

Town of Wilmington, Vermont 2015 Annual Report

For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015
(March 1, 2016 Town Meeting)

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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 7 days a week

Town Website:
www.wilmingtonvermont.us

Town Email:
jdefrancesco@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 4:00 PM
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
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: shaughwout@wilmingtonvt.us
MON - FRI: 8:30 AM - NOON AND 1 PM - 4 PM

Town Nurse 802-681-8740
jfnurse@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
jlazelle@wilmingtonvt.us

Wilmington Water District

464-3746
Chris Lavoy, Commissioner
Rachel Rubin, wiltwaterdistrict@gmail.com

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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

2015 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions

ELECTED OFFICIALS

<u>Office/Name</u>	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs)</u>	<u>Office/Name</u>	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs)</u>
MODERATOR			CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS		
Robert Fisher	2016	(1)	James R. Burke	2018	(5)
TOWN CLERK			Walter F. White	2019	(5)
Susan Haughwout	2016	(3)	Donna D. Moore	2020	(5)
TOWN TREASURER			Richard Covey	2016	(5)
Christine Richter	2016	(1)	Scott Moore	2017	(5)
SELECTBOARD			SCHOOL MODERATOR		
Jacob White	2016	(3)	Robert Fisher	2016	(1)
John Gannon	2017	(2)	SCHOOL DIRECTORS		
Thomas Fitzgerald	2016	(2)	Dennis Richter	2016	(3)
Susan Haughwout	2017	(3)	Janna Ewart	2017	(2)
Diane Chapman	2018	(3)	Adam Grinold	2017	(3)
BOARD OF LISTERS			Kathy Larsen	2016	(2)
Diane Schipke	2016	(1)	Philip Taylor	2018	(3)
Leonard Chapman	2016	(1)	JUSTICES OF THE PEACE		
Gerald B. Osler	2016	(3)	Rosemarie Blair	2017	(2)
Kay Martin Schwader	2017	(3)	Marcia Dorey	2017	(2)
Lynne Matthews	2018	(3)	Thomas J. Fitzgerald	2017	(2)
FIRST CONSTABLE			Frederick W. Houston	2017	(2)
Peter D. Barton	2016	(1)	Elizabeth McEwen	2017	(2)
SECOND CONSTABLE			Thomas Consolino	2017	(2)
Gary Wax	2016	(1)	Frank Spencer	2017	(2)
GRAND JUROR					
Pat Johnson	2016	(1)			
TOWN AGENT					
Pat Johnson	2016	(1)			
TRUSTEE OF C.C. HAYNES FUND					
Carl M. Boyd	2016	(1)			
LIBRARY TRUSTEES					
Margaret Streeter	2018	(5)			
Louis Clark	2019	(5)			
Amy Swanson	2020	(5)			
Carolyn T. Palmer	2016	(5)			
Katrina Martin	2017	(5)			

2015 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

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

<u>Office/Name</u>	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs)</u>		<u>Office/Name</u>	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs)</u>
TRAIL COMMITTEE				BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE		
John Greene	2019	(4)		Alice Greenspan	2019	(4)
Robert Fisher	2019	(4)		Keith Herbert	2019	(4)
Christa Gannon	2016	(4)		Cheryl LaFlamme	2019	(4)
Ann Ottaviano	2016	(4)		Katy Little	2019	(4)
Spencer Crispe	2017	(4)		Lee Schindel	2019	(4)
Joe Arnold	2017	(4)		Fred Skwirut	2019	(4)
Gary Henry	2018	(4)		Celia Weissman	2019	(4)
TRAIL COMMITTEE ALTERNATES				Mary Wright	2019	(4)
Tim Hunt	2017	(4)		Vacant	2019	(4)
John Gannon	2018	(4)		Vacant	2019	(4)
WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS				Vacant	2019	(4)
Thomas Consolino	2016	(1)		BI-TOWN ECONOMIC DEV. COMM		
Robin Howe	2016	(1)		Ryan Holton		
				Jim Burke		
				Heidi Taylor		
				Gretchen Havreluk		

Vacancies in Town and School Offices

To Be Elected By Australian Ballot at Town Meeting
March 1, 2016

POSITION - TERM	INCUMBENT	CANDIDATE NAME
TOWN MODERATOR -1 year	Robert M. Fisher	Robert M. Fisher
TOWN CLERK – 3 years	Susie Haughwout	Susie Haughwout
TOWN TREASURER – 1 year	Christine Richter	Christine Richter
SELECTBOARD – 3 years	Jacob White	Jamie Brunn Vince Rice
SELECTBOARD – 2 years	Thomas Fitzgerald	Thomas Fitzgerald
LISTER – 3 years	Gerald Osler	Len Chapman
LISTER – 1 year (Vote for 2)	Len Chapman Diane Schipke	Gerald Osler Diane Schipke
FIRST CONSTABLE – 1 year	Peter D. Barton	Peter D. Barton
SECOND CONSTABLE – 1 year	Gary Wax	Gary Wax
GRAND JUROR – 1 year	Pat Johnson	Pat Johnson
TOWN AGENT – 1 year	Pat Johnson	Pat Johnson
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER – 5 yrs	Richard Covey	Richard Covey
LIBRARY TRUSTEE – 5 years	Carolyn T. Palmer	Carolyn T. Palmer
CC HAYNES FUND TRUSTEE – 1 yr	Carl M. Boyd	Carl M. Boyd
SCHOOL MODERATOR -1 year	Robert M. Fisher	Robert M. Fisher
SCHOOL DIRECTOR – 3 years	Dennis Richter	No Candidate
SCHOOL DIRECTOR – 2 years	Kathy Larsen	Kathy Larsen

2016 W A R N I N G ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Wilmington, Vermont Tuesday, March 1, 2016

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 01, 2016, 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 Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, on March 01, 2016, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.)

All Town Meeting articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot are to be taken up at the conclusion of the Town School District Meeting.

- 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 (8/19/16 and 2/24/17).
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$63,838 to fund the salary, benefits, insurance, and all costs associated with keeping a 6th full time police officer position in the police department
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,708,656 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2017 (7/1/16 to 6/30/17).
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,318,689 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2017 (7/1/16 to 6/30/17).
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to fund the Bridge Rehabilitation Capital Fund with \$100,000 from the FY 15 surplus
- Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$150,000 for the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the Memorial Hall Capital Fund
- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 to fund the Playground Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund
- Article 14: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 21st day of January 2016.

Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington

Diane Chapman, *Chairwoman*
Tom Fitzgerald, *Vice Chair*
Susan Joy Haughwout, *Clerk*
Jacob White
John Gannon

Façade Improvement Grants

PROPERTY	OWNER	PROJECT COST	REQUEST AMOUNT	APPROVED AMOUNT	OWNER CONTRIBUTION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
19 S Main St	Cleo's	6,250	4,687.50	4,687.50	1,562.50	Landscape/Design
22 W Main St	Judy Kline	6,337	4,752.75	4,752.75	1,584.25	Siding renovations
661 Rt 100 N	Gordon & Carolyn Lucas	6,611.04	4,958.28	4,958.28	1,652.76	Replace windows
25 Coldbrook Rd	Robert Ruhl	2,600	1,950	1,950	650	New sign
5 W Main St	Dots Restaurant	4,850	3,637.50	3,637.50	1,212.50	Stone facing
195 RT 9 W	Vintage Motel	6,430	4,822.50	4,822.50	1,607.50	New sign/landscaping
39 W Main St	Bauman Paint	4,100	3,075	3,075	1,025	Stain two sides of building
75 RT 100 N	Old Fat City	4,346	2,500	2,500	1,846	New Sign
11 W Main St	Quaigh Design	4,050	3,037.50	3,037.50	1,012.50	Roof Replacement
88 E Main St	Viking Motel	6,208.52	4,656.39	4,656.39	1,552.13	New sign/landscaping
4 Old Ark Rd	Roadhouse	3,711.35	2,783.51	2,783.51	927.84	New Sign/Painting
7 E Main St	Masonic Hall	7,500	5,000	5,000	2,500	Painting
13 E Main St	St Mary's Church	15,000	5,000	5,000	10,000	Painting
225 RT 9 W	Moosehead Homes	10,020	5,000	5,000	5,020	Deck/sign post
400 & 408 RT 100 N	Tamarack Square	7,690	5,000	5,000	2,690	2 signs with lighting
157 RT 100 N	C&S Beverage	7,900	5,000	5,000	2,900	Exterior paint & sign
159 RT 100 N	Cup N Saucer	2,650	1,987.50	1,987.50	662.50	Paint, trim, new sign
2 Whites Rd	Wahoo's Eatery	7,350	5,000	5,000	2,350	2 new signs
	Totals	144,798.91	75,000		47,180.48	

Grants Acquired

Grants Managed in 2015

Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery Grants
Digitization of Town Records- Implementation Grant
Co-Relocation of Fire & Police- Planning Grant
Reuse of Old High School- Planning Grant
VTrans Alternative
Streetscape Planning Grant for all Sidewalks
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
Flood Mitigation for North Star Bowl
Broadband Business Improvement District
Higley Hill Area

Grants Awarded in 2015

Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery Grants
West Main Street Sidewalk- Implementation Grant
Municipal Planning Grant
Town Plan & Ordinance Update
Vermont Arts Council- Cultural Facilities Grant
Memorial Hall- Insulation of Basement and Doors

Future Potential Grants

Downtown Transportation Grant
South Main Street Sidewalk
VTrans Bike/Ped Grant
National Endowment for the Arts
VT State Building & General Services
Windham County Economic Development Program
Certified Local Government Grants
Community Development Block Grant

1% Local Option Tax Fund Usage

FY 15

EVENTS

- July Village Stroll	\$900	Bright Lights	\$2,000
- Blueberry Fest	\$750	Fiddlehead Festival	\$2,000
- Doggie Palooza	\$1,000	Events Uncommitted	\$1,350
- Jazz Series	\$2,000		
Total Events		\$10,000	

1% Local Option Tax Fund Expenditures from Applicants

- Rt 100 Barrels & Banners	\$9,995	SeVEDS	\$5,628
- Aging in Place	\$5,000	Façade Program	\$49,951
- Shop Talk	\$5,200	WW Gateway Signs	\$8,980
- DVFDFA-Fireworks	\$3,000	Oxbow Rest Area Improvements	\$5,000
- Wine & Harvest Festival	\$3,550	Business Broadband Internet	\$20,000
- Wilmington Works	\$25,000		
Total 1% Expenditures		\$107,324	

FY15 TOTAL \$117,324

FY 16

EVENTS

- Blueberry Fest/Boat Parade	\$2,000	Takin' it to the Streets	\$300
- Village Stroll-4 th of July	\$975	Events Uncommitted	\$5,825
- Village Stroll-Arts in the Village	\$900		
Total Events		\$10,000	

1% Local Option Tax Fund Expenditures from Applicants

- Bi-Town Marketing 1 st Year	\$14,206	SeVEDS	\$5,628
- Friends of Memorial Hall	\$6,000	Wilmington Works	\$25,000
- Old School Enrichment Committee	\$2,000	Town Hall Lights	\$9,500
- DVFDFA	\$10,000		
Total 1% Expenditures		\$72,334	

FY16 TOTAL \$82,334

Committed Expenses

- Gathering Place	\$25,000	Old School Working Group	\$40,000
- Revolving Loan Funds	\$29,000	SeVEDS	\$5,650
- Events Fund	\$6,125	Wilmington Works (3 years)	\$90,000
- Façade Program	\$45,047	Rt 100 Flowers & Barrels	\$7,100 annually
- Bi-Town Marketing 2 nd Year	\$33,060	Wi-Fi Downtown	\$700 annually
- Bi-Town Marketing 3 rd Year	\$40,560	Trash Receptacle Pick-up	\$1,260 annually
- Friends of Pettee Memorial Library	\$8,390		
Total Committed		\$331,892	

Total Monies Received Since Inception

\$904,152.53

**TOWN OF WILMINGTON
2015 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
ABSTRACT
MARCH 3, 2015**

Article 1: Voted to elect all Town Officers required by law and the vote of the Town.

Article 2: Voted to accept the Town Report with corrections.

Article 3: Voted to set 8/14/15 and 2/26/16 for the payment of taxes.

Article 4: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,866,778 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2016 (7/1/15 to 6/30/16).

Article 5: Voted 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: Voted to raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund.

Article 7: Voted to raise and appropriate \$150,000 for the Fire Department Equipment Capital 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 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund.

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

Article 11: Transacted non-binding business.

PREPARED MARCH 4, 2015



ATTEST: _____
SUSAN JOY HAUGHWOUT
WILMINGTON TOWN CLERK

DATE: MARCH 4, 2015

	Comparative Budget Report				
	Budget Sections Summary - Actual Costs to Town				
1		Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Proposed Budget FY17	
2	Total Net Budget	3,313,797.51	3,396,876.28	3,480,183.00	
3					
4	Account	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Net Difference
5					
6	Town Clerk				
7	Funds needed	168,911.41	87,111.78	91,665.00	
8	Revenues	142,025.00	32,500.00	42,000.00	
9	Net	26,886.41	54,611.78	49,665.00	-4,946.78
10					
11	Listers				
12	Funds needed	80,871.34	111,269.76	107,740.00	
13	Revenues	29,867.50	30,415.00	27,915.00	
14	Net	51,003.84	80,854.76	79,825.00	-1,029.76
15					
16	Police Department				
17	Funds Needed	493,204.53	457,296.95	508,977.00	
18	Revenues	156,356.03	77,100.00	73,100.00	
19	Net	336,848.50	380,196.95	435,877.00	55,680.05
20					
21	Fire Department				
22	Funds needed	163,802.07	183,161.48	186,572.00	
23	Special Appropriation	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	
24	Revenues	21,248.50	19,198.00	19,200.00	
25	Net	292,553.57	313,963.48	317,372.00	3,408.52
26					
27	Transfer Station				
28	Funds Needed	137,372.52	127,241.47	134,836.00	
29	Revenues	66,887.30	74,300.00	75,300.00	
30	Net	70,485.22	52,941.47	59,536.00	6,594.53
31					
32	Library				
33	Funds needed	106,563.06	109,500.00	112,750.00	
34	Special Appropriation	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	
35	Revenues	993.02	2,265.00	0.00	
36	Net	117,570.04	119,235.00	124,750.00	5,515.00
37					
38	Memorial Hall				
39	Funds needed	18,824.88	21,350.00	16,850.00	

Comparative Budget Report (continued)

40	Account	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Proposed Budget FY17	Net Difference
41	Memorial Hall				
42	Special Appropriation	25,000.00	25,000.00	20,000.00	
43	Revenues	3,435.50	2,800.00	1,000.00	
44	Net	40,389.38	43,550.00	35,850.00	-7,700.00
45					
46	Recreation Commission				
47	Funds Needed	13,544.71	11,996.00	11,554.00	
48	Revenues	3,095.50	650.00	865.00	
49	Net	10,449.21	11,346.00	10,689.00	-657.00
50	Cemetery				
51	Funds Needed	30,000.00	38,000.00	30,000.00	-8,000.00
52					
53	Health & Social Services				
54	Funds Needed	36,679.57	36,198.00	32,795.00	-3,403.00
55					
56	All Other				
57	Funds needed	1,384,941.28	1,241,597.47	1,189,884.00	
58	Special Appropriation	47,448.06	46,933.00	47,301.00	
59	Revenues	641,353.47	364,650.00	452,050.00	
60	Net	791,035.87	923,880.47	785,135.00	-138,745.47
61					
62	HIGHWAY				
63	Funds needed	1,473,825.99	1,383,748.37	1,462,689.00	
64	Special Appropriation	225,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	
65	Revenues	188,930.09	241,650.00	144,000.00	
66	Net	1,509,895.90	1,342,098.37	1,518,689.00	176,590.37

	General Fund, Special/Capital Appropriation & Highway					
	Total Budget Except Sewer					
		Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Proposed Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
1	Total Budget	4,159,200.00	4,567,989.42	4,242,404.28	4,315,613.00	73,208.72
2	Total Revenue	1,211,178.00	1,254,191.91	845,528.00	835,430.00	-10,098.00
3	Amount to be raised via property tax	2,948,022.00	3,313,797.51	3,396,876.28	3,480,183.00	83,306.72
4	FY 17 Estimated tax rate	0.4493		0.5022	0.5025	
5	using estimated Grand List					
6						
7	Base GF Budget Expenditures	2,286,777.00	2,634,715.37	2,424,722.91	2,423,623.00	-1,099.91
8	HW Budget Expenditures	1,637,975.00	1,698,825.99	1,583,748.37	1,662,689.00	78,940.63
9	One-Times and Reserve Accounts	234,448.00	234,448.06	233,933.00	229,301.00	-4,632.00
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12	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
13	Moderator, Elect Off, Ball	1,750.00	1,120.00	1,750.00	2,000.00	250.00
14	Selectboard	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	0.00
15	Town Clerk					
16	Salary Town Clerk	43,926.00	43,925.96	45,243.78	46,601.00	1,357.22
17	Assistant Town Clerk	28,250.00	28,277.44	31,868.00	32,214.00	346.00
18	Supplies & Postage Town	1,800.00	1,474.29	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
19	TC Training/Expenses	1,500.00	2,758.23	1,500.00	2,300.00	800.00
20	Taping Town Meeting	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
21	Recording Supplies/Materi	2,400.00	430.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00
22	Copier/Computer/Office Eq	1,500.00	1,542.40	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
23	Election Supplies/Postage	300.00	185.92	100.00	500.00	400.00
24	Animal Rabies Control Sup	400.00	302.74	400.00	400.00	0.00
25	Vote Tabulator prog/maint	3,000.00	3,918.43	1,500.00	3,150.00	1,650.00
26	Digitization Grant	0.00	85,496.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
27	Treasurer					
28	Town Treasurer	4,228.00	4,228.12	4,354.84	4,485.00	130.16
29	Finance Officer	46,850.00	46,849.91	48,255.50	49,703.00	1,447.50
30	Listers					
31	Assistant Salary	47,592.00	47,591.96	49,019.76	50,490.00	1,470.24
32	Lister Training	250.00	125.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
33	Lister's Salaries/Expense	10,250.00	9,209.63	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
34	Mapping	3,000.00	2,144.75	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
35	Grievance Costs/GMA	2,500.00	2,275.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
36	Yearly Grand List Main -	10,000.00	18,325.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
37	Appraisal Supplies/Comput	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
38	Reappraisal Comm - Everet	4,000.00	1,200.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00
39	Town Manager					
40	Salary TM	73,645.00	73,645.00	75,854.35	78,130.00	2,275.65
41	Expenses TM	1,000.00	677.29	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
42	Postage/Supplies/Equipmen	5,500.00	3,755.78	5,300.00	4,200.00	-1,100.00

43	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
44	Official Meeting Expense	225.00	92.00	225.00	225.00	0.00
45	Mileage Reim	900.00	2,776.17	1,000.00	1,500.00	500.00
46	Administrative Secretary	37,583.00	34,598.29	36,354.00	37,015.00	661.00
47	Zoning Administrator	40,940.00	40,331.92	43,496.90	44,802.00	1,305.10
48	Health Officer	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,550.00	1,550.00
49	Receptionist/Admin Assist	18,000.00	10,804.67	18,540.00	0.00	-18,540.00
50	Reconciliation Analyst	250.00	203.01	250.00	250.00	0.00
51	Ads Non-Zoning	650.00	667.15	650.00	650.00	0.00
52	Comp.Support/Equipment	6,000.00	2,578.36	6,000.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
53	Telephone/Internet	6,100.00	5,794.39	6,100.00	6,100.00	0.00
54	Tax Bills printing/envelo	4,000.00	4,034.00	4,500.00	4,100.00	-400.00
55	Tax Sale Expenditures	1,000.00	222.21	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
56	Admin/SB Training/Expense	1,500.00	870.01	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
57	Copier - Administration	2,500.00	3,794.24	3,000.00	3,500.00	500.00
58	Cemetery Expenditures	30,000.00	30,000.00	38,000.00	30,000.00	-8,000.00
59	Zoning,DRB, SBA					
60	Training/exp/mileage	500.00	174.21	500.00	450.00	-50.00
61	Advertising	800.00	634.87	800.00	800.00	0.00
62	Postage/Materials	100.00	220.66	100.00	200.00	100.00
63	General Admin Total	453,589.00	524,155.01	503,212.13	481,865.00	-21,347.13
64						
65	POLICE DEPARTMENT					
66	Chief	67,065.00	67,064.94	69,076.95	71,149.00	2,072.05
67	Sworn Payroll	189,834.00	159,861.28	199,220.00	237,678.00	38,458.00
68	COPS Grant	0.00	54,095.16	0.00	0.00	0.00
69	Part-Time Payroll	6,000.00	6,535.13	6,000.00	10,000.00	4,000.00
70	Dispatchers	55,000.00	50,193.00	55,000.00	59,500.00	4,500.00
71	Overtime	17,800.00	24,325.77	22,000.00	24,000.00	2,000.00
72	Outside Employment	14,500.00	16,741.79	14,500.00	14,500.00	0.00
73	Cruiser Replacement	25,250.00	24,998.27	29,750.00	29,750.00	0.00
74	Cruiser Operation/Maint	26,500.00	28,028.30	26,500.00	25,000.00	-1,500.00
75	Photographic Equipment	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
76	Uniform Purchase	2,000.00	2,274.50	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
77	Uniform Maintenance	1,400.00	1,143.25	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
78	Firearms Ammunition	950.00	889.00	950.00	950.00	0.00
79	Radar	600.00	490.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
80	Telephone	5,000.00	5,480.94	5,000.00	5,200.00	200.00
81	Postage	450.00	621.31	350.00	400.00	50.00
82	Office Supplies	1,250.00	1,132.50	1,200.00	1,150.00	-50.00
83	Office Equipment	250.00	11.77	250.00	250.00	0.00
84	Equipment Maintenance	1,750.00	819.55	2,500.00	1,750.00	-750.00
85	Computer Hard & Software	750.00	1,141.63	750.00	750.00	0.00
86	Statewide Record Database	8,000.00	12,042.29	8,000.00	8,500.00	500.00
87	Copier PD	1,550.00	1,652.00	1,600.00	1,650.00	50.00
88	Inservice Training	2,000.00	891.33	2,000.00	1,500.00	-500.00

89	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
90	Training Aids & Materials	500.00	672.04	500.00	500.00	0.00
91	Community Awareness	150.00	317.19	150.00	200.00	50.00
92	Radio Maintenance	1,000.00	7,359.32	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
93	Equipment Replacement	2,500.00	710.45	2,500.00	4,950.00	2,450.00
94	Association Fees	250.00	180.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
95	Chief's Expenses	400.00	609.82	400.00	400.00	0.00
96	PD Safety Compliance	250.00	0.00	250.00	150.00	-100.00
97	Investigation costs	750.00	951.70	750.00	900.00	150.00
98	Prisoner Transport	1,000.00	833.80	900.00	900.00	0.00
99	PD Alarm	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
100	Towing	200.00	130.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
101	Applicant Advertising	100.00	1,222.50	100.00	200.00	100.00
102	GHS Equip Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
103	Asset Forfeiture Purch	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
104	CDBG Grant PD/FD Relocati	0.00	19,484.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
105	Police Total	436,049.00	493,204.53	457,296.95	508,977.00	51,680.05
106						
107	FIRE DEPARTMENT					
108	Chief's Salary	50,156.00	50,156.08	51,660.68	53,211.00	1,550.32
109	Asst. Chief's Salary	2,060.00	2,000.04	2,121.80	2,185.00	63.20
110	Labor	21,000.00	20,371.00	30,000.00	30,900.00	900.00
111	Officers salary	2,000.00	1,799.82	2,060.00	2,122.00	62.00
112	Emerg Op Center Personnel	1,000.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
113	Emerg Op Center Setup	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
114	Electricity	2,400.00	2,278.14	2,475.00	2,475.00	0.00
115	Telephone	2,400.00	2,494.67	2,525.00	2,525.00	0.00
116	Firefighter Assoc	700.00	649.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
117	Administrative costs	1,950.00	2,753.24	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
118	Training/Incentives	4,000.00	2,229.50	3,750.00	3,750.00	0.00
119	FD Radio Maintenance	2,000.00	2,214.55	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
120	Code Compliance	500.00	118.94	500.00	500.00	0.00
121	Air Packs	5,600.00	1,168.20	5,600.00	2,500.00	-3,100.00
122	Water Rent	1,100.00	1,069.30	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
123	Sewer Rent	350.00	352.72	350.00	350.00	0.00
124	Fire Alarm	300.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
125	Truck Maintenance	6,000.00	8,633.23	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
126	Gas & Oil	2,500.00	2,292.63	2,000.00	2,300.00	300.00
127	Building Maintenance	3,000.00	3,112.81	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
128	Extinguisher - Recharge	300.00	254.50	275.00	275.00	0.00
129	Equipment, New & Replacem	4,500.00	4,236.90	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
130	Helments, Boots, Coats	3,500.00	3,995.54	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00
131	Hose	1,600.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
132	Foam	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
133	Heating Oil - Fire Dept	5,470.00	6,314.71	5,250.00	5,250.00	0.00
134	Fire Prevention	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00

135	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
136	Travel Expenses	1,800.00	990.55	1,800.00	1,000.00	-800.00
137	Dispatch Assessment Wilmi	37,215.00	39,553.00	39,152.00	42,233.00	3,081.00
138	Disp Assess Searsburg	4,204.00	4,763.00	5,242.00	5,596.00	354.00
139	Fire Total	168,205.00	163,802.07	183,161.48	186,572.00	3,410.52
140						
141	GREEN MOUNTAIN BEACH					
142	GMB Mowing	1,000.00	870.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00
143	Maintenance & Improvement	500.00	467.40	5,500.00	700.00	-4,800.00
144	Toilets	1,500.00	670.00	1,500.00	1,200.00	-300.00
145	INSURANCE					
146	Employment Practices	4,000.00	5,362.24	5,700.00	7,786.00	2,086.00
147	Liability, Prop & Auto	45,000.00	47,065.59	55,000.00	50,146.00	-4,854.00
148	Public Officials Liabilit	3,000.00	3,149.90	3,200.00	2,897.00	-303.00
149	Firemens Disability	1,250.00	1,203.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
150	Workers Comp.	27,000.00	31,931.69	27,000.00	37,255.00	10,255.00
151	HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES					
152	Town Nurse	14,708.00	15,589.57	14,708.00	15,603.00	895.00
153	Town Nurse Mileage	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
154	Senior Solutions	450.00	450.00	350.00	450.00	100.00
155	Hospice	113.00	113.00	113.00	0.00	-113.00
156	Morningside	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	0.00
157	Health Care & Rehabilitat	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	0.00
158	R.S.V.P.	400.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	-200.00
159	Windham Cty Youth Service	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
160	Womens Crisis Center	750.00	750.00	750.00	850.00	100.00
161	V Nurse Alliance/W Crisis	5,562.00	5,562.00	5,562.00	5,562.00	0.00
162	Gathering Place	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
163	SEVCA	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	0.00	-1,000.00
164	Deerfield Valley Comm Car	750.00	750.00	1,550.00	1,550.00	0.00
165	Windham Cty Humane Societ	500.00	500.00	250.00	500.00	250.00
166	DV Food Pantry	500.00	500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
167	Windham Child Care Associ	500.00	500.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
168	Kids Country Day Care	4,185.00	4,185.00	3,685.00	0.00	0.00
169	DV Community Parntership	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
170	Pool Learning Center	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
171	Housing Grant	0.00	266,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
172	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS					
173	Social Security	65,000.00	66,538.24	65,000.00	73,000.00	8,000.00
174	Health Care	201,000.00	220,146.81	250,000.00	278,256.00	28,256.00
175	Disability/Life Ins	5,800.00	3,843.86	5,500.00	4,822.00	-678.00
176	Retirement	39,000.00	39,348.21	40,000.00	41,937.00	1,937.00
177	Employment Security	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
178	Uniforms	0.00	-5.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
179	Groundskeeper	6,896.00	6,451.47	7,102.88	6,523.00	-579.88
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181	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
182	TRANSFER STATION					
183	Operator/Build Maint	33,949.00	32,849.88	34,967.47	37,684.00	2,716.53
184	WCSW Assessment	25,000.00	35,806.10	25,924.00	26,702.00	778.00
185	Electricity/Heat	1,300.00	1,450.06	1,350.00	1,400.00	50.00
186	Telephone	550.00	1,117.45	550.00	750.00	200.00
187	Post Closure Expense	2,700.00	629.69	2,700.00	1,500.00	-1,200.00
188	Tire Recycling	750.00	785.00	750.00	800.00	50.00
189	Disposal & Containers	58,000.00	63,599.75	60,000.00	64,000.00	4,000.00
190	Maint/Improve/Supplies	1,000.00	1,134.59	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
191	Legal/Professional/Audit					
192	Legal Fees - Tax Sale	0.00	-252.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
193	Legal-General Matters	10,000.00	19,892.15	10,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00
194	Legal-Zoning enforcement	1,000.00	412.50	750.00	750.00	0.00
195	Legal-Human Resources	250.00	0.00	250.00	200.00	-50.00
196	Legal Fees-VCOM	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	-250.00
197	Zoning Appeals	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
198	Audit	18,000.00	14,900.00	18,000.00	15,600.00	-2,400.00
199	Legal Roads	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
200	Engineering Roads	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
201	LIBRARY					
202	Library	2,265.00	679.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
203	Library Appropriation	105,884.00	105,884.00	109,500.00	112,750.00	3,250.00
204	Memorial Day	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
205	MEMORIAL HALL					
206	Electricity	1,350.00	2,003.95	1,300.00	1,400.00	100.00
207	Water Rent	1,200.00	934.30	1,200.00	1,100.00	-100.00
208	Sewer Rent	650.00	706.00	650.00	650.00	0.00
209	Maintenance	2,400.00	4,382.78	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
210	MH Grounds	800.00	685.70	800.00	800.00	0.00
211	Heat	6,000.00	-378.26	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
212	Fire Alarm/Phone	1,100.00	795.45	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
213	MH Insurance	1,700.00	3,194.79	1,800.00	3,300.00	1,500.00
214	MH cleaning/janitorial	525.00	685.45	700.00	700.00	0.00
215	Marketing	6,000.00	5,814.72	6,000.00	0.00	-6,000.00
216	Planning Commission					
217	Municipal Planning Grant	2,100.00	8,253.57	0.00	0.00	0.00
218	Windham Regional Dues	3,339.00	3,413.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
219	Zoning Rewrite	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220	Manuals/Resource material	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
221	Public Notices	200.00	97.75	200.00	200.00	0.00
222	Postage	50.00	109.80	50.00	100.00	50.00
223	Training Expenses	300.00	0.00	300.00	250.00	-50.00
224	RECREATION COMMISSION					
225	Elemen. Program Director	2,300.00	2,493.75	2,500.00	1,854.00	-646.00
226	Elemen. Counselors	4,500.00	4,500.00	2,446.00	2,550.00	104.00

227	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
228	MS Program Director	3,363.00	2,802.50	3,200.00	3,220.00	20.00
229	MS Counselors	2,000.00	2,588.22	2,600.00	2,680.00	80.00
230	Adult & Jr. Soccer	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
231	Elemen. Programs	750.00	701.34	750.00	750.00	0.00
232	MS Supplies	500.00	458.90	500.00	500.00	0.00
233	D V Farmers Day Assn	4,425.00	4,425.00	4,425.00	3,425.00	-1,000.00
234	Fireworks/Events	10,500.00	6,276.05	8,750.00	0.00	-8,750.00
235	Portable Toilets	3,400.00	2,430.00	3,200.00	3,000.00	-200.00
236	Green-Up Day	75.00	44.40	75.00	75.00	0.00
237	Beautification Committe	2,932.00	2,025.98	2,932.00	2,932.00	0.00
238	Flowers/Barrels	16,000.00	15,611.00	17,600.00	17,600.00	0.00
239	Tennis Courts	500.00	19.77	500.00	300.00	-200.00
240	Valley Youth Sports	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
241	SELECTPERSONS CONTINGENCY					
242	Grant Match Funds/Assista	100,000.00	16,052.22	75,000.00	0.00	-75,000.00
243	Misc.	3,000.00	1,372.90	3,000.00	1,000.00	-2,000.00
244	Economic Development	52,500.00	47,127.91	52,500.00	54,000.00	1,500.00
245	Street Lights	11,750.00	13,520.13	12,000.00	13,500.00	1,500.00
246	County Court	30,582.00	35,192.00	35,200.00	44,100.00	8,900.00
247	TOWN HALL					
248	Electricity	6,200.00	7,260.99	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
249	Heat	5,400.00	8,186.66	8,200.00	8,200.00	0.00
250	Supplies	1,500.00	1,254.71	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
251	Fire Alarm	1,000.00	500.00	900.00	900.00	0.00
252	Water Rent	1,500.00	1,403.80	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
253	Sewer Rent	900.00	934.73	900.00	950.00	50.00
254	Maintenance	6,000.00	6,615.08	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
255	Elevator	2,000.00	2,058.50	2,100.00	2,200.00	100.00
256	Janitorial & Carting	6,600.00	5,820.00	6,600.00	6,500.00	-100.00
257	Town Reports	3,000.00	2,487.52	3,150.00	2,500.00	-650.00
258	Vermont League Dues	2,901.00	2,901.00	2,982.00	3,070.00	88.00
259	Wilmington School User Fe	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00
260	CDBG DR Grant High School	0.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
261	Wilmington Water District	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	0.00
262	WWD Merger/Acquisition	2,500.00	2,027.93	2,500.00	0.00	-2,500.00
263	Web Site	600.00	351.50	800.00	400.00	-400.00
264	Other Subtotal	1,228,934.00	1,453,553.76	1,281,052.35	1,246,209.00	-34,843.35
265	General Fund Subtotal	2,286,777.00	2,634,715.37	2,424,722.91	2,423,623.00	-1,099.91
266						
267						
268	ONE TIME, SPECIAL AND CAPITAL	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
269	Demolition of Garage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
270	Garage Bond	41,448.00	41,448.06	40,933.00	40,301.00	-632.00
271	Town Hall Cap	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00

272	ONE TIME, SPECIAL AND CAPITAL	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
273	Memorial Hall Capital	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	20,000.00	-5,000.00
274	Playground Capital	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
275	Police Officer Reserve Fu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
276	Library Capital	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
277	Fire Department Equipment	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00
278	Dover/Lobbyist	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
279	SEVEDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
280	Capital Subtotal	234,448.00	234,448.06	233,933.00	229,301.00	-4,632.00
281	Total General Fund	2,521,225.00	2,869,163.43	2,658,655.91	2,652,924.00	-5,731.91
282						
283	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
284	Highway Salaries	314,239.00	319,274.56	323,666.17	327,785.00	4,118.83
285	Highway Superintendent	59,740.00	59,740.20	61,532.20	63,378.00	1,845.80
286	Unscheduled Overtime	36,500.00	27,708.13	36,000.00	31,000.00	-5,000.00
287	Social Security	31,400.00	28,922.73	32,300.00	33,200.00	900.00
288	Health Insurance	164,646.00	144,381.67	165,000.00	170,000.00	5,000.00
289	Disability Insurance	2,900.00	2,243.76	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
290	Retirement	21,000.00	21,815.80	22,600.00	23,300.00	700.00
291	Uniforms	3,000.00	2,950.08	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
292	Fire Alarm	1,000.00	250.00	900.00	750.00	-150.00
293	Workers Comp	22,000.00	27,687.11	23,000.00	39,743.00	16,743.00
294	Culverts	12,750.00	12,899.81	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
295	Rails	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
296	Chloride	24,000.00	30,899.19	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00
297	Gravel/Stone/Fabric-Misc	100,000.00	89,518.50	100,000.00	90,000.00	-10,000.00
298	Resurfacing	270,000.00	267,597.15	200,000.00	225,480.00	25,480.00
299	Salt	48,960.00	66,117.55	63,900.00	66,000.00	2,100.00
300	Sand	68,000.00	60,940.80	70,000.00	72,500.00	2,500.00
301	Snow Removal	32,000.00	59,525.00	36,000.00	50,000.00	14,000.00
302	Municipal parking maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
303	Signs	2,400.00	595.02	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00
304	Crack Sealing	4,500.00	0.00	3,000.00	18,000.00	15,000.00
305	Stabilization/Fabric/Hay	1,500.00	649.50	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
306	Maintenance to Equipment	54,000.00	59,585.86	57,000.00	59,000.00	2,000.00
307	Fuel	77,000.00	67,100.44	77,000.00	75,000.00	-2,000.00
308	Rental/Contracted	6,000.00	2,075.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
309	Training	900.00	120.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
310	Electricity	2,900.00	2,733.26	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
311	Tools & Supplies	19,050.00	19,491.97	19,900.00	19,900.00	0.00
312	Personal Protective Equip	1,500.00	915.73	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
313	Telephone	1,750.00	1,835.62	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00
314	Insurance - Vehicles/Bldg	20,000.00	25,054.71	21,000.00	22,253.00	1,253.00
315	Computer/Office Supplies	150.00	558.69	150.00	300.00	150.00
316	Water Rent	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
317	Sewer Rent	890.00	476.19	900.00	900.00	0.00

318	HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
319	Bldg/Maint/Improvements	500.00	617.08	1,500.00	1,300.00	-200.00
320	Heating	7,000.00	2,796.72	6,500.00	6,000.00	-500.00
321	Pagers	800.00	756.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
322	Sidewalk Study TAP TA14	0.00	64,082.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
323	Better Back Roads Grant	0.00	1,910.12	0.00	0.00	0.00
324	Class II Paving Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
325	TRE Appropriation	225,000.00	225,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00
326	Subtotal Highway Expenditures	1,637,975.00	1,698,825.99	1,583,748.37	1,662,689.00	78,940.63

	REVENUES					
	Total Revenues Except for Sewer					
	General Fund Revenues	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Proposed Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
1	Interest Del Taxes	48,000.00	125,605.79	44,000.00	48,000.00	4,000.00
2	Penalty Del Taxes	54,300.00	52,724.59	54,300.00	54,300.00	0.00
3	TransCanada Payment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Misc Grants	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
5	Municipal Planning Grant	15,000.00	8,913.00	15,000.00	0.00	-15,000.00
6	Glebe Land	22,500.00	24,657.19	25,500.00	25,500.00	0.00
7	GF Dog/Liquor Licenses	2,800.00	3,838.00	2,800.00	3,900.00	1,100.00
8	Zoning fees	18,000.00	50,291.60	25,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00
9	Zoning Enforcement Fee	250.00	0.00	200.00	150.00	-50.00
10	Permit Recording Fees	400.00	390.00	400.00	450.00	50.00
11	Land Sales/Redemptions	13,500.00	32,400.79	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
12	Misc. Administ. Income	100.00	372.40	100.00	100.00	0.00
13	Misc Income	0.00	895.14	0.00	100.00	100.00
14	Act 60-Grand List Admin	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00	100.00	-3,100.00
15	PILOT Payment	8,000.00	9,619.56	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
16	State Education Fund	18,000.00	20,152.11	19,200.00	22,000.00	2,800.00
17	Listers income	415.00	0.00	415.00	415.00	0.00
18	Reapp State/Parcel Paymen	27,500.00	29,687.50	30,000.00	27,500.00	-2,500.00
19	Land Use	28,000.00	34,034.00	31,700.00	31,700.00	0.00
20	Administrative WWTP	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	0.00
21	Town Clerk Fees	32,500.00	42,070.00	32,500.00	42,000.00	9,500.00
22	Digitization Grant	0.00	99,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23	Fees & Fines - Police	52,000.00	37,434.21	48,000.00	46,000.00	-2,000.00
24	Sale of Cruiser	0.00	3,707.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
25	Misc Police Income	0.00	520.00	500.00	0.00	-500.00
26	PD Outside Employment Inc	11,000.00	14,045.08	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
27	PD Alarm Registration Fee	3,100.00	5,050.00	2,600.00	3,600.00	1,000.00
28	COPS Grant	0.00	86,164.44	0.00	0.00	0.00

	General Fund Revenues	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Proposed Budget FY17	Change FY16 to FY17
29	PD Homeland Security Gran	0.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
30	DUI Enforcement Grant	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Governor's HW Safety Gran	0.00	4,935.30	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
32	GHSP Equip Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
33	CDBG Grant Co-Relocation	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	-10,000.00
34	Fees - Town of Searsburg	16,798.00	16,798.00	16,798.00	16,800.00	2.00
35	Somerset	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
36	Hazardous Clean up Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
37	Misc Fire Department	0.00	1,450.50	400.00	400.00	0.00
38	Housing Grant	0.00	266,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
39	LF Metal Recycling	3,500.00	406.30	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00
40	Transfer Station Fees	70,000.00	66,481.00	71,500.00	72,500.00	1,000.00
41	Library repayment	2,265.00	993.02	2,265.00	0.00	-2,265.00
42	Elementary Program Fees	3,500.00	2,462.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
43	MHS Fees	1,000.00	633.00	650.00	865.00	215.00
44	Mem Hall Cleaning	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
45	Memorial Hall Rent	1,000.00	850.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
46	Memorial Hall Event Donat	2,500.00	2,560.50	1,800.00	0.00	-1,800.00
47	Interest GF	9,000.00	6,889.30	8,500.00	7,000.00	-1,500.00
48	Water Merger Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
49	Surplus	590,000.00	0.00	102,000.00	196,000.00	94,000.00
50	Transfer from Garage Capital	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
51	Transfer from Sewer Fund	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
52	Subtotal General Fund Revenues	1,076,878.00	1,065,261.82	603,878.00	691,430.00	87,552.00

	HIGHWAY REVENUES	Budget FY15	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Budget FY17	FY16 to FY17
1	Permits	500.00	180.00	450.00	450.00	0.00
2	State Aid	132,000.00	137,044.39	137,000.00	138,000.00	1,000.00
3	Grant Income	0.00	14,830.27	2,500.00	4,000.00	0.00
4	Park n Ride Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
5	Paving Grant	0.00	35,629.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	Sidwalk Study Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Better Back Rds Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	Misc. Income	800.00	789.22	900.00	800.00	-100.00
9	Interest - Road	1,000.00	457.21	800.00	750.00	-50.00
10	Surplus	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	-100,000.00
11	Subtotal Highway Revenues	134,300.00	188,930.09	241,650.00	144,000.00	-97,650.00

CAPITAL ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

	BRIDGE REHABILITATION	TOWN ROAD EQUIPMENT	POLICE OFFICER RESERVE	TOWN TRAILS RESERVE FUND
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	23,539	256,094	60,000	4,467
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	50,000	200,000	0	0
INTEREST	55	870	0	9
OTHER RECEIPTS	113,535	0	0	5,469
TOTAL	187,129	456,964	60,000	9,945
EXPENDITURES	163,339	404,013	27,375	8,934
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	23,789	52,951	32,625	1,011
EXPENSE ITEMS				
	TOWN HALL CAPITAL	MUNICIPAL RECORDS RESERVE	PD ASSET FORFEITURE	ANIMAL CONTROL
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	14,240	36,197	136	16,747
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	0	0	0	0
INTEREST	44	144	0	60
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	13,526	0	1,730
TOTAL	14,284	49,867	136	18,537
EXPENDITURES	3,797	6,960	136	997
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	10,487	42,907	0	17,560
EXPENSE ITEMS		Record Digitization	Cruiser Internet	
	PLAYGROUND	MEMORIAL HALL CAPITAL	SEWER CAPITAL	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	10,604	600	538,512	369,127
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	1,000	25,000	0	150,000
INTEREST	8	38	1,233	1,230
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	0	162,159	0
TOTAL	11,612	25,638	701,904	520,357
EXPENDITURES	3,000	4,294	501,014	18,209
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	8,612	21,344	200,890	502,148
EXPENSE ITEMS				
	BEAUTIFICATION FUND	REAPPRAISAL		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	5,719	1		
RECEIPTS:				
TOWN APPROPRIATION	0	0		
INTEREST	20	0		
OTHER RECEIPTS	224	0		
TOTAL	5,963	1		
EXPENDITURES	101	0		
DEBT SERVICE	0	0		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	5,862	1		

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS EARNING INTEREST ONLY					
	REVENUE SHARING	SCHOOL FIELD	DRY HYDRANT GRANT	FIRE HOUSE CAPITAL	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	985	1021	1,861	10,597	
INTEREST	1	1	7	9	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	986	1,022	1,868	10,606	
	HOUSING CAPITAL	PD CONFLICT RESOLUTION	DAVENPORT LEGACY	ENERGY EFFICIENCY RESERVE	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/15	2,714	7	425	8,671	
INTEREST INCOME	9	0	1	31	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/16	2,723	7	426	8,702	

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 5

Balance Due as of 7/1/15 \$235,000.00
2015-16 Payments \$35,000.00

Balance due as of 6/30/16 \$200,000.00

Status of Revenue Sharing

January 1, 2016

Balance \$986.28
Restricted Funds (Green Mountain Beach) 504.00
Unrestricted Funds 482.28

Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Feasibility

Interest at 0% 5 Year Bond

Year 2

Balance Due as of 7/1/15 \$13,900.00

First Payment Due 11/1/2019

Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade

Interest at 2.75% 30 Year Bond

Year 1

Balance Due as of 7/1/15 \$1,597,000

First Payment Due 11/1/2016 \$17,312.25

Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Final Design

Interest at 0% 5 Year Bond

Year 2

Balance Due as of 7/1/15 \$109,500.00

First Payment Due 11/1/2019

Sewer Fund

2 Year Comparison

	Budget	Actual	Budget
<u>Account</u>	<u>FY - 15</u>	<u>FY - 15</u>	<u>FY - 16</u>
Revenues			
Sewer Rents Income	253,959.00	250,160.97	256,760.00
Other Revenues	3,600.00	5,831.39	4,050.00
Total Revenues	257,559.00	255,992.36	260,810.00
Expenses			
Wages	104,894.00	104,709.93	107,845.00
Employee Benefits	67,965.00	59,681.79	68,515.00
Plant	49,700.00	44,947.78	50,950.00
Supplies	6,500.00	4,486.22	6,500.00
Property/Vehicle Insuranc	8,000.00	6,009.25	8,000.00
Engineering Consultant	1,500.00	0.00	1,000.00
New/Replacement Equipment	5,000.00	4,006.50	5,000.00
Sewer Testing	7,000.00	6,330.00	7,000.00
Truck/Tractor Maint	1,000.00	716.63	1,000.00
Sludge Maintenance	6,000.00	3,248.93	5,000.00
Total Expenditures	257,559.00	234,137.03	260,810.00

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 12/16/15

Name	Years	Amount Due	Name	Years	Amount Due
Todd Gareiss*	2013-15	553.26	TK Property North Main*	2014-15	1,979.83
Elk Mountain	2014-15	2,068.96	TK Property South Main*	2014-15	1,724.80
TK Properties 4 Shafter*	2014-15	2,540.09			

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

DELINQUENT TAX POLICY

Town of Wilmington

Understanding that it can be difficult for people to pay their town and state taxes, it is the responsibility of all to pay their required share or others have to pay higher 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 and methods the Wilmington Collector of Delinquent Taxes will take if a taxpayer does not meet their obligations to the town and the other citizens.

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).

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

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 1/1/16

Two or more payments delinquent

Name	Amount	Year(s)	Name	Amount	Year(s)
Patricia Chapman*	6,636.70	2014-15	Thomas McCarty	2,505.60	2014-15
Thomas Jackson	389.33	2014-15	Thomas Perito	9.66	2014-15
Phyllis Lamatina	2,898.89	2014-15	Glenn Pike	1,049.82	2014-15
Robert Maffucci	2,064.80	2014-15	Kiberley Rillstone	144.94	2014-15
Susan Makula	3,130.80	2014-15	Shelley Sousa	8,591.47	2014-15
John Mezzanotte	2,898.89	2014-15	James Thomas*	14.20	2014-15
Edward O'Brien	193.25	2014-15	Agathi Vallianatos	3,436.84	2014-15
			TOTAL TAXES DUE	33,965.19	

*These taxpayers are on payment plans to pay off delinquency within 1 year

Status of Delinquent Taxes

Delinquent Taxes 1/1/15	\$213,444.82
Collections	<u>191,720.52</u>
Subtotal	21,724.30
Delinquents Added	<u>222,011.81</u>
Delinquent Taxes 1/1/14	\$243,736.11

Wilmington's Contribution to the State Education Fund

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Payment to State</u>		<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Payment to State</u>
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		FY15	\$4,836,654
FY07	\$4,211,753		TOTAL	\$54,272,316
*Total tax raised FY15 approximately \$ 12,510,000 of which \$4,836,654 was sent to the state				

**PETTEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY
PROPOSED BUDGET
FY JUNE 30, 2017**

	FY 2015		FY 2016		FY 2017	Increase
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Proposed Budget		(Decrease)
CASH EXPENDITURES						
Personnel:						
Payroll	\$ 63,400	\$ 57,278	\$ 64,050	\$ 66,800	\$	2,750
Payroll Taxes	4,900	4,381	4,900	5,100		200
Staff Development	2,000	3,909	2,500	2,500		-
Subtotal	70,300	65,568	71,450	74,400		2,950
Library Services:						
Acquisitions	13,300	13,823	15,750	16,000		250
Library Supplies	2,500	2,069	2,500	2,500		-
Programs	4,500	4,190	4,500	5,000		500
Postage	1,300	961	1,250	1,000		(250)
Telephone	1,200	-	900	650		(250)
On-line Services	3,000	1,899	3,500	4,000		500
Computer & Equipment	5,100	3,038	4,500	3,000		(1,500)
Professional Fees	600	600	650	1,100		450
Membership Fees	200	374	200	400		200
Miscellaneous	-	1,075	-	-		-
Subtotal	31,700	28,028	33,750	33,650		(100)
Building & Grounds:						
Custodial	3,800	4,163	4,050	5,000		950
Insurance	3,000	2,895	3,500	3,100		(400)
Heating Oil	2,800	2,519	2,700	2,600		(100)
Maintenance & Repair	2,500	5,096	2,500	3,500		1,000
Elevator	2,000	1,852	2,000	2,000		-
Electricity	2,000	2,101	2,100	2,200		100
Fire Alarm	500	250	300	300		-
Sewer & Water	500	521	500	1,000		500
Subtotal	17,100	19,395	17,650	19,700		2,050
Total Expenditures	\$ 119,100	\$ 112,991	\$ 122,850	\$ 127,750	\$	4,900
CASH RECEIPTS						
Supplemental Income	10,000	5,302	13,061	13,589		528
Surplus Carryover	3,216	3,216	289	1,411		1,122
Town Appropriation	105,884	105,884	109,500	112,750		3,250
Total Receipts	\$ 119,100	114,402	\$ 122,850	\$ 127,750	\$	4,900
Surplus		<u>\$ 1,411</u>				
Budget Increase				3.99%		
Town Appropriation Increase				2.97%		

2015 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
1998	Land Rite Boat Trailer
2008	SnowPro Snowmobile Trailer
2015	Triton CT 127S Trailer

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

1997	New Holland Tractor Model 4630DA5
2001	Load Rite Utility Trailer
2002	US Jetting Sewer Jetter
2014	Ford F-350

TRANSFER STATION

1988	Ford 555B Backhoe
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

2011	Chevrolet Impala
2012	Chevrolet Impala
2014	Chevrolet Impala
2015	Chevrolet Impala
2016	Ford Explorer
1999	Snowflow Snowmobile Trailer*
2001	Arctic Cat Snowmobile*
2008	Arctic Cat Snowmobile*

(*Property of So. VT Snowmobile Task Force)

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Trucks

2016	International Truck #14
2007	International 7500 Dump Truck #12
2015	Dodge Ram 5500 #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

Equipment

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

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 2015 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 senior at the University of Rhode Island. The landscape architecture program helps Beau focus on sustainability by integrating renewable and local resources. In anticipation of his graduation this spring we offer an early congratulations.

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.

During the year the C. C. Haynes Hall was used to house the Deerfield Farmer's Day Youth exhibits, and storage for Saturday night auctions. Contributions from White Wolf Consulting for the use of the building for Saturday night auctions greatly helped fund the C. C. Haynes scholarships.

2015 C. C. Haynes Fund Financial Statement

Assets January 1, 2015

Cash on Hand	261.94	
Value - Certificate of Deposit	54,009.53	
Total Assets		54,271.47

Income

Contributions	1700.00	
Interest from Certificate of Deposit	131.11	
Total Income		1831.11

	Expenses	
William A Pool scholarship	1000.00	
Total Expenses		1000.00

Assets December 31, 2015

Cash on Hand	961.94	
Value - Certificate of Deposit	54,140.64	
Total Assets		55,102.58

Respectfully submitted,
Carl M. Boyd, *Trustee*

Grand List 2015 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	1,610	373,894,240	75,116,669	298,777,571	373,894,240
2	Residential II	338	156,257,189	47,005,239	109,251,950	156,257,189
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	56	3,668,500	0	3,668,500	3,668,500
6	Seasonal II	15	2,759,100	76,000	2,683,100	2,759,100
7	Commercial	137	71,425,572	1,131,500	70,112,072	71,425,572
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	12,849,364	0	12,849,364	12,849,364
11	Utilities-O	0	0	0	0	0
12	Farm	1	295,000	295,000	0	295,000
13	Other	184	39,460,475	1,884,050	37,576,425	39,460,475
14	Woodland	0	0	0	0	0
15	Miscellaneous	638	24,727,105	40,000	24,687,105	22,727,105
16						
17	TOTAL LISTED REAL ESTATE	3,058	690,029,545	126,510,458	563,519,087	690,029,545
18						
19	P.P. Cable	2	242,599		242,599	242,599
20	TOTAL LISTED P.P.	2	242,599		242,599	242,599
21						
22	TOTAL LISTED VALUE		690,272,144	126,510,458	563,761,686	690,272,144
23						
24	EXEMPTIONS					
25	Veterans 10K	7	70,000	60,000	10,000	70,000
26	Veterans >10K		210,000			
27						
28	Total Veterans	7	280,000	60,000	10,000	70,000
29						
30	P.P. Contracts	2	242,599			
31	Non-Apprv(voted)	2	125,000			
32	Owner Pays Ed Tax	1/1	160,000	0	0	0
33	Total Contracts	5/3	527,599			
34	Current Use	42	7,780,855	3,123,905	4,656,950	7,780,855
35	Special Exemption	2		0	5,017,150	5,017,150
36	Total Exemptions	44	8,588,454	3,193,905	9,674,100	12,868,005
37	TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		6,816,836.90			
38	TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			1,233,165.53	5,540,875.86	6,774,041.39
39	NON-TAX		82 Non-Tax parcels are not included in 411			

2015 Current Use Exemptions

	Name	Assessed Value	Land Use Acreage	Land Use Exempt	Grand List
1	BAILEY ARTHUR H & ELLEN C	235000	63.2	60,300.00	1747
2	BERTLES JEANNETTE W	630400	134.78	1,100.00	6293
3	BLANC MICHAEL P	200000	34.25	134,300.00	657
4	BOSSERT ELAINE S TRUST	695000	126	168,400.00	5266
5	BOYD CARL M	641639	131.45	333,730.00	3079.09
6	BOYD DANNIE J & JANET LEE	475000	45.9	160,700.00	3143
7	BRADBURN JUSTIN J	845000	71	85,500.00	7595
8	CARMON JOHN C TRUSTEE OF NAN	200000	93.1	98,750.00	1012.5
9	COLE BRUCE & BARBARA	350000	55.4	41,500.00	3085
10	COPELAND JULIA,LAUREL &HILLARY	206000	206.01	178,200.00	278
11	DOYLE MICHAEL J	425000	58	92,200.00	3328
12	FITZGERALD JENNIFER REVO TRUST	465000	152.7	187,000.00	2780
13	FORTE ROBERT P TRUSTEE OF REVOCA TR	780000	28.81	170,400.00	6096
14	GRINOLD ROBERT	205000	114	189,600.00	154
15	GROSS STEPHEN J & SUSAN REV TRUST	1100000	68.56	161,000.00	9390
16	HALLAHAN WILLIAM L & ELLEN F	447500	263	351,000.00	965
17	HARVEY N JR DN TR & JAMES&GROTE ANNE B	385000	70	165,500.00	2195
18	HEAVENRICH TED R	650000	98	211,800.00	4382
19	HYDE RICHARD & SIROIS OTTO & BENJAMIN	100000	65.5	31,100.00	689
20	IRISH JAMES & BUTTOLPH KATHERINE	32000	32.8	27,600.00	44
21	JANNEN KATRINA	220000	123.1	203,400.00	166
22	KETTERER GORDON P & ANN B	322000	124.34	168,200.00	1538
23	MARUNAS P RAYMOND & CAROL	165000	66.61	156,000.00	90
24	MCLAUGHLIN GARY & ANDREA	112000	23.6	108,800.00	32
25	MORENA JOHN ET AL	855000	91.22	147,200.00	7078
26	MURPHY JOHN M & NANCY S	900000	87	251,200.00	6488
27	OLAJOS STEVE & ELIZABETH	560000	62.5	151,600.00	4084
28	PATTERSON PATRICK E & CARLA TRST	19000	32.5	14,600.00	44
29	SCHNEEBERGER G & K TRUST	1200000	69.21	638,500.00	5615
30	SHAPIRO YOAV N	385000	98.26	136,700.00	2483
31	SPRAGUE MARTIN L & KAREN R	130000	15.82	25,300.00	1047
32	STEVENSON LAURA & STALOFF MARGARET G	389000	59	120,300.00	2687
33	STONE FAMILY TRUST	170000	50.66	68,200.00	1018
34	VON STEINWEHR RANDI	220000	110.5	205,100.00	149
35	WEBER RUSSELL R & CAROL E	1025000	43.22	198,400.00	8266
36	WESTLAKE CHRISTIANE C TR & BROOKS M	1242000	180.4	774,700.00	4673
37	WHITE JACOB & WALTER & MICHELLE	430000	156.19	223,200.00	2068
38	WHITE WALTER	285000	27.1	46,300.00	2387
39	WILKINSON ALICE S	35000	21.2	31,100.00	39
40	WIMMELMAN FRIEDA & BINNICK ALAN	1770000	331.9	507,400.00	12626
41	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY	215000	96.4	102,000.00	1130
42	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY	1510000	431.72	652,975.00	8570.25
	Total Residential Homestead			3,123,905	
	Total Non-Residential			4,656,950	
	GRAND TOTALS	21,226,539	4,214.91	7,780,855	134456.84



Janaury 5, 2016

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, 2015.

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).

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Wilmington Narrative Reports

Town Departments, Boards, and Committees

Other Agencies - Local, Regional, and State



Wastewater Treatment Plant

Wilmington Selectboard

The revitalization of Wilmington continues with the opening of several new businesses in the downtown, including three new restaurants – Cask & Kiln Kitchen, Folly and Mangia e Beve. The Hermitage Club continues to expand, including the purchase and renovation of The Whitehouse Inn. To date, The Hermitage Club has invested over \$100 million in the Deerfield Valley. As Andrea Berg, resident and owner of Pickwell’s Barn, recently told Vermont Public Radio for a story on our Town’s revitalization efforts, “[Wilmington is] back and stronger than ever.”

The Town continues to support these revitalization efforts through the hard work of Gretchen Havreluk, our Economic & Community Development Consultant, and our investment of funds from the Local Option Tax. Projects completed or begun this year include:

- The second year of the Façade Program, an effort to help generate commercial property investments
- New “Welcome to Wilmington” signs and historic and parking signs and banners
- A Bi-Town Marketing effort to increase tourism in Wilmington and Dover
- New sidewalk design and construction on West Main Street

These funds also were used to help start the Aging in Place (AIP) Initiative in 2015, a volunteer-led effort to make our Town more livable and enjoyable for our elder residents. To date, AIP has launched a newsletter and web site to better connect residents to services they may need as they age. They have created a medical equipment-lending closet at Green Mountain Self Storage and host a senior men’s coffee at North Star Bowl every Thursday at 8 am and a cancer support group that meets every second Wednesday at 5 pm at the Deerfield Valley Health Center.

John Gannon was elected to the Selectboard on Town Meeting Day while Jim Burke left the Board after 6 years helping Wilmington deal with the aftermath of Tropical Storm Irene and spearheading the building of the new Town Garage. Jim continues to serve our community as Cemetery Commissioner.

We continue to work to keep our municipal tax rate and spending as low as we can. Nevertheless, these efforts are continually frustrated by increases in spending in the state-controlled Education Fund, which translates into higher property tax rates. How Act 46 will impact statewide educational spending is yet to be determined. Nevertheless, we will continue our dialogue with Representative Ann Manwaring and Senator Brian Campion to make sure they understand the importance of providing relief to beleaguered property taxpayers.

We want to thank our Town employees and volunteers for their hard work and service to the community, especially Billy Hunt, our Road Supervisor, who with his road crew kept our roads as safe as possible this past winter as we were bombarded with snow. We also want to say goodbye to Cathy Goodell, who left her position as Police dispatcher, and hello to new Police Officers Corey Briggs and Linda Shedd and Police Dispatcher Susan Luchsinger.

It is a privilege and honor to work for Wilmington as your elected representatives. We want to continue to strive to make Wilmington a better place to live, work and raise a family. We can achieve this through building a stronger economy while being realistic about what you, our taxpayers and citizens, can afford.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Chapman, Chair
Thomas Fitzgerald, Vice Chair
Susan Haughwout, Clerk
Jacob White
John Gannon

Town Manager's Report

Wilmington has experienced continued economic recovery from the effects of Irene and the recent recession as new businesses continue to open, our downtown has improved facades, we have added streetscape enhancements, started new sidewalk projects, and made other infrastructure improvements.

The 2.1 million dollar Wastewater Treatment Plant Refurbishment Project is a major renovation and upgrade to our aging facility. This project, funded in part by a loan of \$1.597M and a grant of \$533,000 through the US Department of Agriculture – Rural Development, will allow our wastewater plant to operate within state parameters and with greater efficiency for many years to come. This project is expected to be completed in June 2016.

Another exciting project is scheduled for construction in 2016. The West Main St Sidewalk Project will extend the North sidewalk on West Main St from Bartleby's Bookstore to near the Reardon Bridge with a crosswalk connecting both sides. This new sidewalk will help pedestrian safety as well as allow consumers to safely access the stores on the North side of West Main St. We look forward to this project being completed before the end of fall.

Memorial Hall received some much needed renovations as new insulation, storm windows, and renovated doors were all completed this past year. It is hoped more groups will take advantage of this amazing facility. We received a grant from the Vt Arts Council to help pay for much of these renovations. Another grant that was recently received was a Community Development Block Grant for approximately \$400,000 to help repair and/or replace the sidewalk on the North side of East Main St.

The highly popular Façade Grant Program is wrapping up and helped improve many of our visible properties. We also successfully sold several property lots out of Town ownership (acquired through tax sales) and placed them back on the Grand List. These include lots at the Powderhorn Village and Sugar House lots. The Windham and Windsor Housing Trust Project renovated a 7 unit rental property in the heart of the downtown. With the assistance of a \$271,000 CDBG grant, the Laterre House improved a seven unit affordable housing building in the core of downtown. This improved property serves almost 6% of the renters in the community who earn less than 60% of the State's average median income.

Many challenges still face us in the near future and the Selectboard has started compiling a Large-Project Capital Plan to help prioritize these critical projects. These include but are not limited to: the future of the former Wilmington School District owned high school building, the relocation of the Fire and Police Departments, the replacement of Look Rd bridge, the purchase of a fire ladder truck, and several others.

I am very grateful for the many volunteers and committee members who generously donate their time to help us complete many of these projects. I also want to thank the Town employees as they are absolutely critical to our continued success. Lastly, I want to thank you, the public, for your continued support, input, complaints, and compliments as we all work together to make Wilmington a special place to live and work.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Murphy
Town Manager



Raising Reardon's Bridge-photo courtesy of Scott Murphy

Wilmington Fire Department

In 2015, Wilmington Fire personnel responded to 197 incidents to date for a total of over 1,500 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 1,100 staff hours for training. This amounted to a total of over 2,600 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	61	Carbon monoxide	15	Windmill Fires	1	Service Calls	4
EMS	6	Water rescue calls	1	Structure Fires	24	Good Intent Calls	9
Snowmobile accidents	3	Brush fires	8	Smoke investigations	3	Elevator Calls	2
Vehicle fires	2	Landing zone	1	Alarm activations responses	44		
TOTAL		197					

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 4th fireworks display and three different events for the Deerfield Valley Fair. Those events were emergency services night, the Demo Derby, the vehicle rodeo and the Truck pulls 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 number of length of service awards were presented this year at our annual Ladies night. This awards were presented to;

Richard Covey - for 45 years of service to the Wilmington Fire Department.

Brian Johnson - for 45 years of service to the Wilmington Fire Department

Scott Moore – for 25 years of service to the Wilmington Fire Department

Rusty Sage – for 25 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. The following projects were completed during 2015.

The Town received a structures grant for an undersized 6ft culvert on Coldbrook rd, that was replaced this summer with a metal pipe arch.

Spruce Grove RD - A failed culvert was replaced with a 4ft x 60ft culvert and header, also graveled a portion of that road.

Haystack RD - A 3ft x 36ft culvert was installed on the gravel portion of that road.

Minor RD - The road crew poured a concrete invert in the bottom of a 5FT metal culvert to prolong its life.

Look RD - At southern end of bridge a concrete abutment was poured as a temporary repair, until a replacement structure is installed.

Approximately 1000FT of culvert was replaced this season

Paving was done on the following roads.

Haystack RD - needed culverts were replaced; the blacktop was milled then resurfaced with a 1 1/2 inch overlay.

Ray Hill RD - 1300FT of blacktop was milled then 4200FT was shimmed and overlaid.

Higley Hill RD - 4000FT of blacktop was milled, then a total of 4950FT was shimmed and a 1 inch overlay applied.

The following roads were graveled:

- Atherton RD
- Sun & Ski RD
- Forbush RD
- Wilmington Heights RD
- Sills RD

Portions of the following were also graveled

Ware, Mountain view, Davis, Smith, Minor, and Boyd Hill roads.

The following equipment was replaced this year.

- 2002 International was traded towards a 2016 Tandem International
- 2008 GMC 5500 traded towards a 2015 Dodge 5500

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

After losing two officers within 6 months, the Wilmington Police Department is in the process of rebuilding once again. We have hired Corey Briggs of Arlington who was working for Manchester PD. He had been to the Vermont Police Academy and completed phase 1 of the part-time officer training. He has been working with Sgt. Murano the past few months. Officer Briggs will go to the Vermont Police Academy in February where he will begin 16 weeks of training for full-time officers. Dispatcher Catherine Goodell, who had been with the department for over 30 years, retired in August of this year. We will miss Goodell's local knowledge and worth ethic. We all wish her well in her retirement years. We hired Susan Luchsinger of Wilmington who formerly worked for the Alaska State Police as one of our dispatchers. Linda Shedd, who also has police and dispatch experience, replaced Jessica DeFrancesco who went to work in another Town department. Dispatch has been staffed 7 days per week since mid-December.

We have five full time officers and two part time officers at the present time. This includes Briggs, who has to work with another officer at the present time. In 2010 we accepted a COPS grant which enabled us to have 6 officers. The grant paid for three years, the Town of Wilmington was responsible for the 4th year, which we are now in. We are asking the citizens of Wilmington to vote to keep the 6th position at the upcoming town meeting. This position enables us to reduce part time spending and overtime, which we have done when fully staffed. It also enables the full time officers to have a more stable work schedule. It's a struggle to hire and retain officers, especially in smaller departments such as Wilmington's, where demands are great for police services. Being able to keep a regular schedule is important to the officer's and their families. Keeping trained, dedicated and capable officers here benefits the citizens of Wilmington.

Our priority is responding to calls for service from the community and visitors alike. In 2015 we responded to over 1550 incidents. This does not include services provided daily by officers and dispatchers when citizens come into the office or call seeking advice or information.

Wilmington Police made 97 arrests for various offenses. We had another stabbing in which several charges were brought against a Wilmington man. We have made 21 arrests for driving while under the influence. These numbers are down significantly from the 80's and 90's, however it is still an issue here. More than 60% of the DWI's are from motor vehicle crashes. We had 17 burglaries in 2015. Some of these were done by persons we have arrested and were let out of jail on bail or conditions of release, only to re-offend. After one of our main players, responsible for a number of crimes went to jail our forcible entry burglaries subsided. We still had several in which no force was used in second-home burglaries. Big flat screen TV's are often the target of choice as they are readily traded for heroin. Heroin is still an issue and the driving force behind much of the crime in Vermont; it appears it will be for some time. By the time you read this, several local persons will have been arrested in connection with trading guns taken from a burglary for drugs. This was a lengthy investigation involving both Dover and Wilmington officers, as well as detectives. We are currently working on identifying the bank robbery suspect who robbed Peoples Bank in December. It was one of 8 robberies by force that day in Vermont.

We had 76 reported accidents last year with 11 being personal injury accidents, including a fatality. In 2015 we wrote 570 tickets for motor vehicle offences; 265 of these were for speeding. The average ticket was 18 mph over the speed limit, some for twice the speed limit.

If you have any questions regarding the Wilmington Police Department please contact me. We are here to serve you and provide you with service every day of the year, day or night. Call us at 464-8593 or 911 if you need help. On behalf of the entire department's staff, please be safe in 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Joseph M. Szarejko



Chief Szarejko with Catherine Goodell

Town Clerk

Town Clerk Susie Haughwout achieved Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in 2015. The IIMC Certified Municipal Clerk program is designed to enhance the job performance of the Clerk in small and large municipalities. To earn the CMC designation, a Municipal Clerk must attend extensive education programs totaling nearly 350 hours. The CMC designation also requires pertinent experience in a municipality. The CMC program prepares the applicants to meet the challenges of the complex role of the Municipal Clerk by providing clerks with quality education in partnership with institutions of higher learning, as well as State and National Associations. Susie received her Vermont Certified Municipal Clerk (CVC) designation in 2005.

The Board of Civil Authority voted in December to assign the Twin Valley Elementary School as the polling place for the 2015 Annual Town & Town School District Meeting and the Presidential Primary. Some residents may remember that Town Meeting was held in Memorial Hall until the 1950's. The decision was made to move it to the gym in the former High School.

In other election news, Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos has announced the roll-out of the new Elections Management Platform. This platform has three main parts:

- **Elections Management System (EMS)** – includes a new statewide voter checklist and other resources and tools to be used by town and city clerks across Vermont to conduct all of their election related business – from registering voters, to processing absentee ballot requests, to entering election results;
- **New Online Voter Registration Tool** – allows all eligible Vermonters to submit their voter registration application online anytime and anywhere they can access the internet; and
- **New “My Voter Page”** – online resource that allows every registered voter to login and have access to a unique, voter-specific web page where they can request an absentee ballot, track its status, update their voter registration record, find their polling place, view a sample ballot, and much more.

The online voter registration page can be found at <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us> and the My Voter Page login can be found at <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>.

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

Rabies Clinic
March 26, 2016
10am – Noon
Wilmington Fire Station

2014 Calendar Year

ELECTIONS

BALLOTS CAST

Mar 3rd Annual Town & Town School District Meeting 381

Total Registered Voters: 1433

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 - 18

CIVIL MARRIAGES: Resident - 15
Non Resident - 12

DEATHS: Resident – 8

BURIALS: Resident - 3
Non Resident - 6

CERTIFIED COPIES ISSUED: 125

LAND RECORDS:

Total **Pages** of documents processed as land records: 5150
Total **Transactions** including property transfers: 1650
Total **Property Transfers** (all kinds): 291

DOG LICENSES ISSUED: 294

LIQUOR/TOBACCO LICENSES ISSUED: 27

Wastewater Department

For the calendar year 2015 we received, treated and discharged a total of 25,484,100 gallons of wastewater into the Deerfield River for a daily average of 69,800 gallons per day which represents a -10.63 % decrease compared to 2014. The facility is permitted to discharge an annual average flow of 135,000 gallons per day. We recorded 34.68 inches of rain and 88.25 inches of snow for a total of 122.92 total inches of precipitation in 2015.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Avg. Daily Flow (gallons per day)	92,900	92,100	77,900	86,000	68,000	78,200	78,100	69,800
Rain (inches)	48.76	51.75	45.70	57.80	38.83	44.23	45.85	34.68
Snow (inches)	114.50	99.00	85.25	129.50	68.5	97.50	94.75	88.25
Total Precipitation (inches)	163.26	150.75	130.95	187.3	107.33	141.73	140.60	122.92

The refurbishment project is well under way! The contractor (Penta) arrived on site September 21st and will be here until the project is completed sometime in May or June of 2016. This much needed project consists of upgrading and replacing the electrical system and emergency generator, installing new rotating biological contactors (RBC's), construction of a new office/laboratory building, upgrades to the control building and the replacement of the primary treatment process equipment that is original to the facility from 1964. This new primary treatment process consists of a new building and a rotating belt filter. This new technology is state of the art and we are the first in the State and one of the very few in the Northeast to be using this equipment.

We issued six allocation permits in 2015 for a total of 5,227 gallons of additional sewer allocation to existing customers.

In June we experienced a blockage of the sewer main on West Main Street which caused a manhole in Beaver Brook to overflow. We estimate that between 7,500 and 10,000 gallons of untreated wastewater spilled into the Brook. Please remember that fats, oils, and grease, also known as FOGs, can build up and block both private and Town sewer pipes resulting in blockages and overflows. Never pour grease down drains or into toilets, scrape grease and food scraps into a can or the trash for disposal. Also beware of the many kinds of wipes that are now available, such as baby wipes, insect repellent wipes, floor cleaning wipes, toilet cleaning wipes, cosmetic-removing wipes, or hand-sanitizing wipes that can also cause clogs. Wipes can get caught in the impellers of pumps, clogging them and causing sewer back-ups. If you choose to use disposable wipes, please be sure to dispose of them in the trash rather than flushing them down the toilet. In fact, always avoid using the toilet to dispose of trash or anything other than what it is designed for – human waste and toilet paper.

Our Class A Compost product is still in high demand! We delivered nearly 120 yards of Compost to Wilmington residents in 2015. It's never too early to get on our delivery list for 2016, just call or email the Treatment Plant to get your 5 yard load reserved for spring delivery!

During the late summer and fall months we were busy cleaning and flushing 9,000 feet of sewer main lines.

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 jlazelle@wilmingtonvt.us 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, Assistant Chief Operator

Zoning Department

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

Permits	Admin approvals	Admin Sign	Incomplete or withdrawn	Total
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
2015	111	19	1	131

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.

As Health Officer I have responded to sixteen (16) health related inspections in 2015. I also work very closely with the Planning Commission and the Development Review Board

Respectfully submitted,
Craig Ohlson, Zoning Administrator, Flood Plain Administrator and Health Officer

Development Review Board

The DRB heard 20 applications this year. Two less than were heard in 2014.

The DRB had some member changes. Tim Hall, Allen Taylor and Kathleen Brochin joined as full time members. Meg Streeter and Fred Houston continued as alternate members with Debby Dorsett becoming an alternate from being a full time member. Adam Lemire Joined in the Spring as a full time member and resigned in the fall to pursue career opportunities in Philadelphia. The DRB reorganized in April voting Peter Wallace as Chair, Wendy Manners as Vice Chair and Adam Lemire as Secretary. When Adam resigned Allen Taylor was voted in as Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Wallace, Chair
Wendy Manners
Allen Taylor
Tim Hall
Kathleen Brochin
Fred Houston
Meg Streeter
Debby Dorsett

Wilmington Beautification Committee

2015 has again been a busy planting and growing season for our Committee and additional volunteers who help with planting, weeding and cleaning up projects! In addition to our usual gardens, this year we worked with the Town to clean up the berm along the river and Valley Trail in the West Main Street parking lot. Special thanks to Lee Schindel who tagged every perennial before the landscapers arrived to do their work. This garden will be added to our list after the snow melts in the spring.

Our Town gardens under this group of very hard-working volunteers include: Gateway, Trebbe Memorial and tennis court area, Dixon parking lot, River's Edge, River Bank Park, Reardon's Crossing Bridge land on both sides, Brissette property, Route 9 Trailhead, Oxbow and West Main Street parking lot.

Mary Pike-Sprenger recommended some changes to the Village Summer Flower Barrel Program which were beautiful and warmly received by residents and visitors with many compliments expressed throughout Town. This year working with Scott Murphy and the Wilmington Road Crew, we plan to extend our barrels to the East of the Village.

Beautification to look forward to: thousands of daffodils blooming in April in many locations in Town which were planted by the Committee and volunteers, the regrowth of Gateway and spring blooms and the amazing Flower Barrels returning the end of May. Flags and bunting Memorial Day through the Fourth of July and Veteran's Day which is coordinated by Len Chapman and Fred Skwirut.

Please think about joining us – we have openings for our Committee as well as volunteers to work with us on individual projects. Please call any of us for additional information or contact Scott Murphy at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Green Up Committee

Green Up Day took place on Saturday, May 2. This year 154 volunteers turned out in Wilmington and used over 275 Green Up bags to pick up roadside litter as part of our town's effort.

People of all ages helped including representatives from the Chimney Hill Homeowners Association and the Windham Sailing Club. Several students participated as part of the Mount Snow substance abuse prevention program, Choose sNOW. There were also many family groups and individuals including at least ten Wilmington residents who were new to Green Up this year. Knowing so many folks are willing to give time to this effort speaks well of our community.

Free hot dogs, ice cream, water and soda were enjoyed by volunteers thanks to donations once again from Leader Beverage, C&S Beverage of Wilmington, and Shaw's Supermarket. Their generosity is always appreciated. A new addition to our snacks this year was a delicious assortment of freshly made Dot's muffins donated by John and Patty Reagan. We thank them for thinking of us.

We are grateful to the town office folks and the Twin Valley Elementary School office and kitchen staff who helped with preparations beforehand. And we extend a big thanks to the road crews which were out to pick up all the full Green Up bags and piles of collected litter which volunteers left along the roadsides for them. In addition, thanks go to Karen Molina and Dave Larsen who helped to make sure all went smoothly during snack time in the old Wilmington High School cafeteria.

Green Up Vermont is a statewide initiative in its 45th year, occurring every year on the first Saturday in May. But it is also a wonderful community effort that takes teamwork to make it happen. Thank you one and all. It could not happen without all the volunteers. And special thanks to all whose year 'round efforts reduce the amount of roadside litter.

Come join us for 2016 Green Up Day on May 7.

Sincerely,

Kathy Larsen and Rebecca Sweeney
Green Up co-coordinators

Wilmington Cemetery Commissioners

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.

Nine people were interred in Wilmington's cemeteries in 2015, 3 residents and 6 non-residents.

Six gravesites were sold at Riverview Cemetery in 2015. Bids for all contracts for taking care of all the Town's cemeteries for 2016 (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. In 2015 we completed Riverview and we are now working on creating digital record of the plots at Intervale.

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

Youth Services

For over 43 years, Youth Services has served the needs of youth and families in and around Windham County. We provide transformative programs in prevention, intervention and development for young people and families. Our programs help youth grow into productive adults thereby insuring a strong future for the community. Our services include providing adult mentors for youth through our Big Brothers Big Sisters program, 24/7 crisis line, host home stays combined with family mediation for teens who are having difficulty, substance abuse prevention and referral, supervised visitation, child advocacy services, and court diversion for youth and adults who have initial infractions of the law.

I am writing to request that the Town of Wilmington support Youth Services' general budget in the amount of \$300. This figure represents level funding of our request.

We appreciate the past support from the Town of Wilmington. In the interest of informing as many individuals as possible about Youth Services, we ask that you include our report in your Town Report. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Russell Bradbury-Carlin
Executive Director

Wilmington Trails Committee

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

2015: Maintaining Trails

The Wilmington Trails Committee had a tremendously busy and rewarding year. We now maintain 10 trails in town, covering nearly 20 miles. We cleared all trails of winter deadfall and spring thorns, improved surfaces and built or repaired bridges on several trails. In all, the Committee, along with other dedicated volunteers, gave over 450 hours of time doing trail 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. Much of the bridgework was completed in 2014. During the summer of 2015 volunteers built additional bridges, and oversaw the building of a long and beautiful walkway over a wetland area.

With the opening of the new DVTA facility, access is now available along the river, with interpretive signs along the way. Many thanks to the DVTA for their great work on this part of the trail! Access is still available through the northern end of the DVTA property, which allows for a short walking loop option.

Valley Trail

The Trails Committee, working with the Bi-Town Trails Committee, and other volunteers continue to maintain and improve the Valley 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.

Reardon's Crossing Bridge

The bridge was raised in the fall to lift it above flood levels. A new access ramp will be constructed in the spring of 2016.

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*

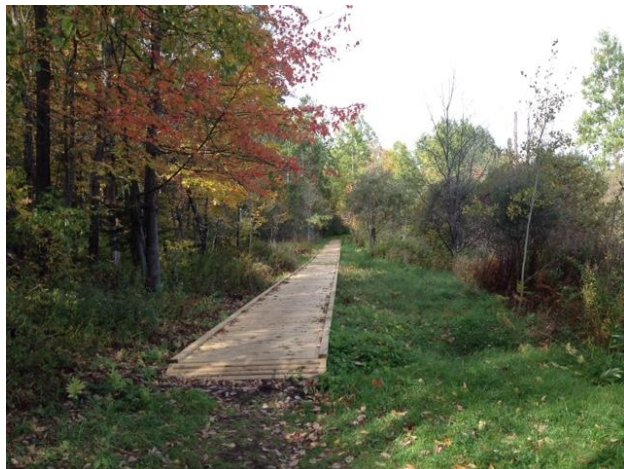
Crista Gannon, *Vice Chair*

Ann Ottaviano, *Secretary*

Bob Fisher, Spencer Crispe, Joe Arnold, John Gannon, Gary Henry, Tim Hunt, Jake White, Ex Officio



Hoot Toot & Whistle Trail Sign



Hoot Toot & Whistle Trail

Planning Commission Report

In 2015 the Planning Commission, an organization of Selectboard-appointed volunteers, moved forward two key planning tools:

- 1) The Town Plan, providing strategic direction to economic and land development planning, and
- 2) The Zoning Ordinance, providing regulations governing land development

With the Town Plan due for a mandated 5 year update and a major restructuring of the zoning ordinance in the works, members of the Planning Commission had a daunting task list. Countless hours of research, meetings, hearings, and document review have culminated in a year of significant accomplishments.

September of 2015 a revised Town Plan, fully updated of town statistics and narratives and inclusive of newly adopted state mandated provisions, was adopted by the Selectboard. Adoption of the updated Plan within the mandated timeframe preserved the Plan's standing for state grant eligibility, Act 250 hearings and brought the Plan up-to-date with the broad changes taking place in the town over the last five years, from the flood of August 2011 to a fast changing profile of growth. As a second phase of Town Plan development the Planning Commission will be working with the Community to update the goals, policies, and recommendations of the Plan, aligning town resources for a strategic approach to development.

In December of 2015 the Planning Commission culminated years of work by completing a full rewrite and reorganization of the Zoning Ordinance. With a focus on understandability and ease of use, the revised ordinance incorporates tools and guidelines to improve alignment of town development with the goals of the Town Plan. The proposed ordinance is being moved forwarded to the Selectboard with a proposal for adoption.

As an Interested Party on all Act 250 hearings, the Planning Commission participated in a number of hearings on large development initiatives in 2015, assessing and providing input to the Act 250 regulators on conformity of the proposed development to the Town Plan.

Once again, our gratitude and appreciation to this group of volunteers who take on this very complex and highly regulated work.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wendy Manners-Seaman, Chair

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



The DVCC was able to help 112 families within our valley during the winter of 2014/2015. Of that total, 34 families were from our town of Wilmington. Total expenditures from September 2014 through April 2015 amounted to \$87,584.73. The amount spent to help families in Wilmington alone was approximately \$27,000.00.

Each year the need seems to grow. People who, for the most part, manage to provide for themselves, sometimes struggle during the winter months when the heating bills kick in. Raising funds to help families meet these needs is our mission, and it becomes harder every year.

We are fortunate to have the members of the Propane Dover group who are a continuing source of support for us. Their generosity makes it possible to help more families for a longer period each winter.

We are also thankful that the Deerfield Valley Rotary Club has stepped up to help raise money for the DVCC. Their members have worked hard to improve our fundraising efforts and to help with events. In addition to ongoing support from individual community members and from various civic organizations, we count on donations from each of the 9 town within the Deerfield Valley. We are grateful for the support we get from the Town of Wilmington.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Spengler

Town of Wilmington 2015

Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce

Dear Neighbors:

The Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce is pleased to continue to serve area merchants in this exciting time in our history. The last 12 months have proven that our region can once again attract the visitors critical to a thriving community. 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.

A key component to a balanced revenue stream for our business community has been the emphasis the Chamber and valley towns have placed on increasing summer visitor traffic through targeted marketing. A portion of this marketing was funded by the State of Vermont Department of Tourism. Key events & activities such as Tough Mudder, The Green Mountain Adventure Challenge & Deerfield Valley Blueberry Festival increased our summer visitor traffic to the point that the majority of valley merchants have reported that this summer saw more business traffic than they have seen in the last four years.

This past year has seen the towns of Dover & Wilmington commit to a joint marketing campaign through the Bi Town Committee to drive web traffic to the new Chamber of Commerce website www.visitvermont.com. While the website URL was kept to ensure we retained our rankings and web visitors, significant upgrades were made to overall appearance, site map & features including the opportunity for members to update their business web points at a whim on this fully responsive site. All area businesses are included on our website, with Chamber members receiving upgraded listings and accessibility options. We look forward to your ideas, input and involvement as we continue to enhance visitor experiences.

In the first 6 months the towns of Dover and Wilmington have shown through tax revenue just how successful 2015 has already been for area businesses and Vermont. Rooms, Meals & Alcohol taxes reported were 190% over the previous year for the same time period. Killington was second with 112% increase from the previous year. Sales & Use Tax also indicated that the towns of Wilmington & Dover were busier than other similar resort areas in Vermont with an increase of 216.3% over the previous year reporting period. Stowe came in second with 30% 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 filled early for the 2016 winter season and at the date of this publication there is a minute amount of long term rentals still available. Multiple new businesses have opened in the area with more on the way. These are all very strong indicators for our economic future.

Respectfully,

Sharon Cunningham

Director Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce

visitvermont.com

Board of Listers

The real estate market has been very busy this year. Certain areas of the town, Coldbrook and Mann Roads, the East and West Villages of Haystack, the areas near Haystack and the Ski area itself have major sale volumes and new construction. Also it seems that all local contractors are overbooked and as we travel around town we see contractors from the surrounding states, as well as Vermonters from up north.

Our property review list (new construction, additions and remodeling) has been keeping us very busy this year. Unusual as it may seem we have had some tear-downs and rebuilding and also spec houses. Even the commercial market is showing life after Irene. We understand that our COD 17.23% and our CLA 100.33% are inline over the past three years and we hope we can continue this trend.

Again our office is open to assist you with the value of your property or any other questions pertaining to the value around town.

Respectfully,

Board of Listers

Jerry Osler

Lenny Chapman

Kay Martin

Lynn Matthew

Diane Schipke

Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors comprising 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 136 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, to assist them in providing their citizens with quality services at affordable costs:

- **Legal, consulting, and education services.** VLCT's Municipal Assistance Center (MAC) provides training, information and assistance to municipal officials to help them carry out their roles and responsibilities. In 2015, attorneys and staff responded to nearly 3,500 inquiries from municipal officials about their statutory duties and about best practices in municipal governance. More than 1,300 people attended 16 workshops on topics ranging from municipal budgeting to solid waste management, and training for selectboard members, auditors and land use officials. Additionally, MAC conducted 10 on-site workshops at municipal offices covering Open Meeting Law compliance, financial fraud prevention, effective property tax appeal hearings as well as other topics. Attorneys provided 28 municipalities with legal review of ordinances and policies, financial assistance, and other specialized consulting services. Many municipalities have received technical assistance on water quality and stormwater management related to the recent passage of Vermont's Clean Water Act. All handbooks, technical papers, model documents and past newsletter articles – more than 1,000 documents - are available on VLCT's website
- **Advocacy representation at the state and federal levels to ensure that municipalities have the resources and authority needed 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 Vermont's lakes and rivers, and securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs. Municipalities will face significant challenges in the 2016 legislature as limited financial resources at the national and state level continue to force more demand for services at the local level. VLCT also provides a *Weekly Legislative Report* that details legislative issues affecting municipal government. It is available free-of-charge on the VLCT website.
- **Opportunities to provide purchasing of needed services at the lowest cost.** Members may purchase municipal unemployment, property, casualty and workers' compensation insurance coverage for town operations. The **VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust** continued to assist towns navigate their way to Vermont Health Connect and, where appropriate, to secure health insurance through the marketplace. When substantial municipal damages occur as a result of weather events, the value to our members of **VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF)** is quite clear, as members benefit from the broad coverage, excellent re-insurance, and prompt service and claims payments provided. The two Trusts are responsible for \$24 million in municipal tax dollars spent for insurance and risk management services in 2015.

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 committed to relocating our medical campus in order to better serve the residents of the Deerfield Valley. Several benefit events, including golf tournaments and a gala holiday event, were held to raise financial support for this important project. We are excited that the relocation plans are moving forward rapidly.

The benefits of SVHC's connection with Dartmouth-Hitchcock continue to be instrumental in helping SVHC to recruit and retain outstanding medical personnel, including our two family practice physicians: **Dr. Peter Park and Dr. Dagmar Tobits**. Our local medical campus is recognized as a Level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home, providing a new model of more personal, effective and efficient primary care. **Our 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, same-day care to residents and visitors to the area (usually within 24-hours of a phone call to the office), and wellness programs such as diabetes education and smoking cessation.

During the 2014-2015 operating year, the SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus:

- Recorded **6,881 patient visits** between October 2014 and September 2015.
- Administered **600 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 **1,163 patients** between October 2014 and May 2015.

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, the Deerfield Valley and Pownal, VT. Regional advisory boards representing the residents of both the Northshire and the Deerfield Valley 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
Crista Gannon, *SVHC Foundation Board*
Charles La Fiura, *SVHC Foundation Board*
Bruce Mullen, *SVHC Board of Trustees*

Marv Neuman
Arlene Palmiter
William Parent
Mark Wallace
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. The society is an independent group of volunteers that is funded solely by donations, memberships and fundraisers.

The society is very proud of its independence and success rate after just celebrating our 40th anniversary this past year. Memberships continue to grow as well as donations, and without that support we would not be able to continue on our own. We would like to thank everyone who has so graciously helped us out over the past forty years.

This past year our museum visitors and returning alumni increased during our Saturday summer hours. Visitors stop by to look over our displays and for research purposes. We had many requests for genealogy work too and that requires a lot of volunteer hours to search records and locate information.

One of our greatest accomplishments this year was during the Memorial Day Service held at Memorial Hall when we honored four young local men who lost their lives during WWII. Each of the four men now have their photo with a plaque hung on the wall at the hall to honor their sacrifice for our country.

We held some very interesting monthly meetings during the summer and fall of 2015. We visited Adams' Farm slaughter house, Bob Angell did a presentation from his trip to China, and other events such as the "Antique Appraisal Show" were held at Memorial Hall in July. Society members and volunteers worked the entrance booth at the DVFD Fair. In September we visited the new Moover building and then in October the 4th annual "Quilt Show" was put on thanks to Sue Wurzberger's continued organization of that along with the support of the society. To wrap up the year Laura Stevenson did a presentation about her new book "Liar From Vermont".

The exterior front of the museum was painted thanks to donations received through our annual newsletter membership drive. An extra expense for the society was the refinishing of the back porch floor. Thank you to Mary Pike-Sprenger once again for the donation of summer flowers for our sign barrel.

Our collection of artifacts continue to expand, just this year we received over 400 bells from the Christine L. Boyd collection that has been on display at Pettee Memorial Library. We also received numerous old copies of the Wilmington High School yearbook to fill in the copies we were missing, we still don't have a complete set, so if anyone has copies they would like to donate to our collection please give us a call. We were able to move items into our new carriage shed for display too.

We look forward to resuming our monthly meetings / presentations starting in April and going through November, held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise posted. If you are not on our mailing list and would like a copy of our 2016 newsletter please leave a message at (802) 464-0200 or pick one up at the Pettee Memorial Library. The museum will be open to visitors on Saturdays starting July 4th. weekend thru Labor Day weekend or by appointment. Please stop in to visit and learn about Wilmington history dating back to 1751.

Thank you to all of the officers, volunteers and donors for their continued support.

Julie Moore, President	Pete Adams, Trustee
Sally Gore, Vice President	Sharon Adams, Trustee
Pat Morris, Secretary	Larry Chase, Trustee
Diane Chapman, Treasurer	Bob Greene, Trustee
Lenny Chapman, House Committee Chairman	Harriet Maynard, Curator

Respectfully submitted, Julie Moore, *President*

Economic Development

Wilmington has made some great strides in 2015 with some spruced up buildings and signage, more businesses opened providing jobs to locals, and other key projects being completed or just kicking off. The Moover facilities building project was completed and a successful grand opening was held in November. Mount Snow began their West Lake Water Project to provide them with more snow making capabilities. The Vermont House was redeveloped and opened officially in January and three new downtown restaurants opened this past year with exceptional reviews. Infrastructure improvements are currently being made to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as the Water District.

I have provided assistance with several commercial property owners on redeveloping their vacant buildings and recruiting new businesses to the area. I continue to maintain a Commercial/Industrial Vacant Property list. A informational resource meeting was organized for commercial property owners in February and I continue to help business owners with their challenges. I assisted the Old School Enrichment Center Committee and the Working Group for redevelopment of the old high school.

The Tax Stabilization Policy and Revolving Loan Fund continue to be local, business redevelopment resources. The Facade Improvement Grant Program over the last two years received 41 applications; of which 32 were granted \$124,951.19 with the owner contributing at least 25% of the project making a total improvement of \$255,518.87. In June a professional business consultant was funded through the 1% Option Tax Fund to provide one-on-one assistance to current businesses with their biggest challenges. The consultant reviewed financials, employee relations, marketing plans, inventory control, etc. of ten local businesses. The program was well received by the recipients.

I wrote six grants and updated two projects to be included in the Comprehensive Development Strategy (CEDS) this past year and currently manage eight grants which include: West Main Street Sidewalk Development, Business Broadband Internet District for high speed internet in the Higley Hill area, Digitization of Town Records, Fire Dept./Police Relocation, High School Building/Community Center, Insulating of Memorial Hall, a Hazard Mitigation Grant, a Municipal Planning Grant and Redevelopment of the Old School Building (CEDS Project) and Water District Acquisition and Expansion of Wastewater and Water Districts (CEDS Project). The VTrans Alternative Grant for a planning grant for all of our sidewalks was finalized in July.

The Bi-Town Economic Development Committee, received funding through Dover and Wilmington 1% Option Tax Funds to implement a three year digital marketing plan for the valley. The committee also continues to work on advocating for better road conditions as well as creating better connectivity with broadband coverage, cellular service and utilization of our fiber optic capability.

I have collaborated with our downtown organization, Wilmington Works, on several projects including the new “Welcome to Wilmington”, “Historic District” and “Parking” signs, grant writing for sidewalks and Memorial Hall grants, Shopping Habit Survey, parking analysis in coordination with Windham Regional Commission, West Main Street Sidewalk Project, coordinating and was a presenter at the VT Downtown Networking Meeting held in December here in Wilmington.

I served as a committee member on the Chambers Cohesive Valley Marketing/Branding Project. The new branding logo and tagline for The Valley was released earlier this year through The Chamber of Commerce; however this branding can be used by non-chamber members as well. This work was funded through a USDA grant. I also collaborate with the Chamber on the Bi-Town Marketing Committee, business recruitment and workforce development projects.

My focus for 2016 include:

- Redevelopment of the Old High School
- Redevelopment of Vacant Buildings
- Business Recruitment
- Connectivity of Fiber, Cell Service and Unserved Areas of Wilmington
- Workforce Development- hospitality training/ recruitment
- Streetscape- West Main, East Main and South Main Streets Sidewalks, Lighting and Crosswalks
- Business Assistance
- Parking Analysis for Downtown
- Water & Wastewater Expansion

Here are two ways to stay in touch: The Town newsletter provides you with meeting agendas, minutes and town news. To subscribe to the Town electronic newsletter go to www.wilmingtonvermont.us at the bottom of the home page click “Newsletter Sign-up”. Also, Front Porch Forum is a way for us to communicate and connect with our community for a lost dog, selling something; help

with shoveling are a few examples. Subscribe to Front Porch Forum by this website www.frontporchforum.com.

I am interested in your thoughts and concerns regarding Wilmington's economic vitality. Please feel free to contact me at my office on one of the three days I am contracted for.

Submitted by
Gretchen M. Havreluk
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(802) 464-8591 ext 117

Before and After pictures from the Façade Program



Viking Motel - Before



Viking Motel - After



9 South Main St – Before

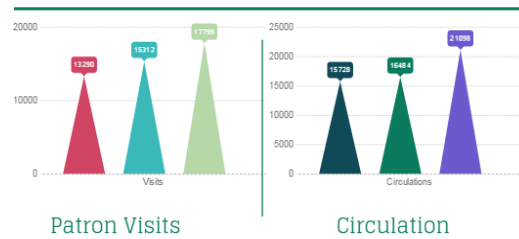


9 South Main St - After

Pettee Memorial Library

Here at the library, we may seem mostly concerned with words - keyword searches, author names, book titles, listening to stories, talking about books, and reading newspapers. But this year, what we are most excited about are our numbers! Circulation, Wi-Fi sessions, programs, and computer usage all grew by leaps and bounds in 2015.

We have devoted many months to composing our strategic plan, which we will be unveiling in early 2016. Through a series of conversations with community members, we received valuable feedback for areas of growth on which to focus in the future. These discussions pinpointed not only how the library can strive to provide better services, but also showed us what we are doing right! We are thrilled that our community finds the library an exciting place to visit, and we endeavor on a daily basis to make it even better.



We look forward to increasing the number and breadth of programs in the coming years. The programs that we put on in the past year were some of our most successful ever! We've grown out of the library for some of our programs, so make sure to look out for our always popular StoryWalks® at Molly Stark State Park or Living History presentations at Memorial Hall. Our struggle for space continues, so part of our strategic plan will focus on maximizing the use of our space, while also looking for ways to expand it.

As technology changes, the library changes as well. When we started to provide e-books, we were not sure they would be successful. The good news is that the experiment took off; we now offer almost 7,000 e-books to download, and we more than doubled the number of e-book users in the last year! Look for new, exciting online web services forthcoming.

As always, we would like to thank our staff and volunteers for their hours of tireless effort. Most especially, we'd like to thank three people we will be hard-pressed to replace: Ann Ottaviano, Laurie Boyd, and Mary Ann McLeod will be greatly missed! Ann served the library for fifteen years as the secretary of the Trustees. We will miss her and wish her grand adventures in her "retirement." We are forever grateful for Laurie's years of service providing payroll, and Mary Ann's dedication has kept our gardens looking beautiful.

To keep up-to-date with happenings at the library, Like us on Facebook and visit our website, www.petteelibrary.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Maynard, *librarian*; Helena Queenie, *youth services librarian*; Jennifer Razee, *assistant librarian*; Leanne Washeim, *circulation clerk*; Linda Green; and Claudia Greene.

Board of Trustees: Carolyn Palmer, *chair*; Louis Clark, *treasurer*; Meg Streeter, *secretary*; Karina Martin; and Amy Swanson.



Story Hour Fun! Photo Courtesy of Pettee Memorial Library

Wilmington Works

Wilmington Works (established 2012) is the official 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 twenty-four designated downtowns in Vermont, Wilmington Works is able to provide access to tax credits, grant opportunities, and technical assistance to help preserve and revitalize downtown Wilmington. The focus of our work uses the footprint of the Historic District to describe the downtown district boundary, and we recognize that the crossroads of Route 9 & 100 are a part of everyday life in the Deerfield Valley.

Wilmington Works has approximately thirty volunteers that serve on the Board, as part of four committees (design, promotions, executive and economic development), or work on specific projects. We receive funds from the Town, The Wilmington Fund VT, and numerous individual donors.

Projects in FY 2014-2015 included: establishing a Vermont non-profit organization, further clarification of the role that Wilmington Works plays in collaboration with the Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Town; design, construction and installation of “Welcome to Wilmington” signs, historic district and parking signs; two successful block parties, strolls and sidewalk sales as well as the return of the Eat, Sleep, Shop Local holiday promotion.

We have done much grant writing in collaboration with the Town, including one award for \$30,000 to make improvements to Memorial Hall. In addition, we jointly raised \$1100 with the Wings Jr. Iron Chef program, hosted a focus group with the Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund and are building relationships with the Farm to Plate network, Vermont Creative Network and the Aging in Place Initiative.

This year we conducted a survey of over 250 people to learn about their shopping habits and created a map and downtown business guide for use at local businesses and Vermont Welcome Centers. With a Community Development Block Grant and collaboration with the Town, we’ve moved forward on design and engineering for a new sidewalk on West Main Street with construction slated for next year.

Since the creation of Wilmington Works, downtown renovation projects have been awarded over \$655,000 in historic tax credits. These tax credits have helped make possible over \$5 million in building renovations and improvements. We estimate that our volunteers have donated over \$75,000 in kind hours working on Wilmington Works’ projects and events.

In closing, we would like to thank the Town, The Wilmington Fund VT and the many people whose generous financial and volunteer support has played a key role in our ongoing success. Wilmington works because we do, and our partnership continues to build a vital and vibrant downtown. www.wilmingtonworksvt.com

Respectfully Submitted,
John Gannon, Co-Chair
Lisa Sullivan, Co-Chair



New Historic District Signs



New Parking Signs

Deerfield Valley Transit Association

We are so fortunate and pleased that our new facility is finally finished; that we were able to re-develop a large Brownfields site; and that we provided our four millionth ride.

We have done this with so much help, including our riders, staff, Board, and the Town of Wilmington. We are grateful for the grant to pay for our section of Riverwalk.

We also merged with Connecticut River Transit on July 1, 2015 to become the second largest public transit in Vermont. The new company - Southeast Vermont Transit - serves 37 towns in three counties and provides almost a half million volunteer and bus rides each year.

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

2015 was the last of Susie Haughwout's 19 years on the Board. She was a founding member and tireless supporter of public transit in this Valley. 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, SEVT CEO



Town Manager Scott Murphy and Wastewater Assistant Chief Operator Jeff Longe look on during the Wastewater Treatment Plant Refurbishment

Deerfield Valley Community Partnership

The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership (DVCP) is in its 21st 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:

- Partnering with the Department of Liquor Control and local retailers for retailer training on alcohol and tobacco sales
- Offering on-site training on identifying false IDs for retailers
- Continuing the Lock Your Meds campaign to raise awareness of the importance of prescription drug abuse prevention
- Hosting community screenings of the Anonymous People film about addiction and recovery
- Sponsoring community meetings to open dialogue on how 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 the MOOVER stops and town businesses
- Supporting Project Graduation-substance free event for high school students on graduation night
- Sponsoring Leadership/Community Service Programs at the Twin Valley Middle High School
- Implementing Media Campaign/Social Norms Campaigns on underage drinking and drug use at the school level and community level
- Hosting Community Events: Family Halloween Event and Parents Night Out
- Implementing prevention curriculum for all students in grades 5-8
- Supporting Student Assistance Programs at the Twin Valley Middle High School
- Supporting the Student Network-youth video production group
- Implementing Sticker Shock- Collaborating with local retailers and youth on a community campaign to eliminate liquor sales to minors
- Doing advocacy work at the state level with high school students
- Hosting alcohol, tobacco and other drug trainings for teachers
- Sending newsletters to all town voters on alcohol, tobacco and other drug issues
- 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 Twin Valley Middle High School
- Working to prevent exposure to second-hand smoke in cars and homes
- Implementing a Nar-a-Non program in Wilmington for families dealing with drug addiction in their family
- Offering Parenting Programs for middle and high school parents

All environmental initiatives are funded by state and federal 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 continues to grow this year at the Twin Valley Elementary School with Patsy Mehlhop providing new, fun and engaging programming. Shelley Park has stepped in as the middle school and high school site coordinator and is on fire. Sandy Crowningshield provides academic tutoring support at Twin Valley Middle School while Karen Molina provides academic tutoring support for the high school. Student participation remains strong after record participation rates among students at the elementary school (79%), the middle school (88%) and high school (86%) last year. 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 seventh year at the new Twin Valley Middle/High School.

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 2014-2015 school year:

- T.V.E.S. logged 12,017 total number of hours students participated in a Wings program, , students at the T.V.M.S. accumulated 3,542 hours while high school students totaled 3,357 hours last year.
- Over 50 district students from Kindergarten to community members (Fran Alfieri was great!) with a knock out band made the musical, Just Dance!, another wonderful success. It is such a honor to see talented and invested youth offer such an entertaining experience to family and friends.
- 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 high school team, All Wrapped Up, with teammates Tabby Felisko, Hailey Howe, Chad Bernard and Skyler Boyd with coach Troy Felisko's , took home the Crowd Pleaser award at the state competition. Lonny Paige's TVMHS teams now have 12 state awards in the nine years Lonny and his super coaches have submitted teams to represent Twin Valley. This will be the second year Samantha Ambrose-Mundt provides valuable assistance to Lonny and teams to make JIC 2016 an awesome experience. Kudos to TVMHS JIC!
- Wings' Summer Program, known as Celebrate Summer, partnering with the towns of Wilmington and Whitingham and provided four packed weeks of full day/all week thematic programming, academic enrichment, recreation and crafts. 33 children from Wilmington participated in Celebrate Summer. Parental, child and staff feedback on the experience was overwhelmingly positive. Recognition must go to Patsy Mehlhop and Amanda Bolduc for their outstanding dedication and leadership as Celebrate Summer's co-directors and the 6 high school youth who served as the Celebrate Summer's ever busy and talented counselors.

Wings continues to reflect on who we serve, and question how to improve programing, always relying on parental, community & youth feedback. Wings benefits from the generosity of the town and school district, and from program fee revenue to operate and we depend on the amazing generosity of those who donate to our program. We are truly grateful for the Wilmington community.

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 Remote Control Cars, the FRESH room, Alice and Wonderland, Survivor, Explore Nature, Book Club, Wildcat Writers, Cooking around the World, Gardening, Junior Iron Chef, Girls on the Run, Open (art) Studio, 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.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Hauty, Project Director
Katie Boyd, Operations Manager



Town Employees Proposed Salaries		
FY 2017		
Employee	Position	FY2017 Estimated
Susan Haughwout	Town Clerk	\$ 46,601.00
Patricia Johnson	Asst Town Clerk	\$ 32,214.00
Scott Murphy	Town Manager	\$ 78,130.00
Christine Richter	Treasurer	\$ 4,485.00
Christine Richter	Finance Officer	\$ 49,703.00
Jessica DeFrancesco	Town Manager Assistant	\$ 37,015.00
Craig Ohlson	Zoning Administrator	\$ 46,352.00
Deborah Kingsley	Lister Assistant	\$ 50,490.00
Brandon Brassor	Transfer Station/Bld Maint	\$ 37,684.00
Joseph Szarejko	Police Chief	\$ 71,149.00
Mark Denault	Detective Sergeant	\$ 54,267.00
Matt Murano	Sergeant	\$ 55,981.00
Jason Noblet	Patrol Officer	\$ 43,389.00
Corey Briggs	Patrol Officer	\$ 40,041.00
Susan Luchsinger	Dispatcher	\$ 30,561.00
Linda Shedd	Dispatcher	\$ 30,561.00
Ken March	Fire Chief	\$ 53,211.00
Roland Betit	Groundskeeper	\$ 6,523.00
Jennifer Fitzgerald	Town Nurse	\$ 15,603.00
William Hunt	Highway Superintendent	\$ 63,378.00
Sheldon Brassor	Road Foreman	\$ 49,489.00
Bret Brown	Road Crew	\$ 47,518.00
Michael Stevens	Road Crew	\$ 47,518.00
Darby Howe	Road Crew	\$ 47,518.00
Doug Wheeler	Road Crew	\$ 47,518.00
Travis Brassor	Road Crew	\$ 47,518.00
Travis Wheeler	Road Crew	\$ 40,706.00
John Lazelle	Wastewater Chief Operator	\$ 60,600.00
Jeff Longe	Wastewater Assistant Operator	\$ 43,207.00

DEERFIELD VALLEY FOOD PANTRY

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

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 2015 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 our Fifth Annual Motorcycle Ride with raffle items donated by local merchants and a Feed the Moover event held in October. Our Holiday Concert was held in December at Memorial Hall. 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 <http://www.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

An Invitation to Serve your Community



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Green Mountain RSVP, part of the Corporation for National and Community Service- Senior Corps, is a nation-wide program for people age 55 and older who want to contribute to their communities through volunteering. Volunteers donate their skills and knowledge; they volunteer their meaningful services to programs and non-profits in the local area. At Green Mountain RSVP we recognize our senior population as our most valuable asset in keeping our communities strong.

Green Mountain RSVP helps local non-profit and civic organizations by recruiting and matching 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. In our companionship & wellness programs we offer 11 Bone Builder classes throughout Windham County serving over 150 seniors around Southern Vermont.

Last year, volunteers in Wilmington served over 384 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, and help at the Southern VT Medical Center. Others assisted by leading Bone Builder Classes, twice a week, which are free and open to the public at Wilmington Congregational Church. They support numerous community priorities throughout Windham County. Our volunteers from Windham County served at 39 important programs all over the county and generously donated over a 12,000 hours of service last year. The economic value of the volunteers' contribution to the community is \$264,207. 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 Steve Ovenden in our Windham office at (802) 254-7515 or speak to me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 772-7875. 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sunny Leporati".

Sunny Leporati
Green Mountain RSVP Director
802.772.787

Windham Solid Waste Management

In accordance with Vermont's Universal Recycling law, Act 148, July 1, 2015, was the start date for trash collection and disposal based on Variable Rate Pricing (VRP), or "Pay-As-You-Throw." The law also requires trash haulers to offer residential customers collection of recyclable materials along with trash collection at no separate charge. On behalf of the 20 member towns, the District enacted an ordinance that requires trash haulers to register with WSWMD and provide a copy of their VRP plan. Most of the member towns with transfer stations were already in compliance with VRP since they charge residents a price per bag of trash. For information on Act 148 go to www.recycle.vt.gov, and the District's website: www.windhamsolidwaste.org.

Despite the mandatory recycling law, total tons of recyclables processed at the District's materials recycling facility (MRF) did not increase significantly due to the fact that haulers are collecting recyclables at residences using the single stream method where paper is mixed with containers. Such single stream recycling can't be processed at the District's dual stream MRF, and is taken to other facilities, thus diverting them from the District's recycling containers at transfer stations, and the 24-7 sites. The District has over 100 roll-off containers that are utilized at town transfer stations and 24-7 recycling drop-off centers, and District trucks haul the boxes to the MRF.

Due to a stagnant world economy, the value of the recyclable materials processed at the MRF has not increased after dropping significantly two years ago. In response, the District has reduced its staffing, and is proposing an 11 percent decrease in the FY 2017 annual assessment to our member towns.

Act 148 requires the District's staff to work with businesses and schools to provide recycling education, and a full-time position is dedicated to this work.

The District conducted 2 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections this year in Brattleboro. A total of 341 households participated in the collections. The District offers year round collection of certain hazardous waste such as mercury containing products, leftover paints, and used motor oil and filters.

WSWMD intends to apply for a State Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility Permit, which would enable WSWMD to accept a wider range of hazardous waste year round.

WSWMD participates in the Vermont Paintcare Program, which provides free recycling of leftover paints, primers, coatings, sealers, stains, shellacs, waterproofing and rust preventatives at the Brattleboro convenience center.

The District continues to operate a composting facility, which accepts food scraps and non-recyclable paper from the Town of Brattleboro's residential curbside collection program, the only such program in Vermont. By 2020, curbside residential food scrap collection will be mandatory. The composting facility is also processing food scraps from supermarkets, and other large generators. The District has implemented a marketing program for compost and sells it in bulk at the Brattleboro convenience center. With a grant from Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, food scrap collection programs were implemented at four regional middle and high schools in the District.

After an extensive request-for-proposals process, the District signed a 25-year lease with a company to permit, finance, construct, and operate a 5 MW solar facility on the 25-acre closed landfill owned by WSWMD. Towns and school districts will have an opportunity to participate in a group net-metering contract to receive lower cost electricity, and the solar system is anticipated to be operating by December 2016.

The District offers tours of our facilities to schools and interested residents, and provides educational materials about reuse, recycling, and composting. Backyard compost bins are sold at discounted prices at the District office.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Spencer
Executive Director



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, which just celebrated its 50th year, 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 Robin Howe. 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. All committee meetings are open to the public and subject to state open meeting law.

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; and mapping and geographic information system (GIS) analyses. The maps in your town office were likely produced by us.

Our relationship with 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 last year following 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 25 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 35 Act 250 (land use) applications and 19 Section 248 (energy generation/transmission) applications. We've convened towns to explore opportunities for shared services to reduce costs or make the most of taxpayer dollars spent. We assisted all of our towns with the development and submittal of Local Emergency Operations and have assisted 17 of our 27 towns with the development of local hazard mitigation plans. We continue to lead the region's response to the closure of Entergy Vermont Yankee, including understanding what the economic impacts will be and what the decommissioning process will entail. We completed a comprehensive Forest Stewardship Report and helped organize the Shedding Light on the Working Forest exhibit at the Brattleboro Museum and Art Center to highlight the ecological, cultural and economic importance of forestry to the region and its households. An annual report is available on our website (www.windhamregional.org). Click on the heading "About Us." You can also view a video about the WRC and its work at <https://vimeo.com/131311272>.

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 6 percent of a \$1.4 million budget for FY 2016 – it is ostensibly 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 are not asking for an increase in funding from towns this year. The \$1.88 per resident rate will result in a total assessment of \$3,478 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 2016, visit our website and click on the heading "About Us."

Aging in Place

On January 21, 2015 the Wilmington Select Board approved and allocated \$5000 to the Aging In Place Initiative (AIP). These funds were allocated for a demonstration project to produce a newsletter and resource guide providing information and opportunities for seniors to age in place. To date we have produced 4 issues of the Deerfield Valley Senior News that has been widely distributed in the community and online.

To support the Aging In Place initiative we have a telephone, [802-451-6941](tel:802-451-6941) which has a designated member assigned to take calls and initiate action. We have established a website www.dvaginginplace.org and an email address svdvaginginplace@gmail.com. All AIP information is available on the Town Webpage and is available on the Chamber of Commerce kiosks.

In addition we established a medical equipment lending closet stocked with donated canes, walkers, crutches, wheelchairs and other equipment needed by seniors. We appreciate the free rental space provided by Green Mountain Self Storage. (Joe Montano)

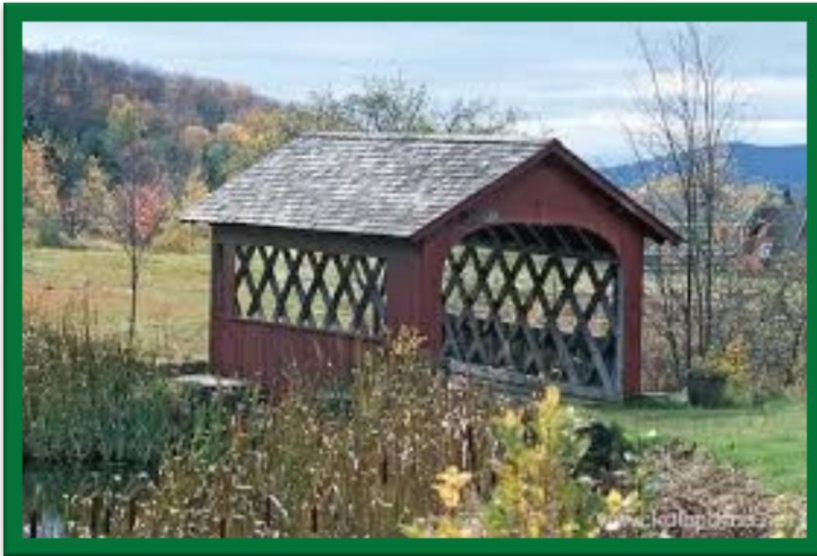
And not to forget the social side of Aging In Place, we sponsor a weekly men's coffee hour at the Charlie Brown Room at North Star Bowl. Since it's onset on September 28th we have had a steady stream of 14 to 20 senior men per week. We appreciate Steve Butler's generosity in providing free space, coffee and pastries.

Further, a cancer support group, that is open to men and women, began meeting at the Deerfield Valley Health Center on September 16th and continues to meet monthly on the second Wednesday of every month from 5-6:30 PM.

The wellness resource guide for seniors in the Deerfield Valley is a work in progress, and will be accessible at Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Aging in Place Initiative



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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 / Crisis Intervention (fuel/utility, housing and food assistance), Micro-Business Development, Individual Development Accounts, Tax Preparation, VT Health Connect Navigation, and Thrift Stores.

In the community of Wilmington we have provided the following services during FY2015:

Weatherization: 1 home (1 person) weatherized at a cost of \$1,427

Tax Preparation: 1 household (2 people) received services valued at \$106

VT Health Connect: 2 households (4 people) received assistance with enrolling in the Vermont Health Exchange, valued at \$323

Emergency Services: 32 households (62 people) received 179 services (including crisis intervention, financial counseling, nutrition education, referral to and assistance in accessing needed services) valued at \$1,705

Fuel/Utility Assistance: 2 households (4 people) received services valued at \$1,091

Housing & Other Support Services: 1 household (2 people) rec'd services valued at \$2,259

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

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 FY15, HCRS provided 3,531 hours of services to 34 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.



Senior Solutions-- Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont offers support services to elders and their families. Our mission is to promote successful aging. This is a summary of services provided to **Wilmington** in the last year (2014-2015).

Information and Assistance: Our toll-free Senior Helpline answered **245** calls from Wilmington. Callers were assisted with applying for benefits, health insurance problems, housing needs, fuel assistance and many other services.

Health Insurance: **67** residents received help enrolling in Medicare Part D.

Senior Nutrition: **2388** Home delivered meals were prepared and delivered. Also, Wilmington residents are welcome at the congregate meals are served three times per week at the Whitingham Municipal Center. A Registered Dietician is available to offer nutritional counseling when appropriate.

Transportation: Special arrangements are made for non-Medicaid seniors who require medical transportation.

Case Management & Advocacy: We provided **16** elder residents with in-home case management to enable them to remain living safely in the setting they prefer. Often minimal services can prevent premature institutionalization.

Caregiver Respite: Through grants we provide respite assistance for caregivers of those diagnosed with dementia or other chronic diseases. **2** residents received grants.

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

Submitted by Carol Stamatakis, Executive Director



Groundworks Collaborative was established in June 2015 through a merger between the Brattleboro Area Drop In Center and Morningside Shelter. This merger has combined the efforts of two successful organizations, which have served southeastern Vermont for 27 and 36 years respectively. Collectively, we had over 4,000 people make use of our services last year.

Groundworks provides ongoing support to our friends and neighbors who are faced with issues of housing and/or food insecurity. Specifically our programs include:

- Groundworks Shelter - serving individuals as well as families with intensive supportive services
- Seasonal Overflow Shelter - a warming shelter open in Brattleboro from November - April
- Food shelf - that provides necessary, supplementary food assistance and has one of the highest utilization rates in the state
- Supportive Services - to work with individuals and families to secure and maintain housing
- Representative Payee Services - provides a financial intermediary for an individual and benefits payments



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 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. 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 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

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 services include:

- nursing oversight
- access to on-site counseling, and occupational and physical therapies
- daily exercise program
- recreation and social activities
- nutritious meals and snacks
- personal care (showers, podiatry, hairdressing)
- outreach services
- companionship
- special events
- access to transportation and coordination of medical appointments

For questions, additional information or to schedule a tour please contact TGP at 802-254-6559, email info@gatheringplacevt.org or visit us on the web at <https://gatheringplacevt.org>.

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 and basic wellness 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

881 animals came into the shelter from October 1, 2014 to October 1, 2015. The intake of animals breaks down as follows:

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

897 animals left WCHS from October 1, 2014 to October 1, 2015. Outcomes are as follows:

- 654 or 73% were adopted out to new homes
- 110 or 12% were reunited with their owner
- 23 or 3% were euthanized per request of the owner (low income residents on Pet Care Assistance)
- 71 or 8% were euthanized for health or behavior reasons (*WCHS does not euthanize for time or space. Average euthanasia rate in the US is 50%*)
- 10 or 1% died
- 29 or 3% were transferred out to another shelter or rescue

Spay/Neuter

- 551 public animals
- 110 Feral cats
- \$12,194 in financial aid for spay/neuter to low-income pet owners

Pet Care Assistance

Our Pet Care Assistance Program is designed to help Windham County residents who are struggling to provide adequate care for their companion animals. It is our goal to keep pets in their homes whenever possible. This program provides food assistance, basic preventative medicines (flea/tick or heartworm preventative, etc.), and low cost vaccines for participants.

Pet care assistance was provided to 443 low-income residents from Windham County. This represents 506 dogs, 663 cats and 31 other animals (birds, hamsters, etc.).

Cruelty/Neglect

WCHS coordinated the investigation of 27 reports of cruelty and neglect in Windham County.

Volunteers 2014-15

64 Volunteers worked a total of 5,201 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:

- 12 residents adopted animals from WCHS
- 1 stray animal was reunited with their owners.
- 36 residents' animals were fixed through our low cost spay/neuter program
- Wilmington residents surrendered 2 animals to WCHS.
- 12 animals found as stray were brought to WCHS by Wilmington residents
- 15 residents of Wilmington used our Pet Care Assistance program this year.

WCHS is pleased to have a signed contract with the town of Wilmington, which helps offset some of the costs of stray animals. Town contracts cover the first 5 days of boarding, the average length of stay for an animal in the prior year was 18 days.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Carolyn Conrad
Director of Operations, Windham County Humane Society

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 root 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, 2014 – June 30, 2015, the Women's Freedom Center sheltered 37 women and their 49 children and provided assistance to 479 women and their 438 children, including 9 women and their 14 children from Wilmington, through individual and group support, advocacy, referrals, emergency financial aid, housing assistance, transportation, and access to legal representation and childcare.

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,



Vickie Sterling

Executive Director

Women's Freedom Center

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 are 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 and maintained 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.
- Meet requirements for participation in ACT 166.
- Retaining a highly qualified staff including a licensed teacher.
- Improved curriculum following guidelines set forth in Vermont Early Learning Standards and using an assessment tool used in public preschools.
- Increased 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.

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Santa and Mrs. Claus visit Memorial Hall



Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT) is a non-profit organization founded in 1987, serving the residents of Windham and southern Windsor County. Although WWHT is a non-profit, each of our properties is subject to local property tax at a reduced rate according to a State formula. In 2015, we paid \$6,640 to the Town of Wilmington in property taxes.

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 **Home Repair Program** provides low cost loans to low and moderate income homeowners throughout Windham and Windsor counties to make critical home repairs. These include repairs necessary to bring a home up to code and make it 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. We assisted 35 homeowners in 2015 with home repair projects.

One-to-one Counseling helps renters and homeowners understand and navigate their options and make smart financial decisions. The program is available to all residents in both counties. We provide homebuyer education, credit counseling, delinquency counseling, and foreclosure prevention counseling. In 2015, 55 of our clients were able to purchase a home.

The **Shared Equity Program** provides grants to income-eligible homebuyers to subsidize the purchase of single-family homes. Grants are used toward 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. 136 homes are in the shared equity program.

Rental Housing Development Program-In order to meet the diverse housing needs of a community, WWHT develops affordable rental housing opportunities. This takes the form of both rehabilitation of existing housing and the construction of new apartments. WWHT works with towns to plan for meeting local affordable housing and community development needs. In 2015, we added 33 new apartments and renovated 47.

Rental Housing Management Program-WWHT owns 667 rental apartments with over 1000 tenants. We manage the rental properties in and near Brattleboro and contract with Stewart Property Management Services for the properties in northern Windham and Windsor Counties. WWHT takes pride in the appearance of our multi-family housing and is committed to providing the staff and financial resources necessary to ensure long-term health and safety for our residents as well as preservation of property values.

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

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Windham Child Care Association

promoting a good start for all our children

Thanks to your support, we have been able to further our mission of being leading voice for children, families, early educators and communities in Windham County through education, advocacy, partnerships, and access to services.

Specifically, the services that we will continue to provide to the families of Wilmington include: visits from the Early Learning Express bookmobile, Child Care Referral and Subsidy Eligibility Determination, food access through the Child and Adult Care Food programs and Professional Development opportunities available to local early care and education providers. During FY15, we have served over 20 families in Wilmington and 161 children through our Child Care Referral and Eligibility services and Child and Adult Care Food program. This number includes:

- 16 Families and 25 children receiving financial assistance services;
- 4 families and 5 children receiving early care and education referrals;
- 100 children borrowing approximately 200 books from the Early Learning Express bookmobile;
- 31 children receiving 5,609 healthy snacks and meals through the Child and Adult Care Food program.

Windham Child Care Association has been supporting access to high 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 work with families and early care and education providers in the region.

Sincerely,

Margaret Atkinson
Executive Director

Twin Valley Youth Sports

Beginning July 1, 2015, Valley Youth Sports became known as Twin Valley Youth Sports, with funding contributions from the towns of Wilmington and Whitingham. TVYS is a nonprofit, volunteer organization providing developmental sports programs for Twin Valley area youth athletes in Pre- Kindergarten through Grade 6. Programs currently offered include soccer, basketball, t-ball, baseball and softball.

Twin Valley Youth Sports is run by a volunteer Board of Directors, with individual sports programs managed by an administrator and coordinator. 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, parents, teachers, and other community members. Funding for sponsored programs comes from Town appropriations, registration 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 included joining the John Warner Youth Soccer League, improvements at Buzzy Towne Park, and expanding our participation in the West River Baseball League. Participation continues to thrive in all sport offerings. Adding more teams has been necessary, as participation has averaged well over a 100 athletes for each sport.

Twin Valley Youth Sports expanded our baseball participation in the West River Valley League, sending two Little League Teams, two Pee Wee Teams, a softball team, as well as two Tee Ball teams to compete against teams from Dummerston, Grafton, Jamaica, Newbrook, Putney, Townsend, Wardsboro, and Dover.

Twin Valley Youth Sports began working with the town to make improvements at Buzzy Towne Park to provide expanded playing time for all in the spring of 2015. Improvements include a new dirt infield baseball/softball field and new hoops for the basketball court.

Our soccer program expanded our 4th, 5th and 6th grade teams to participate in the John Werner Youth Soccer League based in Arlington VT. JWYSL consists of 10 towns- Arlington, NorShaft (North Bennington and Shaftsbury), Manchester, West River, Bennington, Cambridge, NY, Berlin, NY, Taconic, NY, Hoosick Falls, NY, and now, Twin Valley. This is a huge shift, however, one that will be very beneficial and one that we feel is necessary for our soccer program to move forward and maximize the benefits to our student/athletes who play soccer. For our Pre K, K, and 1st graders we will continue with our Saturday morning clinics where our youngest athletes learn the foundational skills of soccer. We have added new programming this year for our 2nd and 3rd grade players, offering smaller format local games instead of the clinic format from the past. We believe these program changes will better allow for a consistent progression of skills towards the larger 4th, 5th and 6th grade levels of play.

The basketball program will also make some changes in offerings for our youngest players. We will continue with our PreK-1 clinics on Saturdays with Chris Brown and adding a similar format for the 2nd and 3rd grade players with Mace. The 2/3 program will include some smaller court games as well. This will expand our older players teams to include 4th, 5th and 6th graders, allowing for more competitive play with the other teams that participate in the TVYS basketball league.

We are excited about the changes to our programs and TVYS is dedicated to creating an environment where athletes of all ages and skill levels can thrive through sports fundamentals, discipline, dedication and respect. We hope to educate, motivate and inspire young athletes to build foundations for success on and off the field.

Respectfully,

Valley Youth Sports Board of Directors

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

Vermont Department of Health

Your local health district office is in Brattleboro at the address and phone number above. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With twelve district offices around the state, and state office and laboratory in Chittenden County, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, **in 2015 the Health Department:**

Supported healthy communities: Deerfield Valley Community Partnership was awarded \$100,535 for Alcohol and Drug Abuse prevention, tobacco control, and to increase access to healthy food. Five Prevention Coalitions in Windham County together received a third 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 nutrition services and healthy foods to families: WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children) served half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age five. WIC provides individualized nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support and healthy foods. In Wilmington 52 women, infants and children were enrolled. We hold a monthly clinic in town. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month. Families served by WIC are now able to shop for WIC foods themselves, increasing choice (a change from home delivery).

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: In 2014 we responded to 223 cases of infectious disease in Windham County. In 2014, \$13,916,297 of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases was distributed to healthcare providers statewide, \$802,526 of which was in our district.

Aided communities in emergency preparedness: In 2014/15, \$10,000 was contributed to fund training for Windham County's Emergency Medical Services and Medical Reserve Corps. In addition, since July 2013, funding of \$158,724 supported emergency preparedness capabilities at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, Grace Cottage, and Brattleboro Retreat.

Breastfeeding Friendly Employer Project: Breastfeeding, a key to good health of mothers & babies, also significantly benefits families, employers, and society. With close to 70 % of new mothers returning to work after the birth of babies, the Breastfeeding Friendly Employer Project helps Vermont employers adopt breastfeeding friendly policies in the workplace. The Brattleboro District Office has 45 local employers who are part of the Breastfeeding Friendly Employer Project. See the website for more info or call our local office for assistance.

Fit & Healthy Kids Coalition: The District Office coordinates the coalition, bringing professionals from diverse organizations together to support the community in increasing physical activity and healthy food opportunities for kids and families. A Toolkit was developed offering teachers ideas and resources for physical activity breaks and healthy food education for K-8.

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Join us on facebook.com/vdhbrattleboro and follow us on [www.twitter.com/healthvermont](https://twitter.com/healthvermont).

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 834 calls as of December 15th 2015 of which 280 were in the town of Wilmington.

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 would like to thank Wilmington Fire, Wilmington Police Departments and Wilmington Highway crew 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



Firefighters working to extinguish a fire in Wilmington

Recreation Committee

In the summer of 2014, the Wilmington Recreation Commission joined with Wings Community Programs to offer a new, full-day, four-week summer camp program, Celebrate Summer! The 2014 and 2015 programs ran from 8:00 through 4:00 with breakfast and lunch again provided free of charge through the Twin Valley Summer Food Program. The 2015 program was co-directed by Patsy Mehlhop and Amanda Bolduc with counselors Tucker Boyd, Liam Fisher, Sam Fisher, Jessica Fox, Christina Moore, Logan Park, and Olivia Zschirnt.

Celebrate Summer! 2015 served 65 different children in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. Fifty (50) of those children were from Twin Valley Elementary School. Children participated in week-long camps which included outdoor games, fun with numbers, activities with words, free-choice time, and enrichment programs such as Astronomy, Bookmaking, Food From Around the World, Puppet-making and Photography. Special one-time programs included Mike clough with his critters, the Police canine Unit and Hula-hooping.

The town of Wilmington Middle School Summer Recreation Program was led by Jamie Brown with counselors Kirra Courchesne, Jacob Hicks, and Grace Russell. The program ran from July 6 through August 7 and served 42 different students entering grades 6 through 8. Daily activities included morning meeting/sharing, card games, ping-pong, outdoor games, and arts/crafts. The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership again funded afternoon activities including kayaking and canoeing, hiking, miniature golf and bowling.

Respectfully submitted,
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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. Our 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 safe environment for sharing experiences, exploring feelings, providing mutual support 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 in Brattleboro. We are excited to be initiating a program to encourage and support people to develop and register advance directives which we feel will help them to improve their end of life experience for themselves and for those close to them. That program is called "Taking Steps Brattleboro" and is available in Brattleboro and the surrounding region.

Last March 25th we hosted a Death Café at Dot's in downtown Wilmington. Nine people participated in a lively discussion about end of life. We felt it was a very successful event.

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 13 Wilmington residents in addition to the nine mentioned previously. Four Wilmington residents served as volunteers. Please call us at 257-0775 with any questions on death or dying or visit us at www.brattleborohospice.org

Pool Learning Center

The Pool Learning Center has had another successful year thanks to the financial support of citizens from our local communities. This financial support and faith in our board has allowed us to keep true to our mission, *“To provide professional literacy instruction and support to students with learning differences, their families, and their educators.”*

During fiscal year 2014-2015, the Pool Learning Center was able to provide eighty-five hours of literacy instruction to fifteen students from local communities. The students received their services during after-school hours and throughout the summer. For a large majority of students, the direct instruction provided over the summer months replaced and extended services that would have been paid for and provided by local school districts. These services are provided by instructors certified in Orton-Gillingham instruction. Orton-Gillingham is a structured, synthetic phonics approach developed to meet the unique needs of students diagnosed with dyslexia. By providing these services, the Pool Learning Center is helping to decrease special education costs and provide high quality instruction to students in the surrounding communities. Fifty percent of our students were residents of Wilmington and fifty percent were residents of Whitingham.

Several parents from the community have taken advantage of the supports provided by the Pool Learning Center. When evaluations have been completed, the educators of the Pool Learning Center have helped parents to interpret results and recommend services. Books and articles have also been recommended to parents challenged by raising a child with learning differences. On occasion, educators have been asked to attend Individual Education Program meetings for students tutored at the center. This helps to ensure consistency in programming for Pool Learning Center students.

Finally, the Pool Learning Center hosted two symposiums in fiscal year 2014-2015. One in the fall and one in the spring. The center’s director stays in close communication with the local school administrative, planning high quality professional development that helps teachers to meet the needs of students with learning challenges and meets the current professional development needs of local school districts. All of our professional development opportunities are research based. More than 50% of our spring participants attended our trainings at a reduced rate, which we offer to all teachers who teach in towns that financially support our efforts.

The Pool Learning Center has a barebones budget. 63% of our budget goes toward programming, 30% goes toward building and maintenance, and 7% goes toward fundraising. The Pool Learning Center’s dedicated, hard working board. They are small in number, and are responsible for many different jobs at the center including maintenance of the grounds, fundraising, billing, and promotional responsibilities. Most importantly, the board helps the director stay true to our mission.



Photo Courtesy of Pool Learning Center



Jerry and Sheila Osler settled in Wilmington more than fifty years ago. From the outset, they involved themselves in the community assisting elected and appointed officials in any way possible that was of benefit to the town.

Their drive and commitment continues all of these years later. Jerry remains active as the Chief Lister and has overseen multiple re-assessments within Wilmington and scheduled and heard many landowner appeals. Sheila works hard on the Wilmington Works Board of Directors and its Design Committee, which has been responsible for placement of all new trash cans and signage in the Downtown. Both Jerry and Sheila have served on various Town Committees over the decades, including on the Planning Commission, Budget Committee, Development Review Board, and Vision 2000 to only name a few. Their commitment has not gone unnoticed. Neighbors, friends and town officials dedicate this year's Town Report to them in recognition of their unwavering service to our community.

Both have not only been active members of the town but also parents and grandparents. Devotion to church and friends has always been a trademark of this couple who also own and operate their own businesses. Heritage Realty and the Old Red Mill have been mainstays on North Main Street while Sheila operated a design business out of the Professional Building on Route 9. The Oslers have always been willing to be involved and assist where they can.

The Town of Wilmington is very fortunate to claim Jerry and Sheila Osler for their own! Thank you, Jerry and Sheila!!

Check out the town website at www.wilmingtonvermont.us. You can access a wealth of information including:

- Contact information and hours for Town Departments
- Town Departments and Boards
- Meeting Agendas and Public Notices
- Upcoming Events
- Documents including-Applications, Ordinances, Grand List, Tax Maps
- Sign up for our weekly E-Newsletter

Neighbors are talking on Front Porch Forum

Have you joined our local Front Porch Forum? FPF helps neighbors connect and build community by hosting a statewide network of online local forums. One-third of Vermont households participate with thousands more joining every month. People use their FPF to find lost animals, offer assistance to neighbors in need, organize local projects, draw crowds to events, highlight small businesses, share crime reports, seek contractor recommendations, and much more. Started 10 years ago, FPF is a free service and it's based in Vermont.

Learn more at <http://frontporchforum.com>

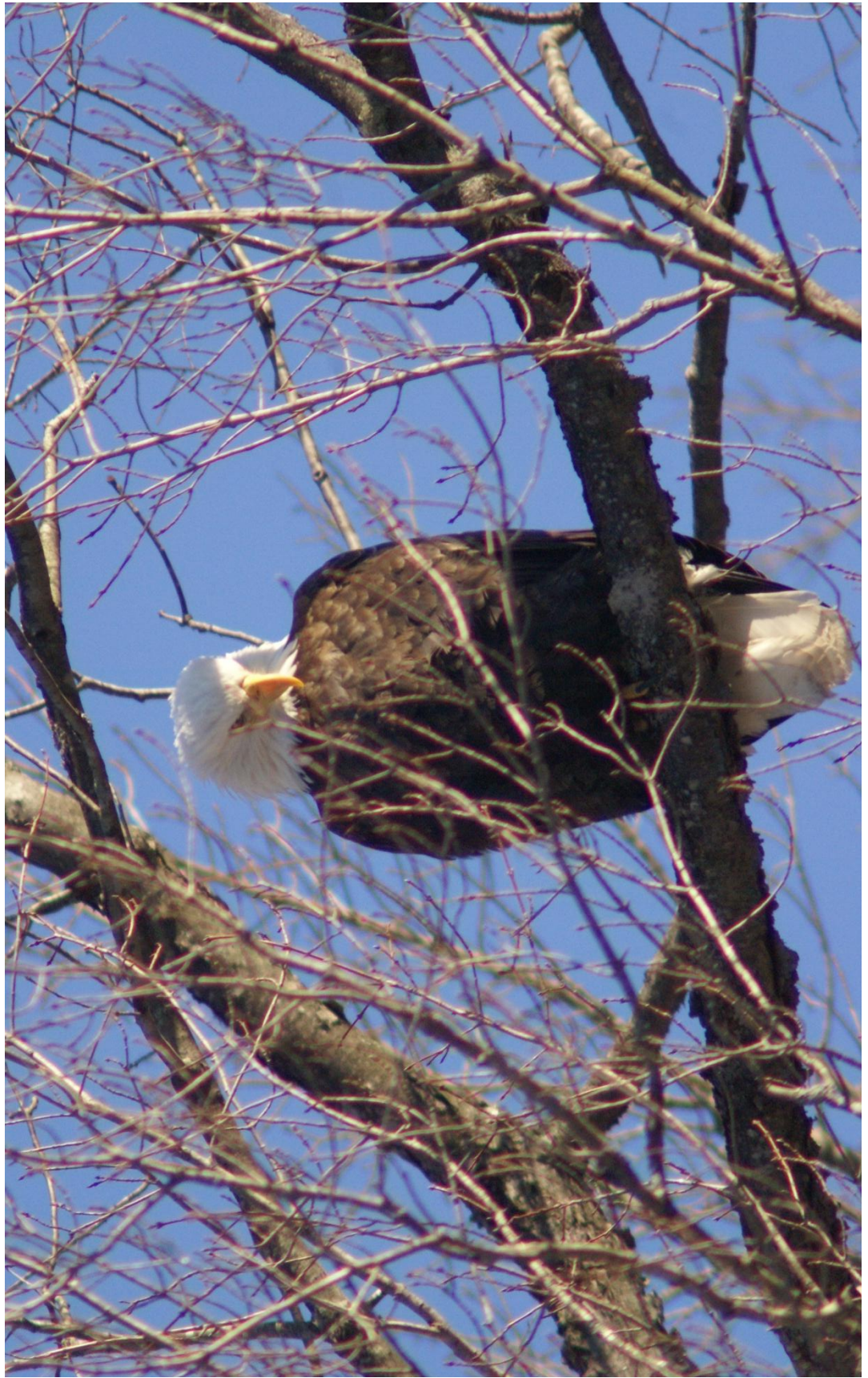


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