

# Moretown, Vermont



**Annual Report of the Town  
for the year ending December 31, 2016  
and Town School District for the year ending June 30, 2016**

## TOWN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town meeting will be held at the Moretown Town Hall on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 starting at 9:00 AM. The Moretown Historical Society will serve lunch.

Community reports not included in this report will be available as handouts at Pre-Town Meeting on March 6th, at the Town Meeting, and at the new Town Clerk's office at 79 School Street during regular business hours. This Annual Report and the community reports can also be found on our municipal website: [www.moretownvt.org](http://www.moretownvt.org)

## IN MEMORIAM

Evelyn Rita Goss will be missed by family, friends and the town of Moretown. She volunteered and assisted in many organizations. Evelyn was one of the founding members of the Historical Society and was its treasurer for many years. She was also a founding member of the Moretown Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary. Evelyn served as Library Trustee, Town Service Officer, and Ballot Clerk. Evelyn served as caretaker for the Town Hall and spent many hours with her husband, Ozzie, maintaining and caring for the St. Patrick Cemetery.



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# TOWN OFFICERS

Submitted by Cherilyn Brown, Town Clerk

OFFICE	TERM	OFFICIAL	APPOINTED
<b>Moderator</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Steve Magill	
<b>Town Clerk</b>	3-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown	
<b>Town Treasurer</b>	3-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown	
<b>Select Board</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Tom Martin	
	1-year term expires 2017	Michelle Beard	
	3-year term expires 2017	Rae Washburn	
	3-year term expires 2019	John Hoogenboom	
	3-year term expires 2018	Jason Aronowitz	
<b>Delinquent Tax Collector</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Craig Eilers	
<b>1st Constable</b>	2-year term expires 2017	Shane Grace	APPOINTED
<b>2nd Constable</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Raymond Munn	APPOINTED
<b>Listers</b>	3-year term expires 2018	Michael Woods	
	3-year term expires 2017	Deborah Feldman	APPOINTED
	3-year term expires 2019	Cherilyn Brown	APPOINTED
	3-year term expires 2018	Rita LaRocca	APPOINTED
	3-year term expires 2019	Dara Torre	APPOINTED
<b>Auditors</b>	3-year term expires 2017	Callie Streeter	APPOINTED
	1-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown	
	1-year term expires 2017	Cherilyn Brown	
	1-year term expires 2017	Sheila K. Getzinger	
<b>Town Grand Juror</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Sheila K. Getzinger	
<b>Cemetery Commissioners</b>	3-year term expires 2017	Mary Murphy-Blake	
	3-year term expires 2019	Mark Austin	
	3-year term expires 2018	John S. Fulton	
<b>School Directors</b>	1-year term expires 2017	Peter Langella	
	1-year term expires 2017	Ron Shems	
	3-year term expires 2017	Jim Burmester	
	3-year term expires 2019	Gabriel Gilman	
	3-year term expires 2018	Kathryn O'Neill	
	3-year term expires 2017	Deborah Hunter	
<b>Union District #19</b>	3-year term expires 2017	Deborah Hunter	
<b>Justice of the Peace</b>	2-year term expires 2019	Catherine Scribner	
	2-year term expires 2019	Gerald Maynard	
	2-year term expires 2019	Rob Roberts	
	2-year term expires 2019	David Tremblay	
	2-year term expires 2019	Ron Shems	
	2-year term expires 2019	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
Agent to Convey Real Estate:	Sheila Getzinger
Town Hall Rental Coordinator:	Cherilyn Brown
Town Hall Custodian:	Becky Ciampi
Tree Warden:	John Hoogenboom, Eric Howes Alternate
Fire Warden as appointed by State:	Eric Howes
Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, Wood & Coal:	Charlie Abare Sr.
Service Officer :	Deborah Feldman
Health Officer:	Richard Valentinetti
Deputy Health Officer:	JB Weir (appointed 4/18/16)
Town Attorney:	Paul Gillies; Charles Merriman; Patrick Bernal; Ron Shems & Richard Saudek
Newspaper of Record:	Times Argus and/or Valley Reporter
Mad River Resource Solid Waste Alliance:	Jonathan Siegel, Doug Reed-Alternate
Animal Control Officer & Pound Keeper:	Shane Grace
Zoning Administrator:	JB Weir
Website Administrator:	JB Weir
Select Board Secretary:	Cheryl Brown
E-911 Coordinator:	JB Weir
Energy Coordinator:	Jay Pilliod
Emergency Management & Civil Defense Mgr.:	Steve Smith
Moretown's Rep. Mad River Planning District	John Hoogenboom
Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Joyce Manchester - TAC
Representative for Moretown:	Dara Torre – Alternate to TAC
	Dara Torre – CVRPC
	Joyce Manchester – Alternate to CVRPC
	Don LaRocca
Investments Advisor	
CVSPAB (CV State Police Advisory Board):	
Ridge to Mad River Watershed Committee Rep.:	John Hoogenboom
Housing Needs Committee	Clark Amadon, Chairman
Listers:	Mike Woods (elected 2015)
	Deb Feldman (appointed 3/7/16)
	Cherilyn Brown (appointed 3/7/16)
	Rita LaRocca (appointed 3/7/16)
Auditors: Three Officers	

## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

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

**ANNUAL MEETING WARNING  
HARWOOD UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The inhabitants and legal voters of the Towns of Warren, Waitsfield, Fayston, Moretown, Waterbury and Duxbury, being the inhabitants and legal voters of Harwood Unified Union School District, are notified and warned to meet at Harwood Union High School in the Town of Duxbury on Monday, March 6, 2017 at 6:00PM to act upon the following matters:

**ARTICLE I:** To elect the following officers:

- A Moderator for a term of one (1) year commencing immediately
- A Clerk for a term of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2017
- A Treasurer for a term of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2017

**ARTICLE II:** To ratify and confirm the action taken at the August 31, 2016 organizational meeting of the Harwood Unified Union District.

**ARTICLE III:** To receive and act upon the reports of the District officers.

**ARTICLE IV:** To fix the compensation to be paid to the District officers for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE V:** To authorize the Board of School Directors to retain a licensed public accountant to examine the accounts of the District Treasurer and Board of School Directors as of June 30, 2018.


**ARTICLE VI:** To authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow in anticipation of the receipt of taxes and other revenue.

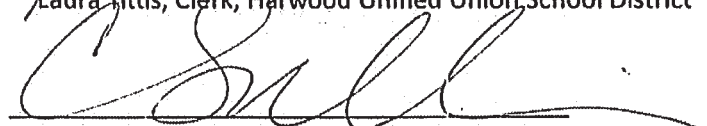
**ARTICLE VII:** To act by Australian ballot on the following proposition: "Shall Harwood Unified Union School District establish a capital repair, replacement and maintenance reserve fund under the provisions of 24 VSA s2804, and to appropriate thereto the aggregate balance of all forming district fund balances as of June 30, 2016 received on July 1, 2017?"

**ARTICLE VIII:** To act by Australian ballot on the following proposition: "Shall Harwood Unified Union School District adopt a budget of \$36,294,313 for the school year commencing July 1, 2017?"

The annual meeting shall be recessed until Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at which time Articles to be considered by Australian ballot shall be voted at the usual polling places and during usual polling hours in the Towns located within the District. Upon the closing of the polls, ballots shall be transported to the District Clerk, under whose supervision the ballots shall be commingled and counted by members of the Boards of Civil Authority from each Town.

Approved at a regular meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Harwood Unified Union School District held on January 18, 2017.

  
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Laura Titus, Clerk, Harwood Unified Union School District

  
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Christine Sullivan, Chair, Board of School Directors  
Harwood Unified Union School District

**WARNING FOR INFORMATIONAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF MORETOWN TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017 AT THE MORETOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM AT 7:00 P.M. FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE WARNING ESPECIALLY THE ISSUES TO BE VOTED ON BY THE TOWN AT TOWN MEETING ON MARCH 7, 2017 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 Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,096,417.00 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, 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.
8. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown give the Select Board the authority to spend an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 from the Savings Reserve Fund to pay off the 2015 dump truck?
9. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote to spend an amount not to exceed \$168,000.00 and arrange financing for the purchase of a dump truck to be used by its highway department? Voting to be by Australian Ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
10. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown approve to spend an amount of \$31,250.00 to help the Mad River Valley Recreation District purchase the Kingsbury Mad River Park recreation field, contingent that the purchase price of \$550,000 is offset by at least \$425,000 in grant funding and donations, and that the purchase is also funded from all three other valley towns equal to or more than Moretown's contribution; and that at least one representative from Moretown be a voting member on the Mad River Valley Recreation Board for questions regarding the Mad River recreation field? Voting to be by Australian Ballot. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00p.m.

**WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING  
OF TOWN OF MORETOWN  
TO BE HELD MARCH 7, 2017**

The inhabitants of the Town of Moretown who are legal voters in Town meetings are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Moretown Town Hall in Moretown Village on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following matters:

1. To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting of the Town whose term of office shall be for the ensuing year.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town officers.
3. To cast ballots for Town 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 postmarked by November 1, 2017.
5. To see if the Town will vote to set the tax warrant date on real property as November 2, 2017.
6. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,096,417.00 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, 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.
7. 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, 2017 in anticipation of the collection of taxes for that purpose?
8. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown give the Select Board the authority to spend an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 from the Savings Reserve Fund to pay off the 2015 dump truck?
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11. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote to change the delinquent tax penalty levied to a graduated commission schedule pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 1674 (3), to 4 % for the first 30 days following the tax due date, and 8% thereafter?

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.?
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?
14. 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.?
15. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$350.00 to help support the work of the Washington County Diversion Program?
16. 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?
17. 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?
18. 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?
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?
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?
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?
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)?
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.?
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?
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?
26. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$900.00 to help support the work of the Montpelier Senior Activity Center?
27. 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?
28. 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?
29. Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to help support the work of Green Up Vermont?

30. To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Moretown, Vermont the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2017.

  
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Thomas Martin, Chairman

  
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Michelle Beard

  
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Jason Aronowitz

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John Hoogenboom

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rae Washburn III

Town of Moretown Select Board

Received and recorded this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2017. A true copy.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_





**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
MORETOWN, VERMONT  
MARCH 7, 2017**

**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.

<p><b>SELECTMAN</b> Vote for not more than TWO for 1 YEAR</p> <p>THOMAS J. BADOWSKI <input type="radio"/></p> <p>THOMAS MARTIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>TOWN GRAND JUROR</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>AUDITOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR Remaining</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>AUDITOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS Remaining</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>AUDITOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>LISTER</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS Remaining</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>LISTER</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>1ST CONSTABLE</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>2ND CONSTABLE</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>CEMETERY COMMISSIONER</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>MARY MURPHY-BLAKE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>ELIZABETH BURT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 2 YEARS Remaining</p> <p>KAREN SHARPWOLF <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR Remaining</p> <p>JAMIE WIMBLE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> Vote for not more than TWO for 1 YEAR</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR</b> Vote for not more than THREE terms to expire on December 31, 2017</p> <p>PETER LANGELLA <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>UNION DISTRICT #19</b> Vote for not more than ONE terms to expire on December 31, 2017</p> <p>DEBORAH HUNTER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p><b>SELECTMAN</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>RAE WASHBURN III <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>TOWN CLERK</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>CHERYLYN BROWN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>TOWN TREASURER</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 3 YEARS</p> <p>CHERYLYN BROWN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p><b>DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR</p> <p>CRAIG EILERS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR</p> <p>CHERYLYN BROWN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p><b>AGENT TO PROSECUTE/DEFEND SUITS</b> Vote for not more than ONE for 1 YEAR</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**

**ARTICLES**

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OFFICIAL BALLOT

HARWOOD UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 7, 2017

ARTICLE VII

Shall Harwood Unified Union School District establish a capital repair, replacement and maintenance reserve fund under the provisions of 24 VSA §2804, and to appropriate thereto the aggregate balance of all forming district fund balances as of June 30, 2016 received on July 1, 2017?

If in favor of the proposition issue,  
make a cross (x) in this square:

If opposed to the proposition issue,  
make a cross (x) in this square:

SAMPLE

ARTICLE VIII

Shall Harwood Unified Union School District adopt a budget of \$36,294,313 for the school year commencing July 1, 2017?

If in favor of the proposition issue,  
make a cross (x) in this square:

If opposed to the proposition issue,  
make a cross (x) in this square:

SAMPLE

# SELECT BOARD REPORT

In 2015 the Select Board transferred money from the Capital Reserve Fund (CRF) to the General Fund to cover unanticipated and emergency town repairs. We did this with the intention of paying back these funds in 2016. However, when the Select Board set the tax rate for 2016, the CRF payback as well as some other debts were overlooked resulting in the 2016 tax rate going from \$2.11 (in 2015) down to \$1.99. While taxpayers all benefited from this, it put us in a position where we now need to raise the tax rate to get back whole.

When we set the tax rate for 2017, our plan is to evaluate our finances and try to keep the increase to about \$0.16 on the town portion of the tax rate, which would bring it back to the 2015 rate plus a few cents. We expect that this will get most of this problem taken care of with a little holdover for 2018. The Select Board regrets the oversight on the 2016 tax rate and is determined not to repeat it.

**Reason for the shortfall:**

Borrowed \$160K from CRF in 2015 to payback 2015 Tax Anticipation Note (due 12/31/2015)

Paid back CRF with 2016 Tax Anticipation Note (which created an immediate shortfall in 2016 of \$160K)	\$160,000
Delinquent 2016 Taxes	\$ 90,114
Unbudgeted expenses paid from General Fund in 2016	<u>\$ 89,792</u>
Total shortfall	\$339,906

**Note:**

We have been carrying a shortfall via borrowing from Capital Reserves since 2014 due in part to cover the town's share of AREA 1 of the Mountain Road; 2015 truck accident; and lack of landfill revenue. We haven't had MLI tipping fee revenue since 2013.

In 2015 we reconstructed AREA 2 of the Mountain Road without full grant funding - result \$80K short; unanticipated repairs to 2007, 2011 truck & loader - result \$21K short; and paid down the flood loan so we could extend it one more year - \$132K short. This being said, this is why we needed to borrow \$160K from the CRF.

In 2016 we had to pay the flood loan \$125K; \$160K to repay the CRF; \$90,114 in unbudgeted delinquent taxes; and \$89,792 total for unbudgeted expenses, i.e.: \$5K new fire truck, \$5K thermal camera, \$21K in equipment repair, town share of the town office grant (after reserves) \$18K, abatements \$8K, sidewalk \$4K, Wetzel Grant \$1K, un-reimbursable expenses for town office \$26K.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Moretown Select Board

Thomas Martin, John Hoogenboom, Michelle Beard, Rae Washburn, Jason Aronowitz

## ROAD DEPARTMENT

The Moretown Road Department once again experienced personnel changes in 2016. The town hired local resident Shawn Graves when Elwin Chambers fulfilled a professional goal of his by accepting the road foreman's position with the town of Washington. His knowledge and experience will be missed here in Moretown. His departure meant that the road crew was once again short staffed in the vital summer months when road maintenance projects are scheduled.

This maintenance schedule took another blow when a strong rain event damaged sections of Cobb Hill Road due to driveway culvert plugging with various debris from upstream. Even with these obstacles we were able to accomplish many projects. With free stone from Moretown Landfill we were able to complete many medium to large bank stabilizations that would otherwise have been too costly to do with the regular road budget. Cobb Hill Road, South Hill Road, Witham Road, Moretown Mountain Road, Stevens Brook Road, Pony Farm Road, Ward Brook Road and Murphy Road were all roads where bank stabilization was done.

Culvert replacements, ditching, re-surfacing and tree/brush removal were done to some or all of the following roads: Moretown Mountain Road, Cobb Hill Road, Witham Road, Stevens Brook Road, Common Road, Ward Brook Road, South Hill Road, Pony Farm Road, Murphy Road, Brownsville Road, Kelly Brook Road.

The town completed a Municipal Road Erosion Inventory and Capital Plan through the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission. The Vermont Youth Conservation Corp. participated in a grant program that paid them to do erosion prevention on class 4 roads throughout the state. We chose Devil's Washbowl as a site and the crew used accepted practices to curb erosion related issues throughout the roadway. The road crew also corrected some drainage issues in the bus loop at the elementary school to allow water to make it into the drainage system. There was also the usual work of plowing/sanding, grading, dust control, hauling sand, gravel and stone, and doing routine preventative maintenance as well as repairs to all equipment.

We look forward to 2017 to try and continue to improve our road infrastructure in a safe and efficient manner.

Thank you,

Martin Cameron  
Road Foreman



Transplanting bushes from old town office garden.

## PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

With the town plan revision adopted and approved, the Planning Commission focused on updating zoning bylaws for the town, including consideration of new subdivision regulations. We welcomed two new members, John Schmeltzer, commissioner, and alternate ex-officio member Deborah Feldman. Thank you to Deb Sargent for her service on the commission.

In May, the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) received funding to complete a Mad River Corridor Plan for Moretown. CVRPC also conducted a flood study of the Mad River and Thatcher Brook in 2016. These efforts will provide the town with data and maps to guide improved flood mitigation.

We continued our involvement in the Mad River Valley Ridge to River stormwater planning effort, meeting with other MRV representatives to identify 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. Please visit [www.ridgetoriver.org](http://www.ridgetoriver.org) for more information on this effort.

In 2017, the Planning Commission plans to consider village center designation status and assist with updating the local hazard mitigation plan (due in 2018). As well, the Planning Commission will work on updating the energy components of the town plan to conform to new state energy planning standards and to secure a determination of compliance from the regional commission. Plans from towns that secure the determination of compliance will receive substantial deference before the Public Service Board with respect to projects proposed for their town.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
Moretown Planning Commission

Jonathan Siegel, Chair  
Karen Horn  
Rube Scharges

John Schmeltzer  
Dara Torre  
Deborah Feldman, Alternate Ex-Officio

## 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. The Board also has jurisdiction to review appeals from decisions of the Town's zoning administrator.

Notices of applications are provided to adjoining landowners, and meetings are warned by publication in local newspapers.

During 2016, the DRB met three times conducting hearings on three applications. Two applications requested partial waiver of a side yard setback, which is now allowed if certain conditions are met under the zoning ordinance. One request was approved and the other denied.

The other application was approved as a mixed use in the Village with a portion of an existing residence approved for retail sales under conditions.

During 2016 the Planning Commission worked on subdivision regulations for the Town and members of the DRB, which would administer the regulations, appeared at Planning Commission and Select Board hearings to provide feedback and comments on the draft regulations.

Zoning Administrator John Weir continues to provide administrative support to the Board, which is greatly appreciated.

Individuals currently serving on the Board consist of the following:

John Riley, Chair	Eric Howes, Alternate
Erick Titrud, Vice Chair	Paula Woods, Alternate
David Russo	Greg Nagumey, Alternate
Jim O'Neill	
Tom Badowski	

## 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 2016-2034**

Project Expenditures	Original Funded Project Cost	Current Budget		Closing 2016 Balance	Proposed Budget		Forecasted Project Budget		Extended Project Plan		2030-34
		2016	FS		2017	FS	2018	FS	2019	FS	
<b>Fire Department</b>											
a. Vehicles - New	85,000 BN			80,000							
Pumper/Tanker	85,000 BN	5,000 GF			5,000 GF			5,000 GF		25,000	25,000
Fire Engine										25,000	
Support Vehicle											250,000
b. Major Equipment Maint		7,000 GF			4,000 GF			4,000 GF		25,000	10,000
c. Equipment - New		7,000 GF			4,000 GF			10,000 GF		22,000	20,000
d. Capital Construct Cost	420,000 BN	5,000 GF									
e. Building Maintenance		1,500 GF			600 GF			600 GF		3,500	10,000
<b>Department Totals</b>	<b>590,000</b>	<b>25,500</b>		<b>80,000</b>	<b>13,600</b>			<b>26,800</b>		<b>100,500</b>	<b>290,000</b>
<b>Highway Department</b>											
a. Vehicles - New											
Grader											245,000
Excavator											175,000
Loader											
Utility Truck											
Dump Truck (14YD)	103,626 BN			34,542	34,542 GF			35,000 GF		70,000	250,000
Utility Tractor										17,000	
b. Major Equipment Maint											
c. Equipment - New					40,950 GF			38,000 GF		200,000	50,000
d. Special Rd Material/Pav					0			0		10,000	20,000
e. Capital Const Cost	1,379,294 BN	72,000 GF		585,000	70,556 GF			68,985 GF		309,012	257,860
f. Building Maintenance		4,000 GF			2,000 GF			2,000 GF		10,000	10,000
g. Bridges & Culverts	1,045,210 BC			25,035	25,035 BC			10,000 GF		40,000	40,000
h. Major Road Rework		25,000 GF			22,500 GF			22,500 GF		112,500	112,500
<b>Department Totals</b>	<b>2,528,130</b>	<b>154,400</b>		<b>644,577</b>	<b>195,583</b>			<b>176,485</b>		<b>973,512</b>	<b>490,360</b>
<b>Town Office</b>											
a. Equipment - New		6,900 GF			6,900 GF			5,000 GF		5,000	5,000
b. Land Restoration											
c. Building Maintenance	25,000 CF	1,000 GF			2,000 GF			1,000 GF		5,000	5,000
d. Playground	40,000	8,200 GF		25,000	25,000 CF			8,472 GF		8,100	
e. Capital Construct Cost		16,100		57,000	42,450			14,472		13,100	10,000
<b>Department Totals</b>	<b>65,000</b>	<b>16,100</b>		<b>82,000</b>	<b>74,450</b>			<b>22,472</b>		<b>26,100</b>	<b>15,000</b>
<b>Town Hall</b>											
a. Equipment - New		2,000 GF			10,000 GF			5,000 GF		5,000	5,000
b. Building Maintenance	78,000 BN	9,403 GF		34,428	9,403 GF			4,000 GF		10,000	10,000
c. Capital Construct Cost		11,403		34,428	19,403			9,403 GF		5,000	10,000
<b>Department Totals</b>	<b>78,000</b>	<b>20,806</b>		<b>68,856</b>	<b>28,806</b>			<b>14,403</b>		<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Library</b>											
Jurisdiction Property											
a. Sidewalks	37,500 GF	5,000 GF			32,096 CF			404 CF			
b. Park and Ride	18,000 G										
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$3,261,130</b>	<b>\$212,403</b>		<b>\$816,005</b>	<b>\$271,036</b>			<b>\$236,100</b>		<b>\$1,092,112</b>	<b>\$623,860</b>
<b>Financing Sources (FS)</b>											
General Fund - Taxes	GF	Source Tot		189,905				235,696		Source Tot	
Bonds or Notes	BN			212,403				227,102			
Bridge and Culvert Fund	BC			25,035							
Childrens Fund	CF			57,096				404			
Grants/Governmental	G										

Financing Sources (FS)	Source Key	2013		2014		2015		2016	
		Source Tot	2013	Source Tot	2014	Source Tot	2015	Source Tot	2016
Capital Reserve		189,788	189,788	160,060	160,060	322	322	160,548	160,548
Savings Reserve		1,106,443	1,106,443	1,114,751	1,114,751	1,129,682	1,129,682	1,105,641	1,105,641
Town Hall Reserve		2,073	2,073						
Bridge and Culvert		86,281	86,281	75,035	75,035	75,035	75,035	25,035	25,035
Highway Reserve									
Fire Dept Reserve									
Library Fund		1,163	1,163	0	0	5,844	5,844	5,310	5,310
Town Office Reserve		106,627	106,627	85,594	85,594	140,080	140,080		
Children's Fund		64,116	64,116	64,148	64,148	57,096	57,096	57,125	57,125
Reappraisal Fund		18,468	18,468	27,363	27,363	35,979	35,979	44,596	44,596
Recreation Fund		53,751	53,751	\$3,760	\$3,760				
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,578,710</b>	<b>\$1,578,710</b>	<b>1,444,038</b>	<b>1,444,038</b>	<b>1,396,255</b>	<b>1,396,255</b>		

Notes: 1. Capital Expenditures are usually defined as those greater than \$3000 simultaneously or combined.  
 2. Unfunded planned capital projects estimated cost and funding source are shown **bold italicized**.

## 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 ensure 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 7a.m. – 3p.m. 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.

9- Births            17-Marriages            15- Deaths

Not only did we meet our goal last year with our land records and survey maps being digitized back to 1792, but most all Town Records are now digitized. 2017 goal is to finish up the digitization and computerize the remaining records. This is a very large project and may take us a couple years to do so. We have also upgraded our land record station and it is functioning at a much better speed, making our title searchers very happy. Our vault is incredibly much larger than our previous one and is going to meet our needs with our fast growing community. We have downsized the size of our books so that will help with the space as well as save paper.

We moved into our new office space the third week in August. We are very much enjoying our lovely new corridors. We are able to function in a very productive, organized and timely manner now that we have been able to organize all of our files and have the space to do so. I would like to thank Clark Amadon and the town office committee for all the work that made this happen. Please stop by and take a tour if you're in the village. We are located at:

79 School Street, Moretown, 05660.

Town Treasurer responsibilities are to manage the finances of the town and keep an account for the municipality. A Complete Audit will be performed for the 2016 financials by Pace & Hawley. This in depth audit will be completed by May of 2017. This being said, a copy of this audit will be available at the town office for your review and online at [www.moretownvt.org](http://www.moretownvt.org), once completed.

Taxes can be paid online again this year at: <https://www.officialpayments.com/>, we had a large increase in this service this year.

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

Spayed/neutered: \$11.00      Non-spay/non-neutered: \$16.00

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

Cherilyn Brown, Town Clerk & Treasurer

[townclerk@moretownvt.net](mailto:townclerk@moretownvt.net)

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# VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## **Online registration:**

By using the My Voter Page, a registered voter can:

- Check registration status;
- View information on upcoming elections;
- Access voter specific elections information, including directions to a polling place and polling hours;
- View a sample ballot;
- Request and track an absentee ballot;
- And much more.

I encourage voters to log into their My Voter Page to learn more.

Registered Voters can log in at: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us>

Online registration can be found at: <http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us>

## **New for 2017:**

Beginning January 1, 2017, eligible persons may register to vote on any day up to and including the day of the election.

Registration is available during all normal business hours (7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday) at the Town Clerk's Office on days preceding the election and during polling hours on Election Day. 17 V.S.A. § 2144.

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 12/31/16

## Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

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

Due Merchants Bank	\$	69,084.29
Payment (01/16)	\$	34,542.15
Interest (1.4%) \$997.58	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	34,542.14

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

Due Vermont Municipal Bond Bank	\$	5,000.00
Payment (10/16 )	\$	5,000.00
Interest (3.86%)		
Principal Balance	\$	0.00

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

Due Vermont Municipal Bond Bank - 2009 Series 1&2	\$	630,000.00
Payment (10/16)	\$	45,000.00
Interest (4.21%) 05/16 & 10/16		
Principal Balance	\$	585,000.00

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

Due Community National Bank	\$	34,427.67
Payment (12/16 )		7899.00
Interest (3.5%) \$1503.82		
Principal Balance	\$	26,528.67

**2016 Tax Anticipation Note LOC (\$500,000.00)**

Due Merchants Bank (12/31/2016)	\$	500,000.00
Payment (12/16 )	\$	500,000.00
Interest (1.45%) \$5,629.57		
Principal Balance	\$	0.00

**2015 Town Office Special Vote (\$40,000 11/05/2013)**

Due Merchants Bank	\$	40,000.00
Payment	\$	8,000.00
Interest (1.72%) \$689.88	\$	
Principal Balance	\$	32,000.00

**2016 Shortfall Loans**

Due Merchant's Bank (2.75%)	\$	80,000.00
Due Northfield Savings Bank (2.20%)	\$	40,000.00
Interest		
Principal Balance	\$	120,000.00

**2013 Flood Line of Credit (\$125,000 11/17/2015)**

Due Merchant's Bank	\$	125,000.00
Payment (11/16)	\$	125,000.00
Interest (2.20%) \$949.31		
Principal Balance	\$	0.00

**1995 Fire Truck Special Vote (\$85,000 08/09/2016)**

Due Merchant's Bank	\$	85,000.00
Payment (12/16)	\$	5,000.00
Interest (1.71%) \$442.46		
Principal Balance	\$	80,000.00

**TOTAL LOANS OUTSTANDING 12/31/2016 \$878,070.81**

**SUMMARY REVENUE REPORT FOR GENERAL FUND AND OTHER FUNDS**  
**Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer**

ACCOUNT	Estimated Revenue	ACTUAL 2016
<b>TAX REVENUE</b>		
Taxes-Current	\$ -	\$ 436,852.17
Delinquent Taxes	\$ 55,120.00	\$ 66,241.98
Delinquent Taxes-Interest	\$ -	\$ 4,396.33
Hold Harmless/Current Use	\$ 57,496.00	\$ 57,566.85
Educ Tax Refund-MES/HU	\$ 29,246.00	\$ 29,246.53
Educ Tax Refund-State	\$ -	\$ -
NRA PILOT PAYMENT	\$ -	\$ 639.71
TAX ABATEMENT	\$ -	\$ (8,178.62)
Municipal Tax Adj. pmt	\$ -	\$ 16,711.51
<b>Total TAX REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 141,862.00</b>	<b>\$ 603,476.46</b>
TOWN HALL	\$ 375.00	\$ 875.00
LIBRARY	\$ -	\$ 395.50
ZONING/DRB	\$ 5,466.00	\$ 9,214.80
MISC REVENUE	\$ 7,552.00	\$ 7,160.15
TOWN CLERK	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 22,291.72
TOWN TREASURER	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,089.87
FEMA	\$ 65,286.00	\$ 114,144.56
BRIDGE & CULVERT ( Transfer in BridgeCulvert	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
NSB LOAN AND MERCHANTS BANK LOAN	\$ -	\$ 120,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (Duxbury Fire contract & 1996 Truck purchase note)	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 88,000.00
HIGHWAY (state pmts, Wetzel grant, overloads, tickets)	\$ -	\$ 98,786.30
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,119,434.36</b>
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$ -	\$ 160,226.63
REAPPRAISAL FUND	\$ -	\$ 8,616.50
CHARLES O DAVIS FUND	\$ -	\$ 3,000.84
CEMETERY FUND	\$ -	\$ 2,636.16
SAVINGS RESERVE FUND (COST VALUE)	\$ -	\$ (21,465.12)
PRESERVATION OF LAND RECORDS FUND	\$ -	\$ 1,694.00
HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND	\$ -	\$ -
TOWN OFFICE PROJECT FUND	\$ 72,131.00	\$ 515,193.00
DEERYARD FUND	\$ -	\$ 28.63
BRIDGE & CULVERT FUND	\$ -	\$ -
LIBRARY FUND	\$ -	\$ 2.40
FEMA FLOOD FUND	\$ -	\$ 353,528.13
SIDEWALK PROJECT FUND	\$ -	\$ 9,596.76
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 318,172.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,033,057.93</b>
Note: Savings Reserve Fund revenue was based on cost value not actual when money was being invested		<b>\$ 2,152,492.29</b>

## COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
<b>TOWN OFFICE</b>			
Custodial Services	\$ 500.00	\$ 331.58	\$ 1,690.00
FICA/MEDI Town Office Custodial	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 910.16	\$ 2,000.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,370.44	\$ 2,500.00
Equipment Lease-Copier	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,254.29	\$ 2,200.00
Telephone	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,871.58	\$ 2,760.00
Online Access	\$ -	\$ 31.80	\$ -
Postage	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,635.70	\$ 2,500.00
Land Records Book	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 899.91	\$ 1,000.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,236.52	\$ 3,500.00
Electricity	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,916.99	\$ 2,500.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Equipment Purchase	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 5,403.00	\$ 1,500.00
Debt Retire-Capital Improvement	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Debt Retire-Capital Interest	\$ 200.00	\$ 689.88	\$ 550.00
<b>Total TOWN OFFICE</b>	<b>\$ 32,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,551.85</b>	<b>\$ 30,700.00</b>
<b>TOWN HALL</b>			
Custodial Wages	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 77.00	\$ 57.39	\$ 77.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,655.87	\$ 8,000.00
Telephone	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 125.92	\$ 250.00
Electricity	\$ 750.00	\$ 751.67	\$ 750.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,165.06	\$ 3,000.00
Debt Retire-Capital Improvement	\$ 7,899.00	\$ 7,899.00	\$ 7,899.00
Debt Retire-Capital Interest	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,503.82	\$ 1,500.00
<b>Total TOWN HALL</b>	<b>\$ 17,226.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,908.73</b>	<b>\$ 22,476.00</b>
<b>LIBRARY</b>			
Librarian Pay	\$ 10,549.00	\$ 10,476.53	\$ 13,400.00
Asst. Librarian Pay	\$ 4,537.00	\$ 4,592.97	\$ 5,710.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,152.76	\$ 1,520.00
Rental Port-o-let	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,235.00	\$ 1,200.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 200.00	\$ 429.64	\$ 2,000.00
Equipment/Maintenance	\$ 180.00	\$ 246.88	\$ 340.00
Telephone	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,104.36	\$ 1,100.00
printing/advertising	\$ -	\$ 149.84	\$ 50.00
Training/Mileage	\$ 200.00	\$ 131.44	\$ 300.00
Memberships	\$ 350.00	\$ 664.90	\$ 650.00
Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 498.24	\$ 300.00
Postage	\$ 475.00	\$ 347.92	\$ 475.00
Electricity	\$ 575.00	\$ 457.33	\$ 450.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 700.00	\$ 407.57	\$ 700.00
Books Periodicals Etc.	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,565.02	\$ 3,000.00
Performer Grant	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -

## COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
cont. Library			
Programming Expense	\$ 100.00	\$ 123.88	\$ 200.00
<b>Total LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$ 24,166.00</b>	<b>\$ 24,684.28</b>	<b>\$ 31,395.00</b>
<b>TOWN MEETINGS &amp; ELECTIONS</b>			
Election Officials Pay	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,549.35	\$ 1,200.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 170.00	\$ 252.05	\$ 150.00
Print/Publication/Expense	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,649.20	\$ 2,500.00
Meals	\$ 100.00	\$ 102.89	\$ 100.00
<b>Total TOWN MEETINGS &amp; ELECTIONS</b>	<b>\$ 6,270.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,553.49</b>	<b>\$ 3,950.00</b>
<b>TOWN REPORTS</b>			
Postage/Labeling	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 868.91	\$ 1,000.00
Printing	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,602.50	\$ 2,800.00
<b>Total TOWN REPORTS</b>	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,471.41</b>	<b>\$ 3,800.00</b>
<b>GENERAL TOWN EXPENSES</b>			
Misc. Expense - General	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 775.86	\$ 1,200.00
Unemployment	\$ 1,441.00	\$ 1,042.00	\$ 1,212.00
Legal: Selectboard	\$ -	\$ 129.56	\$ -
Legal: Tax Sales	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,991.97	\$ -
General Legal	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,002.66	\$ 5,000.00
Recreation Fund Mowing Ex	\$ -	\$ 58.74	\$ 3,000.00
Washington County Tax	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 16,857.00	\$ 17,000.00
Liabi/Multi-Peril/Work Co	\$ 54,899.00	\$ 56,570.00	\$ 60,534.00
Website Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 250.00
FICA/MEDI	\$ -	\$ 26.24	\$ -
HRA	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 6,989.07	\$ 9,100.00
HRA Previous year expense	\$ -	\$ 387.46	\$ 250.00
Street-Flags	\$ 500.00	\$ 485.17	\$ 500.00
HMGP Grant Wetzel	\$ -	\$ 3,937.98	\$ -
HMGPMC Wetzel	\$ -	\$ 345.35	\$ -
Street Lights	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,821.81	\$ 4,200.00
Flood Exp. LOC interest	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 949.31	\$ -
Tax Antic. Note-Interest	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 5,609.71	\$ 5,630.00
<b>Total GENERAL TOWN EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 96,590.00</b>	<b>\$ 102,219.89</b>	<b>\$ 107,876.00</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIPS</b>			
Montpelier Ambulance	\$ 12,075.00	\$ 12,286.50	\$ 12,498.00
CVEDC Dues	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00
Central Vt Regional Plan	\$ 1,824.00	\$ 1,823.80	\$ 1,850.00
VLCT Dues	\$ 2,774.00	\$ 2,774.00	\$ 2,870.00
MRRM Alliance	\$ 9,948.00	\$ 9,948.00	\$ 9,948.00
Northern VT Resource	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>Total MEMBERSHIPS</b>	<b>\$ 27,521.00</b>	<b>\$ 26,932.30</b>	<b>\$ 28,066.00</b>
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>			
Fica/Medi	\$ 750.00	\$ 621.81	\$ 750.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
<b>Total TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 871.81</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>

## COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

Prepared by Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

CONSTABLES	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
Constable Pay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Fica/Medi	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20.00
<b>Total CONSTABLES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 270.00</b>
<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>			
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
<b>Total HEALTH OFFICER</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b>			
Animal Control Offcr Pay	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,400.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 115.00	\$ 80.34	\$ 115.00
Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
<b>Total ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b>	<b>\$ 1,915.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,130.34</b>	<b>\$ 1,665.00</b>
<b>AUDITORS</b>			
Auditors Pay	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,161.19	\$ 1,100.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 77.00	\$ 88.83	\$ 85.00
CPA/Bookkeeping Services	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 3,968.75	\$ 14,500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
<b>Total AUDITORS</b>	<b>\$ 6,827.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,218.77</b>	<b>\$ 15,735.00</b>
<b>LISTERS</b>			
Consultant Pay	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 8,000.00
Current Use/Consultant	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Listers Pay	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,934.55	\$ 3,000.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 270.00	\$ 195.65	\$ 200.00
Fica/Medi - Consultant	\$ 30.00	\$ 28.82	\$ 30.00
Update Tax Maps	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 17,000.00
Postage	\$ 125.00	\$ 79.07	\$ 100.00
Mileage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,481.27	\$ 1,700.00
Mapping Software	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
<b>Total LISTERS</b>	<b>\$ 36,025.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,319.36</b>	<b>\$ 31,630.00</b>
<b>BCA (TAX APPEALS)</b>			
Legal Services/Expenses	\$ -	\$ 48.48	\$ -
Abatement sup/exp	\$ 50.00	\$ 148.70	\$ 50.00
<b>Total BCA (TAX APPEALS)</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ 197.18</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>ZONING ADMINISTRATOR</b>			
Zoning Administrator Pay	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 13,394.49	\$ 17,264.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,024.66	\$ 1,350.00
Supplies/Expenses/Print	\$ 200.00	\$ 790.88	\$ 200.00
Expenses-911 Coord.	\$ 200.00	\$ 13.50	\$ 100.00
<b>Total ZONING ADMINISTRATOR</b>	<b>\$ 25,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,223.53</b>	<b>\$ 18,914.00</b>
<b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b>			
Postage	\$ -	\$ 5.75	\$ -
Printing/Advertising	\$ 100.00	\$ 482.99	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Planning Grant/Town share	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -

## COMPARATIVE BUDGET EXPENSE REPORT

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cont. Planning Commission	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
<b>Total PLANNING COMMISSION</b>	<b>\$ 550.00</b>	<b>\$ 488.74</b>	<b>\$ 150.00</b>
<b>DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD</b>			
Secretary Pay	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$ 40.00
Postage	\$ -	\$ 223.35	\$ 50.00
Printing/Advertisement	\$ 750.00	\$ 326.40	\$ 700.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
<b>Total DEVELOPMENT REVIEW B</b>	<b>\$ 1,340.00</b>	<b>\$ 549.75</b>	<b>\$ 1,090.00</b>
<b>CEMETERIES</b>			
Contracted Mowing	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 7,750.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 44.96	\$ 100.00
Cleaning Stones	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ -
Mapping plots	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800.00
<b>Total CEMETERIES</b>	<b>\$ 8,650.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,794.96</b>	<b>\$ 8,650.00</b>
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>			
Town Clerk Pay	\$ 34,095.00	\$ 34,807.12	\$ 35,477.00
Health Insurance	\$ 11,819.00	\$ 11,867.76	\$ 12,365.00
Eye Med	\$ -	\$ 90.60	\$ 200.00
Delta Dental	\$ -	\$ 347.69	\$ 375.00
Fica/Medi - Town Clerk	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,579.34	\$ 2,700.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,390.28	\$ 2,500.00
Expenses - Town Clerk	\$ 150.00	\$ 101.52	\$ 50.00
Dog Licenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 236.97	\$ 250.00
Assistant Town Clerk	\$ 11,993.00	\$ 12,170.95	\$ 12,233.00
Fica/Medi - Asst Twn Clrk	\$ 850.00	\$ 925.07	\$ 900.00
Expenses - Asst Twn Clerk	\$ -	\$ 46.92	\$ -
<b>Total TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>\$ 63,807.00</b>	<b>\$ 65,564.22</b>	<b>\$ 67,050.00</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>			
Town Treasurer Pay	\$ 8,524.00	\$ 8,650.38	\$ 8,869.00
Fica/Medi - Town Treasurer	\$ 600.00	\$ 645.03	\$ 650.00
Expenses - Treasurer	\$ 250.00	\$ 253.38	\$ 250.00
Training/Membership	\$ 100.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 100.00
Assistant Town Treasurer	\$ 7,462.00	\$ 7,544.53	\$ 7,611.00
Fica/Medi - Asst Treasurer	\$ 550.00	\$ 563.71	\$ 600.00
<b>Total TREASURER</b>	<b>\$ 17,486.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,752.03</b>	<b>\$ 18,080.00</b>
<b>SELECTBOARD</b>			
Selectboard Pay	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,607.66	\$ 2,500.00
Fica/Medi - Selectboard	\$ 150.00	\$ 160.96	\$ 150.00
Printing/Publishing	\$ -	\$ 258.89	\$ 100.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 140.89	\$ 250.00
Town Administrator	\$ 43,619.00	\$ 52,139.44	\$ 42,432.00
Town Admin. Asst.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000.00
Health Insurance/HSA	\$ 11,819.00	\$ 11,867.76	\$ 12,365.00
Disability Insurance-SBAs	\$ 500.00	\$ 373.56	\$ 350.00
Eye Med	\$ -	\$ 90.60	\$ 200.00



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cont. Selectboard	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
Delta Dental	\$ -	\$ 239.89	\$ 375.00
Fica/Medi - Selectboard Clerk	\$ 3,820.00	\$ 3,971.64	\$ 3,900.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,978.72	\$ 2,860.00
Emp. Compensation TBA	\$ 9,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total SELECTBOARD</b>	<b>\$ 74,658.00</b>	<b>\$ 74,830.01</b>	<b>\$ 74,482.00</b>
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>			
<b>FIRE STATION</b>			
Stipend	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Dispatching Service	\$ 13,526.00	\$ 13,099.94	\$ 13,526.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00
Telephone	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,595.79	\$ 1,200.00
Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,153.51	\$ 500.00
Electricity	\$ 800.00	\$ 880.46	\$ 800.00
Heating Fuel	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,099.09	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Total FIRE STATION</b>	<b>\$ 25,126.00</b>	<b>\$ 23,328.79</b>	<b>\$ 24,126.00</b>
<b>FIRE EQUIPMENT</b>			
Radio Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 10,067.34	\$ 4,000.00
Gas/Diesel - FD	\$ 300.00	\$ 13.09	\$ 300.00
<b>Total FIRE EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$ 4,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,080.43</b>	<b>\$ 4,600.00</b>
<b>FIREMEN</b>			
Training	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Expenses	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -
Mileage	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
<b>Total FIREMEN</b>	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>
<b>FIRE VEHICLES</b>			
Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,144.75	\$ 4,000.00
1996 Truck Down Payment	\$ -	\$ 85,000.00	\$ -
Vehicle Supplies	\$ -	\$ 360.07	\$ -
<b>Total FIRE VEHICLES</b>	<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 88,504.82</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>
<b>FIRE WARDEN</b>			
Expenses - Fire Warden	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
<b>Total FIRE WARDEN</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<b>CONTRACTED SERVICES - FIRE</b>			
Mutual Aid	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Waterbury	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Total CONTRACTED SERVICES - FIRE</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
<b>DEBT RETIREMENT - FIRE</b>			
F.S.-Muni Bond '04	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
1996 Pumper	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
F.S.-Muni Bond '04-Interest	\$ 500.00	\$ (95.22)	\$ -
1996 Pumper interest	\$ -	\$ 442.46	\$ -
<b>Total DEBT RETIREMENT - FIRE</b>	<b>\$ 15,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,347.24</b>	<b>\$ 16,000.00</b>
<b>Total FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$ 55,876.00</b>	<b>\$ 135,261.28</b>	<b>\$ 51,676.00</b>

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	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
<b>TOWN HIGHWAYS</b>			
<b>HIGHWAY CREW</b>			
Highway Crew Pay	\$ 135,765.00	\$ 146,991.74	\$ 138,500.00
Health Insurance	\$ 27,600.00	\$ 27,994.78	\$ 32,965.00
Disability Insurance	\$ 500.00	\$ 634.74	\$ 650.00
Eye Med	\$ -	\$ 244.62	\$ 600.00
Delta Dental	\$ -	\$ 445.51	\$ 1,125.00
Fica/Medi	\$ 10,390.00	\$ 11,144.72	\$ 10,600.00
Municipal Retirement	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 7,699.31	\$ 7,625.00
Uniforms	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,387.64	\$ 2,100.00
Misc. Expense/Mileage	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,587.81	\$ 500.00
<b>Total HIGHWAY CREW</b>	<b>\$ 183,755.00</b>	<b>\$ 199,130.87</b>	<b>\$ 194,665.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY CONTRACT SERVICES</b>			
Sidewalk Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Blasting	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Highway Surveys	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Total HIGHWAY CONTRACT SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY WORK</b>			
Highway Work	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 1,256.00	\$ 22,500.00
Cobb Hill Rd	\$ -	\$ 7,807.34	\$ -
Common Rd.	\$ -	\$ 3,677.92	\$ -
River Rd	\$ -	\$ 558.60	\$ -
South Hill Rd	\$ -	\$ 1,451.00	\$ -
Ward Brook Rd	\$ -	\$ 515.29	\$ -
Mountain Rd	\$ -	\$ 1,504.90	\$ -
Murphy Rd	\$ -	\$ 266.00	\$ -
School Parking Lot	\$ -	\$ 517.76	\$ -
Lover's Lane	\$ -	\$ 133.00	\$ -
Parking Ride Grant	\$ -	\$ 865.00	\$ -
Highway Material	\$ -	\$ 1,064.00	\$ -
<b>Total HIGHWAY WORK</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,616.81</b>	<b>\$ 22,500.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY SUPPLIES</b>			
Signs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,231.35	\$ 1,500.00
Chloride	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,068.16	\$ 12,500.00
Class IV Road Maint. Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Gravel	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 38,381.71	\$ 50,000.00
Other - Hay Seed	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,550.19	\$ 1,250.00
Salt	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 6,611.21	\$ 4,000.00
Sand	\$ 57,500.00	\$ 36,702.50	\$ 57,500.00
Stone	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,413.90	\$ 3,000.00
Culverts	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,064.36	\$ 15,000.00
<b>Total HIGHWAY SUPPLIES</b>	<b>\$ 126,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 108,023.38</b>	<b>\$ 145,750.00</b>
<b>TOWN GARAGE</b>			
Total Town Garage	\$ -	\$ 1,001.25	\$ -
Trash Removal	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,060.18	\$ 1,000.00

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cont. Town Garage	BUDGET 2016	ACTUAL 2016	BUDGET 2017
Building Maintenance	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,185.63	\$ 2,000.00
Telephone	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,476.98	\$ 2,000.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,601.61	\$ 3,000.00
Welding Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 780.22	\$ 750.00
Electricity	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,730.45	\$ 1,500.00
Propane	\$ -	\$ 2,411.05	\$ -
Heating Fuel	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,075.87	\$ 4,000.00
<b>Total TOWN GARAGE</b>	<b>\$ 17,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,323.24</b>	<b>\$ 14,250.00</b>
<b>VEHICLES/HIGHWAY EQUIPMNT</b>			
2001 International	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 496.00	\$ 1,500.00
2015 Mack	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 513.36	\$ 1,000.00
2007 International	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 8,327.18	\$ 3,000.00
2011 Chevy PU Truck	\$ 200.00	\$ 4,235.27	\$ 5,000.00
All Trucks	\$ 500.00	\$ 392.95	\$ 500.00
Grader	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 2,404.19	\$ 2,200.00
Loader	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,857.74	\$ 2,500.00
Excavator	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 19,015.62	\$ 5,000.00
Loader-Interest 2007	\$ -	\$ 127.46	\$ -
JD-sidewalk tractor	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,378.12	\$ 1,250.00
All Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 532.89	\$ 500.00
Chains	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,412.50	\$ 2,500.00
Tires	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,116.43	\$ 7,000.00
2012 Mack truck	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,083.08	\$ 3,000.00
Wear Items	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,266.04	\$ 6,000.00
Miscellaneous Equipment	\$ -	\$ 554.44	\$ -
Gas Diesel Oil	\$ 41,000.00	\$ 28,697.46	\$ 36,000.00
<b>Total VEHICLES/HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$ 94,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 94,410.73</b>	<b>\$ 76,950.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT &amp; TOOLS</b>			
Wrecker Charge	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Mowing Roadsides	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,775.00	\$ 6,000.00
Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Rentals & Leases	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Supplies/Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 981.11	\$ 1,500.00
Purchases	\$ -	\$ 117.61	\$ -
Radio Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 950.00
<b>Total HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT &amp; TOOLS</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,873.72</b>	<b>\$ 10,450.00</b>
<b>Total TOWN HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>\$ 462,655.00</b>	<b>\$ 443,378.75</b>	<b>\$ 470,565.00</b>
<b>DEBT RETIREMENT - HIGHWAY</b>			
Garage-BondBank 2009 Principal	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Town Garage-Loan Interest	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 26,442.94	\$ 25,557.00
2015 Mack Dump Truck	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 34,542.15	\$ 34,542.00
2015 Mack Dump Interest	\$ 650.00	\$ 997.58	\$ 998.00
<b>Total DEBT RETIREMENT - HIGHWAY</b>	<b>\$ 107,650.00</b>	<b>\$ 106,982.67</b>	<b>\$ 106,097.00</b>

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<b>OTHER ARTICLES &amp; EXPENSES</b>	<b>BUDGET 2016</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2016</b>	<b>BUDGET 2017</b>
Battered Women's Services	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Centl Vt Council on Aging	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -
Central VT Adult Basic Ed	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
Central Vt Community Action	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Central Vt Home Health	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
Family Ctr of Wash County	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Good Beginnings of Ctl VT	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Good Samaritan Haven	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Mad River Valley Sr Center	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
OUR House of Central VT	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Peoples Health & Wellness	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ -
Prevent Child Abuse VT	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Sexual Assault Crisis Tea	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Montpelier Senior Center	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ -
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	\$ 877.00	\$ 1,000.00
Home Share Now Inc.	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
<b>Total OTHER ARTICLES &amp; EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,026.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,072,662.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,138,911.35</b>	<b>\$ 1,096,417.00</b>
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ (1,072,662.00)</b>	<b>\$ (1,138,911.35)</b>	<b>\$ (1,096,417.00)</b>

**NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES  
DONATION SUMMARY**

		2015		Town Meeting 2016		2017	% Increase 2016-17	Notes
		Proposed	Voted	Proposed	Voted	Proposed		
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%	
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%	
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.	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	0%	
Washington County Diversion Program	Provides an alternative to formal court adjudication for certain offenders from Washington County, including juveniles. Website: <a href="https://wcdp-vt.org">https://wcdp-vt.org</a>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350	100%	<i>new</i>
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%	
Central VT Home Health & Hospice	A full service non-profit Visiting Nurse 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.	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	0%	
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%	
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%	
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%	
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.	\$700	\$1,400	\$700	\$700	\$700	0%	

**NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES  
DONATION SUMMARY**

		2015		Town Meeting 2016		2017	% Increase 2016-17	Notes
		Proposed	Voted	Proposed	Voted	Proposed		
Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services & Shelter)	A community-based organization dedicated to ending domestic abuse.	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	0%	
Home Share 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.	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	0%	
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%	
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%	
Montpelier Senior Activity Center	Enhances well-being for adults 50+ in a welcoming environment through classes, events, trips, clinics, and meals.	\$300	\$300	\$600	\$600	\$900	50%	Increase attributed to growth in clients served
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%	
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	\$4,999	\$4,999	\$4,999	\$4,999	\$4,999	0%	
Green Up Vermont	Green Up's mission is to promote the stewardship of our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter-free environment.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100	100%	new
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	\$0	-100%	no request this year
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	\$500	\$500	\$0	-100%	no request this year
<b>Total Not-For-Profit Donations</b>		<b>\$15,799</b>	<b>\$16,499</b>	<b>\$17,149</b>	<b>\$17,149</b>	<b>\$17,149</b>	<b>0%</b>	

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, 2016**  
**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
<b>ASSETS</b>																	
Cash	\$26,708.54		\$243.92	\$1,105,640.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,455.64	\$1,145,048.97	
Investments/LOC	600.00		304.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	109,095.69	110,000.10	
Due from Other Funds	(47,318.25)		160,000.00	0.00	25,035.08	(27,403.44)	(1,725.18)								51,411.79	160,000.00	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>(\$20,009.71)</b>		<b>\$160,548.33</b>	<b>\$1,105,640.87</b>	<b>\$25,035.08</b>	<b>(\$27,403.44)</b>	<b>(\$1,725.18)</b>								<b>\$172,963.12</b>	<b>\$1,415,049.07</b>	

**LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES**

Liabilities:																	
Shortfall loan NSB	\$40,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	
Shortfall loan MB	\$80,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80,000.00	
Due to CRF	\$160,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$160,000.00	
Due to School District	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other Liabilities	53,814.56		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,814.56	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$333,814.56</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$333,814.56</b>	

Fund Balances/(Deficit):																	
Restricted	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$27,403.44)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$167,653.10	\$140,249.66							
Committed	0.00		160,548.33	1,105,640.87	25,035.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,291,224.28	
General Fund	(334,347.28)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(334,347.28)	
Assigned	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,310.02	5,310.02	
Unassigned	(19,476.99)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,725.18)								(21,202.17)	(21,202.17)	
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>(353,824.27)</b>		<b>160,548.33</b>	<b>1,105,640.87</b>	<b>25,035.08</b>	<b>(27,403.44)</b>	<b>(1,725.18)</b>								<b>172,963.12</b>	<b>1,081,234.51</b>	

Total liabilities and Fund Balances/(Deficit):																	
	(\$20,009.71)		\$160,548.33	\$1,105,640.87	\$25,035.08	(\$27,403.44)	(\$1,725.18)	\$0.00	\$172,963.12	\$1,415,049.07							

**Note: Savings Reserve Investment asset line is based on actual value. In 2015 it was based on cost value due to the investment that is no longer in place.**



**TOWN OF MORETOWN**  
**Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances**  
**Other Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2016**  
 Prepared by Cheryl Brown, Treasurer

	Reappraisal Fund	Preservation Land Records Fund	Childrens/ Deeryard Fund	Library Fund	Permanent Cemetery Funds	FEMA 2011 August	Total
Cash	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,751.36	\$7,704.28	0.00	\$12,455.64
Investments	0.00	0.00	57,124.77	0.00	51,970.92	0.00	\$109,095.69
Due from Other Funds	44,595.71	6,239.42	0.00	558.66	18.00	0.00	\$51,411.79
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$44,595.71</b>	<b>\$6,239.42</b>	<b>\$57,124.77</b>	<b>\$5,310.02</b>	<b>\$59,693.20</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$172,963.12</b>

**LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES**

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

Fund Balances/(Deficit):	
Restricted	\$44,595.71
Committed	0.00
Assigned	0.00
Unassigned	0.00
Total Fund Balances/(Deficit):	\$44,595.71

Due to Other Funds	\$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
Total Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Balances/(Deficit):							
Restricted	\$44,595.71	\$57,124.77	\$0.00	\$59,693.20	0.00	\$167,653.10	
Committed	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Assigned	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,310.02	0.00	0.00	5,310.02
Unassigned	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Balances/(Deficit):	\$44,595.71	\$6,239.42	\$57,124.77	\$5,310.02	\$59,693.20	\$0.00	\$172,963.12
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$44,595.71</b>	<b>\$6,239.42</b>	<b>\$57,124.77</b>	<b>\$5,310.02</b>	<b>\$59,693.20</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$172,963.12</b>

# REVENUE EXPENDITURES REPORT OF OTHER FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2016 ONLY

Prepared by: Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer

<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>		<b>2011 FLOOD</b>	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 160,226.63	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 353,528.13
TOTAL EXPENDITURES (borrowed to help cc	\$ 160,000.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 296,354.28
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE</b>	<b>\$ 226.63</b>	<b>TOTAL 2011 FLOOD</b>	<b>\$ 57,173.85</b>
<b>SAVINGS RESERVE</b>		<b>TOWN OFFICE</b>	
Gain/Loss on investment (cost value)	\$ (21,465.12)	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 515,193.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ (21,465.12)	TOTAL EXPENDITURES (less adjustment of \$2.75 to close account from reserves \$140,080.26)	\$ 682,679.45
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,576.14	<b>TOTAL TOWN OFFICE PROJECT (\$27,403.44)</b>	<b>\$ (167,486.45)</b>
<b>TOTAL SAVINGS RESERVE (cost value)</b>	<b>\$ (24,041.26)</b>	<b>LIBRARY</b>	
<b>BRIDGE AND CULVERT FUND</b>		TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 2.40
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 536.33
TOTAL EXPENDITURES (to help cover shortf: \$	50,000.00	<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$ (533.93)</b>
<b>TOTAL BRIDGE AND CULVERT FUND</b>	<b>\$ (50,000.00)</b>	<b>SIDEWALK</b>	
<b>REAPPRAISAL FUND</b>		TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 9,596.76
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 8,616.50	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 10,198.38
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	<b>TOTAL SIDEWALK</b>	<b>\$ (601.62)</b>
<b>TOTAL REAPPRAISAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 8,616.50</b>	<b>CEMETERY</b>	
<b>PRESERVATION OF LAND RECORDS</b>		TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 2,636.16
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,694.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 5,524.61
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,137.47	<b>TOTAL CEMETERY</b>	<b>\$ (2,888.45)</b>
<b>TOTAL PRESERVATION OF LAND RECORD</b>	<b>\$ (1,443.37)</b>	<b>CHARLES O DAVIS</b>	
<b>CHILDRENS DEERYARD FUND</b>		TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 3,000.84
TOAL INCOME	\$ 28.63	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	<b>TOTAL CHARLES O DAVIS FUND</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.84</b>
<b>TOTAL CHILDRENS DEERYARD FUND</b>	<b>\$ 28.63</b>		

**GRAND LIST**  
**Billed 2016 Tax Book Report**  
**Submitted by: Cherilyn Brown, Treasurer**

	MUNICIPAL	HOMESTEAD NON-RESIDENTIAL		
TAXABLE PARCELS	900			
ACRES	24,499.61			
LAND	86,858,400			
BUILDING	150,534,800			
REAL	237,393,200	142,178,400	95,214,800	
Add				
(+) NON-APPROVED CONTRACTS		0	0	
(+) NON-APPROVED FARM CONTRACTS		0	0	
(+)INVENTORY	0			
(+)EQUIPMENT	186,952		186,952	
Subtract				
(-)VETERAN	480,000	440,000	40,000	
(-) FARM STAB	0	0	0	
(-) CURRENT USE	14,735,074	4,020,800	10,714,274	
(-) SPECIAL EXEMP.	369,800	0	369,800	
		0	24,620	
<b>GRAND LIST</b>	<b>2,219,952.78</b>	<b>1,377,176.00</b>	<b>842,530.58</b>	
HOMESTEAD	176,235,100			
HOUSESITE	152,406,600			
LEASE	1			
NON-TAX COUNT	23			
NON-TAX VAL.	5,747,500			
LATE HOMESTEAD PENALTY			2,856.30	
<b>RATE NAME</b>	<b>TAX RATE</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>GRAND LIST</b>	<b>TOTAL RAISED</b>
NON-RESIDENTIAL ED	1.4855		842,530.58	1,251,579.13
HOMESTEAD ED.	1.7274		1,377,176.00	2,278,934.08
MUNICIPAL	0.2579		2,219,952.78	572,525.00
TOTAL TAX				<b>4,205,894.51</b>

**DELINQUENT TAX STATEMENT  
as of 12/31/2016**

2010-2016 Total Collections:	\$66,241.98
Interest:	\$ 4,396.33
Total Remitted to Treasurer:	\$70,638.31

**DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX LIST  
as of 12/31/2016**

Aldrich, Boyd....2016	Lamson, Harry & Jerri...2016
Ampersand Moretown....2016	Lord, Peggy...2016
Austin, Mark & Patricia...2016	Menlo Properties...2016
Barrows, David....2016	Reagan, Sandra, Bradley, Kirk..2015-2016
Bushey, Larry....2015-2016	Ruggles, Francis...2016
Buska, Donald...2013-2014-2015-2016	Shephard, Kris...2016
Carpenter, George...2016	Swinchoski, Robert...2016
Ciampi, Craig...2016	Truskauskas, Wayne & Shelley...2016
Cosgrove, Brian...2016	Turner, April...2016
Elliot, Michael & Robin...2016	Williams, Rebecca...2016
Gallagher, Dale...2016	Wimble, Carl...2016
Garcia, Norberto...2016	Wimble, Robert...2016
Hendrickson, Corey...2016	
Remaining Delinquent Tax Balance: (Excluding interest and penalties)	\$64,595.87

## 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. **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.
- E. **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.
- F. 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.
- G. 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

# CHARLES O. DAVIS FUND

Statement of Fiduciary Funds as of December 31, 2016

## BALANCE SHEET

Cash	\$ 13,372.87	
Investments	62,579.64	
Due To From Other Funds	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Assets (Reserved – restricted)		<u><u>\$75,952.51</u></u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance		<u><u>\$75,952.51</u></u>

## STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

### Revenue

Interest/Investments	<u>\$3,000.84</u>	
<b><u>Total Revenue</u></b>		<b>\$3,000.84</b>

### Expense

Donations	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	
<b><u>Total Expense</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 0.00</u></b>
Net Change in Fund Balance		<u>3000.84</u>
Fund Balance January 1, 2016		<u>72,951.67</u>
<b><u>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</u></b>		<b><u><u>\$75,952.51</u></u></b>

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 desire to live 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



The Mountain View Cemetery had six burials in 2016 and two burial sites were sold.

All stones and monuments in the Village Cemetery and Mountain View were pressure washed. That effort made a vast improvement in the appearance of our cemeteries and created many favorable comments. The two war monuments in the Village were also cleaned.

The fence around the Steven's Cemetery was scraped and painted.

In September, a large tree limb fell on the fence and into the cemetery at Mountain View. Two sections of fence were replaced; the limb was removed and cleaned up. Another tree was upended in a December wind storm and damaged another two sections of fence. This section of fence will be replaced in the spring. Neither event caused any damage to monuments or stones.

The outside perimeters of Mountain View were brush hogged.

We are working with Grenier Engineering on updating our mapping for Mt. View.

A new Moretown Cemetery brochure is in the works that includes current pricing on cemetery lots. The brochures will be available later this year at the Town Clerk's office as well as an updated map indicating what lots are available for purchase at Mountain View.

We thank Eric Howes for a good job of maintaining the cemetery grounds.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Fulton  
Mark Austin  
Mary Murphy-Blake

# CEMETERY FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Statement as of December 31, 2016

## BALANCE SHEET

### Assets

Lot Fund Money Market	\$ 5,411.88	
Lot Fund CD	15,410.66	
Perpetual Care Savings	2,292.40	
Perpetual Care CD	35,560.26	
Due To From Other Funds	18.00	
<b><u>Total Assets</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 59,693.20</u></b>

### Liabilities & Fund Balance

Lot Fund Balance	\$ 20,822.54	
Perpetual Care Fund Balance	38,852.66	
Due To From Other Funds	18.00	
<b><u>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 59,693.20</u></b>

## STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

### Revenue

Lot Fund Sales	2,276.00	
Lot Fund Interest	<u>103.40</u>	
Total Lot Fund Revenue	\$ 2,379.40	
Perpetual Care Lot Sales		
Perpetual Care Interest	<u>238.76</u>	
Total Perpetual Care Revenue	\$ 238.76	
Misc. Revenue	<u>18.00</u>	
Total Misc. Revenue	\$ 18.00	
<b><u>Total Revenue</u></b>		<b>\$ 2,636.16</b>

### Expense

Misc. expense/refund	<u>5,524.61</u>	
	\$ 5,524.61	

### Total Expense

		<b><u>\$ 5,524.61</u></b>
Net Change in Fund Balance		\$ (2,888.45)
Fund Balance January 1, 2016		<u>62,581.65</u>
<b><u>Fund Balance December 31, 2016</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 59,693.20</u></b>



## MORETOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The fire department had a great 2016. With the support of the community we were able to get a new Thermal Image Camera (TIC), and we were also able to replace our 1986 pumper with a newer pumper that will serve our town well for many years.

Our roster is currently at 19, and we are always looking for new members to join our great service. The fire department had a total of 38 calls this year and they are as follows:

- 3 carbon monoxide
- 11 car accidents
- 1 flood/natural disaster
- 7 alarms
- 1 stand by assignment
- 3 smoke investigations
- 4 chimney fires
- 6 mutual aid calls
- 1 grass fire
- 4 down power lines

If anyone wants to learn more about joining the fire department, you can call Chief Steve Smith or stop by the fire station on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Thank you,  
Chief Steve Smith  
Stay Safe!

### FIRE DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL (Incomplete, Saving Account not included)

January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

Checking Account Balance as of 1/01/2016                      \$5,293.40

Receipts:

Donations	\$3,203.40	
Total Receipt		\$3,203.40

Disbursements:

Equipment	\$5,450.56	
Food/Beverage	337.93	
Office/Administrative	1,126.02	
Waste Management	678.89	
Bank Fees	99.00	
Total Disbursement		\$7,692.40

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/2016                      \$804.40

# MAD RIVER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE

The Mad River Resource Management Alliance(MRRMA) includes the Towns of Fayston, Moretown, Roxbury, Waitsfield, Warren and Waterbury. The Alliance was formed through an Interlocal Agreement that began in 1994. We changed our name in 2008 to reflect the fact that we are managing resources not wastes. Roxbury joined the Alliance in 2010.

During 2016, the Alliance held two regular Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day events at the Harwood Union High School in Duxbury on May 14, 2016 and on October 1, 2016. A total of 544 households participated in the regular events this year which represents 10.9% of our population. We collected over 826 gallons, 31,389 pounds and 1,275 feet of fluorescent bulbs at the two events. Residents within the Alliance communities are able to bring all their architectural paints, waste pesticides, alkaline batteries **and** up to 10 additional gallons of hazardous waste to each event for disposal at no charge. The Alliance will swap your mercury fever thermometer for a digital thermometer at no charge at these events. Bring your mercury thermostats to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and you will receive a coupon that can be redeemed for a \$5.00 rebate by the Thermostat Recycling Corporation which will process the thermostats. Residents can also bring all their compact fluorescent bulbs(CFLs) and up to ten or fewer non-CFL general purpose mercury containing lamps. We are again planning two collection day events in 2017, at Harwood Union High School. They are scheduled for May 13 and October 7, 2017.

A total of 275 gallons of used crankcase oil was collected within the Alliance at our Used Oil Collection Tank during 2016. The tank is located in Waitsfield at the Earthwise Transfer Station.

Grow Compost of Vermont in Moretown collected food scraps and food processing residuals from the Washington West Supervisory Union waste streams and from other large generators in the MRRMA. A total of 1,435.20 tons of food scraps were collected by Grow Compost of Vermont in 2016 in the MRRMA. The Alliance textile recycling program located at the "Amish Barn" adjacent to the driveway at the old Moretown Town Office on Route 2 has closed due to poor market conditions. Visit our web site at [madriverrma.org](http://madriverrma.org). You will find information on solid waste issues on this web site.

The twentieth truckload sale of compost bins resulted in the distribution of 46 compost bins and 10 kitchen collectors. It is estimated that each compost bin can compost 650 pounds of garden and kitchen waste annually. This means rich soil to add to your garden and less waste to go to the landfill. We will hold our Twenty First Compost Bin Sale this spring. The Alliance held a car and pickup truck tire and metal collection event at the Earthwise Transfer Station in conjunction with Green Up Day in 2016. A total of 6.29 tons of tires and ~1 ton of metal were collected during this event. In the fall Alliance residents participated in the Wheels for Warmth Program held on October 29, 2016. We are planning to hold a spring tire and metal collection in conjunction with Green Up Day on May 6, 2017. In the fall, the Alliance will again coordinate with the organizers of the Wheels for Warmth Program in Middlesex to encourage participation in this program.

Alliance residents can bring their mixed paper, glass bottles and jars, metal cans and plastics #1 through #7, except for plastic film wrap and bags and beaded styrofoam for single stream recycling to the Earthwise Transfer Station, RTR Transfer Station or Northfield Transfer Station. There are also local haulers and Saturday Fast Trash Collections available in the Mad River Resource Management Alliance. Currently the recyclables are taken to the Chittenden County Materials Recovery Facility for processing. Computers, printers, monitors and televisions can be recycled at no charge at the Earthwise Transfer Station, the State Surplus Property Office on Route 2 in Waterbury or the Northfield Transfer Station. Other e-waste can be brought to the State Surplus Property facility in Waterbury and recycled at a small per pound fee. During 2016 56.97 tons of e-waste was collected. Additional information on this program is found on our web site. The Alliance is a member of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association which helps us market some recyclable commodities such as tires, propane cylinders and other materials. The Alliance is also a member of the Product Stewardship Institute(PSI). As a stakeholder in the PSI we work with other entities to reduce the environmental and health impacts of a variety of consumer products. This is accomplished by looking at the life cycle impacts of products and their packaging. Things like energy and materials consumption, emissions during manufacturing, toxicity, worker safety and waste disposal are among the issues reviewed. The objective of product stewardship is to rethink the way things are created in order to have more sustainable products in the future. We are also a member of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council which provides a local focus to stewardship issues.

Our updated Solid Waste Implementation Plan(SWIP) was approved by the Department of Environmental Conservation to ensure compatibility with the Vermont Materials Management Plan and the Universal Recycling Act. The SWIP is attached to our website [madriverrma.org](http://madriverrma.org).

Backyard burning of trash is illegal and causes air pollution problems. Be a good neighbor and don't burn trash. If you know of any illegal dumping sites within your town that would benefit from an Adopt a Site Program give John Malter, Alliance Administrator a call at 244-7373 and let's see what we can do to help eliminate these types of problems together. The FY 17 assessment for the administrative and program remains at \$6.00 per capita. The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission provides accounting assistance to the Alliance. We thank them for this help and note our appreciation for Laurie Emery who retired this year from the CVRPC and provided invaluable support since the inception of the MRRMA. Robert Vasseur also completed his tenure on the MRRMA as the Fayston representative since our inception and we thank him for his efforts and support for the Red Sox.

The representatives of the Alliance include: Fayston, Chuck Martel; Moretown, Jonathan Siegel; Roxbury, Dave McShane; Waitsfield, Sal Spinosa; Warren, Clay Mays; Waterbury, Alec Tuscany and John Malter from Waterbury is the Administrator for the Alliance.

## MAD RIVER RESOURCE ALLIANCE BUDGET

		Budget 2016	Budget 2017
INCOME		\$6.00	\$6.00
Town Assessments Per Capita	(\$6.00)		
Based on 2010 Population			
Duxbury	1337	8022	0
Fayston	1353	8118	8118
Moretown	1658	9948	9948
Roxbury	691	4146	4146
Waitsfield	1719	10314	10314
Warren	1705	10230	10230
Waterbury	5064	30384	30384
Subtotal Assessment (1' 12,190	13,527	81162	73,140
MLF Education		0	0
Subtotal Education Income		0	0
Household Hazardous Waste:			
MLF HHW		0	0
Ag. Pest. Grant		8500	8000
Small Quantity Generators		2000	1500
DEC SWIP HHW Grant		9839	8790
Subtotal HHW Income:		20,339	18,290
Miscellaneous Income:			
Compost Bins		4008	2600
Tires		1500	1500
Electronic Waste			0
FEMA HHW Flood Reimbursement			0
Outreach Grant			6400
Subtotal Misc. Income		5,508	10500
Total Income:		107,009	101,930
EXPENSES:			
Administration: 680 hours 600 hrs		25,840	22,800
Travel/Office		1000	1000
Insurance		1218	1218
Solid Waste Manager Association		1283	1283
Outreach Support			3500
Subtotal Administration:		29,341	29,801

## MAD RIVER RESOURCE ALLIANCE BUDGET

Education:				
Administration	469 hours	469 hours	17,822	17,822
Travel/Office			500	500
Newsletter/Printing/Mailing			6500	6000
Educational Programs			5500	5500
GreenUp/Website/Special Events			4000	4000
N.R.R.A. Membership			180	180
Conference			600	600
Product Stewardship Institute			300	300
Subtotal Education			35,402	34,902
Household Hazardous Waste:				
Administration	275 hours	275 hours	10450	10450
Travel/Office			1000	1000
HHW Contractor			27000	27000
Subtotal HHW:			38450	38450
Misc. Expenses:				
Equipment Maintenance			150	150
Tire Collection			1100	1100
Electronic Waste			0	0
Compost Bins			3892	0
Subtotal Miscellaneous:			5142	1250
TOTAL EXPENSES:			108,335	104,403

# ZONING REPORT

## Zoning Permit Applications

54 total permit applications

52 total permits issued (1 denied, 1 withdrawn)

22 Single-Family Residences (including accessory structures)

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

7 Subdivisions

2 Setback Waivers

1 Special Events

1 Cottage Industry

1 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 worked with the Moretown Planning Commission to revise the zoning regulations in 2016. New or revised regulations include 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/Dep. THO:

John Weir

[zoning@moretownvt.net](mailto:zoning@moretownvt.net)

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## MORETOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

As the new librarian I look forward to building on all of the hard work of past staff, volunteers and trustees, and continuing the Moretown Memorial Library's role as a great community resource. I am especially excited to utilize my background working as an environmental educator both in schools and informal settings, and help patrons of all ages discover a sense of wonder about the world around them. A special thanks to outgoing librarian Sarah Nussbaum for her extra time helping me get oriented to all things library. With her depth of knowledge of our patrons and keen appetite for books, we are also fortunate to have Pat Yoder continue as our assistant librarian. I welcome any and all suggestions as I learn more about how we serve the community, so please stop in and say hi, call or email me with your ideas.

In 2016, we had 1,872 visits to the library. Including our electronic resources, we circulated 4,549 items, fulfilled 111 interlibrary loan requests and sent 78 items to other libraries. In an effort to make space and enhance access to more current information and ideas, we also undertook a weeding project of our adult and juvenile non-fiction, picture books and juvenile fiction; bringing our total collection of books, movies and audiobooks to 6,517. In the summer we launched a new, user friendly website that allows patrons access to our online catalog, Listen Up Vermont services, new books list, and news and calendar of events. Please visit us at [www.moretownlibrary.com](http://www.moretownlibrary.com) to learn more. Finally, to better meet after school needs, we expanded our hours on Monday and Thursday to 2:30pm-7pm.

We offered a full schedule of events in 2016, with a total of 507 people attending 72 programs. From Tuesday storytimes, Springtime Tea with Doll and Me, and Magic: The Gathering game nights in the summer; to presentations on black holes and infinity, workshops for birding by ear, making fermented veggies and organizing your life; to ongoing programs like Tech Thursdays, Listen Up Vermont Saturdays or the Passport to Vermont Libraries over the summer and the toy swap during the holidays; to the ever popular stories and songs with Mrs. Claus, we hosted a mixture of opportunities for adults, children and teens. We look forward to continued collaboration with the Mad River Valley libraries to offer a variety of community outreach, beginning with programming for this year's VT Reads book, "Brown Girl Dreaming" by Jacqueline Woodson.

The 2016 summer reading program national theme was "Get in the Game". Collaboration with the Mad River Valley libraries allowed for a robust schedule with events nearly every day in July. The programming at our library included a "Games that Nature Plays" hike, "Natural Boat Races" attended by the MECA camp group, and "Family Campfire Fun" with the Swing Peepers sponsored by a grant from the Department of Libraries. In addition to the grant from the Department of Libraries, the summer programming was made possible by the Robert DiYeso Charitable Trust.

We could not provide our current level of service to the community without generous help from donations, several grant opportunities, and our Friends group. From our donation book shelf, the book sale at Morefest this past August, and donation cans, we received \$295.50 this year. We were also fortunate to receive the last round of funding from the Libri Foundation to purchase children's books through the Junior Library Guild. New titles in both nonfiction and graphic novels for elementary students will be arriving each month over the next year thanks to this grant.

The library is always grateful to our Friends of the Moretown Memorial Library. This year, the Friends made it possible for us to appreciate all of our active volunteers with gift certificates to the Red Hen. It is also thanks to the Friends that visitors to the library can read the Wall Street Journal. Look for more activity this upcoming year as the revitalized Friends hold new fundraisers and support books, programming and infrastructure for the library.

A big thank you is owed to the following volunteers who helped keep our library up and running: Tom Allen, Helen Banevicius, Carol Chamberlin, Kelly Collar, Deborah Feldman, and Kristin Geoghegan. Along with staffing our circulation desk and leading programs, our Trustees have also been integral to the library's success and we appreciate Elizabeth Burt, Chris Costello, Karen Sharpwolf and Jamie Wimble's time and energy. Finally, we thank all of the community members who donated their time, expertise and money to the library this year.

See you at the Library!  
Cory Stephenson  
Library Director



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**Library Hours:**  
Monday: 2:30-7pm  
Tuesday: 10am-6pm  
Thursday: 2:30-7pm  
Friday: 10-1pm  
Saturday: 10-1pm



## MORETOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Historical Society continues to be active in the community. This past year we corresponded with several people who were looking for ancestors who had lived in Moretown at one time.

Through the spring and summer we participated in the planning and organization of the Morefest celebration. This was a celebration of community and the strength and support of Moretown's citizens during the 2011 Tropical Storm Irene. It also coincided with the opening of the new Town office building. The Historical Society presented a short dedication to the new building and had a display of pictures taken during Irene. We are working on a plan to gather pictures to be collected into a book. This will be an ongoing project over several years. If anyone has pictures of Tropical Storm Irene that they would be willing to share, please contact any member of the Society.

We participated in the Harvest Bazaar held at the elementary school where we had Moretown items for sale.

Work continued on the Honan School site. We now have a design plan for the site, thanks to Sophia Sharp. Sophia and her Dad, Steve, attended a Historical Society meeting and presented her design. We will be meeting at the site as soon as weather permits to look at the site and go over the design with Sophia. Anyone who would like to help with the clean up of the site please contact a member.

We continue to publish the newsletter and are always looking for topics that people would like to see in the publication.

We have events coming up, for the spring we have a dinner/ dance planned with the band, *Big Hats, No Cattle*, and a late summer or fall presentation on the glider crash on South Hill. Please let us know if there is an event that you would be interested in.

And do come and see us at Town Meeting. We will again be serving lunch downstairs at the Town Hall.

We wish to thank everyone for your continued support. 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 worked with the Select Board to have Green Mountain Power (GMP) replace all the town's street lights with energy saving LED technology. This will save the town money through a lower cost lease agreement with GMP. An incentive from Efficiency Vermont, through their Municipal Street Light Program, enabled the lights to be replaced at no cost to the town.

In 2017, we will continue to explore ways to support the town, residents, and businesses in finding the best ways for us to save energy and lower our carbon footprint. We are pleased with the attention paid to energy efficiency in the new town office, which is a model of how "low energy" building should be designed and constructed. If you're interested in free information, assistance and financial incentives for homes and businesses, please visit Efficiency Vermont's website ([efficiencyvermont.com](http://efficiencyvermont.com)).

If you are interested in getting more involved with energy related issues at the local level that can help address the global climate challenges facing our planet, please join the town's Energy Committee. We are always seeking new people with fresh ideas and energy to join the group. You may contact Jay Pilliod at [pilliodj@gmail.com](mailto:pilliodj@gmail.com) to find out how to get involved.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
Jay Pilliod, Moretown Energy Coordinator

## **MORETOWN VILLAGE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE**

2016 started with design of the project on hold, with an ongoing discussion with VTrans on how to handle the sidewalk crossing Doctor's Brook. VTrans had rejected our proposal to build a separate pedestrian bridge behind the existing Route 100B highway bridge and the current sidewalk on the east side of that bridge did not meet width requirements for handicap access. After weeks of deliberation, cost discussions and a pivotal meeting with VTrans in May, all parties agreed that a small gap will be left out of the new sidewalk project at the highway bridge over the brook. Presumably, at some point in the future, VTrans will replace that bridge and a new handicap accessible sidewalk will be incorporated into the new bridge.

With the logjam regarding the bridge freed-up, the sidewalk project was then able to proceed and a significant amount of progress was made over the rest of the year. By July, the initial draft of the Preliminary Design Drawings was developed and one month later the final draft of those drawings was finished and approved by VTrans. This laid the groundwork for development of the Final Design Drawings. Likewise, the initial draft of the Right-of-Way Drawings was developed in May and then reviewed by VTrans with comments. Just recently, the final Right-of-Way Drawings were submitted to VTrans for review and approval. Temporary construction easement agreements, to be entered into with abutting project property owners, have also been written-up and are currently being reviewed by VTrans. Conversations with those affected property owners will begin in February and details of those agreements will be discussed. Once VTrans approves the language in the proposed easement agreements, expected within a few weeks, we can begin to execute them with the property owners. It should be noted that no permanent takings of land will be required for this project; rather just temporary easements to allow for access onto and use of those abutting properties during construction.

Another significant milestone was accomplished in August with the VTrans formal approval of the environmental and historical impacts review, which ruled that the project will not significantly affect the environment or historical resources in the Village. This means that no environmental permits will be needed to build the project and no restrictions will be placed on the project due to historical impact concerns.

Looking ahead, during the first half of 2017, Final Design Drawings and Project Specifications will be developed by the Design Engineer, Lamoureux & Dickinson, and the aforementioned temporary construction easements should be signed-off with the project abutters. An 1111 Permit, which allows us to perform construction work within the VTrans Highway Right-of-Way, will also be applied-for. Approval of that permit should go fairly quickly. It is hoped that construction of the project will take place during late-summer or autumn of this year.

Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact me.  
Pat Tracers, Moretown Local Project Manager  
Staff Sterling Management, LLC 802- 782-3354

# ARTHUR BUCK RIVER ACCESS PARK

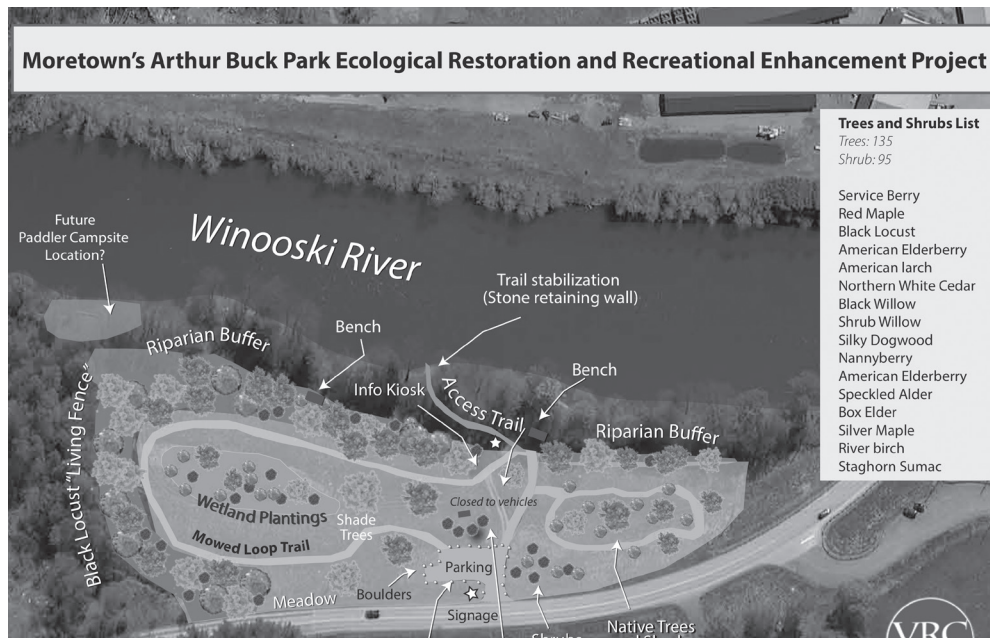
The Vermont River Conservancy and Moretown celebrated the planting of the new Arthur Buck River Access Park and they dedicated the conserved land to the late Craig Elwell. Craig was Moretown Road Foreman from 1988 to 2010.

Named after the farmer who kept this land productive for much of the 1900's, the 4.25 acres just north of the Route 2 bridge and across from Lover's Lane has been a mowed field for over a decade.

Jonathan Larsen generously donated this property to the Vermont River Conservancy (VRC) in 2011 at the time of the Route 2 bridge reconstruction project in order to protect access to the Winooski River for paddlers, anglers, swimmers, and anyone who wishes to enjoy the riverbanks. In partnership with the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps and the Highway Department, VRC helped install the river access trail and the parking loop. After, this land was donated to the Town of Moretown with a Conservation Easement that permanently protects public access, vegetated river buffers, undeveloped river land, and non-motorized recreation.

With funding support from a VT Watershed Grant, the Vermont River Conservancy drafted a park design to enhance the ecological and recreational attributes of this river land. With valuable community feedback, VRC improved the park design to meet community and user desires. The design includes planting over 200 trees and shrubs, installing two over-look benches, reinforcing the river access trail, maintaining a mowed walking loop, improving paddler amenities, placing boulders to restrict motor vehicle access, and erecting commemorative and educational signage.

With support from the Town of Moretown, the Vermont River Conservancy hosted a tree planting day with Harwood Union students and local volunteers.



## TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT

We completed a brief review of year-end financial statements, bank balances, and disbursements. Pace and Hawley is presently conducting a full audit and results will not be complete until May. At that time an audit report will be available at the new Town Office and on the town website ([www.moretownvt.org](http://www.moretownvt.org)).

The Moretown Town School Budget is not listed in this year's Annual Report. In June 2016 voters in all school districts of the Washington West Supervisory Union (WWSU) voted to approve forming a Unified District known as the Harwood Unified Union School District (HUUSD). The HUUSD combines the school districts of Moretown, Duxbury, Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren, Waterbury, Waterbury-Duxbury, and Harwood Union High School.

The proposed 2017-2018 school budget is included in the HUUSD Annual Report which is available online at [wwsu.org](http://wwsu.org), at the Moretown School or the Moretown Town Office. You may request a copy by calling 802-496-2272, extension 111.

We welcome any comments, suggestions or questions to our [moretownauditors@gmail](mailto:moretownauditors@gmail.com) email account.

Sincerely,  
Rita LaRocca  
Dara Torre





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

[www.moretownschool.com/](http://www.moretownschool.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 2017-2018 school year proposed budget is now a part of the HUUSD (Harwood Unified Union School District) budget as established under the articles of agreements that guide our new merged school district. Information regarding HUUSD can be found at [www.wwsu.org](http://www.wwsu.org).

The Moretown School Board and the greater HUUSD Board continue to pursue opportunities to entice more families with children to call the excellent schools within HUUSD their home. Examples (within the Moretown School) include; providing all day childcare for 3 and 4 year old students supported fully by tuition funds, continued offerings of an after school, all day childcare program and comprehensive summer offerings through our successful MECA (Moretown Education Center for All) program. Continued enhancements and improvements to our core educational programs include; continued WWSU work on writing improvement and alignments of math and reading skills and assessments, the implementation of a nationally acclaimed STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) program (Project Lead the Way) for grades K - 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 pre-k through grade 6 and the furthering of a proficiency based and personalized 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.

Given the parameters around responsible fiscal spending and educational quality the HUUSD School Board adopted a budget at the January 18, 2017 meeting. The budget will be voted on by Australian Ballot on March, 7, 2017 (Town Meeting Day) Budget information will be available on the WWSU website or at our local town clerk's office.

As the proposed budget was developed three major areas of expenditures to support our educational mission were considered. These areas include: Climate, Communication, and Curriculum. Some highlights within these areas are:



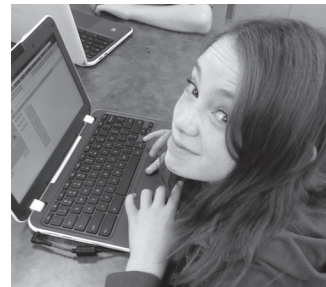
## **CLIMATE**

- A proposed increase of our custodial staff from a 1.25 to a 1.5 position to maintain an ever increasing role of our facilities as a center of community and school events.
- Continued use of our building for community events, student athletics and a variety of celebrations.
- Continued use of our student led/developed school wide assembly program.
- Continuation of our MECA (Moretown Education Center for All) program which serves over 40 students on a daily basis including: a full time/year round childcare 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.
- Continuation of a *Responsive Classroom* school approach to improve school climate and student engagement



## **COMMUNICATION**

- Publication of a student/adult partnered school newspaper entitled the “Moretown Messenger”.
- Use of a school blog to support improved home/school communication <http://moretownschoolblog.blogspot.com/>
- Classroom updates and news from individual educators/classes listed on our website [www.moretownschool.com](http://www.moretownschool.com)
- As a part of the newly formed Harwood Unified Union School District, the Moretown School will be governed and funded through the policies and procedures found for review on the [www.su.org](http://www.su.org) website.



## **CURRICULUM**

- Continuation of our 1:1 technology device program that places a netbook/chromebook in the hands of each student grades 3-6 to support hands on/minds on educational experiences.
- Continuation of connecting our curriculum to community partners to support meaningful and relevant educational experiences through the service learning process. This year the Moretown School received a Vermont Rural Partnership grant that supports this work.



- Continued utilization of our ECO program (Educating Children Outdoors) which supports a student/team centered approach guided by the Next Generation Science Standards.
- Continued implementation of ACT 77 that includes Proficiency Based Learning opportunities and Personalized Learning Plans for grades pre k - 12.
- Increased attention on our educational support services system to assist students struggling with foundational literacy and math skills.
- Continued use of our state's accountability assessments (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) for grades 3 - 6.
- Implementation of a new STEM program (Project Lead the Way) for grades K - 6.
- Continued support of engaging teacher/community 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 2017-2018**

(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
<b>Fiscal Year 2018</b>	<b>18.76 (proposed)</b>

Preschool Teacher	0.96 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 3/4	1.0 FTE	(Patty Riccardi)
Grade 3/4	1.0 FTE	(Deb Fadden)
Grade 5/6	1.0 FTE	(Terry Hopper) Combined 5th and 6th grade class for 17-18 sy
Grade 5/6	1.0 FTE	(Diana Puffer) Combined 5th and 6th grade class for 17-18 sy
Special Educator	1.0 FTE	(Sara Baker)
Special Educator	0.5 FTE	(Anne Cassels)
Speech Language	1.0 FTE	(Kelly Poulin)
Nurse	0.4 FTE	(Deirdre Fennelly)
Health Ed.	0.1 FTE	(Deirdre Fennelly)

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	(Emily Wood)
Technical Integration	0.2 FTE	(Emily Wood )
Maintenance	1.0 FTE	(Greg Wagner)
Custodial	0.5 FTE	(TBD)
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)

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MECA Director	Full Time	(Moie Moulton)
Assistant Director	Full Time	(Harriet Hart)
Assistant Director II	Full Time	(Rebekah Lovely)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Patty Kirpan)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Stephanie Jenkerson)
Youth Educator	Part Time	(Michelle Doney)
Door Monitor/Support	Part Time	(Zoe Pierson)

**Moretown Elementary School Enrollment Data (as of October 2016)**

<u>Grades</u>	<u>Pre-K</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Total</u>
Students	28	16	17	15	15	16	12	15	<b>134</b>
									(2016 = 129)
									(2015 = 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](http://education.vermont.gov/documents/EDU-Child_Nutrition_2015_Free_Reduced_Eligibility_Report.pdf) page 26

<b>Moretown Students</b>	<b>18.00%</b>
Fayston Students	18.00%
Warren Students	35.00%
Waitsfield	18.00%
Thatcher Brook	26.00%
<i>State Average for Free and Reduced Lunch program</i>	<b>44.19%</b>



## 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 found 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. We are happy to report that we have seen improvement in all assessed areas in some of our student groups and classes.

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 just one of many assessments that we use to examine student growth in relation to established standards. The SBAC assessment was implemented two years ago, replacing a pencil and paper test with a more robust, computer adaptive assessment aligned with updated standards.



Literacy, Mathematics and Science Statewide assessments scores for all of WWSU primary schools are listed below.

## LITERACY

Grade 6			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	47%	2.41	2519
2016 FAY	100%	3.28	2597
2015 MTW	55%	2.73	2557
2016 MTW	69%	2.94	2577
2015 WTES	69%	3	2580
2016 WTES	68%	3.05	2601
2015 WAR	78%	3.09	2582
2016 WAR	85%	3.27	2615
2015 CBMS	64%	2.64	2547
2016 CBMS	67%	2.77	2557

Grade 5 LITERACY			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	84%	3.05	2554
2016 FAY	55%	2.64	2517
2015 MTW	57%	2.71	2528
2016 MTW	53%	2.41	2507
2015 WTES	77%	3.18	2565
2016 WTES	81%	3.14	2558
2015 WAR	81%	3.23	2572
2016 WAR	82%	3.18	2574
2015 CBMS	62%	2.86	2535
2016 CBMS	68%	2.89	2539

Grade 4 LITERACY			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	50%	2.7	2488
2016 FAY	83%	3.33	2530
2015 MTW	29%	2	2439
2016 MTW	62%	2.92	2509
2015 WTES	68%	3.05	2510
2016 WTES	50%	2.71	2493
2015 WAR	58%	2.63	2483
2016 WAR	58%	2.73	2492
2015 TBPS	73%	2.96	2503
2016 TBPS	71%	2.94	2506

Grade 3 LITERACY			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	53%	2.8	2448
2016 FAY	86%	3.29	2505
2015 MTW	36%	2.09	2388
2016 MTW	79%	3.21	2491
2015 WTES	65%	2.89	2462
2016 WTES	86%	3.29	2484
2015 WAR	66%	2.86	2454
2016 WAR	37%	2.32	2429
2015 TBPS	69%	2.97	2462
2016 TBPS	60%	2.8	2452

# MATHEMATICS

Grade 6			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	24%	2.06	2518.24
2016 FAY	78%	3.33	2602.72
2015 MTW	36%	2.09	2514.27
2016 MTW	31%	2.44	2541.31
2015 WTES	68%	2.95	2591.16
2016 WTES	74%	2.95	2565.87
2015 WAR	48%	2.61	2566.35
2016 WAR	62%	2.96	2585
2015 CBMS	45%	2.43	2535.59
2016 CBMS	30%	2.21	2516.3

Grade 5 MATH			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	69%	3.11	2565.53
2016 FAY	46%	2.64	2528.36
2015 MTW	39%	2.23	2517.69
2016 MTW	29%	2.12	2491.41
2015 WTES	71%	3.06	2549.88
2016 WTES	71%	3	2552.38
2015 WAR	61%	2.88	2550.31
2016 WAR	36%	2.41	2517.32
2015 CBMS	55%	2.65	2520.59
2016 CBMS	49%	2.6	2520.78

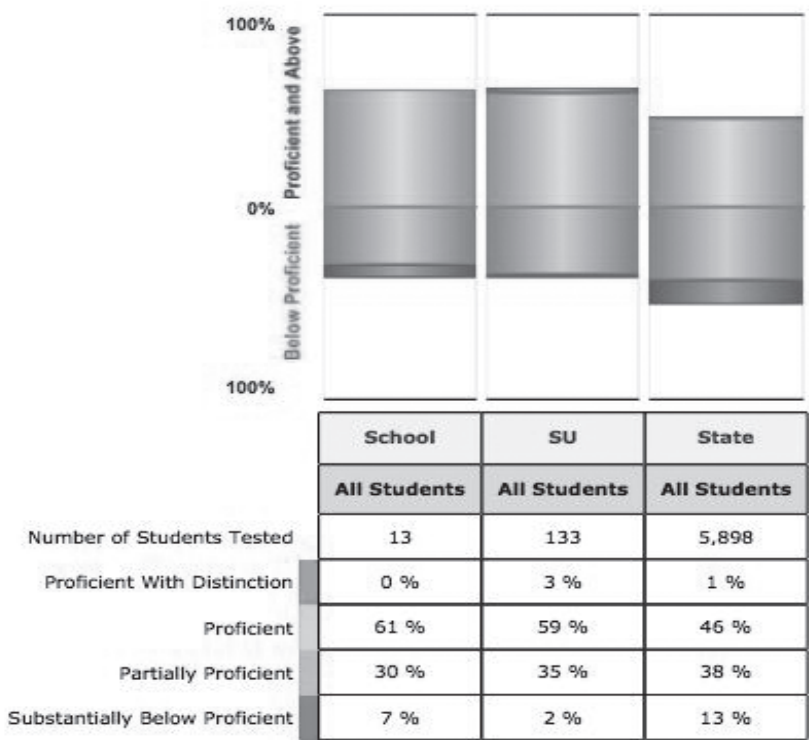
Grade 4 MATH			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	40%	2.6	2496.7
2016 FAY	78%	3.22	2539.83
2015 MTW	29%	2.14	2466.36
2016 MTW	69%	2.77	2504.23
2015 WTES	47%	2.42	2486.63
2016 WTES	21%	2.14	2459.5
2015 WAR	42%	2.47	2479.58
2016 WAR	54%	2.77	2496.62
2015 TBPS	57%	2.68	2493.83
2016 TBPS	65%	2.87	2510.06

Grade 3 MATH			
Year	% Proficient	Avg. Proficiency Level	Scaled Score
2015 FAY	67%	2.67	2445.6
2016 FAY	100%	3.43	2494.93
2015 MTW	46%	2.09	2401.27
2016 MTW	79%	3	2458.64
2015 WTES	40%	2.27	2431.07
2016 WTES	65%	2.79	2454.79
2015 WAR	45%	2.52	2442.48
2016 WAR	53%	2.58	2447.89
2015 TBPS	68%	2.69	2451.43
2016 TBPS	63%	2.87	2462.53

# SCIENCE

Spring 2016 Science NECAP Scores Grade 4

<b>Organization:</b>	Moretown Elementary School
<b>Teaching Year:</b>	2015-2016
<b>Test/Subject:</b>	NECAP Science Grade 04
<b>Breakdown:</b>	How did our students do?
<b>Comparison:</b>	Compared to its District and Vermont?





## **WWSU ACT 46 SCHOOL GOVERNANCE CONSOLIDATION**

Harwood Unified Union School District will become operational on July 1, 2017.

On Tuesday, June 7, 2016, voters in all of the school districts of the Washington West Supervisory Union (WWSU) voted to approve forming a Unified District, which will be known as the Harwood Unified Union School District. Votes held by Australian ballot, and counted separately in Duxbury, Fayston, Moretown, Waitsfield, Warren, and Waterbury resulted in the bringing together of the governance of WWSU schools into one system.

The new governance structure will become fully operation July 1, 2017. During the year of transition, a newly formed board will begin working on the budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. A single budget for the operations of a coordinated PK-12 system will be presented to voters on Town Meeting Day in March of 2017. On July 1, 2017, the seven boards of WWSU will be replaced with one 14-member board overseeing the unified district, with one blended tax rate adjusted for Common Level of Appraisal in each town.

The Act 46 Study Committee is encouraged by the support of its communities and looks forward to the educational excellence and opportunities for efficiencies that this merger provides. When the State Board of Education approved WWSU's Act 46 proposal for merging school governance at its April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, it set the path for the June 7<sup>th</sup> vote. By meeting the State's July 1, 2016, deadline for maximizing state financial incentives, the education tax rates will be adjusted for a credit of 10 cents the first year of a shared budget, and decrease by \$.02 a year until they expire. In addition, the State will make available a grant of \$130,000 to help pay for transition costs.

The unofficial results from the Act 46 governance consolidation merger special meeting vote on June 7, 2016, within the Washington West Supervisory Union:

	<u>In favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	
Duxbury	134	31	Vote passed
Fayston	209	47	Vote passed
Moretown	190	47	Vote passed
Waitsfield	290	94	Vote passed
Warren	279	163	Vote passed
Waterbury	451	29	Vote passed

Unified Union School District Board Members Elected:

Duxbury	Sam Jackson (3-year term) and Garrett MacCurtain (4-year term)
Fayston	Heidi Spear (2-year term) and Jill Ellis (3-year term)
Moretown	Peter Langella (2-year term) and Gabriel Gilman (4-year term)
Waitsfield	Rob Williams (3-year term) and Christine Sullivan (4-year term)
Warren	Rosemarie White (2-year term) and Alycia Biondo (3-year term)
Waterbury	Alexandra Thomson and Colleen Ovelman (2-year terms), Jim Casey (3-year term), and Maureen McCracken (4-year term)

**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.** Denise Sanders nominated Steve Magill, and Ben Sanders seconded. Tom Martin asked if there were any other nominations, and there were none. Amy Patenaude moved to close, and Ben Sanders seconded. The ayes have it.
2. **To hear and act upon the reports of the Town and Town School District officers.** Clarence Wood moved to accept the reports, and Karen Horn 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.** There was no discussion.
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.** Amy Patenaude so moved and Rube Scharges. Karen Horn asked whether last year we made it midnight on that date. Tom Martin said "no." Tom said that there was a motion on the floor last year to accept a 5:00p.m. deadline amendment which was approved. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
5. **To see if the Town will vote to set the tax warrant date on real property as November 2, 2016.** Clarence Wood so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. Laura Ellenwood asked what a tax warrant date was. Tom Martin responded that this was the date that any delinquent tax amount goes to the tax collector. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
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.** Steve Magill asked residents whether they had any questions for the school board, as this was the article in which to ask. Ron Shems was present on behalf of the school board to help answer any questions. Hoover Austin asked how many special education children there were for Moretown. Ron Shems stated that the number has gone down, believing it to be less than ten (10). Denise Sanders stated that if there are less than ten (10) total students, than that information is suppressed. Amy Patenaude stated that the school budget is 0.50% higher than the current year, and asked whether the town still remained under the State's threshold. Ron stated that "yes" the Town remains under that threshold. No penalty would be assessed. There was no more discussion.

- 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?** Rube Scharges so moved, and Johanne Gray seconded. Dan Zucker asked whether someone could respond about timing and whether or not the Town has to frequently borrow monies while taxes are still being collected. Ron Shems responded that generally the Town doesn't but this was a standard article. Marianne Barton then inquired whether the Board anticipated needing to borrow these monies this coming year. Ron Shems stated again that this was a standard article and the Board did not anticipate needing to borrow anything for the upcoming year. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 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.** Steve Magill asked whether there were any questions. Chuck Burt asked why the Town went over the general legal fund allotment for this past year. Tom Martin responded that this was due to litigation over a town trail off Moretown Mountain Road. Dan Zucker asked about the big jump in the printing and publication budget. Tom Martin responded that this jump in monies was due to the additional primaries in August as well as the general election in November. Dan Zucker then asked about the idea of opting into an electronic version of the Town Report. Tom Martin said this discussion has been had but they have decided in the past to stick with printed materials. However, Tom also stated this could be an effective cost-saving measure and one which some towns are moving to. Michelle Beard said that this was discussed at the informational meeting the prior night, and this is something that might be required by statute and will be looked into further. Chuck Burt then inquired about the line item "unforeseen" for \$88,000. Tom Martin responded that there is also a receivable line item for this as well. Tom stated that this stemmed from the Town's aid in administering a grant through FEMA to a resident whose home was flooded in Tropical Storm Irene. In providing financial assistance, FEMA required that the grant go through the town. The Town receives the monies back from FEMA. Dan Zucker then asked about pay versus employee compensation. Tom Martin responded that this year the Selectboard has set the same budget for the departments as it did last year. The additional budgeted \$9,500 is set aside for employee raises to be effectuated once the budget is approved. This is contrary to prior years where any raises were included in the budget as proposed. There was no more discussion.
- 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?** Ben Sanders so moved, and Johanne Gray seconded. Becky Auclair asked whether this was just a standard article like for that of the school board, or whether the Board anticipated needing to borrow monies this year. Tom Martin stated this was a standard article and has been so since the landfill closed. Tom also stated that the Town does need to borrow the money. Becky Auclair asked how much we will need to borrow. Tom responded that we already borrowed the money, and it was \$500,000. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
- 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.?** Amy Patenaude so

moved, and Ben Sanders seconded. John Lynch stated that this organization has helped residents in buying cars with grants, one veteran to get housing, weatherizing houses, financial counseling, and has volunteers to help with taxes. Jason Aronowitz stated that pages 27-28 of the Town Report have information on each of the organizations that are asking for donations. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

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?** Becky Auclair so moved and Steve Sharp seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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.?** Dara Torre so moved and Chuck Burt seconded. Rube Scharges asked why there was increase in the request from last year. Dar Torre responded that there used to be an internal group called RSVP that has been rolled into this Council on Aging. In addition, there has been increased activity. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Clarence Wood so moved, and Amy Patenaude seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Ben Sanders so moved and Mary Larsen seconded. Marianne Barton asked whether, in general, how these amounts are generated. Tom Martin responded that these groups petition the Town for these amounts, and they can be amended higher or lower on the floor. Clarence Wood stated this group provides assistance with personal needs for those who have no help. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** John Lynch so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. John Lynch stated this organization does great work in helping residents get their driving license and learn computer programming. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Denise Sanders so moved and Jennifer Tripp-Meade seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Marianne Barton so moved and Clarence Wood seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Judith Kitchell so moved and Ben Sanders seconded. Chuck Burt asked why last year this exact request was doubled to \$1,400. Steve Magill responded that Dave Van Duesen moved to double this amount from the floor last year. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.



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)?** Clarence Wood so moved and Ben Sanders seconded. Clarence Wood asked that people should speak up if they have any information or experience with any of these groups or organizations. Ben Sanders stated that this group provides shelter for domestic abuse victims and their children, as well as court advocacy services and a host of training in schools to help younger people understand the dynamics of abuse. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.
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.?** Ben Sanders so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Denise Sanders so moved and Karen Sharpwolf seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Steve Sharp so moved and Steve Robbins seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Clark Amadon so moved, and Karen Sharpwolf seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.
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?** Dara Torre so moved and Amy Patenaude seconded. Dick Valentinetti stated these different senior centers all offer various activities. Steve Magill stated that all three upcoming articles related to the different area senior centers cannot all be discussed under the same article. Steve entertained a motion to suspend the rules in order to discuss all three senior centers at the same time. Steve stated that unless there was an objection we could do so, and Dick objected. A two-thirds vote was necessary, and the rules were suspended. Dick stated that the Montpelier center offers forty-five (45) different courses, including yoga, painting and foreign language. Mary Larsen stated that if Moretown gives monies to the Montpelier center then Moretown residents get discounts for classes or other activities. Dara Torres stated that next week begins the spring enrollment for the Montpelier senior center. Cheri Lundblad asked why there was such a difference between the amounts asked between the various centers. Dara Torre responded that, with regard to the Mad River Valley (MRV) senior center, the towns of Fayston, Waitsfield and Warren allot \$7,000 to that center because they have more residents using that center. In contrast, Moretown has fewer residents using the Mad River Valley senior center and so the center has requested less money than from the other towns. Also, Dara mentioned that a lot of the MRV senior center's budget encompasses its meals on wheels program. 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 Smith stated that the budget request of the Waterbury senior center is based on the meals on wheels program. Last year the Waterbury senior center served eleven (11) Moretown residents. It costs

approximately \$1,000 to serve one senior for the entire year. The center requests less than money than it needs in order to keep the vote on the floor rather than by Australian ballot. The Waterbury center helps with taxes for seniors as well as loaning out of medical equipment. John Summers (non-voter) was given permission to speak without objection. John thanked Dara for including the information on the senior centers on pages 27-28 of the Town Report. Steve Robbins stated the MRV senior center provides great services. John Lynch stated that we better vote because he wasn't getting any younger. Laura Ellenwood asked how people decide which senior center to go to. Karol Smith responded that anyone can drop in to the Waterbury center. Dara stated that, for the meals on wheels program, whether to utilize Waterbury or the MRV senior center depends a lot on the proximity to the resident. Steve Magill stated that, unless there was more discussion, we needed to go back to the rules. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

**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?** Steve Robbins 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 \$500.00 to help support the work of Good Samaritan Haven?** Ben Sanders so moved and Johanne Gray seconded. There was no discussion. The ayes have it.

**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?** Denise Sanders so moved and Dara Torre seconded. Marianne Barton asked whether, due to voting done by Australian ballot, there was a funding cap if a vote was to be taken on the floor. Steve Magill responded any request over \$5,000 necessitates a vote via Australian ballot. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it.

**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.**

Chuck Burt so moved and Becky Auclair seconded. Karen Sharpwolf stated that this article is on the ballot because last year the Town voted to make the library a municipal library, and this language was left out of that article of last year. Denise Sanders asked whether we nominate people now. Karen stated that if people are interested they could be appointed by the Selectboard at their next meeting. If so appointed, those trustees would then be placed on the ballot for next year. Denise Sanders then asked whether this was just going to be on the ballot this year because the requisite language was left out last year. Karen said yes that was correct. Karen was then asked about the health and life of the library. Karen stated that the library has seen a steady usage this year between people utilizing its various programs as well as those checking out books and videos. Rube Scharges then asked whether the library was seeking a new director. Karen stated that yes it was as Sarah Nussbaum was leaving. There was no more discussion. The ayes have it. Steve Magill then made it be known that the vote was 70-0.

**29. To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.** Deb Hunter was present to speak and answer questions about the Harwood Union High School budget. Deb said that the budget has decreased from last year, with eight (8) fewer staff than last year. Deb stated that the school is operating in an efficient manner, yet still faces these mandates from the Montpelier. Deb then went over the pending Act 46 and the upcoming vote on that act in May. Clarence Wood wanted to thank the Selectboard, the Town Clerk and the Fire Department. Denise Sanders wanted to recognize the work done on the pending new office in Moretown village. Hoover Austin addressed the Selectboard and stated that more should be done in the maintenance of the newer buildings in the town so that they don't deteriorate. Joyce Manchester is the Moretown representative to the Transportation Advisory Committee and is also appointed to the MRV Moves Active Transportation group. Joyce has provided materials relating to the MRV Moves Active Transportation group and its effort to create new trails and link them to existing trails. Tom Martin wanted to be sure people knew of the pending bridge closure down to one lane. The bridge south of the village will be down to one lane for anywhere between 4-10 years. This time is mainly encompassed by studies. The bridge rails have been deemed unsafe, and the bridge itself is too narrow. Tom petitioned residents to write to the State or representatives and let their concerns over the length of the closure be known. Many residents took issue with the planned length of the closure down to one lane. Steve Smith, chief of the Fire Department, stated that the department always needs more volunteers. It doesn't matter your age or gender, or lack of experience. Any person who wants to help the volunteer fire department can be trained. Tom Martin move to adjourn, and many seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

Dated at Moretown, Vermont the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Cheryl Brown, Town Clerk

  
Steve Magill, Moderator

# BALLOT RESULTS

## March 1, 2016

	vote for not more than two		
<b>SELECTMAN</b>		<b>AGENT TO PROSECUTE/DEFEND SUITS</b>	
for 1 year		for 1 year	
TOM MARTIN	462	SHEILA K. GETZINGER	529
MICHELLE BEARD	488		
 <b>SELECTMAN</b>		 <b>1ST CONSTABLE</b>	
for 3 years		for remaining year	
JOHN HOOGENBOOM	528	RAYMOND MUNN	75
 <b>SELECTMAN</b>		 <b>2ND CONSTABLE</b>	
for remaining 2 years		for 1 year	
JASON ARONOWITZ	471	CLARENCE WOOD	508
 <b>TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC MONEY</b>		 <b>CEMETERY COMMISSIONER</b>	
for 1 year		for 3 years	
CHERILYN BROWN	578	MARK K. AUSTIN	521
 <b>COLLECTOR</b>		 <b>MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR</b>	
for 1 year		for 3 years	
CRAIG EILERS	543	GABRIEL GILMAN	493
 <b>TOWN GRAND JUROR</b>		 <b>MORETOWN SCHOOL DIRECTOR</b>	Vote for not more than two
for 1 year		for 1 year	
SHEILA K. GETZINGER	544	RON SHEMS	523
		PETER LANGELLA	39

	YES	NO
ARTICLE 6 (SCHOOL)	366	139
ARTICLE 8 (TOWN)	432	70
HUHS	2694	1763

**TOTAL VOTERS FOR TOWN MEETING WAS 636 WHICH IS 47.5% OF REGISTERED VOTERS.**

**\*\*NOTE: THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION WAS LARGEST IN THE HISTORY OF MORETOWN REACHING A TOTAL OF 74% REGISTERED VOTERS.**



# MOREFEST





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FIRE (TO REPORT FIRE ONLY) ..... 911 or 496-3731  
AMBULANCE (FOR EMERGENCY ONLY) .....911

Education – School                      Elementary .....496-3742  
   Harwood Union H.S. ....244-5186  
   Supt. Of Schools .....496-2272

Game Warden (hunting/fishing) c/o State Police Dispatch .....496-2262

Hospital (Berlin) .....229-9121  
Hospital (Burlington) ..... 802-847-0000  
Mad River Family Practice (Waitsfield) .....496-3838

Poison Control ..... 800-222-1222

State Police (Middlesex) .....229-9191

MORETOWN

Animal Control Officer.....Shane Grace ..... 802-498-4312

Fire Station (Non Emergency) .....496-3254

Forest Fire Warden..... Eric Howes .....498-4999

Highway/Roads.....Town Garage.....496-4141

Library .....496-9728

Listers.....882-8237

Post Office .....496-4131

Select Board .....882-8219

Town Clerk.....882-8218

Town Treasurer.....882-8237

Town Hall Rental.....Cherilyn Brown .....882-8218

Zoning.....John (JB) Weir .....882-8237

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