

Town of Moretown, Vermont



**Annual Report of the Town
for the year ending December 31, 2015
and Town School District for the year ending June 30, 2015**

TOWN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town meeting will be held at the Moretown Town Hall on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 starting at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served by the Moretown Historical Society.

Community reports not included in this report will be available as handouts at Pre-Town Meeting on February 29, at the Town Meeting, and at the Town Clerk's office on Kaiser Drive during regular business hours. This Annual Report and the community reports can also be found on our municipal website: www.moretownvt.org

Many local residents participate in Front Porch Forum (FPF). FPF is a Vermont-based online service that helps neighbors connect and build community by hosting local online conversations in every town in the state. To read more about missing pets, wildlife sightings, break-ins, road conditions, local events, recommendations, helping neighbors in need and more, sign up (free of charge) at FrontPorchForum.com.

IN MEMORIAM

This year's Town Report is dedicated to Meriden H. Nelson, who passed away May 25, 2015. Meriden attended schools in Moretown and worked for Grandfield Excavation Co. as a heavy equipment operator. He was former chief of the Moretown Volunteer Fire Department and was a member of the fire department for more than 50 years. For 15 years, he worked for the town of Moretown, plowing sidewalks in the winter and doing grounds maintenance in the summer. He retired in 2012.



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TOWN OFFICERS

Submitted by Cherilyn Brown

Town Clerk

OFFICE	TERM	OFFICIAL
Moderator	1-year term expires 2016	Steve Magill
Town Clerk	3-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown
Town Treasurer	3-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown
Select Board	1-year term expires 2016	Tom Martin
	1-year term expires 2016	Michelle Beard
	3-year term expires 2017	Rae Washburn
	3-year term expires 2016	John Hoogenboom
	appointed expires 2018	Jason Aronowitz
Delinquent Tax Collector	1-year term expires 2016	Craig Eilers
1st Constable	appointed expires 2017	Shane Grace
2nd Constable	appointed expires 2016	Raymond Munn
Lister	3-year term expires 2018	Michael Woods
	appointed expires 2017	Deborah Feldman
	appointed expires 2016	Cherilyn Brown
Auditors	appointed expires 2018	Rita LaRocca
	3-year term expires 2016	Dara Torre
	appointed expires 2017	Callie Streeter
Trustee of Public Money	1-year term expires 2016	Cherilyn Brown
Agent to Prosecute/Defend Suits	1-year term expires 2016	Cherilyn Brown
Town Grand Juror	1-year term expires 2016	Sheila K. Getzinger
Cemetery Commissioners	3-year term expires 2017	Mary Murphy-Blake
	3-year term expires 2016	Mark Austin
	3-year term expires 2018	John S. Fulton
School Directors	1-year term expires 2016	Gabriel Gilman
	1-year term expires 2016	Ron Shems
	3-year term expires 2017	Jim Burmester
	3-year term expires 2016	Tom J. Badowski
	3-year term expires 2018	Kathryn O'Neill
Union District #19	3-year term expires 2017	Deborah Hunter
Justice of the Peace	2-year term expires 2017	Catherine Scribner
	2-year term expires 2017	Gerald Maynard
	2-year term expires 2017	Rob Roberts
	2-year term expires 2017	David Tremblay
	2-year term expires 2017	Ron Shems
	2-year term expires 2017	John Schmeltzer

**Note: When an office is appointed by the Select Board, that appointee must run for re-election the following Town Meeting for the remaining term if they wish to continue in that office for that term.

SELECT BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Fence Viewers:	Robert Wimble, Jonathan Siegel
Town Hall Coordinator:	Becky Ciampi, Rae Washburn, Cherilyn Brown
Tree Warden:	John Hoogenboom, Eric Howes Alternate
Fire Warden as appointed by State:	Eric Howes
Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, Wood:	Charlie Abare Sr.
Service Officer:	Deborah Feldman
Health Officer:	Richard Valentinetti
Town Attorney:	Paul Gillies, Charles Merriman, Patrick Bernal
Newspaper of Record:	Times Argus and/or Valley Reporter
Mad River Resource Solid Waste Alliance:	Jonathan Siegel, Doug Reed Alternate
Animal Control Officer:	Shane Grace
Solid Waste Officer:	JB Weir
Zoning Administrator:	JB Weir
Website Administrator:	JB Weir
Select Board Secretary:	Cheryl Brown
E-911 Coordinator:	JB Weir
Energy Coordinator:	Jay Pilliod
Emergency Management Chair:	Steve Smith
Moretown's Rep. Mad River Planning District:	John Hoogenboom
Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission:	Joyce Manchester - TAC 12/1/14
	Dara Torre – Alternate to TAC
Representative for Moretown:	Dara Torre – CVRPC
	Joyce Manchester – Alternate to CVRPC
Investments Advisor	Don LaRocca
CVSPAB (CV State Police Advisory Board):	Bruce Johnsen (not living in Moretown)
Listers:	Deb Feldman (appointed 3/16/15)
	Cherilyn Brown (appointed 12/7/15)
Auditors:	Callie Streeter (appointed 5/4/15)
	Rita LaRocca (appointed 1/19/16)
1 st Constable:	Shane Grace (appointed 4/6/15)
2 nd Constable:	Raymond Munn (appointed 4/20/15)
Housing Needs Committee:	Clark Amadon, Chairman (appointed 8/3/15)

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Select Board	1 st & 3 rd Monday	6:00 pm
Planning Commission	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday	6:30 pm
Development Review Board	Thursday as warned	6:30 pm
Fire Department	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday	7:00 pm
School Board	2 nd Monday	6:00 pm
Historical Society	3 rd Wednesday	7:30 pm
Library Trustees	2 nd Thursday	7:00 pm
	every other month	

**WARNING FOR INFORMATIONAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF MORETOWN AS A TOWN
AND AS A TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2016 AT
THE MORETOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM AT 7:00 P.M. FOR GENERAL
DISCUSSION OF THE WARNING ESPECIALLY THE ISSUES TO BE VOTED ON AT TOWN
MEETING BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT**

Since all articles involving over \$5,000.00 are to be voted on by Australian ballot, it is important for voters to attend this informational meeting to discuss the following articles:

6. Shall the voters of the Moretown School District approve the School Board to expend \$2,470,904, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,697 per equalized pupil. This projected education spending per equalized pupil is 0.50% higher than spending for the current year. Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
8. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,072,662 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, for any operating expenses and other obligations? Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherilyn Brown
Town Clerk

townclerk@moretownvt.org

19 Kaiser Drive Waterbury, Vermont 05676

**WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING
OF TOWN OF MORETOWN AS A TOWN AND AS A TOWN
SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE HELD MARCH 1, 2016**

The inhabitants of the Town of Moretown who are legal voters in Town and Town School District meetings are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Moretown Town Hall in Moretown Village on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following matters:

1. To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting of the Town and Town School District whose term of office shall be for the ensuing year.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town and Town School District officers.
3. To cast ballots for Town and Town School District officers. Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
4. To see if the Town will vote to have its current taxes paid to the Town Treasurer in one installment due, payable and received by 5 p.m. on November 1, 2016.
5. To see if the Town will vote to set the tax warrant date on real property as November 2, 2016.
6. Shall the voters of the Moretown School District approve the School Board to expend \$2,470,904, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,697 per equalized pupil. This projected education spending per equalized pupil is 0.50% higher than spending for the current year. Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
7. Shall the voters authorize the Board of School Directors of Moretown Town School District to borrow money by issuance of notes in anticipation of revenue to pay the expenses of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017?
8. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,072,662 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, for any operating expenses and other obligations? Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
9. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown authorize its Select Board to borrow money with which to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 in anticipation of the collection of taxes for that purpose?
10. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Capstone Community Action Inc., formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.?
11. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?
12. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,400.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Council on Aging, Inc.?

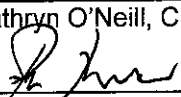
13. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to help support the work of Washington County Youth Service Bureau / Boys & Girls Club?
14. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice?
15. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?
16. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help support the work of Good Beginnings of Central Vermont?
17. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Family Center of Washington County?
18. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to help support the work of People's Health & Wellness Clinic?
19. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to help support the work of Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services and Shelter)?
20. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Home Share Now, Inc.?
21. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?
22. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to help support the work of Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County?
23. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to help support the work of OUR House of Central Vermont?
24. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to help support the work of the Montpelier Senior Activity Center?
25. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help support the work of the Mad River Valley Senior Citizens Center?
26. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Good Samaritan Haven?
27. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$4,999.00 to help support the work of the Waterbury Area Senior Citizens Center?
28. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote to elect officers of the Moretown Memorial Public Library Board of Trustees for the following terms:
 - 3 Trustees for 3 year term
 - 2 Trustees for 1 year term
29. To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Moretown, Vermont the ____ day of January, 2016.


Thomas Martin, Chairman


Kathryn O'Neill, Chair


Michelle Beard


Ron Shems


Jason Aronowitz


Thomas Badowski


John Hoogenboom


Gabriel Gilman


Rae Washburn III


Jim Burmester

Moretown Select Board

Moretown Board of School Directors

Received and recorded this ^{27th} day of January, 2016. A true copy.

Attest: 

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MORETOWN, VERMONT MARCH 1, 2016

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
 B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
 C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SELECTMAN Vote for not more than TWO for 1 YEAR TOM MARTIN <input type="radio"/> MICHELLE BEARD <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	AUDITOR Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	2ND CONSTABLE Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR CLARENCE WOOD <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____
SELECTMAN Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS JOHN HOOGENBOOM <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	AUDITOR Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR Remaining _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	CEMETERY COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS MARK K. AUSTIN <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____
SELECTMAN Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS Remaining JASON ARONOWITZ <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	AUDITOR Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS Remaining _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR Vote for not more than TWO for 1 YEAR RON SHEMS <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR CHERILYN BROWN <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	AGENT TO PROSECUTE/ DEFEND SUITS Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR SHEILA K. GETZINGER <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS GABRIEL GILMAN <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR CRAIG EILERS <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	LISTER Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR Remaining _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	
TOWN GRAND JUROR Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR SHEILA K. GETZINGER <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	1ST CONSTABLE Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR Remaining _____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in) _____	

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

OFFICIAL BALLOT

HARWOOD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #19
MARCH 1, 2016

If IN FAVOR of the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked YES.

If OPPOSED to the Article, make a cross (X) in the square marked NO.

ARTICLE IX:

"Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$14,219,230, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,064 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 2.1% higher than spending for the current year?"

☐

YES

☐

NO

SAMPLE

SELECT BOARD REPORT

The Select Board would like to take this opportunity to thank our employees, volunteers, appointees, and elected officials. It would be difficult to effectively operate the town without all of the hard work and dedication of each of you. The strong working relationship amongst town departments ensures a seamless transition of information of which the Board is very grateful.

The 2015 town budget came in basically on target. Even though the Select Board made the choice to continue fixing area 2 of the Moretown Mountain Road hill after learning that there would be no grant funding available for the \$102,000 project. The work really needed to be done to protect the infrastructure of the road. Thank you department leads for pitching in and helping to keep spending down wherever possible.

In December the Select Board was notified by FEMA that the town will recover the remainder of unreimbursed monies spent to replace the bridge lost on Bridge Road during Tropical Storm Irene (about \$280,000). The town has been carrying a note with the Merchants Bank. Now that loan will be paid off in full once the FEMA funds are received.

Rather than have an article this year for a new pumper/tanker fire truck, Steve Smith with the help of Cheryl Brown applied for a \$325,000 American Firefighter Grant to purchase the new fire truck. If successful a new fire truck could be ordered this fall.

Construction on the new Town Office in the village began in September and will be ready to move into by next fall. In addition, the sidewalk project is moving along. Final design plan are being reviewed with the State, and the Town is negotiating final costs for repairs needed to the small bridge in the village as part of the sidewalk project, versus having a walk bridge over the Doctors Brook. Both projects are being funded in part by grants.

This year the Select Board placed \$9,500 in their budget for additional compensation for town office and library employees. A pay scale will be determined in April, giving us time to evaluation job descriptions and benefits as part of the decision making process.

Sincerely,

Tom Martin, Chair
John Hoogenboom, Vice Chair
Michelle Beard
Rae Washburn
Jason Aronowitz

ROAD DEPARTMENT

The Moretown Road Department saw some personnel changes in 2015. Thomas Maynard chose to pursue a different job opportunity. He will be missed here at the road department. After his departure, and a lengthy three-month search, the town was able to hire Elwin Chambers. Elwin comes to Moretown with many years of municipal work, and has fit in seamlessly.

Although we were down to a two-man crew for almost three months, I am pleased with the amount of work we were able to accomplish. Some of the work the road department accomplished in 2015 consisted of a complete rebuild of a section of Howes Road, (Debit Hill). It was completely impassable during mud season. Thanks to the landfill, we were able to obtain stone to repair a large washout on the bottom of the Common Road. We also did riprap on the Mountain Road, Haupts Road and McGibbons Road.

We did a three-foot culvert replacement on Pony Farm Road. Other culvert jobs were completed on the Mountain Road, McGibbons Road, Lovers Lane, Farnham Road and Cobb Hill Road. Ditching and tree/brush work were done to the following: Mountain Road, Haupts Road, McGibbons Road, Lovers Lane, Howes Road, Pony Farm Road, Common Road, Butternut Road, Farnham Road, Devils Washbowl, and Cobb Hill Road.

Resurfacing to some extent was done to the following: Mountain Road, McGibbons Road, River Road, Devils Washbowl, Lovers Lane, Howes Road, Pony Farm Road, Common Road, Butternut Road, Farnham Road, Cobb Hill, Herring Brook, Bathenes Road, Witharm Road, and Stevens Brook Road.

The Road Department tore down and removed the old Town Clerk's office, mowed the road sides, did sign work, grading, dust control (chloride), hauled materials, did routine maintenance on all equipment, graded and added stone during mud season; in addition to plowing and sanding as needed. I am looking forward to continuing to improve our road infrastructure in 2016.

The road department would like to thank the many people who helped us in any way in 2015. We welcome any question or comments at 496-4141.

2015 BUDGET REPORT

The intent of this report is to explain budget overages that appear in the Town Report. Phase II of the Village Hill reconstruction process ended up being charged to the road department budget. The amount charged for Village Hill was \$102,062.25. If we take out the Village Hill expense, we actually under-spent our budget of \$451,822 by \$51,000, or 11%.

If you have any further questions regarding this budget report or any budget-related matters, I urge you to contact our Select Board or Town Treasurer.

Thank you,

Martin Cameron
Road Foreman

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

On Monday, January 4, the Selectboard approved the Moretown Town Plan, culminating an almost three year process to secure a Municipal Planning Grant, hire a planning consultant, engage Moretown's citizens, update data and completely rewrite the plan, host hearings to hear comments on the draft, and then finally forward it to the Selectboard for adoption. The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission now will consider the plan and decide whether or not to approve it. Municipal plans expire after five years. In the wake of Tropical Storm Irene and the rebuilding and resiliency discussions that ensued, as well as the closing of the landfill and discussions about that, Moretown has been without an adopted plan for about two years. No town wants to be without an adopted plan because that is the expression of the vision for the community and the town has virtually no standing in either Act 250 or Section 248 Public Service Board proceedings unless it has an adopted and approved plan. Thank you to our Selectboard for its approval of the updated plan.

The planning commission has also been working to update zoning bylaws for the town and to develop subdivision regulations as well as stormwater bylaws for the town. We also applied for funding for a Vermont Watershed Grant to identify priority areas and are awaiting word.

In April 2015 the Selectboards of all five Mad River Valley (MRV) towns voted to support an application to High Meadows Fund to develop a long-term approach for building flood resilience and water quality in the MRV by improved and coordinated stormwater management. The grant was awarded in July. Since then, a taskforce of interested citizens and municipal representatives – coordinated by Friends of the Mad River and including at least one Selectboard and Planning Commission member from each town – have been engaged in monthly meetings to identify readily achievable strategies for reducing community vulnerability to stormwater runoff, develop information and resource-sharing strategies for municipalities, and prepare for impending state regulations related to cleaning up the waters of the Lake Champlain Basin. The taskforce will recommend innovative regulatory and non-regulatory management solutions for municipalities, homeowners, developers, farmers, businesses, and road crews. The taskforce meets each month. Anyone interested in strengthening flood resilience and water quality is welcome to participate; contact Moretown Planning Commission's representative, Dara Torre, at daratorre@gmail.com.

Respectfully Submitted,
Moretown Planning Commission

Jonathan Siegel, Chair
Karen Horn
Rube Scharges

Deb Sargent
Dara Torre
Bridgette Remington, Alternate

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Development Review Board is a quasi-judicial body which holds hearings on requests for variances and development which requires conditional use approval under the Town's zoning regulations. Notices of applications are provided to adjoining landowners, and the meetings are warned by publication in local newspapers.

During 2015, the DRB met fourteen times and conducted hearings on eleven different applications. With respect to two of the applications the Board conducted separate site visits. Applications included a couple of two lot subdivisions, a multi-residential planned unit development, and a nine-unit apartment complex. In February the Town of Moretown's application for the new Town Office in the Village was approved and later in the year the Town's project to improve Village sidewalks.

In August Mimi Clark was appointed Clerk of the Board and her assistance with meeting minutes is greatly appreciated. Zoning Administrator John Weir provides administrative support to the Board, which is a big help.

Individuals currently serving on the Board consist of the following:

John Riley, Chair
Erick Titrud, Vice Chair
David Russo
Jim O'Neill

Tom Badowski
Eric Howes, Alternate
Paula Woods, Alternate

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP)

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a multiyear projection or scheduling of Capital Projects that are classified as infrastructure costing \$5,000 and up. It prioritizes, within departments, construction projects, vehicle purchases, equipment purchases, building purchases, and maintenance of assets. The CIP estimates the costs of each project and identifies funding sources that should be used or are available, such as general fund, grants, notes, bonds, and reserves. It also established suggested implementation dates. A CIP assists in identifying needs and promoting regular maintenance of assets.

In conjunction with the CIP is the Capital Budget. The Planning Commission is charged with developing a 5 year Capital Budget to coincide with the CIP. As an off shoot of the CIP, the Capital Budget prioritizes projects between departments. It also identifies expected expenditure amounts by year and the funds used to cover the expenditure. It ties in with the annual Town Budget each year.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN SUMMARY 2015-2033

Financing Sources (FS)	Source Key	Source Tot		Source Tot	Source Tot
General Fund-Taxes	GF	70,600		116,300	76,083
Bonds or Notes	BN	98,604		129,855	122,800
Bridge and Culvert Fund	BC	0		57,174	10,000
Fire Dept Reserve Fund	FR				
Capital Reserve Fund	CR				
Garage Land Reserve Fund	GL				
Savings Reserve	SR				
Childrens Fund	CF			57,096	
Grants/Governmental	G				
Highway Reserve Fund	GR				
Reappraisal Fund	RF				

Notes: 1. Capital Expenditures are usually defined as those greater than \$3000 singularly or combined.

2. Unfunded planned capital projects estimated cost and funding source are shown ***Bold Italicized***.

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	2012	2013	2014	2015
Reserve Fund Bal				
Capital Reserve	173,813	189,788	160,060	322
Savings Reserve	781,454	1,106,443	1,114,751	1,120,682

TOWN CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

The Town Clerk is responsible for providing numerous services to the general public and residents of Moretown, in addition to attorneys, surveyors, appraisers, and folks doing genealogies. The Town Clerk is further responsible for the maintenance, recording, indexing and storage of town records. These tasks are completed in a timely and accurate manner to insure that the information required is available when needed.

The Town Clerk's office also records Moretown births, deaths and marriages. Vital records are available as are all other public records at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. Monday – Friday 7am – 3pm. Due to fraud and identity theft on the increase and for the protection of the public, vital records will not be published in the Town Report.

19- Births

8- Marriages

13- Deaths

We have reached our goal and now all survey maps are digitized along with all of our land records back to 1792. We continue to digitize on a daily basis. We are in the process now of digitizing all of the town records (board meetings etc). We are also in the process of computerizing all of the vital records as well.

Town Treasurer responsibilities are to manage the finances of the town and keep an account for the municipality. The 2015 Audit Review was finalized by Pace & Hawley. Based on the review, they did not suggest making any modifications accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting. A copy of the Audit is available in the Town Office for review and online at www.moretownvt.org.

Taxes can be paid online again this year at: <https://www.officialpayments.com/>

Town meeting will be held at the Moretown Town Hall. Polls will be open from 7am-7pm. Hope to see you all there. Dog licenses will also be sold during this time. Please bring cash or check (we prefer a check).

We look forward to a busy and productive 2016. Please stop by or call if we can be of any assistance. Thank you for your continued support.

Cherilyn Brown, Town Clerk & Treasurer

Email: townclerk@moretownvt.net

Clerk Phone: 802-882-8218

Treasurer Phone: 802-882-8121

Fax: 802-329-2221

Online Voter Registration New for 2016

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

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

Secretary Condos states, *“I am very excited to announce the roll-out of Vermont’s first online voter registration system. One of my primary goals as Vermont’s chief election officer is to increase voter participation. I am confident that our new online voter registration system and the ‘My Voter Page’ tool will increase engagement with the electoral process across the state and make it easier than ever for all eligible Vermonters to participate in our elections.”*

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

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at the office at 802-882-8218.

Thank you,

Cherilyn Brown

Town Clerk

OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES AS OF 12/31/15

Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

2015 Dump Truck (\$103,626.44 August 19, 2014)

Due Merchants Bank	\$	103,626.44
Payment (1/20/15) pd	\$	34,542.15
Interest (1.46%) (1/20/15) \$650.77 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	69,084.29

2004 Fire Station 2004 Issue (\$170,000, July 8, 2004)

Due Vermont Municipal Bond Bank	\$	20,000.00
Payment (10/19/2015)pd	\$	15,000.00
Interest (3.86%) \$443.00 (5/4/15) & (10/19/15) \$132.17 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	5,000.00

2009 Town Garage Series (\$900,000.00 July 01, 2009)

Due Vermont Municipal Bond Bank - 2009 Series 1&2	\$	675,000.00
Payment (10/19/15) pd	\$	45,000.00
Interest (4.21%) (5/4/15) \$14,157.71 & (10/19/15) \$14,157.71 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	630,000.00

2009 Town Hall Capital Improvement Note (\$78,000.00 December 28, 2009)

Due Community National Bank	\$	42,326.67
Payment (12/09/15) pd	\$	7,899.00
Interest (3.5%) (12/09/15) \$1503.82 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	34,427.67

2015 Tax Anticipation Note LOC (\$500,000.00)

Due Merchants Bank (01/02/15)	\$	500,000.00
Payment (12/31/15)	\$	500,000.00
Interest (1.30%) (11/16/15) \$4,360.16 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	0.00

2015 Town Office Special Vote 11/05/2013

Due Merchants Bank	\$	40,000.00
Payment		
Interest (1.72%)	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	40,000.00

2013 Flood Line of Credit (\$341,901.75 11/13)

Due Merchant's Bank	\$	257,198.03
Payment (11/16/15) pd	\$	132,198.03
Interest (1.71%) (11/20/15) \$4,386.03 pd	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	125,000.00

TOTAL LOANS OUTSTANDING 12/31/15	\$	903,511.96
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SUMMARY REVENUE REPORT FOR GENERAL FUND AND OTHER FUNDS

Prepared by: Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

ACCOUNT	Estimated Revenue	ACTUAL 2015
TAX REVENUE		
Taxes-Current	\$ -	\$ 494,958.04
Delinquent Taxes	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 313,246.97
Delinquent Taxes-Interest	\$ -	\$ 7,735.40
Hold Harmless/Current Use	\$ 36,749.00	\$ 42,114.00
Educ Tax Refund-MES/HU	\$ 37,853.00	\$ 37,852.70
NRA PILOT PAYMENT	\$ -	\$ 721.14
Abatements		\$ (1,350.59)
Municipal Tax Adj. pmt	\$ -	\$ 7,769.15
Total TAX REVENUE	\$ 129,602.00	\$ 903,046.81
TOWN OFFICE (VLCT Grant-Equipment)	\$ -	\$ -
TOWN HALL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 450.00
LIBRARY (Donations and Grants)	\$ -	\$ 521.84
MISC INCOME	\$ 4,593.00	\$ 5,955.52
ANIMAL CONTROL REVENUE	\$ -	\$ 215.00
ZONING FEES	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 4,621.20
DRB FEES	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 3,539.00
TOWN CLERK FEES	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 24,579.73
TREASURER REVENUE (CRF transfer \$160K)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 162,697.56
SELECT BOARD REVENUE (Excav. Fire)		\$ 7,544.20
FIRE DEPARTMENT REVENUE		\$ 3,000.00
HIGHWAY REVENUE (Wetzel 78K)	\$ 84,000.00	\$ 162,247.31
BRIDGE & CULVERT FUND	\$ 25,000.00	
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$ 125,000.00	
OTHER (Transfers In)	\$ -	\$ 5,967.76
Total General Fund	\$ 396,695.00	\$ 1,284,385.93
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		\$ 261.65
REAPPRAISAL FUND	\$ -	\$ 8,616.50
RECREATION FUND	\$ -	\$ -
PLANNING GRANT	\$ -	\$ -
CHARLES O'DAVIS FUND	\$ -	\$ 2,800.15
CEMETERY FUND	\$ -	\$ 1,363.21
SAVINGS RESERVE FUND	\$ -	\$ 18,904.39
PRESERVATION OF LAND RECORDS FUND	\$ -	\$ 1,884.00
HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND	\$ -	\$ -
TOWN OFFICE FUND	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 206,781.52
CHILDRENS DEERYARD FUND	\$ -	\$ 29.47
LIBRARY		\$ 11,230.15
FEMA 2011 FUND	\$ 146,000.00	\$ 25,358.97
2014 SIDEWALK PROJECT FUND	\$ -	\$ 31,414.22
Total All Funds	\$ 572,695.00	\$ 308,644.23
Note: Savings Reserve Fund revenue is based on cost value not actual		\$ 1,593,030.16
Ending Amount Value (Market Value) in Savings Reserve Investment Account is: \$479,018.23		

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
TOWN OFFICE			
Custodial Services	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 500.00
FICA/MEDI Town Office Cus	\$ -	\$ 18.79	\$ 50.00
Building Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 824.49	\$ 1,000.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,784.74	\$ 2,500.00
Equipment Lease-Copier	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,134.47	\$ 2,200.00
Telephone	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,586.45	\$ 2,500.00
Online Access	\$ -	\$ 47.70	\$ -
Postage	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,631.12	\$ 2,000.00
Land Records Book	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,853.16	\$ 1,500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,503.10	\$ 3,500.00
Electricity	\$ -	\$ 67.63	\$ 600.00
Heating Fuel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Equipment Purchase	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 4,943.00	\$ 6,900.00
2011 FLOOD BUILDING/MISC	\$ -	\$ 2,870.06	\$ -
Debt Retire-Capital Imp.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
Debt Retire-Capital Inter	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Total TOWN OFFICE	\$ 21,350.00	\$ 23,514.71	\$ 32,450.00
TOWN HALL			
Custodial Wages	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 75.00	\$ 76.52	\$ 77.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,553.42	\$ 2,000.00
Telephone	\$ 500.00	\$ 691.75	\$ 500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 701.19	\$ 500.00
Electricity	\$ 750.00	\$ 657.14	\$ 750.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,107.31	\$ 3,000.00
Debt Retire-Capital Improvement	\$ 7,899.00	\$ 7,899.00	\$ 7,899.00
Debt Retire-Capital Interest	\$ 1,503.00	\$ 1,503.82	\$ 1,500.00
Total TOWN HALL	\$ 16,477.00	\$ 18,190.15	\$ 17,226.00
LIBRARY			
Librarian Pay	\$ 10,549.00	\$ 9,689.22	\$ 10,549.00
Asst. Librarian Pay	\$ 4,426.00	\$ 4,043.20	\$ 4,537.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 1,050.54	\$ 1,200.00
Rental Port-o-let	\$ 1,140.00	\$ 1,236.50	\$ 1,200.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 200.00	\$ 71.11	\$ 200.00
Equipment/Maintenance	\$ 180.00	\$ 144.80	\$ 180.00
Telephone	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,062.46	\$ 1,100.00
Training/Mileage	\$ 200.00	\$ 176.49	\$ 200.00
Memberships	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 220.29	\$ 300.00
Postage	\$ 275.00	\$ 362.20	\$ 475.00
Electricity	\$ 575.00	\$ 388.18	\$ 575.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 666.57	\$ 700.00
Books Periodicals Etc	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,757.58	\$ 2,500.00

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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LIBRARY cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Resource Sharing Grant	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Programming Expense	\$ 100.00	\$ 168.00	\$ 100.00
Total LIBRARY	\$ 24,330.00	\$ 22,487.14	\$ 24,166.00
TOWN MEETINGS & ELECTIONS			
Election Officials Pay	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,189.04	\$ 2,000.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 90.00	\$ 135.47	\$ 170.00
Print/Publication/Expnecs	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,856.87	\$ 4,000.00
Meals	\$ 100.00	\$ 60.27	\$ 100.00
Total TOWN MEETINGS & ELEC	\$ 3,490.00	\$ 4,241.65	\$ 6,270.00
TOWN REPORTS			
Postage/Labeling	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,090.02	\$ 1,000.00
Printing	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 2,388.90	\$ 2,500.00
Total TOWN REPORTS	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,478.92	\$ 3,500.00
GENERAL TOWN EXPENSES			
Misc. Expense - General	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,614.56	\$ 1,200.00
Unemployment	\$ 638.00	\$ 1,802.00	\$ 1,441.00
Legal: Selectboard	\$ -	\$ 570.00	\$ -
Legal: Tax Sales	\$ -	\$ 1,252.91	\$ 1,300.00
General Legal	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,113.60	\$ 5,000.00
Washington County Tax	\$ 16,460.00	\$ 16,398.00	\$ 16,500.00
Liabi/Multi-Peril/Work Co	\$ 50,167.00	\$ 50,821.00	\$ 54,899.00
Website Expense	\$ 900.00	\$ 320.00	\$ 500.00
FICA/MEDI	\$ 400.00	\$ 44.54	\$ -
HRA	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 8,691.90	\$ 8,750.00
Street-Flags	\$ 500.00	\$ 418.50	\$ 500.00
Disaster Recovery-NEMRC	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ -
HMGPMC Wetzel	\$ -	\$ 88,819.58	\$ -
Street Lights	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,808.12	\$ 4,000.00
Flood Exp. LOC interest	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,386.03	\$ 1,000.00
Tax Antic. Note-Interest	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,360.16	\$ 1,500.00
Total GENERAL TOWN EXPENSE	\$ 91,615.00	\$ 193,420.90	\$ 96,590.00
MEMBERSHIPS			
Montpelier Ambulance	\$ 11,870.00	\$ 11,870.50	\$ 12,075.00
CVEDC Dues	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Central VT Regional Plan	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,823.80	\$ 1,824.00
VLCT Dues	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,749.00	\$ 2,774.00
MRRM Alliance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,632.00	\$ 9,948.00
Northern VT Resource	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Total MEMBERSHIPS	\$ 22,320.00	\$ 23,975.30	\$ 27,521.00
TAX COLLECTOR			
Fica/Medi	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,550.77	\$ 750.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Total TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,800.77	\$ 1,000.00

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CONSTABLES	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Constable Pay	\$ 300.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Fica/Medi	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Total CONSTABLES	\$ 350.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
HEALTH OFFICER			
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Total HEALTH OFFICER	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER			
Animal Control Offcr Pay	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,400.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 75.00	\$ 76.52	\$ 115.00
Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 300.00
Mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ 28.75	\$ 100.00
Total ANIMAL CONTROL OFFIC	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 1,185.27	\$ 1,915.00
AUDITORS			
Auditors Pay	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 968.94	\$ 1,200.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 70.00	\$ 74.12	\$ 77.00
CPA/Bookkeeping Svc	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 5,500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 50.00
Total AUDITORS	\$ 6,620.00	\$ 5,878.06	\$ 6,827.00
LISTERS			
Consultant Pay	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,800.00
Current Use/Consultant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Listers Pay	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 2,819.65	\$ 3,500.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 384.00	\$ 202.06	\$ 270.00
Fica/Medi - Consultant	\$ 30.00	\$ 21.27	\$ 30.00
Update Tax Maps	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 4,099.97	\$ 20,000.00
Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.14	\$ 125.00
Mileage	\$ 200.00	\$ 93.73	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,508.38	\$ 1,700.00
Total LISTERS	\$ 34,064.00	\$ 16,651.20	\$ 36,025.00
BCA (TAX APPEALS)			
Legal Services/Expenses	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -
Mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -
Abatement sup/exp	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Total BCA (TAX APPEALS)	\$ 175.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR			
Zoning Administrator Pay	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 14,137.79	\$ 23,000.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,081.55	\$ 2,000.00
Supplies/Expenses/Print	\$ 500.00	\$ 122.68	\$ 200.00
Expenses-911 Coord.	\$ -	\$ 157.62	\$ 200.00
Total ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	\$ 25,500.00	\$ 15,499.64	\$ 25,400.00
PLANNING COMMISSION			
Postage	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Printing/Advertising	\$ 300.00	\$ 94.80	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 50.00

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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PLANNING COMMISSION cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Planning Grant/Town share	\$ -	\$ 426.42	\$ 400.00
Total PLANNING COMMISSION	\$ 400.00	\$ 581.22	\$ 550.00
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD			
Secretary Pay	\$ -	\$ 419.11	\$ 500.00
Fica/Medi	\$ -	\$ 32.06	\$ 40.00
Postage	\$ -	\$ 23.83	\$ -
Printing/Advertisement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 757.16	\$ 750.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ -	\$ 39.85	\$ 50.00
Total DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,272.01	\$ 1,340.00
CEMETERIES			
Contracted Mowing	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 7,972.25	\$ 7,750.00
Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Administrative Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 46.20	\$ 100.00
Cleaning Stones	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00
Total CEMETERIES	\$ 9,350.00	\$ 8,018.45	\$ 8,650.00
TOWN CLERK			
Town Clerk Pay	\$ 34,095.00	\$ 34,149.99	\$ 34,095.00
Health Insurance	\$ 11,235.00	\$ 10,785.84	\$ 11,819.00
Fica/Medi - Town Clerk	\$ 2,650.00	\$ 2,558.89	\$ 2,700.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 1,833.00	\$ 2,321.18	\$ 2,100.00
Expenses - Town Clerk	\$ 300.00	\$ 48.30	\$ 150.00
Dog Licenses	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 64.00	\$ 100.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 105.00	\$ -
Assistant Town Clerk	\$ 11,993.00	\$ 12,001.36	\$ 11,993.00
Fica/Medi - Asst Twn Clrk	\$ 850.00	\$ 902.21	\$ 850.00
Total TOWN CLERK	\$ 64,506.00	\$ 62,936.77	\$ 63,807.00
TREASURER			
Town Treasurer Pay	\$ 8,524.00	\$ 8,537.51	\$ 8,524.00
Fica/Medi - Town Treasure	\$ 700.00	\$ 639.82	\$ 600.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 458.00	\$ -	\$ -
Expenses - Treasurer	\$ 500.00	\$ 248.36	\$ 250.00
Training/Membership	\$ 300.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00
Assistant Town Treasurer	\$ 7,462.00	\$ 7,541.43	\$ 7,462.00
Fica/Medi - Asst Treas	\$ 600.00	\$ 567.56	\$ 550.00
Total TREASURER	\$ 18,544.00	\$ 17,624.68	\$ 17,486.00
SELECTBOARD			
Selectboard Pay	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Fica/Medi - Selectboard	\$ 200.00	\$ 162.80	\$ 150.00
Postage	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 226.13	\$ 250.00
Town Administrator	\$ 43,619.00	\$ 43,925.74	\$ 43,619.00
Health Insurance/HSA	\$ 11,235.00	\$ 10,785.84	\$ 11,819.00
Disability Insurance-SBAs	\$ 500.00	\$ 406.76	\$ 500.00
Fica/Medi - Selectbd Clrk	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,350.74	\$ 3,820.00

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SELECTBOARD cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Municipal Retirement Ref/R	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,449.92	\$ 2,500.00
Emp. Compensation TBA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,500.00
Total SELECTBOARD	\$ 64,054.00	\$ 63,807.93	\$ 74,658.00
FIRE STATION			
Stipend	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Dispatching Service	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 7,405.20	\$ 13,526.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 1,500.00
Telephone	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,578.38	\$ 1,300.00
Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 475.32	\$ 500.00
Electricity	\$ 800.00	\$ 851.26	\$ 800.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,908.23	\$ 3,000.00
Total FIRE STATION	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 18,278.39	\$ 25,126.00
FIRE EQUIPMENT			
Radio Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 2,844.43	\$ 4,000.00
Gas/Diesel - FD	\$ 300.00	\$ 47.29	\$ 300.00
AFG Grant	\$ -	\$ 122.96	\$ -
Total FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 3,014.68	\$ 4,400.00
FIREMEN			
Training	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Expenses	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
Mileage	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Total FIREMEN	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00
FIRE VEHICLES			
Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,404.16	\$ 7,000.00
Vehicle Supplies	\$ -	\$ 18.30	\$ -
Total FIRE VEHICLES	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,422.46	\$ 7,000.00
FIRE WARDEN			
Expenses - Fire Warden	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Total FIRE WARDEN	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
CONTRACTED SERVICES: FIRE			
Mutual Aid	\$ -	\$ 3,102.38	\$ -
Waterbury	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Total CONTRACTED SERVICES:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,602.38	\$ 2,500.00
DEBT RETIREMENT - FIRE			
F.S.-Muni Bond '04	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
F.S.-Muni Bond '04-Int	\$ 886.00	\$ 575.17	\$ 500.00
Total DEBT RETIREMENT - FI	\$ 15,886.00	\$ 15,575.17	\$ 15,500.00
Total FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 58,536.00	\$ 50,143.08	\$ 55,876.00
TOWN HIGHWAYS			
Highway Crew Pay	\$ 130,225.00	\$ 123,967.77	\$ 135,765.00
Health Insurance	\$ 23,095.00	\$ 25,687.94	\$ 27,600.00
Disability Insurance	\$ 500.00	\$ 365.86	\$ 500.00

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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TOWN HIGHWAYS cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Fica/Medi	\$ 9,802.00	\$ 9,343.03	\$ 10,390.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 6,625.10	\$ 6,900.00
Uniforms	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,238.68	\$ 2,100.00
Misc. Expense/Mileage	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,808.59	\$ 500.00
Total HIGHWAY CREW	\$ 173,122.00	\$ 170,036.97	\$ 183,755.00
HIGHWAY CONTRACT SERVICES			
Sidewalk Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Blasting	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Highway Surveys	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Road Commissioner Pay	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Road Crew-Mileage	\$ -	\$ 28.18	\$ -
Total HIGHWAY CONTRACT SER	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 28.18	\$ 6,000.00
HIGHWAY WORK			
Highway Work	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 102,062.25	\$ 25,000.00
Cemetery Rd TH 28	\$ -	\$ 192.50	\$ -
River Rd	\$ -	\$ 2,456.26	\$ -
South Hill Rd	\$ -	\$ 210.24	\$ -
Ward Brook Rd	\$ -	\$ 1,064.48	\$ -
Mountain Rd	\$ -	\$ 746.18	\$ -
Farnham Rd.	\$ -	\$ 171.38	\$ -
Moretown Common Rd	\$ -	\$ 651.03	\$ -
Herring Brook Rd	\$ -	\$ 192.50	\$ -
Howes Rd	\$ -	\$ 336.00	\$ -
Pony Farm Rd	\$ -	\$ 565.06	\$ -
Stevens Brook Rd	\$ -	\$ 176.51	\$ -
Williams Rd	\$ -	\$ 385.00	\$ -
Total HIGHWAY WORK	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 109,209.39	\$ 25,000.00
HIGHWAY SUPPLIES			
Signs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 499.29	\$ 1,500.00
Chloride	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,245.96	\$ 10,000.00
Class IV Road Maint. Sup/	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,681.95	\$ 1,000.00
Gravel	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 23,689.30	\$ 32,500.00
Other - Hay Seed	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,035.58	\$ 1,000.00
Salt	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,174.48	\$ 4,500.00
Sand	\$ 57,500.00	\$ 55,338.20	\$ 57,500.00
Stone	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,595.94	\$ 3,000.00
Culverts	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,188.44	\$ 15,000.00
2011 FLOOD HIGHWAY IRENE	\$ -	\$ 390.00	\$ -
Total HIGHWAY SUPPLIES	\$ 126,000.00	\$ 108,839.14	\$ 126,000.00
TOWN GARAGE			
Trash Removal	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 889.50	\$ 4,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 2,404.25	\$ -
Telephone	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,797.14	\$ 1,500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,478.23	\$ 3,000.00

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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TOWN GARAGE cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Welding Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 523.39	\$ 500.00
Electricity	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,452.50	\$ 1,500.00
Propane	\$ -	\$ 289.98	\$ -
Heating Fuel	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,825.36	\$ 6,000.00
Total TOWN GARAGE	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 14,660.35	\$ 17,500.00
VEHICLES/HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT			
2001 International	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 743.61	\$ 3,000.00
2015 Mack	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,259.77	\$ 1,000.00
2007 International	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 12,722.64	\$ 3,000.00
2011 Chevy PU Truck	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,198.60	\$ 200.00
All Trucks	\$ 500.00	\$ 576.32	\$ 500.00
Grader	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 348.06	\$ 12,200.00
Loader	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,496.04	\$ 1,000.00
Excavator	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 435.30	\$ 14,500.00
JD-sidewalk tractor	\$ 500.00	\$ 404.04	\$ 500.00
All Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 399.80	\$ 500.00
Chains	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,497.06	\$ 2,000.00
Tires	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 9,103.49	\$ 6,000.00
2012 Mack truck	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,733.86	\$ 3,000.00
Wear Items	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,471.01	\$ 6,000.00
Town Pay Accid (Deduct)	\$ -	\$ 484.82	\$ -
Miscellaneous Equipment	\$ -	\$ 354.77	\$ -
Gas Diesel Oil	\$ 54,500.00	\$ 41,410.81	\$ 41,000.00
Total VEHICLES/HIGHWAY EQU	\$ 87,700.00	\$ 91,640.00	\$ 94,400.00
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT & TOOLS			
Wrecker Charge	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,167.50	\$ 1,000.00
Mowing Roadsides	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 6,000.00
Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Rentals & Leases	\$ 500.00	\$ 369.26	\$ 500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 801.30	\$ 1,500.00
Purchases	\$ -	\$ 79.95	\$ -
Radio Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Total HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT & TOOLS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,018.01	\$ 10,000.00
Total TOWN HIGHWAYS	\$ 451,822.00	\$ 502,432.04	\$ 462,655.00
DEBT RETIREMENT - HIGHWAY			
Garage-BondBank 2009 Prin	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Town Garage-Loan Interest	\$ 28,316.00	\$ 28,315.42	\$ 27,000.00
2015 Mack Dump Truck	\$ 34,542.00	\$ 34,542.15	\$ 35,000.00
2015 Mack Dump Interest	\$ 651.00	\$ 650.77	\$ 650.00
Total DEBT RETIREMENT - HI	\$ 108,509.00	\$ 108,508.34	\$ 107,650.00
OTHER ARTICLES & EXPENSES			
Battered Women's Services	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Centl Vt Council on Aging	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -
Central VT Adult Basic Ed	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
Central Vt Community Actn	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -

COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

OTHER ARTICLES & EXPENSES cont.	BUDGET 2015	ACTUAL 2015	BUDGET 2016
Central VT Home Health	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
Family Center of Washington County	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Good Beginnings of Central VT	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Green Mountain Transit Agency	\$ -	\$ 945.00	\$ -
Mad River Valley Senior Center	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
OUR House of Central VT	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Peoples Health & Wellness	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -
Prevent Child Abuse VT	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Retired Senior Volunteers	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Sexual Assault Crisis Team	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Montpelier Senior Center	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
VT Assoc for Blind & Visually Impaired	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Washington County Youth Services	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Waterbury Area Senior Center	\$ -	\$ 4,999.00	\$ -
Town Events	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 266.40	\$ 1,000.00
Home Share Now Inc.	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Highway/Town Share	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 27.96	\$ -
Sidewalk/Town Share	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,071.37	\$ -
Couples Field	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Total OTHER ARTICLES & EXP	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 22,759.73	\$ 1,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,062,837.00	\$ 1,168,657.96	\$ 1,072,662.00
Total General Fund	\$ (1,062,837.00)	\$ (1,168,657.96)	\$ (1,072,662.00)

NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES DONATION SUMMARY

		2014		Town Meeting 2015		2016	%	Annual
		<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Increase 2015-16</i>	<i>Rept Rcvd</i>
Waterbury Senior Center	Enriching the lives of area older persons by providing 75+ weekday meals as well as services and activities to improve physical and emotional health	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$4,999	\$4,999	\$4,999	0.0%	Y
Central VT Home Health & Hospice	Association committed to providing high quality, medically necessary home health and hospice care to all central Vermonters, regardless of their ability to pay. In addition, our agency promotes the general welfare of the citizens of central Vermont with health promotion and long term care services.	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	0.0%	Y
Central VT Basic Education	Provides free, locally-based instruction for adults and teens in: basic reading, writing, math, computer literacy, earning a high school diploma or GED, English Language Learning and citizenship preparation for refugees and immigrants, and skill readiness for work, technical training and college.	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	0.0%	Y
Mad River Valley Senior Center	Provides nutritious meals for home bound clients in the Mad River Valley (Meals on Wheels) as well as social and educational enrichment at 3 weekly community meals.	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.0%	Y
Central VT Council on Aging	Supporting Vermont elders to grow older successfully. We provide a wide range of programs and services to ensure that seniors are able to lead healthy, independent, meaningful lives in their homes and communities for as long as possible.	\$950	\$950	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,400	27.3%	Y, increase reason not specified
Green Mountain Transit Agency	Offers subsidized rides for seniors and disabled persons to medical appointments, shopping, and senior centers	\$945	\$945	\$945	\$945	\$0	-100.0%	N
Couple's Club (youth recreation)	Supports Little League and soccer programs in the Mad River Valley	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0	-100.0%	N
VT Assoc for the Blind & Visually Impaired	Since 1926, enabling Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence.	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.0%	Y
Family Center of Washington County	Fostering the positive growth and development of young children and their families by offering safe, nurturing programs and services for children, families and service providers.	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.0%	Y
People's Health & Wellness Clinic	Providing primary standard and complementary health care, including mental health, oral health, and wellness education to the uninsured and underinsured of Central Vermont who cannot otherwise afford these services.	\$200	\$500	\$700	\$1,400	\$700	0.0%	Y
Montpelier Senior Activity Center	Enhances well-being for adults 50+ in a welcoming environment through classes, events, trips, clinics, and meals.	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$300	\$600	100.0%	Y, increase attributed to growth in clients served

NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES DONATION SUMMARY

		2014		Town Meeting 2015		2016	%	Annual
		Proposed	Voted	Proposed	Voted	Proposed	Increase 2015-16	Rept Rcvd
Good Samaritan Haven	Provides emergency housing and services to homeless people in Central Vermont through a 30 bed emergency shelter, essential goods and food services, street outreach, and peer support.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500	new	flyer
Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	For over 38 years, PCAV has been working effectively to prevent child abuse and neglect through parent education, support and public awareness.	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	0.0%	Y
Homeshare Now	Facilitates and supports home sharing in central Vermont where services are performed in exchange for housing which allows seniors to age at home while providing affordable housing. Home Share Now is the only organization providing this service in your town.	\$415	\$415	\$400	\$400	\$400	0.0%	Y
Capstone Community Action (formerly CV Community Action Council)	Helping people build better communities through weatherization, business development, food shelves, Head Start, emergency heating, housing counseling, job training, and financial education.	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	0.0%	Y
Good Beginnings of Central Vermont	Providing resources, connections, education and support to new parents because any family with a new baby can use a helping hand. Supports include postpartum home visits, resource center, free parenting workshop series, and cuddling for vulnerable newborns at CVMC.	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	0.0%	Y
OUR House of Central Vermont	Providing a safe and supportive environment to assist victims, adult survivors and families in the discovery, intervention, healing and prevention of child sexual abuse	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	0.0%	Y
Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services & Shelter)	A community-based organization dedicated to ending domestic abuse.	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	0.0%	Y
Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)	Connects volunteers ages 55+ with meaningful service opportunities in their area. Volunteers have a special focus on keeping elders connected to their communities.	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0	-100.0%	Services rolled into CV Council on Aging
Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County	Advocacy for female and male victims of sexual violence, their family members, spouses and friends; includes emotional, legal and medical support, shelter, training and 24 hr hotline.	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	0.0%	N
Washington County Youth Service	Youth/family counseling; drug/alcohol treatment; help for runaway and homeless youth; support for teen parents; teen centers; reentry program for young offenders; 24-hour crisis intervention; and more.	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	0.0%	Y
Total Not-For-Profit Donations		\$14,524	\$12,810	\$17,694	\$18,394	\$19,165	8.3%	

If all the above appropriations are approved by voters at Town Meeting, this would represent under one penny on the tax rate. For a property assessed at \$200,000, these contributions would amount to about \$20 on your property tax bill.

Town of Moretown
Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2015
Prepared by: Cheryl Brown, Treasurer

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Savings Reserve Fund	Bridge & Culvert Fund	Office Flood Insurance Reserve	Sidewalk Fund	Highway Reserve Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total	
ASSETS										
Cash	\$17,342.60	\$243.80	\$607,265.74	\$0.00	\$140,080.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,753.81	\$480,442.41	
Investments/LOC	2,000.00	77.90	522,416.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	108,729.29	633,223.58	
Due from Other Funds	(61,438.41)	0.00	0.00	75,035.08	0.00	(1,123.56)	0.00	(12,473.11)	0.00	
TOTAL ASSETS	(\$42,095.81)	\$321.70	\$1,129,682.13	\$75,035.08	\$140,080.26	(\$1,123.56)	\$0.00	\$112,009.99	\$1,413,909.79	
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES										
Liabilities:										
LOC	\$125,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125,000.00	
Due to School District	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other Liabilities	47,251.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,251.47	
Total Liabilities	\$172,251.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$172,251.47	
Fund Balances/(Deficit):										
Restricted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$140,080.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$163,339.89	\$303,420.15	
Committed	0.00	321.70	1,129,682.13	75,035.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,205,038.91	
General Fund	(330,075.25)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(330,075.25)	
Assigned	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(51,329.90)	(51,329.90)	
Unassigned	115,727.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,123.56)	0.00	0.00	114,604.41	
Total Fund Balances	\$ (214,347.28)	\$ 321.70	\$ 1,129,682.13	\$ 75,035.08	\$ 140,080.26	\$ (1,123.56)	\$ -	\$ 112,009.99	\$ 1,241,658.32	
Total liabilities and Fund Balances/(Deficit):	(\$42,095.81)	\$321.70	\$1,129,682.13	\$75,035.08	\$140,080.26	(\$1,123.56)	\$ -	\$ 112,009.99	\$ 1,413,909.79	

Note: Savings Reserve Investment asset line is based on cost value not actual.
Ending Amount Value (Market Value) in Savings Reserve Investment Account is: \$479,018.23

Town of Moretown
Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances
Other Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2015

Prepared by:
Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

	Reappraisal Fund	Preservation Land Records Fund	Recreation Fund	Childrens/ Deeryard Fund	Library Fund	Capital Imp. Town Hall Fund	Permanent Cemetery Funds	FEMA 2011 August	Total
ASSETS									
Cash	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,805.31	\$0.00	\$10,948.50		\$15,753.81
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	57,096.14	0.00	0.00	51,633.15		\$108,729.29
Due from Other Funds	35,979.21	7,682.89		0.00	1,038.64	0.00	0.00	(57,173.85)	(\$12,473.11)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$35,979.21	\$7,682.89	\$0.00	\$57,096.14	\$5,843.95	\$0.00	\$62,581.65	(\$57,173.85)	\$112,009.99

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

Liabilities:									
Due to Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
Due to School District	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Fund Balances/(Deficit):

Restricted	\$35,979.21	\$7,682.89	\$0.00	\$57,096.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62,581.65	0.00	\$163,339.89
Committed	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Assigned	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,843.95	0.00	0.00	(57,173.85)	(51,329.90)
Unassigned	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Balances/(Deficit)	\$35,979.21	\$7,682.89	\$0.00	\$57,096.14	\$5,843.95	\$0.00	\$62,581.65	(\$57,173.85)	\$112,009.99

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND
FUND BALANCES**

	\$35,979.21	\$7,682.89	\$0.00	\$57,096.14	\$5,843.95	\$0.00	\$62,581.65	(\$57,173.85)	\$112,009.99
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Town of Moretown
Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances
Other Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2015

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REVENUE/EXPENDITURES REPORT OF OTHER FUNDS FOR 2015

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Interest Income	\$	19.06
Interest NSB CD	\$	242.59
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	261.65
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(160,000.00)
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE	\$	(159,738.35)

SAVINGS RESERVE FUND

Gain/loss on investment (cost value)	\$	3,739.99
Interest income (cost value)	\$	14,861.51
Interest Income	\$	302.89
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	18,904.39
TOTAL EXPENDITURES (management fee's)	\$	(3,973.34)
TOTAL SAVINGS RESERVE (cost value \$18,601.50)	\$	14,931.05

BRIDGE AND CULVERT FUND

TOTAL REVENUES	\$	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		
TOTAL BRIDGE & CULVERT FUND	\$	-

REAPPRAISAL FUND

Per parcel payment	\$	8,616.50
PVR Educational Funding RES	\$	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	8,616.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	-
TOTAL REAPPRAISAL	\$	8,616.50

PRESERVATION LAND RECORDS

Fees-Preservation of L. R.	\$	1,884.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	1,884.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(559.10)
TOTAL PRESERVATION LAND RECORDS	\$	1,324.90

RECREATION

Donations	\$	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(3,759.71)
TOTAL RECREATION	\$	(3,759.71)

CHILDRENS DEERYARD FUND

Interest-income	\$	29.47
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	29.47
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(7,081.13)
TOTAL CHILDREN DEER FUND	\$	(7,051.66)

TOWN HALL

TOTAL REVENUES	\$	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(2,072.52)
TOTAL TOWN HALL	\$	(2,072.52)

REVENUE/EXPENDITURES REPORT OF OTHER FUNDS FOR 2015

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

CEMETERY

Lot Sales	\$	500.00
Interest Income Lot Fund CD	\$	254.27
Interest Lot Fund	\$	4.56
Interest Perpetual Care CD	\$	603.25
Interest Perpetual Care	\$	1.13
Burial Fees	\$	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	1,363.21
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(745.00)
TOTAL CEMETERY	\$	618.21

CHARLES O DAVIS

	\$	-
Interest Income	\$	2,170.90
Interest Income CD	\$	629.25
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	2,800.15
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(7,743.23)
TOTAL CHARLES O DAVIS	\$	(4,943.08)

2011 FLOOD

Reimbursement Insurance	\$	25,358.97
Reimbursement FEMA & State	\$	-
Transfer from General Fund	\$	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	25,358.97
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(24,582.85)
TOTAL 2011 FLOOD AUGUST	\$	776.12

TOWN OFFICE

CDBG Town Office Grant	\$	166,744.00
Town Share (11/2013 Special vote)	\$	40,000.00
Interest income	\$	37.52
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	206,781.52
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(149,131.06)
TOTAL TOWN OFFICE	\$	57,650.46

LIBRARY

Interest income	\$	3.53
George Parker Fund	\$	1,113.64
Donations (DiYeso Fund)	\$	10,112.98
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	11,230.15
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(5,386.20)
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$	5,843.95

SIDEWALK PROJECT

TOTAL REVENUES	\$	31,414.22
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	(27,423.47)
TOTAL SIDEWALK PROJECT	\$	3,990.75

MORETOWN 2015 BILLED GRAND LIST

Tax Book Report

Submitted by: Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

		MUNICIPAL	HOMESTEAD	NON-RESIDENTIAL
TAXABLE PARCELS	895			
ACRES	24,483.04			
LAND	85,882,600			
BUILDING	151,674,000			
REAL	237,556,600	136,752,300		100,804,300
Add				
(+) NON-APPROVED CONTRACTS		0		369,800
(+) NON-APPROVED FARM CONTRACTS		0		0
(+)INVENTORY	0			
(+)EQUIPMENT	213,468			213,468
Subtract				
(-)VETERAN	440,000	400,000		40,000
(-) FARM STAB	0	0		0
(-) CURRENT USE	15,706,854	4,222,009		11,484,845
(-) SPECIAL EXEMP.	369,800	0		369,800
		0		24,620
GRAND LIST	2,212,534.14	1,321,302.91		894,683.03
HOMESTEAD	173,873,700			
HOUSESITE	149,812,000			
LEASE	1			
NON-TAX COUNT	23			
NON-TAX VAL.	5,747,500			
LATE HOMESTEAD PENALTY				3,337.25

RATE NAME	TAX RATE	X GRAND LIST =	TOTAL RAISED
NON-RESIDENTIAL ED	1.4801	890,985.03	1,318,747.01
HOMESTEAD ED.	1.7281	1,321,302.91	2,283,343.69
MUNICIPAL	0.3798	2,212,534.14	840,319.66
TOTAL TAX			4,445,747.61

DELINQUENT TAX STATEMENT
as of 12/31/2015

2010-2015 Total Collections:	\$313,246.97
Interest:	\$7,735.40
Total Remitted to Treasurer:	\$320,982.37

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX LIST
as of 12/31/2015

Aldrich, Boyd	Loiselle, Patrick & Santor, Celinda
Austin, Mark & Patricia	Lord, Richard & Peggy
Barrows, David	Melen, Matthew & Anna
Bushey, Larry & Jessica	Naikus, Vitas & Erica
Buska, Donald & Barbara	Nature Preserve, LLC
Cole, John	Nevin, Christopher & Karen
Cowan, Wavell	Reagan, Sandra
Elliot, Michael & Robin	Reagan, Sandra, Bradley & Kirk
Farnham, Robert & Pamela	Ruggles, Francis
Gallagher, Dale	Shephard, Kris & Lisa
Gray, Marshall & Johanne	Sherman, Kevin
Heiliger, Hans & Gertrudis	Sumner, Lawrence
Horsman, Ann	Swinchoski, Robert & Kristin
Hoyt, Sherman	Truskauskas, Wayne & Shelly
Lacount, Brian & Kim	Williamson, Bannon
Lamson, Harry & Jerri Lynn	Wimble, Carl
	Wimble, Robert

Remaining Delinquent Tax Balance: (Excluding interest & penalties)	\$64,801.74
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DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines so that all delinquent taxpayers will be treated fairly and will know what to expect.

- A. As soon as the warrant has been received, the tax collector will send a notice to each delinquent taxpayer indicating the amount of taxes, penalty and interest owed.
- B. **Only payment arrangements that will pay the bill in full before the due date of next year's bill will be accepted.** Special circumstances will be considered.
- C. Partial payments will be applied proportionally between the outstanding tax, interest and penalty payments due.
- D. When a tax payment is received by the town, either for a full or partial tax payment, said payment will always be applied to the most outstanding tax balance due, either delinquent or current. No exceptions will be allowed to this.
- E. **If the amount due is less than \$500** and no satisfactory payment arrangements have been made, or if the prior payment agreement has not been met, the tax collector can file a complaint with small claims court.
- F. **If the amount due is \$500 or more** and no satisfactory payment arrangements have been made, or if the prior agreement has not been met, the tax collector can begin the following actions to conduct a tax sale of the property or as much of the property as is necessary to pay the tax, plus costs and fees:
 - a. The collector will notify the taxpayer and all mortgage and lien holders of the tax sale decision, the date by which full payment must be received, and the costs to expect once the sale process begins.
 - b. If the deadline date has passed and full payment has not been received, the collector will proceed with a tax sale according to the procedures specified in 32 V.S.A. & 5252.
 - c. 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.
- G. Each taxpayer has a right to apply for abatement of property taxes based on any of the grounds listed in 24 V.S.A. & 1535.
- H. In the event that no one purchases the property at tax sale, or, if in the judgment of the tax collector, proceeding with the tax sale is inadvisable, the tax collector shall collect the delinquent taxes using any and all methods permitted by law.

Craig Eilers
Collector of Delinquent Taxes - Town of Moretown, Vermont

ZONING REPORT

Zoning Permit Applications

42 total permit applications

41 total permits issued (1 denied)

14 Single-Family Residences

(including accessory structures such as garage, porch, deck)

15 Accessory Structures (such as garage, porch, deck)

4 Subdivisions

1 Planned Unit Development

1 Sign

2 Multi-Family Apartment Buildings

1 Cottage Industry

4 Other (Conditional Use)

Zoning permit forms and applications can be viewed and downloaded at:

<http://www.moretownvt.org/laws-and-ordinances/permits-licenses/>.

The permitting fee schedule has been updated and can be viewed at:

<http://www.moretownvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/revised-Fee-Schedule-January-2014.pdf>.

The Zoning Administrator has been working with the Moretown Planning Commission to revise the zoning regulations. Some of the revised zoning regulations will come before the Town for adoption on Town Meeting Day, March 1, 2016. New or revised regulations include subdivision regulations, stormwater and erosion control measures, special events, setback waivers, and increased setbacks for streams and wetlands.

Contact information for Moretown Zoning Administrator/E-911 Coordinator:

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MORETOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

The most notable change in the library during 2015 was the departure of Library Director Lisa Samsom. Lisa was hired to do story time at the library in 2008. In 2011, she became the Library Director, continuing to do story time in her new position. Under Lisa's leadership, the library moved to an automated catalog, most of the library operations became computerized, and the library became a presence on the Town website, on Facebook and on Twitter. She also expanded the library's collection and its programming. In addition, her long tenure at the library meant that she had a great sense of what her patrons wanted to read. She will be missed. Fortunately, Assistant Librarian Pat Yoder came to the library even before Lisa joined. It is a tremendous asset to have someone with the institutional knowledge, as well as the love of books, that Pat brings.

In 2015, we had 2,246 visits to the library. We circulated 4,335 items, fulfilled 106 interlibrary loan requests and sent 145 items to other libraries. In some instances, we were the only library, or one of very few in the state, to have a particular book. We joined with the Joslin and Warren libraries to bring an additional online resource for audio and ebooks to our patrons. Library patrons can now access both ListenUp! Vermont and OneClick Digital. In keeping with the national trend, online usage rose to 564 checkouts (up from 439 in 2014).

Fifty programs were offered by the library this year, with 643 people attending. The programming included: A young writer's workshop with the award winning (and Vermont resident) author Jo Knowles; preschool story time; Dorothy Canfield Fisher and Red Clover book talks for the elementary school children; a book talk by local author John Hilferty; a screening of the documentary "Cutie and the Boxer" (made possible by POV- the independent non-fiction film arm of PBS, as well as technical and equipment help from both the Moretown Elementary School and Harwood Union High School); a series of Try it Here First events allowing participants the opportunity to sample the offerings of local businesses and talents; and stories and songs with Mrs. Claus. The library was also pleased to co-host with the Moretown Historical Society a Vermont Humanities Council event: Vermont History Through Song.

The 2015 summer reading program national theme was "Every Hero Has a Story." The programming was held in July and included "Grow Your Own Crystals", "Create Your Own Superhero", and "Superhero Training Camp." We also offered the ever popular "Touch the Truck" event thanks to the Moretown Fire Department and the Moretown Highway Department. A grant from the Vermont Department of Libraries, allowed us to have Mr. K of Exordium Adventures and his information packed presentation on Beavers, the superheroes of the animal world. We concluded the summer programming with a pizza party. In addition to the grant from the Department of Libraries, the summer programming was made possible by the Robert DiYeso Charitable Trust.

Funds from the Robert DiYeso Trust also made it possible for the library to install new windows in the front room. The new windows are energy efficient and brighten up the library considerably.

From our book sale shelf, book sales at the Moretown Christmas Bazaar and Spring into Moretown event, and donation cans, we received general donations totaling \$287.10 this year. In 2015, we used donation money to purchase books.

The library is always grateful to our Friends of the Moretown Memorial Library. This year, the Friends made it possible for us to purchase a new flag and a new rug, as well as books. It is also thanks to the Friends that visitors to the library can read the Wall Street Journal.

A huge thank you is owed to the following volunteers who helped run our library: Tom Allen, Helen Banevicius, Dan Bromberg, Carol Chamberlin, Kelly Collar, Chris Costello, Deborah Feldman, Maria Javanainen, Kristin Geoghegan, Jamie Wimble and Chris Young. We would also like to thank all of the community members who donated their time, expertise and money to the library this year.

See you at the Library!
Sarah Nussbaum
Library Director



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Library Hours:

Monday: 3-7pm
Tuesday: 10am-6pm
Thursday: 3-7pm
Friday: 10-1pm
Saturday: 10-1pm

MORETOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Another year has passed and the Moretown Historical Society is being asked to give a report on what we have been doing over the past 12 months. We were again present, serving lunch, at the annual Town Meeting. If you don't normally stay for the lunch, give it a try. You will find some delicious food and some good conversation with your neighbors and friends.

The Methodist Church, once more, invited us to participate in their annual spring lawn sale and we also took part in the Methodist Women's Christmas Bazaar, where we sold shirts, booklets, books and mugs. Bingo continued through the winter and spring. We took a break over the summer and after much discussion we decided, due to the small turnouts we had experienced, to discontinue Bingo for a while. We had thoughts of having a special Bingo once or twice a year in the future.

The newsletter continues and the readership continues to grow. As more people discover the newsletters there is more demand for copies. This year we featured, among other things, summer activities and an issue dedicated to some of the talented local poets. If anyone has ideas for topics they would like to see in the newsletter please contact any of the members.

In April, the Historical Society, with the Town, sponsored a lasagna dinner and dance featuring the band *Big Hat, No Cattle*. We felt this was a well-attended, fun night, the band was fabulous and even the most die-hard nondancers found their toes tapping. We began work on the Honan School site; some brush was cut and some clearing done. We are now in the process of coming up with a solid plan as to what we would like to see as a finished product at the site.

In November the Historical Society co-sponsored, with the Moretown Memorial Library, an afternoon of song by Linda Radke. This was a program through the Vermont Humanities Council. The Council provides organizations access to many speakers and entertainers. Watch for up-coming events presented by the Memorial Library and Historical Society.

Some possible events we have considered for the coming year are: continue work on the Honan School site, a walking tour of some historic sites in the Jones Brook area, a presentation on the Glider Crash on South Hill, just to name a few. We are always open to any ideas or feedback from the townspeople.

We are grateful for the support we receive from our neighbors. We wish to thank everyone for all you do. Special thanks to Bill Wilcox for the use of the gazebo and providing electricity for the holiday decorations, and to the Methodist Church for allowing us to use the Parsonage for meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Gabaree, President

Sandy Reagan, Secretary Mary Murphy-Blake, Treasurer

MORETOWN ENERGY COMMITTEE

In 2016, the Energy Committee will continue to explore energy saving opportunities for town buildings and the school, and pursue streetlight efficiency improvements. We are pleased with the attention paid to energy in the new town office, which will lower the town's energy bill and greenhouse gas emissions. We also plan to participate at various forums to increase awareness for town residents of the economic and environmental benefits of investing in energy efficiency, renewable energy, electric vehicles, and heat pump technology. One of these events will be the 3rd annual "Spring into Moretown Festival" planned for Saturday, June 4th at the recreation field. We encourage everyone to attend.

For those interested in learning more about the future energy landscape in Vermont, we encourage you to read the summary of the recently updated Vermont Comprehensive Energy Plan available on the Department of Public Service website. If you're interested in information, assistance and financial incentives for saving energy in your home or business, please visit Efficiency Vermont's new website (www.encyvermont.com).

Please reach out with any questions or ideas. All are welcome and encouraged to participate in our monthly meetings. You may contact Jay Pilliod at jpilliod@veic.org to be added to our email list and learn about upcoming activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Pilliod, Moretown Energy Coordinator

Jerry Cassels

Jonathan Siegel

Duane Pierson



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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 29, 2016

To: Dara Torre, Moretown Sidewalk Committee

From: Pat Travers, Moretown Local Project Manager 

Subject: Update on Moretown Village Sidewalk Improvement Project

During the course of 2015, the Village Sidewalk Project saw some progress in the development of its design, however some significant issues arose which have delayed its moving forward. In mid-February we were informed by our design engineer, Lamoureux and Dickinson, that a sizeable portion of the proposed project is within a designated floodplain. This led to the need for a series of interactions with the State Agency of Natural Resources and the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans). Special permits had to be procured from the Town and the State. The permitting process was concluded in late-August, some six months after the discovery of the floodplain. We also ran into another hurdle over how to get the new sidewalk over Doctor's Brook. When it became evident that a separate pedestrian bridge constructed alongside the existing highway bridge would cost some \$60,000; we began searching for alternatives. In late-November, VTrans proposed modifications to the existing highway bridge, which would allow for accommodating a new sidewalk over it. The Moretown Selectboard, at its January 4, 2016 meeting, voted to support the VTrans proposal, provided that incorporation of it into the project would not have a serious reduction to grant funding provided to the Town. We are currently waiting to hear from VTrans regarding when they might plan to perform the proposed bridge modifications and whether the grant funding will be reduced.

While those challenges were being addressed, Lamoureux and Dickinson was able to make some progress on the project design. In January, a base plan for the project was developed and presented to townspeople at a public hearing. Valuable input regarding the design was received from the public during that hearing. By mid-February, a set of

conceptual plans was developed for the project and another public hearing was held for citizen review and input. An environmental impact assessment and initial project cost estimate were also presented at this time. In the meantime, conversations were beginning with property owners from whom permanent and/or temporary construction easements would be needed.

During June, a walkthrough of the proposed project was conducted with interested townspeople. Several residents participated. Questions that the public presented were answered and impacts on abutting properties were explained. During an ensuing hearing several constructive suggestions were received from the public regarding the project design.

Over the second half of the year, Lamoureux and Dickinson initiated work on the Preliminary Drawings, which is the next step in the development of the project design. Work on an updated environmental assessment also started. Unfortunately, work on both of these processes is now on hold, pending the final decisions by VTrans on the aforementioned highway bridge and grant funding. We are hoping that VTrans provides those answers during the first quarter of 2016.

We are still hoping to be able to issue the invitation for construction bids sometime during 2016 with construction of the new sidewalk taking place during autumn of 2016. Our ability to do that will be dependent upon how smoothly right-of-way negotiations occur with impacted property owners and how quickly reviews and approvals of proposed designs are performed by VTrans. If there are significant delays in either of those procedures, construction won't happen until 2017.

Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact me.

MORETOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Moretown Volunteer Fire Department had another great year. Our membership roster is currently at 15, and we hope to increase that number. We are always looking for dedicated members to join the fire department who would like to serve this wonderful community. The fire department takes great pride in the training that we receive. We are always looking for new ways to better our training and to give the residents of Moretown the very best fire protection we can.

Currently we have two firefighters enrolled in a Firefighter Level I and II course in Berlin, which they will complete in the spring. In addition we do a lot of in house training such as ventilation, pump training and ladder operations to name a few. We also do trainings with other area departments so we can have a better understanding of the equipment they have and to build a better working relationship with them.

The fire department responded to 49 calls in 2015 and they are as follows:

- 3 Chimney Fires
- 1 Car Fire
- 15 Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 13 False Alarms
- 6 Mutual Aid Calls
- 3 Non Emergency Calls
- 8 Other Fire Related Calls

We appreciate all the donations and support we have received this past year, and look forward to another wonderful year. If you are interested in joining the fire department, or just want to see what we do, please contact:

Chief Stephen Smith or any of the following officers at 802 496-3254.

- 1st Asst. Chief Will Houghton
- 2nd Asst. Chief Jordan Champney
- Captain Shawn Graves
- Lieutenant Stefan Pratt
- Lieutenant Thacher Evans

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at the Fire House.

Thank you, and stay safe!

MORETOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Checking Account Balance as of 1/01/2015 \$7,715.01

Receipts:

Donations	\$6,234.00	
Total Receipts		\$6,234.00

Disbursements:

Equipment	\$7,131.75	
Food/Beverage	616.24	
Office/Administrative	440.82	
Waste Management	466.80	
Total Disbursement		\$8,655.61

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/2015 \$5,293.40

Savings Account Balance as of 1/01/2015 \$1001.10

Receipts:

Interest	1.00	
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Ending Saving Account Balance as of 12/31/2015 \$1,002.10

Total Funds Available 12/31/2015 **\$6,295.50**

Becky Ciampi, Treasurer



CHARLES O. DAVIS FUND

Statement of Fiduciary Funds as of December 31, 2015

BALANCE SHEET

Cash	\$ 10,903.13	
Investments	62,048.54	
Due To From Other Funds	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Assets (Reserved – restricted)		<u><u>\$72,951.67</u></u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance		<u><u>\$72,951.67</u></u>

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

Revenue

Interest/Investments	<u>\$2,800.15</u>
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<u>Total Revenue</u>	\$2,800.15
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Expense

Donations	<u>\$7,743.23</u>
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<u>Total Expense</u>	<u>\$7,743.23</u>
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Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>-4,943.08</u>
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Fund Balance January 1, 2015	<u>77,894.75</u>
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<u>Total Liabilities & Fund Balance</u>	<u><u>\$72,951.67</u></u>
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The Charles O. Davis Fund is a little known and under used asset to our community. This community fund is available to any Moretown couples, 65 or older, who are living together, or are in the process of moving in together. It can be used to help buy winter fuel, to better insulate their home, to help with medical bills, buy groceries, or any number of other expenses. This fund is there to support our older couples, and to help better their continuing independence and security later in life. If you and your partner are 65 or older and would like to apply, or if you know a couple you would like to recommend, please contact a member of the Select Board or our Town Service Officer, Deborah Feldman. All nominations and applicants are anonymous.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

During 2015 two burials took place at Mountain View Cemetery. We sold one lot at Mountain View.

Waterbury American Legion Post #59 has continued its kind donation of American flags to mark our veterans' graves. As always, if anyone knows of a veteran currently interred in one of our cemeteries that doesn't have a flag, please contact one of the commissioners so that we can properly mark the grave and update our cemetery data base.

Eric Howes once again continued his dedication and good work during 2015 keeping our cemeteries in good shape.

Respectfully submitted by your Cemetery Commissioners:

John S. Fulton
Mary Murphy-Blake
Mark Austin



CEMETERY FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Statement as of December 31, 2015

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Lot Fund Money Market	\$ 8,657.25	
Lot Fund CD	15,310.50	
Perpetual Care Savings	2,291.25	
Perpetual Care CD	36,322.65	
Due To From Other Funds	0.00	
<u>Total Assets</u>		<u>\$ 62,581.65</u>

Liabilities & Fund Balance

Lot Fund Balance	\$ 23,967.75	
Perpetual Care Fund Balance	38,613.90	
Due To From Other Funds	0.00	
<u>Total Liabilities & Fund Balance</u>		<u>\$ 62,581.65</u>

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

Revenue

Lot Fund Sales	500.00	
Lot Fund Interest	<u>258.83</u>	
Total Lot Fund Revenue	\$ 758.83	
Perpetual Care Lot Sales		
Perpetual Care Interest	<u>604.38</u>	
Total Perpetual Care Revenue	\$ 604.38	
<u>Total Revenue</u>		\$ 1,363.21

Expense

Corner Post	168.00	
Survey (Mt View)	<u>577.00</u>	
	\$ 745.00	
<u>Total Expense</u>		<u>\$ 745.00</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance		\$ 618.21
Fund Balance January 1, 2015		<u>61,963.44</u>
<u>Fund Balance December 31, 2015</u>		<u>\$ 62,581.65</u>

TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT

For the year ended December 31st, 2015, we completed a review of year-end financial statements and bank balances. The Town Hall and Recreation Funds were eliminated in 2015 with the proceeds added to the General Fund. The Moretown Memorial Library also closed its accounts and its monies are now being held in town accounts (as reflected in town expenditure and revenue reports). Part of the Savings Reserve Fund has been invested, and its cost value is reflected on the Governmental Funds Financial Statement (Fund Balances).

To the best of our knowledge, the financial statements and reports in this Town Report reflect the overall year-end financial position of the town. Pace & Hawley, LLC conducted a review of town financial statements for 2015; the results are available in the Town Office and on the town website (www.moretownvt.org). On page 11 of their report, Pace & Hawley noted that the town does not have a policy to guide usage of the different fund classifications (restricted, committed, assigned, unassigned). The report states that the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted in the United States, the modified accrual basis of accounting, is not utilized by the town, which instead uses the modified cash basis of accounting. The financial statements were found to be in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting, with no material modifications suggested.

The Moretown School District Report was audited by an independent public accountant. We have relied on their report for inclusion without further review on our part.

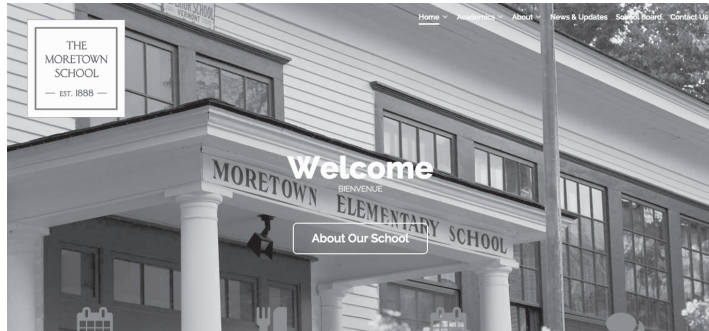
We added a new report on nonprofit donations to help facilitate discussion at Town Meeting. Annual reports from area agencies and nonprofits are available on the website at www.moretownvt.org and paper copies will be available at Town Meeting for review. The Mad River Resource Management Alliance (MMRA) report was not received in time to be included in this year's report. A hand-out will be available at Town Meeting and online at www.moretownvt.org.

Please contact us with any comments or questions at moretownauditors@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Rita Larocca
Dara Torre
Callie Streeter

Auditors



www.moretownschool.com/

<http://moretownschoolblog.blogspot.com/>

REPORT FROM THE MORETOWN SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The purpose of the Annual Report is to provide information to the members of the Moretown School Community about our educational programs and associated costs. The 2016-2017 school year proposed budget represents an increase in expenditures at 3.2% as compared to our current operating budget. The school board and staff continue to pursue opportunities to entice more families with children to call Moretown their home. Examples of these continued initiatives include; providing all day childcare for 3 and 4 year old students, offering an after school program grade preschool through 6th grade, and a summer recreation program through our successful MECA (Moretown Education Center for All) program. Enhancements to our core education program include; continued WWSU work on writing improvement and alignments of math and reading skills and assessments, a STE@M program (science, technology, and engineering at Moretown) for grades 4 - 6, continued support of our ECO program for grades K - 3, our integrated technology program supporting a 1:1 device ratio for students grades 3 - 6, development and implementation of student led conferences for grades 5 and 6 (aligned with ACT 77) and the furthering of a proficiency based education system for all students. We continuously look for ways to improve our school and strive to give all of our stakeholders a voice in its future.

At the December 14, 2015, school board meeting the proposed budget included the replacement of an educator in our upper unit (this was a grade 3, 4 educator). At the time of the reduction decision three years ago our slight decline in enrollment and local budget targets supported this move. Over the past three years our staff placed time and energy into a combined 456 grade education program that came with some successes and faced some challenges that educating a span of 4th to 6th grade students brings with it. The Moretown School is proposing an increase in teaching staff (increase our existing .56 position to a full time position) due in part to enrollment increases as well as to optimize and offer grade and age appropriate educational offerings. Our budget team examined the proposal (a reduction of 2 paraeducators and an increase in teaching staff) and what a 3.2% increase over last year's expenditures would mean for our community both in terms of a tax rate as well as its impact on our students' education. (Please note that the expenditures do not take into consideration the revenues we receive from the federal, state and and MECA tuitions reimbursements) Given the parameters around responsible fiscal spending and educational quality the school board, WWSU administration and our local budget team supported and adopted this proposed budget

in January, 2016. The school board adopted budget will be voted by the town voters by Australian Ballot in March, 2016.

As we developed the proposed budget we considered three major areas of focus used as a guide to support our mission statement– these are: Climate, Communication, and Curriculum. We reviewed our past successes and challenges within the three C's as we developed our budget to support growth and innovation within these areas for the upcoming school year. Some highlights within the 3 C areas are:

CLIMATE

- Continued use of our building for community events and celebrations.
- Continued use of our student led/developed school wide assembly program.
- Continuation of our MECA (Moretown Education Center for All) serves over 40 students on a daily basis including: a full time/year round day care center, after school services and a seven week summer camp for students grades K – 6. The MECA program is a self-sustaining tuition based program.
- Introduction and Utilization of a Responsive Classroom school approach to improve school climate and student engagement



COMMUNICATION

- Publication of a student/adult partnered school newspaper the “Moretown Messenger”.
- Use of a school blog to support improved home/school communication.
- Classroom updates and news from individual educators/classes listed on our website.
- Continued use of our school website at www.moretownschool.com



CURRICULUM

- Continuation of our 1:1 computer program that places a netbook/chromebook in the hands of each student grades 3-6 to support hands on/minds on experiences.
- Continuation of connecting our curriculum to community partners to support meaningful and relevant educational experiences through the service learning process.
- Continuation of our ECO program (Educating Children Outdoors)
- Implementation of curriculum that is founded on Proficiency Based Learning benchmarks grades K - 12.



- Increase attention on our educational support services system to assist students struggling with literacy and math basics.
- Preparation for the implementation of the new state accountability assessments (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium)
- Continuation of our STE@M program (Science, Technology, Engineering at Moretown)
- Continuation of meaningful and engaging teacher directed residencies and field trips.

On behalf of the Moretown School staff, students and administration we thank you for your continued support and feedback.

Respectfully submitted,
Duane Pierson, Principal

Moretown Elementary Staff – proposed for 2016-2017

(Please note that all school teaching and support staff are classified as Highly Qualified under Federal/State guidelines)

■ Recent Staff Comparative Schedules

Full time equivalent staff history for the Moretown School

Fiscal Year 2014	23.52
Fiscal Year 2015	22.32
Fiscal Year 2016	23.32
Fiscal Year 2017	18.71 (proposed)

Preschool Teacher	0.86 FTE	(Jenny Lyle)
Kindergarten	1.0 FTE	(Brenda Hartshorn)
Grade 1/2	1.0 FTE	(Pam Down)
Grade 1/2	1.0 FTE	(Karen Cingiser)
Grade 3	1.0 FTE	(Patty Riccardi)
Grade 4,5	1.0 FTE	(Terry Hopper)
Grade 5,6	1.0 FTE	(Diana Puffer)
Special Educator	1.0 FTE	(Sara Baker)
Special Educator	0.5 FTE	(Anne Cassels)
Speech Language	1.0 FTE	(Kelly Poulin)
Nurse	0.8 FTE	(Deirdre Fennelly, Kelly Lu)
Art Teacher	0.4 FTE	(Lisa Harvey)
French	0.4 FTE	(Erika Lindberg)
Music Teacher	0.4 FTE	(Jeremy Hill)
Physical Ed Teacher	0.4 FTE	(Ally Bataille)
Librarian	0.6 FTE	(Meg Allison)
Technical Integration	0.2 FTE	(Meg Allison)
Maintenance	1.0 FTE	(Greg Wagner)
Pre-K Instructional Assistant	1.0 FTE	(Loretta DiMario)
Instructional Assistant	1.0 FTE	(Lisa Shephard)
Instructional Assistant	1.0 FTE	(Becky Auger)

Instructional Assistant	1.0 FTE	(Polly Moore)
Administrative Assistant	1.0 FTE	(Pam Washburn)
Principal	1.0 FTE	(Duane Pierson)
MECA Director	Full Time	(Moie Moulton)
Assistant Director	Full Time	(Jessica Woodard)
Assistant Director II	Full Time	(Carol Ann Labbe)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Becki Lovely)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Patty Kirpan)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Jessica Knoop)
Door Monitor/Support	Part Time	(Zoe Pierson)

Moretown Elementary School Enrollment Data (as of January 2015)

Grades	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Students	28	14	14	13	15	12	17	16	129
									(2014 = 117)
									(2013 = 128)
									(2012= 121)

Information about the health and social well-being of Moretown's children as compared to other primary schools in our Supervisory Union (Free Lunch Eligibility)

Information from: http://education.vermont.gov/documents/EDU-Child_Nutrition_2015_Free_Reduced_Eligibility_Report.pdf page 26

Moretown Students	28.23%
Fayston Students	14.29%
Warren Students	31.49. %
Waitsfield	28.0%
Thatcher Brook	26.79%
<i>State Average for Free and Reduced Lunch program</i>	<i>42.52%</i>

Recent Moretown Performance Results Student Achievement

We examine an array of measures when evaluating the success and growth of students, from student feedback, to parent conferences, to climate surveys, to classroom based products and performances, to formalized assessments used throughout a variety of schools. Data gathered through assessments helps us insure that students are making growth towards desired learning targets; from a quick classroom check of understanding that a teacher can use to understand where to focus instruction the next day to more summative assessments, such as the NECAP Science Assessment which measures science skills and knowledge over several years, assessment and analysis of the data are woven into our work. Our comprehensive local assessment plan can be online at <http://tinyurl.com/zedob5w>

In 2013, the State Board of Education updated the Education Quality Standards, adopting proficiency based graduation expectations which, along with content standards, inform the



learning goals we set for all students. The Moretown School has reported on student achievement in relation to established standards through a proficiency based report card for several years. We are aware of some score trends in recent years and are in the process of strengthening our instructional methodology and curricular goals to support growth and success across all grades. As our entire school system moves to proficiency-based reporting, we look to further clarify how each student is moving along the learning progressions and insure we are best supporting each student in making the desired growth.

Formalized, statewide assessments, such as the NECAP (New England Comprehensive Assessment Program) in Science or the SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) in literacy and mathematics are one of the sets of tools that we use to explore student growth in relation to established standards. The SBAC was implemented for the first time last year, replacing a pencil and paper assessment previously completed in the NECAP, with a more robust, computer adaptive assessment aligned with updated standards.

LITERACY								
Grade Level	3		4		5		6	
School	SS Scaled Score	% Prof	SS	% Prof	SS	% Prof	SS	% Prof
Fayston	2448	53%	2488	50%	2554	84%	2519	47%
Moretown	2389	36%	2439	29%	2528	57%	2557	55%
Waitsfield	2452	60%	2510	68%	2565	76%	2578	65%
Warren	2450	63%	2483	58%	2572	81%	2582	78%
Wat-Dux	2462	69%	2504	73%	2535	62%	2546	63%
WWSU	2451	62%	2494	64%	2547	70%	2555	63%
State	2431	52%	2470	51%	2510	57%	2532	53%

2432=Proficient

2473=Proficient

2502=Proficient

2531=Proficient

MATH								
Grade Level	3		4		5		6	
School	SS Scaled Score	% Prof	SS	% Prof	SS	% Prof	SS	% Prof
Fayston	2446	67%	2497	40%	2565	68%	2518	24%
Moretown	2401	45%	2466	29%	2518	38%	2514	36%
Waitsfield	2431	40%	2487	47%	2550	71%	2587	65%
Warren	2442	47%	2480	42%	2550	62%	2566	48%
Wat-Dux	2451	67%	2495	57%	2521	55%	2535	44%

WWSU	2442	58%	2489	49%	2535	58%	2546	45%
State	2435	52%	2472	45%	2503	42%	2516	37%

2436=Proficient
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2485=Proficient

2528=Proficient

2552=Proficient

Spring 2015 Science NECAP Scores Grade 4

SCIENCE						
Scaled Score of 40=Proficient	Moretown 4		WWSU 4		STATE 4	
	% Proficient	Scaled Score	% Proficient	Scaled Score	% Proficient	Scaled Score
SPRING 2008	84%	48	66%	43	48%	40
SPRING 2009	89%	48	73%	45	52%	40
SPRING 2010	81%	47	76%	45	54%	40
SPRING 2011	70%	45	64%	43	54%	40
SPRING 2012	73%	47	67%	44	53%	40
SPRING 2013	57%	40	72%	44	48%	39
SPRING 2014	29%	37	55%	42	43%	38
SPRING 2015	29%	34	65%	43	46%	39



MORETOWN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET	2014-2015	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
<u>General Fund</u>				
<u>REGULAR EDUCATION (Grade PK - 6 Classroom)</u>				
Salaries	382,893	389,358	391,811	480,360
Benefits & Staff Development	138,077	159,017	129,215	148,611
Services, Materials and Equipment	<u>35,150</u>	<u>54,641</u>	<u>42,150</u>	<u>42,150</u>
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION	<u>556,120</u>	<u>603,016</u>	<u>563,176</u>	<u>671,121</u>
<u>EARLY EDUCATION (PRE KINDERGARTEN Classroom)</u>				
Salaries	49,779	48,741	55,355	60,627
Benefits & Staff Development	32,413	14,835	22,138	27,931
Services, Materials and Equipment	<u>810</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>6,684</u>
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION- Pre Kindergarten	<u>83,002</u>	<u>64,081</u>	<u>77,993</u>	<u>95,242</u>
<u>REGULAR EDUCATION - Art, PE, French & Music</u>				
Salaries	90,987	85,387	87,370	93,454
Benefits & Staff Development	13,006	8,179	10,450	19,003
Services, Materials and Equipment	<u>4,500</u>	<u>3,738</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION - Art, PE, French & Music	<u>108,493</u>	<u>97,304</u>	<u>101,820</u>	<u>116,457</u>
<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION/SPEECH & ESSENTIAL EARLY ED (Eligible & Ineligible SpEd)</u>				
Salaries	279,539	271,346	309,959	62,687
Benefits & Staff Development	131,845	124,339	164,530	49,269
WWSU Special Education Assessment (Act153/156)	-	-		387,523
Contracted Svs, Materials, Supplies & Equipment	<u>150,375</u>	<u>78,175</u>	<u>147,185</u>	<u>17,517</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	<u>561,759</u>	<u>473,860</u>	<u>621,673</u>	<u>516,996</u>
<u>INTERVENTION/SCW (TIER II SUPPORT)</u>				
Salaries	30,771	32,326	34,796	10,180
Benefits & Staff Development	<u>7,564</u>	<u>10,264</u>	<u>4,558</u>	<u>8,692</u>
TOTAL COMPENSATORY EDUCATION & INTERVENTION	<u>38,335</u>	<u>42,590</u>	<u>39,353</u>	<u>18,872</u>
<u>GUIDANCE</u>				
Salaries	19,098	19,941	20,421	21,821
Benefits & Staff Development	4,824	2,679	5,278	6,073
Materials, Supplies & Equipment	<u>150</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>
TOTAL GUIDANCE	<u>24,072</u>	<u>22,667</u>	<u>26,248</u>	<u>28,444</u>
<u>SCHOOL NURSE</u>				
Salaries	36,944	36,786	39,115	39,564
Benefits & Staff Development	5,108	3,885	4,839	15,856
Materials, Supplies & Equipment	<u>1,000</u>	<u>810</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL SCHOOL NURSE	<u>43,052</u>	<u>41,480</u>	<u>44,954</u>	<u>56,420</u>
<u>LIBRARY/MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY</u>				
Salaries	38,195	38,962	40,762	38,850
Benefits & Staff Development	4,340	4,036	4,765	16,722
Contracted Svs, Materials, Supplies & Equipment	<u>27,050</u>	<u>25,841</u>	<u>35,653</u>	<u>36,267</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY / MEDIA / TECHNOLOGY	<u>69,584</u>	<u>68,839</u>	<u>81,180</u>	<u>91,839</u>

MORETOWN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	2014-2015 BUDGET	2014-2015 ACTUAL	2015-2016 BUDGET	2016-2017 PROPOSED
<u>SCHOOL BOARD EXPENSE</u>				
Board Member Reimbursement	500	275	500	500
Board Secretary	-		540	540
Benefits	38	47	80	434
Legal Expense	3,000	611	2,500	2,500
Liability Insurance Expense	2,500	2,615	2,500	2,500
Board Printing/Advertising	750	529	750	750
VSBA Dues	1,050	1,697	1,100	1,100
Board Other	500	465	500	-
	<u>8,338</u>	<u>6,239</u>	<u>8,470</u>	<u>8,324</u>
<u>School District Treasurer (Payable to Town of Moretown)</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>
<u>WWSU GENERAL ASSESSMENT</u>	<u>41,972</u>	<u>41,982</u>	<u>43,948</u>	<u>54,787</u>
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>				
Salaries	127,564	128,947	131,571	136,373
Benefits & Staff Development	58,094	56,743	57,893	65,478
Materials, Supplies & Equipment	5,200	7,273	5,350	5,350
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	<u>190,858</u>	<u>192,963</u>	<u>194,813</u>	<u>207,201</u>
<u>FISCAL SERVICES</u>				
WWSU Fiscal Services Assessment	22,789	22,793	26,129	28,509
Audit	3,700	3,700	3,700	4,350
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	<u>26,489</u>	<u>26,493</u>	<u>29,829</u>	<u>32,859</u>
<u>BUILDING & GROUNDS OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE</u>				
Salaries	46,296	50,629	50,998	58,706
Benefits & Staff Development	28,466	26,234	26,357	32,801
Materials, Supplies & Equipment, Heating	103,472	99,385	103,300	103,300
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	<u>178,234</u>	<u>176,248</u>	<u>180,655</u>	<u>194,807</u>
<u>TRANSPORTATION (WWSU Transportation Assessment)</u>				
Daily Transportation	58,945	55,904	63,366	65,584
Special Education Transportation	7,000	2,904	8,000	-
Field Trips	3,500	2,511	3,500	3,500
TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	<u>69,445</u>	<u>61,319</u>	<u>74,866</u>	<u>69,084</u>
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
<u>Short-Term Debt</u>				
Tax Anticipation Note	6,900	12,329	10,000	10,000
<u>Long Term Debt</u>				
BOND-INTEREST-1996 Addition	8,353	5,066	5,021	1,676
BOND-INTEREST-2008 Roof	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900
BOND-PRINCIPAL-1996 Addition	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000
BOND SINKING FUND QSCB -2008 Roof	39,000	39,000	39,000	39,000
DWSRF Loan - Water Project	674	674	674	674
	<u>109,927</u>	<u>106,640</u>	<u>106,595</u>	<u>103,250</u>
<u>FOOD SERVICE (HUHS and Transport)</u>	<u>11,308</u>	<u>9,145</u>	<u>13,700</u>	<u>13,855</u>
TOTAL MORETOWN ELEMENTARY BUDGET General Fund	<u>2,130,388</u>	<u>2,049,695</u>	<u>2,221,773</u>	<u>2,292,057</u>

3.2%

	2014-2015 <u>BUDGET</u>	2014-2015 <u>ACTUAL</u>	2015-2016 <u>BUDGET</u>	2016-2017 <u>PROPOSED</u>	
General Fund REVENUES					
Local Revenue					
Interest Earnings	8,800	13,212	10,000	10,000	
Tuition (Pre Kindergarten)	-	5,148	-	-	
Building Use and Miscellaneous	-	2,432	-	-	
Prior Year Fund Balance **	28,832	28,832	10,304	47,792	
State Revenue					
Special Education Reimbursement	230,037	201,959	265,995	209,934	
Special Education ExtraOrdinary Reimbursement	30,600	-	14,400	14,435	
Mainstream Block Grant	35,490	35,490	34,457	37,725	
Transportation Reimbursement	22,830	22,790	22,283	25,530	
Small Schools Grant	50,562	51,315	53,859	26,046	
EEE Grant	2,000	13,678	3,600	14,435	
Federal Revenue					
IDEA-B Grant	18,000	9,692	20,000	-	
IDEA-B Grant-Preschool	-	456	-	-	
School Wide Grant	-	9,249	-	-	
Subtotal Local, State and Federal Revenues	\$ 427,151	\$ 394,253	\$ 434,898	\$ 385,897	-11.3%
Education Spending Grant	\$ 1,703,237	\$ 1,703,237	\$ 1,786,875	\$ 1,906,160	
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 2,130,388	\$ 2,097,490	\$ 2,221,773	\$ 2,292,057	3.2%

Maintenance Reserve Fund - 24 VSA, Section 2804

Audited Fund Balance; June 30, 2015	\$ 66,948
Interest Income FY2016 to Date	\$ 19
Expenses paid FY2016 to date	\$ (5,589)
Ending Balance January 2016	\$ 61,379

The Moretown School District's audited Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2015 are available online at www.wwsu.org or by contacting the WWSU offices in Waitsfield, Vermont at 802-496-2272, extension 111.

EDUCATION TAX CALCULATION WORKSHEET - Combined Moretown Elementary & Harwood Union

	2014-2015 <u>BUDGET</u>	2015-2016 <u>BUDGET</u>	2016-2017 <u>PROPOSED</u>	% <u>CHANGE</u>
<u>Education Tax Rates</u>				
<u>Moretown Elementary School:</u>				
Equalized Pupils	100.67	101.50	107.71	6.1%
Education Spending per Pupil (PK-6)	\$ 16,919	\$ 17,605	\$ 17,697	0.5%
Act 46 Cost Containment Threshold (ES/EP)**-REVISED			\$ 17,639	
Cost Per Pupil for Tax Rate includes \$39 Penalty-REVISED			\$ 17,755	
Base Education Spending per Pupil**	\$ 9,285	\$ 9,459	\$ -	
Yield per \$1.00 of Homestead Tax Rate**			\$ 9,870	
District Spending Adjustment	182.219%	186.116%		
Base Homestead Education Tax Rate**	\$ 0.980	\$ 0.990		
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (PK-6)	\$ 1.786	\$ 1.842	\$ 1.799	-2.4%
% of Moretown students at Moretown Elementary School	43.53%	45.48%	47.37%	
Portion of District Equalized Homestead Rate to be assessed by town	\$ 0.777	\$ 0.838	\$ 0.852	
<u>Harwood Union School District:</u>				
Equalized Pupils (Moretown 7-12)	130.60	121.68	119.66	
Education Spending per Pupil (7-12)	\$ 15,421	\$ 16,721	\$ 17,064	2.0%
Act 46 Cost Containment Threshold (ES/EP)**-REVISED			\$ 16,823	
Cost Per Pupil for Tax Rate includes \$241 Penalty-REVISED			\$ 17,306	
Base Education Spending per Pupil**	\$ 9,285	\$ 9,459	\$ -	
Yield per \$1.00 Homestead Tax Rate**			\$ 9,870	
District Spending Adjustment	166.083%	176.776%		
Base Homestead Education Tax Rate**	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.99		
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (7-12)	\$ 1.628	\$ 1.750	\$ 1.753	0.2%
% of Moretown students at Harwood Union	56.47%	54.52%	52.63%	
Portion of District Equalized Homestead Rate to be assessed by town	\$ 0.919	\$ 0.954	\$ 0.923	
<u>Combined (PK-12):</u>				
Equalized Pupils (PK-12)	231.27	223.18	227.37	1.9%
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (Combined PK-12)	\$ 1.696	\$ 1.792	\$ 1.775	-1.0%
Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	102.94%	103.71%	103.33%	
Estimated Homestead Property Tax Rate**	\$ 1.648	\$ 1.728	\$ 1.718	-0.6%
Base Non-Residential Education Tax Rate**	\$ 1.515	\$ 1.535	\$ 1.538	
Non-Residential Education Tax Rate	\$ 1.472	\$ 1.480	\$ 1.488	0.6%

Combined Equalized Tax Rate is calculated by adding the proportionate share (based on equalized pupils) of the equalized homestead tax rate for each school district

**** As estimated by the DOE, final rate to be determined by the Legislature**

****Changes and/or adjustments made to the education funding formula may change these estimates.**

Moretown Elementary School
Comparative Staffing Schedule - General Fund

	Full Time Equivalent Staff (FTE's)						
	FY 11 Budget	FY 12 Budget	FY 13 Budget	FY 14 Budget	FY 15 Budget	FY 16 Budget	FY 17 Proposed
<u>Teachers and Administration</u>							
Regular Education	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00
Early Education (PreK)	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.86
Art	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Foreign Language	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Physical Education	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Music	0.50	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Special Education	2.00	1.50	1.00	1.50	1.50	1.50	Move to SU
Compensatory Education	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	-
Health	1.00	1.00	0.60	0.60	0.80	0.80	0.80
Guidance	0.25	0.25	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Speech	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	Move to SU
Library/Technology Integration	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80
Administration	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Total Teachers & Administration	16.97	16.37	15.62	15.12	15.32	15.32	13.46
<u>Support Staff</u>							
Regular Education	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.50	0.20	0.20	-
Early Education (PreK)	0.40	0.40	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	1.00
Special Education	5.00	4.00	4.60	4.20	4.75	5.75	2.55
Essential Early Education (EEE)	0.40	0.40	-	-	-	-	
Compensatory Education/ <i>Ineligible Portion of Special Education</i>	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.25	0.25	0.45
Health	-	-	0.40	0.40	-	-	
Custodial	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.25
Total Support Staff	8.30	7.30	8.30	8.40	7.00	8.00	5.25
Total General Fund FTE's	25.27	23.67	23.92	23.52	22.32	23.32	18.71

Moretown Town School District
General Fund and MECA Combined

	FY2016 Budget			FY2017 Proposed			
	General Fund	MECA	Total	General Fund	MECA	Total	
Expenditures	\$ 2,221,773	\$ 152,936	\$ 2,374,709	\$ 2,292,057	\$ 178,847	\$ 2,470,904	4.1%
Revenues	\$ 434,898	\$ 152,936	\$ 587,834	\$ 385,897	\$ 178,847	\$ 564,744	
Education Spending		\$ -	\$ 1,786,875		\$ -	\$ 1,906,160	
Equalized Pupils			101.50			107.71	
<i>Education Spending Per Equalized Pupil</i>			\$ 17,605				\$ 17,697 0.5%

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2017 Report

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Moretown Elementary School
S.U.: Washington West S.U.

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

FY2015 School Level Data

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

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 28 out of 37

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tch Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Ludlow Elementary School	PK - 6	115	14.41	1.10	7.98	104.55	13.10
	Cavendish Town Elementary School	PK - 6	116	8.00	1.00	14.50	116.00	8.00
	Eden Central School	PK - 6	120	13.50	1.00	8.89	120.00	13.50
	Moretown Elementary School	PK - 6	121	10.32	1.00	11.72	121.00	10.32
-> Larger	Saxtons River Elementary School	PK - 5	122	8.80	1.00	13.86	122.00	8.80
	Guilford Central School	PK - 6	133	11.90	1.00	11.18	133.00	11.90
	Newbrook Joint Contract Elementary School	PK - 6	133	10.50	1.00	12.67	133.00	10.50
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			144.78	12.37	1.06	11.71	136.14	11.63

School District: Moretown
LEA ID: T130

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

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

FY2014 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2013 FTE ≥ 100 but < 200
 (29 school districts in cohort)

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

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

Cohort Rank by FTE
 (1 is largest)
 25 out of 29

Smaller ->	Newport Town	PK-6	104.06	\$15,158
	Fayston	PK-6	107.79	\$14,556
	Cavendish	PK-6	108.22	\$12,630
	Moretown	PK-6	111.39	\$13,526
-> Larger	Guilford	PK-6	121.13	\$17,663
	Ludlow	PK-6	122.21	\$19,598
	Eden	PK-6	122.81	\$17,049
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			142.22	\$13,544

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

FY2016 School District Data

		School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
		SchlDist	SchlDist	SchlDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
		Equalized Pupils	Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
		Grades offered in School District	Use these tax rates to compare towns rates.			These tax rates are not comparable due to CLA's.	
LEA ID	School District						
Smaller ->	T043	Cavendish	PK-6	96.22	15,795.03	1.6531	1.5489
	T075	Fayston	PK-6	97.22	15,259.52	1.5971	1.6713
	U023	Currier Memorial USD #23	PK-6	98.35	14,544.42	1.5223	-
	T130	Moretown	PK-6	101.50	17,604.68	1.8425	1.7922
-> Larger	T115	Ludlow	PK-6	110.00	16,531.14	1.7302	1.7366
	T039	Calais	PK-6	115.80	14,918.38	1.5614	1.6249
	T066	Eden	PK-6	116.31	16,756.19	1.7537	1.6431

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

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

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

2015-2016 REPORT FROM THE WASHINGTON WEST CENTRAL OFFICE
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Strengthening Our PK- 12 Educational Organization

The primary goal of the Washington West Supervisory Union is to ensure our students have the knowledge, skills, and tools to be prepared for the next stage of their lives, which justifies the resources invested by the community. The WWSU Administrative Team, in conjunction with building principals and local board members, are working to develop and implement many initiatives to further enhance and improve our schools for students and employees. Our continued focus remains on the development and implementation of sustainable programs to increase capacity while maximizing efficiency and effectiveness, as defined in our [WWSU Action Plan](#), which is revised annually. The primary goal identified in the WWSU Action Plan is to fulfill the promise of a 21st Century Education by preparing all WWSU students for college, career, and civic participation. To that end, we continue to institute improvements to our support systems for all learners, create new and revise previous curriculum, and offer a number of professional learning opportunities for staff to support the implementation of these efforts.

ACT 46 :<http://education.vermont.gov/laws/2015/act-46>

The WWSU Executive Board and the Act 46 Board Study Committee have been meeting jointly twice monthly since this past September. Their meetings are usually held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 5:30-9:30 at Harwood Union High School in the library. Along with the administration and consultants, they are studying the law and its expected implications for the seven schools in the WWSU, in order to determine how best to proceed for our communities. All meetings are open to the public and usually broadcast on Mad River TV Channel 44.

Based on where the group is in our study process, we are ready to begin communicating regularly with our communities at large. We continue to publish Op Ed pieces in the local

papers, all of which are maintained on our website. We are planning forums and coffees in all the local communities this March and April.

The law is, of course, complex. The public can keep informed and up to date by visiting the www.wwsu.org website, where a tab has been created with all the documents and study materials the working group is utilizing. On the home page you will also find a dedicated email address, act46merger@wwsu.org where questions and thoughts can be shared with the committee and administration. While we do not have the capacity for individual replies, we will attempt to respond to the questions raised through future publications and at meetings. The Superintendents State of the State to the WWSU faculty was dedicated to Act 46. It can be viewed by clicking on the link on the wwsu.org home page. You can also subscribe and follow her blog at neasesnotes.blogspot.com. The VT Agency of Education just revamped their website last week to include many Act 46 helpful resources.

Simply put, Act 46 is legislation that passed in the spring of 2015 that turns supervisory unions (many boards and many budgets) into supervisory districts (like a Burlington, for example) where all seven schools are unified in a Prekindergarten through grade 12 structure governed by one board and one budget.

The stated goals of Act 46 of 2015 are five-fold: 1) provide substantial equity in the quality and variety of education opportunities statewide; 2) lead students to achieve or exceed the State's Education Quality Standards; 3) maximize operational efficiencies through increased flexibility; 4) promote transparency and accountability; and 5) deliver education at a cost that parents, voters and taxpayers value.

In WWSU, we understand that Act 46 is law and by 2019 all supervisory unions will be merged in some way, either voluntarily or by the authority of the State Board of Education. In WWSU, we understand that Act 46 allows SU's to design mergers now (the accelerated merger process) and take advantage of tax incentives (the carrot) that won't be available should we decide to take the "wait and see" approach (the stick). Either way, we will be merged by 2019. We can do it for ourselves now or let the State do it to us later. From everything we have studied to date, it appears that the first groups to the party are the biggest winners, with all the incentives and none of the consequences, and the last groups to the party are the biggest losers with none of the incentives and all of the consequences.

At the present time, the WWSU working group has not formulated a position as to whether we think we would be winners overall, and, if so, how big. We do know that even if we feel we will be losers overall, we will lose bigger if we wait and do not take advantage of the incentives available to us.

The first real decision made to hold a special election, tentatively scheduled for May 3rd was a unanimous vote by the Executive Committee Board and Study Committee, who believe strongly that our WWSU taxpayers need to decide. All taxpayers will vote by Australian ballot on the same day to decide whether or not we will merge.

Will merger necessarily close schools? No. Will merger make it easier to consider school closures? Yes. However, while it is no secret that a goal of Act 46 is to increase district level student-to-staff ratios, school closure is no more a certainty under the merged board structure than future school closure in the absence of merger might be, considering declining enrollment trends. The only reason any of our schools would close is because we don't have enough students to populate them. This will be true in either scenario.

Will merger save taxpayer dollars? Yes, but how much and for how long remains the question. The statewide education financing formula doesn't change with Act 46, and there's still only one checkbook at the State that taxpayers pay into for Vermont's public education system as a whole. The amount of burden and relief depends not just upon how we, in WWSU, budget, but how every school district in our state budgets. Act 46 does include tax relief incentives, but only under a voluntary merger. If we wait until the State Board of Education merges us in 2019, we will not receive any of the tax relief incentives offered in the law. However, through the education fund, we will be paying the incentives sent to the towns that have merged.

We are in the process of identifying the pros and the cons of merging our schools into one union school district. A comprehensive report that attempts to identify and clarify the pros and cons by each individual town should be published and available to our communities following the February 10th board meeting.

We believe that all WWSU schools offer a high quality education environment, but Harwood Union High School is suffering the effects of declining enrollment from all of our towns, and that trend is expected to continue. In 2009, HUHS had 850 equalized pupils to draw revenue into the system. Costs including labor (roughly 3-5%) and health care (roughly 4-8%) (approximately 80% of the total budget) have continued to rise each year since then. The number of equalized pupils for FY 2016 at HUHS is 707. Therefore \$9,459 per pupil x 143 fewer equalized pupils means a loss of revenue to operate HUHS of \$1,352,637. We have not been one of those lucky communities where enrollment has risen and fallen but ultimately either leveled out or resulted in a small net decrease. We cannot afford our schools now.

The high school building and its learning labs are aging and outdated. The enrichment opportunities continue to take hits each and every year as budget cuts are imposed. Other top tier high schools across the state are increasing the number of AP classes, adding languages and STEM programs, offering extra-curricular activities like speech and debate team, Future Engineers of America, Robotics Club, classes in coding, and so on. A bare bones high school should be a concern to all of us as this, like nothing else, impacts property values. Families move into the towns of WWSU, not just for the elementary school experience, but also for the secondary school experience. We have a collective responsibility to maximize efficiencies across our SU to the greatest extent possible and improve the educational experience overall at the most reasonable cost that we can realize for our taxpayers.

ACT 77

Vermont's Act 77 was voted into law in 2013 and provides for the education of students through development and expansion of high quality educational experiences, integral in the evolving 21st Century classroom, through the following strategies:

- Expansion of the existing Statewide Dual Enrollment Program
- Expansion of the Early College Programs
- Increased access to work-based learning
- Increased virtual/blended learning opportunities
- Increased access to Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Implementation of Personalized Learning Plans (PLPs) In WWSU, these secondary school shifts are being addressed at a systems level through the development and

implementation of the WWSU Action Plan. To support students in developing their readiness to fully engage as secondary school students, we believe we must work collaboratively across all schools PreK-12 to develop the skills and dispositions best suited to 21st century learning environments. Without this intentional partnership, individual classroom or school success cannot be maintained.

Act 156 2012 , Section 21: <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/2012/Acts/ACT156.pdf>

Act 156, (formerly Act 153 of 2010) moves the responsibility for delivering special education services from individual school districts to supervisory unions. The change in responsibilities will cause a substantial increase in the expenditures made at supervisory union. The intent of Act 156 is to increase efficiencies and level the costs of special education across the supervisory union. Under Act 156, it is the responsibility of Supervisory Union boards to provide or arrange for the provision of special education programs and expenditures. Act 156 requires the centralization of curriculum, special education, transportation as well as purchasing and related services. This has been reflected in the FY17 WWSU budget.

Act 166 - Universal Pre-School Education: <http://education.vermont.gov/act-166>

In accordance with Act 166, WWSU will be fully implementing Pre-Kindergarten education to all 3 and 4 year olds in the fall of 2016. We have pre-k programs in all of our public schools as well as several *approved* private preschool partners within our supervisory union where resident students can enroll. Under the current law, parents may also enroll their Pre-K children in *approved* private programs outside of our supervisory union. The Agency of Education continues to try to provide guidance to school districts on the implementation of this legislation. Pre-K aged students must be enrolled in their school district of residence in order to receiving a voucher for 10 hours per week of Pre-school and they must be enrolled in an *approved* program outside their school district of residency. For further information or questions regarding Pre-K education, please go to the Wwsu.org website or contact Donarae Dawson or Michelle Baker at the WWSU office 496-2272.

Some other highlights this year include:

- **Contract Negotiations:** We have recently completed and settled teachers' and support staff contracts in the WWSU. Act 156 required us to centralize all special education expenditures, including the staffing of special education teaching staff. The special education teachers are required to become WWSU employees rather than school employees now that we have an established negotiated agreement. Failure to do so by FY 17 would have resulted in a 5% tax penalty in each town.
- **Fiscal Services:** Fiscal services at WWSU provides all management for the WWSU and all member districts. Implementation of the new Tyler Infinite Visions accounting software and applications was completed in FY2016.
- **Staff Professional Development:** Professional learning opportunities were developed and provided for staff during the summer and on inservice days throughout the year. Topics include: Integration of Technology into Classrooms, Universal Design for

Learning, Brain-based teaching and learning strategies, and Research-based Instructional Practices in Mathematics, and Writing Effectiveness.

- **Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)**: All of our schools continue to strengthen their multi-tiered system of support for students. Our support staff provide services and accommodations and services to students who are struggling within our general education classrooms for prevention and early intervention. Students who are experiencing difficulties or who are “at risk” of reading or other academic challenges are provided support within general education in order to get the support early and prior to becoming eligible for more intense, intrusive or costly special education services. The Director of Student Services has been the lead for the development of our MTSS process in all of our schools. Working in collaboration with all of our principals, we have seen excellent results in both test scores, climate and cultural shifts. We brought in Professional Development on Universal Design for Learning during an WWSU wide In-service day this fall with national expertise by Dr. Katie Novak. Through our Federal Special Education grant (IDEAB), we have offered opportunities for teachers and teams to attend the BEST Summer Institute for MTSS and Positive Behavioral System Professional Development. The focus is on establishing systems in all of our buildings such that instruction is designed to reach all students no matter where the student is currently performing. Thatcher Brook Primary School was recently selected to collaborate with the University of Vermont research team supported by a Spencer Foundation Grant, and they are currently working within the school studying our MTSS decision-making processes.
- **Special Education**: Currently, 13.4% (261 students) of our total enrollment (1948 students) are provided with services in special education. We attribute our ability to remain below statewide average, in part, to our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) available to students within their general education environments. Despite our stable numbers in special education, we struggle with the significant rise in young students experiencing ongoing trauma as well as the effects of opiate and heroin use in families. Vermont has the highest rate of students with Emotional Disturbance in the nation. This statistic is alarming and is currently becoming a prominent and urgent issue for Vermont. There are substantial costs associated with students who cannot access their education due to the complications and effects of trauma and unmet mental health needs. The lack of funding and lack of capacity for community-based mental health programs in Vermont, while better than in many states, presents difficulty for our schools. Placements for students in therapeutic schools, as well as increases in para-educators or behavioral interventionists, when needed, cause substantial increases to the special education budget and expenditures. Through our Federal Special Education Grant (IDEAB), we have provided training for teams of special educators to attend training on Executive Functioning, Universal Design for Learning, Differentiated Instruction and other disability related PD. All PD is related to our action planning around MTSS in all of our schools. Our goal is to continue to make our classrooms accessible to *all students*.
- **Health Care**: We continue to learn about the multiple complexities and reporting requirements associated with implementation of the Federal Affordable Care Act (ACA).

All of our current health plans, which we have offered through VEHI for many years will be replaced with new plans on January 1, 2018.

- **Leadership Team for Excellence in Education (LTEE)** Semi annual retreats, and monthly meetings are held to support shared implementation of the WWSU Action plan. Under the direction of the Director of Curriculum, a new model for leadership for this purpose has been initiated. The LTEE is both a governance and decision-making body responsible for setting the direction of the schools with a focus on student-centered learning design, learning proficiencies and growth indicators, along with the systems and practices that support them. The LTEE is comprised of twenty-two teachers and administrators from all seven schools in WWSU.
- **Community Engagement Initiative/Nellie Mae Grant** Last spring, WWSU was granted funding through the Nellie Mae Foundation to build and sustain improved community engagement. As part of this project, a Community Engagement Coalition was formed which includes 32 members comprised of our WWSU LTEE, community members from various towns and the WWSU Director of Curriculum. The coalition has received technical assistance from Everyday Democracy to design avenues to improve engagement. The coalition has identified the strategy of “Community Conversations” (a.k.a. Study Circles) to engage community members in dialogue about the changes being implemented to align with Act 77, and to identify ways the community can improve the educational experiences of our students through strengthened partnerships and better communication. These Study Circles will take place in March 2016.

The students in the WWSU continue to work hard, give their very best, and make us all very proud. Our parents and community members continue to support our work and our schools. We will strive to make continuous growth and to stretch ourselves to make all of our schools the very best they possibly can be. We will remain at the table advocating for our students and our communities at the state level, so that future changes will only result if and when improved student outcomes can be demonstrated or cost efficiencies realized. We have made changes to increase our efficiencies over the past 7 years, while working even more closely together to achieve more than we can alone. At the same time, we honor and respect the differing traditions and cultures of our six individual towns. We are committed to respecting and maintaining each school’s individuality while achieving our goals. We believe that working closely together administratively, and as boards, we will be able to strengthen our local schools and keep them viable despite declining enrollment. Please do not hesitate to contact the WWSU team any time to share your thoughts. We appreciate hearing from you.

Finally, we thank you for your continued support. The board, administration, staff and students greatly appreciate it.

**Washington West Supervisory Union (WWSU)
2016-2017 Budget Information**

Washington West is a Supervisory Union organized in accordance with Vermont Title 16, Section 261 and 261a. There are three components of the WWSU Budget, the General Fund Budget, the Special Education Budget and the Transportation Budget.

The Special Education portion of the supervisory union budget is new in FY2017. Act 153 of 2010 amended the duties of the supervisory union board to include “provide special education services on behalf of its member districts”. Complying with Vermont Title 16, 261a(a)(6) requires that the supervisory union pay for all special education costs for all school districts in the supervisory union. The supervisory union must be the employer of all licensed special educators and special education administrators and the employer/contractor of those with specialized skills delivering services to special education students.

On January 13, 2016 the full WWSU Board adopted Rules of Organization that define the assessment methodology to member districts. The Apportionment of expenses for FY2017 is as follows:

Apportionment of General Expenses : As provided in 16 VSA s.301, effective for school years commencing July 1, 2014 and thereafter, the salary and expenses of the Superintendent of Schools and the general expenses of the Supervisory Union , exclusive of expenses allocable to student transportation and special education services, shall be apportioned and allocated among its constituent school districts in direct proportion to the number of equalized pupils in each school district, as determined by the Secretary of the Agency of Education on or before the preceding December 15 in the manner provided in 16 VSA s.4010. [This does NOT include the assessment for transportation expenses.]

Apportionment of Transportation Expenses: Effective for school years commencing July 1, 2016, and thereafter, expenses allocable to student transportation shall be apportioned and assessed among member districts in direct proportion to the school year mileage accrued for daily bus routes provided to individual schools in each respective school district.

Apportionment of Special Education Expenses: Effective for school years commencing July 1, 2016, and thereafter, expenses allocable to the furnishing of special education services shall be apportioned and assessed among member districts in direct proportion to the actual and direct cost of such services provided to each school district during the school year.

WWSU General Expenses

The WWSU Central Office General Fund Budget is assessed to member school districts based on equalized pupils; the assessment results in the same cost per equalized pupil for WWSU net expenditures for all member school districts.

WWSU Personnel:

The Central Office budget includes the following Central Office Personnel:

Position:	FTE
Superintendent	1.00
Director of Curriculum & Assessment	1.00
Director of Student Support Services	1.00
Director of Finance and Operations	1.00
Director of Buildings & Grounds (funded through MOU with HUHS)	1.00

**Washington West Supervisory Union (WWSU)
2016-2017 Budget Information**

WWSU Personnel Continued:

<u>Position:</u>	<u>FTE</u>
Technology Coordinator (funded through MOU with Valley Schools)	1.00
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent	1.00
Administrative Assistant to the Director of Student Support/Website	1.00
Administrative Assistant/Data Support Specialist	1.00
Systems Administrator	1.00
Project Manager	1.00
Accountant	2.00
Accounts Payable	.80
Payroll & Benefits	1.00
Medicaid Clerk (Funded by Medicaid)	<u>.60</u>
Total Central Office	15.40

The General Assessment

The General Assessment includes expenses for the Superintendent, Director of Curriculum and Assessment and the Systems Administrator as well as technology infrastructure and applications used by the WWSU and all member schools including PowerSchool, BlackBoard Connect Alert and SpEd Doc.

The Superintendent is the CEO of the district. The Superintendent develops and oversees all SU and school policies, oversees the district principals and handles a variety of human resource issues, including collective bargaining and legal matters.

The Director of Curriculum and Assessment is responsible for the development and implementation of curriculum and assessments aligned with State and National Standards. By Vermont Statute, the supervisory union must establish and ensure implementation of a supervisory union-wide curriculum and provide for professional development across all schools in the supervisory union. The Director of Curriculum coordinates Supervisory Union-wide professional development and oversees the teacher supervision and evaluation program, including the mentoring program for new teaching staff. The director of Curriculum also manages the Consolidated Federal Grants program for the Supervisory Union.

The Systems Administrator is responsible for managing all computer hardware and software systems and connectivity at the Central Office and provides technical support throughout the district on a variety of issues including connectivity, wireless networks, server management, backup systems, phone systems and content filtering. The Systems Administrator has conducted and updated technology audits for all schools in the supervisory union. In addition, the Systems Administrator actively pursues e-rate reimbursement for all eligible technology equipment and services throughout the SU.

The Special Education Administrative Assessment includes the Director of Student Support Services and support staff. The Director of Student Support Services ensures effective, efficient delivery of special Education and other student support services throughout the SU.

The Special Education Assessment based on the Proposed FY2016 Budget is shown below. The Assessment is eligible for approximately 56% reimbursement through the State's special education funding formula. The reimbursement generated on the assessment is sent directly to the local school districts and is reflected in the school districts' revenues, not the supervisory union.

**Washington West Supervisory Union (WWSU)
2016-2017 Budget Information**

Finance Director/ Fiscal Services Assessment

The Finance Director and Fiscal Services Assessment include the Director of Finance and Operations and her support staff as well as the cost of an annual financial audit of the supervisory union performed by a Certified Public Accounting firm and the cost of all computerized accounting systems and applications.

The Director of Finance and fiscal services staff are responsible for all financial matters including developing budgets, all financial reports, internal controls, management of cash and investments, payroll and accounts payable for all school districts in the supervisory union. Responsibilities also include a variety of local, state and federal reporting requirements, grants management, construction management and risk management. In addition, the Director of Finance works collaboratively with the administrators to support food service, facilities and transportation operations.

In total the General, Special Education, Finance/ Fiscal Services expenses that make up the WWSU Central Office Assessment are \$1,434,927, based on the FY2017 Budget. The increase in the overall budget is 11%.

The supervisory union general fund expenditure budget is offset by interest income and administrative funds from federal grants, and the net amount is assessed to member school districts based on equalized pupils. The FY2017 net assessment is \$1,414,549, or a 11% increase.

The supervisory union central office assessment represents approximately 4.1% of total overall expenditures of \$35,000.000 managed by the supervisory union for itself and the member districts.

WWSU Special Education Expenses

The WWSU special education budget includes all special education teachers, contracted services, transportation and supplies. The special education assessment is apportioned to member school districts based on actual cost of services provided in each school. The school district receives the approximate 56% reimbursement revenue from state and federal sources associated with the cost. The WWSU special education budget for PK through grade 12 for FY2017 is attached.

WWSU Transportation Expenses

The WWSU Transportation Assessment for school bussing included in district budgets for FY2017 is below. The local school district receives transportation reimbursement for the State of Vermont at 40%+ for these transportation expenses.

Fayston	\$	50,655		
Moretown	\$	65,584		
Waitsfield (inc. PK)	\$	74,758		
Warren	\$	102,049		
Waterbury Duxbury	\$	348,448		
HUHS	\$	446,083		
HUHS Vocational to Barre Voc	\$	56,707		
Total FY2017 Transport Assessment	\$	1,144,284		

Note: Eligible for Transportation Reimbursement received in the local districts

WASHINGTON WEST SUPERVISORY UNION
Summary General Fund Budget-Allocated Based on Equalized Pupils

	FY2015 Budget	FY2015 Actual	FY2016 Budget	FY2017 Proposed
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Expenditures

General (Includes Superintendent's Office,
Curriculum & Assessment and Technology)

Salaries	\$ 387,603	\$ 385,065	\$ 401,373	\$ 472,899
Benefits	109,343	103,341	111,848	128,504
Contracted Services, Supplies, and Operating Costs	150,236	153,981	138,986	178,332
	<u>\$ 647,182</u>	<u>\$ 642,386</u>	<u>\$ 652,207</u>	<u>\$ 779,735</u>

Special Education-Eligible for Reimbursement to the Local Districts @ +55%

Salaries	\$ 116,959	\$ 113,731	\$ 120,675	\$ 126,143	\$ (69,379)
Benefits	32,355	29,067	33,926	36,431	\$ (20,037)
Contracted Services, Supplies, and Operating Costs	1,515	1,748	1,500	1,500	\$ (825)
	<u>\$ 150,829</u>	<u>\$ 144,545</u>	<u>\$ 156,101</u>	<u>\$ 164,074</u>	<u>\$ (90,241)</u>

Finance Director/Fiscal Services

Salaries	\$ 280,407	\$ 282,715	\$ 299,959	\$ 305,267
Benefits	109,982	111,949	131,472	132,056
Financial Audit	6,300	6,300	6,300	9,500
Contracted Services, Supplies, Accounting Applications and Operating Costs	36,601	34,284	42,825	44,295
	<u>\$ 433,289</u>	<u>\$ 435,247</u>	<u>\$ 480,555</u>	<u>\$ 491,118</u>

Total SU General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,231,300</u>	<u>\$ 1,222,179</u>	<u>\$ 1,288,863</u>	<u>\$ 1,434,927</u>	11%
SU As a % of Total General Fund Budgets	3.7%		3.7%	4.1%	
			Without PM Position	3.8%	

Revenue

Interest	\$ -	\$ 219	\$ -	\$ -
Grants and Other	10,000	12,160	9,500	9,500
Prior Year Fund Balance	10,878		8,879	10,878
General Assessment	636,209	636,218	642,907	768,662
Special Education Assessment	148,271	148,271	153,875	161,744
Business/Fiscal Svs Assessment	425,943	425,934	473,702	484,143
Total Assessments to Member Districts	1,210,422	1,210,423	1,270,484	1,414,549
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 1,231,300</u>	<u>\$ 1,222,801</u>	<u>\$ 1,288,863</u>	<u>\$ 1,434,927</u>

Assessments to Member Districts Based on EQUALIZED PUPILS

		FY2016 Assessment	FY2017 Assessment	FY2017 EP'S Frozen
Fayston	\$ 62,473	\$ 67,122	\$ 72,710	94.02
Moretown	64,776	\$ 70,077	\$ 83,297	107.71
Waitsfield	87,831	\$ 93,889	\$ 98,462	127.32
Warren	95,688	\$ 100,220	\$ 114,199	147.67
Waterbury-Duxbury Union #45	421,525	\$ 487,853	\$ 502,014	649.15
Harwood Union HS #19	478,129	\$ 451,323	\$ 543,868	703.27
Total Assessments	<u>\$ 1,210,422</u>	<u>\$ 1,270,484</u>	<u>\$ 1,414,549</u>	1,829.14

Special Education Expenditures and Assessment Based on Anticipated FY2017 Services
Does Not Include IDEA B Funding

1/13/2016

	Fayston	Moretown	Waitsfield	Warren	WDS	HUHS	Total
Special Education Professionals	\$ 73,472	\$ 153,918	\$ 85,602	\$ 193,974	\$ 735,833	\$ 1,191,383	\$ 2,434,182
FTE	0.80	1.50	1.00	2.60	8.40	12.55	26.85
Speech Language Pathologists	\$ 52,807	\$ 99,525	\$ 88,937	\$ 94,401	\$ 320,754	\$ 113,777	\$ 770,201
FTE	0.60	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.60	1.50	8.70
ESY Summer Services							
Evaluations & Testing				\$ 4,500	\$ 39,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
Counseling & Behavior Svcs					\$ 152,342	\$ 88,500	\$ 132,000
WCMH/Green Mountain Behavioral Svcs and Tuition	\$ 118,400	\$ 41,456	\$ 5,250	\$ 704,172	\$ 910,734		
Occupational Therapy (OT)	\$ 1,200		\$ 36,650	\$ 13,200	\$ 51,050		
Physical Therapy (PT)			\$ 14,350	\$ 7,300	\$ 21,650		
Vision Specialist/Deaf Educator			\$ 23,592	\$ 10,500	\$ 34,092		
Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,600	\$ 9,400	\$ 10,000	\$ 26,500
SpEd Equipment	\$ 1,200	\$ 5,500	\$ 1,250	\$ 7,200	\$ 7,200	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,150
Speech Supplies			\$ 500	\$ 700	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,200
Speech Equipment						\$ 500	\$ 500
Transportation	\$ 6,480	\$ 7,500			\$ 1,500	\$ 199,562	\$ 215,042

Total K-12 Special Education
Estimated Expenses to be Assessed and
included in District Budgets \$ 127,979 \$ 387,523 \$ 227,745 \$ 336,631 \$ 1,348,371 \$ 2,432,594 \$ 4,860,843

Total EEE Estimated Expenses
to be Assessed and included in District
Budgets \$ 7,351 \$ 17,017 \$ 9,317 \$ 14,362 \$ 54,397 \$ - \$ 102,444
FTE 0.13 0.13 0.13 0.13 0.40 0 0.90

Total PK-12 SpEd Assessment Estimated \$ 135,330 \$ 404,540 \$ 237,062 \$ 350,993 \$ 1,402,768 \$ 2,432,594 \$ 4,963,287

**2015 TOWN MEETING MINUTES
WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING
OF TOWN OF MORETOWN AS A TOWN AND AS A TOWN
SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE HELD MARCH 3, 2015**

The inhabitants of the Town of Moretown who are legal voters in Town and Town School District meetings are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Moretown Town Hall in Moretown Village on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following matters:

1. **To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting of the Town and Town School District whose term of office shall be for the ensuing year.** Randy George nominated Steve Magill, and Clarence Wood seconded. Tom Martin asked if there were any other nominations and there were none. The ayes have it.
2. **To hear and act upon the reports of the Town and Town School District officers.** John Riley moved to accept the town reports. John Fulton seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
3. **To cast ballots for Town and Town School District officers. Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** No discussion.
4. **To see if the Town will vote to have its current taxes paid to the Town Treasurer in one installment due and payable by midnight on October 30, 2015.** Clark Amadon so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. Cherilyn Brown recommended that the Town not accept postmark dates, and instead have a concrete tax payment receipt date of October 30. Cherilyn moved that the article now read "To see if the Town will vote to have its current taxes paid to the Town Treasurer in one installment due, payable and received by 5p.m. on October 30, 2015." Clark Amadon seconded. Richard Hungerford asked what day of the week October 30, 2015 was. The response was "Friday." Clarence Wood stated that you should not dismiss the postmark date as it being paid by the deadline. Clarence added that there should be no cut off during the day and that it should remain a midnight deadline. Johanne Gray stated that if payment is mailed on the 25th there is still no guarantee that it will be received by the 30th. Judith Kitchell that "received" should be "received." A vote was had on the amendment. The ayes have it. The article is amended. A vote was had on the article as amended. No discussion on the article as amended. The ayes have it. The article as amended is passed.
5. **To see if the Town will vote to offer a discount on taxes.** John Riley moves that the Town not offer a discount on taxes. Clarence Wood seconded. Michelle Saffron asked what this article means. John

Hoogenboom responded that it meant if you paid your taxes early enough, you would receive a certain discount. Dan Zucker made a point of order. Dan stated that the article as warned is stated as an affirmative action and that the motion made is to negate the article as warned which could only really happen via a “nay” vote by the house. Steve Magill explained the inherent lack of clarity of this article and how it is voted upon. Because there needs to be an affirmative motion on the floor, Steve Magill found John Riley’s motion to be out of order. Clarence Wood moved to offer a discount on taxes. Mary Larsen seconded. Dan Zucker stated that he would like to offer an amendment to insert the word “not” in between “to” and “offer.” Steve Magill stated that the amendment was out of order as it would make the motion a negative motion. Sasha Bianchi asked whether this article could be changed next year. Steve Magill stated that this should be brought to the attention again to the Selectboard in January. John Hoogenboom stated that he believes the article has to be written like that. Clarence Wood asked to withdraw his motion, and Steve refused as it had already been seconded and is on the floor. The vote on the floor is to have a discount on taxes. The nays have it.

6. **To see if the Town will vote to set the tax warrant date on real property as November 2, 2015.** Rube Scharges so moved and John Hoogenboom seconded. Judith Kitchell asked what this article means. Cherilyn explained that this was the date that any delinquent tax amount goes to the tax collector on this date. John Riley stated that the treasurer has authority to collect the taxes and that at a certain point she grants a warrant to the tax collector who then has the authority to collect the taxes. The November 2nd date is the next business day after the tax due date, and then the treasurer has the authority to pass the tax debt on to the tax collector. The vote on the floor was to set the tax warrant date as November 2, 2015. The ayes have it.

7. **Shall the voters of the Moretown Town School District appropriate the sum of \$2,221,773 necessary for the support of the school, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016? Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Tom Badowski from the school board was present to answer questions. Mary Larsen asked why Moretown’s school budget is a good several thousand more dollars than neighboring towns. Tom Badowski responded that there were several reasons. One, the school is carrying a considerable amount of more debt than the other schools. However, most of that debt which stemmed from construction thirty years ago should be retired by 2016. 2016-2017 should see about a 3% reduction. Also, the school has a much smaller student population than the others. The school also has a higher than average special needs population, and the town must pay \$0.49 on the dollar to cover these students (the rest is taken care of by the State). In addition, the school has a very senior staff, and the longer one

has been there the higher salary is received. Mary Larsen then asked whether the school board is anticipating any big capital improvements that might incur more debt. Tom Badowski stated that from a capital standpoint, the answer is no. However, there has been discussion about putting extra monies into a capital reserve for the future. The issue now is that the State is looking at taking away the small school grants (aprox \$60,000/year) away and so extra monies might be needed. Mary Larsen asked about ghost student monies. Tom responded that we only have about two of those.

8. **Shall the voters authorize the Board of School Directors of Moretown Town School District to borrow money by issuance of notes in anticipation of revenue to pay the expenses of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016?** John Schmeltzer so moved and Rube Scharges seconded. Tom Badowski stated this is really important. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
9. **Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,062,837.00 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, for any operating expenses and other obligations? Voting to be by Australian ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** There was no discussion.
10. **Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown authorize its Select Board to borrow money with which to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 in anticipation of the collection of taxes for that purpose?** Rube Scharges so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.

Steve Magill suspended the rules so Clarence Wood could ask a question. Clarence asked whether we could combine the next twenty (20) articles and pass them on one vote. Steve Magill stated that we could only combine a certain number of articles so long as the amount of monies included does not surpass \$5,000. John Fulton said that although that was a good idea, he'd like to talk to article 11 because that was new. Steve Magill stated that for instance we could combine articles 11-15. Michelle Saffron asked whether combining articles really saves time. Steve said that if a mere one person does not want to combine, there is no combining. Michelle Beard stated that she does not want to combine.

- 11. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of our children's sports activities (i.e. little league and soccer programs) at Couples Field in Waitsfield, Vt., thereby joining the other Towns in the Valley in support of maintaining Couples Field by The Couples Club Inc.?** Amy Patenaud so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. John Fulton stated that this was a new and important article, especially because Moretown kids approximate more than 50% of those Valley children utilizing the fields. John added that \$500 is the least that the town could contribute. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 12. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Capstone Community Action Inc., formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.?** Eliza Kane so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. John Lynch stated that this was a great program that he used to work for. The organization performs such functions as buying cars for people that cannot do so on their own. There was not more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 13. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?** Jennifer Trip-Meade so moved and Diane Costello seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 14. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Council on Aging, Inc.?** Dara Torre so moved and John Lynch seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 15. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to help support the work of Washington County Youth Service Bureau / Boys & Girls Club?** Jennifer Trip-Meade so moved and Rube Scharges seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 16. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice?** Mary Larsen so moved and Jon Schmeltzer seconded. Clarence Wood asked about his motion to combine made earlier. Steve Magill responded that it had failed. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 17. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?** Amy Patenaud so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. John Lynch stated that program accomplishes a lot of great work for a lot of

people. John Lynch stated that he used to tutor within the program and he is now working to get two mothers their driver's licenses. Mike Brooke asked whether there was some way these organizations could put together a report for the town report delineating what they do and how many people within the town they serve. Steve Magill said that only one article can be discussed at this time. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it. John Weir added, without objection as to him not being a registered voter, that all the reports supplied by most of these organizations are available on the website for review. Dare Torre, auditor, stated that traditionally these organization reports are traditionally not included in the town report but are available on the website. Dara added that should there be some sort of consensus as to a certain dollar amount triggering an organizational report's inclusion in the town report, the auditors would be happy to do so. Michelle Beard added that only some organizations supply reports to the town.

18. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to help support the work of RSVP (Retired Senior and Volunteer Program)? Clarence Wood so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.

19. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help support the work of Good Beginnings of Central Vermont? Eliza Cain so moved and Jennifer Trip-Meade seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.

20. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Family Center of Washington County? Diana Costello so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. Dave Van Deusen asked what it is they do. Sasha Bianchi stated that they support all childcare organizations, including childcare and early education. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

21. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to help support the work of People's Health & Wellness Clinic? Dave Van Deusen so moved and Mary Larsen seconded. Dave Van Deusen stated that this is very important in providing free medical care to those without insurance. David Van Deusen moved for an amendment that the sum given be raised to \$1,400. Rae Washburn seconded. Michelle added that this year's request was \$200 more than last year. Mary Larsen added this program also provides mental care and psychiatric care as well as health care. There was no more discussion on the amendment raising the sum to \$1,400. The ayes have it. The article is amended to appropriate a sum of \$1,400 to the Clinic. There was no discussion on the motion as amended. The ayes have it. The article is passed as amended.

- 22. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to help support the work of Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services and Shelter)?** Eliza Cain so moved and Tina Valantanetti seconded. Eliza Cain stated the program changed its name because they serve men as well as women and children. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 23. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Home Share Now, Inc.?** Jennifer Tripp-Meade so moved and Mary Larsen seconded. Howland Brown asked what this organization did. Dara Torre stated that this program is a creative solution for housing. Some people open their doors to others in a house-sharing scenario and that local residents are participating in it. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 24. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?** Tom Badowski so moved and Bruce Saffron seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 25. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to help support the work of Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County?** Tina Valantanetti so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 26. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to help support the work of OUR House of Central Vermont?** Eliza Cain so moved and Dara Torre seconded. Rube Scharges asked what this organization did. Sasha Bianchi stated that it provides services to neglected and sexually abused children. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 27. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$945.00 to help support the work of Green Mountain Transit Agency?** Dar Torre so moved and Jennifer Trip-Meade seconded. Michelle Saffron asked what this organization did. Reed Karrow stated that they provide bus services. Dara Torre stated they also provide a seasonal shuttle called the Snowcat Commute that provides ride services to the Valley. Michelle Saffron asked whether it was free. Dara Torre stated that it is \$1/ride. Dave Van Deusen asked to whether to amend the article to raise the sum contributed so that it was free. The motion was not made. Mary Larsen stated that \$1 for a bus ride was fair. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

28. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help support the work of the Montpelier Senior Activity Center? Tina Valantanetti so moved and Michelle Saffron seconded. Tina Valantanetti explained that Montpelier was probably the most active senior center in the state. For a modest membership of \$30 seniors have access to a whole host of classes and fee events, clinics, events and meals. Michelle Saffron added that as a member-town the membership fee for Moretown residents is \$30 rather than \$50. Moretown is a member-town upon paying the yearly contribution as requested. Howland Brown asked whether we could more evenly spread out the monetary allotments for the three (3) senior centers in these articles. Harland Brown moved to combine articles 28 and 29. Rube Scharges objected. The motion fails. Tom Martin stated that if people agree with Howland, these articles can still be amended up or down if desired. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

Steve Magill asked whether people wanted to suspend the rules in order to discuss articles 29 and 30 so that they could discuss them together. A 2/3 vote of the house is needed to suspend the rules to discuss the combined articles. Steve Magill asked those in support of suspending the rules for a non-binding discussion on combined articles 29 and 30 to stand. The vote was 48-2 in favor of suspending the rules. A non-binding discussion ensued as to articles 29 and 30. Rube Scharges stated that the Waterbury Area Senior Citizens Center is asking for five (5) times what the Mad River Valley is asking for. Rube stated that it should be more even. Tom Badowski stated that it really depends on where you live. Mary Larsen stated that one year recently the Waterbury Senior Citizens Center didn't get their request in and they were given nothing, so they asked for more the following year and were only given half of that request. Dara Torre stated that she works for the MRV Senior Citizens Center and that she works with Karol Smith who is the Executive Director at the Waterbury Senior Center. Dara said there are different operating costs between the two. The MRV center has a favorable rental situation as Evergreen Place and does not have an executive director. Tina Valantanetti said these places aren't really in competition with each other. Randy asked about the breakdown of Moretown residents between the two centers. Mary Larsen responded that last year the Waterbury center served eleven (11) residents, with twenty-five (25) being served the year prior. Dara Torre stated that five (5) residents were served in the Montpelier center. Also the MRV center has great meals on wheels program, as does the Waterbury center. Steve Magill asked whether there were any objections to non-registered voter Karol Smith – Executive Director at the Waterbury Senior Citizens Center – to speak as to that program. There were none. Karol stated that there are presently thirty-eight (38) Moretown residents being served by the Waterbury center. The goal is to keep seniors active, healthy and living at home. Clarence Wood asked why the dollar requests are so

different. Karol Smith stated that the \$4,999 amount was requested so that it could be set for discussion at the Town Meeting rather than the Selectboard. She added that Waterbury provides \$30,000 in funds and Middlesex provides \$10,000 although Middlesex has fewer residents than Moretown does participating in the center's programs and activities. Mary Larsen asked whether the total of 38-people was consistent throughout the year. Karol Smith stated that the total was an aggregate, and that the total was not consistent throughout the whole year. Bruce Saffron asked whether there were any limits on who is served. Karol Smith said there were not, absent coordination with the MRV center as to who is being served by each. Mike asked whether it would be better to pay per resident instead. Karol Smith stated that it was approximate \$4/meal, 52 weeks per year. Karol stated that \$5,000 could serve five (5) residents for the entire year. Some Moretown residents come every day of the year for two meals per day. Sasha Orwell stated that these people do this work on their own time and that we should all take care of each other as we get older. Tom Martin asked Karol how the center reached out to residents. Karol stated there is a lot of word of mouth, also doctors, front porch forum and the newspaper. Sasha Bianchi stated that there was no report provided by the Waterbury center, and it would be good to know how many residents are being served and what is being done for them. Michelle Saffron asked that if we gave more money to the MRV center could they provide more opportunities, such as meals on wheels, to those in Moretown, or at least coordinate more with Waterbury's center. Dara Torre said might be difficult and that taking from one center to give more to another is a good idea. Steve Robbins added that if these groups are requesting a certain amount, then they probably need it. Steve added, however, that \$4,999 seems like a lot and that level-funding might be fairer. Sasha Bianchi stated that Moretown is so spread out that geography should be considered. Amy Patenaud stated that there are no boundaries on these services and that people probably utilize all three senior citizens throughout the year, and that there should be no financial boundaries as well. John Fulton asked whether there was still bus service to the Waterbury center. Karol Smith responded that there was on Wednesdays. There was no more discussion as to the combined articles.

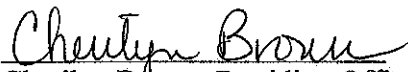
- 29. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help support the work of the Mad River Valley Senior Citizens Center?** Jennifer Trip-Meade so moved and Steve Robbins seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
- 30. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$4999.00 to help support the work of the Waterbury Area Senior Citizens Center?** Tom Badowski so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. Rube Scharges moved to amend the article down to the sum of \$3,000. Steve Robbins seconded. Discussion: Michelle Beard stated that the

Waterbury center came to the meeting this year with information unlike last year where they were only given half of their request. Having come this year with the necessary information we should give them the full amount. Dan Zucker stated that the town is better off this year and the amendment should be opposed. Steve Magill asked whether there were any objections to non-registered voter John Summers speak. There were none. John Summers stated that of all these organizations we give money to these have the most return insofar as saving the town other moneys. Tom Martin said that \$5,000 represents about one quarter of one cent on your tax bill. Clark Amadon opposes the amendment and noted the aging population and what will be an increasing need for these services. Dave Van Deusen stated that, if there is such a need for these services, then maybe Moretown should discuss setting up its own senior center in the village. There was no more discussion on the amendment. As to the vote on the amendment lowering the sum given to \$3,000, the nays have it. The motion to amend fails. There was no discussion on the motion as originally presented for \$4,999. The ayes have it.

- 31. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown formally establish the Moretown Memorial Library as a municipal public library, allowing the Town to accept any bequest, devise, or donation for the establishment, maintenance and support of the library?** Dave Van Deusen so moved and Denise Sanders seconded. Mary Larsen asked this article would change anything. Meg Allison stated that this was a mere formality so that the library could formally be recognized as a municipal establishment for certain procedure and purposes. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 32. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown authorize the Selectboard to use the revenue in the Recreation Fund for the maintenance or improvement of the Town's recreation fields and related events, at the discretion of the Selectboard upon the recommendation of the Recreation Committee, or at the direction of the voters of the Town at a duly warned annual or special meeting?** Clarence Wood so moved and Jennifer Tripp-Meade seconded. Diana Costello asked whether there was a recreation committee. John Lynch stated that there was once. John's wife used to be but is no longer. Deb Hunter stated that historically there was a committee, but there is real need for one. Deb stated that this is work that can be done by the Selectboard. Dan Zucker asked whether a nay vote would change anything. John Hoogenboom said "yes" a nay vote would deprive any funding for recreation. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 33. To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.** Steve Magill asked whether there were any questions as to the Harwood budget. There were none. Clarence Wood thanked the town clerk,

Selectboard and road foremen on their work. Chief Will Houghton of the Fire Department stated that the department is always looking for new firefighters. David Tromblay stated the Mad River Ambulance is always looking for more volunteers. Maxine Grad spoke as to what is going on in the legislature right now. Adam Greshen spoke as well to current business in the legislature. Clark Amadon provided an update on the new town office. The project was just approved by the Moretown Development Review Board. Rube Scharges provided an update on the Town Plan which was just updated and revised and is pending Selectboard review via public hearing. Rube added that almost no one came to the public input sessions for the draft and people should in the future as this is a very important document. Tom Martin thanked Reed Korrow for his service on the Selectboard and that they will be looking for a new Selectman or woman. David Tromblay inquired about the discussion last town meeting concerning changing to the Australian ballot. Tom Martin responded that a special meeting was had and no one showed up. John Lynch moved to adjourn and Mary Larsen seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 12:08p.m.

Dated at Moretown, Vermont the 8th day of March, 2015.


Cheryl Brown, Presiding Officer


Steve Magill, Moderator

BALLOT RESULTS

March 3, 2015

SELECTMAN for 1 year	
Michelle Beard	253
Tom Martin.....	239
TOWN CLERK	
Cherilyn Brown	306
TOWN TREASURER	
Cherilyn Brown	297
AGENT TO PROSECUTE AND DEFEND SUITS for 1 year	
Sheila Getzinger	274
TOWN GRAND JUROR	
Sheila K. Getzinger.....	272
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER for 3 years	
John S. Fulton.....	269
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR for 1 year	
Craig Eilers	275
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY for 1 year	
Cherilyn Brown	280
MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 3 years	
Kathryn O'Neill.....	261
MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR for 1 year	
Gabriel M. Gilman	236
Ron Shems	246
HARWOOD UNION #19 SCHOOL BOARD	
Deborah Hunter	287
ARTICLE 7.....	YES 192
School Budget \$2,221,773	NO 99
ARTICLE 9.....	YES 249
Town Budget \$1,062,837.....	NO 41
HARWOOD UNION HIGH SCHOOL	YES 1196
School Budget \$14,254,834	NO 1030



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