400	134.78	2,400.00	6280.00
3	BOSSERT ELAINE S TRUST	695,000	126	169,400.00	5256.00
4	BOYD CARL M	641,639	131.45	334,630.00	3070.09
5	BOYD DANNIE J & JANET LEE	475,000	45.9	161,000.00	3140.00
6	BRADBURN CLAIRE L	845,000	71	86,200.00	7588.00
7	CARMON JOHN C TRUSTEE OF NAN	200,000	93.1	99,650.00	1003.50
8	COLE BRUCE & BARBARA	350,000	55.4	42,000.00	3080.00
9	DOYLE MICHAEL J	425,000	58	92,700.00	3323.00
10	FITZGERALD JENNIFER REVO TRUST	465,000	152.7	188,400.00	2766.00
11	FORTE ROBERT P TRUSTEE OF REVOCA TR	780,000	28.81	170,700.00	6093.00
12	GRINOLD ROBERT	205,000	114	190,700.00	143.00
13	GROSS STEPHEN J & SUSAN REV TRUST	1,100,000	68.56	161,400.00	9386.00
14	HALLAHAN WILLIAM L & ELLEN F	447,500	263	353,500.00	940.00
15	HARVEY N JR DN TR & JAMES&GROTE ANNE B	385,000	70	166,200.00	2188.00
16	HEAVENRICH TED R	650,000	98	212,700.00	4373.00
17	HYDE RICHARD & SIROIS OTTO & BENJAMIN	100,000	65.5	31,800.00	682.00
18	IRISH JAMES & BUTTOLPH KATHERINE	32,000	32.8	27,900.00	41.00
19	JANNEN KATRINA	220,000	123.1	204,600.00	154.00
20	KETTERER GORDON P & ANN B	322,000	124.34	169,400.00	1526.00
21	MARUNAS P RAYMOND & CAROL	165,000	66.61	156,600.00	84.00
22	MCLAUGHLIN GARY & ANDREA	112,000	23.6	109,000.00	30.00
23	MORENA MARIE L	855,000	91.22	148,100.00	7069.00
24	MURPHY JOHN M & NANCY S	900,000	87	251,600.00	6484.00
25	OLAJOS STEVE & ELIZABETH	560,000	62.5	152,200.00	4078.00
26	PATTERSON PATRICK E & CARLA	19,000	32.5	14,900.00	41.00
27	SCHNEEBERGER G & K TRUST	1,200,000	69.21	639,100.00	5609.00
28	SHAPIRO YOAV N	385,000	98.26	137,700.00	2473.00
29	SPRAGUE MARTIN L & KAREN R	130,000	15.82	25,300.00	1047.00
30	STALOFF MARGARET G	389,000	59	120,800.00	2682.00
31	STONE FAMILY TRUST	170,000	50.66	68,600.00	1014.00
32	VON STEINWEHR RANDI	220,000	110.5	206,100.00	139.00
33	WESTLAKE CHRISTIANE C TR & BROOKS M	1,242,000	180.4	776,100.00	4659.00
34	WHITE JACOB & WALTER & MICHELLE	430,000	156.19	224,500.00	2055.00
35	WHITE WALTER	285,000	27.1	46,600.00	2384.00
36	WILKINSON ALICE S	35,000	21.2	31,300.00	37.00
37	WIMMELMAN FRIEDA & BINNICK ALAN	2,002,000	331.9	510,300.00	14917.00
38	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY	1,510,000	431.72	656,675.00	8533.25
39	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY	215,000	96.4	102,900.00	1121.00
41	<b>Total Residential Homestead</b>			3,137,905.00	41577.34
42	Total Non-Residential			4,166,650.00	85652.50
44	***** GRAND TOTALS	20,027,539	3,931.43	7,304,555.00	127229.84

Town of Wilmington 2014



December 22, 2014

Board of Selectmen Town of Wilmington P.O. Box 217 Wilmington, Vermont 05363

We are auditing the financial statements of the Town of Wilmington, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014.

The financial statements and our report thereon will be available for public inspection at the Town Treasurer's Office (or on the Town's website @www.Wilmingtonvermont.us).

Love, cody & Company, CPA', P.C.

Vt. Reg. #357

# Wilmington Narrative Reports

Town Departments, Boards, and Committees

Other Agencies - Local, Regional, and State



Gateway Garden by C Weissman

## **Twin Valley High School**



2014 Soccer State Champions!

### Wilmington Selectboard

Wilmington continues to witness the transformation of its downtown business area with the renovation of several buildings. Upgrades have been substantial and reaffirm the town's road to final recovery from Tropical Storm Irene. A very successful Façade Program was presented this year and funded by 1% money that allotted many businesses to repaint, side, or generally freshen up the exteriors of buildings. Businesses from outside of Wilmington have made inquiries on the availability of space for possible expansion or relocation of their businesses which is an additional indicator that we are on the mend.

Tom Fitzgerald was elected to the Board this year as Meg Streeter has stepped down after almost ten years. Meg has not fully retired as she was appointed as an alternate to the DRB for the next two years. We thank Meg for her ongoing civic commitment!!! We are also appreciative to the newly appointed DRB members and thank them for their willingness to roll up their sleeves and familiarize themselves with the complex procedures.

The Board hired a new Zoning Administrator in the spring to replace outgoing Alice Herrick. Craig Ohlson has assumed the reigns and is dealing with a myriad of issues including but not limited to the Shoreland Protection Act, setbacks on lots under an acre, as well as modifications to zoning adopted by the Board this year. Craig has put together a brochure in hopes of addressing the many unknowns when it comes to planning, the building of a new home, modifying an existing structure or filing for a sign permit.

Dover and Wilmington have established a dialog in anticipation of sharing resources in the future. Meetings will continue between the two towns with a focus on ways to save money by pooling assets via cooperative methods of operating our municipalities. Additional updates will be published in the local media when available.

Challenges continue in trying to limit spending on the municipal side as opposed to the state controlled education expenditures. Our efforts are continually overshadowed by increases in the education assessment to each community. Many cities and towns have become more proactive and are speaking with their representatives in hopes of securing some financial relief. We will continue these efforts and will maintain close contact with Ann Manwaring and our Senate Elect Candidate representing the district.

After being presented an overview for relocation of the Fire House by Breadloaf Construction, we have decided to take the next step and seek grants and other possible funding for such an undertaking. As you are aware, the Fire Department was substantially damaged by the flood in August 2011 and the search is on for a site outside of the flood zone.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant will undergo major upgrades this coming year. You will be asked to vote on a bond issue that will allow such an undertaking. The facility has served the town well and with the proposed upgrades we can assure it will continue to do so for many years to come.

The Board will be remiss if we did not mention our town employees and the many volunteers that give us their all!!! Thank you to Mary Towne for being the "go to" person for the past 25 years!! Your knowledge of town workings will be missed and we hope you do not mind an occasional inquiry from the office seeking your input on a community matter. Welcome Jessica DeFrancesco!! Filling Mary's shoes is quite an undertaking but we are assured you can do it!! Dennis Oakes retired after many years with the Town Highway Department. His many nights plowing town roads has come to an end and we wish him well in his retirement. Travis Wheeler has taken Dennis' place and we welcome him aboard!! We continue to welcome volunteers and have numerous openings for all that wish to join us. Scott Murphy, Town Manager, will eagerly take your name and address for immediate assignment. For all of our current volunteers, your community commitment is extraordinary and you ARE most appreciated!!

Being part of the town government is indeed an honor. While we may not always reach a consensus, the common goal of moving Wilmington forward in all aspects remains a priority. We thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Burke, Chair Diane Chapman, Vice Chair Susan Haughwout, Clerk Jacob White Thomas Fitzgerald

### **Town Manager's Report**

The Town has had a good year from many standpoints. Economic development continues to grow with many new businesses opened or getting ready to open. Some of these include The Hermitage at the VT House, The Village Roost, Zoar Outdoor, the MOOver expansion, Green Mountain Self Storage, and Mange e' Bev. Renovations continue at the former Wilmington Home Center building, the Professional Building at 3 East Main, and the former Ponchos Restaurant. The Hermitage Club at Haystack Mountain is also helping grow economic development in Town with the successful launch of their new Clubhouse, new chairlifts, the construction of new townhouses, and other expanded facilities.

The 1% Local Option Tax has allowed the Town to help finance several new programs including the Façade Program to help renovate downtown properties, acquire a new CERT Trailer to respond to local emergencies, add downtown Trash Receptacles, place Route 100 Banners & Flowers, install new Gateway signs, and much more. Other tools that have helped fuel economic development include: the Tax Stabilization Program, the Revolving Loan Fund, downtown Wi-Fi, and local business broadband. The Town was also successful in completing several CDBG-Disaster Recovery grants including the Feasibility Study of relocating police and fire emergency services, the possible re-use of the former high school building, the digitization of historic land records, and is currently working on establishing a new sidewalk on the northern side of West Main St.

Fiscal year 2014 came in under budget for the third year in a row. This year's proposed budget (FY 16) is a fiscally conservative proposal that allows the Town to continue to replace aging equipment, repave roads, build toward Capital purchases, and maintain safe & adequate infrastructure. The overall general financial outlook is promising as many indicators show a modest growth occurring. Sales Tax receipts and Rooms & Meals Tax receipts continue to rise, new businesses are opening, the General Fund, Highway, and Sewer budgets have nominal increases and the Grand List continues to grow.

Future projects on the horizon include: the refurbishment of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Fire Department purchase of a replacement Rescue Truck, the possible acquisition of the Wilmington Water District, the potential relocation of the Health Center, moving the Fire Department out of the flood zone, and the possible re-use of the two Town owned properties acquired through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Program.

I want to thank the Town staff including the Police Dept, the Fire Dept, the Town Clerk's office, the Wastewater Department, the hard-working Highway crew, the Transfer Station and administrative staff. Without these dedicated employees the Town would not run as smoothly as it does. We had two longtime members of the staff retire this year: Mary Towne and Dennis Oakes, both of whom will be greatly missed.

I should also thank the many volunteer groups that help the Town grow including the Planning Commission and Development Review Board. Both of these groups include many new members and have been very active this past year.

Finally, as I approach my fourth Town Meeting, I want to thank all of you on behalf of all town employees who take the time to let us know how we are doing. Whether it is a complaint or a compliment, we like to hear from you and your comments are always welcome.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Murphy Town Manager

### Wilmington Fire Department

In 2014, Wilmington Fire personnel responded to 151 incidents to date for a total of over 1,300 staff hours dedicated to calls. In addition to calls firefighters participated in over 25 training sessions as well as trainings attended that were provided by the Vermont Fire Academy. These trainings amounted to over 1,000 staff hours for training. This amounted to a total of over 2,300 hours of volunteer time. It equates too many hours of each member's personal time away from family, work, and most times, sleep.

The breakdown of calls for the period is as follows

Motor vehicle crashes	59	Carbon monoxide	12	Dumpster Fires	2	Service Calls	7
EMS	3	Water rescue calls	1	Structure Fires	15	Good Intent Calls	8
Snowmobile accidents	5	Brush fires	5	Smoke investigations	5		
Vehicle fires	3	Landing zone	1	Alarm activations responses	25		
TOTAI		151		_			

We were on hand at a number of public events in Town this past year to assist with public safety. These events included The July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display and three different events for the Deerfield Valley Fair. Those events were emergency services night, the Demo Derby and the fireworks display at the Fair.

One of the things that came from Irene is the C.E.R.T. team. C.E.R.T. stands for Citizens Emergency response Team. It's a team of volunteer citizens that are trained to assist in the event of a disaster, natural or manmade.

The CERT team was very active this past year as well. They had a number of deployments to assist in traffic control. These were in Town here as well as Dover and as far away as Brattleboro on a couple of occasions. They meet once a month here at the Fire station.

Mutual Aid is a necessity today. Many times, extra equipment and manpower are needed for large fires and other major incidents. Several area departments gave their resources during the past year. Several large fires and motor vehicle accidents in the past year in our surrounding communities resulted in our department sending its apparatus and firefighters to assist them in their firefighting and heavy rescue operations.

A length of service award was presented this year at our annual Ladies night. This award was presented to;

Melissa Elliott- for ten years of service to the Wilmington Fire Department.

Thank you for your years of dedicated service to the Wilmington Fire Department in providing selfless service to the community in which you live.

Our Junior Firefighter program is a valuable part of the fire department, This program is designed to introduce young men and women to not only the fire service, but emergency services altogether. The program is for teenagers between the ages of 14 to 18. The juniors meet every Wednesday that school is in session at 3:30 in the fire station. There is always room for young men and women to join this program and are always welcome to do so.

As with the Juniors program always looking to add young people to the program, we are also always looking for volunteers as regular members of the Fire Department. It's a great way to be part of our community and be able to help our neighbors in their time of need. Talk to any member or swing down to the Fire station to see about joining us.

I, the officers and members of the Wilmington Fire Department would like to thank the staff at the town hall for their support throughout the year, the Wilmington Police Department for their assistance and quick responses, and the Town Highway crew for helping us get where we need to go, even in the worst weather. And the Deerfield valley Rescue people for your dedication and high standard of care. I would also like to thank the residents of Wilmington for their continued support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth March, Chief Richard Covey, Assistant Chief Jeremy White, Lieutenant

Bill Spirka, Captain Scott Moore, Lieutenant Keith Johnson, Lieutenant Bobby Maynard, Lieutenant

### **Road Supervisor**

The Wilmington town road network is comprised of 110 roads with total mileage of 67 miles. Paved road mileage is 20.02 miles and the remaining roads are gravel. The town also maintains more than 40 bridges along our roads.

Along with routine maintenance, which includes repairs to roads and streets, mowing the Howe field, and maintaining our parks, 4 kiosks were installed at trail heads on town trails, with the help of the Chimney Hill crew. The following projects were completed during 2014:

- Chimney Hill Rd- Replacing a 5ft low profile culvert
- Route 9 West Information Center- trees were planted and 3 loads of gravel delivered and leveled out.
- East Dover Rd- 5 culverts were replaced and 420ft long curtain installed to drain right side of the road, in preparation for new black top. The entire road was shimmed and overlaid with new black top.
- Higley Hill Rd-7 culverts were replaced and the road ditched from Rte. 100 to #202 East on Higley Hill in preparation for resurfacing in 2015.
- Stowe Hill Rd- replaced culverts, shim and overlaid 8,000ft and shoulder
- Chimney Hill Rd- replaced culverts, shim and shoulder 2,000 ft.

The following equipment was replaced:

- 2008 ford 550 traded toward 2014 Dodge 5500 dump truck
- 2005 International traded toward a 2015 International 10 wheel dump truck
- Purchased a used sidewalk machine

Gravel was added to the following roads:

West Lake Rd,

East Brook crossing,

Parson,

Singer Rd,

Portions of the following roads had gravel added:

- Boyd Hill
- Ballou Hill
- Mountain View
- Howe's Loop
- · Binney Brook
- Old Ark
- Gallop Pitch
- Haskell Hill Rd.
- Graveled added to the West Main St. parking lot

I would like to thank the road crew for their hard work and support this year. I also would like to thank the town manager, select board, and other departments for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted, William Hunt, Road Supervisor

### **Police Department**

The Wilmington Police Department ended 2014 down one officer as a result of Patrolman Daniel Silver turning in his resignation in November, we all wish Dan well. We also lost a key Dispatcher Jessica DeFrancesco who left the police department in early December for another job within the town. She was our weekend dispatcher who was responsible for major innovations within the department's data storage and improvements in other ways we do business here, we will miss her. As a result we have switched our dispatch days to Saturday through Wednesday to serve the community better. We have five full time officers and one part time officer at the present time. In February 2014 Officer Noblet who was full time certified prior to working with us was added to the full time roster. As a result we were able to keep part time officer hours down and full time officer overtime hours down as much as possible. Keep in mind that in one incident such the stabbing we had, in which several arrests were made takes many man hours during and after the initial investigation.

We continue to upgrade our equipment and some patrol hours through the various grant programs available through Governor's Highway Safety and Homeland Security this year we upgraded our portable radios to digital which were the last to be switched over. Our cruiser and dispatch radios were done previously. These upgrades are not options but must be done for communication changes that will be coming soon.

We responded to over 1650 incidents in 2014 and made 112 arrests for various offences. Many of the arrests throughout the year came as a result of a proactive approach by Wilmington Police to the issues we began to encounter as a result of the heroin issue within the valley. Several key players within the heroin trade here have since been arrested on various charges, some are in jail lacking bail and awaiting their trials. Coincidentally (?), our burglary rate dropped off to zero while they are in jail. We arrested two brothers Michael Chinnici of West Dover and Eddie Chinnici, formerly of Wilmington most recently of Bennington, as a result of two separate very long investigations by Wilmington Police and the Southern Vermont Drug Task Force Narcotics Unit. They are awaiting trial at present time charged with heroin distribution. Keep in mind this is by no means the end of heroin here in the valley. As long as there is the market for it there are going to be dealers serving the needs of junkies. As long as there are junkies we are going to have crime, such as burglaries and larceny's relating to the drug trade. We are not going to arrest our way out of this it's going to take a collaborative effort of police, prevention in our schools and the community to make it difficult for them to live, use and deal their drugs here.

Wilmington Police sponsored training in our new elementary school this year for response to critical incidents there. It was timely as the new school presented different challenges to responding officers. Law enforcement from all over the surrounding areas took part in this training and is better able to respond to critical incidents at our school. It can also be applied to assisting at other schools which we would respond to assist in such as Dover and the Twin Valley High School. We have also upgraded our emergency response plan with the TVES, fire and EMS all participating in the planning.

We had 70 reported accidents last year with only 5 being personal injury accidents. We had 20 reported burglaries of which 9 were of local businesses. We arrested two people so far in some of those and charged them with Burglary and Possession of stolen property. 18 people were arrested for driving while intoxicated 10 of which came from accidents or cars off the road that police responded to. In 2014 we wrote 825 tickets for motor vehicle offences 490 of these were for speeding the average again was well above the speed limit, some for twice the speed limits.

Wilmington Police Department is staffed to provide you with service every day and hour of the year day or night. Call us at 464-8593 or 911 if you need help. On behalf of all the department's staff please be safe.

Respectfully submitted, Chief Joseph M. Szarejko

#### **Town Clerk**

Town Clerk Susie Haughwout was honored by her peers across the state with the "2014 Town Clerk of the Year" award. Anyone who achieves success in their field knows that they are only as good as the staff supporting them. That is particularly true in the Town Clerk's Office, as in the case of Assistant Town Clerk, Pat Johnson. Pat is a consummately skilled and diligent administrative assistant with whom I am fortunate to work.

Our longtime volunteer, June Simmons, passed away this year. She was a valued asset in our office and a truly wonderful person. We very much miss her presence.

The digitization of permanent records housed in the Town Clerks' vault and office is in full swing. Many thanks go to Gretchen Havreluk for her persistent, unfaltering pursuit and management of the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Relief funding that makes this important project possible.

Our contracted vendor, Cott Systems, brought two portable commercial scanners and two technicians on-site in October for eight days. The majority of permanent records from the vault including land records, survey maps, index cards, property transfer returns, grand lists, vital records, road records and meeting records were imaged on-site. Then two vans were packed with various records that required a large, flat scanner, and were transported to Cott's headquarters in Ohio to be imaged. Nearly all the records were back in-house by early December. A few remaining records will be returned sometime in January.

The imaging of records is the first stage of the full digitization project. The next stage entails indexing records into the electronic system, and then attaching the images to the index. By year's end we expect the project to be completed. The records will then be secured from various threats such as fire and flood. Another great outcome will be the ability to search land records online in the Vermont Town Clerks Portal back to approximately 1795.

The Statewide Primary and General Election were held in the former music room of the former Twin Valley High School. We are following the news on what will happen with the building in the future, keeping an eye on how that may affect the traditional polling place. Thank you to Karen Atwood of the Supervisory Union, Sam Hall and members of the Board of Civil Authority, for all their assistance during the election season.

As always we are grateful for your support of the Town Clerk's Office and we welcome the opportunity to serve you. We wish everyone a healthful, prosperous and happy 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Susie Haughwout, Town Clerk Pat Johnson, Assistant Town Clerk

### Town Clerk Statistics 2014 Calendar Year

ELECTIONS BALLOTS CAST

Mar 5thAnnual Town & Town School District Meeting434August 26thStatewide Primary75November 4thGeneral Election575

New Registered Voters: 48 Purged Voters: 37 Total Registered Voters: 1576

#### VITAL STATISTICS

The official records from which the following statistics are derived are housed in the Town Clerk's office. They are available for public review during regular office hours. Although we continue to protect sensitive information by not printing details in the Town Report, you may request a more detailed report from us.

BIRTHS: Resident - 14

CIVIL MARRIAGES: Resident - 13

Non Resident - 17

DEATHS: Resident - 17 BURIALS: Resident - 6

Non Resident - 13

CERTIFIED COPIES ISSUED: 184

#### **LAND RECORDS:**

Total **Pages** of documents processed as land records: 4561 Total **Transactions** including property transfers: 500 Total **Property Transfers** (all kinds): 264

**DOG LICENSES ISSUED:** 315

LIQUOR/TOBACCO LICENSES ISSUED: 23

#### **Wastewater Department**

For the calendar year 2014 we received, treated and discharged a total of 28,513,400 gallons of wastewater into the Deerfield River for a daily average of 78,100 gallons per day which represents a -.128% compared to 2013. The facility is permitted to discharge an annual average flow of 135,000 gallons per day. We recorded 45.85 inches of rain and 94.75 inches of snow for a total of 140.60 total inches of precipitation in 2014.

	2008	2009	<u>2010</u>	2011	2012	2013	<u>2014</u>
Avg. Daily Flow	92,900	92,100	77,900	86,000	68,000	78,200	78,100
(gallons per day)							
Rain (inches)	48.76	51.75	45.70	57.80	38.83	44.23	45.85
Snow (inches)	114.50	99.00	85.25	129.50	68.5	97.50	94.75
Total Precipitation	163.26	150.75	130.95	187.3	107.33	141.73	140.60
(inches)							

This past year we had two new connections to the system, issued three allocation permits and have received several calls regarding possible allocation applications in the near future. We still have about 51,000 gallons per day of uncommitted reserve capacity available before we reach our permitted discharge limit of 135,000 gallons per day.

Our Class A Compost product is still in high demand! We delivered nearly 175 yards of Compost to Wilmington residents in 2014. It's never too early to get on our delivery list for 2015, just call or email the Treatment Plant to get your 5 yard load reserved for spring delivery!

On October 15, 2014 we had our first Escherichia coli (E. Coli) permit violation since October of 2005. We recorded a result of 148 col/100mls and our permit limit is 77 col/100 mls. Laboratory analysis the week prior and after the violation were well below our permit limit; the reason for the high result remains a mystery.

During the late summer and fall months we were busy cleaning and flushing 13,600 feet of sewer main lines.

Last year we reported that our Engineer Wayne Elliot of Aldrich + Elliott, completed and presented to the Selectboard the results of a 20 year evaluation of the Facility and Collection System and we estimated that our next upgrade would be in 3 to 5 years. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen breakdowns and the faster than anticipated degradation of our electrical motor control center and the high cost to repair them, we have had to fast track our plans and are asking the voters to approve a bond at Town Meeting 2015 for the refurbishment of the Treatment Plant. This project, if approved, will include a new primary treatment process to replace the 1964 unit, two new RBC's, upgrades to the electrical motor control center, a new generator and work to both the control and office/laboratory buildings. This refurbishment is critical to insure continued high quality and reliable treatment of the Wastewater for another 20-25 years.

If anyone has any questions about our facility, or would like a tour, please feel free to give us a call at 464-3862, email us at <a href="mailto:jlazelle@wilmingtonvt.us">jlazelle@wilmingtonvt.us</a> or visit the Town's Website, click on Town Departments then Wastewater Treatment Plant. We would like to close by thanking the Residents, Selectboard, Town Manager and other Town Departments for their continued support and assistance.

Respectfully Submitted, John Lazelle, Chief Operator Jeff Longe, Operator

### **Zoning Department**

The table below is a summary of zoning permitting over several years.

Permits	Admin	Admin	Incomplete/	Total
	approvals	Sign	Withdrawn	
2008	69	7	1	104
2009	74	17	1	114
2010	62	8	1	90
2011	74	11	0	103
2012	78	15	2	122
2013	84	2	2	114
2014	85	13	0	119

I expect a few more applications between now and the end of the year.

The Zoning Administrator also has the role of enforcement of the State's Residential Building Energy Code. Many contractors and homeowners are already aware of these standards. When a residential project obtains a zoning permit, the Zoning Administrator now has the role of informing the contractor or owner of their obligations in conforming to the Vermont Residential Building Energy Code. Booklets on the standards are available in the Zoning Office.

As Health Officer I have been involved in six health inspections since I started on June 2, 2014. I also work very closely with the Planning Commission and the Development Review Board.

Respectfully Submitted, Craig Ohlson, Zoning Administrator and Health Officer

#### **Development Review Board**

The DRB heard 22 applications this year; two more than were heard in 2013.

The DRB experienced some changes. The DRB would like to respectfully thank the members who resigned last spring, specifically Nicki Steel who gave 22 years of service to the Town of Wilmington. The board regrouped and reformed attracting new members. Wendy Manners, Debby Dorsett and Sybil Idelkope joined as full time members. Paul Tonon, Meg Streeter and Fred Houston joined as alternate members. Sybil announced this December she will be moving to Portland, Me. and has resigned. She will be greatly missed. We now have two openings for full time members. Joining the DRB is to engage with your community and serve to uphold its values. We welcome new interest and members. Please attend a meeting, read a DRB decision on the town web site and contact us to become a member.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Wallace, Chair

Wendy Manners, Debby Dorsett, Paul Tonon, Fred Houston, Meg Streeter

#### **Wilmington Beautification Committee**

We are proud to report that our Gardens continue to grow and expand, including Gateway, Trebbe Memorial and tennis court area, Dixon Parking Lot, River's Edge, River Bank Park, Brissette property, Reardon's Crossing Bridge and the Oxbow area, in addition to our beautiful Flower Barrel program including Route 100 North.

Our Village Summer Flower Program coordinated and planted by Mary Pike-Sprenger has once again received accolades from residents and visitors on its beauty. We extend our thanks to Scott Murphy and the Wilmington Road Crew for their efforts in continuing with this tradition.

Thanks also to Gretchen Havreluk and the Wilmington Selectboard which approved funding for the new Route 100 North flower barrel program with 1% money. This has been a wonderful addition to our beautification of Wilmington.

2014 was another busy, hard-working year for Committee members and volunteers. We increased the size of the Gateway Garden, which is at the intersection of Routes 9 and 100 South, with the help of the Wilmington Highway Department. At Gateway, we added a dozen gorgeous Knockout Roses and shrubs, new top soil, mulch, replacements for winter-kill and, of course, performed on-going weeding.

Our Committee members and volunteers replaced plants and did needed maintenance at Trebbe, Dixon, River's Edge and River Bank Gardens. In addition, we again planted 1000 daffodils among all of the gardens and added them at the Reardon's Crossing Bridge and the new Valley Trail on Route 9.

The former Brissette property, which Wilmington now owns through FEMA, was planted with "no mow" grasses and wild flowers by the Wilmington Road Crew and daffodils by the Committee and volunteers.

We added a new garden to our list with the addition of the planting and landscaping of the Oxbow with three large Maple trees and several Annabelle Hydrangeas. A second picnic table was added and we coordinated this project with Wilmington Works which repaired the brochure kiosk. This will be added to the list of gardens for maintenance this coming spring.

Flags and bunting in the Village was added to the Beautification Committee tasks last year and is coordinated by Len Chapman and Fred Skwirut Memorial Day through 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Veteran's Day.

Lastly, we have openings for three additional members for our Committee and would welcome your help! Please give any of us a call for additional information or contact Scott Murphy, Town Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl LaFlamme Rothman, Chair; Keith Herbert, Vice Chair; Celia Weissman, Secretary and Treasurer; Alice Greenspan; Katy Little; Lee Schindel; Fred Skwirut and Mary Wright

#### **Board of Listers**

This past year has been a very busy year for your Board of Listers. We have spent an extensive amount of time taking new exterior pictures. We compared each property against sales from past 3 years and created new models which can be updated as market conditions change in the future. We have completed more that 50% of the town properties and anticipate that we will be complete by 2017. In general this will allow your Board to evaluate certain sections or areas of Town that experience major value changes, plus or minus, without incurring the expense of major reappraisal.

We are excited to receive our COD and CLA for the year and both are down from last year. We hope to continue this trend to the new year.

We are pleased to see that most contractors are very busy and there are many additions and improvements to houses as well as many new homes.

I applaud the work of our Board, working tirelessly, in the office and in the field. I hope they will continue and would appreciate those, whose terms are up, will be re-elected in March, 2015.

Gerald Osler, Chair

### Wilmington Cemetery Commissioners Report

Wilmington has more than a dozen cemeteries, with four cemeteries being maintained year round. Those are: Averill, Restland, Intervale and Riverview. Our thanks go out to the contractors who maintain our town's cemeteries and provide the care it takes to keep them in such beautiful condition, with a special thanks to the Town Road crew for maintaining access to Riverview cemetery all winter. We also greatly appreciate the services of those who open and close graves, place vaults, oversee burials, place flags for our veterans, plant flowers, and erect and repair monuments within the cemetery's grounds.

Nineteen people were interred in Wilmington's cemeteries in 2014, 6 residents and 13 non-residents.

Five gravesites were sold at Riverview Cemetery and a new metal roof was installed on the grounds shed there. Bids for all contracts for taking care of all the Town's cemeteries for 2015 (spring clean-up, lawn care/mowing, fall clean-up) will be solicited this spring.

Another responsibility of the commissioners is to maintain the records for these cemeteries – some of which go quite a long ways back in time! We have undertaken a project to have our records cross checked with the physical plots and uploaded onto computer files so that we have a digital set of records to back up the information recorded through the years. The project is going well.

Many people visit our cemeteries to honor loved ones buries or to connect with history or even just to enjoy the peacefulness of the surroundings. All residents and visitors are welcome to visit the cemeteries at any time they are open. Come and see for yourself the results of the care and dedication taken to maintain these beautiful and historic places. If you have any questions about your cemeteries, please contact one of the cemetery Commissioners or the Cemetery Sexton at the Town of Wilmington.

Respectfully Submitted, The Wilmington Cemetery Commissioners

James Burke, Richard Covey, Donna Moore, Scott Moore, Walter White

### **Wilmington Trails Committee**

The Trail Committee is very grateful for the generous support we have received from the community and all the land owners with whom we work to provide access to the unspoiled beauty of our mountains and forests.

#### 2014: Building Bridges

The Wilmington Trail Committee had a tremendously busy and rewarding year. We cleared trails, improved surfaces and built over a dozen bridges on the Hoot Toot and Whistle Trail. In all, the Committee, along with other dedicated volunteers, gave over 500 hours of time doing trail work; the equivalent of fifty-eight DAYS of donated work!

#### **Hoot Toot and Whistle Trail**

The Hoot Toot and Whistle Trail is a 2.0 mile multi-use trail from Reardon's Crossing to the Mt. Mills boat launch on the east side of Harriman Reservoir. Permits were granted for this trail in late summer 2013, and initial work was begun to build, rebuild or repair various parts of the trail – including the construction of over twenty bridges. 2014 saw volunteers building most of those bridges. Hikers and bikers can con connect from Reardon's Crossing to the Boat Launch without having to traverse through any streams or gullies

Access is available through the northern end of the DVTA property, and will move closer to the river once the DTVA building construction is complete.

#### Valley Trail

The Trails Committee, working with the Bi-Town Trails Committee and other volunteers continue to maintain and improve the trail. While there are sections of the trail which are still in need of improvements, hikers can now access the Valley Trail-just across the street and west of "Reardon's Crossing," and travel all the way to Dover.

#### **Primitive Trail**

The Primitive trail starts at the west shore of Lake Raponda and ends near the bottom of White's Road. We began work on this trail in summer 2013 and completed additional bridges, trail work and signage in the summer of 2014.

#### Thanks to all

We would like to thank all the other volunteers who so generously gave of their time to work on building and maintaining our Wilmington trail system.

#### **Wilmington Trails Committee:**

John Greene, *Chair*Ann Ottaviano, *Secretary*Bob Fisher, Crista Gannon, Spencer Crispe, Joe Arnold,
John Gannon, Gary Henry, Tim Hunt, Jake White, Ex Officio



Chimney Hill Culvert-B. Hunt

### **Planning Commission Report**

The Planning Commission applied for and received a Municipal Planning Grant for work to be completed January 2014 through June 2015. The grant covers consultative services from Windham Regional Commission for Planning Commission review and revision of:

- 1. The Sign Ordinance, integrating the existing Sign Ordinance into the Zoning Ordinance as Article IV
- 2. Article V, Administration, with particular focus on Waiver provisions
- 3. Article VI, the Historic Review District, a Design Review District
- 4. Site Plan Review Criteria

The first half of 2014 found the Planning Commission focused on the first two grant objectives, the Sign Ordinance and Article V Administration. Through weekly or bi-weekly meetings the Planning Commission reworked these Articles in their entirety, simplifying for understandability and updating to meet town needs. After developing a draft document the Planning Commission worked with the Windham Regional Commission to ensure the provisions were appropriate and legal. By mid-year public information and discussion meetings were held, followed by public hearings. After extensive consideration of the many thought provoking public comments, a new Article IV Signs and Article V Administration were finalized and became effective November 20, 2014. December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 a public education session was held on the new Articles and new brochures on Signs and Permits were introduced. This completed the Municipal Planning Grant work on the first two objectives.

Prior to moving on to items 3 and 4 under the Planning Grant, the Planning Commission took a break to revisit Article II Zoning Districts and Article III Standards and Procedures that became effective December 11, 2013. Public comment supported the need to revisit some aspects of these Articles. The Planning Commission is currently completing their rework and commencing public comment meetings, to be followed by formal hearings and proposed adoption by the Selectboard.

As Articles II and III move into the public comment and hearing phase of the review process, the Planning Commission will simultaneously move forward on Planning Grant items 3 and 4, addressing the Historic Review District - a Design Review District, and Site Plan Review criteria. Proposed changes will be completed by the June 2015 Planning Grant due date.

Looking forward, the Planning Commission has already applied for and received approval for a Municipal Planning Grant that will fund Windham Regional Commission consultative services during the review and updating of the Town Plan. Town Plans must be updated every 5 years. With the last Town Plan adopted in September of 2010, Wilmington must update the Plan by October of 2015. The next Planning Grant, running from January 2015 – June 2016, will support a thoughtful and thorough review of the Town Plan.

In addition to a general review of Town Plan provisions for appropriateness based on current town growth patterns, the Plan will be expanded to address the requirements and objectives of the State of Vermont including provisions for:

- a. Flood resilience planning, as required by Act 16 effective July 1, 2014:
  - 1. Flood prevention where possible,
  - 2. Flood management of existing development within the flood plain, and
  - 3. Future development oriented outside of the flood plain, harmonious with the existing historic downtown lying largely within the flood plain.
- b. Municipal Planning including Facilities Management, Runoff/Watershed Management, Green Space and Natural Habitat Management, and Capital Improvement Planning.
- c. Creation of a town Master Plan addressing specific physical characteristics of growth that will be beneficial for the community, including village gateway and traffic calming solutions, protection of natural resources, and managing future growth in alignment with the needs of the community.

In addition to managing the Zoning Ordinance and Town Plan, the Planning Commission monitors Act 250 development applications as an Interested Party to ensure conformity with the Town Plan.

The Planning Commission has a very full agenda and moves all of these important town growth management initiatives forward with just a few volunteers. With the resignation of one member in 2014 the Planning Commission has just four members. We are seeking a fifth member. Members are appointed by the Selectboard for 3-year terms. Working closely with the Selectboard, the Development Review Board, and the community, the Planning Commission dedicates their time to the growth, prosperity and quality of life for the people of Wilmington.

Our sincere appreciation goes out to all the individuals who have assisted us in grooming a socially responsive Zoning Ordinance that will support our town's growth and development.

Respectfully Submitted, Wendy Manners-Seaman, Chair

Planning Commission Members Wendy Manners-Seaman Carolyn Palmer Vince Rice John LeBron

### **Green Up Committee**

163 volunteers turned out and used over 225 Green Up bags to pick up roadside litter as part of Saturday's Green Up Day in Wilmington. According to the Wilmington town road crew, that was 16 cubic yards of trash, or about five of their smaller truckloads. People of all ages helped including representatives from Cub Scout Pack 461, the Chimney Hill Homeowners Association, the Mount Snow substance abuse prevention program, and the Windham Sailing Club along with many family groups and individuals. Knowing so many folks are willing to give time to this effort means no one person has to do too much.

Free hot dogs, ice cream, water and soda were enjoyed by volunteers thanks to donations from Leader Beverage, C&S Beverage of Wilmington, and Shaw's Supermarket. Their generosity is always appreciated.

Thanks also go to the town and school office and kitchen staff who helped with preparations beforehand and to the road crews who were out this week to pick up the all full bags and piles of collected litter. In addition, there were several adults who volunteered during the day to make sure all went smoothly.

Green Up is a wonderful community effort and it takes teamwork to make it happen. Thank you one and all. And special thanks also to all whose year 'round efforts reduce the amount of roadside litter.

Sincerely, Kathy Larsen and Rebecca Sweeney Green Up co-coordinators, Wilmington

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### **Mount Snow Valley Chamber of Commerce**

#### Dear Neighbors:

The Mount Snow Valley Chamber of Commerce is pleased to continue to serve area merchants in this exciting time in our history. A little bumped and bruised these past few years, our membership has managed to keep its collective spirit in place. The last 12 months have proven that our region can once again attract the visitors critical to a thriving community. So many of our past visitors are of course now residents- we prefer not to segregate them to "second home" status and instead celebrate their connections with our communities. With each new visitor we now eye them a little differently-thinking perhaps one day soon they too will join us in living here in Southern Vermont's Green Mountains.

This past year has seen the Chamber successfully receive over \$116,000 in special grant allocations. These funds were used to successfully create the new Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley brand. Our dynamic new logo and tagline, 'Lifestyle. Freestyle.', neatly capture the best of what our region has to offer to residents and visitors alike. We anticipate these endeavors will help illustrate the many fine attributes that our communities have to a new generation of future potential Vermonters. We look forward to your ideas, input and involvement.

In the past 6 months the towns of Dover and Wilmington each had two months with over 20% increases in Rooms, Meals & Alcohol tax sales from the previous year. We are seeing an increase in both winter and summer businesses. Chamber membership has increased an average of 10% per year for the past two years. The area has well over 20 Million dollars in public and private infrastructure projects under way. Long term rental bookings were strong going into the 2015 winter season and several new businesses are opening in the area. These are all very strong indicators for our economic future. We fully appreciate the daily battle our local employers face in cash flow and resource management and will continue to stand by their side as we look toward a successful 2015.

Respectfully,

Sharon Cunningham Director, Mount Snow Valley Chamber of Commerce visitvermont.com



Mary Towne cutting the cake at her retirement party-Photo by Jack Demming

#### **Vermont League of Cities and Towns 2014 Overview**

Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors comprised of municipal officials from across the state elected by the membership.

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 134 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions and fire districts.

Vermonters use local government services – including highways, police, fire, recreation, libraries, sewer, and water – on a daily basis. In large part, volunteer elected and appointed municipal officials lead these local governments.

VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns, so that they may provide their citizens with quality services at affordable costs:

- Legal, consulting, and education services. In the past year, VLCT's Municipal Assistance Center (MAC) responded to nearly 3,500 inquiries for assistance from municipal officials. MAC also conducted 18 workshops that attracted more than 1,250 people. For example, our workshop on how to comply with the new Open Meeting Law changes and the Public Records Act drew more than 140 attendees. Additionally, we conducted 10 on-site workshops held at municipal offices on a wide range of topics, and we provided 26 municipalities with legal review of ordinances and policies, financial assistance, and other specialized consulting services. We produced new materials to help members comply with the Open Meeting Law and revised our Town Officers Handbook. These and all of our publications may be purchased or accessed free of charge on our website at our Resource Library. The Library also contains nearly 1,000 other electronic documents, including technical papers, model polices, and newsletter articles that are currently accessible to the general public. MAC has also retained the services of professionals in municipal finance, administration, and policing to provide consulting advice to towns.
- Advocacy representation before the state and national governments to ensure that municipalities have the resources and authority they need to serve their citizens. VLCT is a leader in the education property tax debate, enhancing local voter authority in governance decisions, municipal efforts to clean up our lakes and rivers, and securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs. Municipalities will face significant challenges in the 2015 legislature as limited financial resources at the national and state level continue to force more demand for services to the local level. We also provide a Weekly Legislative Report that details legislative issues affecting municipal government. It is available to all free-of-charge on the VLCT website.
- Purchasing opportunities to provide needed services at the lowest cost. Examples include municipal unemployment, property, casualty and workers' compensation insurance coverage for town operations. The VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust continues to assist towns navigate their way to Vermont Health Connect and to help municipalities not in the exchange to secure health insurance through the marketplace. The substantial municipal damages resulting from recent weather events makes the value of VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) to all our members quite clear, as members benefit from the broad coverage, excellent re-insurance, and prompt service and claims payments. Our two Trusts are responsible in 2014 for \$24 million in municipal tax dollars spent for insurance and risk management services.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at www.vlct.org.

#### **SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus**



Southwestern Vermont Medical Center's Deerfield Valley Campus continues its commitment to serving the health care needs of residents and visitors to our community. As members of the Regional Advisory Board to Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC), we are proud to serve as ambassadors to the health system for our community and to share this annual report with you.

This year SVHC continued to strengthen its partnership with **Dartmouth-Hitchcock** (D-H), providing our community health care team with access to a tremendous network of medical specialists. The benefits of our connection with D-H are instrumental in helping SVHC to recruit and retain outstanding medical personnel, including our three family practice physicians: **Dr. Peter Park, Dr. Robert Tarnas, and Dr. Dagmar Tobits**.

The SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus is recognized as a Level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home, providing a new model of more personal, effective and efficient primary care. Our three physicians, along with a highly skilled clinical and support staff, provide adults and children in our community with vital medical services. The team also provides laboratory and onsite imaging services, and offers same-day care to residents and visitors to the area (usually within 24-hours of a phone call to the office).

During the 2013-2014 operating year, the SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus:

- Recorded 9,205 patient visits between October 2013 and September 2014.
- Administered 790 flu shots to patients at the Deerfield Valley Campus. The Deerfield Valley Campus participates in a nationwide reporting program with the Centers for Disease Control for all influenza-type symptoms and illness.
- Provided additional support for the tourism base in Deerfield Valley through Mountain Medical Services (MMS), an urgent care facility owned and operated by SVMC. Located at the base of Mount Snow on the Grand Summit Hotel access road, MMS treated 853 patients between October 2013 and May 2014.
- Received a Family Medicine Teaching Award from medical students at the University of Vermont College of Medicine. This award is given in recognition of family practices that go above and beyond to provide a practical learning environment for medical students.
- Upgraded laboratory equipment to allow for more onsite blood testing.

The SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus is part of SVHC, a non-profit, integrated health system serving communities in Bennington and Windham Counties in Vermont, northern Berkshire County in Massachusetts, and eastern Rensselaer and Washington Counties in New York. The SVHC family includes: Southwestern Vermont Medical Center, The Centers for Living and Rehabilitation, Southwestern Vermont Regional Cancer Center, the SVHC Foundation, and medical campuses in the Northshire and the Deerfield Valley. Regional advisory boards representing the residents of both medical campuses are in place to assist in community outreach efforts.

#### Respectfully submitted by the Deerfield Valley Regional Advisory Board of SVHC

Robert S. Ruhl, DMD, Chair & SVHC Foundation Board Donald Albano, SVHC Board of Trustees Kori Deluca Charles La Fiura, SVHC Foundation Board Julie Lineberger

Bruce Mullen, SVHC Board of Trustees
Marv Neuman
Arlene Palmiter
Mark Wallace, SVHC Board of Trustees
Kristen Wallace

#### **Historical Society of Wilmington**

The Historical Society of Wilmington, a duly organized nonprofit entity, is dedicated to collecting, preserving, teaching, and displaying the history of Wilmington. This is realized with the efforts of all those who volunteer with the society as well as those who donate.

One of our greatest accomplishments for 2014 was the building of our new carriage shed. This was made possible thanks to all the donors who supported this project and for all the fundraisers we put on over the past couple of years. Thank you to our House Chairman, Lenny Chapman for his leadership throughout this project. We are very excited to now have the opportunity to display our large artifacts that have been in storage for so long. Once we get some landscaping around the building completed in the spring and put displays in place we will hold an open house for all to enjoy.

Another great addition to our research department is all of the research material that went into Brian Donelson's Vol. I and Vol. II of "The Coming of the Train" books. Mr. Donelson asked that the material be available for anyone who is doing research on the material he covered with this extraordinary project. We are very pleased to house this material for all to enjoy and to keep Wilmington history for others to enjoy.

The society has seen a few extra visitors this past year thanks to the Village Walking Tour Map that was completed in the fall of 2013. The numbers marking the different historical stops can be seen throughout Wilmington, encouraging tourists and locals alike to pick up a map and learn the history of these stops. If you haven't had a chance to take the tour please stop by the chamber office to pick up a copy of the map.

We held some very interesting monthly meetings during the summer and fall of 2014. Other events such as the "Antique Appraisal Show" were held at Memorial Hall in July. Then in October the 3<sup>rd</sup>. annual "Quilt Show" was put on thanks to Sue Wurzberger's determination. We have plans in the works to hold both of these events again this coming year at Memorial Hall.

Each year we try to set a goal for upkeep and this year our goal is to raise enough money through donations and fundraisers to hire someone to paint the exterior of the museum. We need to keep on top of these projects so that we don't end up having to do everything all at once. We had a volunteer student who kept the lawn mowed through out the summer, which was a big help. Thank you to Mary Pike-Sprenger for the donation of summer flowers.

We look forward to resuming our monthly presentations / meetings starting in April and going through November of this year. Meetings / presentations are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise posted.

Thank you to all of the officers, volunteers and donors for their continued support. Without all of them the society would not be able to function.

Julie Moore, President
Sally Gore, Vice President
Pat Morris, Secretary

Diane Chapman, Treasurer

Lenny Chapman, House Committee Chairman

Pete Adams, Trustee

Sharon Adams, Trustee

Larry Chase, Trustee

Bob Greene, Trustee

Harriet Maynard, Curator

Respectfully submitted, Julie Moore, President

### **Economic Development Report**

I would like to honor our ten veteran businesses (same ownership for 35+ years or more) that have overcome the tumultuous economies through their many years and a very devastating flood. You are the true heroes! A warm welcome to our five new businesses that have invested in our quaint town. The Brattleboro Development Corporation and The Windham County Redevelopment Group continue to assist us with resources to fill our vacant buildings. The Wilmington Fund VT has been a valuable resource in assisting many old and new businesses to open in our downtown.

Several resource programs were implemented to benefit redevelopment throughout Wilmington on the local level; which include, Tax Stabilization Policy, Revolving Loan Fund and the Facade Improvement Grants. We have started implementing the Tax Stabilization contracts and the Revolving Loans. Eleven (\$49,451) Facade Improvement grants have been funded.

Regional and state resources have benefited our community businesses. Five downtown building renovation projects were awarded Historic Tax Credits through the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development amounting to \$341,817. Twenty Wilmington businesses benefited from the Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery funding for flood recovery projects through the BDCC totaling \$611,000.

I worked closely with our Downtown organization, Wilmington Works, on several projects and serve on the Economic Development Committee. Congratulations to Wilmington Works for their numerous contributions and to just name a few: the installation of trash receptacles and welcome signs, monthly newsletter, The Fiddleheads event, a successful Shop Local Promotion in December!

Our work and support with the Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies Group (SeVEDS) in creating the Comprehensive Development Strategy (CEDS) is imperative for population growth, workforce development, and providing jobs with livable wages in Wilmington.

A USDA grant was awarded to the Chamber of Commerce for development of branding and a marketing strategy for the Mount Snow Valley. I participated as a steering committee member working with the chosen consultants for a new logo and tagline. Now known as Southern Vermont's Deerfield Valley... LifeStyle.... FreeStyle

The Bi-Town Economic Development Committee, in June held a Grand Opening of The Valley Trail that connects the Wilmington and Dover villages. Jeff Nugent from Windham Regional Commission developed the map. Informational kiosks were placed throughout the trail system. The Wilmington Trails Committee was invaluable in constructing the trail. The committee has also begun work on creating better connectivity with broadband coverage, cellular service and utilization of our fiber optic capability.

The Vermont Digital Economy Project Grant through Vermont Council on Rural Development has been completed. This grant had several components; which included business technology workshops, website development and social media for nonprofit organizations, a new town website, and placed six wi-fi zones in Wilmington.

Currently, I am managing seven grants which include: VTrans Alternative Grant for streetscape planning, Business Broadband Internet District for high speed internet in the Higley Hill area (\$147,000), Digitization of Town Records, Fire Dept. Relocation, High School Building/Community Center and two Municipal Planning Grants.

Please sign up if you have not done so already to Front Porch Forum. This digital tool helps our community communicate better. Find this at frontporchforum.com.

I am interested in your thoughts and concerns regarding Wilmington's economy. Please feel free to contact me.

Submitted by Gretchen M. Havreluk ghavreluk@wilmingtonvt.us (802) 464-8591 ext 117

### **Pettee Memorial Library**

Calendar year 2014 was another year of continued growth in our library. Attendance was up over 15% from 2013, and circulation of books increased by 5%. These numbers are phenomenal during a time when the library is transforming from a book lending institution to a community resource center.

Pettee Memorial Library is now so much more than books – we educate, help employ, and create a healthier lifestyle for our community. In a local impact survey, almost half of our technology users employ the computers and WiFi for educational purposes. Forty-seven percent of the of the respondents applied for a job, and 18% were hired for new positions.

We've added two new services this year: e-books are now free and downloadable through our website, and our staff now offers one-on-one technical assistance during open hours. They will help you access the Internet, hook up free to our WiFi, or assist you in the use of portable devices. Take advantage of their knowledge rather than hesitate to try new technology! And check out our website, petteelibrary.org, which has links to our online catalog, a listing of our events, and, in addition to the e-books mentioned, there are downloadable audiobooks, genealogy aids, and online classes.

Although many of our services take place in the "Cloud," we continue to feel cramped. Many of our children's activities take place outside of the library for lack of space for a large number of participants. We've decided to create a more comprehensive strategic plan in 2015 so we know how we want to proceed. We will be asking for public input, either in small groups or individually, so we hope you will be willing to participate in shaping the future of Pettee Memorial Library.

The trustees want to thank our wonderful library staff. Harriette Hamilton retired in September of 2014 after almost 30 years of serving the community. She will be sorely missed; as she knew everyone's reading preferences so ordering replacement books was easy for her. Jennifer Razee has replaced Harriette as our Assistant Librarian. Her smile is as bright, but you'll have to let her know what books you would be interested in having us add to our collection. Helena Queenie, our Youth Services Librarian, continues to grow both the elementary and middle school programs despite the cramped quarters. Allison Maynard, our Librarian, holds everything together and keeps the library operating smoothly seven days a week.

Our thanks also to our active Friends of the Library, who help with children's programming and special events; our volunteers; and, of course, to the residents of Wilmington who generously fund us each year.

Gratefully, the Board of Trustees: Carolyn Palmer, *Chair*; Louis Clark, *Treasurer*; Ann Ottaviano, *Secretary*; Meg Streeter; Karina Martin



Brattleboro Area Hospice provides non-medical, volunteer-staffed programs for dying and grieving community members. We develop, train, place and support volunteers. We provide education and outreach to increase our community's understanding of and ability to cope with the issues of death and dying.

Brattleboro Area Hospice is dedicated to the belief that each of us can offer companionship and support to those around us who are dying or grieving. We are one of fewer than 200 volunteer hospices left in the United States. Out volunteers provide wide-ranging support to clients and their families regardless of whether a patient resides at home, is in a hospital, a long term care facility or some other location. Hospice volunteers organize and participate in round the clock vigils when the time is close and family can't be present. We offer bereavement support groups creating a sage environment for sharing experiences, exploring facilities, providing mutual supports and gaining insight into the grieving process. We publish a bereavement newsletter SEASONS, offer one-on-one grief counseling, and conduct an Annual Service of Remembrance at our Hospice Memorial Garden at Living Memorial Park.

One hundred percent of our funding is local-we receive no money from state, federal, or insurance sources. All of our services are offered free of charge. Your financial support helps to make this possible. We are grateful to provide this compassionate care to our friends and neighbors, and grateful for the community's support which makes our work possible.

In the past year, Brattleboro Area Hospice served 12 Wilmington residents. Four Wilmington residents served as volunteers. Please call us at 257-0775 with any questions on death or dying or visit us at <a href="https://www.brattleborohospice.org">www.brattleborohospice.org</a>.

### Wilmington Works

Wilmington Works is the official State of Vermont designated downtown organization for the Town of Wilmington, Vermont. Our mission is:

To build, improve and support a vital downtown that benefits the entire Wilmington community.

As one of only twenty-four designated downtown organizations in Vermont, Wilmington Works is able to provide access to special tax credits, grant opportunities, and technical assistance to help preserve and revitalize downtown Wilmington.

We have almost thirty volunteers that serve on our Board, one of our four standing committees – Design, Promotions, Organization and Economic Development – or work on specific projects or events that Wilmington Works undertakes. We estimate that our volunteers have donated over \$75,000 in kind hours working on Wilmington Works' projects and events.

To create more vibrancy in the downtown, Wilmington Works has helped create new events – Doggiepalooza and The Fiddlehead Festival – and worked to grow existing events such as the Blueberry Festival and Village Strolls. The Fiddlehead Block Party and Blueberry Block Party saw over 1600 attendees. Now in its second year, Doggiepalooza continues to offer a family friendly event attracting hundreds of visitors to the downtown.

Another new event, the Shop Local Promotion that Wilmington Works designed and implemented over the holidays in 2013, can also claim direct economic impact. Made possible by a \$5000 grant from The Wilmington Fund VT, this event helped create an increased awareness of the importance and value of shopping local. By funding \$5.00 coupons to be handed out to local store patrons who had already spent \$5.00, it encouraged those patrons to go to one more shop to utilize the coupon. This event contributed no less than \$80,000 in direct spending at local businesses. Due to the success of this event, Wilmington Works offered a similar promotion over the 2014 holidays.

To enhance and improve the appearance of our downtown, Wilmington Works has partnered with the Town of Wilmington on a number of infrastructure projects both large and small. Smaller projects have included new gateway signs, trashcans and a redesigned kiosk area at the Oxbow. Our largest project has been assisting with a planning grant to expand the sidewalks and improve the lighting in the downtown area. Working with the Town, we hope to obtain funding to begin sidewalk construction in 2015.

To help tell the story of downtown Wilmington and encourage visitors to spend more time downtown, Wilmington Works developed a marketing brochure. We are now working on a revised one. Working with The Historical Society of Wilmington, we created a Historic Walking Tour Map. The map has been hugely successful with many visitors, who enjoy the quality historic documentation and the unique perspective and sense of place it provides. Working with the Town of Wilmington, we also have created pole and street banners to help reinforce both location and Wilmington's identity. Online, we have created a new promotional website – wilmingtoninthemountains.com – and our Facebook page continues to garner more traffic and "likes."

To motivate investment in the downtown, businesses have been encouraged to take advantage of the State's historic tax credit program. This is one of the primary benefits of having a designated downtown organization. Since the creation of Wilmington Works, five Wilmington projects have been awarded \$361,817 in historic tax credits. These tax credits have helped make possible over \$4 million in building renovations and improvements in our downtown.

Finally, we would like to thank the Town of Wilmington, The Wilmington Fund VT and the many residents and second homeowners whose generous financial support has played a key role in our success. We look forward to an ongoing partnership with you to continue our mission to create a vital downtown.

Submitted by,

John M. Gannon, Co-Chair Lisa Sullivan Co-Chair

#### **Deerfield Valley Transit Association**

The DVTA completed its eighteenth year in 2014, and we have served almost four million riders and traveled almost six million miles since November 23, 1996.

Each week we provide rides for seniors to shopping, meal sites, adult day care, the doctors', and social events. This service has improved the quality of life for over 60 Valley residents by getting them out regularly and allowing them to live at home longer in life. We average over 125 trips a week.

For the past seven years, the towns of Whitingham, Wilmington and Dover each provide a \$4000 contribution to the DVTA for the services we are providing its students with transportation to BUHS, BAMS, and the Career Center. The MOOver saves WSWSU \$48,000 annually.

Construction on our new facility was started in April and should be completed in May 2015. We appreciate all the cooperation and support from the Town and residents for this project. We are anxious to open our section of the Riverwalk in June to connect to recreational trails that others have worked so hard to build.

The DVTA Board remains a very dedicated group, and Wilmington's members are Eithne Eldred and Susie Haughwout. Sometime this year Susie will be stepping down from the Board. She is a founding Board member, and for 19 years she has worked tirelessly to provide public transit for this area. We simply cannot thank her enough, and it is singular that anyone works so hard and so passionately for 19 years on a volunteer board.

We also appreciate the support from the Select Board, the fire and police departments, the town administrators, and the highway crew who have always been there to help us.

We also thank the residents of Wilmington for their support. Please call us with questions/comments at 464-8487, and thanks for riding the MOOver!!!

Respectfully submitted, Randy Schoonmaker, General Manager



For the past ten years, we have been helping citizens of the Deerfield Valley to keep their homes warm when they fall short and cannot afford their fuel bills. Last winter, the DVCC spent a record total of \$88,875.53. We helped 98 families within the valley last winter.

We had the greatest number of requests for help from families in the town of Wilmington. Thirty-six families from Wilmington were helped. Two of those families needed help two times. Our expenses for those families in Wilmington were roughly \$33,000.00.

We have again applied for help from the Town of Wilmington for the winter of 2014/2015. It is our hope that the Select Board and the citizens will approve an expenditure to help us perform this service for the citizens of our town for another winter.

Yours very truly,

Carolyn DiLeo, Ginny Kuhnert and Sue Spengler, Board of Directors

### Deerfield Valley Community Partnership

The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership (DVCP) is in its 20<sup>th</sup> year of working on preventing alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among our youth. The past year has been spent offering programming and activities for parents, middle and high school students, as well as implementing drug and alcohol awareness and activities in the community.

Some of the highlights during this past year include:

- Implementing the Lock Your Meds campaign to raise awareness of the importance of prescription drug abuse prevention
- Hosting a community screening of the award winning documentary film, the Hungry Heart, on prescription drug addiction and recovery in Vermont
- Sponsoring a community forum to open dialogue and create a comprehensive action plan to support community members that are dealing addiction or are in recovery.
- Working to make outdoor spaces smoke-free by posting smoke-free signs at Lake Raponda, Buzzy Town Park, and the Bank Lot Park
- Implementing prevention curriculum for all Windham Southwest Supervisory students in grades 5-8
- Working with retailers on the Healthy Retailer Project to limit alcohol and tobacco advertising and improve healthy food options
- Implementing the five session Guiding Good Choices Parenting Program
- Sponsoring high school students attendance at the Eastern States Youth to Youth Leadership conference held at the University of Rhode Island
- Sponsoring middle school students attendance at the Above the Influence Training at High Five in Brattleboro
- Sponsoring tobacco awareness activities and smoking cessation programs at the middle and high school
- Sponsoring a Community Quit Day and cessation program to assist community members in quitting tobacco
- Working to prevent exposure to second-hand smoke in cars and homes
- Assisting with the sponsorship of the Blueberry Block party. A substance free community event, on South Main Street
- Co-sponsoring the annual Family Halloween Event
- Partnering with parents for another successful Project Graduation Event
- Sponsoring student prevention groups at the Twin Valley Middle School and Twin Valley High School
- Partnering with the Department of Liquor Control and local retailers for retailer trainings on alcohol and tobacco sales
- Offering on-site training on identifying false IDs for retailers
- Supporting the Student Assistance Program at the middle and high school
- Implementing Phase III of the Be the Wall Between Teens and Alcohol Campaign to prevent underage drinking

All environmental initiatives are funded by state grants. Town funds assist in paying for direct programming with youth and parents.

The DVCP meets once a month and all (adults and youth) are encouraged to attend. Partnership meetings include dinner, hearing reports of activities that have happened over the past month, brainstorming new ideas, and making decisions on use of grant funds.

For more information: check our website at www.DVCP.org or find us on Facebook or call 802-464-2202.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Hayford, DVCP Coordinator



**Wings' Vision Statement:** Wings will actively engage students in experiences to help them be successful in school and in life as they grow into productive adults.

**Wings' Mission Statement:** Wings provides creative academic, enrichment, and physical/wellness programming to all children and their families within the Windham Southwest Supervisory Union.

Wings Community Programs at the Twin Valley Elementary School is having another great year under the leadership of site coordinator Patsy Mehlhop. Samantha Ambrose and Sandy Crowningshield continue to provide excellent leadership for after school programming and academic support at Twin Valley Middle School. Lonny Paige's Junior Iron Chef coaches and teams had a great turnout at WSSU's district cook off at T.V.E.S last year while the middle school team, Country Girls, took home the Lively Local award at the state competition. Working in close cooperation with Cindy Hayford and the Deerfield Valley Community Partnership (D.V.C.P.), T.V.H.S. programs operate under the name created by the high school advisory group— F.R.E.S.H. – Fun, Recreational, Educational, Student Hang-Out. The FRESH program is having a fantastic sixth year at the new Twin Valley Middle/High School under Karen Molina's strong guidance. Student participation at the high school increased again to an all time high of 88% of the total population last year. Finally, Wings' Summer Program, partnered with the Town of Wilmington to provide an incredible four weeks of full day/all week thematic programming, academic enrichment, exercise and crafts under the name Celebrate Summer. 48 children from Wilmington participated in Celebrate Summer and parental, child and staff feedback on the experience was overwhelmingly positive. Recognition must go to Jamie Brown and Patsy Mehlhop for their outstanding dedication and leadership as Celebrate Summer's co-directors and the 9 middle and high school youth who served as the Celebrate Summer's ever busy counselors.

Wings offers a balance of activities that include academic, enrichment, and physical/wellness programs, homework support, and tutoring services at each school that serves the young people of Wilmington. During the 2013-2014 school year:

- 75% of T.V.E.S., 96% of T.V.M.S. and 88% of T.V.H.S. students participated in Wings programs. A total of 550 tutoring hours were provided to students at the three schools. 68 teachers and school day staff and WSSU school faculty members at T.V.E.S., T.V.M.S. and T.V.H.S. led, or assisted with, programs.
- A total of 24 community members led programs at Twin Valley Elementary School and both the Twin Valley Middle and High Schools.

It was wonderful news this past April when Wings was awarded another 5 years of financial support from the state's 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant.

Wings provides the young people of Wilmington the opportunity to explore their community and investigate their world, to build skills, and develop new interests and passions, all within a safe and supportive learning environment. Wings programs bring together teachers, staff and members of the broader community to play, work, and learn together in a way that is very different from the regular school day. Whether participating in Lego Robotics, Vermont Rocks, Mad Scientist, Cooking and Gardening, Junior Iron Chef, Girls on the Run, Open (art) Studio or participating in the district-wide musical, Scooby and the Curse of the Spider Woman, students experience learning in new and engaging ways. It is Wings' mission to continue to serve families of Wilmington with the same high quality after school programming the community has grown to expect and rely upon.

Wings would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those within the Wilmington community who have taken the time to help further Wings' vision and have directly participated in bringing programs to the children of Wilmington as well as thank all Wilmington residents for their commitment to high quality after school programming as evidenced through financial support within both the school and town budgets. It is through the support of an entire community that Wings thrives and our children literally soar

Respectfully submitted, Andy Hauty, Project Director Stephanie Powers, Operations Manager



TVES - Math Games



Twin Valley Middle School – Spelling Bee Champs



TVHS-Open Studio



Celebrate Summer-Squid Science

### Visiting Nurses & Hospice of VT & NH

Visiting Nurses and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

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

Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, VNH made 821 homecare visits to 49 Wilmington residents. This included approximately \$39,566 in unreimbursed care to Wilmington residents.

- Home Health Care: 646 home visits to 42 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- <u>Long-Term Care</u>: 77 home visits to 3 residents with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.
- **Hospice Services**: 94 home visits to 3 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- <u>Maternal and Child Health Services</u>: 4 home visits to 1 resident for well baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

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

Sincerely,

Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

### **Deerfield Valley Food Pantry**

The mission of the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry (DVFP) is to see that no one in the area goes needlessly hungry, or lacks the basics for personal care. We provide, as well as our resources permit, food and other items to all those who ask for assistance. We do not turn anyone away. We serve Wilmington, Whitingham, Jacksonville, Dover, Readsboro, Marlboro, Halifax, and Searsburg. The DVFP relies on donations of food items, the financial support of local churches, towns, organizations and individuals, plus an annual membership drive to make sure our shelves are never empty. The DVFP is a 501(c)(3) organization and a member of the Vermont Foodbank.

During 2014 we served an average of just under 100 families with about 250 clients each month. Since our communities have always "paid it forward" and always keep the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry on their giving list, we continue to be prepared and able to accommodate all the identified needs of our neighbors. It truly is a testament to the conscious and deliberate support of so many. This strong financial support from many donors, as well as our organized fundraisers and some modest success in acquiring grant funds, has allowed us to ensure that every month's distribution includes fresh meats, eggs and produce, along with the staples we have always provided.

DVFP wishes to thank our many dedicated volunteers who turn up every month to help with unloading the delivery truck, shelving the food, and assisting with our monthly distribution process. We could not do it without them all. We are especially grateful to the many local school children who come periodically to help out and also often hold food drives in their schools to help us keep the shelves full. It is heartwarming to see ones so young who are so enthusiastic to selflessly help out others. Fundraisers this year included a Feed A MOOver Event in December at Shaw's in lieu of the annual Christmas Concert and an Empty Bowls dinner in March, with selections of soups served in beautiful handmade bowls made by local artisans. We participated in the Baking Contest at the July Wilmington Town Stroll, and our 4<sup>th</sup> annual motorcycle ride with raffled items was held in August. Again, the local merchant community is always very generous in providing support for these endeavors.

Please continue to spread the word about the help available from the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry. There is no need for anyone to go hungry. Our distributions are on the third Saturday morning of each month and on the preceding Thursday afternoon. All it takes to receive help is to show up on one of these dates and register; there are no income requirements involved. You can come just once if you experience an unusual emergency, or every month for as long as needed. We also encourage everyone who is able to join the membership that supports the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry. For only \$20 annually you can be a supporting member of the DVFP and help us reach our goals. Registration and online Paypal payments are now possible at our website deerfieldvalleyfoodpantry.org. The Board meets monthly on the Thursday preceding the third Saturday of the month, at 9:15 a.m. at 7 Church Street in Wilmington. Volunteers are always welcome. To express a need for our service, or to volunteer, call the DVFP at 464-0148.

On behalf of the many neighbors that we currently serve, and may serve in the near future, thank you for your continued support of the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry.

Respectfully submitted, Evon Mack, for the Board of Directors of the Deerfield Valley Food Pantry



Serving Bennington, Windham and Windsor Counties Admin. Office, 160 Benmont Ave. Suite 90 Bennington, VT 05201

The Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), part of the Corporation for National and Community Service- Senior Corps, is a nation-wide program for people age 55 and older who wish to make positive impacts in the communities in which they reside. Through meaningful and significant use of their skills and knowledge, they volunteer their services to programs and non-profits in the local area. At Green Mountain RSVP we view our senior population as our most valuable asset in keeping our communities strong through volunteerism.

RSVP has been helping non-profit and civic organizations by recruiting and placing volunteers to meet vital community needs. Our goal is to ensure that volunteers contribute their time and talents to programs that have a significant, positive impact on the quality of life in Windham County. Our volunteers address community concerns that are vital for our senior population and their neighbors. They include supporting Healthy Futures and Aging in Place through food pantry support, meal delivery, and transportation. For instance in our companionship & wellness programs we offer 11 Bone Builder classes throughout Windham County serving over 400 seniors around Southern Vermont.

Volunteers in Wilmington served over 730 hours in support of our companionship programs that benefit local area seniors. Our volunteers worked to support knitting projects for the Christmas Stocking Project and the Linus Project. Other volunteers assisted by leading a Bone Builder Class, twice a week, that is free and open to the public at Wilmington Congregational Church. They support numerous other community priorities throughout Windham County. GMRSVP volunteers from Windham County donated their time and support to 116 important programs all over the county. Windham County generously donated over 19,000 hours of services last year. RSVP will continue to build programming around support of Aging in Place and Healthy Futures in Windham County in the upcoming year. We always welcome new volunteers.

You are welcome to contact us in our Windham office at (802) 254-7515 or speak to me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 447-1545.

We are more than happy to attend a town meeting to discuss the changes in our program and answer any questions that you may have.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Elaine Haytko, Director, Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center

#### **Youth Services**

Since Youth Services was establishes in 1972, we have assisted over 1,000 children, youth and families throughout Windham County annually. We help youth and families thrive. We help youth and young adults living in difficult circumstances learn the life skills that will assist them in living successfully on their own and as engaged and productive community citizens. Program services include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters one-to-one mentoring
- Transitioning youth in foster care to independent living as young adults
- Assistance to teens leaving home or at-risk for running away with counseling, family mediation, and housing
- Home-based counseling to keep families together, thereby avoiding the placement of children outside their home
- Court Diversion for youth and adults, an alternative to the traditional court system using a restorative justice approach to repair the harm to victims and the community while addressing the underlying issues of the people who violated the law
- Therapeutic case management services, support, referral
- Career development focused groups and one-to-one mentoring for high school students with behavioral and learning disabilities
- Substance abuse prevention and intervention for youth and adults
- Supervised visitation and child advocacy services.

We served 15 residents from Wilmington during Fiscal Year 2014. Your continued support is beneficial to the children, youth and families in your town.

For additional information please see our website at <u>www.youthservicesinc.org</u>, call 802-257-0361 or email <u>info@youthservicesinc.org</u>.

Julie Davenson Executive Director

Youth and Families: Healthy, Empowered, Valued



New Plow Truck-B. Hunt



#### The Windham Regional Commission

The mission of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) is to assist towns in Southeastern Vermont to provide effective local government and to work cooperatively with them to address regional issues. In the absence of county government, we provide an essential link between towns, the state, and the federal government. The WRC is comprised of 27 member towns: the 23 towns of Windham County; Readsboro, Searsburg and Winhall in Bennington County; and Weston in Windsor County.

The Commission is composed of and governed by town-appointed Commissioners. Towns choose their own representatives to serve on the Commission. After town meeting, each Selectboard appoints up to two representatives to serve on the Commission for the coming year. Wilmington is currently represented by Tom Consolino and VACANT. Each Commissioner represents their town's interests before the Commission, brings information from the Commission back to their town, and serves on at least one of a number of committees that address regional and municipal issues and concerns. Active service on these committees is very important because the WRC is organized around a strong committee structure. It's within these committees that most Commission decisions are made. The 10 professional staff of the WRC provides support to the Committees, as well as to our member towns.

The Commission assists towns with activities in a number of different areas including town plans and bylaws; community and economic development; testing, technical support and cleanup funding for the redevelopment of "Brownfields" sites which are those sites that are or may be contaminated by hazardous substances; natural resources; transportation planning; infrastructure and capital improvement planning; traffic counts; emergency planning; energy planning; review of projects submitted for review through Act 250 (land use), Section 248 (energy generation and transmission, telecommunications), and federal permitting processes; grant application and administration; development and management of capital improvement projects; and mapping and geographic information system (GIS) analyses.

Our relationship with our towns is inherently collaborative. For instance, towns choose to have their plans reviewed by the Commission; town plan review and approval by the Commission is not mandatory. The regional plan, which was just updated through a 2-year process, is developed in consultation with our towns and is ultimately approved by our towns. We help towns make the most of the financial and human resources they have both individually and collectively. We assist with projects between and among towns, build and augment the capacity of volunteer-based town boards and commissions, and provide professional services to towns that may want to take on a project that is beyond what they can comfortably manage with their own staff and volunteers.

Highlights from the past year reflect the range of services we provide to the towns of the region. We assisted 23 towns at their request with plans, zoning and zoning administration, flood hazard area regulation updates, and community revitalization. Staff and the WRC's Project Review Committee received and reviewed 109 Act 250 applications and 9 Section 248 applications. Culvert inventories, road/infrastructure inventories, traffic studies and/or sign inventories were provided for 18 towns. We assisted all of our towns with the development and submittal of Local Emergency Operations Plans and other requirements to maximize benefits related to the Emergency Relief Assistance Fund, which provides state funding to match federal dollars in the event of a federally-declared disaster. We have led the region's response to the announcement of the closure of Entergy Vermont Yankee, including understanding what the economic impacts will be and what the decommissioning process will entail. As part of the Irene Recovery Project collaboration funded by the U.S. Economic Development Agency we completed 17 long-term recovery plans for the hardest hit villages and downtowns. An annual report is available on our website (<a href="https://www.windhamregional.org">www.windhamregional.org</a>). Click on the heading "About Us."

Funding for the Windham Regional Commission is provided through contracts with state agencies, federal grants, and town assessments. While town assessments make up a relatively small percentage of our budget – about 7 percent of a \$1.2 million budget for FY 2015 – it is virtually the only funding we receive that has no conditions placed upon it by entities beyond the Commission's borders. Your town's assessment makes it possible for us to leverage the resources that enable us to serve you across the range of activities mentioned above. We have based our budget on a modest increase in the per resident assessment rate from \$1.83 to \$1.88. The \$1.88 per resident rate will result in a total assessment of \$3478 from Wilmington for the new fiscal year. Wilmington may wish to budget additional amounts for town-specific work needed from the WRC. To see our detailed Program of Work and budget for FY 2015, visit our website and click on the heading "About Us."

### **Fence Viewer**

As Wilmington's Fence Viewer I have spent the year looking at local fences. While most are in good repair, there are a few that need work. There is, however, a good variation of styles. See if you can identify the location of the following fences.

#### Nikki Steel













Above photos taken by Nikki Steel

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### **Southeastern Vermont Community Action**

Southeastern Vermont Community Action is an anti-poverty, community-based, nonprofit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965.

Our mission is to enable people to cope with and reduce the hardships of poverty; create sustainable self-sufficiency; reduce the causes and move toward the elimination of poverty. SEVCA has a variety of programs and services to meet this end. They include: Head Start, Weatherization, Emergency Home Repair, Emergency Services (fuel/utility, housing and food assistance), Micro-Business Development, Individual Development Accounts, Tax Preparation, Working Bridges (resource coordination), VT Health Connect Navigation, Disaster Recovery, and Thrift Stores.

In the community of Wilmington we have provided the following services during FY2014:

**Weatherization:** 1 home (2 people) weatherized at a cost of \$22,878

**Emergency Heating System Replacements:** 1 home (1 person) received a heating system repair or replacement valued at \$7,951

**Tax Preparation:** 3 households (8 people) received services & tax credits totaling \$8,360

**VT Health Connect:** 4 households (10 people) received assistance with enrolling in the Vermont Health Exchange, valued at \$576

**Emergency Services:** 26 households (55 people) received 127 services (including crisis intervention, financial counseling, nutrition education, referral to and assistance in accessing needed services) valued at \$1,342

Fuel/Utility Assistance: 16 households (33 people) received services valued at \$8,003

Housing & Other Support Services: 7 households (18 people) rec'd services valued at \$11,662

**Resource Coordination:** 1 employees (5 in families) in a local business received help with employee retention, advancement, and financial stability, valued at \$485

**Disaster Recovery:** 3 households (10 people) received disaster recovery assistance and case management, valued at \$9,589

Community support, through town funding, helps to build a strong partnership. The combination of federal, state, private, and town funds allow us to not only maintain, but to increase and improve service.

We thank the residents of Wilmington for their support.

Stephen Geller Executive Director



Senior Solutions fosters and supports successful aging of seniors in the Wilmington community and throughout Windham and Windsor Counties.

To assist seniors in Wilmington we offer a number of services, including:

<u>Information and Assistance</u>- Our Senior HelpLine at 1-800-642-5119 is a toll free number which offers help applying for benefits, assistance with health insurance problems, housing needs, fuel assistance, and many other services.

As part of the Medicare Part D, prescription program we have trained staff available by phone, office or home.

<u>Senior Nutrition-</u> <u>3317</u> Home Delivered meals are arranged and delivered. Congregate meals are served three times per week at the Jacksonville Meal Site. A Registered Dietician is available to offer nutritional counseling when appropriate.

<u>Transportation-</u> We support various providers of transportation for both medical appointments and non-medical needs.

<u>Case Management & Advocacy-</u> One on one case management enables seniors to access services which help them remain safe at home. Often minimal services can prevent premature institutionalization. Some clients who require nursing home level of care are able to remain at home with family caregivers and trained personal care givers. Senior Solutions served <u>13</u> Wilmington residents this past year.

<u>Care Giver Respite-</u> Through grants we provide respite assistance for caregivers of those diagnosed with dementia or other chronic diseases. **2** Wilmington resident received assistance through this grant.

Your town contribution generates Federal matching funds to support our activities. We do not charge for any of our services. The support of Wilmington citizens is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Joyce A. Lemire, Executive Director

(802) 885-2655 Fax (802) 885-2665 Toll Free (866) 673-8376 Senior HelpLine (800) 642-5119



Founded in 1979, our mission is to provide a safe space and ongoing support to families and individuals facing challenges to maintaining stable housing. Over the past 35 years, Morningside has developed the knowledge, systems, and institutional capacity to effectively assist homeless families and individuals in securing and successfully maintaining stable housing. Last year, Morningside Shelter was "home" to 118 individual people, roughly a third of whom were children. As the only year-round homeless shelter in southeastern Vermont, our services are in high demand:

- MORNINGSIDE SHELTER offers 30 beds and intensive case management for individuals and families experiencing
  homelessness we work collaboratively to help residents connect to a wide range of wrap-around services, and assist in
  identifying and applying for affordable housing.
- HOUSING SUPPORT CASE MANAGEMENT provides housing retention support services to individuals and families as they transition back into housing.
- THE REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE PROGRAM offers intermediary financial management for Social Security recipients; ensuring that rent and basic living expenses are paid, to keep participants housed and in good financial standing.

THE YOUTH SHELTER COLLABORATIVE provides cost-effective shelter for homeless youth – Morningside holds the master lease on the apartment, providing shelter for youth receiving case management through Youth Services

81 Royal Road | PO Box 370 | Brattleboro, VT 05302 | T: 802-257-0066 | F: 802-257-0286 www.MorningsideShelter.org

#### Women's Freedom Center

The mission of the Women's Freedom Center is to work to end physical, sexual and emotional violence against the women and children of Windham County. The Freedom Center works to fulfill its mission by educating the community regarding the roof causes of violence against women, challenging the systems that help keep it in place and by providing support and services, including shelter and safe housing, to women and their children who have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. Since our beginnings in 1977, we have provided support to the survivors of these crimes, as well as consultation and educational activities to a wide range of community groups to help create a community in which violence is not tolerated.

Emergency support such as shelter, safety planning, financial assistance, and information and referral is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Ongoing individual and group support for women and children; legal, medical, housing and social services advocacy; and cooperative work with other agencies are provided during the week. Due to the rural nature of Windham County and the isolation inherent in many abusive relationships, we are committed to meeting with women wherever we may do so safely. Sometimes this means assisting her to get to us and other times it means us going to her, somewhere safe in her community.

During the fiscal year July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014, the Women's Freedom Center sheltered 45 women and their 42 children and provided assistance to 505 women and their 527 children through individual and group support, advocacy, referrals, emergency financial aid, housing assistance, transportation, and access to legal representation and childcare. This year the Freedom Center provided emergency support, shelter nights and transitional housing to **8 women and 19 children from Wilmington.** 

The Women's Freedom Center is a private, non-profit organization relying heavily on community support to provide our free and confidential services. We thank you for your Town's contributions to the Freedom Center, and hope you will look upon it as an investment in creating a future free from violence, something we all deserve.

Regards,

Víckie Sterling

Vickie Sterling Executive Director Women's Freedom Center

### Windham County Humane Society

**Description of Services:** The Windham County Humane Society is a non-profit organization serving all residents of Windham County, Vermont. The mission of the Windham County Humane Society is to ensure the safety and well being of animals as well as enhancing the relationship between individuals and pets through adoption, education, advocacy, compassion and promotion of animal welfare. We accept owner surrendered dogs, cats and other pets; house and care for stray/abandoned/neglected animals; facilitate adoptions; provide lost and found services; offer monthly low cost spay/neuter clinics to the public; provide pet food assistance for those in need; and coordinate the investigation of reports of animal cruelty and neglect. We are dedicated to educating the public toward increased awareness of the need to promote animal welfare and the importance of spaying and neutering pets, and to encouraging respect for all living things.

#### **Animal Intake and Outcomes**

883 animals came into the shelter from October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2014. The intake of animals breaks down as follows:

- 121 were seized by ACO's/law enforcement
- 297 animals were surrendered by their owners
- 286 were strays brought in by the public or abandoned at the shelter
- 179 were transported to WCHS from high kill shelters and successfully adopted out

884 animals left WCHS from October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2014. Outcomes are as follows:

- 657 or 74% were adopted out to new homes
- 120 or 14% were reunited with their owner
- 44 or 5% were euthanized for health or behavior reasons (WCHS does not euthanize for time or space. Average euthanasia rate in the US is 50%)
- 25 or 3% died
- 38 or 4% were transferred out to another shelter or rescue

#### Spay/Neuter

- 398 public animals
- 61 Feral cats
- \$7,702 in financial aid for spay/neuter to low-income pet owners

#### Pet Food Assistance

Pet food assistance was provided to 311 low-income residents from Windham County.

#### Cruelty/Neglect

WCHS coordinated the investigation of 48 reports of cruelty and neglect in Windham County.

#### Volunteers 2013-14

96 Volunteers worked a total of 5,987 hours. These numbers do not include time donated by the Board of Directors, or by the two event committees.

#### WCHS served Wilmington residents as follows:

- 22 residents adopted animals from WCHS
- 1 stray animal was reunited with their owners.
- 27 residents' animals were fixed through our low cost spay/neuter program
- 9 animals were surrendered to WCHS by Wilmington residents.
- 1 animals were found as strays and brought to WCHS by the Wilmington ACO.
- 1 animal found as stray was brought to WCHS by Wilmington residents
- WCHS offers pet care assistance to low-income residents of Windham County. 7 residents of Wilmington requested such assistance in the past year.
- WCHS coordinates the investigation of cruelty and neglect reports for all of Windham County. There were no complaints of cruelty/neglect in Wilmington this year.

Thank you for your time,

#### Carolyn Conrad

Director of Operations, Windham County Humane Society



The Gathering Place (TGP) is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization that has proudly served the elders and adults with disabilities residents of Windham County since 1989. TGP celebrated 25 years of service to the community this year. The center is conveniently located on 30 Terrace Street in Brattleboro. Seniors and adult disabled individuals of a variety of ages, races, religions and socioeconomic status enjoy the benefits of the Center and its services every day. TGP is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing care at home and an affordable alternative to nursing facility placement. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and 4% of those we served in the last fiscal year were Wilmington residents.

TGP's myriad of services and activities are designed to bring health, fun, laughter and companionship to the lives of our participants and peace of mind to their families. Our enhanced services include:

- Nursing oversight
- Access to on-site counseling, and occupational and physical therapies, podiatry and hairdresser.
- Daily exercise program including tai-chi
- Recreation and social activities including expressive arts, poetry and crafts
- Nutritious meals and snacks
- Personal care
- Outreach services
- Companionship
- Special events
- Access to transportation and coordination of medical appointments

Our primary goals in Fiscal year 2016 is to meet the needs of our current participants and families, expand our community partnerships and prepare the organization to meet the future needs of the communities that we serve. To assure TGP can meet those goals we are fundraising to expand our under-utilized space on or facility, open a satellite location in Wilmington and adjust programming to better meet ever-changing needs.

#### Kids in the Country Child Care and Preschool, Inc

Kids in the Country Child Care and Preschool, Inc. (KITC) established in 1971, has remained the only non-profit child care center in the Deerfield Valley. KITC provides low cost, high quality care and education to the children and families working and residing within our community. Reliable, affordable care is crucial to ensuring that people can afford to remain both working and living in the area.

KITC is licensed by the State of Vermont to provide care for children 6 weeks to 12 years of age from 7:15 am - 6:00 pm Monday through Friday year round. Our well qualified staff is dedicated to providing a small, family atmosphere while nurturing and educating the children. Kids in the Country's programs currently include before and after school care, a morning preschool program for children ages three to five with the option of extended hours for working families, an infant and toddler program, as well as, summer enrichment activities.

With the help of town funding, KITC has been successful meeting the goals of our updated business plan and improving upon the quality of child care we provide. Our achievements have been:

- Achieved 4 STARS, a statewide system that rewards child care programs that go above and beyond Vermont's standard licensing to deliver quality services and help improve the well-being of Vermont's children.
- Retaining a highly qualified staff
- Improved Curriculum and Assessment Tools
- Steady Enrollment
- Collaboration with outside agencies to ensure improving and ongoing quality.

We are located in East Dover and serve primarily families that live and work in Wilmington and Dover. Thirty-five percent of the families whom we provide care for live and/or work in Wilmington and rely on our services to continue doing so.

We would like to thank the Town of Wilmington and its residents for their support in previous years. KITC is governed by a Board of Directors. Anyone interested in becoming a member please contact Andrea.

Contact Information.

Phone Number: (802) 348-7476 Email: kitcountry@yahoo.com



Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT) is a non-profit organization serving the residents of Windham and southern Windsor County. The organization was founded in 1987.

WWHT's mission is to strengthen the communities of Southeast Vermont through the development and stewardship of permanently affordable housing and through ongoing support and advocacy for its residents.

Our purpose is to enhance the quality of life for low and moderate income citizens; to preserve and revitalize neighborhoods; to foster diversity; and to improve the social, economic, and cultural health of communities of Windham and southern Windsor County.

#### **Homeownership Center**

The **Revolving Loan Fund** provides low cost loans to low and moderate income homeowners throughout Windham and Windsor counties to make critical home repairs. This includes repairs necessary to bring homes up to code and make them a safe place to live. A staff rehabilitation specialist inspects the home, determines which repairs are necessary, and works with the homeowner to plan and finance the project.

<u>Housing Counseling Services</u> are available to all residents in both counties. We provide homebuyer education, credit counseling, delinquency counseling, and foreclosure prevention counseling.

The <u>Shared Equity Program</u> provides grants to income-eligible homebuyers to subsidize the purchase of single-family homes. Grants are used towards the purchase price of the land underneath the home, lowering the cost to the homebuyer. Windham & Windsor Housing Trust retains ownership of the land and ensures long-term affordability through special ground lease provisions.

<u>H.E.A.T. Squad</u> provides services to any home owner to assist with energy efficiency upgrades.

**Rental Housing Development Program**-In order to meet the diverse housing needs of a community, WWHT develops affordable rental housing opportunities. This might take the form of housing rehabilitation or the construction of new apartments. WWHT can work with towns to plan for meeting affordable housing or community development needs.

**Rental Housing Management Program-**WWHT manages many of their rental properties and uses Stewart Property Management Services to manage the remaining properties. WWHT takes pride in the appearance of its multifamily housing and is committed to providing the staff and financial resources necessary to ensure long-term health and safety for its residents.

For more information, please visit us on the web at www.w-wht.org

68 Birge Street, Brattleboro, Vermont 05301 Ph/TTY: 802 254 4604 FAX: 802 254 4656



90 Main Street, Springfield, Vermont 05156 Ph/TTY: 802 885 3220 FAX: 802 885 5811

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#### **Health Care & Rehabilitation Services**

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

During FY14, HCRS provided 4,604 hours of services to 43 residents of the Town of Wilmington. The services provided included all of HCRS' programs resulting in a wide array of supports for the residents of Wilmington.

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



Thanks to your support, we have been able to further our mission in improving the lives of young children and their families and children in Windham County. Specifically, we have served over 40 families and 61 children through our Child Care Referral and Eligibility services and Child and Adult Food program. Additionally, we have served over 7,000 nutritious meals and snacks through our Child and Adult Food Program.

Windham Child Care Association has been providing quality childcare in Windham County for over three decades. We are continually grateful to the residents and the Select Board members of Wilmington for contributing to our tradition of quality child care in the region.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Raposa Executive Director

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Windham Child Care Association

#### **Valley Youth Sports**

Valley Youth Sports is a nonprofit, volunteer based organization that provides year round organized sports to Wilmington and surrounding area children in pre-K through sixth grade. Valley Youth Sports sponsored programs include (Spring) t-ball, baseball, and softball, (Fall) soccer, and (Winter) basketball. Our focus is on the player. It is our goal to provide leagues for our children to compete in a fun, developmentally appropriate environment where they will be able to learn and improve their skills while maintaining a focus on learning good sportsmanship, teamwork and cooperation. We encompass this within our philosophy of "Kids First, Winning Second".

Valley Youth Sports is run by a volunteer Board of Directors, with individual sports programs manged by an administrator. None of our programs would be possible without the support of our community and the countless hours given by our volunteers. The success of our programs depends on volunteer coaches, referees, scorekeepers, and umpires which come from all areas of the community. This includes middle and high school students, parent, teachers, and other community members. Funding for sponsored programs comes from Town appropriations, rgistration fees, donations and fund raising. These funds are used to provide equipment, uniforms, field maintenance, insurance coverage and to cover administrative costs.

Highlights of this past year include expanding t-ball, soccer and basketball to include a pre-K-2 program. Participation continues to thrive in all sport offerings. Multiple teams have been necessary in most age groups as participation has averaged well over 100 athletes for each sport. Valley Youth Sports was very excited to have sponsored two baseball teams into the West River Valley League. The Pee Wee team (Grades 1-3) and Little League (Grades 4-6) enjoyed playing in an expanded format. They competed against teams from Dummerston, Grafton, Jamaica, Newbrook, Putney, Townsend, Wardsboro, and Dover. Softball continued a successful season while large numbers continued in the Valley Youth Sports hosted t-ball program. A highlight for soccer included expanded interest requiring two (Grades 4-6) teams traveling to compete in the weekend long Putney Invitational Tournament!

Valley Youth Sports is extremely grateful for the Town's support and continued financial commitment of its programs. The continued support of the Town is crucial in ensuring that our children will have the opportunity to participate in organized programs through the year. This will enable our young athletes to enjoy the physical and mental benefits that are derived from playing team sports.

Respectfully,

Valley Youth Sports Board of Directors

Janna Ewart- President Melissa Boyd- Vice President Dave Messing- Treasurer

#### **Vermont Department of Health**

Your Health Department district office is in Brattleboro at the address and phone number below. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With our headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2014 the Health Department:

**Supported healthy communities:** Deerfield Valley Community Partnership was awarded \$100,535 for alcohol and other drug prevention, tobacco control, and to increase access to healthy food. Five Prevention Coalitions in Windham County together received a second year \$130,000 Partnership for Success grant to reduce underage and binge drinking and reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse through a targeted regional approach.

**Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families:** The WIC (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program) served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5. WIC provides individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a card to buy fruit and vegetables. In Wilmington 65 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: From January through October, 2014 we responded to 193 cases of infectious disease in Windham County. In 2013, over \$13 million of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases were distributed to healthcare providers statewide; \$821,964 of which was in our district.

**Facilitated discussion on opiate addiction:** Following the Governor's Forum on Opiate Addiction, regional meetings took place around the state. The Windham meeting was held at the Marlboro College campus with 55 participants. An active committee is meeting to support existing and new efforts. Please contact Prudence MacKinney, District Director, for more information.

**Started an Oral Health Program:** In November, we hired an experienced public health dental hygienist as part of an effort to address serious oral health problems through prevention, education and links to treatment.

**Distributed 16,858 doses of Potassium Iodide:** Each person who lives or works in the towns of Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Halifax, Marlboro and Vernon may receive one free dose. Potassium iodide is a drug that, taken in an appropriate and timely dosage, can blocks exposure to radioactive iodine.

**Participated in Emergency Preparedness:** VDH district office staff participated in an FEMA graded exercise to demonstrate the capabilities of responders to open and operate a reception center at the Bellows Falls Union High School.

Vermont Department of Health Brattleboro District Office 232 Main St, Suite 3 Brattleboro, VT 05301

802-257-2880 888-253-8850

#### **Deerfield Valley Rescue**

Deerfield Valley Rescue, Inc. is a volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to providing 24/7 quality pre-hospital emergency medical care and transport to the people of our community. The core of our agency is made up of approximately 20 volunteers, three full time paid staff and part time paid seasonal attendants. DVR has responded to 759 911 calls and 138 transfers from Hospital to Hospital in 2014 of which 270 were in the town of Wilmington.

This past year has been busy for Deerfield Valley Rescue. On top of providing around the clock pre-hospital emergency medical care for the towns we serve, Deerfield Valley Rescue celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year in service. Things have changed over the forty years and members have come and gone, all but one Merrill Mundell has been an active volunteer with DVR for all 40 years, and we applaud his dedication. We have gone from having one ambulance to four.

We would like to see all employers encourage workers to become members of Deerfield Valley Rescue and then make every effort to make the employee available to respond to emergency calls when practical.

Although we frequently work closely with the Fire and Police departments, we are a completely independent organization. We strive to maintain this financial independence along with our autonomy. We would like to thank Wilmington Fire and Wilmington Police Departments for the all the help they provide us throughout the year. It would not be possible for DVR to operate without the continued personal support from the community. The annual subscription drive continues to be a large source of our funding. In addition to raising funds for our daily operation, we are always striving to improve our services and upgrade equipment. If you have not sent your subscription please do so and please consider making an additional donation towards this goal.

DVR is always looking for volunteers who would like to make a difference in the lives of others. Potential members can sign up for our ride along program @ dvrescue.org. Anyone interested in joining this vital community service can contact our office at 464-5557 or stop by for a visit at 34 Route 100 South in Wilmington.

Once again, we would like to thank all those who have supported us through the years. Our membership looks forward to another year of committed service to the residents of our community and the visitors to our area.

Respectfully submitted, Deerfield Valley Rescue



Reardon's Bridge- Ann Ottaviano

#### **Town Nurse**

To reach the Town Nurse please call the Town Office at 464-8591, my cell phone at 802-681-8740 or email me at jafnurse@yahoo.com.

I am on call 3 hours/day Monday through Friday for any Wilmington resident to make an appointment for a home nursing assessment or to discuss any health-related concerns. The Town requests a \$3 donation payable to the Town Treasurer for home visits but no one is denied care for inability to pay.

From January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> I have seen 27 individuals and turned in \$223.00 to the Town Treasurer.

The purpose of a nursing assessment is to identify the needed supports to safely keep you in your community and several visits may be required to accurately assess these needs. You may self-refer or a concerned family member, friend or neighbor may request me to visit. I also receive formal referrals from Physicians, Discharge Planners, Case Managers, Rescue or the Police. Referrals may lead to actual hands-on care in the home, help understanding treatment options, learn how to navigate any existing resources, or to make referrals to other service providers. There are choices available regarding home nursing service providers and Hospice care and interviewing them before they are needed assures an easier implementation.

Typical self-referral may be for a blood pressure check, obtaining or donating durable medical equipment, information about caregivers or volunteers for assistance to medical appointments or for help with all aspects in recovery, chronic illness, dementia, or mental illness for folks to remain safely in their home. Examples of interventions may be monitoring medications, nail cutting, nutrition counseling or assisting with personal care.

Anyone on Medicare may now access SASH services, "Support and Services at Home" for free by contacting Becky Arbella at 464-0438 for an in-home assessment followed by a nursing evaluation as a means to reduce hospital admissions by arranging for wellness checks and follow-through for physician-recommended treatment compliance.

Highlights for 2014 include:

- Co-facilitator of a caregiver support group that meets every other Sunday from 4-5:30;
- Attendance at quarterly Cares Groups meetings to share practices that help people "age in place";
- Convened 2 Elder Forums with Mary Fredette, Executive Director of the Gathering Place in Brattleboro that focused on creating a "livable community" that assesses what will make it possible for people to remain in their community as they age;
- Supported efforts for a grant application to bring a satellite of the Gathering Place to Wilmington;

Attended the following free educational classes to remain current:

- "Emerging Adults", "Time to Talk About Youth, "Cultivating Psychological Flexibility in Combat Veterans & First Responders", "Depression & Substance Abuse" all at the Brattleboro Retreat,
- "Mental Illness & Recovery" offered by NAMI-VT in Bennington to assist families, providers and clients,
- Representative to the "Tri-State Roundtable on Aging" in Portland Maine as a grassroots health provider paid for by Senior Solutions.
- "Communicating Effectively" offered by Marlboro College MIX in Brattleboro,
- "Recovery Messaging Training- Our Stories Have Power", presented by Friends of Recovery –VT @ Turning Point in Bennington.

Thank you for allowing me to serve Wilmington as The Town Nurse and to be a guest in your homes. I am grateful for the opportunity to be your advocate as we explore all the options and choices available in any health related crisis. It is also my pleasure to be the Wilmington representative for the Council on Aging Advisory Board, and anyone interested in learning more may join me on the last Wednesday of every month.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Fitzgerald, RN

# **Cover Page**

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For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014 (March 3, 2015 Town Meeting)

Please bring this book to Town Meeting with you



Barrels-C. Weissman

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# Inside cover page Dedication

Peter and Connie Barton moved to Wilmington in November of 1960. They raised three children in Wilmington and have seven grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren, some of whom live in town still. Always community minded, the Bartons have a long list of serving both through their work and their volunteerism.

Connie dedicated much of her time to leading young people in after school activities – she was a past leader of the Congregational Church Youth Group, Girl Scout Leader, Cub Scout Leader, and co-president of the PTO along with Peter. Connie started her teaching career in 1967 as a full-time 6<sup>th</sup> grade substitute in Wilmington. She continued teaching at Marlboro Elementary School from 1968-1984, and was principal of Marlboro ES from 1984 through her retirement in 2000. From 2000–2005 she taught SPED in Winhall, taught a parenting course at Southern VT Correctional Center, and tutored children in foster care. Connie has been teaching math at Whitingham Elementary school and Twin Valley Middle School since 2005 to present. It's easy to see how Connie's love of teaching was passed on to daughter Keli Gould and granddaughter Jamie Brown.

Peter's career has included serving as a Vermont State Police Outpost Trooper (only state enforcement officer for Deerfield Valley) from 1960-1966, and as a Part-time Police Officer for the Wilmington Police Department. He has held numerous elected positions in Wilmington over the years most memorably as Moderator for both Wilmington Town and School Meetings from 1970-1983, also as Town Constable (1971-1979, 1989-1990, 1998-Present), and as a recently elected Justice of the Peace. Other service to the community has included Wilmington Fire Dept member and secretary from 1963-1983, Wilmington's first Green Up Day Chairman, past Wilmington Water Commissioner, past Wilmington Planning Commissioner, and past Boy Scouts of America Wilmington Chapter-Leader.

The Bartons have exhibited good old-fashioned Yankee fortitude, pragmatism and care for others, all of their lives. We dedicate the 2014 Town Report to Connie and Peter Barton in appreciation for all the time and skills they have shared with our community over the years.



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