# Town of Wilmington, Vermont 2019 Annual Report

For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019 (March 3, 2020 Town Meeting)

Please bring this book to Town Meeting with you



View from Whites Rd



Photo Courtesy of the Moover

The year 2020 will bring to a close the long and distinguished career of Susie Manton Haughwout, Town Clerk of the Town of Wilmington, after a twenty-five-year commitment in that elected position. Yes, you may secure a marriage license, renew your automobile registration or file a petition to run for a local office with Susie who was also named Town Clerk of the Year in Vermont in 2014.

Register of vital statistics and land records as well as overseer for all elections, local, state, and national, Sue has excelled in keeping Wilmington in compliance with the ever changing State mandates for the past 2 ½ decades She coordinates all hearings for property valuation appeals for Board of Civil Authority as well as The Board of Abatement. Any and all elected officials are sworn in by the Town Clerk with guidance and instruction provided that assists our new representatives in their role so they may maximize their effectiveness once in position.

But she has and remains active in her community. She is an original board member with the Moover, sits on the Cold Brook Fire District board, has been active in the local Lions Club, and has served as a member of the Selectboard. She was one of the original appointees to the Wilmington Works Committee and was elected its first clerk as well as being liaison to the Planning Commission. While she did relocate after graduating from Wilmington High School, she found Vermont much more to her liking than her southern digs. We as a community have been fortunate to have a person of this caliber to assist us formulating our futures and express our undying gratitude for a job well done!

Thank you, Susie, for your outstanding dedication and loyalty to the Wilmington community. Enjoy your retirement!

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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 мол - fri 8 ам то 4:30 рм

### **Board of Listers Office**

464-8591 FAX 464-8477 MON - FRI 8 AM TO 3:30PM <u>dkingsley@wilmingtonvt.us</u> Deborah Kingsley, Administrator

### **Highway Department**

464-5515 (Town Garage) Winter Hours: (November - March) мол - тни: 6:00 ам то 3:00 рм ггі: 6:00 ам то 12:00 рм 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: <u>www.petteelibrary.org</u> Email: <u>petteelibrary@yahoo.com</u>

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 jafnurse@yahoo.com Or call the Town Office 802-464-8591

**Transfer Station** 464-5666 SUN AND FRI: 8 AM TO 3:30 PM TUES: 12 NOON TO 3:30 PM

**Recycling Facilities** Transfer Station (see hours above)

**Wastewater Treatment Plant** 464-3862 FAX 464-8348 jlazelle@wilmingtonvt.us

Wilmington Water District 258-7445 Chris Lavoy, Commissioner Christine Richter, <u>crichter@wilmingtonvt.us</u> 802-464-8591 ext 112

Wilmington Weekly Electronic Newsletter Subscribe at <u>www.wilmingtonvermont.us</u>

# **Permits and Licenses**

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

### DEPARTMENT NAME AND PERMITS REQUIRED:

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: 464-8591

Transfer Station Permit for use of Transfer Station on Miller Road. Also available at the Transfer Station.

### 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 – 4:30pm. Call first 464-8022 (non-emergency #) to see if fire chief available.

After hours (reasonable please) call VT Forest Fire Warden Scott Moore at 802-780-9452 or Deputy Warden Michael Mannhaupt at 774-487-4882.

#### Burn Permits are also available at the Town Office Mon-Fri 8:30 am-4:30 pm.

<u>Weekends-</u> please check at the Wilmington Police Department to see if a Police Department dispatcher is available to issue permits.

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.

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

### **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

# 2019 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions ELECTED OFFICIALS

Office/Name	ffice/Name <u>Term Exp</u> (Yrs) <u>Office/Name</u>		<u>Term Exp</u> (	<u>(Yrs)</u>	
MODERATOR			CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS		
Robert Fisher	2020	(1)	Richard Khachadoorian	2023	(5)
TOWN CLERK			Walter F. White	2024	(5)
Susan Haughwout	2022	(3)	Donna D. Moore	2020	(5)
TOWN TREASURER			Richard Covey	2021	(5)
Christine Richter	2020	(1)	Scott Moore	2022	(5)
SELECTBOARD			SCHOOL MODERATOR		
Vincent Rice	2022	(3)	Robert Fisher	2024	(1)
John Gannon	2021	(2)	JUSTICES OF THE PEACE		
Thomas Fitzgerald	2020	(2)	Rhea Clark	2021	(2)
Ann Manwaring	2020	(3)	Linda Green	2021	(2)
Sarah Fisher	2021	(3)	Thomas J. Fitzgerald	2021	(2)
BOARD OF LISTERS			Frederick W. Houston	2021	(2)
Kay Martin Schwader	2020	(1)	Elizabeth McEwen	2021	(2)
Leonard Chapman	2022	(3)	Thomas Consolino	2021	(2)
Gerald B. Osler	2020	(1)	Douglas Wheeler	2021	(2)
Diane Schipke	2020	(3)			
Lynne Matthews	2021	(3)			
FIRST CONSTABLE					
Peter D. Barton	2020	(1)			
SECOND CONSTABLE					
Gary Wax	2020	(1)			
GRAND JUROR					
Pat Johnson	2020	(1)			
TOWN AGENT					
Pat Johnson	2020	(1)			
TRUSTEE OF C.C. HAYNES I	FUND				
Carl M. Boyd	2020	(1)			
LIBRARY TRUSTEES					
Jason Staloff	2023	(5)			
Louis Clark	2024	(5)			
Amy Swanson	2020	(5)			
Carolyn T. Palmer	2021	(5)			
Marie Paige	2022	(5)			

# 2019 Town Officers, Boards, and Commissions APPOINTED OFFICIALS

TOWN MANAGER			Office/Name	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs</u>
Scott A. Tucker			WEIGHER OF COAL		
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT			Peter Morris	2020	(1
William C. Hunt			SURVEYOR OF WOOD/SHINGLES		
POLICE CHIEF			Fred Skwirut	2020	(1)
Matthew Murano			DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD		
FIRE CHIEF			Wendy Manners	2022	(3
Scott Moore			Diane Abate	2022	(3)
ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF			Paul Lockyear	2020	(3)
William Spirka			Charles Foster	2021	(3
FINANCE OFFICER			Cheryl LaFlamme	2021	(3
Christine Richter			DRB ALTERNATES		
HEALTH OFFICER			Fred Houston	2022	(2)
Craig Ohlson			VACANT	2022	(2)
DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER			VACANT	2022	(2
Tom Fitzgerald			RECREATION COMMISSION		
ZONING/SIGN ADMINISTRATOR			Karen Molina	2023	(4
Craig Ohlson			Cindy Hayford	2020	
DOG WARDEN			Randy Knaggs	2022	(4)
Debby Dorsett			Fred Salway	2021	(4
			Vacant	2022	(4)
Office/Name	Term Exp	(Yrs)	GREEN UP CO- CHAIRS		
TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN			Kathryn Larsen	2020	(1)
Scott Moore	2024	(5)	Rebecca Sweeney	2020	(1)
TREE WARDEN			PLANNING COMMISSION		
Fred J. Skwirut	2020	(1)	Angela Yakovleff	2023	(4
ENERGY COORDINATOR			John Lebron	2020	(4)
Chuck Clerici	2020	(1)	Cheryl LaFlamme	2022	(4
SENIOR SOLUTIONS REP.			Meg Staloff	2021	(4
Jennifer Fitzgerald	2020	(1)	Tom Consolino	2023	(4
TOWN SERVICE OFFICER			WINDHAM SOLID WASTE DIST. REP.	,	
Matthew Murano	2020	(1)	Merrill Mundell	2020	(1)
FENCE VIEWERS			SOLID WASTE ALTERNATE REP.		
Thomas Fitzgerald	2020	(1)		2019	(1)
Nicki Steel	2020	(1)			<u> </u>

Office/Name	<u>Term Exp</u>	<u>(Yrs)</u>	Office/Name	Term Exp	<u>(Yrs)</u>
TRAIL COMMITTEE			BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE		
Jake Roberts	2023	(4)	Alice Greenspan	2023	(4)
Robert Fisher	2023	(4)	Keith Herbert	2023	(4)
Crista Gannon	2020	(4)	Cheryl LaFlamme	2023	(4)
Joanne Yankura	2020	(4)	Katy Little	2023	(4)
Spencer Crispe	2021	(4)	Lee Schindel	2023	(4)
Jake White	2021	(4)	Fred Skwirut	2023	(4)
Gary Henry	2022	(4)	Mary Wright	2023	(4)
TRAIL COMMITTEE ALTERNATES	1		Melanie Lopez	2023	(4)
Tim Hunt	2021	(4)	Bev Butler	2023	(4)
Brian Hammill	2022	(4)			
Alan Baker	2022	(4)			
Ann Ottaviano	2022	(4)			
			<b>BI-TOWN ECONOMIC DEV. COMM</b>		
WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS			Heidi Taylor		
Vacant	2020	(1)	Gretchen Havreluk		
Vacant	2020	(1)			

## Vacancies in Town and School Offices

To Be Elected By Australian Ballot at Town Meeting March 3, 2020

#### **POSITION - TERM**

### INCUMBENT

CANDIDATE NAME

TOWN MODERATOR -1 year

TOWN TREASURER - 1 year

SELECTBOARD – 3 years

SELECTBOARD - 2 years

LISTER - 3 years

LISTER – 1 year (Vote for 2)

FIRST CONSTABLE - 1 year

SECOND CONSTABLE - 1-year

GRAND JUROR - 1 year

TOWN AGENT - 1 year

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER – 5 years

LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 5 years

CC HAYNES FUND TRUSTEE - 1 year

TWIN VALLEY UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR – 3 years (Vote for 2)

TWIN VALLEY UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTOR – 1 year

Robert M. Fisher

**Christine Richter** 

Ann Manwaring

Thomas J Fitzgerald

**Diane Schipke** 

Gerald B. Osler Kay Martin Schwader

Gary Wax

Gordon Boyd

Pat Johnson

Pat Johnson

Donna Moore

Amy Swanson

Carl M. Boyd

Janna Ewart Therese Lounsbury

Kathy Larsen

Christine Richter

Robert M. Fisher

Mark O'Maley

Thomas J Fitzgerald

Diane Schipke

Gerald B. Osler Kay Martin Schwader

Gary Wax

Gordon Boyd

Pat Johnson

Pat Johnson

Donna Moore

Amy Swanson

Carl M. Boyd

Janna Ewart Therese Lounsbury

Kathy Larsen

### 2020 W A R N I NG ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### Wilmington, Vermont Tuesday, March 3, 2020

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 03, 2020, 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 03, 2020, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.)

- Article 1: To elect all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of the Town. (Australian Ballot -Polls open 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.)
- Article 2: Shall the Town vote to accept the Town Report.
- Article 3: To see what date or dates will be set for the payment of taxes.
- Article 4: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town clerk as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651e?
- Article 5: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to appoint a town treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651f?
- Article 6: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,155,219 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2021 (7/1/20 to 6/30/2021).
- Article 7: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,518,452 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2021 (7/1/20 to 6/30/2021).
- Article 8: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate an additional \$1425, for a total of \$1500, to Groundworks Collaborative whose purpose is to provides ongoing support to families and individuals facing a full continuum of housing and food insecurities.
- Article 9: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to fund Wings Community Programs whose purpose is to actively engage students in experiences to help them be successful in school and in life as they grow into productive adults
- Article 10: Shall the Town vote to allocate the State per parcel payment estimated to be \$26,765 to the Reappraisal Reserve Fund.
- Article 11: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$175,000 to fund the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 12: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$35,000 to fund the Bridge Capital Fund.
- Article 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$150,000 to fund the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Fire House Capital Fund.
- Article 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Memorial Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 17: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 18: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Police Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 19: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Transfer Station Capital Fund.
- Article 20: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Public Lands and Fences Capital Fund.
- Article 21: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$221,000 to fund the Planning and Acquisition for Town Facilities Fund.
- Article 22: Shall the Town of Wilmington enter into a communications union district to be known as Deerfield Valley Communications Union District, under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. CH82?
- Article 23: To transact any non-binding business.
- Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 21st day of January 2020.

Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington

Tom Fitzgerald, Chairman

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Sarah Fisher

Ann Manwaring

Vince Rice, Secretary

#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON 2019 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ABSTRACT MARCH 5, 2019

ARTICLE 1:	Elected all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of the town.
ARTICLE 2:	Voted to accept the Town Report.
ARTICLE 3:	Voted to set the dates for the payment of taxes (8/30/19 and 2/28/20).
ARTICLE 4:	Voted to allocate the State per parcel payment estimated to be \$26,500 to the Reappraisal Reserve Fund.
ARTICLE 5:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$278,452 to fund the Reappraisal Reserve Fund.
ARTICLE 6:	Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,028,917 and appropriate \$233,000 by prior year surplus to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2019 (7/1/19 to 6/30/20).
ARTICLE 7:	Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,482,962 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2019 (7/1/19 to 6/30/20).
ARTICLE 8:	Voted to raise and appropriate an additional \$250, to add to \$500 already budgeted in the general fund for a total of \$750, to the Windham County Humane Society whose purpose 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.
ARTICLE 9:	Voted to raise and appropriate an additional \$5,000, for a total of \$10,000, to SASH whose purpose is to coordinate the resources of social service agencies, community health providers and nonprofit housing organizations to support Vermonters who choose to live independently at home.
ARTICLE 10:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund Deerfield Valley Rescue whose purpose is to provide prehospital emergency medical care to residents in the Towns of Wilmington, Dover (East and West), Searsburg, Somerset and parts of Marlboro and Stratton.
ARTICLE 11:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$230,000 to fund the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund.
ARTICLE 12:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$35,000 to fund the Bridge Rehabilitation Account.
ARTICLE 13:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$125,000 to fund the Fire Department Equipment Account.
ARTICLE 14:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Fire House Capital Fund.
ARTICLE 15:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Memorial Hall Capital Fund.
ARTICLE 16:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund.
ARTICLE 17:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund.
ARTICLE 18:	Voted to give the Selectboard general authority to enter into tax stabilization contracts for up to ten years, as application is made, with owners, lessees, bailees, or operators of commercial or industrial property, pursuant to 24 VSA § 2741(b)(1).
ARTICLE 19:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to fund the Police Equipment Capital Fund.
ARTICLE 20:	Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Transfer Station Capital Fund.

**ARTICLE 21:** Voted to raise and appropriate \$15,000 to fund the Public Lands and Fences Capital Fund for the purpose of repairing River Bank Park.

ARTICLE 22: Voted to expend \$60,000 from the FY18 surplus to fund the current FY19 expenditures.

ARTICLE 23: Transacted other non-binding business.

PREPARED MARCH 5, 2019

ATTEST:

SUSAN JOY HAUGHWOUT WILMINGTON TOWN CLERK

DATE: MARCH 5, 2019



Fire Prevention Week at TVES

### 1% Local Option Tax Fund Balance

Revenue	FY19	FY20
Beginning Balance	720,552	820,638
State Payments	267,810	139,684
Interest	4,945	4,417
Total Expenditures	170,858	135,690
Balance as of 1/28/20	822,449	829,049
Encumbrances	364,476	430,923
Unspent Events Fund	16,800	750
Total after Encumbrances	441,173	397,376

### 1% Local Option Tax Fund Usage

Expenditure Project	Detail	Committed FY19	Committed FY20	Committed FY21
Matching Grant Fund	Budgeted	100,000		
	E. Main St		64,334	
	E. Main St #2		16,400	
	South Main St		79,850	
	South Main St #2		30,850	
	Lake Raponda Greeter	4,523	2,112	
	North Main St			67,000
Matching Total		4,523	193,546	
Revolving Loan Fund	Budgeted	30,000		
	Loan #5	20,000		
Revolving Loan Totals		20,000		
Events Fund	Budgeted	40,000	40,000	
	Fireworks	6,500	6,500	
	Wine & Harvest	3,500	3,500	
	Shop Local	2,757	2,770	
	BlueberryBlock Party	1,416	1,350	
	July Village Stroll	1,340	900	
	August Village Stroll		713	
	Fair	7,000	12,000	
	Twice Blessed		2,500	
	Apres Ski	500		
	Blueberry Splash	1500	1,500	
	Beer & Chili	500	750	
	Womens Weekend	650	1,100	
	Community Arts	300		
Events Total		25,963	33,583	

Programs	Budgeted			
	Bi-Town Marketing	28,250	18,250	
	Wilmington Works	30,000	30,000	30,000
	SEVEDS	5,650	5,650	5,628
	Aging in Place	618	618	
	Route 100 Barrel	8,000	8,000	8,000
	Trash removal	2,100		
	Wi-fi Downtown	700		
	Gathering Place		30,000	20,000
	Friends Library	6,473		
	Bridge Ramp	37,117	34,875	
	Trails Committee	742	1,124	
	Old Home Week	30,000		
	Housing Analysis		10,000	
	Parking Committee	1,200		
	Waste Water Exp		23,000	
	Police Fire Feasibility		39,000	
Programs Total		150,850	200,517	63,628

## 2019 Town Vehicle Inventory

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 2016 Metro Star Rescue Truck
- 1997 International 2674 Pumper Truck
- 2001 International 2674 4x2 Pumper Truck
- 2011 Spartan Fire Truck
- 1998 14 foot Rescue Boat and Trailer
- 2015 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

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 2018 Ford Explorer
- 2016 Ford Explorer
- 2016 Ford Explorer
- 2017 Ford Explorer
- 2019 Police Utility Vehicle
- 1999 Snowflow Snowmobile Trailer\*
- 2008 Arctic Cat Snowmobile\*
- 2016 Arctic Cat Snowmobile\*

(\*Property of So. VT Snowmobile Task Force)

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

### Trucks

- 2016 International Truck #14
- 2018 Western Star Dump Truck #12
- 2015 Dodge Ram 5500 Truck #19
- 2019 International Dump Truck #11
- 2020 Western Star Dump Truck #18
- 2018 Dodge Ram Truck #13
- 2013 Dodge Ram Truck #20
- 2019 Dodge Ram Truck #10
- 2015 International Dump Truck #15

### Equipment

- 2007 John Deere 410J Loader/Backhoe
- 1979 Joy Air Compressor
- 1989 Hudson Trailer
- 1990 Eager Beaver Chipper
- 1990 Trackless Sidewalk Machine
- 2015 Case 721F Loader
- 1999 Bomag Roller Model BW1420-2
- 2017 Exmark Mower
- 2004 Caterpillar M316C Wheeled Excavator
- 2017 John Deere 672 GP Motor Grader
- 2004 Karavan utility Trailer
- 2016 Message Board
- 2006 John Deere 450JLT Bulldozer

### TRANSFER STATION

1987 John Deere Backhoe

### Social Service Organizations Budgeted Requests FY 21

	Amount	
Organization	Requested	Purpose
Deerfield Valley		
Community Cares	\$1,550	provide heating assistance to working families and seniors throughout the valley
, Deerfield Valley Cmty		
Partnership	\$2,500	provide alcohol, tobacco and other drug use prevention in youths
Deerfield Valley Food		see that no one in the area go needlessly hungry, or lacks the basics for personal
Pantry	\$1,500	care
HCRS	\$155	assist and advocate for individuals, children and families who are living with mental illness, developmental disabilities and substance use disorders.
Groundworks	\$1,500	provide ongoing support to families and individuals facing a full continuum of housing and food insecurities
Senior Meals	\$2,000	provide senior meals as well as a community gathering place
Valley Youth Sports	\$7,000	provide developmental sports programs for Twin Valley area youth athletes in Pre- Kindergarten through Grade 6
Visiting Nurse Association & Hosp	\$6,000	provide hospice and home health services.
Windham County Humane Society	\$750	provide adoption services, education, advocacy, compassion and promotion of animal welfare.
Women's Freedom Center	\$850	work to end physical, sexual and emotional violence against women and children
Youth Services	\$300	provide programs in prevention, intervention, and development for young people and families living in difficult situations
SeVCA	\$2,000	enable people to cope with and reduce the hardships of poverty
Senior Solutions	\$350	promote successful aging
SASH	\$10,000	coordinates the resources of social-service agencies, community health providers and nonprofit housing organizations to support Vermonters who choose to live independently at home.
WinDART	\$250	keep people and animals safe during times of crisis
Therapeutic Riding	\$500	enrich, educate and expand the lives of individuals with special needs through Equine Assisted Activities & Therapies.
Deerfield Valley Rescue	\$20,000	provide prehospital emergency medical care to residents in the Towns of Wilmington, Dover (East and West), Searsburg, Somerset and parts of Marlboro and Stratton.
Wings Community Program	10,000	actively engage students in experiences to help them be successful in school and in life as they grow into productive adults
Total	67,205	

	Comparative Budget Report									
	Budget	Sections Sum	nmary - Actua	l Cost to Town	1					
		Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21					
1	Total Net Budget	4,049,424.64	4,292,581.00	4,379,861.00	87,280.00					
2										
3	Town Clerk									
4	Funds Needed	94,852.14	100,265.00	126,647.00	26,382.00					
5	Revenues	36,830.50	30,000.00	35,000.00	5,000.00					
6	Net	58,021.64	70,265.00	91,647.00	21,382.00					
7										
8	Listers									
9	Funds Needed	96,894.37	111,422.00	150,125.00	38,703.00					
10	Special Appropriation	75,000.00	278,452.00	26,765.00	-251,687.00					
11	Revenues	26,766.50	26,500.00	26,765.00	265.00					
12	Net	145,127.87	363,374.00	150,125.00	-213,249.00					
13										
14	Cemetery Funds Needed	38,000.00	38,000.00	42,000.00	4,000.00					
15										
16	POLICE DEPARTMENT									
17	Funds Needed	496,677.97	549,827.00	541,862.00	-7,965.00					
18	Special Appropriation	20,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00					
19	Revenues	54,045.57	64,600.00	72,100.00	7,500.00					
20	Net	462,632.40	495,227.00	489,762.00	-5,465.00					
21										
22	FIRE DEPARTMENT									
23	Funds Needed	195,119.61	205,954.00	209,745.00	3,791.00					
24	Special Appropriation	130,000.00	130,000.00	155,000.00	25,000.00					
25	Revenues	28,005.66	27,079.00	28,283.00	1,204.00					
26	Net	297,113.95	308,875.00	336,462.00	27,587.00					
27										
28	HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES									
29	Funds Needed	46,503.84	69,102.00	80,873.00	11,771.00					
30										
31	TRANSFER STATION									
32	Funds Needed	180,821.28	154,065.00	161,637.00	7,572.00					
33	Special Appropriation	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00					
34	Revenues	79,364.50	73,000.00	79,000.00	6,000.00					
35	Net	106,456.78	86,065.00	87,637.00	1,572.00					
36										
37	Library									
38	Funds Needed	128,500.00	130,500.00	133,100.00	2,600.00					
39	Special Appropriation	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00					
40	Net	140,500.00	142,500.00	145,100.00	2,600.00					

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		Comparative Budget Report										
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41	MEMORIAL HALL											
42	Funds needed	16,275.57	15,100.00	15,400.00	300.00							
43	Special Appropriation	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00							
44	Revenues	550.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00							
45	Net	35,725.57	34,100.00	34,400.00	300.00							
46												
47	RECREATION COMMISSION											
48	Funds needed	11,586.58	15,535.00	14,738.00	-797.00							
49	Revenues	522.00	3,100.00	600.00	-2,500.00							
50	Net	11,064.58	12,435.00	14,138.00	1,703.00							
51												
52	All Other General Fund											
53	Funds Needed	1,216,127.27	1,297,929.00	1,266,038.00	-31,501.00							
54	Special Appropriation	146,650.56	168,053.00	370,793.00	202,740.00							
55	Revenues	338,595.89	541,306.00	457,956.00	-83,350.00							
56	Net	1,024,181.94	924,676.00	1,178,875.00	254,589.00							
57												
58	Highway	Actual	Budget	Budget	Change							
59	Funds Needed	1,822,133.55	1,885,212.00	1,889,202.00	3,990.00							
60	Revenues	138,037.48	137,250.00	160,750.00	23,500.00							
61	Net	1,684,096.07	1,747,962.00	1,728,452.00	-19,510.00							

### GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL/CAPITAL APPROPRIATION & HIGHWAY

### TOTAL BUDGET EXCEPT SEWER

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		Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21			
1	Total Budget	4,897,494.00	4,752,142.74	5,196,416.00	5,241,315.00	44,899.00			
2	Total Revenues	674,475.00	702,718.10	903,835.00	861,454.00	-42,381.00			
3	Amount to be Raised	4,223,019.00	4,049,424.64	4,292,581.00	4,379,861.00	87,280.00			
4	Proposed Tax Rate		0.5519	0.5692	0.5910				
5									
6	General Fund								
7	Moderator, Elect Off, Ball	2,500.00	1,210.00	1,200.00	2,500.00	1,300.00			
8	Selectboard	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	0.00			
9	BCA Stipend/Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00			
10	Town Clerk								
11	Salary Town Clerk	49,440.00	49,440.04	50,923.00	51,941.00	1,018.00			
12	Assistant Town Clerk	34,507.00	34,564.08	35,542.00	36,256.00	714.00			
13	TC Temp Help/Replace	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,750.00	18,750.00			
14	TC Supplies & Postage	1,800.00	1,710.07	1,800.00	2,800.00	1,000.00			
15	TC Training/Expenses	3,300.00	2,128.35	3,300.00	4,300.00	1,000.00			
16	Taping Town Meeting	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	0.00			
17	Recording Supplies/Materi	2,200.00	2,058.63	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00			
18	Copier/Computer/Office Eq	2,100.00	1,456.62	3,100.00	5,000.00	1,900.00			
19	Election Supplies/Postage	500.00	135.04	400.00	600.00	200.00			
20	Animal Rabies Control Sup	400.00	497.06	400.00	400.00	0.00			
21	Vote Tabulator prog/maint	3,000.00	2,262.25	2,000.00	3,200.00	1,200.00			
22	Cell phone	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00			
23	Treasurer								
24	Town Treasurer	4,759.00	4,759.04	4,901.00	1.00	-4,900.00			
25	Finance Officer	52,730.00	52,730.08	54,312.00	67,075.00	12,763.00			
26	Listers								
27	Assistant Salary	53,565.00	56,718.04	55,172.00	56,275.00	1,103.00			
28	Lister Training	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	-250.00			
29	Appraisal Temp Help/Replace	1,000.00	770.61	3,750.00	18,750.00	15,000.00			
30	Lister's Salaries/Expense	15,000.00	18,908.32	20,000.00	22,600.00	2,600.00			
31	Mapping	5,000.00	3,260.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00			
32	Grievance Costs/GMA	3,000.00	7,959.50	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00			
33	Yearly Grand List Main -	35,000.00	7,400.00	15,000.00	25,000.00	10,000.00			
34	Reappraisal Contract - GM	0.00	532.50	0.00	0.00	0.00			
35	Appraisal Supplies/Comput	750.00	544.90	750.00	1,000.00	250.00			
36	Reappraisal Comm - Everet	1,500.00	800.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00			
37	Town Manager	,		,	,				
38	Salary TM	95,790.00	95,790.25	98,664.00	100,637.00	1,973.00			
39	Expenses TM	3,000.00	1,906.30	3,075.00	3,137.00	62.00			
40	Postage/Supplies/Equipmen	4,000.00	4,450.42	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00			
41	Mileage Reim	2,500.00	364.82	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00			

		Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21
42	Compensation Banding	4,000.00	3,555.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
43	Administrative Secretary	39,256.00	40,587.36	40,434.00	41,454.00	1,020.00
44	Zoning Administrator	47,530.00	45,324.03	48,956.00	49,935.00	979.00
45	Receptionist/Admin Assist	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
46	Reconciliation Analyst	250.00	369.57	250.00	400.00	150.00
47	Ads Non-Zoning	550.00	698.80	550.00	550.00	0.00
48	Comp.Support/Equipment	4,500.00	3,070.29	4,500.00	8,640.00	4,140.00
49	Telephone/Internet	6,000.00	8,868.82	6,000.00	9,000.00	3,000.00
50	Tax Bills printing/envelo	4,100.00	3,740.35	4,100.00	4,100.00	0.00
51	Admin/SB Training/Expense	2,500.00	670.68	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
52	Copier - Administration	4,000.00	2,253.39	2,165.00	2,165.00	0.00
53	Cemetery Expenditures	38,000.00	38,000.00	38,000.00	42,000.00	4,000.00
54	Zoning,DRB, SBA					
55	Training/expense/mileage	1,400.00	967.89	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
56	Advertising	500.00	429.25	500.00	500.00	0.00
57	Postage/Materials	200.00	274.68	250.00	250.00	0.00
58	POLICE DEPARTMENT					
59	Chief	75,481.00	81,346.52	77,745.00	79,300.00	1,555.00
60	Sworn Payroll	255,053.00	170,377.22	255,052.00	276,540.00	21,488.00
61	Part-Time Payroll	5,500.00	11,213.21	6,500.00	6,630.00	130.00
62	Dispatchers	60,464.00	65,313.08	62,280.00	68,792.00	6,512.00
63	Overtime	18,000.00	56,691.03	18,000.00	20,000.00	2,000.00
64	Outside Employment	14,500.00	5,464.80	14,500.00	14,500.00	0.00
65	Cruiser Replacement	33,750.00	36,647.30	35,000.00	0.00	-35,000.00
66	Cruiser Operation/Maint	25,000.00			27,500.00	2,000.00
67	Uniform Purchase	2,000.00	21,207.20 5,254.28	25,500.00 4,000.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
68	Uniform Maintenance	1,200.00	1,334.39	1,800.00 950.00	2,000.00	200.00
69	Firearms Ammunition	950.00	466.00		950.00	0.00
70	Radar	575.00	520.00	575.00	575.00	0.00
71	Telephone	5,750.00	5,525.70	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
72	Postage	350.00	347.63	385.00	385.00	0.00
73	Office Supplies	1,150.00	1,419.25	1,150.00	1,150.00	0.00
74	Office Equipment	250.00	96.12	250.00	250.00	0.00
75	Equipment Maintenance	4,000.00	5,196.15	4,500.00	1,500.00	-3,000.00
76	Computer Hard & Software	1,500.00	1,331.65	1,500.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
77	Statewide Record Database	9,350.00	7,255.85	9,350.00	9,350.00	0.00
78	Copier PD	1,800.00	1,278.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
79	Inservice Training	2,000.00	2,753.42	3,240.00	3,240.00	0.00
80	Training Aids & Materials	750.00	1,013.08	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
81	Community Awareness	300.00	1,509.29	400.00	400.00	0.00
82	Radio Maintenance	1,250.00	1,635.00	2,750.00	2,750.00	0.00
83	Equipment Replacement	1,950.00	2,164.48	1,950.00	1,950.00	0.00
84	Association Fees	250.00	640.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
85	Chief's Expenses	500.00	517.10	500.00	500.00	0.00
86	PD Safety Compliance	150.00	109.70	150.00	150.00	0.00
87	Investigation costs	750.00	457.62	750.00	750.00	0.00

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88	Prisoner Transport	1,500.00	937.70	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
89	PD Alarm	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
90	Towing	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
91	Applicant Advertising	200.00	950.20	550.00	200.00	-350.00
92	GHS Equip Grant	4,000.00	5,405.00	6,000.00	5,000.00	-1,000.00
93	Vest Grants	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	-2,000.00
94	FIRE DEPARTMENT					
95	Chief's Salary	63,860.00	63,860.16	65,776.00	67,092.00	1,316.00
96	Asst. Chief's Salary	2,320.00	2,318.04	2,388.00	2,436.00	48.00
97	Labor	31,827.00	31,150.00	32,782.00	33,438.00	656.00
98	Officers salary	2,252.00	1,748.16	2,308.00	3,000.00	692.00
99	Emerg Op Center Personnel	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
100	Emerg Op Center Setup	1,000.00	111.11	500.00	500.00	0.00
101	Electricity	2,375.00	1,679.19	2,375.00	2,000.00	-375.00
102	Telephone	2,200.00	3,388.96	2,200.00	3,400.00	1,200.00
103	Firefighter Assoc	700.00	649.79	700.00	700.00	0.00
104	Administrative costs	1,900.00	1,420.36	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
105	Training/Incentives	3,500.00	2,006.65	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
106	FD Radio Maintenance	2,500.00	2,370.63	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
107	Code Compliance	500.00	400.00	500.00	250.00	-250.00
108	Air Packs	2,500.00	3,718.25	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
109	Water Rent	1,100.00	1,194.24	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
110	Sewer Rent	450.00	496.56	500.00	500.00	0.00
111	Fire Alarm	250.00	167.50	250.00	250.00	0.00
112	Truck Maintenance	8,000.00	8,301.07	6,300.00	6,300.00	0.00
113	Gas & Oil	2,300.00	2,084.70	2,750.00	2,750.00	0.00
114	Building Maintenance	3,000.00	3,076.51	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
115	Extinguisher - Recharge	275.00	0.00	275.00	275.00	0.00
116	Equipment, New & Replacem	4,000.00	3,055.93	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
117	Helments, Boots, Coats	5,000.00	1,999.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
118	Hose	4,100.00	3,279.99	4,100.00	4,100.00	0.00
119	Foam	700.00	672.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
120	Heating Oil - Fire Dept	4,000.00	4,705.26	4,200.00	4,200.00	0.00
121	Fire Prevention	250.00	330.94	500.00	750.00	250.00
122	Travel Expenses	1,500.00	1,991.18	1,750.00	2,000.00	250.00
123	Fire Chief Uniform	250.00	300.93	250.00	250.00	0.00
124	Dispatch Assessment Wilmi	42,233.00	42,951.00	44,150.00	44,154.00	4.00
125	Disp Assess Searsburg	5,596.00	5,691.00	5,850.00	5,850.00	0.00
126	GREEN MOUNTAIN BEACH					
127	GMB Mowing	750.00	530.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
128	Maintenance & Improvement	900.00	458.89	900.00	900.00	0.00
129	Toilets	800.00	870.69	800.00	800.00	0.00
130	INSURANCE					
131	Employment Practices	11,000.00	11,512.14	11,000.00	11,500.00	500.00

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132	Liability, Prop & Auto	48,000.00	44,391.98	46,000.00	46,000.00	0.00
133	Public Officials Liabilit	3,550.00	3,042.56	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
134	Firemens Disability	1,250.00	1,333.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
135	Workers Comp.	45,000.00	46,724.14	45,000.00	45,000.00	0.00
136	Health & Social Services					
137	Health Officer	1,597.00	1,596.92	1,645.00	1,678.00	33.00
138	Town Nurse/Mileage	16,818.00	16,723.84	17,322.00	17,668.00	346.00
139	Senior Solutions	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
140	Groundworks Collaborative	75.00	75.00	75.00	1,500.00	1,425.00
141	Health Care & Rehabilitat	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	0.00
142	Windham Cty Youth Service	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
143	Womens Freedom Center	850.00	850.00	850.00	850.00	0.00
144	V Nurse Alliance/W Crisis	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
145	Gathering Place	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
146	SEVCA	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
147	Deerfield Valley Comm Car Windham Cty Humane	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00	0.00
148	Societ	500.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
149	DV Food Pantry	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
150	Windham Child Care Associ	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
151	DV Community Parntership	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
152	Pool Learning Center	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
153	Senior Meals	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
154	SASH	5,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
155	WDART	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
156	SV Therapy Riding	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
157	Rescue	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
158	Wings	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
159	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS					
160	Social Security	74,000.00	73,551.46	80,941.00	82,560.00	1,619.00
161	Health Care	278,256.00	214,387.44	253,000.00	337,548.00	84,548.00
162	Disability/Life Ins	4,822.00	3,747.64	4,822.00	4,822.00	0.00
163	Retirement	63,500.00	56,889.43	69,294.00	72,000.00	2,706.00
164	Employment Security	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
165	Uniforms	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
166	Groundskeeper	7,780.00	7,336.04	8,016.00	8,177.00	161.00
167	TRANSFER STATION					
168	Operator/Build Maint	39,917.00	39,077.72	41,115.00	41,937.00	822.00
169	WCSW Assessment	16,500.00	16,872.44	13,000.00	12,350.00	-650.00
170	Electricity/Heat	1,200.00	1,641.26	1,200.00	1,600.00	400.00
171	Telephone	1,200.00	1,148.34	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
172	Post Closure Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
173	Tire Recycling	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
174	Disposal & Containers	68,460.00	73,921.94	72,000.00	75,000.00	3,000.00
175	TS Recycle	6,000.00	8,674.01	23,000.00	27,000.00	4,000.00
176	Recy Cleanup	32,000.00	37,947.13	0.00	0.00	0.00

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177	Maint/Improve/Supplies	1,250.00	1,538.44	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
178	Miscellaneous	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
179	Legal/Professional/Audit					
180	Legal Fees - Tax Sale	500.00	5,534.68	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
181	Legal-General Matters	15,000.00	22,934.50	22,000.00	24,000.00	2,000.00
182	Legal-Zoning enforcement	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
183	Legal-Human Resources	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
184	Zoning Appeals	100.00	1,254.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
185	Legal Reappraisal	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
186	Audit	22,000.00	15,200.00	15,650.00	16,500.00	850.00
187	Library	0.00	273.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
188	Library Appropriation	128,500.00	128,500.00	130,500.00	133,100.00	2,600.00
189	Memorial Day	400.00	371.80	400.00	400.00	0.00
190	MEMORIAL HALL					
191	Electricity	1,800.00	2,740.76	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
192	Water Rent	950.00	1,178.76	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
193	Sewer Rent	825.00	994.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
194	Maintenance	2,000.00	2,102.10	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
194	Maintenance MH Grounds	900.00	1,067.00	900.00	1,200.00	300.00
196	Heat	1,500.00	2,821.75	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
197	Fire Alarm/Phone	1,200.00	1,188.50	600.00	600.00	0.00
198	MH Insurance	3,000.00	2,677.70	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
199	MH cleaning/janitorial	850.00	1,505.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
200	Planning Commission					
201	Municipal Planning Grant	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	-2,500.00
202	Windham Regional Dues	4,216.00	4,216.00	4,275.00	4,275.00	0.00
203	Manuals/Resource material	100.00	125.96	400.00	400.00	0.00
204	Public Notices	450.00	386.75	450.00	450.00	0.00
205	Postage	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
206	Training Expenses	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
207	RECREATION COMMISSION					
208	Elemen. Program Director	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,575.00	2,627.00	52.00
209	Elemen. Counselors	3,700.00	2,863.60	3,700.00	3,774.00	74.00
210	MS Program Director	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,090.00	3,152.00	62.00
211	MS Art Director	220.00	0.00	220.00	225.00	5.00
212	MS Counselors	2,200.00	1,944.11	2,200.00	3,610.00	1,410.00
213	Adult Rec Expense	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	-2,500.00
214	Elemen. Programs	750.00	779.61	750.00	750.00	0.00
215	MS Supplies	500.00	499.26	500.00	600.00	100.00
216	D V Farmers Day Assn	4,043.00	4,043.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
217	Portable Toilets	2,800.00	1,933.91	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00
218	Green-Up Day	50.00	48.66	75.00	75.00	0.00
219	Beautification Committe	2,932.00	1,970.30	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
220	Flowers/Barrels	19,700.00	19,700.00	19,700.00	19,700.00	0.00
221	Tennis Courts	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
		200.00		000.00	000.00	

		Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21
223	SELECTPERSONS CONTINGENCY					
224	Misc.	1,500.00	1,581.72	7,500.00	2,500.00	-5,000.00
225	Economic Development	67,950.00	66,148.21	71,000.00	72,420.00	1,420.00
226	Street Lights	13,800.00	14,424.99	13,800.00	15,000.00	1,200.00
227	County Court	52,000.00	57,984.00	60,883.00	74,224.00	13,341.00
228	TOWN HALL					
229	Electricity	8,000.00	6,776.80	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
230	Heat	5,000.00	6,191.38	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
231	Supplies	1,500.00	1,532.41	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
232	Fire Alarm	900.00	667.50	600.00	600.00	0.00
233	Water Rent	1,300.00	1,491.87	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
234	Sewer Rent	1,200.00	1,315.84	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
235	Maintenance	5,000.00	4,480.86	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
236	Elevator	2,700.00	4,105.49	2,700.00	2,700.00	0.00
237	Janitorial & Carting	8,000.00	8,345.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
238	Town Reports	850.00	770.75	850.00	850.00	0.00
239	Vermont League Dues	3,186.00	3,186.00	3,271.00	3,405.00	134.00
240	Wilmington School User Fe	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00	-200,000.00
241	Wilmington Water District	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	0.00
242	WWD Merger/Acquisition	1,000.00	990.22	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
243	Web Site	800.00	848.28	800.00	800.00	0.00
244	General Fund Subtotal	2,641,390.00	2,521,358.63	2,687,699.00	2,742,555.00	54,856.00
245	CAPITAL, ONE-TIME					
246	Garage Bond	38,000.00	37,958.23	37,593.00	31,553.00	-6,040.00
247	Look Road Bridge	97,680.00	97,692.33	95,460.00	93,240.00	-2,220.00
248	Town Hall Cap	5,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
249	Memorial Hall Capital	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
250	Reappraisal Fund	75,000.00	75,000.00	278,452.00	26,765.00	-251,687.00
251	Public Lands & Fences	1,000.00	1,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00	-10,000.00
252	Police Equip Capital	20,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00
253	Fire House Cap	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
254	Transfer Station Capital	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
255	Library Capital	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
256	Fire Department Equipment	125,000.00	125,000.00	125,000.00	150,000.00	25,000.00
257	Planning/Aquisition Capit	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	221,000.00	221,000.00
258	Capital Subtotal	408,680.00	408,650.56	623,505.00	609,558.00	-13,947.00
259	Total General Fund/Capital	3,050,070.00	2,930,009.19	3,311,204.00	3,352,113.00	40,909.00
260						
260	Highway	Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21
262	Highway Salaries	355,080.00	358,328.62	365,793.00	377,247.00	11,454.00
263	Highway Superintendent	67,237.00	67,237.04	69,254.00	70,639.00	1,385.00
264	Unscheduled Overtime	35,000.00	35,932.32	35,000.00	37,000.00	2,000.00
265	Social Security	34,985.00	32,873.41	35,958.00	37,000.00	1,042.00

		Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21
267	Disability Insurance	2,750.00	2,464.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
268	Retirement	25,502.00	25,901.14	27,027.00	29,000.00	1,973.00
269	Uniforms	3,100.00	3,202.12	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00
270	Fire Alarm	250.00	500.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
271	Workers Comp	34,100.00	29,602.84	33,200.00	33,200.00	0.00
272	Municipal Parking Maint	2,500.00	934.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
273	Culverts	19,500.00	21,089.42	20,000.00	21,000.00	1,000.00
274	Guardrails	5,000.00	6,715.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
275	Chloride	24,000.00	21,589.74	24,000.00	22,000.00	-2,000.00
276	Gravel/Stone/Fabric-Misc	104,500.00	110,443.03	108,000.00	108,000.00	0.00
277	Resurfacing	240,000.00	240,018.61	290,000.00	290,000.00	0.00
278	Salt	68,500.00	70,944.99	79,000.00	79,000.00	0.00
279	Sand	72,500.00	67,608.92	75,000.00	75,000.00	0.00
280	Snow Removal/Sidewalk	50,000.00	33,465.00	37,500.00	37,500.00	0.00
281	Sidewalks/Park n Ride	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
282	Signs	2,200.00	3,673.77	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00
283	Crack Sealing	18,000.00	0.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	0.00
284	Stabilization/Fabric/Hay	6,000.00	4,872.89	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
285	Maintenance to Equipment	59,000.00	60,266.18	60,700.00	60,700.00	0.00
286	Fuel	65,000.00	61,035.70	57,500.00	59,000.00	1,500.00
287	Rental/Contracted	5,500.00	5,886.75	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
288	Training	100.00	90.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
289	Electricity	2,900.00	2,548.67	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
290	Tools & Supplies	19,900.00	21,402.35	20,100.00	20,100.00	0.00
291	Personal Protective Equip	1,500.00	661.64	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
292	Telephone	2,000.00	2,818.31	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
293	Advertising	550.00	378.25	550.00	550.00	0.00
294	Insurance - Vehicles/Bldg	21,000.00	19,391.62	21,000.00	21,000.00	0.00
295	Computer/Office Supplies	1,000.00	520.96	800.00	800.00	0.00
296	Sewer Rent	650.00	670.32	690.00	690.00	0.00
297	MRGP permit	0.00	2,190.00	2,190.00	2,190.00	0.00
298	Bldg/Maint/Improvements	3,000.00	4,625.65	20,000.00	5,600.00	-14,400.00
299	Heating	5,000.00	4,352.40	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
300	Trans to Bridge Cap	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
301	Class II Paving Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
302	TRE Appropriation	265,000.00	265,000.00	230,000.00	175,000.00	-55,000.00
303	Total Highway	1,847,424.00	1,822,133.55	1,885,212.00	1,889,202.00	3,990.00

		REVENUES						
TOTAL REVENUES EXCEPT FOR SEWER								
	Budget FY 19	Actual FY 19	Budget FY 20	Proposed Budget FY 21	Change FY 20 to FY 21			
ral Fund								
est Del Taxes	55,000.00	45,586.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	0.00			
ty Del Taxes	52,000.00	71,502.61	52,000.00	52,000.00	0.00			
e Land	82,535.00	85,414.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	0.00			
og/Liquor Licenses	3,300.00	3,347.00	3,300.00	3,300.00	0.00			
g fees	15,000.00	10,425.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00			
it Recording Fees	300.00	252.00	250.00	250.00	0.00			
Sales/Redemptions	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00			
Administ. Income	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	-100.00			
Income	100.00	1,043.59	3,750.00	3,750.00	0.00			
0-Grand List Admin	3,000.00	3,149.00	3,156.00	3,156.00	0.00			
Payment	10,000.00	12,450.19	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00			
Education Fund	24,000.00	29,927.15	25,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00			
p State/Parcel Paymen	26,500.00	26,766.50	26,500.00	26,765.00	265.00			
Use	38,000.00	41,808.00	42,000.00	42,000.00	0.00			
nistrative WWTP	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	4,750.00	0.00			
nistrative Water Dist	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,750.00	4,750.00			
Clerk Fees	35,000.00	36,830.50	30,000.00	35,000.00	5,000.00			
CE REVENUE								
& Fines - Police	41,000.00	25,429.50	25,000.00	41,000.00	16,000.00			
of Cruiser	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	-4,000.00			
Police Income	0.00	4,375.13	0.00	500.00	500.00			
utside Employment Inc	12,000.00	5,270.20	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00			
arm Registration Fee	4,000.00	4,400.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	0.00			
omeland Security	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
nforcement Grant	2,000.00	4,494.61	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00			
rnor's HW Safety Gran	5,000.00	3,781.50	10,000.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00			
Equip Grant	4,000.00	6,294.63	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00			
DEPT REVENUE								
- Town of Searsburg	21,840.00	22,932.00	24,079.00	25,283.00	1,204.00			
erset	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00			
rdous Cleanup Income	0.00	2,073.66	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Fire Dept	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
fer Station Fees	79,000.00	79,364.50	73,000.00	79,000.00	6,000.00			
ry repayment	0.00	273.68	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Fees	600.00	522.00	600.00	600.00	0.00			
Rec Donations	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	-2,500.00			
orial Hall Rent	2,200.00	550.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00			
est GF	7,000.00	28,667.67	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00			
	0.00	0.00			-103,000.00			
General Fund								
us General nues	Fund		Fund	Fund	Fund			

	Highway Revenues	Budget FY19	Actual FY19	Budget FY20	Proposed Budget FY21	Change FY20 to FY21
1	Permits	00.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
2	State Aid	136.500	136,878.88	136,500.00	140,000	3,500
3	Grant Income	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Paving Grant	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Misc. Income	250	57.06	250	250	0.00
6	Interest - Road	400	1,101.54	400.00	400.00	0.00
7	Surplus	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000	20,000
8	Total Highway Revenues	137,250.00	138,037.48	137,250.00	160,750.00	23,500.00

	CAPITAL ACCOUNT ACTIVITY					
	BRIDGE REHABILITATION	TOWN ROAD EQUIPMENT	FIREHOUSE CAPITAL	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/19	(59,732)	188,756	14,032	495,424	210	
RECEIPTS:						
TOWN APPROPRIATION	35,000	230,000	5,000	125,000	0	
INTEREST	397	1,988	35	5,788	0	
OTHER RECEIPTS	104,150	1,000	0	495	0	
TOTAL	79,815	421,744	19,067	626,707	210	
EXPENDITURES	2,685	306,473	1,317	0	0	
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0	0	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/20	77,130	115,271	17,750	626,707	210	
	TOWN HALL CAPITAL	MUNICIPAL RECORDS RESERVE	DRY HYDRANT GRANT	ANIMAL CONTROL		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/19	28,520	55,816	3,321	18,307		
RECEIPTS:						
TOWN APPROPRIATION	20,000	0	0	0		
INTEREST	368	694	29	238		
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	13,398	0	1,246		
TOTAL	48,888	69,908	3,350	19,791		
EXPENDITURES	10,813	14,505	1,916	680		
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/20	38,075	55,403	1,434	19,111		
EXPENSE ITEMS		Record Digitization				
	PUBLIC LANDS & FENCES	MEMORIAL HALL CAPITAL	SEWER CAPITAL	BEAUTIFICATION FUND		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/19	14,380	57,936	85,216	3,386		
RECEIPTS:						
TOWN APPROPRIATION	15,000	20,000	0	0		
INTEREST	50	í í	275	43		
OTHER RECEIPTS	801	0	4,181	100		
TOTAL	30.231	78,502	89,672	3,529		
EXPENDITURES	3,922	í í í	23,987	0		
DEBT SERVICE	0		23,507	0		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/20	26,309	-	65,685	3,529		

	POLICE EQUIPMENT CAPITAL	PLANNING, ACQUISITION & MOVING	TRANSFER STATION CAPITAL	REAPPRAISAL RESERVE FUND	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/19	20,050	5,007	5,012	(328)	
RECEIPTS:					
TOWN APPROPRIATION	10,000	0	5,000	278,452	
INTEREST	288	68	80	624	
OTHER RECEIPTS	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	30,338	5,075	10,092	278,748	
EXPENDITURES	279	0	0	134,598	
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0	
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/20	30,059	5,075	10,092	144,150	

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS EARNING INTEREST ONLY							
	REVENUE SHARING	PD CONFLICT RESOLUTION	GREEN MTN BEACH	ENERGY EFFICIENCY RESERVE	DAVENPORT LEGACY		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/19	989	7	3,630	8,785	427		
INTEREST	5	0	6	136	2		
BALANCE ON HAND 1/1/20	994	7	3,636	8,921	429		

### 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 8

Balance Due as of 7/1/19	\$95,000.00
2019-20 Payments	\$35,000.00

Balance Due as of 6/30/20 \$60,000.00

### Status of Revenue Sharing

### January 1, 2020

Balance	\$994.57
Restricted Funds (Green Mountain Beach)	504.00
Unrestricted Funds	490.77

### Water System Evaluation

Interest at 0%	5 Year Note
Year 3	
Balance Due as of 7/1/19	\$2,970.66
2018-19 Payment	\$990.22

Balance Due as of 6/30/20 \$1,980.44

Look Road Bridge

### Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade

Interest at 2.75%	30 Year Bond	Interest at 2.5%	5 Year Note
Year 4		Year 3	
Balance Due as of 7/1/19 2019-20 Payment	\$1,481,098.00 \$40,395.00	Balance Due as of 7/1/19 2018-19 Payment	\$266,400.00 \$88,800.00
Balance Due as of 6/30/20	\$1,440,703.00	Balance as of 6/30/20	\$177,600.00

Wastewater Budget								
2 Year Comparison								
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual to Date				
	FY - 2019	FY-2019	FY - 2020	FY-2020				
Expenditures								
Wages	117,112.00	116,581.01	120,416.00	40,483.67				
Employee Benefits	73,918.00	74,215.56	74,298.00	21,757.65				
Plant	60,300.00	57,911.81	64,500.00	13,805.55				
Supplies	6,750.00	7,283.53	8,000.00	2,625.27				
New/Replacement Equipment	4,500.00	3,987.82	4,500.00	0.00				
Sewer Testing	7,000.00	7,035.00	7,000.00	1,460.00				
Truck/Tractor Maint	1,000.00	888.92	1,000.00	11.37				
Sludge Maintenance	4,000.00	1,343.48	3,000.00	1,318.05				
Sewer Bond Payment	73,494.00	73,494.00	73,494.00	0.00				
Total Expenditures	348,074.00	342,741.13	356,208.00	81,461.56				
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual to Date				
Revenues	FY - 2019	FY-2019	FY- 202	FY-2020				
Sewer Rents Income	343,024.00	339,772.12	321,608.00	178,405.80				
Other Revenues	5,050.00	9,111.01	4,600.00	2,753.39				
Surplus	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00				
Total Revenue	348,074.00	348,883.13	356,208.00	181,159.19				

# Wilmington's Contribution to the State Education Fund

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Payment to State	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Payment to State
FY99	\$494,060	FY10	\$4,897,891
FY00	\$1,136,680	FY11	\$4,103,934
FY01	\$1,484,554	FY12	\$4,033,783
FY02	\$1,375,846	FY13	\$4,225,835
FY03	\$1,603,580	FY14	\$4,299,382
FY04	\$1,825,882	FY15	\$4,836,654
FY05	\$2,458,493	FY16	\$5,355,651
FY06	\$3,572,491	FY17	\$6,238,207
FY07	\$4,211,753	FY18	\$6,869,891
FY08	\$4,821,634	FY19	\$7,747,206
FY09	\$4,889,864	TOTAL	\$80,483,271

\*Total tax raised FY19 approximately \$ 17,533,722 of which \$7,747,206 was sent to the state

### 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 1/16/20							
Name	Years	Amount Due	Name	Years	Amount Due		
John Langran	2018-19	494.08	Gerald Osler	2018-19	10,471.35		
Alexander Struzinski	2018-19	1,443.84					
			TOTAL		12,409.27		
*These taxpayers are on pa year.	yment plans to pa	yoff taxes in 1					

### 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 1/1/20 Two or more payments delinquent

Name	Years	Amount	Name	Years	Amount
APTHORP NANCY	2018-19	480.39	IVES VICTOR W	2018-19	229.51
BODNAR DAVID	2018-19	1585.00	LIZANDRA	2018-19	84912.76
CLARK KENNETH B	2018-19	2523.97	MATERN RICHARD	2017-19	892.22
CLOSE CATHERINE M	2017-19	7,753.08	MATHIEW MICHAEL	2018-19	3098.52
COMTUCK LLC	2018-19	1,813.32	MESITE ROBERT	2018-19	7344.64
COMTUCK LLC	2017-19	3,311.93	MOORE MARK & DONNA	2018-19	2,304.11
COMTUCK LLC	2018-19	1,710.66	MOORE TIMOTHY	2018-19	624.70
COMTUCK LLC	2018-19	1,556.70	OLD ARK PROPERTIES	2018-19	9,153.90
COMTUCK LLC	2017-19	5,253.30	REILLY WILLIAM	2017-19	22.38
CUEVAS MARCIAL	2018-19	1,105.79	RILLSTONE KIMBERLE	2018-19	3,755.28
DALEY JOHN	2018-19	3,787.08	RIZIO JESSICA	2018-19	4,875.65
DEJOHN EUGENE G	2018-19	5,049.44	ROCHESTER LEONARD	2018-19	80.32
DOONEY VERMONT	2018-19	9,066.58	RODRIGUES JORGE	2018-19	5,816.28
DURPHEY JEREMY	2018-19	3,328.04	ROSS LILLIAN	2018-19	2,236.90
FINKER SARALYN	2018-19	7,467.15	SWEENEY PETER	2017-19	1,538.82
GILBERT TERRI	2018-19	4,590.40	WAGNER GREGORY	2018-19	11.47
GOLDEN SHAUN	2018-19	62,762.76	WOLFE JAMES	2018-19	11.47
GRUBER CYRIL	2018-19	573.80			
HARROWER DAVID*	2018-19	3,870.39			
HERMITAGE INN RE	2018-19	6,842.61	Total Taxes Due		261,341.32

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

### Status of Delinquent Taxes

Delinquent Taxes 1/1/19	\$276,301.59	
Collections	122,027.46	
Subtotal		154,274.13
Delinquents Added		256,722.00
Delinquent Taxes 1/1/20		\$410,996.13

### PETTEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY PROPOSED BUDGET

FY JUNE 30, 2021

Description	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2021 Proposed Budget	% Increase
Expense					
Personnel:					
Payroll	78,165	75,942.51	80,638	81,290	0.8%
Payroll Taxes	5,980.00	5,798.37	6,169	6,220	0.8%
Staff Development & Travel	2,000.00	2,027.39	2,500	2,500	0.0%
Employee Benefits				1,470	N/A
Subtotal	6,145.00	83,768.27	89,307	91,480	2.4%
Library Services:					
Acquisitions	7,000.00	17,079.41	17,000	7,000	0.0%
Library Supplies	2,500.00	2,791.42	2,500	3,000	20.0%
Programs	5,500.00	2,790.23	5,500	4,000	-27.3%
Computer & Equipment	3,000.00	1,527.52	3,000	2,500	-16.7%
On-line Services	3,750.00	2,898.43	3,500	3,500	0.0%
Telephone & Internet	1,650.00	1,244.48	1,600	2,000	25.0%
Postage & Shipping	1,750.00	2,143.66	1,700	2,500	47.1%
Memberships	200.00	200.00	200	250	25.0%
Professional Fees	1,100.00	912.98	1,100	1,000	-9.1%
Advertising & Public Relations	250.00	636.30	1,000	1,000	0.0%
Subtotal	36,700.00	2,224.43	37,100	36,750	-0.9%
Building & Grounds					
Custodial	5,000.00	4,198.90	5,000	5,000	0.0%
Electricity	2,200.00	2,320.30	2,200	2,475	12.5%
Elevator	2,200.00	4,719.72	2,500	2,500	0.0%
Heating Oil	2,500.00	2,566.06	2,500	2,750	10.0%
Insurance	3,100.00	2,776.46	3,000	3,000	0.0%
Repair & Maintenance	2,500.00	2,028.93	2,500	2,500	0.0%
Building Improvements		4,830.00	-	-	N/A
Security	450.00	525.00	450.00	550.00	22.2%
Water & Sewer	750.00	711.72	700.00	775.00	10.0%
Subtotal	8,700.00	24,677.09	18,850	19,550	3.7%
Total Expense	141,545.00	140,669.79	145,257	147,780	1.8%
Income					
Town Appropriation	\$128,500.00	\$128,500.00	\$130,500	\$133,100	2.0%
Supplemental Income	13,045.00	13,002.68	14,757	14,680	-0.5%
Total Income	\$141,545.00	\$141,502.68	\$145,257	\$147,780	1.7%
Net Income		\$ 832.89			

### **Town Employees Proposed Salaries**

FY 2021				
Employee	FY20	FY2021 Estimated		
Susan Haughwout	Town Clerk	\$	51,941.00	
Patricia Johnson	Asst Town Clerk	\$	36,256.00	
Scott Tucker	Town Manager	\$	100,637.00	
Christine Richter	Treasurer	\$	1.00	
Christine Richter	Finance Officer	\$	67,075.00	
Jessica DeFrancesco	Town Manager Assistant	\$	41,454.00	
Michael Tuller	Zoning Administrator	\$	49,935.00	
Michael Tuller	Health Officer	\$	1,678.00	
Deborah Kingsley	Lister Assistant	\$	56,275.00	
Brandon Brassor	Transfer Station/Bld Maint	\$	41,937.00	
Matt Murano	Police Chief	\$	79,300.00	
Shawn Hammond	Patrol Officer	\$	53,040.00	
Andrew Kirkman	Patrol Officer	\$	46,675.00	
Sasha Kondraski	Patrol Officer	\$	46,675.00	
Joseph Carcich	Patrol Officer	\$	48,797.00	
Susan Luchsinger	Dispatcher	\$	34,067.00	
Eric St Denis	Dispatcher	\$	31,824.00	
Scott Moore	Fire Chief	\$	67,092.00	
Roland Betit	Groundskeeper	\$	8,177.00	
Jennifer Fitzgerald	Town Nurse	\$	17,668.00	
Sheldon Brassor	Highway Superintendent	\$	70,639.00	
Bret Brown	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
Michael Stevens	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
Darby Howe	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
Doug Wheeler	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
Travis Brassor	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
Travis Wheeler	Road Crew	\$	52,998.00	
John Lazelle	Wastewater Chief Operator	\$	67,543.00	
Jeff Longe	Wastewater Operator	\$	48,139.00	

### 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.

Every year the C. C. Haynes Fund offers two scholarships to any Wilmington resident. The William Poole scholarship is for \$1000, and the Ralph Howe scholarship is for \$500. Notification of the availability of the scholarships and the deadline for submitting a request are published in the Deerfield Valley News in May each year.

This year the William Poole scholarship was awarded to Olivia Genella who is a freshman at the University of Vermont. She is enrolled in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and intends to major in molecular genetics. The Ralph Howe scholarship was awarded to Adam Richter who is completing his Masters degree in Architecture at Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, Massachusetts.

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 in writing to the C. C. Haynes Fund Trustee, 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 Valley Farmer's Day Youth exhibits and storage for Saturday night auctions. Contributions from White Wolf Consulting for the use of the building greatly help to fund the C. C. Haynes scholarships.

	2019 C. C. Haynes Fund Financial Statement		
Assets January 1, 2019			
Cash on Hand	7,411.94		
Certificate of Deposit Value	54,381.41		
Total Assets		61,793.35	
Income			
Contributions	1,750.00		
Interest from CD	100.66		
Total Income		1,850.66	
Expenses			
Scholarships	1,500.00		
Total Expenses		1,500.00	
Assets December 31, 2019			
Cash on Hand	7,661.94		
Certificate of Deposit Value	54,482.07		
Total Assets		62,144.01	
Respectfully submitted,			
Carl M. Boyd, Trustee			

#### 2019 C. C. Haynes Fund Financial Statement

# **Grand List 2019 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	1,648	424.430.030	74,195,823	350,234,207	424,430,030
2	Residential II	348	169259,894	45,091,234	124,168,660	169,259,894
3	Mobile Homes-U	46	645,000	32,500	612,500	645,000
4	Mobile Homes-L	19	1,028,000	508,000	520,000	1,028,000
5	Seasonal I	49	3,477,000	0	3,477,000	3,477,000
6	Seasonal II	13	1,833,100	80,000	1,753,100	1,833,100
7	Commercial	138	74,175,105	1,180,830	72,994,275	74,175,105
8	Commercial Apts	9	2,211,500		2,211,500	2,211,500
9	Industrial	1	500,000	0	500,000	500,000
10	Utilities-E	4	14,713,750	0	14,713,750	14,713,750
11	Utilities-O	0	0	0	0	0
12	Farm	1	295,000	295,000	0	295,000
13	Other	200	50,575,475	1,378,750	49,196,725	50,575,475
14	Woodland	0	0	0	0	0
15	Miscellaneous	595	26,950,700	40,000	26,910,700	26,950,700
16						
17	TOTAL LISTED REAL ESTATE	3,073	770,094,554	122,802,137	647,292,417	770,094,554
18		- /		,,		
19	P.P. Cable	2	291,089		291,089	291,089
20	TOTAL LISTED P.P.	2	291,089		291,089	291,089
21						
22	TOTAL LISTED VALUE		770,385,643	122,802,137	647,583,506	770,385,643
23						
24	EXEMPTIONS	10	120.000	120.000		120.000
25	Veterans 10K	13	130,000	130,000	0	130,000
26 27	Veterans >10K		390,000			
28	Total Veterans		520.000	130.000	0	130.000
29	P.P. Contracts	2	291,089		*	
30	Non-Apprv(voted)	2/2	330,000			
31	Owner Pays Ed Tax	1/1	64,000			
32	Total Contracts	5/3	685,089			
33	Current Use	46	8,061,310	3,179,710	4,881,600	8,061,310
34	Special Exemption	2		0	5,017,150	5,017,150
35	Partial Statutory	1/1	81,164		81,164	81,164
36	Total Exemptions TOTAL MUNICIPAL		8,142,474	3,179,710	9,979,914	13,159,624
37	GRAND LIST		7,610,700.80			
	TOTAL EDUCATION			1 104 004 00		
38 39	GRAND LIST NON-TAX		81 Non-Tax parcels	1,194,924.27	6,376,035.92	7,570,960.19
			are not included in 411			

#### 2019 Current Use Exemptions

	Assessed Land Use							
	Name	Value	Acreage	Land Use Exempt	Grand List			
1	BADURSKI CHARLES & LORRAINE	475,000	62.5	123,350.00	3,519.5			
2	BAILEY ARTHUR H & ELLEN C	235,000	63.2	60,100.00	1,749			
3	BEECHWOOD IRREVOCABLE TRUST	43,950	29.3	40,150.00	38			
4	BERTLES JEANNETTE W	530,000	134.78	11,600.00	5,184			
5	BLANC MICHAEL P	200,000	34.25	134,200.00	658			
6	BOSSERT ELAINE S TRUST	725,000	126	310,000.00	4,150			
7	BOYD CARL M	641,639	131.45	333,030.00	3,086.09			
8	BOYD DANNIE J & JANET LEE	425,000	45.9	135,600.00	280			
9	BOYD DANNIE J & JANET L	70,000	14.2	25,400.00	446			
10	BRADBURN JUSTIN J	845,000	71	87,500.00	7,593			
11	CARMON JOHN C TRUSTEE OF NAN	200,000	93.1	98,950.00	1,010.5			
12	CHERNOSKY GAIL & SIROIS BENJAMIN ET AL	100,000	65.5	31,400.00	686			
13	COLE BRUCE & BARBARA	371,105	72.78	75,205.00	2,959			
14	COPELAND JULIA LAUREL &HILLARY	206,000	206.01	179,100.00	269			
15	CORBAT FARMS LLC	1,242,000	180.4	773,000.00	4,690			
16	DEMMO NICHOLAS G & TRACY	19,000	32.5	14,800.00	42			
17	DOYLE MICHAEL J	425,000	58	92,400.00	3,326			
18	FITZGERALD JENNIFER REVO TRUST	465,000	152.7	187,200.00	2,778			
19	FORTE ROBERT P TRUSTEE OF REVOCA TR	825,000	28.81	170,300.00	6,547			
20	FUHRMAN DONALD & LINDA	32,000	32.8	27,700.00	43			
21	GRAUP SUSAN F	400,000	47.16	102,400.00	2,976			
22	GRINOLD ROBERT	205,000	114	190,100.00	149			
23	GROSS STEPHEN J & SUSAN REV TRUST	1,100,000	68.56	160,400.00	9,396			
24	HALLAHAN WILLIAM L & ELLEN F	447,500	263	353,100.00	944			
25	HARVEY N JR DN TR & JAMES&GROTE ANNE B	335,000	40.7	55,750.00	2,792.5			
26	HEAVENRICH TED R	650,000	98	212,200.00	4,378			
27	JANNEN KATRINA	220,000	123.1	203,900.00	161			
28	KETTERER GORDON P & ANN B	322,000	124.34	168,800.00	1,532			
29	MACMONKUP LLC	230,000	59.8	145,400.00	846			
30	MARUNAS P RAYMOND & CAROL	165,000	66.61	156,300.00	87			
31	ON BEAVER POND LLC	112,000	23.6	108,900.00	31			
32	PONITLLO RAYMOND & RAYMOND JR ET AL	805,000	91.22	147,600.00	6,574			
33	SCHNEEBERGER G & K TRUST	1,200,000	69.21	638,400.00	5,616			
34	SHAPIRO YOAV N	430,000	98.26	107,200	3,228			
35	SPRAGUE MARTIN L & KAREN R	130,000	15.82	24,800.00	1052			
36	STEVENSON LAURA & STALOFF MARGARET G	389,000	59	120,200.00	2,688			
37	STONE FAMILY TRUST	170,000	50.66	68,400.00	1,016			
38	VON STEINWEHR RANDI	220,000	110.5	205,600.00	144			
39	WEBER RUSSELL R & CAROL E	1,025,000	43.22	198,400.00	8,266			
40	WHITE JACOB & WALTER	410,000	152.19	194,100.00	2,159			
41	WHITE WALTER	285,000	27.1	46,500	2,385			
42	WILKINSON ALICE S	35,000	21.2	31,200.00	38			
43	WIMMELMAN FRIEDA & BINNICK ALAN	1,770,000	331.9	507,300.00	12,627			
44	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY REVO TR 2010	1,510,000	431.72	652,975.00	8,570.25			
45	WIMMELMAN PETER T & NANCY REVO TR 2010	215,000	96.4	102,400.00	1,126			
	WINDY WOODS LLC	900,000	87	251,300.00	6,487			
	Total Residential Homestead			3,179,710.00	51,270,34			
	i stal Kesidential Homesteau			5,175,710.00	51,270,5			

Town of Wilmington 2019

Total Non-Residential			4,883,200.00	85,662.5
GRAND TOTALS	21,756,194	4,349.45	8,062,910.00	136,932.8
	ove, Cody & Compan	y, CPAs		
	January	7, 2020		
Board of Selectmen Town of Wilmington P.O. Box 217 Wilmington, Vermont 05363 We are auditing the financial stat	ements of the Town of Wi	Imington Vermont as	of and for the	
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# Wilmington Narrative Reports

## Town Departments, Boards, and Committees

# Other Agencies - Local, Regional, and State



WWTP Aerial View

### Wilmington Selectboard

Wilmington continues its quest to upgrade sidewalks, sewer lines and in the very near future aging water lines and filtration systems. The Town and the Water District have always been separate entities but after a series of discussions between both the water district will assimilate into the governance of the Town. It has taken years to arrive at this point. The quarterly billings are already under the guise of the Town Finance Officer as a first step in realizing the merger.

The past year saw a number of retirements and resignations. It is a testament to the Town Manager that he has been able to interview, recommend hiree's, and then provide guidance to our new employees to ensure a smooth transition from the old to the new keeping in mind the small pool of qualified applicants that one can draw from. All this plus trying to keep up with the daily demands of his office. He is to be commended!

Tax stabilization was amended this year doubling the amount of time (ten years) available to a business owner. The goal is to offer incentives through tax adjustments (municipal tax only) to our business community in order to strengthen their retail, wholesale, etc., type of activity that will ease the cost of doing business and assist in their success. All have noticed that our second recycling site is no more. The roll-offs were removed on July1 as the cost to maintain this "luxury" would have exceeded \$50,000 had they been left in place. All recycles must be taken to the Transfer Station. Thank you for your understanding,

A Facilities Committee is now active and has been charged with a goal to relocate the emergency services out of the flood plain in town (Fire and Police). A request for a feasibility study has been put out to bid with the hope that the group can establish a realistic site to accomplish the relocation. Once completed and thoroughly discussed it is thought that it will be presented to the town voters with all of the particulars so they may decide.

The ten-year, mandated reappraisal is in full swing. Anticipated completion is April 1, 2020. Our Listers office is working every day to see that this task is completed satisfactory. We ask that you cooperate with their requests to view your property so they may make a fair assessment.

Two hearings on the Flood and Fluvial Erosion hazards were held in the fall; October and December. This culminated with the Selectboard voting not to accept the restrictions. The Town recognizes the time committed by Planning Committee members (which measured in years) but it was not felt that this was a proper "fit" for our community. Volunteers? What more can we say. Without you we do not exist. You are life blood and most valuable asset and we thank all of you for your commitment. We welcome one and all to participate and thank you for your support.

#### **Town Manager**

The Town of Wilmington maintains a strong second home market with a family friendly reputation. It's a great place to raise a family, a well-known tourist destination, and a wonderful place to live. As I meet and talk with folks in the community, one question that often comes up is what's happening with the Hermitage Club – Haystack Mountain? We remain steadfastly optimistic that in the coming year the shuttered private ski and golf club may be purchased and emerge as a new and prosperous business. For now, we await a legal conclusion of both foreclosure and bankruptcy proceedings, in anticipation of a positive outcome with a brighter economic picture for our region.

You likely know Chief Matthew Murano, who was promoted this past year (former rank – sergeant) having served over 15years with the Wilmington Police Department. As he took the helm, the Police Department experienced a number of people leaving for various reasons, such as a retirement or taking jobs in other police departments and private business. This was a challenge to say the least, though not unique to small departments. Chief Murano worked diligently to fill the ranks with three new police officers of various experience levels, requiring significant training. Two police officers recently graduated from the Vermont Police Academy and one more will attend the next academy to fill all four vacancies. The Selectboard and Town Manager commend Chief Murano for his hard work and the sacrifices that both he and Officer Shawn Hammond withstood in performing the necessary work and meeting the needs of the Town without complaint, under less than desirable circumstances.

You may have also noticed other personnel changes that occurred in the fall. We hired a new Zoning Administrator & Health Officer, Mike Tuller, who hit the ground running and is learning all facets and nuances of the job. Mike has handled many calls for service with regard to zoning regulations and health safety issues, while supporting both the Planning Commission and the Development Review Board. We were a little sad to see our long time Highway Superintendent, Bill Hunt, leave us to expand his own business, but we're happy to see that he remains a fixture in the region. We wish him and his family all the best! This opportunity opened the door for Bill's longtime foreman, Sheldon Brassor, to be promoted to Highway Superintendent, with over 30-years of experience and a veteran of the US Army. We are fortunate to be able to attract and retain talented employees working for the Town!

During this budget season, department heads were asked to make recommendations that would hold the line on new expenditures, without sacrificing our commitment to high quality service. Once again, the proposed budget in the coming fiscal year shows a modest increase that includes a 2% cost of living increase for employees. The Town's ability to offer a competitive wage & benefit package, challenging work in a professional setting with adequate resources and technology helps to attract and retain qualified employees.

Thank-you for your continuing support!

Respectfully, Scott A. Tucker Scott A. Tucker, Wilmington Town Manager

### Wilmington Fire Department

In 2019, Wilmington Fire personnel responded to 190 incidents, add in the 2 trainings we have every month, the work details we do such as monthly truck checks, Senior BBQ, the Blue Berry Festival and details at the Deerfield Valley Fair and Demolition Derby. It adds up to many hours of volunteer service.

The Town of Wilmington is very fortunate to have such dedicated men and women who give up time away from their jobs and families to keep this great community safe.

This year we were able to install a new Dry Hydrant on Whites Road. This project was paid for through the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Grant. We would like to thank Jeff Shor for allowing us to install this hydrant in his pond. We would also like to thank Mt Snow for donating the Hydrant. If you have a pond and are interested in installing a Hydrant, give Chief Moore a Call.

We welcomed 2 new Firefighters to our ranks this year; James Perry and Nevil Hernandez.

The Junior Fire fighter program now has five JR firefighters. The juniors train every Wednesday and also try to make it to most of our monthly Department Trainings. They are taking the Exterior Firefighter course that we are giving at the Firehouse. If you know of someone from the age of 14-18 who would be interested in becoming a junior Firefighter, have them stop at the Firehouse for an application.

Chief Moore and FF Shawn Hammond completed the Exterior Firefighter Train the Trainer Course and will be instructors for the Exterior Firefighter course in January at our station. This is an entry level Firefighter course for newer Firefighters and Junior Firefighters to teach them basic Firefighting and Safety and prepare them for the Firefighter 1 and 2 Certification training.

This year at the Annual Ladies Night Party we presented 2 Length of Service awards;

Shawn Hammond - 5 Years of service; and Melissa Hammond - 15 years of service.

We also presented 3 Honorary Member awards to Brian Tausenfreud, Mike Lozito, and Peter Beckwith. We also presented a Firefighter of the year award. This is something new we are doing to recognize members that go above and beyond their regular duties. The recipient of this award will receive a plaque to hang on their wall at home and their name will be placed on a large plaque at the Firehouse. Jake White was presented with the first ever Wilmington Fire Department Firefighter of the year award. Jake is always one of our top responders and he spends many hours at the

station checking and maintaining our Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, making sure they are safe and ready to go for our next structure fire.

The third week in October is Fire Prevention Week. This year Chief Moore and Junior FF Sierra Lazelle worked with the students at TVES teaching them about fire safety. We have had a lot of positive feedback from parents and the students since we reintroduced this program to the school.

The officers and members of the Wilmington Fire Department would like to thank the Selectboard, the Town manager, the Wilmington Police Department, the Wilmington Highway Dept, the staff at the town hall and the residents of the town of Wilmington for their continued assistance and support.

Respectfully submitted.

Scott Moore, Fire Chief William Spirka, Assistant Chief Robert Maynard Jr, Captain Keith Johnson, Lieutenant Jeremy White, Lieutenant Donald Wilson, Lieutenant

### **Highway Superintendent**

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, and maintaining our parks, the following projects were completed during 2019;

The Town received a Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid, for ditching and stone lining. The ditches were completed on Town Farm Rd, North Rd, Beebe Rd, Forbush Rd, Pond Loop, Ray Hill Rd, and Chimney Hill Rd.

The old garage lot was reshaped and graveled, and a culvert was installed for a path to the church parking lot.

Haskell Hill (22ft w x1175ft I) had 2 culverts replaced, ditched, and 3'winter binder black top was installed. Smith Rd (21ft w x 650ft I) had 1 culvert replaced, a portion was milled and winter blacktop was installed Higley Hill Rd (23ft w x 9520ft I) had 14 culverts replaced, ditched and where needed ditches were stone lined, 1'shim and 1' overlay was installed. Lisle Hill Rd (21ft w x 1550ft I) Stowe Hill Rd (22ft w x 3700ft I) 1' overlay was installed (22ft w x 2700ft I) was shimmed and 1' overlay installed 2010 International was traded toward a 2020 Western star 2014 Dodge 5500 was traded toward a 2019 Dodge 5500

I would like to thank William Hunt for his many years of service and the Road Crew for their hard work through-out the year. I also would like to thank the Town Manager, Selectboard, and other departments for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted; Sheldon Brassor, Highway Superintendent



New S Main St Sidewalk

#### **Police Department**

The Wilmington Police Department is comprised of six full time officers and two dispatchers. The six officers provide 24/7 coverage to the Town of Wilmington 365 days a year. The two dispatchers provide emergency dispatch to Wilmington Police Department from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM 7 days week. The dispatchers also handle citizen assists and the processing of requests for information.

2019 was a long and eventful year for the Wilmington Police Department. As you know we were faced with trying to find qualified officers to fill 4 full time vacant officer positions and 1 part time officer position. Officer Hammond and I worked nearly continuously during this period without a break. In addition to the hours we both worked our off-duty hours were spent on call. The dispatchers were tasked with a far greater workload than normal as I had them assist us as much as possible.

During this time, we were actively recruiting, advertising our officer positions and vetting applicants. I expanded our usual applicant search using internet-based applications, New England area college sites and traditional advertising. I had over 116 interested persons contact me for additional information. From this we received over thirty applications and offered the initial battery of testing to these persons. This quickly narrowed down our applicants to 19 and upon review of qualifications we narrowed those down to 9. We had volunteers from our community conduct oral citizen review boards of the applicants which resulted in us hiring three officers. The three officers are; Officer Joseph Carcich who joined us from a department in South Carolina and has several years of experience, Officer Andrew Kirkman who has years of experience in the US Army, Military Police branch and Officer Sasha Kondraski who has experience working in the mental health field.

Finally, as of this writing we have entered into an employment contract with Ryan O'Neil to fill the final full-time officer position. Ryan is a local resident and will be a great addition to the team. He will be attending the next full-time police academy starting in February 2020. The job market for agencies looking to hire officers is extremely competitive and competing with other agencies that are able to offer far better salaries is difficult. The hiring of 4 qualified, well rounded individuals during a national police applicant shortage and with over 50 VT police agencies hiring was no small accomplishment.

We currently are faced with some aging and deficient equipment issues which we will need to address in the short term. This includes replacement of our in-car video systems, portable radios and live scan fingerprint system. We have taken steps to maintain and prolong the serviceability of these items but we recognize that they are on borrowed time. The in-car systems have needed repair and we were forced to buy used parts from an online auction site to maintain them operationally as the equipment is no longer supported by the manufacturer. We have a very fiscally responsible budget and our capital fund is how we are slowly saving the funds to replace these systems so as not to have a large one-time request.

As you may know the select-board resurrected the police/fire facility committee (1<sup>st</sup> committee was started in 2012) to again explore the possibilities of a new public safety facility. I encourage all residents to come to the committee meetings. As of this time a site feasibility study will be conducted on the old Wilmington Highway Site on Beaver St to see if that site could support the combined facility.

By the end of 2019 the Wilmington Police Department will have handled approximately 1323 incidents. We issued approximately 438 traffic tickets and 325 warnings. We investigated over 113 motor vehicle collisions. 88 persons were arrested for a variety of offenses. Given the staffing issues we faced for the entire year our total number of incidents, traffic enforcement and proactive police work was down considerably. As a result of our inability to be more proactive we saw a significant increase in motor vehicle collisions in the area. Please keep mind this was the work of a partially staffed police department.

I applied for 3 separate federal grants which resulted in the WPD getting some needed funds for equipment. In addition, we also received \$6000 in equipment grant funds through our active participation in the highway safety program.

Please post your 911 street addresses by the roadway. In an emergency if we cannot find you, we cannot help you. Report suspicious activity, if you see something, say something. I would encourage all residents to call WPD if they have any questions or concerns. Take a minute and sign up for emergency notifications at VT-Alert.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the officers and staff of the Wilmington Police Department, Chief Matt Murano *Town of Wilmington 2019* 



### Wilmington Beautification Committee

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 and land on both sides, Brissette property, Route 9 Trailhead, Oxbow and West Main Street parking lot. The Gateway garden has grown to amazing proportions and requires many hours of weeding and pruning which we would be unable to do without our dedicated volunteers from within our community who answer our call for help many times spring through fall.

Many thanks to Mary Pike-Sprenger for the amazing flowers she and her team plant and maintain under contract with the Town. We now have over 90 flower barrels and hayracks at the bridges, Welcome signs and Town Office building! I hope you have a chance to admire and appreciate these beautiful plants and take the time to smell the flowers!! 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 with help from the American Legion.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl LaFlamme, Chair; Anne Saracino, Vice Chair; Mel Lopez, Secretary and Treasurer; Bev Butler, Alice Greenspan, Keith Herbert, Adele Mattern, Lee Schindel and Fred Skwirut

### **Town Clerk**

As many of you know, I will be retiring in the next few weeks. I'm fortunate to have been a member of such a dedicated group of professionals as are the Vermont Town Clerks. My tenure as Town Clerk would not have been as successful without the real hero of the office, Assistant Town Clerk Pat Johnson. Pat is a superb staff member whose hallmarks are graciousness, excellence, reliability, accuracy, loyalty and intelligence. Thank you is not enough to say to Pat, and I am eternally grateful for her service. Special thanks to Almira Aekus and Andy McLean who have never hesitated to give me great advice or to assist with a need. Heartfelt thanks to all Wilmington residents and taxpayers who have supported me and the Town Clerk's Office. It has been my honor to serve you for the last 25 years.

Respectfully submitted,

Susie Haughwout, Town Clerk

#### **2019 Calendar Year Statistics**

#### **ELECTIONS**

Mar 5th	Annual Town Meeting – Floor Meeting
	Election of Town/School Officers & School Budget

Floor Attendance 65 Ballots Cast 200

Total Registered Voters:	1596
New Registered Voters:	71
Transferred Voters:	45
Challenged Voters:	58
Purged Voters:	41

#### LAND RECORDS

Document Pages Recorded	3655
Property Transfer Tax Returns Recorded	231
Surveys/Mylars Recorded	4

#### **VITAL STATISTICS**

BIRTHS: Resider	nt- 21		DEATHS:	Resident - 15 Non Resident - 2
CIVIL MARRIAGES:	Resident – 8 Non Resident – 1	16	BURIALS:	Resident - 1 Non Resident - 11
CERTIFIED VITAL COPIE	ES ISSUED:	134		
DOG LICENSES ISSUED:		232		
LIQUOR LICENSES ISSUED:		24		
CATERING & EVENT PE	RMITS ISSUED:	13		

### **Zoning Department**

As a kid who grew up in Southern Vermont many years ago, I am delighted to be back in my home state again - now with a wife and our 8 year old boy. We wanted our son to have a similar childhood as I experienced living in a walkable community, where a car was not a necessity to life – as it was previously living in Metropolitan Atlanta. The majority of my youth outside school in Bennington was devoted to hiking, hunting, fishing, and organized sports which I continue to enjoy to this day.

As Wilmington's new Zoning Administrator and Health Officer, I have spent much of my time learning about the community and how to address these two specific disciplines in the Town, adhering to Vermont State Law. I chose a career in land use planning 20 years ago, in order to make a difference in local government and to hopefully leave a legacy of good projects behind me. I am thrilled the Town of Wilmington's public officials provided me with this tremendous opportunity to work in the community.

I was recently appointed by the Wilmington Select Board to serve as one of the designated town commissioners for the Windham Regional Commission. In this appointment, I was also asked by our regional partner to represent the town on both the Natural Resources and Community Development Committees. I welcome your thoughts in utilizing my regional involvement in the best way possible for Wilmington.

Though the job responsibilities within the Zoning Office are regulatory in nature, I would also like to use my position to assist the town in improving our existing codes, encouraging aging-in-place/ADA design options, pursuing building façade improvements, promoting healthy building standards, and better educating the public regarding environmental policy dictates that are likely to evolve in the years ahead. The Zoning Administrator position will continue to work closely with the representation from the Wilmington Planning Commission and Development Review Board in supporting policy initiatives geared towards fostering new commercial growth opportunities specific to tourism, shopping, dining, recreation, and civic engagement.

During 2019, the Zoning Office reviewed 58 projects related to the Wilmington permitting process. Of those proposals received, 10 went before the Development Review Board for consideration, 36 were either new structures or modifications to existing buildings, 6 were sign permits, 4 were driveway/right-of-way encroachment permits, 1 demolition permit, and 1 administrative amendment related to land use. Of the building structures permitted this year, 3 were for new residential dwellings. These figures track about 10-20 permits issued less than prior years, based on a 5-year trend average. I am hopeful permit activity will increase in the coming year with my role as the Zoning Administrator continuing to take shape. Respectfully Submitted,

#### Mike Tuller, AICP

Zoning Administrator/Health Officer

#### Rabies Clinic March 21, 2020 10am – Noon Wilmington Fire Station

#### Wastewater Department

For the calendar year 2019 we received, treated and discharged a total of 29,455,900 gallons of wastewater into the Deerfield River for a daily average of 80,700 gallons per day which represents a 7.56% decrease compared to 2018. The facility is permitted to discharge an annual average flow of 135,000 gallons per day. We recorded 44.77 inches of rain and 102.25 inches of snow for a total of 147.02 total inches of precipitation in 2019.

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	2017	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Avg. Daily Flow (gallons per day)	77,900	86,000	68,000	78,200	78,100	69,800	65,800	80,600	87,300	80,700
Rain (inches)	45.70	57.80	38.83	44.23	45.85	34.68	38.28	48.14	55.35	44.77
Snow (inches)	85.25	129.50	68.50	97.50	94.75	88.25	71.25	111.75	150.00	102.25
<b>Total Precipitation (inches)</b>	130.95	187.30	107.33	141.73	140.60	122.92	109.53	160.16	205.35	147.02

In January we entered into an agreement with VHB Engineering to design the extension of our Sewer Main to the area of East Main Street #28 to #44. This project will coincide with the sidewalk improvement project scheduled for the summer of 2020. This new sewer main will eliminate an old and long private sewer line and greatly improve the sewer service in the area. We also have a contract with A+E Engineering to complete a feasibility study on the possibility of extending water and sewer service to the East end of Town to the intersection of Ballou Hill Road and a short distance down Route 100 South. We are expecting the results from this study in July 2020. In the next 3-5 years we also hope to address the sewer issues in the areas known as East Main 2 and West Main Street.

We are in the process of upgrading our Scada (Supervisory control and data acquisition) equipment at all of our pumping stations to allow us to communicate with them via wireless cellular data service. This will eliminate the need for individual standard phone lines at each station and the need to communicate using fax modems. This will reduce our annual phone bill by about \$1,000.

The treatment plant continues to operate very well and efficiently. In 2019 we removed 97% of the BOD (bad bugs) and 95% of the TSS (solids) that entered the plant. In May we participated in the 2019 Water Quality Day event along with 18 other facilities throughout the State. This is a great event to "remind Vermonters of the crucial role that drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater management plays in their way of life -- and to honor the boots-on-the-ground professionals who make the miracle happen 24/7/365".

In February we received the renewed certification of our Solid Waste Management plan. We are only 1 of 7 facilities in the State that produces an Exceptional Quality Biosolids product and have been doing so since 1996. Our Compost product is very popular and we often have a waiting list of those wishing to get a load.

Treatment Plant staff attended 9 training events this past year. Chief Operator John Lazelle was appointed to represent the Town of Wilmington on the board of directors for the (VRWA) Vermont Rural Water Association in May. In February John will be traveling to Washington DC to represent VRWA at the 2020 National Rural Water Association DC Rally. This event provides an "opportunity for supporters of our industry to make their case directly to their elected officials. Rural Water Associations in each state schedule meetings with Representatives, Senators and their staff, so that they can share the Rural Water success story, answer questions and build important relationships".

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 <u>ilazelle@wilmingtonvt.us</u> 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

### **Development Review Board**

#### 2019 in Review

10 applications were heard in total

5 requests for land development

2 municipal development projects (sidewalks and Reardon's Bridge ramp)

1 change of use

1 change of signage

1 request for reconsideration of conditions

All development applications were approved with conditions

#### Number of development applications by year:

2012 – 32	2016 – 11
2013 – 16	2017 – 12
2014 – 19	2018 – 9
2015 – 17	2019 - 10

The Development Review Board (DRB) composition experienced several changes in 2019.

- Fred Houston stepped down as a full Board member to become an Alternate. We thank Fred for his years of volunteerism and his valuable contributions to the Board. We look forward to continuing to benefit from his contributions in his new role as Alternate.
- Peter Wallace stepped down from his role of Alternate on the Development Review Board to focus his energy on his business, Folly Food. Peter carried the Board through difficult times, assuming the role of Chair at a time when he had barely joined the Board himself. We will be forever grateful to Peter for his commitment and spirit of community to pull the Board through a time of transition and development.
- We were fortunate to have Jessie Couture for a time. She brought a wealth of architectural knowledge and experience to the table. Jessie moved away in pursuit of new career and personal opportunities. She is greatly missed.
- The two open Board positions were filled by Charlie Foster, owner of the Wilmington Inn, bringing his lodging and business experience to the group, and Diane Abate who brings to the Board an abundance of architectural and development experience. We welcome Charlie and Diane as valuable assets to the Board.
- Cheryl LaFlamme, who joined the Board December 21, 2018, has become an valuable member of the team bringing not only her years of attorney and business experience, but also her unique perspectives on the Zoning Ordinance as chair of the Planning Commission. In addition to Chairing the Planning Commission Cheryl currently serves as Vice Chair of the Development Review Board.
- Paul Lockyear, owner of the Nutmeg Inn, continues in his role as a Board member lending his valuable perspective as an experienced international businessman and local development advocate. Paul is also serving as Clerk to the DRB.
- As for myself, I continued in my role as Board Chair. As my husband and I move toward snowbird status in coming years my ongoing role with the Board will change. I will continue to play as significant of a role as time and circumstance allows. I am heartened by the strength and talent of the current Board and their ability to carry out this legally complicated and challenging "quasi-judicial" role under new leadership when the time comes.

The role of the Board members is a substantial commitment for these Select Board appointed unpaid volunteers serving 3-year terms. Development Review Board hearings are held under oath and subject to the penalties of perjury. For each case heard the Board issues "finding of facts" and reaches "conclusions of law" for each Zoning Ordinance Standard. They approve or deny requests and determine those "Conditions" that must be met in order to proceed with proposed development in a way that is in conformity with the Zoning Ordinance. While there are currently no pending appeals of Board decisions, appeals would be heard by the Supreme Court Environmental Division.

Publicly warned Development Review Board hearings provide an important avenue for community members to be informed of and weigh in on proposed Conditional Use land development, such as commercial development or subdivisions of land. Applicants and Interested Parties, including abutters and neighbors, have the opportunity to provide input through sworn testimony and exhibits.

The Board would like to thank the community for their support of the DRB role; applying the requirement of the zoning ordinance and promoting sustainable and responsible economic development.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of your Develop	oment review Board
Wendy Manners Seaman, Chair	Charlie Foster
Cheryl LaFlamme, Vice Chair	Diane Abate
Paul Lockyear, Clerk	Fred Houston – Alternate (2 Alternate positions remain open)
Town of Wilmington 2019	

### Southern Vermont Therapeutic Riding Center

SVTRC participants include two Wilmington residents, and an additional participant whose family are second homeowners in Wilmington. Four more participants attend Twin Valley, and two of our volunteers are Wilmington residents. Our total income for FY2018 (March 1-February 28) was \$85,776. Our total expenses were \$87,039. In response to this net loss, we worked strategically to strengthen our planned events (including this year's golf tournament) and to identify additional fundraising opportunities.

Please also note the following:

- We hosted our 10th Annual Horse Show with 12 participants, multiple volunteers and a number of local sponsors. This event is an opportunity for participants to display skills that they've learned and/or improved over the past year. Family, friends and the public attend.
- We were grateful to receive donations (cash and materials) from several local businesses.
- We held our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament. This is our single biggest event, and we raised more than \$10,000 (the previous year, we raised nearly \$8000).
- We continued our partnership with Families First in Wilmington, offering equine assisted therapies to their clients.
- We continued a long-time partnership with Kindle Farm School.
- Our Annual Holiday Party and Silent Auction brought together the SVTRC community (participants, volunteers, families, staff, and board members) with the support of many local businesses and donors.
   We raised more than \$1400.
- Our annual Pizza Fundraiser brought in more than \$1100.
- We have an increasingly coordinated effort to raise funds on Giving Tuesday. Last year, we raised \$2500.

Once again, thank you so much for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or for more information.

Respectfully,

Meredith L. Kenyon SVTRC board member, volunteer, and participant 802-258-1215 <u>MeredithLKenyon@gmail.com</u>

### **Board of Listers**

Dear Town of Wilmington Homeowners:

Your Town Listers have been very busy this past year. As you know we are doing a town wide reappraisal. Deb Kingsley, Administrative Assistant, has been putting in many hours directing this with Green Mountain Appraisal who has been working with the Town since 1997, for residential properties; Joseph Meyers who has been working with the Town since 2009, Dart Everett Associates, for commercial properties; Brandon Hawks from SnoValuations Inc for our more complex properties; and Russ Beaudoin with ARG (Appraisal Resource Group) who is the ProVal representative for our new appraisal program. The new program will make it much easier to keep up with the market trends.

We are intending to send your new property values and will have a booklet for all of the property values in Town by June 4, 2020 which is the last day that we can send the notices out unless we get an extension from the State. The schedule has not been set for grievances yet because it depends on when the notices are sent. The booklet and notices will be posted on our website at **wilmingtonvermont.us**. You will need to go to the Listers page which is under the department **GRAND LIST/BOARD OF LISTERS**. We will also have a booklet inserted into the Deerfield Valley News. If you need to grieve, we will be able to do conference calls for those who cannot make it to Town and also daily appointments for those that are available for those appointments. We will have one weekend for appointments as well, if needed. The appointments will be 15 minutes each.

We appreciate the cooperation that we have had from the property owners during this reappraisal. Board of Listers Jerry Osler Leonard Chapman Diane Schipke Kay Martin Schwader Lynne Matthews

#### A NOTE FROM BRIAN DECESARE, GREEN MOUNTAIN APPRAISAL:

Once again it has been a pleasure working with the Town representatives and the property owners in Wilmington. Green Mountain Appraisals began our long-lasting relationship with Wilmington in 1997 for the 1999 Re-Val. We then did a Re-Val in 2009 and now preparing a Re-Val for 2020.

The vast majority of property owners have been extremely supportive and we are now in the final stage of field inspections. We are hoping to be finished with inspections by the end of January but, of course, we will likely be cleaning up some inspections in January, February and March.

We are excited to be working with new (to us) software which completes a "true" market-based valuation using actual property sales of both land and improved residential properties.

Green Mountain Appraisals would like to thank all of the property owners in Wilmington for making this process a pleasure and a success.

### **Planning Commission Report**

It has been a pleasure to have Tom Consolino work with us this year.

We finalized and voted to send to the Select Board the Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Bylaw after many meetings and hearings attended by property owners. Unfortunately, the Select Board voted after two hearings and at their regular meeting to not approve this recommended Bylaw. We thank Agency of Natural Resources and Windham Regional Commission for their enormous help to the Planning Commission with this initiative.

We received the Grant for Local Hazard Mitigation Plan development under FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to rewrite our current Local Hazard Mitigation Plan which expires January 22, 2020. We hired Allyssa Sabetto from Windham Regional Commission to assist in writing the new plan and have had two Town meetings for information gathering and Allyssa is writing our new plan for presentation to FEMA.

In 2020, we will be looking at the Zoning Ordinance in conjunction with the Housing Analysis and Master Plan which was prepared for the Towns of Wilmington and Dover.

We welcome all residents to our meetings and hearings and look forward to your input.

Respectively submitted, Cheryl LaFlamme, Chair Tom Consolino John LeBron Meg Staloff Angela Yakovleff

### **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 FY19, HCRS provided 1557 hours of services to 39 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.

### Wilmington Trails Committee

The Trails Committee achieved a number of milestones and benchmarks this year.

We opened the Beaver Brook Trail, which is .75 miles long and follows the Beaver Brook through the fields behind the old High School. It is a wonderful, easy trail for all ages and abilities. We also were awarded a grant which enabled us to put gravel down on about one-third of the Beaver Brook trail. It looks tremendous and provides a smoother surface requiring less maintenance. The Trails Committee hopes to garner further grants to place gravel over additional sections of the Beaver Brook Trail.

The Committee also opened the Monument Trail and was able to add gravel to portions of this trail as well. This Trail goes south from St. Mary's Church, along the cemetery down to the fields to connect up with the Beaver Brook trail. These trails enhance downtown recreation opportunities, are easily accessible, and add to the attractiveness of Wilmington's overall trail network.

The Trails Committee also re-routed the Primitive Trail following last years landslide of the trail embankment toward the Beaver Brook. This landslide wiped out a portion of the Primitive Trail. The Committee performed some significant terracing and added steps and rebar in order to re-route the Primitive Trail out of the steep Beaver Brook gully. There is also a bypass of this steep section which the Trails Committee built leading to higher up Whites Road should hikers desire an easier route.

The Committee placed countless new signs in 2019, improving directions on the trails and visibility. We also had beautiful wooden "Wilmington Trails" signs made for our Kiosks. The Committee has no plans to add any more trails at this juncture, but is focused now on maintenance and continually improving the existing miles of wonderful trails within our town.

### **Green Up**

May 4, 2019 was another successful Green Up Day in Wilmington. A big thank you to all who helped. There were at least 117 people who picked up over 225 bags of roadside litter. That equals about 5 tons of trash that is no longer along our roads. Volunteers included teens, families and senior citizens. In addition, there was a concerted effort by a group from the Wilmington Trail Committee working along Beaver Brook.

We were also assisted by the town and school offices, our town and state road crews, the Old School Community Center, the folks at <u>greenupvermont.org</u> and Shaws grocery store. Thank you. We could not have done it without you.

Special recognition this year goes to Bill Hunt who just retired. As the head of our local road crew, he has helped coordinate the pick-up of all the full Green Up bags of trash along with many tires and other assorted items for the past fifteen years. Thank you, Bill. You served us well and your retirement is well deserved.

Green Up Day is always on the first Saturday in May so in 2020 it will be on May 2. If you have any questions or want to help with future planning, please let one of us know.

Submitted by Wilmington Green Up co-ordonators: Rebecca Sweeney and Kathy Larsen, <u>kdlarsen@myfairpoint.net</u>



The Deerfield Valley Community Cares fuel assistance fund has been in existence since 2004. Our aim is to help individuals or families who do their best to make ends meet, but sometimes fall short during the heavy winter months when fuel bills eat up a large part of their income. These are the people who fall through the cracks – cannot qualify for any kind of state of federal aid because their income is a little too much – but do not have enough to make it through the winter. Most of these people are working, some at several jobs, and some are seniors on a fixed income. One accident, or illness, or a month without the usual amount of income can put these people far enough behind so that they cannot catch up without help.

Our money is raised through fundraisers like the Best Dam Walk, which is now being run for us by the Rotary Club. We also apply for a number of grants and we send out an annual appeal to all of the residents of the Deerfield Valley. Many civic organizations and churches contribute each year, as well as most of the towns within the valley.

In past years we have spent as much as \$94,000 during the winter and have helped as many as 89 families. This past winter (2018-2019) we spent \$76,140.00 and helped 69 families, 24 of which were residents of Wilmington. Our financial needs depend not only on the weather, but on the prices of various fuels in a given year. Last winter there was a problem of lack of employment in the valley caused by the closing of the Hermitage Club.

We are grateful for the support that the Town of Wilmington has given us in the past. We hope that you will help us again in our effort to keep your neighbors warm during the coming winter.

Respectfully submitted, Susan M. Spengler, Director



Solar Array at the Transfer Station

### Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce

The Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce is pleased to continue to serve our area businesses. This past year has once again shown that our Valley can continue to grow and thrive. The Valley has seen new businesses open, and the rejuvenation of businesses that have been a part of our community for many years. We have also seen great improvement to our tourism infrastructure with new sidewalks in Wilmington, as well as an expanded and ever growing offering of hiking trails in the town of Dover.

We have been extremely active in helping to market our local businesses and events, and we have seen growth in our own events. This year marked the largest and most successful VT Wine & Harvest Festival on record with more visitors, vendors and offerings then we have ever seen before. We saw our newest event the Craft Brew and Chili stroll reach its largest attendance in its four year history, and the smiling, happy faces of the friends and family who joined us for this year's annual fireworks display. With each successful event, we see our visitor numbers rise, and our local businesses grow.

We have expanded our offerings to members to include more marketing and opportunity to grow. From our member spotlight display in the Chamber office, our weekly events/specials newsletter, expanded online and radio advertising, and partnerships with fellow Chambers throughout the State, we feel this is a very exciting time to be a part of our Chamber.

The Chamber has also spent the last year working every day to get more people to visit our Valley, as well as have them come to stay. We have watched our brand grow through coordinated efforts with our internal marketing, the Bi-Town Marketing efforts, and the efforts of other groups, events, and organizations in our Valley.

We are pleased to look back on 2019 and see tremendous growth in our community, local businesses, our organization, and events. We look forward to seeing the continued expansion of our efforts and goals to continue to assist our local businesses and community in any way we can.

Respectfully, Eric Durocher Director, Southern Vermont Deerfield Valley Chamber of Commerce Visitvermont.com

### **Youth Services**

Youth Services was established in 1972. We provide transformative programs in prevention, intervention and development for young people and families in Windham County Communities. We assist over 1,200 children, youth and families annually. We help youth and young adults living in difficult circumstances learn the life skills that will assist them in living successfully on their own and as engaged and productive community citizens. Our broad array of program services include:

- Intervention and support services to teens running away from home or at-risk for running away with counseling, family mediation, and housing
- Transitioning youth in foster care to independent living as young adults
- Court Diversion for youth and adults, an alternative to the traditional court system using a restorative justice approach to repair the harm to victims and the community while
- addressing the underlying issues of the people who violated the law
- Full substance abuse counseling services for young adults
- Therapeutic case management services for youth and young adults
- Career development programs with one-on-one mentoring for high school students and young adults
- Substance abuse prevention for youth and adults
- Supervised visitation services for families

This\_year, we respectfully request \$300 from the Town of Wilmington to help fund our agency's services. We served 15 residents from Wilmington during Fiscal Year 2019 and remain available to provide services in the future. Services provided included Court Diversion, Justice Services, Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program, and Case Management. Your continued support is beneficial to the children, youth and families in your town.

For additional information please see our website at <u>www.youthservicesinc.org</u>, call 802-257-0361 or email <u>info@youthservicesinc.org</u>. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Russell Bradbury-Carlin Executive Director

Transforming Lives, Inspiring Futures

### Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

#### About the League

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, owned by its member municipalities, with a mission to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. It is directed by a 13-member Board of Directors elected by the membership and comprising municipal officials from across the state. The most recent audited financial statements are posted on our website, <u>vlct.org/about/audit-reports</u>, and show that our positive net position continues.

#### **Member Benefits**

All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, as are 139 other municipal entities that include villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions, and fire districts. Members have exclusive access to a wide range of specialized benefits, expertise, and services, including:

- Legal, consulting, and education services, including prompt responses to member inquiries. In 2019, VLCT continued to provide members with timely legal and technical assistance, including answering more than 4,000 legal questions and publishing legal compliance guidance, templates and research reports, many of which are available to our members on our website.
- **Training programs on topics of specific concern to officials** who carry out the duties required by statute or are directed by town meeting mandates The League provided training on various topics related to municipal law and governance to more than 1,000 members this past year.
- Representation before the state legislature and state agencies, ensuring that municipal voices are heard collectively and as a single, united voice. VLCT's recent legislative efforts have helped provide cities and towns additional resources to achieve tangible results on pressing issues such as road and bridge repair, cybersecurity, housing and economic growth, renewable energy, emergency medical services, reducing carbon emissions, and ensuring water quality. Members are also represented at the federal level primarily through our partner, the National League of Cities, as well as directly with Vermont's Congressional delegation.
- Access to two exceptional insurance programs. The Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) provides comprehensive and cost-effective property, liability, and workers' compensation insurance coverage, programs, and services that protect the assets of your community. The VLCT Employment Resource and Benefits Trust (VERB) provides unemployment insurance, life, disability, dental, and vision insurance products to members at a competitive price. Both programs provide coverage and products that members need and ask for, help Vermont municipalities stretch their budgets, and are *only* available to VLCT members.
- Access to a host of educational and informative materials and member conferences, including a news magazine, handbooks, reports, articles, and events that all focus on the needs of local government and provide additional educational and networking opportunities.

At the heart of all these activities is VLCT's commitment to serving as a good steward of member assets, and we are proud of the progress we continue to make in that effort. Members are welcome to visit the VLCT office anytime to review the operations of the organization, to ask questions, and to access resources that can help each individual official and employee carry out the important work of local government.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, visit the VLCT website at vict.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.

SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus expansion and renovation project is in its third and final phase. It is slated to be completed by the third week of December 2019. The 6,000+ sq. ft. facility will include seven exam rooms (including two bariatric rooms); a procedure room; consultation rooms for diabetes education, medication management, and nutrition counseling; a multi-purpose room; and spaces for physical therapy, imaging, and lab services.

The benefits of SVHC's connection with Dartmouth-Hitchcock continue to be instrumental in recruiting and retaining outstanding personnel, including our two family practice physicians at the Deerfield campus, **Dr. Peter Park and Dr. Dagmar Tobits**, and our new nurse practitioner, **Emma Boisvert**, **NP**.

Our local medical campus is a Patient Centered Medical Home that provides 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 community health team includes a diabetes educator, a registered dietician, a mental health and substance abuse counselor, and a nurse case manager. The SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus also provides laboratory and onsite imaging services, same-day care to the area (usually within 24-hours of a call to the office), and wellness programs such as smoking cessation. The Telemedicine introduction has been postponed and expected installment within the next two years.

During the 2018-2019 operating year, the SVMC Deerfield Valley Campus:

I Treated 924 residents of Wilmington, recording 4,623 patient visits. The total of all patient visits to the Deerfield Valley Campus this year was 14,061.

Administered **434 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), a walk-in care facility owned and operated by SVMC. Located at the base of Mount Snow on the Grand Summit Hotel access road, MMS treated 792 patients between November 2018 and March 2019.

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 in Bennington; the Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation in Hoosick Falls, NY; the Southwestern Vermont Regional Cancer Center, the SVHC Foundation, and medical campuses in Manchester, Wilmington, and Pownal, VT, and in Hoosick Falls, NY. Regional advisory boards representing the Northshire, the Deerfield Valley, the northern Berkshire area of Massachusetts, and the Hoosick area of New York are in place to assist in community outreach efforts.

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

Crista Gannon, Chair & SVHC Foundation Board
Chad Bullock
Bruce Mullen
Arlene Palmiter, SVHC Foundation Board
Kristen Wallace

Elizabeth Acquaviva, *DVHC Practice Manager* Charles La Fiura, *SVHC Foundation Board* Marv Neuman Mark Wallace

### **Historical Society of Wilmington**

The Historical Society of Wilmington, is a duly organized nonprofit entity, dedicated to collecting, preserving, teaching, and displaying the history of Wilmington. The society is an independent group of volunteers that is funded by donations, memberships, and fundraisers.

The museum was open on Saturdays from July 6th through September 1st, and by appointment as requested. Alumni and visitors to Wilmington continue to enjoy visits to the museum to reminisce or for research purposes.

We would like to thank everyone who presented during one of our monthly meetings throughout the year. Nicki Steel shared her collection of loon photos taken at Lake Raponda, David Larsen shared his newly published "Small Town Rep" book with discussion about his experience at the State House, Spencer Crispe updated his audience with the accomplishments made with the Wilmington Trail system, including the newly opened trails. Will Melton presented "Liberty's War" the book he edited for his father, Herman E. Melton, and lastly, but not least, a return visit from Claudette Hollenbeck with her presentation about the very long-term history of Vermont.

The annual potluck dinner was well attended, followed by the annual meeting in August. Discussion was opened to ideas for the society's presence during the upcoming Old Home Week 2020.

Fundraising continues to be at the forefront for the society, for help maintaining the property, for monthly expenses, and purchasing supplies. Our annual newsletter helps with donations and membership dues. The society was also the recipient of the Shaw's "Give Back Where It Counts" program, and a very successful bake sale was held in August. Thank you to everyone who supported the society one way or another throughout the year.

These are just some of the many unique artifacts received by the society this past year: an **H.F. Barber** metal footwear sign that hung in the Barber Store on Main Street, a Singer treadle sewing machine, an Adams Farm sap storage tub, and Eugene "Rummy" Sullivan's Navy uniform.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the museum exterior painting fund, plans are underway for the museum to be painted in time for Old Home Week. Without the annual membership drive each year we would be in a tight bind to keep the museum up and running. The society incurred an unexpected large expense this past summer: an extremely large, old elm tree on the property was encroaching on one of the neighbor's buildings and had to be removed. Thank you to Wimmelman Tree Service for their prompt, professional tree removal work.

Monthly meetings and presentations will resume starting in April and continue through November, held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise posted. The museum will be open to visitors on Saturdays from 1pm to 3pm, starting July 4th weekend through Labor Day weekend, or by advance notice. Extended hours will be posted on our website for the four-day Old Home Week event July 30th - August 2nd. Be sure to stop in and visit with our volunteers during OHW registration at Memorial Hall and pick up a detailed list of events.

2020 events will be posted on the society's web page as information becomes available:

#### http://www.wilmingtonhistoricalsociety.com

I would like to take this time to thank our dedicated officers and trustees, for their continued support and help with preserving Wilmington history. We look forward to having the museum open for returning alumni and visitors during the summer months and Old Home Week 2020.

Julie Moore, President	William (Bill) Adams, Trustee
Sally Gore, Vice President	Paul Crosier, Trustee
Sharon Adams, Secretary	Donna Lackey, Trustee
Mary Towne, Treasurer	Vi Rafus, Trustee
Larry Chase, House Committee Chairman	Harriet Maynard, Curator

Respectfully submitted, Julie Moore, President

#### **Economic Development**

In Fiscal year 2018-2019 the 1% Local Option Tax brought in \$267,810; a significant decrease from last year by \$44,432. According to Vermont State Tax Department our retail sales were down from \$30,341,591 in FY2018 to this fiscal year of \$23,643,982. Our Use Sales (purchases made out of State for use in VT) continue to increase year over year; due to internet sales now charging VT tax on purchases. Room, Meal and Alcohol sales totaled \$9,744,998 a decrease from \$12,437,975 in FY2018. Unfortunately, these numbers are trending around the state.

Priority Projects set by the Select Board in April of 2018

- Assisted with initial conversations for the <u>Water District Merger</u>.
- Hired an engineer for a feasibility study for the <u>Water and Wastewater Expansion on Route 9 East</u>. This project has great potential for redevelopment of multiple commercial properties. Leveraged state financial resources for the study.
- One of the East Main Street <u>wastewater private lines</u> will be upgraded during the construction of the sidewalk next summer.
- Served as an advisor on the <u>Public Safety Facility- Co-relocation of Fire and Police</u>.
- Working collaboratively with surrounding towns on <u>Broadband</u> of the newly formed Deerfield Valley Broadband Working Group. I am also examining areas in Wilmington that are not being served; as well as the big picture of fiber to homes.
- <u>Sidewalks</u>- Completed the east side of South Main Street with new concrete, lighting and a crosswalk. We even moved the historical fountain monument to protect the structure and provided another parking space. Next year we will be in construction from 28-78 East Main Street north side. These sidewalk projects are funded through large grants and match funds come from the 1% Local Option Tax Fund.

#### **Other Projects**

- Met with multiple potential new business owners/property owners to connect them with local and state resources.
- Assisted with grants and the open house of the Old School Community Center.
- Bi-Town Economic Development Committee- Assisted on the sub committees of Marketing for a digital marketing campaign and Housing where we completed an analysis of housing in Dover and Wilmington. We will be implementing the Action Plan in 2020 that was developed by the analysis.
- Wrote the grant, managed the grant, and assisted with managing the day-day activities of the Lake Raponda Greeter Program.
- After much planning; the Reardon Bridge Ramp will be in construction in early spring.
- Diligently working on the Valley Trail for family friendly upgrades and working through permitting.

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

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

### SASH

SASH coordinates the resources of social-service agencies, community health providers and nonprofit housing organizations to support Vermonters who choose to live independently at home. Individualized, on-site and in-home support is provided by a Wellness Nurse and a SASH Care Coordinator. SASH serves older adults as well as people with special needs who receive Medicare support. SASH touches the lives of approximately 5,000 people throughout Vermont. In our area we only have one senior housing option. Our Deerfield Valley coordinator serves 43 SASH participants and I have been assisting several who are not on SASH however have either asked or been referred to us for assistance. The cost breakdown for the town is roughly \$0.96/ day per participant.

#### **Benefits to SASH Participants**

- □ Improved quality of life
- □ Comprehensive health and wellness assessments
- □ Individualized Healthy Living Plans
- □ Money savings through preventive health care
- $\hfill\square$  Regular check-ins by caring staff
- $\hfill\square$  Health coaching and access to wellness nurses
- 🗆 Help in planning for successful transitions (e.g., following hospitalization), navigating long-term care options and during a crisis
- □ Access to prevention and wellness programs
- $\hfill\square$  Support in self-managing medications

**Benefits to Town of Wilmington** – The same benefits to town residents, who are active in Medicare, while on the wait list to join SASH. We also do wellness visits at the towns request or other town residents request, to talk to those active in Medicare who may benefit from the services of SASH. We also do visits and calls for those older residents that may not want to join SASH, but would benefit from and occasional visit. The Shires Housing SASH panels in the valley, have collaborated with the VT FoodBank for a monthly drop location at our office. We have also recruited 5 volunteer drivers, who once a month come to the VT FoodBank drop site at our office. Currently, we box up and deliver donated food items to over 32 community members who cannot get to the drop site to pick up for themselves. These are just a few benefits for the towns of the valley and their residents. Starting in 2020, Wilmington will have a SASH office 30 hours per week. We will not only assist those residents that have signed up for SASH but include the community with forms assistance and referrals.

Thank you for considering this request. Please let me know if you need any additional information that may influence your decision to approve funding.



#### Wilmington, Vermont

In keeping with our Strategic Plan, Pettee Library focused on three main goals in 2019. The first area of concentration was to encourage young readers to continue returning to the library. Our Youth Librarian, Angela Yakovleff, started several programs that are aimed at children in elementary school and beyond. The Lunch Bunch program was created for middle grade students, who over the course of August read three books from the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award list. They met one day a week for lunch, discussions, and activities around the books' themes. Students who read five or more books from the list by the end of the school year are eligible to vote for their favorites and can attend a DCF party at Twin Valley Elementary School Library, which we co-sponsor. The students who attended the Lunch Bunch program are well on their way to completing the five-book goal!

The second area of strategic opportunity identified is stimulating the imaginations of our community members. This is a fun goal for us to try to accomplish, as it allows us to explore *our* imaginations to provide our users with more opportunities. Programs such as our Brown Bag Lunch Series during the summer explored local history, avoiding scams, and hosting the Virtual Dementia Tour with SASH. An open craft group started in July and continues to meet every Monday afternoon at 4:00 PM.

Staff development is key to making sure that Pettee Library stays at the forefront of providing library services. In 2019, we had the opportunity to send our staff to a national conference: The Association of Rural and Small Libraries's annual conference was held in Burlington in September. Attending this conference was a valuable chance to meet librarians from all over the United States and hear information about new services and programs being offered to their communities. While we are working on some new ideas and programs to be starting soon, you can already see some things that we took away from the conference, such as our new app that allows users to print wirelessly.

The third strategic goal that we set forth was to make the library more comfortable. We are happy to report that we have successfully finalized a plan to renovate the main floor of the library. This plan will create more programming space, a comfortable sitting area, and a new teen area. New shelving, computers, and a circulation desk will make this transformation possible. Along with this renovation, there is also important work that needs to be done to the elevator to ensure it is in proper working order and repairs to the original windows to make them functional and more energy efficient.

At the beginning of September, we began the fundraising effort to reach our budget of \$150,000. Early on, we received an incredibly generous gift of \$25,000 from an anonymous benefactor. In late December, we were awarded the 2020 Historic Preservation Grant Award for \$5,250 to help fund the repairs to the windows. Through fundraisers and soliciting donations, we are hoping to be able to fully fund the project by the end of 2020. The library is open seven days a week and can accept donations in person or at any time at our website <u>www.petteelibrary.org/renovate</u>. Keep your eyes open for our "Pennies for Pettee" Million Penny Challenge jars around the Valley and for more fundraisers coming soon.

Respectfully submitted, Allison Maynard, *Library Director* 

On behalf of the Board of Trustees: Carolyn Palmer, chair; Louis Clark, treasurer; Amy Swanson, secretary; Jason Staloff; Marie Page.

Staff: Jennifer Razee, Assistant Librarian; Angela Yakovleff, Youth Librarian; Linda Green, Circulation Clerk

### Wilmington Works

Wilmington Works is the designated downtown organization for the Town of Wilmington, Vt. Our mission is "To build, improve, and support a vital downtown that benefits the entire Wilmington community."

We do that in several ways. One part of our work is partnering with the Town in applying for infrastructure improvement grants. Last year's renewal of the South Main Street sidewalk is an example of such a project. We are loving the new streetlights this winter!

Speaking of infrastructure, in May 2019 the Vermont Arts Council awarded Wilmington Works a \$14,000 "Animating Infrastructure" grant to fund the design phase of a public art project: the Beaver Street Art Project. Thanks to community voting on the final choice of artist (which is ongoing until Town Meeting Day check <u>www.BeaverStreetArt.com</u> for more information!) and widespread community support, including a grant from the Rotary Club of the Deerfield Valley, we look forward to the retaining wall on The Richards Group property having a whole new look in time for Old Home Week 2020.

We also run a year-long series of promotions and events to drive traffic to our downtown.

If you were one of the many faces we saw downtown in 2019 during the Village Strolls and Block Party, thank you for coming and enjoying Downtown with friends and neighbors. The Eat Sleep Shop Local Program has been another repeated success, directing in excess of \$50,000 in spending directly to our independent downtown merchants. We are working to create new events to make the village lively and enjoyable in every season. Ideas and volunteers are always welcome!

We always enjoy partnering with other community organizations doing work in our downtown. If you have an idea for a project that will enhance our downtown in any way, let us know.

You can learn more about Wilmington Works at <u>www.wilmingtonworksvt.com</u>, where you can also sign up to receive our newsletter, or follow our Facebook Page for frequent updates on community events and progress downtown.

In closing, we would like to thank the Town and the many people whose generous financial and volunteer support has played a key role in our ongoing success. Together we continue to work for a vital and vibrant downtown.

Respectfully Submitted, Allison Maynard, Chair

### **Deerfield Valley Transit Association**

We celebrated our 23rd anniversary in 2019. We're so fortunate to have the support of the town of Wilmington, the Vermont Agency of Transportation, the Federal Transit Administration, Senator Patrick Leahy, and the businesses, residents, and guests in the Deerfield Valley. Few people thought we'd survive the first year, but with the support of those above we have provided over five million rides since. Thanks also to our staff and Board of Directors.

With the 2015 merger to the former Connecticut River Transit based in Rockingham we became the third largest public transit provider in Vermont. The company now serves 36 towns in three counties and provides nearly a million volunteer and bus rides each year.

The MOOver provides direct service to Wilmington's secondary students choosing to go to the Career Center, plus afternoon service from TVMS/TVHS to Wilmington. The students are great and we enjoy serving them.

For the past ten years, WSWSU has provided \$8,000 in contributions to the MOOver for the services above. Combined with federal and state operating grants, we use this local match to operate these routes and save Wilmington \$48,000 annually.

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

We 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

Rides 7/1/18-6/30/19	MOOver	Current	Total
Winter Routes	168,999	1,748	170,747
Year Round Routes	118,228	127,718	245,946
Senior rides	1,681	10,630	12,311
Volunteer Rides		19,151	19,151
Total Rides	288,908	159,247	448,155





Junior Firefighter Training

#### **Senior Meals Program**

The Senior Meal program taking place in Jacksonville has been a success this year. Since taking it over in October of last year, on a volunteer basis, we have realized that it is possible to continue this service with the funds we have been receiving from surrounding communities, the state and contributions from the recipients. We serve the communities of Jacksonville, Whitingham, Readsboro, Halifax, Wilmington, Searsburg, Marlboro and Dover. We are thankful for your support of this much needed program in our valley.

We serve a noon time meal at the Jacksonville site on Tuesday's and Thursdays. This site not only offers a meal, it offers a community gathering as well. This time and space has been used as a "senior center" for 18 years. Not only do the seniors receive a meal, they have an opportunity to, twice a week, come out of their homes and be in community. We have celebrations for each of the holidays, once a month VNA comes and does blood pressure, and diabetic foot checks, as well flu shots and offering wellbeing information. We work with the SASH program, RSVP and have two volunteers from the high school on a regular basis from the special needs program at the high school. For the Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter celebrations, the TVMS sends student leaders to help serve the meal as well as offering singalongs. This is so much more than a "Senior Meal", it is a positive place for the Seniors to gather, at what they call their "Senior Center". The meals on wheels program offers meals to homebound seniors. This program is essential as our 5 drivers check in and deliver meals to approximately 50 homebound seniors in the valley twice a week.

We provide approximately 40 meals on Tuesday and 60 on Thursday at the Jacksonville Site. We coordinate the delivery an average of 175 meals each week for Meals on Wheels program. There are 5 regular volunteers that cook, clean and serve the meals, and 5 regular volunteer drivers.

We are asking each of the communities in the valley to help with the expense of this program. We received approximately \$16,000 from the state and \$5,000 last year from the seniors in a suggested donation of \$3/meal. Local business' have provided \$3,500 to help with the program. We need \$28,000 to keep the program running.

We would like to request funds from the Town of Whitingham the amount of \$1,500. We would appreciate your assistance in our endeavor for the wellbeing of the Seniors in our valley.

Terrie Dumaine, Senior Meal Coordinator



2019 Dooley Race

### Windham Solid Waste Management

The Windham Solid Waste Management District (WSWMD) was formed in 1988. At that time, only eight towns were members of the District. These towns cooperatively managed a 30-acre landfill on Old Ferry Road, Brattleboro. In 1995, federal landfill regulations forced WSWMD to seek alternative landfill sites or an alternative to landfill disposal, and WSWMD opted to get out of the landfill business and construct a materials recycling facility (MRF) on Old Ferry Road, which operated until July 2107. Today, the District has 18 member towns with a combined population of 35,328. The District is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Supervisors representing member towns.

**Financial Report:** WSWMD finished FY 19 with revenues of \$1,036,285 and expenses, before capitalized expense, at \$971,325. After capital expense the District ended the year with a small surplus. FY 19 capital expenses included a new front-end loader, and facility security cameras.

**Transfer Station:** WSWMD operates a regional drop-off center for landfill materials, recyclables, organics/food scraps, construction & demolition debris, scrap metal, and appliances. The transfer station diverts 76% of all materials to recycling and composting, including electronics, fluorescent tubes, ballasts, lead-acid and household batteries, waste oil and oil filters, oil-based paint and other paint products, sharps, textiles, books, and tires. Use of the transfer station is limited to residents and businesses from member communities and requires the purchase of an access sticker for \$36/year. The cost for trash disposal is \$3.00 per 33-gallon bag, or \$145/ton.

**Composting Facility:** Of all recyclable materials handled by the District, the only one that is kept local is food scraps and yard debris. The food scrap composting facility is in its 6th year of operation and is the 2nd largest food scrap composting facility in Vermont. In calendar year 2019 WSWMD composted 1,400 tons of food scraps, of which about 50% was from the Town of Brattleboro curbside collection program, and the balance from commercial and institutional sources brought to the compost site by private trash haulers. Total tons of organic materials processed, including leaves, wood chips, and paper fiber was 3,200 tons. The District sold more than 2,000 cubic yards of "Brattlegrow" compost in 2019, primarily through 8 retail distributors. In addition, WSWMD donates compost for town projects, school, and community gardens.

**Materials Recovery Facility (MRF):** WSWMD closed the MRF in July 2017 but continues to accept cardboard from commercial sources. Cardboard is baled (no sorting required) and sold. Eight towns continue to utilize the District's recycling roll-off containers and offer drop-off recycling services in their communities. Towns contract with private haulers to provide recycling services. Currently, WSWMD Supervisors are considering future uses of the MRF building and some of the equipment is being sold.

**Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP**): Household hazardous waste collection, and education/outreach, are mandated by Act 148, as well as numerous other requirements, as contained in the SWIP. By July 1, 2020, on behalf of member towns, we will draft and submit an amended SWIP as required by the State. Membership in WSWMD makes member towns compliant with these mandates.

**Trucking:** Since closure of the MRF in 2017, WSWMD no longer collects recyclable materials from member towns, but retained a driver with a Class A CDL license that allows WSWMD to self-haul recyclables from our transfer station, scrap metal, and wood chips for the composting operation.

**Solar Array:** WSWMD leases its closed and capped landfill to Greenbacker Capital who operate a 5 megawatt solar array on the landfill. It is the largest group net-metered project in the state, and has contracted for 20 years with the towns of Brattleboro, Wilmington, Readsboro, Vernon, Wardsboro, Dummerston, Halifax, and Newfane; schools in Brattleboro, Vernon, Putney, and Marlboro; as well as Landmark College, Marlboro College, and the Brattleboro Retreat. The project provides significant cost savings for municipal and school budgets. Greenbacker Capital has a 20-year lease and pays the District a minimum of \$120,290/year for use of the landfill.

**Household Hazardous Waste Collections:** WSWMD held four household hazardous waste collection events, as mandated by VT ANR Materials Management Plan. Collections were held in the Towns of Townshend and Vernon on June 1, and Brattleboro and Stratton on October 19, with 277 households from District towns participating. Total cost for the collection and processing of HHW from the two events was \$45,895, an average of \$163 per household.

**Business Outreach & Technical Assistance:** The District continues to promote its business resources and free technical assistance, including food scrap diversion.

School Outreach & Technical Assistance: The District continues to promote its school resources and free technical assistance, including food scrap diversion.

**Special Event "Zero Waste" Outreach and Technical Assistance:** WSWMD owns 20 event-sorting stations that are available to towns, businesses, residents, and institutions for use at fairs, festival, etc. In addition, WSWMD offers free technical assistance to help make events "Zero Waste." This year WSWMD provided event-sorting stations and technical assistance to 26 events serving over 17,000 persons.

### **Old Home Week**

#### July 30 & 31, August 1 & 2, 2020

wilmingtonohw2020.com on Facebook: Wilmington Old Home Week 2020

Not very many traditions last 130 years but in a few months, Wilmington will celebrate Old Home Week, a celebration that started in 1890 and has been held every ten years since.

Although much of the earlier celebrations revolved solely around those who grew up here, it has grown to include everyone - those who grew up here, those who are part-timers and those who simply love Wilmington. It's a celebration that honors our history, brings families and old friends together and introduces new people to our town. People come from all over the US to take part in this unique and very special gathering.

The Old Home Week Committee has been meeting since the fall of 2018 to plan. Friday's (July 31st) main event will be the Village Night/Block Party. Saturday August 1st will feature a huge parade down West Main Street, town photo, a fire department muster and activities on the Old School field, a house tour and a chicken barbecue. Other events throughout the weekend will be the Memory and Welcome to Wilmington Wall, historical displays, Largest Tree Contest, plenty of family and classes reunions and more events that are still in the planning stages.

Check out our website <u>wilmingtonohw2020.com</u> or our Facebook page Wilmington Old Home Week 2020. You can keep up-todate on the calendar of events, volunteering opportunities or download an order form for the memorabilia. Also, we have set aside times on the schedule for reunions so they won't conflict with other events. If you are planning a reunion please let us know so we can add it to our schedule.

It's a tremendous job to put on this event and there are many ways to help. Please consider volunteering. We need people to head up events but also to help for a few hours either before or during the Celebration. We are looking for individuals, families or businesses to sponsor events or bands. Purchasing memorabilia is a wonderful way to have a keepsake and help defray expenses. Enter a float into the parade!

We would like to thank Heidi Taylor and Heather Maynard who started out on the Committee but due to work conflicts had to resign. We have welcomed Denise Childs and Stacie Brooks to the Committee.

Much has changed in 130 years but what hasn't changed is the love that people have for this town, its history and its residents. Whether this will be your first Old Home Week or you have been attending them all your life, you will be taking part in a 130 tradition which is truly the Party of the Decade. We hope to see you there!

Committee Members: Nicki Steel - Chair; DJ Boyd - Vice-Chair; Carol Bogard - Secretary; Mary Towne - Treasurer; Members-at-Large - Deb Boyd, Stacie Brooks, Denise Childs, Julie Moore, Carl Swanson





Old Home Week 2010 and 1940

### **Deerfield Valley Community Partnership**

The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership (DVCP) is celebrating its 25th year of working on preventing alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among our youth. We have sponsored the following drug and alcohol awareness programming and activities for parents and youth in our schools and communities:

#### **Community Activities:**

\*Monthly Community Meetings on Opioids: Monthly meetings to address community needs around drug prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts in the Deerfield Valley. Work includes education on stigma around substance abuse disorders, misinformation regarding addiction and opioids, and access to resources.

\*Parent Education: Informational mailings/newsletters, speaker events, and presentations.

\**Policy work:* Smoke free parks & business entrances, legislative advocacy (conversations with state legislators about substance use and health issues).

\*Social Norms Campaigns: ParentUP Campaign (parent education & tips), Lock Your Meds- prescription drug misuse prevention campaign.

\*Trainings: Department of Liquor Control Responsible Beverage Service annual training for

local retailers to prevent sales of alcohol and tobacco to minors and False ID trainings for local alcohol servers and retailers. \*Community Events: Family Halloween Event, Parents Night Out, Choose sNOw events (collaboration with Mount Snow for student/parent educational presentations and student season passes), Family Fun Event during Blueberry Festival, and open gyms/game nights for families.

\*Sticker Shock- Collaboration with local retailers to inform the public about Vermont laws and penalties for providing alcohol minors.

#### School Activities:

\*School Policy Work: School alcohol, tobacco and other drug policy, wellness policy.

\*Youth Empowerment Programming: High school community service group (Wildcat Club), high school prevention groups (PRIDE & OVX), middle school Vermont Kids Against Tobacco (VKAT), middle school prevention group (Above the Influence), and sponsoring middle and high school students' attendance at the Eastern States Youth to Youth Leadership conference held at Bryant University in Rhode Island.

\*Substance Abuse Prevention Curriculum for all students in grades 5-8.

\*Student Assistance Program: Screening and referrals for substance abuse and mental health issues, in addition to support for students whose personal issues may interfere with their capacity to function effectively in the educational process.

\*Project Graduation: Substance free event for high school students on TVMHS graduation night.

\*Smoking Cessation (Not on Tobacco-N.O.T): In-school program to support students to quit smoking. Facilitated by the Student Assistance Program Counselor.

\*School Presentations/Speakers: Presentations on a variety of topics including substance use prevention, risk-taking, peer pressure, making healthy choices, etc.

\*School Staff Trainings on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Many initiatives are funded by state and federal grants. Town funds assist in paying for our 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. The office is now located at the Old School Community Center at 1 School Street, Wilmington.

For more information: check our website at <u>www.DVCP.org</u> 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 had another successful year serving the youth within our communities. Across the 2018-2019 school year Wings served 304 students, grades K-12, at Twin Valley Elementary School and Twin Valley Middle High School combined, offering 165 academic, enrichment, and wellness programs and tutoring opportunities. Sage Myska, site coordinator at TVES, and Shelley Park, site coordinator at TVMHS, actively seek student input, voice, and choice, in developing high-interest level, engaging programs for all students.

This was also a year of transition for Wings as director, Andy Hauty, embarked on a new and exciting journey with his family in France. Maria Stewart and Katie Boyd have stepped into the leadership role as co-directors of Wings. In collaboration with the dedicated Wings staff, Maria and Katie aspire to soar to new heights for afterschool and summer programming.

Program highlights include:

- TVES Wings program soared with silks, recreated old-time, classic TV game shows, and brought words to life with the popular Readers Theater program. Sage Myska, with the assistance of Alexa Doty, designed an eclectic year of programs designed to expand learning into the after-school hours.
- TVMHS's FRESH program, facilitated by site coordinator, Shelley Park, promotes leadership, student voice, and skill building, while
  focusing on student interest and needs. Over the year, students assisted Christos Contakos in building the "tiny house" (that will
  be up for raffle as a Wings fundraiser in the Spring), initiated and led their own Dungeons & Dragons program, and assisted in
  younger student programming through the new mentorship program.
- Wings kicked off summer 2019 with the Wings Performing Arts Camp (PA) rehearsing for and ultimately performing classic tales with a new... "SPIN." Wings PA camp packed the house, at Memorial Hall, in July for three incredible performances filled with dance, acrobatics, circus arts and laughs. This production written by Wing's own Anansi, Aiden Kennedy, thrilled audiences with tales retold in a very Wings way!
- Celebrate Summer (CS), partnering with the towns of Wilmington and Whitingham, celebrated record numbers of attendance this summer! CS campers experienced farming at Boyd's Farm, designed and created claymation videos, learned to follow a compass home, danced to a story line, tie-dyed socks, and more! The Stepping Stone campers discovered the joy of water tables and reading nooks, but more importantly, left confident that, as they entered the Kindergarten classroom this fall, they would know how much fun school is going to be.
- Wings started two brand new middle school programs during the summer. In partnership with the Wilmington Recreation
  Department, Joe Carter, middle school summer camp director, ran an adventure-packed camp. From paddle boarding and
  kayaking to rock climbing and hiking, campers took full advantage of summer's sunshine and nature's beauty! Wings also began
  the Counselor-In-Training (CIT) program, as a youth leadership opportunity to mentor middle schoolers in the role of camp
  counselor for Wings Celebrate Summer Camp.

Wings is deeply appreciative of the support of the town, school district, parents, administrators, building support staff, the Rotary Club of Deerfield Valley, and the community at large. In addition, Wings is especially grateful for the professionals who share their own talents and passions with the children and youth of Wilmington.

TVES Site Coordinator & Celebrate Summer Director - Sage Myska; Celebrate Summer Directors - Missy Jutras & Crystal Benz

TVMHS Site Coordinator & Performing Arts Co-Director - Shelley Park; Middle School Summer Camp Director - Joe Carter Respectfully submitted, Maria Stewart & Katie Boyd, Project Co-Directors



COMMISSION

The Windham Regional Commission

The mission of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) is to assist towns in Southeastern Vermont to provide effective local governance and to work collaboratively 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 region 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, a political subdivision of the state, 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 Michael Tuller and the second position remains vacant. Each Commissioner represents their town's interests before the Commission, brings information from the Commission back to their town, and serves on at least one of a number of WRC 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 WRC meetings are open to the public and subject to Vermont open meeting law.

We assist towns with a number of different activities, including town plans and bylaws; community and economic development; local emergency and hazard mitigation planning, including flood hazard and river corridor bylaw assistance; natural resources, including assisting towns with watershed restoration projects and implementation of the state's new clean water law; Act 174 town energy planning; transportation, including traffic counts (automotive, bicycles, pedestrian), inventories (bridges, culverts, signs, road erosion), road foremen training, and serving as a liaison with VTrans to report damage to town road infrastructure to the state as a result of flooding; redevelopment of "Brownfields" sites (sites that are or may be contaminated by hazardous substances); 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; training of municipal officials and volunteers across a range of topics; and mapping and geographic information system (GIS) analyses. The maps in your town office were likely produced by the WRC.

We help towns make the most of the financial and human resources they have both individually and collectively, assisting with projects between and among towns, building and augmenting the capacity of volunteer-based town boards and commissions, and providing 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. Our relationship with towns is inherently collaborative. For instance, towns may choose to have their plans reviewed by the Commission; town plan review and approval by the WRC is not mandatory. The regional plan, which was updated in 2014 following a two-year process, is developed in consultation with member towns, reflects town plan policies, and is ultimately approved by our towns.

Past year highlights reflect the range of services we provide to the towns of the region. We have submitted an application for a VT Public Service Department Broadband Innovation Grant in collaboration with Valley Net and the Center on Rural Innovation to develop a feasibility analysis and business plan to improve access to high-speed broadband to underserved communities for the region as a whole. This work will be done in collaboration with towns. We've established a regional Emergency Management Directors (EMD) Roundtable, and have worked with EMDs and assistance agencies to create a Vulnerable Population Phone Tree to facilitate outreach to those most at risk during a disaster. We continue to help towns apply for grants to support compliance with the state's Municipal Roads General Permit compliance. We also continue to be the primary GIS and mapping resource for our towns. An annual report is available on our website (www.windhamregional.org). Click on the heading "About Us." We encourage you to visit your town's page on our website to see your town's profile (http://windhamregional.org/towns). A video about the WRC is available on our homepage.

Funding for the WRC is provided through contracts with state agencies, federal grants, and town assessments. Town assessments make up a relatively small percentage of our budget; about 5% of a \$2.32 million budget for FY 2020, a substantial portion of which includes our brownfields revolving loan fund and modern wood heat and renewable energy grant funds. But it is the only funding we receive that has no conditions placed upon it by entities beyond the WRC's borders. Your town's assessment makes it possible for us to leverage the resources to serve you. The town's assessment for this year is \$4,298. To see our detailed Work Program and Budget for FY 2020, visit our website and click on the heading "About Us."

### **Old School Enrichment Council**

It has been a busy year for the Old School Enrichment Council (better known as OSEC). We are a seven-member, volunteer board committed to creating a much-needed community center in the Deerfield Valley. The perfect opportunity to pursue our goal was when Wilmington and Whitingham consolidated their high school and our historic school in Wilmington was left vacant. In October of 2017, we purchased the building from the Wilmington School Board and since then, it has been bustling with activity!

The gym is used by Twin Valley high school teams, as well as Valley Youth Sports teams. Wilmington Recreation Programs utilize the facility for Pickleball which is played four days a week, adult indoor soccer, adult basketball, advanced adult volleyball, a walking group, and a line dancing class. We also have privately taught exercise and aerobics classes. The former library is used for meetings by many organizations and the Humane Society has held a couple of clinics for pets which have proved to be so successful that they will continue monthly throughout 2019. The annual Mark Dooley Road Race honoring a fallen hero is held each September. The Red Cross and the Wilmington Fire Department opened the doors as a warming center during our late November snowstorm. Current tenants at the Old School include: Windham Southwest Supervisory Union, Vermont Valley Tae kwon Do, Joanne's Exercise Classes, Karl's Brazilian Wrestling, 802 Fitness and the Twin Valley School District.

More renovations have been completed during our 2<sup>nd</sup> year. Most notably we have remodeled the lower entry, lobby, hallway and the former music room and new signs have been installed. Our initial fundraiser was selling engraved pavers which have enhanced the lower entry. This has been very successful and we are continuing to offer them as wall paver tiles.

There is much more to be done to the building. We are a non-profit 501(c)3 and our funding has come from numerous sources. We have received grants from the town's 1% option tax fund, the Wilmington Fund, the National Life Foundation, United Way Community Foundation, the Windham Foundation, the Vermont Department of Health, Community Bank N.A. Foundation, Preservation Trust of Vermont and Efficiency Vermont. We were awarded \$138,500 in state tax credits from the State of Vermont and we have also received substantial individual private donations.

We would like to thank everyone who has given us support in so many ways, be it financial or in volunteer hours. This is your community center and we look forward to seeing it grow and prosper.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Goldfarb, Chair Cammie Swanson, Treasurer Cindy Hayford Meg Streeter, Vice Chair Diane Chapman, Secretary Janet Boyd



Groundworks Collaborative was established in 2015 with the merger of the Brattleboro Area Drop-In Center and Morningside Shelter (having been in existence for 27 and 36 years respectively). Groundworks provides ongoing support to families and individuals facing a full continuum of housing and food insecurities in the greater Brattleboro area. The following are our direct service programs:

#### FOODWORKS

**Foodworks** – Open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and the last Saturday of the month, Groundworks food shelf program provides emergency food for over 1000 individuals per month, and over 900 households per year.

#### HOUSINGWORKS

**Groundworks Shelter** – Our year-round 30-bed shelter for families and individuals offers an extended stay and provides all residents intensive case management. The Shelter operates at capacity throughout the year and maintains a waiting list for entry. **Seasonal Overflow Shelter** – Open from November – April, the SOS provides a warm place to sleep and a hot meal each night for those with nowhere else to go.

**Day Shelter** – Groundworks provides a safe place where our neighbors experiencing homelessness can come in out of the weather and access services such as email, telephones, laundry, showers, coffee and snacks, lockers, and a kitchen to prepare a meal.

#### **SUPPORTWORKS**

**Housing Case Management** – Our team of case managers work with people who are currently and formerly experiencing homelessness to help find and/or maintain stable housing. Our case management model includes weekly home visits (once housed) to ensure that clients are setting and meeting goals to address the challenges that led to homelessness. Additional site-specific case management services are available 40 hours per week to residents of Great River Terrace, the permanent supportive housing community on Putney Road in Brattleboro.

**Representative Payee Service** – provides financial management by serving as an intermediary between those receiving Social Security disability payments and their benefits. The program ensures that rent and basic living expenses are paid before spending money is disbursed to clients, which keeps participants in good financial standing, thereby preventing future threat of homelessness.

#### HEALTHWORKS

Groundworks clients have direct access to a number of services available through our embedded provider partnerships, including: • a full-time **Brattleboro Retreat Licensed Mental Health Clinician**, who works on-site at all three of our locations, providing psychotherapy and critical early substance abuse recovery supports;

• a Licensed Alcohol & Drug Abuse Counselor from HCRS meets with clients on-site at the Drop-In Center two days each week connecting with folks in need of supports; and

• the Vulnerable Populations Care Coordinator is an **RN from Brattleboro Memorial Hospital** who provides Groundworks clients with health screenings, wound care, and connection to primary care physicians, thereby reducing emergency room visits.

### **SeVEDS**

Thank you to the Selectboard and voters from the Town of Wilmington for your ongoing support of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies (SeVEDS). Since 2007, (SeVEDS) has taken on shared economic challenges we face as a region. SeVEDS, founded as an affiliate of the Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation (BDCC), takes a proactive, long-term approach to economic development. Improving wages, attracting and keeping people, and fostering a healthy regional jobs base are all critical. But it is beyond the capacity of any single community to substantially affect these things. SeVEDS creates strategies, attracts resources, and helps us act together regionally in order to build a vibrant economy. We use municipal funding in three key ways:

- (1) As seed funding to bring more money to the region (in FY19 \$415,924 of federal and state funding);
- (2) For capacity to write grants, to create the programs and research and planning; and
- (3) To fund implementation of programs & projects.

### **Background & Request**

SeVEDS requests funding from all 27 towns we serve. In 2019, thirteen communities funded SeVEDS, representing 74% of Windham residents. We leverage municipal investments alongside BDCC investment to secure bring in new dollars from state, federal and foundation sources. Our work is guided by the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), a regional plan funded by municipal investment. Its goals are simple: **Strengthen Business, Support People.** 

This 2019 Southern Vermont CEDS, which is available online, is the region's next step towards becoming an Economic Development District to better coordinate federal support.

SeVEDS leads regional economic development with strategy and insight. SeVEDS helps to fund these initiatives which were have directly result from the CEDS and SeVEDS research:

- The new **Pipelines and Pathways Program** operates in all 4 high schools and since September has conducted 10 field trips, dozens of classes, and worked with 350 students so far. Through visits, speakers, work-based learning and events, we will connect 50+ employers to regional HS students this year. For regular updates on activities involving students at Twin Valley and BUHS please visit the BDCC web site blog.
- The Workforce Center of Excellence, which includes **Southern Vermont Young Professionals**, has since 2018 put on 20 networking events, 10 financial or homebuyer trainings, and engaged 500 young people living here.
- BDCC Paid Internships has placed 105 interns since 2014, visited over 20 campuses since 2017, and worked with over 175 employers. 25% of interns are hired on to stay. We place regional college students of all ages, and students returning for summer or for good.
- Building a **regional workforce development system** connecting people with opportunities, and employers with people. In FY'19 we helped 500 job-seekers and career-changers. We worked with 67 employers on everything from funding a new workforce training program, to welcoming students who may become future employees.
- Innovative services, lending and technical assistance for **small businesses and startups** through INSTIG8. In 2019 we worked with employers that provide 25% of the jobs in the Windham Region and we partner with local organizations like Wilmington Works and Bi-Town to deliver support to Deerfield Valley businesses.
- **Capacity-building for communities** (Southern Vermont Economy Project and Community Facilities Assistance Program) helping towns and non-profits to improve community vibrancy through local projects. Since 2017 we provided 89 trainings (like a grant-writing workshop and broadband summits) with over 1,000 participants, plus 32 online webinars to help solve problems or find resources (7,000 views so far).
- SeVEDS & BDCC visit every community, listen and learn, to keep evolving and adapting the work we do for you.

We have asked the Town of Wilmington to include SeVEDS in your 2020 general fund budget. We ask every town in the Windham Region to contribute at the rate of \$3.00 per person. Therefore, we are asking the Town of Wilmington to appropriate \$5,628 (based on a population of 1,876) to support SeVEDS.

### **Senior Solutions**

Senior Solutions -- Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont, Inc. -- has served the residents of Wilmington and Southeastern Vermont since 1973. We have offices in Springfield (main office), White River Junction and Brattleboro. Our mission is to promote the well-being and dignity of older adults. Our vision is that every person will age in the place of their choice, with the support they need and the opportunity for meaningful relationships and active engagement in their community.

Many of our services are available regardless of income. However, we target our resources to those older adults with the greatest social and economic needs. Supporting caregivers is an important part of our work. Senior Solutions can help caregivers assess their family's needs and options, connect with resources and local programs and provide short-term relief (respite) for those who are caring for loved ones.

The population of older adults is increasing, as are many costs associated with providing services. Vermont is the second oldest state in the country (median age) and within Vermont the highest concentration of elders is in Windsor and Windham counties. Unfortunately, our state and federal funding has been largely stagnant for many years. This means that financial support from the towns we serve is critical.

We continually seek funding from new sources to enable us to do more for people. This past year we received grants from the National Council on Aging to expand our outreach to vulnerable elders, the Granite United Way to expand our Friendly Visitor and Veteran to Veteran program and the US Department of Justice to assist victims of abuse in later life. Clients are given the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to help support the services they receive. We also seek donations from the public and have established a planned giving program through the Vermont Community Foundation.

We strive to develop new programs to meet evolving interests and needs. This past year we implemented the HomeMeds program that screeens older adults for medication problems such as drug interactions or harmful side effects, expanded our popular aquatics program for arthritis, trained counselors to provide the PEARLS home-based program for people with depression and trained instructors in Tai Chi for falls prevention. We provide financial support to volunteers interested in starting new evidence-based wellness programs.

# The Windham Disaster Animal Response Team

#### **Training & Planning**

In October, team members participated in a statewide exercise hosted by the Vermont Division of Emergency Management, designed to assess the core capabilities within the mission areas of response and recovery following a statewide catastrophic



incident. WinDART coordinated with the town of Londonderry, which injected a realistic animal scenario involving several families who refused to evacuate without their pets. The team used the exercise to not only test its activation protocols for volunteers through the VT-Alert system, but also as an opportunity to test its readiness to respond. Volunteers set up a temporary emergency shelter for pets at the Windham County Humane Society and practiced intake and sheltering procedures. The Brattleboro Reformer did a front-page feature article on our efforts, which resulted in more interest from potential volunteers.

We also deployed our new response trailer for the first time, which was partially funded by a \$1,500 grant from the Deerfield Valley Rotary Club. Town budget allocations from Whitingham, Wilmington and Dover made up the difference. Team members helped to inventory and organize equipment at a summer meeting. This new resource will allow WinDART to respond quickly with equipment in hand to set up a small temporary animal shelter anywhere in our service area!

#### **Public Education & Outreach Activities**

WinDART tabled at the Wilmington Flea Market and Brattleboro Farmer's Market again this year. We provided free collars,



leashes, pet identification, treats, and pet disaster planning materials to community members, and recruited a few new volunteers as well!

emergency decals to the crowd.

The team debuted our new banner at Dover's Blueberry Parade in August. We marched with the Windham County Humane Society, and handed out homemade blueberry dog biscuits and pet

In July, we conducted a special session on pet disaster planning for kids in Twin Valley Elementary School's summer WINGS program. The kids learned about creating a disaster kit for their pets at home, and got to meet Andi the bearded dragon.

## **Deerfield Valley Food Pantry**

The Deerfield Valley Food Pantry continues to provide supplemental food assistance to our neighbors in need. We averaged over 80 families, representing about 200 individuals, each month, with increased usage during the fall and winter holiday seasons. We are able to provide about a week's worth of non-perishable foods as well as fresh produce, dairy, meat and bread at every monthly distribution. We also try to meet other personal needs by providing toilet paper, laundry detergent and personal care items as often as possible.

Our donor base continues to grow and we are ever grateful to our members, local businesses and non-profits, and local and second-homeowner donors whose support supplements annual donations from the towns we service and many of the local churches in the area. We introduced new membership recruitment forms that were distributed to local businesses and churches and generated a significant increase in our annual membership dues income.

Our volunteer base continues to be strong and we added a few new volunteers this year. The enthusiasm and satisfaction of people helping others is obvious and heartwarming. Local school children continue to provide many hours of sorting and shelving assistance. We are sincerely grateful for increased assistance and donations from other area non-profits, especially the Rotary and Lions clubs. We gratefully received a grant from the Rotary to replace one of our upright freezers.

We held our usual yearly fundraising events. Our August Motorcycle Ride was the most successful so far, generating almost \$5,000 from fees, donations, sponsors and raffle proceeds. Our annual Holiday Concert at Memorial Hall is always a joyous addition to the season and we were heartened to know that although we mourned the loss of Skip Morrow who was instrumental in its creation, the other musicians were willing and able to carry on in his memory.

All members of the Board and the many others who volunteer are sincerely thanked for their service to the hungry in our area.



The Gathering Place is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization providing person centered, community based non-residential services designed to assist adults over the age of 18 with physical and/or cognitive impairments to remain active in their communities. The Gathering Place helps participants to maximize their level of health and independence and ensure their optimal functioning. The Gathering Place provides a safe, supportive environment where participants can receive a range of professional health, social and therapeutic services. The Gathering Place also provides respite, support and education to family members, caregivers and legal representatives. The Gathering Place has proudly been a vital resource in Windham Country since 1989. The main center is conveniently located at 30 Terrace Street in Brattleboro with a satellite location in West Dover, VT serving the community of the Deerfield Valley. Seniors and adults with disabilities of a variety of ages, races, religions and socioeconomic status enjoy the benefits of the center and its services every day. The Gathering Place is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing care at home and an affordable alternative to nursing facility placement. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The Gathering Place's myriad of services and activities are designed to bring health, fun, laughter and companionship to the lives of our participants and peace of mind to their families. Our enhanced services include:

- Nursing oversight (medication, wound care and chronic disease management)
- Access to on-site counseling, and occupational and physical therapies, podiatry and hairdresser.
- Daily exercise program
- Recreation and social activities including expressive arts, poetry and crafts
- Nutritious meals and snacks
- Personal Care (bathing and toileting assistance)
- Outreach Services
- Companionship
- Special Events
- Access to transportation and coordination of medical appointments

The Board of Directors, staff, participants and families thank the Town of Wilmington for your continued generous support.

Sincerely, Maggie Lewis, Executive Director

## Windham County Humane Society

#### **Description of Services:**

The Windham County Humane Society (WCHS) is a non-profit organization serving all residents of the towns of Windham County, Vermont. The mission of WCHS 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.

#### Animal Intake numbers: 1,681 animals were served by WCHS

- 702 animals were seen at our Wellness clinic
- 333 animals were surrendered by their owners
- 11 animals were seized by law enforcement
- 268 animals were brought in as strays
- 314 animals came as transports from regions of the country were the euthanasia rate is high due to overpopulation
- 53 animals that were adopted out were returned to WCHS

#### Outcomes

- 745 animals were adopted
- 91 animals were reunited with their owner
- 55 animals (6%) were euthanized for health or behavior issues. WCHS does not euthanize for time or space.
- 32 Animals were euthanized for owners who could not afford veterinary clinic fees for this service
- 14 animals died in care
- 28 animals were transferred to other animal welfare organizations
- 3 animals were dead on arrival.

The average length of stay for animals was 14 days. Total expenses were \$578,057.

#### Spay/Neuter

WCHS hosts spay/neuter clinics for income eligible residents of Windham County. A simple application is required. WCHS provides financial assistance to applicants who can't afford the fees and provides spay/neuter at no charge for free-roaming, un-owned cats. All animals adopted out from WCHS are spayed/neutered, up-to-date on vaccines and microchipped. In 2018-19, WCHS spayed/neutered 304 cats, 83 dogs and 7 rabbits owned by Windham County residents as well as 39 un-owned feral cats.

#### Pet Care Assistance

This program provides veterinary care at low-to-no cost to low-income pet owners. Clients must apply and provide proof of financial need and of residency in Windham County. In 2018-19, **461 pet owners** received support in the form of vaccinations, surgeries, parasite control, diagnostic tests and pet food.

#### From July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, WCHS served Wilmington residents as follows:

- Spay/neuter provided for 12 animals
- Distemper vaccines for 2 dogs and 5 cats
- Rabies vaccines for 9 pets
- 1 diagnostic test
- 16 prescription medications or parasite control products through our Pet Care assistance program
- 2 residents purchased prescription food at cost
- 2 residents used our program for humane euthanasia and cremation of an elderly pet
- 1 resident had a mass surgically removed from their dog
- 9 animals were surrendered to WCHS
- 2 residents were reunited with their lost pets
- 17 residents adopted 11 dogs and 8 cats

### **Town Nurse**

In the 1950's the Commissioner of the Public Health Department advised select boards to implement a position for a town nurse to work collaboratively with a local doctor. So, in 1981 I became the Wilmington Town Nurse, feeling honored to serve my neighbors then and now. I am on-call 15 hours a week for any Wilmington resident and their family. You may <u>call or text 802-681-8740</u> or email me at <u>jafnurse@yahoo.com</u> to learn about local, regional or state resources to meet your health-related needs. The town requests a \$3 donation per visit from folks who are able, with all fees turned over to the town treasurer.

When Wilmington voted to support the VNA of Vermont in 1985, the Town also decided to retain their Town Nurse, since the Agency focus was on "Acute Care" needs, which eventually included Certified Hospice Services, while the Town Nurse focused on chronic health needs and services. We often consult and collaborate to eliminate duplication of services or spell each other as needs arose.

Activities this year included: cared for 47 individuals and 72 home visits; responded to numerous phone calls for referrals to resources from durable medical equipment to specific heath care options; bi-monthly Caregiver Support Group with Claudette Hollenbeck, a retired Social Worker; monthly meetings with Bi-Town Housing Committee and the Community Opioid Group; 12-week Summer Lecture Series by Aging in Place; collaboration with the Wilmington Police on wellness & safety concerns; Wilmington Fire Department on fire alarms & other monitoring system checks; the Gathering Place Adult Day & Homecare services; SASH (Support & Services @ Home) annual wellness fair, dementia-reality education & planning office space in the Old School, offering the AARP Driver Safety Classes in the Valley (best attendance at AiP Lecture Series) and more; Brattleboro Area Hospice 1:1 Trained Volunteer Advance Care Planning @ different locations 3x month & sponsored the "First Annual Service of Remembrance" with Tammie LeClaire and Cheryl Rusin, remembering people who died from medication misuse; Deerfield Valley Prevention Partnership providing grant-funded, evidence-based education classes for community members; and Senior Solutions trained Geralyn Kogut for a free Home Med assessment for people over 60 and/or a person living with a disability to assure medication compliance and safe administration, and also provided Geralyn Kogut (and me) scholarships to attend the 4A Area Agencies on Aging Conferences at Killington, VT on "Reducing Social Isolation" and "Bridges Out of Poverty."

In September 2019, with the approval of the Select Board & Town Manager, I applied for a grant to participate in a Tristate Learning Collaborative on Aging with QUALIDIGM to convene a 10-month project called ECHO-D "to Enhance the Care and Health of people living with dementia" using a Zoom platform. Three communities in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont are participating with various community partners hoping to improve care options for this growing demographic. I am pleased to have consistent participation and support from The Gathering Place with Jane Smith & Maggie Lewis, from Senior Solutions with Geralyn Kogut & Joann Erenhouse, Brattleboro Savings & Loan with Janet Sherman and the Moover with Christine Howe. Special thanks to Deerfield Valley Rescue for helping me "try" to master their amazing "white board" for these sessions, and later at St. Mary's in the Mountains, and Snow Mountain Market & Deli for working with me to make delicious, affordable lunches for our work sessions. This has been my first attempt at utilizing technology to enhance learning & teaching geared for rural communities and I look forward to completing our final 6 sessions in the first half of 2020.

With gratitude for welcoming me into your homes to share in your health and wellness challenges.

Jennifer Fitzgerald, RN Wilmington Town Nurse

### **Deerfield Valley Rescue**

In October 2019, Deerfield Valley Rescue, Inc. Celebrated its 45<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Deerfield Valley. Deerfield Valley Rescue, Inc. is a combination paid and volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to providing 24/7 quality pre-hospital emergency medical care and transport to the people of our community.

This past year has been more challenging then past years, with the volunteer ranks shrinking, our remaining volunteers have put in many hours of call time and training. Although our amazing volunteers continuously rise to meet the challenges additional help is greatly needed. If you have ever thought of joining now is the time you can make a difference in the lives of others. DEERFIELD VALLEY RESCUE IS HERE WHEN YOU NEED US....NOW HELP US TO HELP YOU! The core of our agency is made up of approximately 16 active volunteers, and four full time paid staff. Potential members can sign up for our Ride A long 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 our new location 22 Stowe Hill Road Wilmington.

We moved into 22 Stowe Hill Road Wilmington location in November of 2017. Over the next several years we will continue to raise the money for this new location. Our Goal is \$625,000.00 to date we have raised \$390,000.00 from your generous support. We sent out proximally 10,000 letters for our annual appeal and subscription drive. We received back 700. If EVERYONE that received this subscribed we would reach this goal. This annual subscription drive continues to be a large source of our funding. If you have not sent in your subscription, please do so and please consider making an additional donation towards our new building.

DVR has responded to 752 calls and 82 no transports in 2019. 265 in the Town of Wilmington. Our volunteers spent 16,169 hours on call. WE NEED YOU!! YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT (send in your subscription) YOUR VOCAL SUPPORT (tell everyone you know to send in their subscription) AND YOUR PHYSICAL SUPPORT!!! (come volunteer)

All residents are asked to know their locatable address and to make sure children, family members and renters are aware of this address, so in the event of an emergency the information given would be correct. We also ask that your house numbers are noticeable from the roadway.

It would not be possible for DVR to operate without the continued support from the community. 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 Board of Directors

### 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 and Southern Windsor Counties. 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 all survivors and their children who have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. Since our beginnings in 1974, 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 survivors 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 survivors wherever we may do so safely. Sometimes this means assisting them to get to us and other times it means us going to them, somewhere safe in their community.

During the fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, the Women's Freedom Center responded to 2,010 hotline calls, sheltered 123 people (83 adults and 37 children) and had 8,660 contacts through which we provided thousands of hours of individual and group support, advocacy, emergency financial and housing assistance, access to legal representation, transportation and childcare to **1,441 people** (882 women, 52 men, 3 gender non-binary individuals and 504 children) who were abused. These figures include <u>at least 22 survivors—13 adults and their 9 children— from Wilmington</u>. In addition, we provided community outreach activities including school presentations and workshops throughout Windham and southern Windsor County.

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 contribution to the Freedom Center and hope you will look at it as an investment in creating a future free from violence, something we all deserve.

Regards,

Vickie Sterling Executive Director Women's Freedom Center



Town of Wilmington 2019



Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT) is a non-profit organization founded in 1987, serving the residents of Windham and southern Windsor County. We provide housing for residents of low and moderate incomes, preserve and revitalize neighborhoods, help residents acquire their own homes, and generally improve the social, economic, and cultural health of communities of Windham and southern Windsor County.

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.

#### **Homeownership Center**

The <u>Home Repair Program</u> 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. Our rehabilitation specialist inspects the home, determines which repairs are necessary, and works with the homeowner to plan and finance the project. We assisted 60 homeowners in 2019 with home repair projects. <u>One-to-one Counseling</u> 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, financial literacy training and credit counseling. In 2019, 80 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. 135 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 2019, WWHT completed the new construction of the Snow Block in Downtown Brattleboro, with 23 mixed income apartments and a new commercial space. WWHT is also in the planning phases of a similar mixed use, mixed income development located in Downtown Bellows Falls, revitalizing a prominent building in the northern gateway to Downtown Bellows Falls.

**Rental Housing Management Program**-WWHT owns 867 rental apartments and 16 commercial properties with 1349 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. Although WWHT is a non-profit, we pay local property taxes on our rental properties and our shared-equity homeowners pay property taxes to the Towns and Villages.

For more information, please visit us on the web at www.homemattershere.org

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### **Recreation Committee**

The Wilmington Recreation Commission is happy to report another very successful year. The town of Wilmington Middle School Summer Recreation Program for students entering grades 6–9 was again held at the Old School Community Center in Wilmington for 4 weeks, 7/1 through 7/26/19. The program ran from 8:30 am-12:30 pm and included supervised free breakfast and lunch served on site through the Vermont Summer Food Program with Lonny Paige and Deerfield Valley Rotary. The Recreation Program staff included Morgan Young, director, and high school counselors Izaak Park, Elyse Sears, and Emma Sears. Attendance in 2019 increased with a total of 45 individual students participating and daily attendance ranging from 12 to 23. Attendees enjoyed challenge activities, outdoor games, and the annual garbage bag fashion show, among other activities. The Deerfield Valley Community Partnership again collaborated with the Recreation Commission by sponsoring 3 afternoon programs including bowling/miniature golf, riding the chairlift to the top of Mount Snow with a hike back down, and a day at Lake Whitingham. In addition, we coordinated with Wings Community Programs to provide transition to their afternoon programming, thus allowing students an all-day experience.

2019 was the sixth year of collaboration with Wings Community Programs to offer the elementary Celebrate Summer! day camp for 4 weeks, 7/1 through 7/26/19, at TVES from 8:00 am-4:00 pm. This program also included supervised free breakfast and lunch served on site through Vermont Summer Food Program with Lonny Paige. Daily programming for students in Kindergartengrade 5 included week-long, teacher-led sessions in topics as varied as Moveable Lego Machines; Dance; Gardening Glitz; Beading; Survivor Skills; Dissection Week; Claymation; Rockets, etc. Attendance in 2019 increased, serving 104 individual students in total. 81 of those students were TVES students. The program director was Melissa Jutras.

The Recreation Commission is happy to sponsor an increasing number of adult activities throughout the year. The Wilmington Pickleball Club generally meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Sundays at 8:30 am, and Saturdays at 12:30 in the gym at the Old School Community Center. A group of Advanced Volleyball players meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the gym and Beginning Line Dancing continues from May through December on Wednesdays at 11:00 Adult Basketball takes place on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. New participants are welcome to join any of these recreational activities that take place at the Old School Community Center.

Karen Molina Cindy Hayford Randy Knaggs Sheilah McConnell

## **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 the addition of two new dugouts at the the elementary baseball field, which we could not do without the help of our amazing community! Avangrid Renewables donated \$2500 towards the project and we had some local contractors kindly donated their time to build them. Having dugouts is a great addition. We also have a new scoreboard on it way for the OSEC gym. We know this will be enjoyed for many years to come.

Twin Valley Youth Sports continues to participation in the West River Valley Baseball 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.

Our soccer program for our 4th, 5th and 6th grade teams continues 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 has been a very successful change over the years.

Now that we are able to offer all girls soccer teams in grades 4-6 the number of girls joint continues to grow! 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 more games this year for our 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, t5th and 6th grade levels of play.

The basketball program changes last year were a huge success. Our younger players benefited from their Saturday morning clinics. We will continue with our PreK-2 clinics on Saturdays with Chris Brown. The 1/2 program will include some smaller court games as well. Expanding our older players teams to include 3rd- 4th and 5th-6th graders, was a great success! We were also able to create 2 all girls basketball team from grade 4-6th, and found like soccer at this age were saw an increase in the number of girls joining.

We are excited about our growing 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.

### **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, Family Services / Crisis Intervention (fuel & utility, housing and food assistance), Homelessness Prevention, Micro-Business Development, SaVermont (asset building & financial literacy), Ready-For-Work (workforce development), Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, VT Health Connect Navigation, and Thrift Stores.

In the community of Wilmington, we have provided the following services during FY2019:

Weatherization: 8 homes (15 people) were weatherized at a cost of \$24,641
Emergency Home Repair: 1 household (1 person) received services to address health and safety risks, repair structural problems, and reduce energy waste, valued at \$4,247
Micro-Business Development: 2 households (4 people) received counseling, technical assistance and support to start, sustain or expand a small business, valued at \$4,470
VT Health Connect: 6 households (7 people) received assistance with enrolling or making changes in the Vermont Health Exchange, valued at \$2,231
Family Services/Crisis Intervention: 13 households (30 people) received 44 services, valued at \$578 (including financial counseling, nutrition education, referral to and assistance in accessing needed services)
Fuel/Utility Assistance: 11 households (28 people) received 15 assists valued at \$14,572
Solar Energy Assistance (new program): 1 household (1 person) will receive \$30 in electric energy credits

Thrift Store Vouchers: 1 household (1 person) received goods and services valued at \$60

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

### VISITING NURSES AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

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

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

Between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019 VNH made 1,534 homecare visits to 53 Wilmington residents. This included approximately \$34,132 in unreimbursed care to Wilmington residents.

- Home Health Care: 557 home visits to 39 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- Long-Term Care: 44 home visits to 4 residents with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.
- Hospice Services: 880 home visits to 6 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- Skilled Pediatric Care: 53 home visits to 4 residents for well-baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

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

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

Sincerely,

Hilary Davis, Director Community Relations and Development (1-888-300-8853)

### NOTES

### The 2020 U.S. Decennial Census begins in March and April

Every ten years the US Constitution requires an 'enumeration' of all persons in the United States, commonly referred to as "The Census." For the next ten years, the numbers produced in this effort will help determine how more than 675 billion dollars will be distributed to states and localities annually through more than 65 federal programs. These programs include special education funding, school lunch programs, meals on wheels, fuel assistance, Medicare, housing rehabilitation, community economic development and revitalization block grants, early childhood education, cooperative extension offices, and more. This year, you will have the option of responding on-line, over the telephone or with a traditional, short-form written response. Look for your invitation to respond in the mail or at your door. It is critical that *everyone* participate and that all household members be included. Make sure that our community counts!

Check out the town website at <u>www.wilmingtonvermont.us</u>. 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

### Local Talk 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. More than half of Vermont households participate with hundreds more joining every month. People use their FPF to find lost animals, offer assistance to neighbors, organize local projects, share crime reports, draw crowds to events, highlight small businesses, seek contractor recommendations, and much more. Started 10 years ago, FPF is a free service and it's based in Vermont. Learn more at <a href="http://frontporchforum.com">http://frontporchforum.com</a>



Chief Murano and Officer Hammond alongside Officers Kondraski and Kirkman at the Vermont Police Academy Graduation