

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
BOARD OF OFFICERS
of the
TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VT.
For the Year Ending December 31, 2014



Please bring your Town Report with you to Town Meeting.
Town Meeting will be at the Ferrisburgh School at 10:00 a.m. on
Saturday February 28, 2015
Polling Hours are from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall on Tuesday March 3

On the cover: Button Bay located on a bluff in Ferrisburgh, previously known as Button Mould Bay or Buttonmold Bay, is an area of shallow water on the east shore of Lake Champlain. It is named for the button-like concretions formed by clay deposits found along the shoreline. After being operated as a farm, Button Bay opened as a state park in 1964. Photo taken by Pam Cousino.

We would like to thank the following people who retired from public office during the past year:

John Bull: John served as Lister from 1998 – 2015.

John De Vos III: John served as a Justice of the Peace from 2007 – 2015.

Sally Torrey: Sally served on the town Recreation Committee from 1988 through 1994. She then ran for Select Board and served from 2005 through 2015

Katie Boyle: Katie served on the Town School Board in March of 2013 until August of 2014.

Sam Essex: Served on the Select Board from 1969 through 1977. We were very sorry to hear of his passing.



Photo taken 1949. The dedication of the Grange Hall. Back row: National Master Albert Goss; State Master Lt. Gov. Harold Arthur; Henry Stoddard Pomona Master Paul Sisters and Ferrisburgh Grange Master Ralph Munnett. Front Row: Mrs. Albert Foss, Mrs. Harold Arthur, Mrs. Polly Sisters and Mrs. Isabel Munnett

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This report includes the reporting required by Act 60.

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BUSINESS HOURS

The Town Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. (except for legal holidays) and by appointment.

MEETING SCHEDULES

The following are held in the Town Clerk's Office:

- **Selectboard** meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.
- The **Planning Commission** meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.
- The **Zoning Board of Adjustment** meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.
- The **Conservation Commission** meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM (No meetings in July and August)
- The **Ferrisburgh Energy Committee** meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 6:30 PM All are welcome.
- Other associated town functions meet at various locations.
- The **Historical Society** meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

State Legislators for the Town of Ferrisburgh:

Senator Chris Bray – New Haven
Senator Claire Ayer - Weybridge

Representative Diane Lanpher - Vergennes
Representative Warren Van Wyck - Ferrisburgh

<u>TOWN OFFICERS</u>		<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
MODERATOR	Donald S. Bicknell, M.D.	(1 Year Term)	2015
TOWN CLERK	Gloria Warden	(3 Year Term)	2017
TOWN TREASURER	Garrit Smits	(3 Year Term)	2017
SCHOOL TREASURER	Garrit Smits	(3 Year Term)	2017
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK/TREAS.	Pamela Cousino	Appointed	
SELECTBOARD	James Benoit	(3 Year Term)	2015
	Sally Torrey	(2 Year Term)	2015
	Loretta Lawrence, Chm.	(3 Year Term)	2016
	Steve Gutowski	(2 Year Term)	2016
	James Warden	(3 Year Term)	2017
ROAD FOREMAN	John Bull	Appointed	
ROAD CREW	Neil Allen	Appointed	
	Paul Bodington	Appointed	
	Aaron Schondube	Appointed	
	Timothy Warner	Appointed	
LISTERS	John Bull	(3 Year Term)	2015
	Joe Blasius	(3 Year Term)	2016
	Carl Cole, Chair	(3 Year Term)	2017
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	Ken Wheeling	Appointed	2015
AUDITOR	Susan Duke	(3 Year Term)	2015
	Deb Healey	(3 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Walter Reed	(3 Year Term)	2015 App't.
COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES	Chester Hawkins	(1 Year Term)	2015
FIRST CONSTABLE	David Hawkins	(1 Year Term)	2015
CIVIL DEFENSE CHAIRMAN	William Wager	Appointed	
TOWN SERVICE OFFICER	Jim Warden	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
TOWN GRAND JUROR	Betsy Etchells	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
TOWN AGENT	Bessie Sessions	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
TOWN SCHOOL DIRECTORS	Bill Clark	(2 Year Term)	2015
	Laurie Gutowski	(3 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Julie Gramling	(3 Year Term)	2016
	George Gardner	(2 Year Term)	2016
	Christopher Kayhart	(3 Year Term)	2017
UNION HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTORS	Kurt Haigis	(3 Year Term)	2015
	George Gardener	(3 Year Term)	2015 App't.
ROGERS & HAZZARD FUND TRUSTEES	Sally Torrey	(2 Year Term)	2015
	Bob McNary	(2 Year Term)	2016

<u>TOWN OFFICERS</u>		<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE	Bob Peisch	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Vacancy, Alternate	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
ADDISON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING REPRESENTATIVES	Tim Davis	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Arabella Holzapfel	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Vacant, Alternate	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Vacant, Alternate	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMM (TAC)	Bob McNary	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
FERRISBURGH ENERGY COMMITTEE (Appointed - 1 year terms - Advisory)	Bob McNary, Chm.	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Matt Neffinger	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Roger Holzapfel	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Ralph Shepard	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
	Richard Hiscock	(1 Year Term)	2015 App't.
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE (2 year terms)	Steve Alexander	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Judith Chaves	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Art Cohn	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Norton Davis	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Chester Hawkins	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Judith Mace	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Jean Richardson	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Joe Rivers	(2 Year Term)	2017
	Charles Shapiro	(2 Year Term)	2017
	J. Silas Towler	(2 Year Term)	2017
PLANNING COMMISSION (Appointed - 4 year terms)	Bessie Sessions	(4 Year Term)	2015
	Michael Quinn	(4 Year Term)	2015
	Keith Wagner	(4 Year Term)	2015
	Al Chamberlain	(4 Year Term)	2017
	Walter Reed	(4 Year Term)	2017
	Robert Beach, Jr. Chm.	(4 Year Term)	2017
	Gail Blasius	(4 Year Term)	2018
	Arabella Holzapfel	(4 Year Term)	2018
	Anne Cohn	(4 Year Term)	2018
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (Appointed - 3 year terms)	Rayne Herzog	(3 Year Term)	2015
	Charlene Stavenow, Chm	(3 Year Term)	2016
	Robert Beach, Jr.	(3 Year Term)	2016
	John Paul	(3 Year Term)	2016
	Julie Adams	(3 Year Term)	2016
	Alyth Hescock	(3 Year Term)	2017
	Michael Delaney	(3 Year Term)	2017
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (Appointed - 4 year terms - Advisory)	John Medenwald	(4 Year Term)	2015
	Vacancy	(4 Year Term)	2015
	Karen Pettersen	(4 Year Term)	2016
	Jennifer Cirillo	(4 Year Term)	2016
	Craig Heindel, Chm.	(4 Year Term)	2018
	Dennis Armell	(4 Year Term)	2018
	Amy Dohner	(4 Year Term)	2018

<u>TOWN OFFICERS</u>		<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
FENCE VIEWERS		Ronald Kampner (1 Year Term) Bob McNary (1 Year Term) Michael Muir (1 Year Term)	2015 App't. 2015 App't. 2015 App't.
TREE WARDEN	425-2130	Clifton Mix	(1 Year Term) 2015 App't.
FIRE WARDEN	877-3564	Michael Coyle	(5 Year Term) 2017 App't.
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFCR	233-7068	Jaimeelyn Gaboriault	Appointed
HEALTH OFFICER	233-7068	Jaimeelyn Gaboriault	(3 Year Term) 2017 App't.
DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER	877-3002	Robert Peisch	(3 Year Term) 2017 App't.
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	877-3429	<u>EMERGENCY NUMBERS</u>	
TOWN GARAGE	877-3076	FIRE	} 911
		RESCUE	} 911
		POLICE	} 911



The people in this photo are Grace and Harold Pugh, who sold Bay View Farm, located in North Ferrisburgh, in the 40's to use the money to develop the Burlington Airport, as Harold Pugh was the manager at that time. Grace Hall Pugh became interested in flying in 1931 after her stepfather, Arthur Ashley, became manager of the Burlington Airport. The next year, she took out a student permit to fly, and on March 13, 1938, she became the first licensed female pilot in Vermont. She named her own plane, "The Mouse." While serving as office manager at the airport, she became a ground school instructor for an aviation school with bases in Burlington, Swanton, and Plattsburgh, New York. This transition to teaching flight was a natural step, for she had worked as a teacher before becoming a pilot. In 1934. Photo courtesy of Suzanne Hinsdale.

**Town Meeting Day Minutes
March 4, 2014**

Town officials present: Selectboard members - Loretta Lawrence - Chair, Jim Benoit, Jim Warden, Steve Gutowski, Donald Bicknell, M.D. - Moderator and Pam Cousino - Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Diane Lanpher gave an update of recent developments in Montpelier. The Ferrisburgh Railroad Station will be a supported stop for Amtrak from Rutland in 2016 or 2017. Looking for a non-profit to occupy the station. There is increased transparency. Websites are being updated at the state level for more access to information.

Representative Warren VanWyck spoke about the health insurance website and that the costs need to be looked at. He feels it should be managed like a business. Also, the education fund is showing a 3.8% increase which amounts to 7 cents. These rates are not sustainable. Warren also read a resolution that he presented to Chet Hawkins, for his 35 years of service to the town.

Craig Heindel mentions that the Town Plan is being rewritten and the Conservation Commission is helping by doing an inventory of wildlife sightings. There was a map that Craig asked people to mark sightings of deer, bear, moose, coyotes, bobcats and other animals that they have seen in Ferrisburgh.

Our moderator then read the entire warning.

ARTICLE 1: To elect by Australian Ballot the following town officers:

Moderator – 1 year term	Moderator for Town School – 1 year term
Town Clerk – 3 year term	Treasurer – 3 year term
Town Grand Juror – 1 year term	Town School Director – 2 year term
Selectperson – 2 year term	Town School Director – 3 year term
Selectperson – 3 year term	Union High School Director – 3 year term
First Constable – 1 year term	Lister – 3 year term
Auditor – 2 year term	Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 year term
Auditor – 3 year term	Town Agent – 1 year term
Trustee for Rogers & Hazard Relief Society – 2 year term	

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters of the Town authorize the Selectboard to spend unanticipated Funds, such as grants and interest on investments?

Bob McNary moved and Carl Cole seconded the article. There was no discussion and the article was passed.

ARTICLE 3: Commencing July 1, 2014, shall the Delinquent Tax Collector be paid an annual salary for the collection of delinquent taxes in lieu of statutory fees and commissions which, upon collection, shall be turned in to the Town Treasurer?

Michaela Roberts moved and Carl Cole seconded the article. Lou McLaren asks what the statute penalty amount is and Loretta Lawrence responds with 8%. Steve Gutowski mentions that S134 gives the town the authority to pay an annual salary instead of the full 8%. Rick Kerschner asks who will do the job and the response is the person elected as the delinquent tax collector. Jim Warden called to a few other towns in the area to see how they do it. Some have the Town Manager collect the taxes. Chet Hawkins responds that Ferrisburgh is one of the last towns to continue to do their own tax sales without hiring an attorney. David Hawkins asks if it is known how much other towns spend on legal fees. Loretta Lawrence remarks that the town doesn't plan to have any legal fees. Kurt Plank requests that we vote for this using a paper ballot. Patty Paul asks if there is a written description of duties for the Delinquent Tax Collector and the response is no. Carl Cole remarks that the state statute has a description. There is more discussion and then voting commenced via paper ballot. 58 for and 58 against. Since there wasn't a majority the article did not pass.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters of the Town approve the 2014-2015 Selectboard Budget of \$1,660,779 excluding any amounts in the following Articles?

John Paul moved and Rick Kerschner seconded the article. Loretta Lawrence went over the major changes. There is \$100,000 being given back to the voters from the fund balance which will reduce the tax rate by about .02 cents. Wages contingency was increased to account for a separate Town Clerk and separate Town Treasurer. Web site coordinator was added. Paving was increased by \$20,000. Lou McLaren asked about the insurance increase. John Bull states that it was a joint effort with both the town and the employees taking a hit.

Peter Morris moved that account # 9400-00, Bixby Memorial Library, be increased from the \$39,000, shown, by \$13,559.00 to \$52,559.00 to match the funding in last year's Selectboard Budget. The 2014-2015 Selectboard Budget of \$1,660,779.00 would become \$1,674,338.00, seconded by Tom Spencer. Last year the final, voted budget amount was \$52,559 (\$18.94 per capita). This year the Selectboard changed it to \$39,000 (\$14.05 per capita). Per Peter, the projected operating budget increased by 3% but they kept the town request level. They will be asking for \$24.00 per capita in the future. The library is open 37.5 hours per week.

Loretta Lawrence asks about salaries. Peter mentions that they have hired an executive director. Karlene Devine mentions that not all employees are full time. Peter mentions that New Haven currently receives \$24.5 per capita. Liz Markowski mentions that it is not the Vergennes Library but the 5 town library. The City of Vergennes owns the building and can buy it back for \$1.00. Judy Chaves feels bad that Peter has to defend the library. Mary Kerr remarks that it is the most magnificent library in the state and is terribly underfunded.

Rick Detwiler asked why the Selectboard cut the library funding from last year. Loretta Lawrence remarked that it is what other towns are doing. Peter mentions that the Vergennes budget isn't figured until later in the year and that Addison may cut with Waltham and Addison paying the full amount requested. Vaughn Collins calls the question with Rick Ebel seconding. The Moderator reread the amendment and it passes.

Rick Ebel asks how to help the Selectboard understand that the community supports the library. He also appreciates the Selectboards work on the budget. Article 4 is voted on as amended and approved.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the Town hereafter start its annual town meeting on the Saturday before the first Tuesday in March beginning at 10:00 am to transact any business not involving voting by Australian ballot pursuant to 17 VSA s2640(b)?

Gail Blasius moved and Melody Perkins seconded the article. Chris Kayhart spoke about the reasons for changing the time of town meeting. The school board wants the townspeople to see and use the school but it is too difficult to do so during school hours. Jim Warden mentions that we need to hold town meeting at the school since the town hall is not large enough. He would like to at least try Saturdays. Rick Ebel confirms that the Australian balloting will be held at the town hall/office on Tuesday, the actual Town Meeting Day. Mary Kerr feels that we need to use our schools more and that we need to look outside the box to accommodate. Bill Clark mentions that we can accommodate by moving the town meeting to Saturdays. Ron Crawford feels that many young voters are not able to attend town meeting since they need to work during the week. The Moderator then re-read Article 5 and it was passed with many yes's and a few nos.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the town approve the following monies for the agencies listed below:

Addison County Court Diversion	\$800.00
Addison County Humane Society	\$1,000.00
Addison County Transit Resources	\$2,412.00
HOPE (Formerly ACCAG)	\$2,000.00
Addison County Economic Development Corporation	\$500.00
Addison County Home Health & Hospice, Inc.	\$2,983.00
Addison County Parent Child Center	\$1,600.00
Addison County Readers, Inc.	\$600.00
Addison County River Watch Collaborative	\$500.00
American Legion - Memorial Day Observation	\$300.00
Boys and Girls Club of Greater Vergennes	\$300.00
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$1,100.00
Community Health Services Open Door Clinic	\$400.00
Counseling Service of Addison County, Inc.	\$1,650.00
Elderly Services, Inc.	\$1,100.00

Hospice Volunteer Services	\$250.00
John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Service, Inc.	\$825.00
Lewis Creek Association	\$500.00
North Ferrisburgh Cemetery Association	\$2500.00
Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	\$275.00
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	\$210.00
Rokeby Museum	\$1,000.00
Union Cemetery	\$2,400.00
Vergennes Summer Rec. Program	\$1,000.00
Vermont Adult Learning	\$785.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$250.00
WomanSafe	\$1250.00

TOTAL \$30,840.00

Liz Markowski moved and Rick Kerschner seconded to approve the article as written. It was asked what the cemetery money was for with the answer that it is for mowing. Patty Paul asked if the board takes the amounts as presented. Loretta Lawrence responds that the board is required to take the amounts as presented. Joe Blasius feels that the board is shortsighted for only requiring a letter asking for the same amount after the initial petition has been filed. Liz Markowski mentions that it is a lot of work to do a petition each year. People used to be required to show up to speak for each organization according to George Gardner. Liz Markowski remarks that there are members of many of the organizations in the audience that can answer questions when they are asked. A vote was then taken and the article passed.

ARTICLE 7: To transact any other business proper when met.

Silas Towler requests that the minutes show that most of the people in town want the library supported. Gail Blasius encourages people to use Front Porch Forum. Rick Kerschner asks about parking at the Town Hall. Loretta Lawrence mentions that the money of the sale of the land at the corner of Route 7 and Route 22A will go towards paying off the Sisters property mortgage and repairing the Union Meeting Hall to start with.

Alyth Hescocock moves to adjourn and the meeting is adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pam Cousino
Ass't. Town Clerk/Treasurer



Donald S. Bicknell, M.D.
Moderator



Loretta Lawrence
Selectboard Chair

BIRTHS

<u>DOB</u>	<u>BABY'S NAME</u>	<u>PARENT'S NAMES</u>
1/6/14	Andrew Jeskie	Tonya Gosselin Jeskie Jeffrey Jeskie
1/10/14	Jacob Van De Weert	Rebecca Van De Weert William James Van De Weert
2/18/14	Adalyn Gingras	Christine Gingras Tyler Gingras
3/18/14	Jaela McQuarrie	Elizabeth Goyette Kyle McQuarrie
3/18/14	Brantley Cooke	Tammy Cooke Matthew Cooke
3/20/14	Hanna Larrbee-Porcaro	Cynthia Larrabee-Charbonneau Matthew Porcaro
4/8/14	Reed Preston	Adrien Preston Christopher Preston
5/13/14	Graham Daly	Zara Daly Andrew Daly
4/28/14	Reese LaRocque Curler	Kari LaRocque-Curler Bradley Curler
3/31/14	Colton Dike	Abigail DuBois Sean Dike
6/5/14	Noela Kelly	Alyka Kelly Jeremy Kelly
6/24/14	Jayce Stearns	Heidi Stearns Daniel Stearns
7/7/14	Ruby Wells	Jaime Wells Joseph Wells
7/23/14	Kyler Lavalla	Hannah Lavalla Jordan Lavalla

BIRTHS

<u>DOB</u>	<u>BABY'S NAME</u>	<u>PARENT'S NAMES</u>
8/24/14	Anastasia Quiet	Hilary Payne-Vinick Michael Quiet
9/14/14	Finn Smith	Tara Smith Benjamin Smith
11/12/14	Albee Jerger	Pilar Rinder Goddard Jeffrey Jerger
12/1/14	Zoey Kress	Becky Kress Gregory Kress
12/2/14	Emrys Yarbrough	Katherine Yarbrough Finn Yarbrough
12/20/14	Mikayla Crossman	Tammy Crossman Daniel Crossman



Grace Hall Pugh's first school. The Satterly School. Circa 1920. Students (in no particular order) included Lucy Ryder, Frank Birkett, Keith Tupper, Rachel Rider, Lena Ball, Mary DeMello, Jack Ball, Jessie Ball, Carrie Rider, Tommy Ball, John Maloney, Catherine Rider, Warner Field. Photo courtesy of Suzanne Hinsdale.

DEATHS

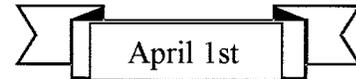
<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>AGE</u>
Lester Case, Sr.	February	75
Samuel Essex	February	87
Pauline Curler	March	86
Helen-Mary Danyow	May	79
Julia Elzinga	June	80
Wilma Dam	July	79
Donald Brooks	July	89
Eunice Flynn	August	88
Ava Beenen	August	70
William Oosterman	August	89
Stephen McGinnis	September	55
Daniel Ryan	September	74
Irene LeBoeuf	November	87
Mary Morris	December	98

CIVIL MARRIAGES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
April	Katherine Rich Travis Marcotte	North Ferrisburgh North Ferrisburgh
May	Patrick Lane Jan Hocker	New York New York
May	Melissa Swanson Eugene Bradford	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
May	Michelle Gagne Sidney Claflin III	North Ferrisburgh North Ferrisburgh
June	Sarah Stewart Justin Bishop	North Ferrisburgh North Ferrisburgh
June	Sarah Bunnell Timothy Baptie	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
June	Molly Prouty DJ Slothower	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
August	Olivia Teer Matthew Sevey	Massachusetts Massachusetts
August	Rachael Birch Hanee Patenaude	North Ferrisburgh North Ferrisburgh
August	Marc Courcy Vanessa Bissonette	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
September	Rachel Benjamin Neil Solis	North Ferrisburgh North Ferrisburgh
September	Amy Laroche Brian McGrath	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
October	Lisa Saul Kathryn Kresge	Pennsylvania Pennsylvania
October	Cathy Auman David Gebo	North Carolina Ferrisburgh
October	Jessica Spadaccini Michael Bissonette	Ferrisburgh Ferrisburgh
October	Logan Blacklock Maia Jones	New York Ferrisburgh

Zoning Permit Summary

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
New Houses	3	4	9	4	4
Seasonal to Full Time	0	1	0	0	0
Total New Residences	3	5	9	4	4
Replacement Houses	1	2	1	0	3
House Addition/Renovatio	20	15	12	20	11
Accessory Apartments	1	1	2	2	2
Garage/Barn/Shed	21	22	23	19	22
Decks/Porches	1	1	3	3	10
Renewals	6	7	7	5	10
Pools/Ponds/Fences	1	4	3	4	5
Driveways	0	0	0	0	0
Repair/Maintenance	1	2	0	0	0
Recreation	0	0	0	2	0
Temporary Structures	0	0	0	1	0
Withdrawn	0	0	1	0	0
Commercial	1	3	1	2	3
Signs	5	1	2	4	1
Denied	0	0	0	1	0
Variances	1	0	3	3	1
Boundary Adjustments	3	1	2	1	6
Sketch Plans	9	3	4	1	4
Preliminary Plats	2	1	3	0	0
Final Plats	3	0	3	3	0
2-Lot Subdivisions	4	8	1	6	7
Violations	1	0	2	0	0
Certificate of Compliance	35	28	39	42	31
Building Envelope	0	0	0	0	2
Other	0	5	0	1	2
Conditional Use	8	11	23	28	
Additions to Accessory Bldg	4				
Amendment	4				
Appeals	2				
Total Permit Applications	137	116	134	152	120



Remember to register your dog!

On or Before April 1

All we need is a copy of your dogs
valid rabies certificate.

Cost is \$8.00 for a neutered/spayed dog
\$12.00 if not neutered/spayed
\$10.00 after April 1st for neutered/spayed
\$16.00 after April 1st for unneutered/spayed



Photo of the Devine's Service Center located in Ferrisburgh Center. Taken in 1959. Courtesy of the UVM Photo Archives.

2014 Highway Report

The Ferrisburgh Highway Department had a very productive year. Since our last report we rebounded from the cold, snowy and icy winter. Spring found us adding material to all our gravel roads and repairing many areas that were affected by the cold and wet weather.

Some of our summer projects included rebuilding a portion of Fuller Mountain Road, replacing a large failed culvert on Basin Harbor Road, removing stumps, replacing many failed culverts, reshaping ditches and stone lining them to prevent erosion.

Our Town Highway facility also started this past construction season. Through out the summer we prepped our site by improving drainage, installing base material, shooting grades and laying out the building. We received our State building permit in October and Parent Construction moved in to perform the concrete work. Concrete was finished in mid-November but due to scheduling conflicts work did not begin on the steel structure until the last week of January. Once the steel is erected, our sub-contractors will start installing all the electrical and mechanical components. One of the change orders includes adding a sprinkler system to the project. This combined with an automatic alarm system should safeguard our investment in case of a fire. At this point we hope to be moving into our new facility in late April or early May. We are planning on hosting Ferrisburgh Day this upcoming fall so all can have a tour of your new facility.

Currently we are working our way through another difficult winter. Extreme temperature fluctuations have made it difficult to keep our roads safe and smooth. One day our crew is plowing snow, followed by rain and icy roads. Winter is also a time to service and repair all our equipment and make sure it is ready for the upcoming construction season. Our single axle Plow truck was scheduled to be replaced last year. In our effort to contain our budget we had decided to put off that purchase until this year's budget. In December we had the opportunity to purchase a low mileage single axle truck with equipment for \$50,000.00. Thanks to our equipment replacement fund and the foresight of our Selectboard we were able to take advantage of this great deal.

It has been our long term policy to maintain our 51 miles of pavement and slowly upgrade our gravel roads. As pavement prices have tripled in the last 15 years, we have struggled to fund our pavement maintenance fund let alone consider upgrading and paving any gravel roads. In the past few years we have had requests from residents living on gravel roads to upgrade and pave them. There are many factors to take into consideration when deciding to pave a gravel road. In most cases the gravel road needs to be rebuilt and widened. Yearly maintenance costs on a paved road triples compared to gravel roads. When a gravel road is paved, traffic, speed and use increases. The approximate cost to rebuild one mile of gravel road to prepare for pavement is \$150,000.00 per mile. The cost to pave one mile at current cost is \$450,000.00. The Ferrisburgh Selectboard and the Highway Department are taking these requests seriously, our main issue is how to pay for these improvements. We understand that farm traffic has increased dramatically in both numbers, width and weight. Also many locals try to circumvent Route 7 when at all possible. Any major improvement on any of our roads must meet our current road standards, consider the need for pedestrian traffic, bike traffic, and the effect on storm water runoff.

Upcoming projects for the construction season will include replacing many failed culverts. On Fuller Mountain Road alone we are aware of over 12 that will need to be replaced. We have a large culvert on the Route 7 end of Plank Road that we plan to replace and lengthen at the same time. Currently there are not any shoulders at this location creating a driving hazard.

I would like to thank my dedicated crew, Paul Bodington, Aaron Schondube, Tim Warner, and Neil Allen. None of these improvements or maintenance items could be accomplished within budget without their dedication and performance. The Town of Ferrisburgh is blessed with a dedicated group of employees who are always ready to accept any project or challenge.

Thank You
John W. Bull

**TOWN PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT
ESTIMATED VALUE**

Fire Station Building, Land and Improvements	\$295,000.00
Town Garage, Salt Shed, Tool Shed, Land	\$208,000.00
New Town Highway Facility, (Fnd., drainage, septic, elec.)	\$450,000.00
Center School/Historical Society	\$127,000.00
Town Clerk's Office and Community Center	\$2,800,000.00
Town Clerk's Office Contents	\$20,000.00
Union Meeting Hall, Old Shed, Land	\$267,000.00
Town Forest	\$194,000.00
Town Beach	\$296,000.00
Gravel Pit	\$57,500.00
2001 Chevrolet K2500 & Plow & Sander	\$6,000.00
Truck # 1 - 2010 International (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$139,751.00
Truck # 2 - 2006 International (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$91,000.00
Truck # 4 - 2012 Mack Tandem (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$172,917.00
Truck # 3 - 2002 International (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$20,000.00
Vehicle # 4 - 2004 John Deere Grader 772CH	\$131,046.00
Vehicle # 5 - 410G John Deere Loader/Backhoe	\$30,900.00
Truck # 6 - Freightliner FL70 (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$28,664.00
Truck # 9 - 2005 International (Plow, Sander, Equipment)	\$75,000.00
Vehicle # 7 - 2005 John Deere 6710 Tractor	\$15,000.00
Vehicle # 8 - 1999 John Deere Loader	\$50,000.00
Chipper	\$15,000.00
2011 Roadside Mower #1	\$14,500.00
2002 Dodge 1 ton	\$18,386.00
1999 25 ton trailer	\$4,800.00
2011 J.D. Excavator	\$95,000.00
Plows	\$15,500.00
Grader Plow & Wing	\$6,000.00
Plasma cutter	\$500.00
Welder	\$1,500.00
Chain Saws	\$1,600.00
Small Tools	\$6,000.00
Power Tamper	\$1,500.00
Compressor	\$1,000.00
Culvert Thawer & Trailer	\$1,000.00
York Rake	\$250.00
2-Way Radios	\$4,400.00
Pressure Washer	\$1,200.00
Chloride pump, Tank, Trailer	\$2,000.00
Computer & Accessories	\$1,800.00
TOTAL	<u>\$5,666,714.00</u>



Proven Expertise and Integrity

November 7, 2014

Board of Selectmen
Town of Ferrisburgh
P.O. Box 6
Ferrisburgh, Vermont 05456

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Ferrisburgh, Vermont, for the year ended June 30, 2014.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Ferrisburgh, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town of Ferrisburgh, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurances that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal that we consider to be significant deficiencies but that we did not consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in design exists when:

- A control necessary to meet the control objective is missing; or
- An existing control is not properly designed so that, even if the control operates as designed, the control objective would not be met.

A deficiency in operation exists when:

- A properly designed control does not operate as designed; or
- The person performing the control does not possess the necessary authority or competence to perform the control effectively.

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A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

These matters do not modify our opinion on the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2014, where we expressed an unqualified opinion on our independent auditors' report dated October 31, 2014.

Significant Deficiency:

Capital Plan:

The Town should review its current capital and infrastructure needs short term and long term from all Town departments. By this we mean that the Town should create a list of major capital items it may need to replace in the upcoming years with an estimated replacement cost. We recommend that the Town incorporate this into a formal five or more year plan, thus a Capital Plan. With a formal Capital Plan the Town should identify items needed based on priority and identify a means of paying for these items. We would recommend that the Town pay for these items with equal annual appropriations to a capital fund. Thus, when employed, the capital plan would allow for the Town to pay for major items with a consistent effect on its tax rate and possibly prevent the Town from borrowing to pay for these items.

Approved Timesheet's:

We noted during the above mentioned year audited that while performing our payroll test that one of the selected participants time sheet was not approved. We recommend prior to the payment of any payroll, unless another written arrangement exists with the Town that all timesheets and invoices prior to payment be approved.

General Ledger Reconciliations:

All general ledger accounts should be reconciled on a monthly basis and, if necessary to subsidiary ledgers. At the time of audit fieldwork cash was reconciled but had a variance. This was caused by timing differences with the generating of software reports and reconciliation. We believe these errors were unintentional. The Town needs to reconcile all variances to \$0 monthly. The Town should perform all reconciliations within 21 days from month end. We recommend that any adjustments necessary to balance accounts to detail records and / or subsidiary ledgers also be reviewed by the Town's finance person before posting. In addition, it was also noticed that a CD for a trust account was not on the Town's general ledger. We recommend all accounts at the Town be included within the Towns general ledger.

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This letter is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, and others within the Town and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to thank Garrit, Pam and all of the staff at the Town for all of their cooperation throughout this audit process.

If there are any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to call.

Very Best,

RHR Smith & Company

RHR Smith & Company, C.P.A.'s



The Vermont Ukulele Society on Ferrisburgh Day. This year Ferrisburgh Day will be held at the town highway garage on September 12th. Photo courtesy of Charlie Shapiro.

SCHEDULE 1

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VERMONT

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance - July 1	\$ 322,883	\$ 322,883	\$ 322,883	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Property Taxes	7,122,007	7,122,007	7,105,093	(16,914)
Intergovernmental revenues	273,500	273,500	288,647	15,147
Charges for services	72,700	72,700	74,737	2,037
Interest income	33,350	33,350	35,421	2,071
Other revenue	2,000	2,000	3,104	1,104
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>7,826,440</u>	<u>7,826,440</u>	<u>7,829,885</u>	<u>3,445</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	361,605	361,605	387,270	(25,665)
Public safety	139,875	139,875	148,150	(8,275)
Highway	742,049	742,049	700,195	41,854
Employee benefits	130,480	130,480	123,777	6,703
Grant funds	-	42,854	42,818	36
Education	5,833,180	5,833,180	5,833,180	-
Tax assessments	86,442	86,442	79,712	6,730
Town meeting - voted authorizations	30,340	30,340	30,340	-
Contingency	6,000	6,000	3,841	2,159
Debt service				
Principal	118,294	118,294	120,829	(2,535)
Interest	5,292	5,292	1,792	3,500
Transfers to other funds	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>7,503,557</u>	<u>7,546,411</u>	<u>7,521,904</u>	<u>24,507</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 322,883</u>	<u>\$ 280,029</u>	<u>\$ 307,981</u>	<u>\$ 27,952</u>
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 42,854</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (42,854)</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT C

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VERMONT

BALANCE SHEET -- GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2014

	General Fund	Highway Facility Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 672,610	\$ -	\$ 13,201	\$ 685,811
Investments	-	-	4,000	4,000
Taxes receivable	221,471	-	-	221,471
Other receivable	2,426	-	-	2,426
Prepaid expenses	12,588	-	-	12,588
Due from other funds	-	156,390	219,543	375,933
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 909,095	\$ 156,390	\$ 236,744	\$ 1,302,229
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 79,388	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 79,388
Accrued expenses	2,835	-	-	2,835
Due to other funds	375,933	-	-	375,933
TOTAL LIABILITIES	458,156	-	-	458,156
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Prepaid taxes	1,858	-	-	1,858
Deferred property tax	141,100	-	-	141,100
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	142,958	-	-	142,958
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	-	-	18,472	18,472
Committed	100,000	156,390	100,000	356,390
Assigned	-	-	118,272	118,272
Unassigned	207,981	-	-	207,981
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	307,981	156,390	236,744	701,115
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 909,095	\$ 156,390	\$ 236,744	\$ 1,302,229

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT E

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VERMONT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	General Fund	Highway Facility Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 7,105,093	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,105,093
Intergovernmental	288,647	-	22,228	310,875
Interest income	35,421	-	55	35,476
Charges for services	74,737	-	35,870	110,607
Miscellaneous	3,104	-	22,769	25,873
TOTAL REVENUES	7,507,002	-	80,922	7,587,924
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	387,270	-	52,671	439,941
Public safety	148,150	-	-	148,150
Highway	700,195	51,807	-	752,002
Employee benefits	123,777	-	-	123,777
Grant funds	42,818	-	-	42,818
Education	5,833,180	-	-	5,833,180
Tax assessments	79,712	-	-	79,712
Town meeting - voted authorizations	30,340	-	-	30,340
Contingency	3,841	-	-	3,841
Debt service:				
Principal	120,829	-	-	120,829
Interest	1,792	-	-	1,792
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,471,904	51,807	52,671	7,576,382
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	35,098	(51,807)	28,251	11,542
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers in	-	-	50,000	50,000
Operating transfers (out)	(50,000)	-	-	(50,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(50,000)	-	50,000	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(14,902)	(51,807)	78,251	11,542
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	322,883	208,197	158,493	689,573
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 307,981	\$ 156,390	\$ 236,744	\$ 701,115

See accompanying independent auditors report and notes to financial statements.

SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VERMONT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2014

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,201	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,201
Investments	-	-	4,000	4,000
Due from other funds	95,775	114,334	9,434	219,543
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 108,976	\$ 114,334	\$ 13,434	\$ 236,744
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	5,038	-	13,434	18,472
Committed	-	100,000	-	100,000
Assigned	103,938	14,334	-	118,272
Unassigned	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	108,976	114,334	13,434	236,744
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 108,976	\$ 114,334	\$ 13,434	\$ 236,744

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

SCHEDULE C

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH, VERMONT

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 7,646	\$ 14,582	\$ -	\$ 22,228
Interest income	-	-	55	55
Charges for services	35,870	-	-	35,870
Other income	22,769	-	-	22,769
TOTAL REVENUES	66,285	14,582	55	80,922
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Other	24,138	28,533	-	52,671
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	24,138	28,533	-	52,671
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	42,147	(13,951)	55	28,251
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers in	-	50,000	-	50,000
Operating transfers (out)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	50,000	-	50,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	42,147	36,049	55	78,251
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	66,829	78,285	13,379	158,493
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 108,976	\$ 114,334	\$ 13,434	\$ 236,744

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

Ferrisburgh Town Audit Committee Report for the year end June 30, 2014

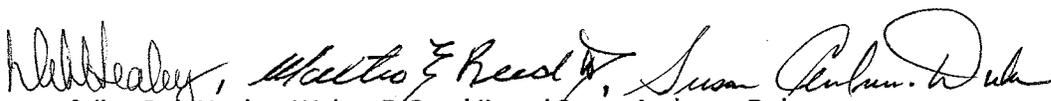
We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Ferrisburgh as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014 prescribed under Vermont State Article 24 Section 1681-1684. The financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We performed limited testing of selected disbursements, billings, tax statements, payroll and other financial transactions and reviewed internal controls.

We met with our CPA firm (RHR Smith & Company) prior to the audit to review our concerns and provide them with any results of our limited testing for their consideration.

We attended a select board meeting with Ron Smith, Town Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer to go over their findings and address any issues they had. All questions on their findings were answered. The Town's generated trial balance agreed to the Town's audited financial statement

We would like to thank the Town staff for their assistance throughout the audit process and their willingness to listen and discuss the findings and implement recommendations offered by the CPA Audit Committee. We will continue to work with the Select Board and the Town staff to resolve any audit findings and improve our processes prior to the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.


Respectfully: Deb Healey, Walter E. Reed II, and Susan Andrews-Duke

NOTES AND BONDS

TOWN HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTER BOND

July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2014

Outstanding 7/1/13	\$70,000.00
Notes Paid	<u>\$35,000.00</u>
Balance 6/30/14	\$35,000.00

2011 TANDEM TRUCK BOND

July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2014

Outstanding 7/1/13	\$145,000.00
Notes Paid	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
Balance 6/30/14	\$105,000.00

2009 TANDEM TRUCK BOND

July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2014

Outstanding 7/1/13	\$60,000.00
Notes Paid	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
Balance 6/30/14	\$30,000.00

FORMER SISTER'S PROPERTY MORTGAGE

July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2014

Outstanding 7/1/13	\$135,000.00
Notes Paid	<u>\$7,500.00</u>
Balance 6/30/14	\$127,500.00

TOTAL BONDS AND NOTES OUTSTANDING as of 6/30/14	\$297,500.00
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NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS
From 7/1/2013 through 6/30/2014

Town of Ferrisburgh Reappraisal Account

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$28,285.22
Payment from State	\$14,582.50
Minus expenses	\$28,533.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$14,334.72

Town of Ferrisburgh Highway Facility Account

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$208,197.00
Minus expenses	\$51,807.45
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$156,389.55

Town Hall and Community Center Account

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$14,135.21
Plus Revenues	\$277.00
Minus Expenses	\$829.95
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$13,582.26

Town Hall and Community Center Maintenance Fund

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$5,950.00
Rental Revenue Received	\$3,200.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$9,150.00

Undesignated Fund Balance

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$230,029.00
Amount reduced at year end	\$22,048.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$207,981.00

Town Clerk's Records and Restoration Fund Account

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$18,880.86
Plus Revenues	\$2,794.14
Minus Expenses	\$0.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$21,675.00

Cemetery Investment Account

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$4,000.00
Plus Revenues	0
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$4,000.00

NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS
From 7/1/2013 through 6/30/2014
Continued

Cemetery Account Funds

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$9,379.20
Plus Revenues	\$54.75
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$9,433.95

Lister's Education Fund

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$2,108.23
Plus Revenues from State	\$398.36
Minus Expenses	\$125.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$2,381.59

Health Reimbursement Account

7/1/2013 Beginning Balance	\$4,509.87
Plus Deposits	\$18,814.00
Minus Expenses	\$10,122.89
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$13,200.98

Miscellaneous Funds

7/01/2013 Beginning Balance	\$18,051.45
Deposits	\$35,950.00
Expenditures	\$5,014.29
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$48,987.16

Planning Grant

7/1/2013 Beginning Balance	\$3,194.00
Plus Deposits	\$4,852.00
Minus Expenses	\$8,046.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$0.00

Fire Department Truck

7/1/2013 Beginning Balance	\$30,000.00
Plus Deposits	\$30,000.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$60,000.00

Highway Contingency

7/1/2013 Beginning Balance	\$20,000.00
Plus Deposits	\$20,000.00
Ending Balance 6/30/2014	\$40,000.00

Town of Ferrisburgh Select Board Annual Report

The Ferrisburgh Select Board would like to recognize and thank all the members of the Ferrisburgh Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Their dedication to our community is above and beyond the call of duty! The Board also would like to give special thanks to all the many community citizens for volunteering for the various boards, commissions, and other committees. Our town is truly fortunate to have people step forward, serve on local government, listen to all sides of the conservation, and do what it best for their town, as a whole.

The Board would also like to thank our Town Employees: Town Clerk, Gloria Warden; Town Treasurer, Garrit Smits; Ass't. Town Clerk/Treasurer, Pamela Cousino; Zoning Administrator, Kenneth Wheeling; Road Foreman, John Bull; and our Highway Crew, Paul Bodington, Timothy Warner, Aaron Schondube, and Neil Allen.

There have been many changes in the town offices and in the highway department over the past year. The town has elected a new Town Clerk, Gloria Warden, and a new Town Treasurer, Garrit Smits. The town has also hired a 5th, full-time, highway crew member, Neil Allen.

The Select Board continues to work diligently, at the recommendation of our new outside auditing firm and the League of Cities and Towns, to create and adopt many new policies for the Town of Ferrisburgh.

The town website is a continual work in progress. The Board is working to improve, update, and maintain the site. The Board would like to give a special thank you to Betsy Etchells for her expertise and help with maintaining the website.

Reminder, Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 28th, at 10:00 am, at Ferrisburgh Central School. Australian ballot voting will take place on the official Town Meeting Day, on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at the Town Offices on Route 7.

The Board values our citizens' input. The Board encourages each and everyone one of you to participate in Town government. We welcome all of you at our Select Board meetings. We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. The Select Board email address is: ferrisburghselectboard@comcast.net

Remember, your vote counts! Please vote on March 3rd and come to our Town Meeting Day on Saturday, February 28th!

Sincerely,

Loretta Lawrence, Chairman
James Benoit
Stephen Gutowski
Sally Torrey
James Warden

TOWN OF FERRISBURGH SELECTBOARD 2015/2016 BUDGET						
REVENUE						
ACCOUNT	GENERAL TOWN FUND	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	7/1/15 - 6/30/16
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROJECTED	PROPOSED BUDGET
00	Fund Balance - June 30, 2014	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$74,369
2000-00-05	Property Taxes - (All sources)	7122007	\$7,105,093	\$1,175,788	\$1,175,788	\$1,272,170
2000-00-10	Delinquent Tax Interest	\$18,000	\$19,771	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$20,000
2000-00-90	Delinquent Tax Penalty	\$15,000	\$15,538	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
2000-00-15	Vermont State Mileage Aid	\$156,000	\$161,906	\$162,000	\$161,737	\$161,000
2000-00-12	State School Tax Coll. Reimbursement	\$12,500	\$16,793	\$15,000	\$17,168	\$16,000
2000-00-20	Railroad Tax/State Land Tax/PILOT	\$50,000	\$50,534	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
2000-00-25	Liquor License Fees	\$650	\$2,400	\$650	\$650	\$2,000
2000-00-30	Highway Department and Culverts	\$1,250	\$3,742	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
2000-00-35	Overweight Permits	\$1,000	\$910	\$700	\$700	\$800
2000-00.70	Velco Payment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$72,619	\$0
2000-00-40	Zoning Fees	\$13,000	\$11,952	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$12,000
2000-00-45	Land Recording & Other Clerk Fees	\$32,000	\$30,396	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$32,000
2000-00-26	Marriage, Dog, Hunting & Misc. Fees	\$9,800	\$7,568	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$8,000
2000-00-50	Police Fines	\$9,000	\$11,770	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$10,000
2000-00-80	Union Meeting Hall Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,600	\$4,800
2000-00-55	Sister's Property Rental Fees	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
2000-00-60	State - Current Landuse	\$55,000	\$59,414	\$57,000	\$83,546	\$80,000
2000-00-99	Miscellaneous	\$2,000	\$3,102	\$2,000	\$3,750	\$2,000
2000-00-65	Interest on Town Savings	\$350	\$112	\$200	\$200	\$200
	REVENUE TOTAL	\$7,503,557	\$7,507,002	\$1,674,338	\$1,780,758	\$1,768,339
	BUDGET SUMMARY					
	Administration/General Government	\$367,605	\$391,112	\$376,213	\$393,326	\$369,363
	Highway Department	\$762,049	\$763,013	\$763,748	\$789,642	\$835,479
	Debt Service	\$123,586	\$122,621	\$148,913	\$188,172	\$128,319
	Employee Benefits	\$130,480	\$123,777	\$119,585	\$133,792	\$156,523
	Taxes - Contracts (Fire and Police)	\$256,317	\$257,863	\$265,879	\$280,252	\$278,655
	Town Meeting - Voted Authorizations	\$30,340	\$30,340	\$30,840	\$30,840	\$0
	Education	\$5,833,180	\$5,833,180	\$7,017,022	\$7,017,022	\$0
	EXPENSE TOTAL W/ EDUCATION	\$7,503,557	\$7,521,906	\$8,722,200	\$8,833,045	
	EXPENSE TOTAL W/O EDUCATION	\$1,670,377	\$1,688,726	\$1,705,178	\$1,816,023	\$1,768,339

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	Administration/General Government					
3000-10	Selectboard Salaries	\$3,800	\$2,400	\$3,800	\$3,100	\$3,800
3000-11	Selectboard Expenses	\$100	\$63	\$100	\$100	\$100
3080-62	Annual Report Expenses	\$6,500	\$5,683	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$5,500
3310-20	Elections/Town Meetings	\$700	\$1,258	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,900
	Union Meeting Hall					
3310-68	Maintenance	\$10,000	\$8,050	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
3310-76	Electricity - Union Meeting Hall	\$400	\$260	\$280	\$67	\$0
3310-78	Water - Union Meeting Hall	\$728	\$240	\$240	\$80	\$0
	TOTAL	\$22,228	\$17,954	\$22,620	\$21,547	\$21,300
	Town Clerk's Office					
3400-10.02	Wages - Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$40,040	\$28,278	\$0	\$0	\$0
3400-10.00	Wages - Town Clerk	\$0	\$13,769	\$20,800	\$43,680	\$43,680
3400-10.30	Wages - Treasurer	\$0	\$11,997	\$20,800	\$33,660	\$28,080
3400-10.05	Wages - Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer	\$38,960	\$40,397	\$40,415	\$36,335	\$30,311
3400-10.10	Wages - Zoning Admin.	\$15,600	\$14,169	\$15,600	\$15,600	\$16,000
3400-10.15	Wages - Overtime	\$4,500	\$2,273	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$2,000
3400-10.20	Wages - Contingency	\$4,000	\$0	\$24,000	\$2,080	\$3,100
3400-10.25	Wages - Delinquent Tax Penalty	\$14,000	\$13,770	\$3,000	\$14,000	\$14,000
3400-10.40	Wages - Minute Taker	\$0	\$445	\$0	\$2,700	\$2,500
3400-19	Town & Vital Land Books	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
3400-20	Office Supplies	\$6,500	\$6,919	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
3400-21	Office Equipment/Leased Equipment	\$15,000	\$14,249	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$10,000
3400-25	Town Web Site	\$1,000	\$450	\$1,000	\$450	\$1,000
6310-10	Web Site Coordinator	\$0	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$600
	TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$600
3400-30	Advertising	\$3,000	\$3,618	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$4,000
3400-34	Telephone	\$4,000	\$3,549	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$3,500
3400-40	Workshops/Meetings/Dues	\$1,300	\$1,100	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
3400-60	Marriage, Dog Hunting & Misc. Fees	\$8,800	\$6,450	\$9,000	\$7,000	\$5,500
3420-45	Auditors, Professional Audit	\$5,500	\$6,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$9,000
3430-45	Board of Listers/Professional Appraiser	\$47,500	\$53,317	\$47,400	\$47,400	\$46,600
3430-50	Board of Listers Salaries	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
3430-55	Reappraisal	\$0	\$26,369	\$0	\$0	\$0
3510-60	Town Attorney/Legal Expenses - Select	\$10,000	\$4,822	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,000
3510-61	Town Attorney/Legal Expenses - Zoning	\$5,000	\$320	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
3620-48	Zoning/Planning Expenses	\$2,500	\$118	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
3630-48	Conservation Commission	\$200	\$50	\$200	\$200	\$200
3640-00	Recycling	\$12,000	\$11,400	\$12,500	\$11,600	\$12,700
3710-48	General Liability/Hazard Insurance	\$33,016	\$34,352	\$39,257	\$35,609	\$35,656
3710-49	Worker's Compensation	\$11,483	\$12,014	\$13,793	\$16,937	\$20,408
	TOTAL	\$287,799	\$313,094	\$309,265	\$328,751	\$314,735

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	Town Offices/Community Center					
3710-86	Electricity - Town Offices/Comm. Ctr	\$3,800	\$4,064	\$3,900	\$3,900	\$4,200
3710-87	Heating Fuel - Town Offices/Comm. Ctr	\$5,500	\$6,517	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$6,000
3710-88	Water - Town Offices/Comm. Ctr	\$728	\$728	\$728	\$728	\$728
3710-85	Town Offices Routine Maintenance	\$10,000	\$12,922	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$11,000
3710-89	Town Office Parking Lot Paving	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
3710-93	Sister's Property Maintenance	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
	TOTAL	\$38,028	\$40,231	\$22,128	\$22,128	\$23,928
	Miscellaneous					
3710-69	Public Buildings Grounds Maintenance	\$10,500	\$13,955	\$12,000	\$11,200	\$0
9000-91	Interest Expenses - Town Operating	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$500
9900-79	Contingency	\$6,000	\$3,841	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$4,500
9900-80	Mileage	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500
5610-68	Town Beach Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
6100-10	Health Officer Salary	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
6100-20	Health Officer Expenses	\$100	\$52	\$100	\$100	\$300
6200-10	Animal Control Officer Salary	\$600	\$600	\$750	\$750	\$750
6200-20	ACHS Contracts - Plus	\$800	\$550	\$800	\$800	\$800
6100-40	Animal Control Officer - Mileage/Expenses	\$300	\$84	\$300	\$300	\$300
	TOTAL	\$19,550	\$19,832	\$22,200	\$20,900	\$9,400

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	Highway Department					
	Payroll					
5100-10.00	Wages - Road Foreman	\$49,317	\$51,658	\$50,780	\$50,780.00	\$51,813.00
5100-10.05	Wages - Road Crew	\$110,137	\$115,885	\$113,990	\$139,884.00	\$116,688.00
5100-10.10	Wages - Overtime	\$30,000	\$42,332	\$34,000	\$34,000.00	\$34,000.00
5100-10.15	Wages - Temporary	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000.00	\$1,500.00
5100-10.17	Wages - Lawn Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0.00	\$8,400.00
5100-10.18	Wages - Winter Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0.00	\$22,800.00
5100-10.16	Highway Wages - Contingency	\$5,600	\$0	\$5,750	\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00
	Maintenance - Town Highways					
5110-47	Chloride	\$28,500	\$28,500	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
5110-68	Gravel Road Repairs/Maintenance (Con	\$35,000	\$34,968	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
5100-89	Paving	\$180,000	\$117,948	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$225,000
5100-90	Guard Rails	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5110-91	Painting Class 2 Roads/Line Strips	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
5140-21	Winter Maintenance Materials (Salt/San	\$60,000	\$69,478	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$72,000
5220-49	Culverts	\$6,500	\$4,984	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
5281-21	Street/Traffic Signs	\$6,000	\$2,729	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
5330-66	Rented Services/Equipment	\$12,267	\$20,852	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$6,500
5110-68.05	Road Construction/Bridge Repair	\$75,000	\$82,682	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
5110-68.10	New Const. Rented Services/Equipment	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
5310-00	Grant Expenditures	\$0	\$42,818	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Town Garage/Yard					
5310-21	Shop Supplies/Equipment	\$10,000	\$10,212	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$4,000
5310-34	Telephone	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$1,000
5310-68	Maintenance	\$10,000	\$3,430	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,000
5310-69	Water	\$728	\$728	\$728	\$728	\$728
5310-76	Electricity	\$2,300	\$2,445	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
	Vehicles/Equipment					
5310-73	New Shop Heat	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$3,000
5310-74	LP Bulk GAS N/T	\$10,000	\$10,592	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
5310-75	Diesel Fuel	\$55,000	\$62,270	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000
5330-21	Operation/Gas	\$3,000	\$3,689	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$4,000
5330-68	Maintenance/Repair/Equipment	\$40,000	\$29,812	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$46,000
5332-00	Highway Contingency Fund	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
	TOTAL	\$762,049	\$763,013	\$763,748	\$789,642	\$835,479

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		7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/13 - 6/30/14	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	7/1/15 - 6/30/16		
	Debt Service										
5330-92	Truck - Bond 2011	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
5330-93	Truck - Bond Interest 2011	\$1,927	\$1,927	\$1,927	\$1,927	\$1,495	\$1,495	\$1,495	\$1,495	\$979	\$979
5331-98	2009 Tandem Truck Bond Payment	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$0
5331-99	2009 Tandem Truck Interest on Bond	\$1,126	\$1,126	\$1,125	\$1,125	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$0	\$0
5331-97	Excavator	\$0	\$0			\$12,667	\$12,667	\$12,267	\$12,267	\$12,267	\$12,267
5331-90	Highway Facility Bond	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500
5331-91	Highway Facility Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$17,656	\$17,656	\$25,263	\$25,263
3710-90	Town Offices Bond Payment	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$0
3710-91	Town Offices Interest on Bond	\$2,239	\$2,239	\$2,181	\$2,181	\$753	\$753	\$753	\$753	\$0	\$0
3710-92	Sister's Property Payments	\$13,294	\$13,294	\$12,388	\$12,388	\$12,600	\$12,600	\$13,103	\$13,103	\$12,310	\$12,310
	TOTAL	\$123,586	\$123,586	\$122,621	\$122,621	\$148,913	\$148,913	\$188,172	\$188,172	\$128,319	\$128,319
	Employee Benefits/Insurance										
9700-15	Municipal Retirement System	\$15,045	\$15,045	\$16,776	\$16,776	\$15,460	\$15,460	\$18,605	\$18,605	\$19,705	\$19,705
9720-14	Unemployment Compensation	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,223	\$1,223	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
9730-13	Social Security - Employer's Share	\$24,090	\$24,090	\$26,968	\$26,968	\$26,400	\$26,400	\$28,951	\$28,951	\$29,890	\$29,890
9740-12	Medical Insurance	\$81,545	\$81,545	\$70,188	\$70,188	\$66,600	\$66,600	\$74,230	\$74,230	\$94,600	\$94,600
9740-13	Disability/Life Insurance	\$8,300	\$8,300	\$8,622	\$8,622	\$9,425	\$9,425	\$10,306	\$10,306	\$10,628	\$10,628
	TOTAL	\$130,480	\$130,480	\$123,777	\$123,777	\$119,585	\$119,585	\$133,792	\$133,792	\$156,523	\$156,523
	Taxes - Assessment										
9300-51	Addison County Tax	\$27,200	\$27,200	\$20,470	\$20,470	\$21,900	\$21,900	\$23,646	\$23,646	\$24,500	\$24,500
9390-52	Vermont League of Cities & Towns	\$3,606	\$3,606	\$3,606	\$3,606	\$3,836	\$3,836	\$3,836	\$3,836	\$3,944	\$3,944
9391-53	Addison County Regional Planning Com	\$3,077	\$3,077	\$3,077	\$3,077	\$3,244	\$3,244	\$3,244	\$3,244	\$3,321	\$3,321
9400-00	Bixby Memorial Library	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559	\$52,559
	TOTAL	\$86,442	\$86,442	\$79,712	\$79,712	\$81,539	\$81,539	\$83,285	\$83,285	\$84,324	\$84,324
	Public Safety (Fire Protection & Police)										
9392-54	Law Enforcement	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$24,323	\$24,323	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$24,500	\$24,500	\$25,000	\$25,000
9393-55	Ferrisburgh Volunteer Fire Department	\$64,400	\$64,400	\$64,400	\$64,400	\$65,250	\$65,250	\$65,250	\$65,250	\$68,625	\$68,625
9000-94	Fire Station Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,900	\$8,900	\$8,900	\$8,900	\$0	\$0
9000-92	Fire Truck Fund	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
9394-55.05	Vergennes Fire Department - Contract	\$47,600	\$47,600	\$44,416	\$44,416	\$46,650	\$46,650	\$47,777	\$47,777	\$50,166	\$50,166
9395-55.10	Vergennes Fire Department - Extra	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,136	\$1,136	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
9395-60	Vergennes Area Rescue Squad	\$13,875	\$13,875	\$13,875	\$13,875	\$18,040	\$18,040	\$18,040	\$18,040	\$18,040	\$18,040
	TOTAL	\$169,875	\$169,875	\$178,150	\$178,150	\$184,340	\$184,340	\$196,967	\$196,967	\$194,331	\$194,331

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	Town Meeting - Voted Authorizations					
9980-56.05	Homeward Bound (Humane Society)	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
9983-56.25	Addison County Transit Resources	\$2,412	\$2,412	\$2,412	\$2,412	\$2,412
9980-56.00	H O P E	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
9981-56.10	Addison County Court Diversion & Com.	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800
9982-56.10	Addison County Economic Development	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
9983-56.15	Addison County Home Health & Hospice	\$2,983	\$2,983	\$2,983	\$2,983	\$2,983
9979-56.00	Addison County Parent/Child Center	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600
9979-56.10	Addison County Readers, Inc.	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600
9998-56.30	Addison County River Watch Collaborat	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
9985-56.25	American Legion - Memorial Day Observ	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300
9979-56.55	Boys and Girls Club of Greater Vergenne	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
9987-56.35	Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100
9998-56.95	Community Health Services Open Door	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
9981-56.05	Counseling Service of Addison County, I	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650
9988-56.40	Elderly Services, Inc.	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100
9981-56.15	The Friends of the Vergennes Opera Hou	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
9990-56.50	Green Up Vermont	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
9991-56.60	Hospice Volunteer Services	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
9992-56.65	John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Serv	\$825	\$825	\$825	\$825	\$825
9998-56.10	Lewis Creek Association	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
9998-56.65	North Ferrisburgh Cemetery Association	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
9993-56.70	Otter Creek Natural Resources Conserva	\$275	\$275	\$275	\$275	\$275
9994-56.75	Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	\$210	\$210	\$210	\$210	\$210
9994-56.76	Rokeyby Museum	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
9996-56.85	Vermont Adult Learning	\$785	\$785	\$785	\$785	\$785
9997-56.90	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
9998-56.40	Gage Cemetery Association	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
9984-56.20	WomenSafe	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
9998-56-50	Union Cemetery Association	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
9998-56.60	Vergennes Summer Rec. Program	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
		\$30,340	\$30,340	\$30,840	\$30,840	\$30,840

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT
July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

Delinquent July 1, 2013	\$174,881.85	
Delinquent June 2, 2014	275,761.69	
Total delinquent		<u>\$450,643.54</u>
Collected July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014	\$229,172.80	
Delinquent June 30, 2014	221,470.74	
Total collected and delinquent June 30, 2014		<u>\$450,643.54</u>

Respectfully submitted



Chester Hawkins
Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Delinquent as of January 1, 2015

2012/13	Michael Louer
Randy Martin	Randy Martin
Wanda Pero Et Al	Timothy Mathewson
Thomas Tatro	Vicki Metiever-Emmons
2013/14	George Morrill
Timothy Barrows	Ralph Muzzy
Lauren Billing	Craig Nealy
David Booth	Jane Newkirk
Lisa Clayton	Wanda Pero Et Al
Christopher Dennis	John Pierce
Kim Goodell	Larry Russell Est
Roger Holzapfel	David Sordiff
Helen Huestis	Thomas Tatro
Michael Huestis	Philip Wildasin
Henry Kandzior Sr	

FERRISBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2014

Dear Ferrisburgh Residents:

The Ferrisburgh Fire Department has had a very active year. We responded to 71 emergencies in town and our surrounding communities. The firefighters spent 3000 hours training to improve their skills. Again for the third year in a row our department has been recognized as one the of leaders in training excellence by the Addison County Firefighters Association. A team from our department received specialized training in “rapid intervention rescue”, these advanced techniques are used for victim and firefighter recovery from structures.

I would like to congratulate Deputy Chief Mark Chaffee for receiving the Addison County Line Officer of the Year Award for 2014. Mark is a valuable member of our team, he is highly respected for his leadership and wisdom.

Two members of our department received high honors; by their peers on being inducted as Life Members to our organization. Both of these men have served the Ferrisburgh Fire Department for over twenty years and have dedicated countless hours in serving our community. The first member is Dave Grippin: Dave is our treasurer, and he has managed our finances for over 15 years. In this role Dave has carefully managed each penny of the Departments money, he is known in the department as “Iron Pockets” for his frugality. Dave is also our principle day-time driver for our engine, and he seldom misses calls, work details, and meetings. The second member is Deputy Chief Jon Soter; Jon has served the department as Secretary, Training Officer, and Deputy Chief. Jon is highly respected for his leadership, wisdom, and kindness. Jon has lead Ferrisburgh First Response, supported the Lake Champlain Water Rescue Group, and numerous committees for public safety. We are very fortunate to have both of these dedicated men in our Fire Department.

We were able to purchase a new “high volume” portable pump this year, with proceeds from fund raising and donations. This new pump will be used for supplying water from remote locations and tanker refill. On the topic of fund raising, we held our 20th chicken barbeque this year, it was a great success. Special thanks go to the Ferrisburgh Bake Shop, Dakin Farm, Clover Leaf, and Vermont Live Stock for their support to our fund raising projects.

A friendly reminder that any open burning of approved materials requires a permit in the State of Vermont. Permits can be obtained through the Shelburne Police Dispatch Center at 802-985-8051.

Thank you, for your continued support.

Bill Wager, Chief



Ferrisburgh Volunteer Fire Department Inc. Annual Contract Projection

<u>Category</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>	<u>2015 Budget</u>
Facilities	\$ 6,350	\$ 6,450
Trucks	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,500
Equipment	\$16,950	\$19,900*
Insurance	\$15,600	\$15,600
Communications	\$ 6,600	\$ 6,425
Training	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,800
General	\$ 4,750	\$ 4,950
Incentive	<u>\$ 2,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Totals	\$65,250	\$68,625

(* reflects \$56K/year SCBA replacement fund)



The new “high volume” portable pump that was purchased with proceeds from fund raising and donations. Photo courtesy of Bill Wager.

**Town of Ferrisburgh
2014 Listers Report**

The Ferrisburgh Listers Annual Assessment work (building permits/land subdivisions, etc.) in 2013-2014 resulted in an increase of the Town's Grand List from \$545,113,600 to \$553,286,668, totaling a \$8,173,068 increase.

The following is a breakdown of the different inspections and assessment changes which were accomplished throughout the year:

Town of Ferrisburgh 2014 Building Permits/Maintenance List Inspected in Late 2013-2014 (through December 31, 2014)		
Category	Number Inspected	Notes
New House Construction	18	8 under construction; 10 completed
Garages/Barns/Pole Barns/Sheds/Lean-tos/Fences	37	10 under construction; 27 completed
Decks/Porches/Gazebos/Patios	13	3 under construction; 10 completed
Renovations/Additions/Duplex Conversion	26	9 under construction; 17 completed
New Construction Rechecks	25	12 under construction; 13 completed
Commercial	5	2 under construction (uc); 3 completed (c) - Marcotte (c) - OSI (c) - Dockview, LLC (uc) - AAC Leasing, LLC (c) - Starry Night Café (uc)
Land Subdivisions, Tax Map Changes, Acreage Changes, Surveys, Listers Corrections and Miscellaneous	39	8 new residential/lots were created
Total Building Permits Inspected and Assessment Changes in 2014:	163	

- As of April 1, 2014, there were 1,516 properties in the Township of Ferrisburgh. The breakdown by property type was as follows:

- 853 Houses
- 66 Mobile Homes
- 18 Vacation/Seasonal Properties (non-Lake Champlain properties)
- 282 Lake Champlain Properties
- 48 Farms
- 56 Commercial
- 1 Industrial
- 5 Utilities
- 187 Miscellaneous (mostly vacant land)
- 1,516 Total Properties**

- A total of 160 Change of Appraisal Notices for 2014 were mailed out to town property owners.
- Listers Pre-Grievance Hearings were held on May 21, 2014 and a total of 7 property owners attended. Formal Grievance Hearings were held on May 28, 2014 and June 25, 2014. A total of 17 property owners grieved their assessments.

- The 17 listers Grievance appeals were all resolved with the exception of one property owner who appealed to the Board of Civil Authority (BCA). The BCA Hearing was held on July 15, 2014, and the BCA’s final decision upheld the listers assessment. In 2013, one decision from the BCA hearings was appealed to the Vermont State Board of Appraisers, and that case was heard on May 15, 2014. The State Board of Appraisers affirmed the BCA’s 2013 decision.
- The Vermont Transco, LLC (VELCO) annual valuation data submitted revealed an increase of \$4,794,673 from the 2013 value (\$8,457,600) to \$13,252,273 the 2014 value. After following up with VELCO on the reason for the large increase, it was discovered that they had made an error within the Town of Shelburne assessment. Essentially, the Shelburne VELCO power lines had been over valued by \$14,600,000 per year between the years of 2009 and 2013. The over assessment should have been allocated between South Burlington, Charlotte, Ferrisburgh, Vergennes and New Haven. The error was discovered by VELCO in October of 2013; however, only the State of Vermont was notified at that time and the State told them to correct it for 2014.

During the summer of 2014, the Listers had numerous discussions with VELCO about paying some of the lost tax revenue to the towns. It was determined that the towns had a legitimate case and the towns organized as a group and were considering legal action to recoup the municipal taxes which should have been paid to them.

On September 9, 2014, VELCO apologized for the error and agreed to pay all of the outstanding municipal taxes to the five affected towns, along with 5% interest and reimbursement for any expenses accrued by the towns relating to the error. The settlement resulted in the following revenue for the towns:

South Burlington:	\$ 79,969.48
Charlotte:	\$ 32,782.51
Ferrisburgh:	\$ 68,030.24
Vergennes:	\$ 13,019.66
New Haven:	<u>\$ 41,471.72</u>
Total:	\$235,273.61

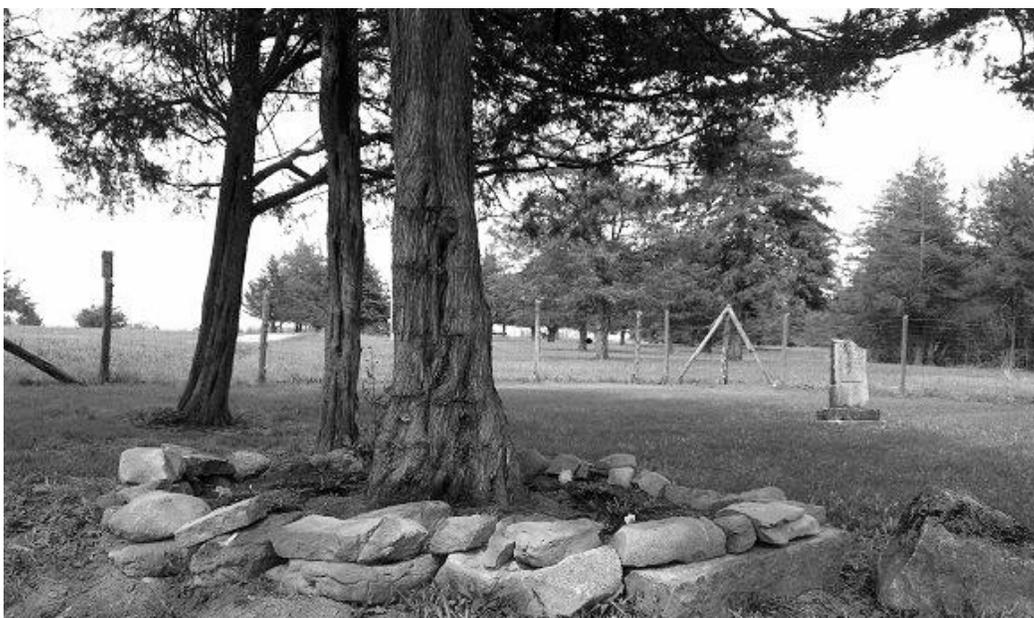
- The Listers obtained a new office computer which is dedicated solely to the Listers work.
- The Town of Ferrisburgh State of Vermont’s Annual Certified Equalization Education Property Value Notice was received from the Vermont Department of Taxes on December 19, 2014 and reflects the final Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) which was **102.70%** with a coefficient of dispersion (COD) of **7.38%**. This measures the town’s new 2013 reappraisal assessed values as a percentage of sales prices over the past 3 years. The new **102.70%** CLA showed a slight increase over the 102.01% CLA in 2013. In addition, we have noted that the volume of sales transactions in Ferrisburgh and Addison County has been essentially level (still down 20%-30% from 2005 and 2006 sales). Based on the state’s data, “A COD of 10% or lower is considered to reflect a relatively high level of equity across taxpayer’s assessments.” The 2014 tax rates are:

Residential:	\$1.7893 per \$100 of assessed value
Non-Residential:	\$1.7187 per \$100 of assessed value

- It should be noted that solar arrays on residential property in excess of 10,000 watts are now considered taxable by the State of Vermont.
- **The Listers continue to deal with a number of misconceptions covering the need for building permits. To clarify, all property owners contemplating any construction or land development (including agricultural buildings) should contact Kenneth Wheeling, the Town of Ferrisburgh Zoning Administrator. He will determine if a building permit is necessary.**
- The Listers and Justus J. DeVries, Jr., Inc.'s staff would like to thank the Ferrisburgh residents for their help and cooperation during the annual building permit inspection process. Maintaining an up-to-date grand list assures that all property owners will be taxed equitably.
- The Listers and Justus DeVries, Jr. are available to discuss any questions or concerns with the 2014 assessments and on-going building permit changes.

Thank you and should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Listers or Justus J. DeVries, Inc.

Respectfully Submitted:
Carl Cole
Joseph Blasius
John Bull
-Ferrisburgh Listers-



The “Webster Gravesite” on Webster Road in West Ferrisburgh.
Photo courtesy of Laura Fall.

Sale Category	Sales 2014	Sales 2013	Sales 2012	Sales 2011	Sales 2010	Sales 2009	Sales 2008	Sales 2007	Sales 2006
Residential	26	30	17	21	21	23	16	30	21
Vacant Land	4	4	5	1	1	1	6	5	8
Commercial	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2
Multi-Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SALES	30	34	22	22	23	24	24	35	31

Town of Ferrisburgh Sales per the Multiple Listing Service

Town of Ferrisburgh Municipal Tax Rates

Residential Tax Rate			
Year	*CLA	Tax Rate	% Change
2005	112.24%	\$1.2933	--
2006	101.64%	\$1.5213	17.63%
2007	95.75%	\$1.4888	-2.14%
2008	92.53%	\$1.5904	6.82%
2009	88.84%	\$1.6297	2.47%
2010	90.37%	\$1.7806	9.26%
2011	99.06%	\$1.7334	-2.65%
2012	100.36%	\$1.6276	-6.10%
**2013	102.01%	\$1.5474	-4.93%
2014	102.70%	\$1.7893	15.6%

** Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)
** 2013 was the last town-wide reappraisal*

Non-Residential Tax Rate			
Year	*CLA	Tax Rate	% Change
2005	112.24%	\$1.2418	--
2006	101.64%	\$1.5212	22.50%
2007	95.75%	\$1.5728	3.39%
2008	92.53%	\$1.6870	7.26%
2009	88.84%	\$1.7212	2.03%
2010	90.37%	\$1.7945	4.26%
2011	99.06%	\$1.7539	-2.26%
2012	100.36%	\$1.6675	-4.93%
**2013	102.01%	\$1.5681	-5.96%
2014	102.70%	\$1.7187	9.60%

** Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)
** 2013 was the last town-wide reappraisal*

Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission 2014 Annual Report

During the first half of the year the Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission participated in the updating of the Town Plan by providing input to the Planning Commission on conservation topics, such as: floodplains, critical habitats, biological natural areas, riparian buffers, and shoreland protection.

We continued to be stewards of Rowland Robinson Town Forest. The Selectboard requested input from the Commission regarding a neighbor's request for a temporary ATV access across a corner of the Town Forest, which was granted for the 2014 winter season. A logging operation was conducted on the property through which the Town has legal access to the Forest. The logging operation didn't affect the access although the route to the Town Forest is now less defined.

We commented on a number of applications made to the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Adjustment. We anticipate working with the Ferrisburgh Energy Committee on solar array siting issues in the coming year.

Various members attended State sponsored informational seminars on environmental topics including the Shoreland Protection Law, and phosphorus discharges to Lake Champlain. At the invitation by Monkton's Agriculture and Natural Areas Committee we met with adjacent town Conservation Commissions to discuss common environmental issues that transcend town boundaries.

We have been in contact with staff members of the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding 2 topics: the status of various bat species, and a future presentation by Jens Hilke, wildlife biologist, on the general status of wildlife in our town, which will be open to the public.

Scott Hamshaw, President of the Watershed Center in Bristol, spoke to the Commission about the purchase of a large tract of land adjacent to the existing property, and requested our conceptual support, which was provided.

We are preparing two additional informational sessions in the coming year; one on the Shoreland Protection regulations, and the other on the use of the Agency of Natural Resources' on-line interactive mapping tool called the Natural Resources Atlas.

This year we are happy to announce the appointment of two new members to the Conservation Commission – Amy Dohner and Jen Cirillo. We still have openings available if anyone is interested in conservation issues. If you are, speak to, call, email or submit a letter of interest to the Selectboard or any Commission member. We generally meet on the second Tuesday evening of each month except July and August, and the meetings are open to anyone to attend. Minutes of our past meetings are posted on the town website, along with a variety of conservation related information and links.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Heindel, Chair
Dennis Armell, Treasurer
Karen Pettersen, Secretary
Amy Dohner
Jen Cirillo
John Medenwald

**2014 ANNUAL REPORT
Ferrisburgh Energy Committee**

Our Mission Statement Is:

"Seeking Cost Effective Green Solutions for the Entire Community"

The Ferrisburgh Energy Committee continues its work to improve the lives of Ferrisburgh residents and save them money in all facets of their energy use. We offer valuable information for conservation, efficiency, power generation and ways to finance these practices.

The Committees main focus in 2014 was to help the Ferrisburgh School Board in planning how best to site a Solar Electric Generating Array that can save taxpayers money on the Ferrisburgh Central Schools electric usage. Many schools large and small across the state have installed Solar Electric Systems and found this endeavor quit successful.

We hosted our 4th annual Rain Barrel Workshop and had an Energy Information Booth at Vergennes Day. We will repeat both of these events in 2015.

We have also secured an ongoing dialogue with both federal and state legislators to have local input considered in upcoming energy planning legislation.

In 2015 we will be offering presentations and info on Air Source Heat Pumps. These products can offer significant savings on space heating and air conditioning, all done with the same through the wall unit. For helpful energy saving hints, look for our Front Porch Forum Blogs coming soon.

We have openings available on the Energy Committee. Contact a committee member or the Town Clerks office if you would like to join us. We meet the second Monday of every month at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Offices. All are welcome.

Energetically yours,

Bob Mc Nary - Chair
Roger Holzapjel Secretary
Richard Hiscock
Matt Neffinger-
Robert McNary
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Ferrisburgh Historical Society Report



The purpose of the Ferrisburgh Historical Society, Inc., is to bring together those people interested in history, especially the history of the area.

- The Society's main function is to discover and collect any material which may help to establish or illustrate the history of Ferrisburgh and surrounding area. We collect printed, manuscript, and museum material. The Society will provide for the preservation of such material and for its accessibility, as far as may be feasible.
- The Society disseminates historical information and encourages interest by publishing historical material, holding meetings, marking historical sites and by using the media to awaken public interest.
- The Society cooperates with the State Historical Society to collect and preserve materials of statewide significance, so that these materials can be available to students and scholars.

The Historical Society occupies the former old Center School on the corner of Little Chicago Road and Ethan Allen Highway. We store historical documents and artifacts in the vault. Appointments are available so that general public has access to the information. This past year, enumerable hours were spent compiling an inventory and cataloguing its archival materials. It is an ongoing process.

The Society would like to collect original photos and scan these so that they are available to all. If you have photos of historical significance and are willing to have them scanned, please contact the Ferrisburgh Historical Society at 425-3380 or silastowler@comcast.net.

The Ferrisburgh Historical Society also sells a documentary film about the history of Ferrisburgh. From the role Ferrisburgh played in the early colonial settlement of the Champlain Valley, to the recollections of growing up on farms in the early and mid 20th century, the film portrays the changes our town has seen over two and a half centuries. Ed Dooley, of Mad River Media, produced the film, then donated it to the Society to use as a fundraiser. We thank you, Ed. The DVD is available for purchase at the Town Offices and Dakin Farm.

Meetings are typically the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 from October – June. There is no meeting in January and the months of February and March we have our meeting at the Community Center on the second Sunday at 2:00. Notices of meetings can be found in local publications or on the town website. We also email announcements of our meetings as well as other events of historical interest. To get on our email list, drop us a note. Better yet, join us. We welcome new members and guests always.

Respectfully submitted,

Silas Towler, President

Peggy Kadima-Mazela, Secretary

Tim Vincent, Vice-President

Charlie Langworthy, Treasurer

Addison County Regional Planning Commission

14 Seminary Street Middlebury, VT 05753 www.acrpc.org Phone: 802.388.3141 Fax: 802.388.0038

Annual Report –Year End June 30, 2014

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) provided the following technical assistance and planning to the region during its 2014 fiscal year:

Regional and Municipal Planning and Mapping

- Assisted member municipalities creating, adopting and regionally approving their municipal plans.
- Assisted member municipalities creating and adopting local regulations implementing their municipal plan.
- Provided data and mapping products to support on-going municipal planning activities.
- Provided technical assistance to municipal officials concerning municipal government.
- Represented the region in the Act 250 process and at the Public Service Board in Section 248 hearings.

Educational Meetings and Grants

- Hosted educational workshops, Zoning Administrators Roundtables and monthly public meetings on a wide variety of planning topics.
- Wrote or provided information and support to communities and organizations to secure grant funding.
- Community outreach/advisor role for Environmental Seminar/College Class

Emergency Planning

- Worked with Addison County’s Emergency Planning Committee and Vermont Emergency Management staff to assist with municipal emergency planning efforts.
- Hosted “Local Emergency Managers Roundtables” to provide coordination among members.
- Worked with Vermont Emergency Management to exercise local and statewide disaster plans.
- Assisted local post-disaster recovery efforts.
- Assisted in development of hazard mitigation plans for the towns of Middlebury, Bridport, Cornwall, and Leicester and submitted grant application with the State of Vermont to cover numerous other municipalities
- Confirmed ERAF status and assisted communities in attaining compliance.

Energy Planning:

- Assisted towns in strengthening their energy plans by adding concrete goals, strategies and policies.
- Served as the Regional Coordinator for the Home Energy Challenge
- Worked with Neighborworks of Western Vermont to bring their weatherization programs to the Region.

Transportation Planning

- Supported the Addison County Transportation Advisory Committee’s work on regional priorities and municipal planning studies.
- Supported Addison County Transit Resources by providing funding and technical support.
- Participated in the statewide DriveElectricVT initiative.
- Worked with municipalities to produce highway structures inventories of all local roads in the region.
- Performed traffic counts and safety inventories on unsignalized intersections for several municipalities.
- Assisted Towns with enhancement, park and ride and stormwater grants.
- Sponsored town transportation studies, planning and supported municipal capital budget development

Natural Resources Planning

- Actively support the efforts of the Addison County River Watch Collaborative.
- Worked with municipalities to support forest stewardship resource planning.
- Participated on the Lake Champlain Basin Program technical advisory committee.

Addison
Lincoln
Salisbury

Bridport
Middlebury
Shoreham

Bristol
Monkton
Starksboro

Cornwall
New Haven
Vergennes

Ferrisburgh
Orwell
Waltham

Goshen
Panton
Weybridge

Leicester
Ripton
Whiting





ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

2014 ANNUAL REPORT

The Addison County Solid Waste Management District is a union municipal district formed in 1988 to cooperatively and comprehensively address the solid waste management interests of its 19 member municipalities: Addison, Bridport, Cornwall, Ferrisburgh, Goshen, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlebury, Monkton, New Haven, Orwell, Panton, Ripton, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes, Waltham, Weybridge and Whiting. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors composed of one representative and one alternate from each of the member municipalities. The Board meets on the 3d Thursday of the month at 7PM at the Addison County Regional Planning Commission Office, 14 Seminary Street, Middlebury, VT. The public is invited to attend.

District Mission

To seek environmentally sound & cost effective solutions for: (1) Promoting **waste reduction**; (2) Promoting **pollution prevention**; (3) Maximizing **diversion** of waste through reuse, recycling and composting; and (4) Providing for **disposal** of remaining wastes.

District Office and Transfer Station

Telephone: (802) 388-2333

Fax: (802) 388-0271

Website: www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org

E-mail: acswwmd@acswwmd.org

Transfer Station Hours: M-F, 7 AM–3 PM & Sat, 9 AM–1 PM

Office Hours: M-F, 8 AM–4 PM

HazWaste Center Hours: M-F, 8 AM–Noon & Sat, 9 AM–Noon

The District Office, Transfer Station and HazWaste Center are located at 1223 Rt. 7 South in Middlebury. The Transfer Station accepts large loads of waste and single stream recyclables for transfer to out-of-District facilities. District residents and businesses may drop off a variety of other materials for reuse, recycling and composting. The **Reuse It or Lose It!** Centers are open for accepting reusable household goods and building materials. A complete list of acceptable items and prices is posted on the District's website.

2014 Highlights

Construction Completed. Construction at the Transfer Station was completed in 2014. We now have a new Special Waste building and access road, and a new covered tip wall. The existing waste building received new lighting and translucent panels to improve visibility. The District office added two offices and a conference room. A new waste oil shed was added to the HazWaste Center. Thanks to our customers for your patience over the past year! **Act 148.** Act 148, VT's Universal Recycling Law, took effect this year. Act 148 focuses on the "3 C's" for organics and recyclables: consistency, convenience and cost-effectiveness. As of 7/1/14, all facilities accepting waste from residents had to begin accepting residential self-hauled recyclables at no cost. Bans on disposal of certain recyclables, leaf & yard waste and food residuals will be phased in, as will mandatory recycling and food collection by haulers and facilities. Recycling containers will be required in publicly owned places by 7/1/15. The District is in the process of amending its Solid Waste Implementation Plan and Waste Management Ordinance to conform to Act 148. In order to assist member municipalities and schools, the District created Diversion Grants for both. Please call the District for assistance with comprehending and adapting to the new law. **Product Stewardship.** As a member of the VT Product Stewardship Council, the District led efforts to adopt a new extended producer responsibility law for paint. On 7/1/14, manufacturers had to begin paying for the collection and recycling of oil and latex paint. As an official paint collection site, the District now collects eligible paint products from member towns at no charge. The Transfer Station is also a registered collection site for electronic waste and fluorescent lamps. In 2014, VT became the first state to enact an EPR recycling law for primary cell batteries. In 2016, single-use household battery manufacturers that sell or manufacture products in VT will be required to manage a battery collection program. **Recycling.** As of October, the Transfer Station received 600 tons of single stream recyclables. As a reminder, all generators - residents and businesses - are required by District ordinance to separate recyclables from their waste. A list of mandatory recyclables is posted on the District website. In 2014, 18 District municipalities had access to town or private recycling drop-off centers, and one provided a curbside recycling collection program. A list of the drop-off facilities can be found in the full *2014 Annual Report* on the District website. **Illegal Dumping.** The District contracted with the Addison County Sheriff's Department to enforce its Illegal Dumping/Burning Ordinance. As of September, the Sheriff's office received 24 illegal burning/ dumping complaints. The District served as County Coordinator for Green-Up Day, assisting the many town volunteers who organize collection of roadside litter. The District provided free disposal of the roadside waste: 22 tons of trash, 6.25 tons of tires, 7 auto batteries and various other abandoned wastes for a total economic benefit of \$3,500.

2015 Budget

The District's 2015 Annual Budget is \$2,627,262, a 5.22% increase over the 2014 Annual Budget. The District Transfer Station will maintain the same rates as last year, with the exception of two changes: (1) Clean Wood: \$2.50/residential car load, \$5/load (each) residential pick-up truck or small trailer, & \$50/ton large trucks and commercial loads; and (2) Single Stream Recyclables - \$25/ton.

The District Fee of \$33.40/ton for MSW/C&D and \$10/ton for soils approved for alternative daily cover will remain the same. **There will be no assessments to member municipalities in 2015.** For a copy of the full *2014 Annual Report*, please call us, or visit the District website at www.AddisonCountyRecycles.org.

Vermont League of Cities and Towns 2014 Overview
Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bixby Memorial Library – 2014

Mission Statement: “The Bixby Memorial Free Library, supported by Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Vergennes and Waltham is dedicated to fulfilling the diverse literary and cultural needs of these communities. The Library promotes reading and learning as lifelong activities by providing a wide range of resource materials, programming and outreach and by preserving and promoting the cultural heritage of the area.”

Bixby Library offers the traditional library services of lending books and other materials as well as providing regular educational programs for adults and children. In 2014 Bixby cardholders borrowed more than 32,000 books, CDs and DVDs and over 3,000 e-books and audio books were downloaded to personal devices using Bixby Library cards. Usage of library computers totaled over 2600 hours and countless people accessed the Wi-Fi that Bixby provides to the community 24/7. With your Bixby card free online classes and foreign language programs are available through the Vermont Department of Libraries as well as vetted databases on a huge variety of subjects.

The library provides space to nonprofit organizations who offer services to residents of our five towns in order to make their services available locally. Last year these included RSVP free tax preparation for seniors, Vermont Health Connect navigators and CSAC parenting groups. RSVP borrowed library laptop computers to support their program. Local organizations such as ANWSU Professional Development regularly use Bixby Library as a central meeting space with internet access.

Numerous initiatives were added last year to provide enrichment and increase services to people in our five towns. A few highlights:

- As a recipient of the VERMONT READS program, Bixby Library provided literacy experiences and copies of the book *WONDER* to all 6th grade students in our three area elementary schools (Addison, Ferrisburgh and Vergennes.) Parents and other members of the community also read the book, creating community conversations about important issues such as bullying and tolerance.
- Two new adult writers’ groups led by professional writers met and continue to meet on Monday and Thursday evenings. These are open to the public.
- Bixby’s Youth Librarian greatly increased literacy outreach to area preschools.
- New monthly movie and discussion night and new reading and discussion groups. These are open to teens and adults.
- Ongoing basic computer tutorials were provided by the Adult Services Librarian.
- A Cerf grant has enabled us to bring in a trained archaeologist in to research and catalog the Bixby Library Native American artifact collection. Many of these artifacts originate from our towns of Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Vergennes and Waltham and speak to our local one-of-a-kind history and heritage.

This year’s budget did not increase and we are always on the lookout for new ways to be efficient and creative with the resources that we have while providing services that are meaningful to the residents who support us. Our many volunteers greatly help us accomplish what we do. We thank the town of Ferrisburgh for your support and invite everyone to visit the library! For more information please visit www.BixbyLibrary.org or call us at 877-2211 with your concerns and suggestions.

Ferrisburgh’s representatives on the Bixby board are Peter Morris and Gail Blasius.



Vergennes Area Rescue Squad, Inc.

P.O. Box 11, 106 Panton Road, Vergennes, VT 05491

ANNUAL REPORT – January 10, 2015

The Vergennes Area Rescue Squad (VARS) is a non-profit, primarily volunteer organization. Vergennes Rescue provides a variety of medical related services to the citizens of the five area towns we serve, Vergennes, Ferrisburgh, Addison, Panton, and Waltham. We also assist other agencies in nearby towns.

At the heart of our service is responding to medical emergencies which included a total of 846 calls, with 171 specifically in Ferrisburgh. Our staff and volunteer members have presented Emergency Responder classes throughout the year. In addition VARS offers community CPR classes several times each year.

We provide other community outreach programs such as education in child safety including inspection and replacement of car seats. Our certified child safety seat technicians, Chuck Welch and Beth Bearor, inspect car seats on the third Saturday of every month and also on request. We can provide seats to replace those that do not pass inspection. We have partnered with Addison County Safe Kids, an organization which provides education programs geared to prevent childhood injuries. Vergennes Rescue also provides several scholarships each year to area high school students who will be entering the next level of emergency service providers.

Funds to operate VARS come from a variety of services. We offer a subscription program to provide no cost coverage for individuals in our communities. We do bill insurance programs for services provided. Area towns also provide a source of income. However, it is very important to note that we do respond to all requests for help regardless of ability to pay.

We encourage citizens to become involved in local emergency service organizations. Volunteers are the backbone of our service and we depend on them to provide valuable time and service. If you are interested in becoming a member or in participating in any of our activities, please contact us at 802-877-3683 or talk with any rescue member.

VARS does not work alone and we would be remiss if we did not thank the many individuals, emergency organizations, and businesses that have given us valuable support over the past year. We regularly work with other emergency medical services and with the fire services in the towns of Vergennes, Ferrisburgh, Addison, Monkton, and New Haven. Of course police organizations including Vergennes Police, Vermont State Police, and the Addison County Sheriff's Department are essential parts of our emergency service organization. It gives us great pride to be part of this community public safety group.

Don't forget to help us serve you better by properly identifying your home or business with the correct 911 address, and make sure it is easily visible day or night.

Thank you for your past, present and future support.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Rivers'.

Sara Rivers, President

Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds for 2015

Addison County Court Diversion

People who commit low level crimes (misdemeanors such as petit larceny, bad checks, possession of marijuana, unlawful mischief, disorderly conduct, unlawful trespass and non-violent felonies), are eligible for court diversion. Court Diversion averages 125 cases annually. Nineteen individuals from Ferrisburgh were provided services. During fiscal year 2014, 1380 hours of community service were completed by clients of both programs (including the Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program) and \$1,890.15 in restitution and \$900 in charitable donations were made. 95% of the juveniles and 85% of the adults completed the Court Diversion program successfully with 80% of youth in the YSASP program completed successfully

Addison County Economic Development Corporation

ACEDC continues to be the “one-stop-shop” for business assistance in Addison County. As the home for the SBA Small Business Development Center, Service Corp of Retired Executives (SCORE), Vermont Manufacturing Extension Center (VMEC), and the State Permit Specialist, they are able to serve all sized and types of business activities. The SBDC has added the resource of an agricultural specialist who is housed in their office. Their focus has been the continued development of the local business base, from start up ventures to established companies. ACEDC works closely with local and regional planners on land use compliance, with the banks and alternative financing options on capital formation, and with the State programs to achieve sensible growth while maintaining our natural environment.

Addison County Home Health & Hospice, Inc.

A certified home health agency providing high-quality, comprehensive, community health care to individuals and families of Addison County. They are available to address the needs of their patients 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Seventy-seven Ferrisburgh residents were served with 4422 visits in 2014.

Homeward Bound (Formerly Addison County Humane Society)

In 2014 they served the Town of Ferrisburgh by taking in 1 owner-surrendered and 5 stray animals. Those animals were cared for daily, provided with necessary medical attention, and spayed/neutered prior to being placed for adoption. There was also one animal that was returned to their owner and 6 adoptions to town residents. As the only animal shelter in Addison County they also offer programs and services to meet a wide array of critical animal welfare needs.

Addison County River Watch Collaborative

For each of the past eleven years, the voters of the Town of Ferrisburgh have contributed \$500 to the funding of Addison County River Watch. Other towns in the county contribute similar amounts. Donated services to River Watch, including the processing and analyzing of our water samples by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation’s LaRosa laboratory, are valued at about \$45,000. ACRWC’s annual cash budget is approximately \$14,000. This past spring/summer season they took monthly samples at three locations in Ferrisburgh: one where Little Otter Creek runs under Route 7, one upstream on Mud Creek, which is a tributary to Little Otter, and one on Lewis Creek where it runs under Route 7. Generally speaking, both creeks fail to meet water quality standards for *E.coli*, turbidity and phosphorus as they proceed downstream through Ferrisburgh. Public and private partners are using our data to work with various landowners in those watersheds to improve practices aimed at reducing runoff of soils, nutrients, and pathogens.

**Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations
Requesting Town Funds for 2015 (cont'd.)**

Addison County Transit Resources

ACTR provides significant services to dozens of “transportation disadvantaged” Ferrisburgh residents, furnishing a yearly average of 3,758 free Dial-a-Rides through their volunteer driver and wheelchair accessible vehicles. Ferrisburgh residents have access to an extensive shuttle bus system via Vergennes to Bristol, Middlebury, the Snow Bowl or Rutland. They also have access to Burlington along Route 7 via the LINK Monday thru Saturday. The state and federal grants through which they provide those rides require that they raise up the 20% of the cost of the programs through “local match” dollars. ACTR’s requests from towns accounts for approximately 5% of the 20% requirement.

Addison County Parent Child Center

The Addison County Parent Child Center (PCC) helps families to assess their children’s physical and cognitive development and provides support services if needed. Learning Together, their intensive in-house training program builds parenting and job readiness skills and serves as an alternative education site for Addison County High Schools. The program focuses on young parents and other teens at risk of parenting too young. They have also renovated a nine-resident boarding house in Middlebury which is the cornerstone of a “First Time Renters” program for youth to learn and practice the skills necessary to be successful tenants in our community. Last year they provided services to 126 residents of Ferrisburgh.

Addison County Readers, Inc.

Addison County Readers, Inc. is an entirely volunteer non-profit organization that sponsors the Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library program. The program mails free books monthly to preschool (ages 0-5) children in Addison County. In December 2014, 42 children were receiving books through the program. More than half of the parents reported that they read to their children more as a result of the program.

American Legion – Vergennes Post # 14

Plans are underway for the annual observance of Memorial Day which will be observed on Monday, May 25, 2014. As in past years, Vergennes Post # 14 will assume the responsibility for decorating the graves of all veterans buried in the Town of Ferrisburgh. The donation will also help fund the annual Memorial Day Parade.

Boys & Girls Club

The club operates an after school program for kids in 5th through 12th grade at their club on School Street Monday through Friday. Programs include the Learning Kitchen, Dinner Club, Summer Learning and other value-added programs. Off-site programs include Youth Cheerleading, Soccer Camp & Basketball Clinics. They participate in many community activities, including Vergennes Day, Holiday Celebrations, Green Up day and Family Activity Nights. They also work on community level efforts to reduce underage drinking, DUI, obesity preventing and helping people make healthy choices.

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging

They have been helping people age with independence and dignity for over 30 years. During the past year, CVAA provided services to 57 older residents of Ferrisburgh. CVAA is grateful to the citizens of Ferrisburgh for their ongoing support of services for area seniors. These services include Meals on Wheels, senior community meals, case management with Jennifer Brisson, and a Senior Helpline. Jennifer worked with 21 seniors in the town of Ferrisburgh last year.

**Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations
Requesting Town Funds for 2015 (cont'd.)**

Community Health Services of Addison County - Open Door Clinic

The Open Door Clinic provided access to health care services, free of charge, to those uninsured and underinsured individuals that meet financial eligibility guidelines. It is their goal to provide quality health care for patients seeking assistance, until such time that one can obtain insurance, find a healthcare provider and establish a permanent medical "home". Between January 1 and December 31, 2014 they provided services to 33 Ferrisburgh citizens for healthcare services via 120 interactions. Clinic hours are by appointment and include Vergennes (Little City Family Practice) every other Thursday evening from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Counseling Service of Addison County, Inc.

During fiscal year 2014, the Counseling Service provided 17,569 hours of service to residents from the town of Ferrisburgh, who had mental health, substance abuse, or developmental disability needs. They provide a broad array of vitally needed mental health services to: children, adolescents, adults and families facing challenges and crises in their lives. Individuals living with developmental disabilities as well as their families. People with severe and persistent mental illness. People dealing with substance abuse problems. Elderly people suffering from depression, anxiety and other mental health issues. The entire community, through educational programs and special events.

Elderly Services, Inc.

In the past year 189 elders from Addison County and nearby towns were served at Project Independence Adult Day Center, 3 of whom were residents of Ferrisburgh. Ferrisburgh residents received a total of 1,396 hours of care, 541 hot meals and approximately 544 van rides. These hours of care cost the agency \$21,492 for direct services to Ferrisburgh residents. In addition, 6 family caregivers received respite and peace of mind, and a resident of Ferrisburgh is on their staff.

Friends of the Vergennes Opera House

The Friends of the Vergennes Opera House (FVOH) is a 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to preserve the historic Vergennes Opera House as a center for the presentation of the arts and other activities that promote and celebrate a sense of community. The Opera House serves a population of over 20,000 people from Addison County and beyond. It is a vibrant cultural and community center

Green Up Vermont

Green Up Day celebrated 43 years in 2014! The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients: one is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups volunteering to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont. They ask that Ferrisburgh contribute because when we support Green Up Vermont we are not just supporting a program but Vermont and the people who live – and visit – here. You can visit their web site at www.greenupvermont.org.

Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects (HOPE)

HOPE strives "to reduce the effects of poverty in Addison County by providing low-income residents with basic needs and self-help opportunities. Our vision is "all persons in Addison County have the tools and resources necessary in order to meet their own basic needs." Hope's task is to assist low income people in acquiring and developing those resources. During the 12 month period ended September 30, 2014, HOPE provided assistance to 113 Ferrisburgh residents.

**Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations
Requesting Town Funds for 2015 (cont'd.)**

Hospice Volunteer Services

Hospice Volunteer Services provided the following hospice services, bereavement programs and educational opportunities to the residents of the town of Ferrisburgh during the past year, at no cost to individuals: Provided 9 hospice or palliative patients with 50 visits and 85 hours of respite or care. 1 person received 14 hours of bereavement. Invited 7 families to the annual Service of Remembrance. They currently manage a force of 240 trained volunteers for patient care, vigil sitting, bereavement support and Wellspring singers. 5 residents are currently active Hospice volunteers.

John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Service, Inc.

In 2014 the John W. Graham Shelter served more than 200 people, provided more than 10,000 bed nights of shelter, food, services and hope thanks to community support. Provided transitional housing to families in their own buildings and at many scatter sites. Helped dozens of people find permanent housing and employment and provided counseling, case management and support services that help people take the next step in their lives. In Vermont the number of homeless school-aged children increased from 785 in 2009 to 1,202 in 2012. The result of spiraling rents and stagnant incomes, this 53% increase is one of the fastest growing rates of child homelessness in the country. They provided housing to more than 100 families with children this past year.

Lewis Creek Association

Thanks to Ferrisburgh's annual financial support, LCA continues to monitor water quality trends, wildlife habitat, and river corridor conditions while pursuing restoration and conservation opportunities in Ferrisburgh and nearby watershed towns. By keeping track of natural resource conditions in Ferrisburgh, we can understand our towns local resource conditions over time, document them in Ferrisburgh's Town Plan, and determine goals and strategies based upon available local field assessment results. This past year they participated in many projects including a water quality stewardship program for lake edge towns highlighting the Lake Champlain shoreline. They plan to increase invasive plant control work in the Ferrisburgh area next season. There also some newly funded projects that they will take part in as well.

Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District

The Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District contracts the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, holds public and sector meetings for the Lake Champlain District watershed Plan, holds Natural Resource Workshops for horse owners, sponsors a Tree Seedling Sale and maintains a listing of local contractors. They also support Conservation Field Days for an average of 250 Addison County 5th and 6th graders and supports scholarships for up to 6 area students to attend Green Mountain Conservation Camp and many other activities.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

In FY'14 16 Ferrisburgh residents volunteered 3,651 hours in our community. Ferrisburgh senior citizens took advantage of RSVP's free income tax return preparation services and enjoyed going to the community meal sites at which RSVP members volunteer. Residents at nursing homes were given lap robes and shawls, and walker bags and cancer turbans were distributed to home health agency clients. Ferrisburgh seniors appreciated the services provided by our volunteer drivers from Meals on Wheels and ACTR and Ferrisburgh school children received handmade hats and mittens. Ferrisburgh residents took advantage of RSVP's free Bond Builders classes which are offered two times per week at 21 different locations in Addison County. Last year, their members volunteered a total of 78,629 hours which equals \$1,696,027 in donated labor to our community.

Brief Summary of Activities of Organizations Requesting Town Funds for 2015 (cont'd.)

Rokeby Museum

2014 was the second year in their new Education Center. Their exhibit "Free & Safe: The Underground Railroad in Vermont" won a national Leadership in History Award from the American Association for State and Local History. They also launched their first seasonal exhibit in the Center's first-floor gallery space, displaying a set of beautiful postcards reproduced from Impressionist paintings by Rachael Robinson Elmer, who was born and raised in Ferrisburgh. She went on to a successful art career in New York and created the postcards 100 years ago. They hope everyone finds the time to visit and see this Ferrisburgh treasure.

Vergennes Summer Rec Program

The program was housed at Saint Peter's Parish Hall this past year due to construction and other constraints on school facilities. Summer 2014 marked this completion of its twelfth year of contributing as a positive resource for children and families in our community, striving to meet the expressed needs of participants for consistent, high-quality care and enrichment. With an average daily attendance of 75, the summer session accumulated 31,100 hours of care – not to mention games, crafts, swimming, field trips, sports and friendship-making time. Thirty-eight percent of the children participating in the program were Ferrisburgh children and youth.

Vermont Adult Learning

In FY'14 Vermont Adult Learning of Addison County provided services to 207 individuals, 7 of whom were residents of Ferrisburgh. They offer a variety of individual learning opportunities to help adults achieve their educational goals and enhance their quality of life. Areas of focus include reading, writing, math, GED, high school diploma and English as a second language. Instruction is available to students with a GED or diploma who need skill preparation for college or employment purposes. They work with each student to develop an individualized learning plan that includes a transition to further education or employment.

Vermont Center for Independent Living

In FY'14 VCIL responded to over 2,383 requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to 304 individuals to help increase their independent living skills (including 12 peers who were served by the AgrAbility program) and 6 peers who received specialized Benefits to Work Counseling. VCIL assisted 215 households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 51 of these households received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. VCIL's Sue Williams Freedom Fund provided 125 individuals with information on assistive technology; 36 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. 447 individuals with disabilities under the age of 60 had meals delivered through Meals on Wheels. 3 Ferrisburgh residents received services in FY'14.

WomenSafe, Inc.

During FY'14 they served at least 13 residents of Ferrisburgh and the parents of at least 17 children who were exposed to violence. Often victims choose not to give any identifying information out of fear for their safety and that of their children. Therefore, our statistics for those served in any given town are understated. Your contribution would be used to support the services that we provide to our service users, such as our hotline, supervised visitation program, education and outreach, and transitional housing support with victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Ferrisburgh Town School Board of Directors

*William Clark, Chair	Term Expires 2015
*Christopher Kayhart, Vice Chair	Term Expires 2017
*Julie Gramling, Clerk	Term Expires 2016
George Gardner	Term Expires 2016
Laurie Gutowski (appointed 9/2014)	Term Expires 2015

*=denotes ANWSU Board Members

Vergennes Union High School Board Representative

George Gardner (appointed 4/2014)

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FERRISBURGH TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at the Ferrisburgh Central School to transact the following business:

Article 1. To hear the report of the Town School District Officers and take action thereon.

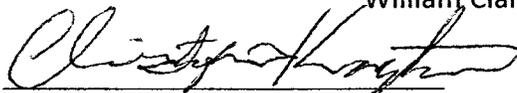
Article 2. Shall the voters of said Ferrisburgh Town School District authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date for the purpose of paying the sum approved by the voters?

Article 3. To transact any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Dated at Ferrisburgh, Vermont this 28th day of January, 2015.



William Clark, Chair



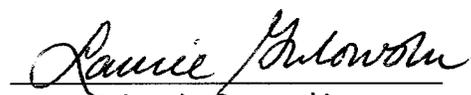
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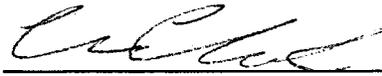
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PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

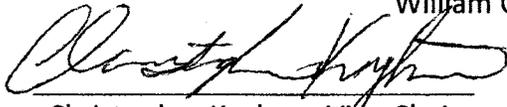
FERRISBURGH TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2015 at the Ferrisburgh Central School for a public information meeting on the proposed 2015-16 budget.

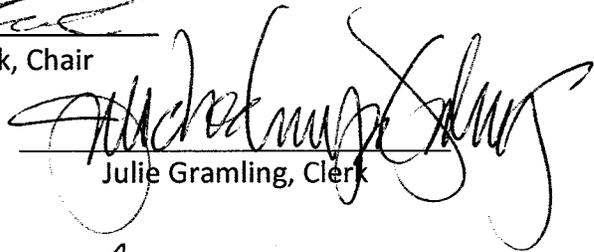
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William Clark, Chair



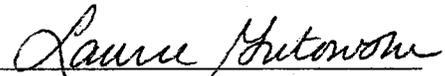
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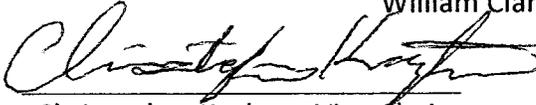
The legal voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at the Ferrisburgh Town Offices to vote by Australian Ballot the following Articles: (Polls open 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

- Article 1.** To elect a director to the Ferrisburgh Town School District for a three (3) year term.
- Article 2.** To elect a director to the Ferrisburgh Town School District for a two (2) year term.
- Article 3.** To elect a director to the Vergennes Union High School District #5 for a three (3) year term.
- Article 4.** To elect a director to the Vergennes Union High School District #5 for a two (2) year term.
- Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District approve the sum of **\$3,623,335** to defray current expenses for the ensuing year and to pay outstanding orders and obligations?
- Article 6.** Shall the voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District approve the sum of **\$20,000** to be added to the Capital Improvements fund authorized by the voters on March 6, 2007, for major repairs and/or improvements to its school building?
- Article 7.** Shall the voters of the Ferrisburgh Town School District approve the sum of **\$16,000** to create a Technology fund, for the purpose of maintaining and improving the technology infrastructure in the school building?

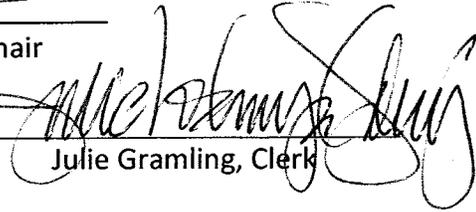
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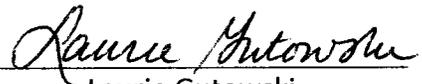
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Ferrisburgh School Directors

Town Meeting Day Minutes

March 3, 2014

Present members: Bill Clark, Chris Kayhart, Katie Boyle, Julie Gramling
Approximately 12-14 residents in attendance.
Called to order at 1:00 p.m.
Warnings read by moderator.

Article 1:

Bill Clark spoke re: budget.
Ballot that voters are using today is different from the warning. Page 61 in Annual Report.
Heads up that the budget is wrong and not sure what that means for future meetings, budget. Correct budget figure: \$3,620,122.
Bill introduces all board members.

School Report:

JoAnn speaks about current status of the school.
AYP assessment starts March 18.
Action Plan - School Improvement Plan
Demographics changing:
More free and reduced lunches
Math Intervention
Literacy Intervention

School Improvement Plan:

Green Mountain Star
FCS Process - school leadership team
The Plan multi-tiered plan
Tier 1: Regular Education
Tier 2: Interventions
Tier 3: Entrance criteria established within Tier 2

Discussion of Common Core: Literacy, Writing, Mathematics

M. Shepard: Are students using paper and pencil or is everything electronic?
JTB explained they are still using cursive, keyboarding, writing by hand.
M. Shepard: Is this a keyboarding program?
JTB: Yes, it's a sound program for writers.

JTB talked about what was going on outside the doors of the school:
Sugaring - 6 gallons last year
Gardens, greenhouse, outdoor classroom/habitat, Community Playground
All those make Ferrisburgh such a good school!

Thanks to Dave for his time on the board!
76 volunteers in the school. Huge commitment from the staff and board.

Bill: Budget meeting last night and development process.
R. Kerschner: 5/6 question and adding a new teacher.
Bill addressed the question.

Declining enrollment.

6th grade part of the middle school? - discussion to bring to SU.

Carolyn Tatlock: State minimum and maximum recommended class size. 18-21
There are standards. Upper limit.

What is the boards' decision and the administrations' position?

Not everyone agrees.

C. Tatlock: 5/6 "looping" classrooms can be a good thing. Successful arrangements.

R. Kerschner: What was the total cost of adding the additional teacher?

JTB: \$74,000

Bob McNary: Whats the long-term commitment to the temp space? (trailer)

JTB: Year-by-year lease

R. Kerschner: Would this be a one-year contract? (for new teacher)

Carolyn: What authority does JTB have if this passes?

Would have to do a separated 5/6 based on the board recommendation.

Liz Bicknell: What do we have now?

JTB explains the day - schedule of what it looks like now. Math, etc. how the students move to different classrooms for each subject.

Role of Board vs. administration

Get to take the role of the elected official.

Board hires superintendent, superintendent hires principal.

Bill: Any more questions?

Bob McNary: Thought we were talking about school report and not the budget.

Running a deficit in our lunch program. How are we dealing with that?

Bill: Moving in a direction to offset that.

R. Kerschner: We don't see any accounting for running the lunch program? 54K or 12K?

JTB: 54K for benefits

Rick: Do we know how much the whole program costs?

Rick: Good information for the taxpayers to know!

Bob: What you are saying is that to bring this up to level (funding), we would need to do this over several years?

JTB: That will take us a while.

Rick: Still paying the deficits.

Bob M.: Secretarial services, what are they for?

JTB: New free and reduced lunches, paperwork, explaining the three full-time positions. Secretary reimbursement from Fed government. Accounting Pay benefits for food service.

Patti Barnes: Secretary has time to follow-up with parents so we actually get more money from families owing money to food service.

Bill: Special Ed. for this year - we are seeing an increase.

Rick: Offset by the HS budget

JTB: Demographics

Article 1 - any other questions? None

Article 2. Motion Rick, second Adela Langrock. Voted yes, Article 2 passed.

Article 4: Motion Carl Crawford, seconded Barbara Rathburn. Voted yes, passed.

Article 3: Transact any business. Motion George Gardner, seconded Rick Kerschner.

Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

On behalf of Ferrisburgh Central School, Board of Directors,

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Gramling, Clerk

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FERRISBURGH CENTRAL SCHOOL
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014**

Dear the Ferrisburgh Community Members,

What a wonderful opportunity the School Board and the administration have each year to communicate with the larger community about your school. We are fortunate to have a welcoming and safe Kindergarten through sixth grade school that allows our students to learn and thrive.

It's all about the STARS! Ferrisburgh Central School was fortunate to receive a grant from the Agency of Education to send a team to the Building Effective Student Supports Teams (BEST) in June, 2014. This team of eleven developed our school's new behavior management system which is based on Safe, Truthful, Accountable, Responsible, Super Citizens (STARS). The entire school is now a Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) school, one of 128 schools across the state. A large part of our roll out of the STARS program to the students included a day long, whole school team building retreat to Common Ground in Starksboro. This was paid for by the PTO, without their funds the retreat would not have been possible. Within the STARS program there are common expectations and common language used throughout the building. Initial surveys show that it is making a difference in our school culture and climate. Ask any one of our students and they can tell you all about it.

As a school, district, state and nation, we began changing our standards to the Common Core State Standards during the 2011-2012 school year. These standards have been adopted across the country. We are redefining our curriculum to meet these new, higher standards through focused curriculum work using a new web-based tool, Rubicon Atlas. This tool allows teachers across grades and school work on curriculum and consensus so that all students can meet these new standards. For more information about the new standards, please visit <http://www.corestandards.org> or the Vermont Department of Education website: <http://education.vermont.gov>, where you will find several links. Last year the Addison Northwest Supervisory Union was chosen to pilot the new assessments. Based on our feedback and that of other districts, the new assessment to be given this spring (2015) will reflect those changes. All of our 3rd through 6th graders will participate in this on-line assessment and results will be made available to us before the beginning of the next school year.

With our selection to participate in the SBAC pilot, there was no testing in the spring or fall, so our status of a school in need of improvement has not changed. We continue to work as a school to improve our supports for every child at Ferrisburgh Central School. STARS is part of that improvement plan, as is increased use of data, the use of grade level teams to discuss student improvement and more focused interventions for those students found to be in need.

Our School Leadership Team, comprised of regular educators, special educators, interventionists and school counselor, continues to work with the administration to review, revise and work on our school improvement plan. The focus of our school improvement plan includes 10 indicators. These 10 action steps were approved by the Agency of Education and are closely monitored. They focus on our intervention system, our multiple levels of

support and how they are defined, our schedule for team and grade level meetings, and our school climate and culture.

In the spring of 2014 Ferrisburgh's Food Service Program was recognized as a Bronze Award winner from the Healthier US School Challenge. It was one of the first three schools in the northeast to receive this award. Only 7% of the nation's 101,000 schools have achieved this recognition. In large part this award recognized our food service program, under the leadership of Patti Barnes and chef Sarah Anderson. It also recognizes the work of our Garden Committee, Judy Elson, Lydia Hibbard and Donna Rusik and all their work on our prolific school gardens along with Nick Patch, a community volunteer who helps with the garden and composting.

The school is filled with many community members who volunteer for several different activities. The richness of our volunteers makes Ferrisburgh Central School a very special place indeed. We have an active P.T.O. that enriches our school in many ways. We are able to offer Four Winds Science programs, children's theater, high school mentors, reading buddies, basketball, not to mention the overflowing gardens and fresh vegetables nearly year round due to the efforts of our volunteers. We could not do all that we do without these wonderful people who provide us with their time and expertise.

The Board and administration are dedicated to maintaining our great school, while also looking ahead to make it better. As a school community it is important to keep the dialogue open for the broader community so that each community member can have a say in their school. Our board meetings are open and we encourage you to attend those meetings which are held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30pm in the school. Our agendas and minutes of our meetings are available on line through our school's website. Please be sure to visit the school's website (<http://anwsu.org/fcs>) where weekly newsletters and other school information are available. The doors of the school are open and we invite the community in to see the great things that take place here everyday.

As a school board and administration, it is a privilege to serve the community of Ferrisburgh. We are always available to discuss the school, its programs and its future with you.

On behalf of the Ferrisburgh Town School District,

JoAnn Taft-Blakely, Ed.D, Principal

School Directors:
Bill Clark
George Gardner
Julie Gramling
Laurie Gutowski
Chris Kayhart

**The mission of Ferrisburgh Central School
is to provide a safe environment
that inspires life-long learners and responsible citizens,
while partnering with parents and the community.**

**Ferrisburgh Central School
Staff Roster 2014 – 2015**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Education</u>	<u>Yrs. Exp.</u>	<u>Salary</u>
JoAnn Taft-Blakely	Principal	Ed. D.	34	\$91,825
Donna Rusik	Kindergarten	M15	20	\$58,509
Tifany Babcock	Grade 1	M30	10	\$56,848
Kaci Spear	Grade 1	B	5	\$40,236
Barbara Bolduc	Grade 2	M30	45	\$68,476
Lydia Hibbard	Grade 2	M30	20	\$58,509
Melissa Coughlin	Grade 3	B	2	\$38,575
Kristy Stone	Grade 3	B30	13	\$53,525
Lydia Kenney	Grade 4	B15	4	\$43,559
Kathleen Pudvar	Grade 4	M15	17	\$56,848
Joshua Brooks	Grade 5/6	M15	12	\$53,525
Kathleen Douglas	Grade 5/6	M15	42	\$65,153
Judy Elson	Grade 5/6	M30	19	\$58,509
Peter Stapleford	Grade 5/6	M	18	\$60,170
William Bowers	Instrumental Music (40%)	B30	49	\$22,739
Alison Parsons	Art (50%)/Enrichment (30%)	M30	20	\$48,136
Jeanne Whiting	Choral Music (40%)	B30	29	\$22,075
Anna Wilson	Physical Education (80%)	M	28	\$49,465
Susan Brileya	Guidance Counselor (80%)	CAGS	20	\$49,465
Alysia Duncanson	Math Interventionist	M30	6	\$53,525
Margo Grace	Literacy Interventionist (K-2)	M30	21	\$60,170
Mary Shields	Literacy Interventionist (3-6)	B30	14	\$51,864
Deborah Chamberlin	Librarian (40%)	M30	23	\$24,732
Anne Cohn	School Nurse	B30	21	\$53,525
Stacy Valcourt	Special Educator	M15	19	\$58,509
Wilma Vander Wey	Special Educator	M	12	\$55,187
Will Hatch	Technology Coordinator (60%)	M	12	\$32,115
Hannah Lucarelli	Speech/Language (85%)	M15	16	\$48,321
Susanna Mason	English Language Learner	M15	9	\$53,525
Cassandra Corcoran	School-Based Clinician			N/C
Gina Normand	School-Based Clinician			N/C
Wayne Barrows	Custodian			\$16.62/hr
Gerald Blair	Custodian			\$19.50/hr
Sarah Anderson	Food Service Worker			\$14.29/hr
Eleanor Barnes	Food Service Director			\$14.29/hr
Martha Kenfield	Food Service Secretary			\$10.85/hr
Loretta Lawrence	Secretary			\$19.95/hr
Karen Brooks	Paraeducator			\$13.85/hr
Sandra Clark	Paraeducator			\$16.86/hr
Corrie Palmer	Paraeducator			\$17.32/hr
Christina Shea	Paraeducator			\$13.84/hr
Ligia Stapleford	Paraeducator			\$14.63/hr
Andrea Teer	Paraeducator			\$16.62/hr
Tammy Tucker	Paraeducator			\$12.46/hr
Denise Walther	Paraeducator			\$16.33/hr

B = Bachelors
M = Masters
MM = Double Masters

B15 = Bachelors +15 credits
M15 = Masters + 15 credits
CAGS = Certificate of Advanced Graduated Study

B30 = Bachelors + 30 credits
M30 = Masters + 30 credits

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2014-15 Health Services

Anne Cohn, R.N. is responsible for providing health services to students in accordance with the Vermont Nurse Practice Act and the Vermont School Services: Standards of Practice. She daily evaluates student illness and injury, monitors student medications, and supports school personnel in maintaining a healthful school environment.

Also included in Mrs. Cohn's many duties are screenings of student hearing, vision, blood pressure, height and weight, as mandated by the Vermont Department of Education. She maintains health records for each student, including immunizations and other relevant information.

Faculty and staff training are provided annually regarding blood borne pathogens and necessary precautions.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Effective July 1, 2014, as per Act 153, the provision of Special Education services to students is organized and operated at the supervisory union. Local districts are assessed a share of the total costs based on percent of equalized pupils in each district. Special education services continue to be provided to students with a variety of needs.

AUDIT

Title 16 V.S.A. Section 323 requires the supervisory union to employ public accountants to audit the financial statements of its member school districts annually. Ferrisburgh Central School records were audited in December of 2014. A copy of the audit will be available at the Office of the Superintendent or on the Addison Northwest Supervisory Union website when completed.

Ferrisburgh Town School District

2015-2016 Budget Proposal

Account Number / Description	FY 13 Actual	FY 14 Actual	FY 15 Budget	FY 16 Proposed
001-1100-51100-10-100 Instruction-Teacher Salaries	853,382.29	872,877.92	855,418.00	869,090.00
001-1100-51103-10-100 Inst. Salary - Additional Duties	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
001-1100-51120-10-920 Stipend Salary	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
001-1100-51150-10-100 Instruction - Paraeducators	17,833.61	54,105.75	17,923.00	0.00
001-1100-51160-10-100 Mentoring	2,800.00	4,500.00	1,600.00	0.00
001-1100-51200-10-100 Instruction - Substitutes	19,832.85	20,377.50	15,000.00	20,000.00
001-1100-51210-10-100 Long Term Substitutes	0.00	12,113.44	0.00	0.00
001-1100-52100-10-100 Instruction-Health Insurance	226,675.65	229,973.37	256,215.00	247,986.00
001-1100-52110-10-100 Inst. -PILO Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,306.00
001-1100-52200-10-100 Instruction-Social Security	66,121.19	71,013.45	68,080.00	66,484.00
001-1100-52200-10-920 Stipend FICA	132.85	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-1100-52300-10-100 Inst.-Term Life	1,104.46	1,168.27	1,159.00	10,200.00
001-1100-52400-10-100 Inst.-Municipal Retirement	1,497.67	1,859.94	717.00	740.00
001-1100-52400-10-920 Stpend Municipal Retirement	37.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-1100-52500-10-100 Inst.-Workers Com.	4,527.72	5,409.19	4,895.00	11,689.00
001-1100-52600-10-100 Inst.-Unemployment Ins.	832.00	862.60	650.00	600.00
001-1100-52700-10-100 Inst.-Tuition Reimbursement	22,240.29	27,011.52	17,000.00	30,000.00
001-1100-52900-10-100 Inst.-Dental Insurance	9,804.73	12,827.80	12,121.00	9,562.00
001-1100-52920-10-100 Inst.-Disability Insurance	7,491.39	6,886.46	7,500.00	7,500.00
001-1100-53200-10-100 Instruction - Staff Development	4,951.17	6,317.50	2,000.00	2,100.00
001-1100-53300-10-100 Pur. Prof. Services-Reg	1,639.50	1,666.25	1,500.00	36,500.00
001-1100-55190-10-100 Student Field Trips	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00
001-1100-55800-10-100 Travel	1,031.83	1,240.26	1,250.00	2,000.00
001-1100-56100-10-100 Instruction-General Supplies	13,718.35	15,504.74	16,570.00	10,000.00
001-1100-56400-10-100 Inst.-Textbooks	3,186.18	413.10	100.00	800.00
001-1100-56700-10-100 Inst.-Software	1,900.76	0.00	235.00	180.00
001-1100-57300-10-100 Inst.-Classroom Equipment	0.00	3,481.39	675.00	8,590.00
001-1100-58100-10-100 Instruction-Student Activities	1,322.12	6,145.40	12,170.00	0.00
Sub-Total	1,262,064.31	1,360,755.85	1,292,778.00	1,351,527.00
001-1102-56100-10-100 Art-General Supplies	1,358.53	1,507.93	1,200.00	1,600.00
Sub-Total	1,358.53	1,507.93	1,200.00	1,600.00
001-1105-56100-10-100 Language Arts- Supplies	828.10	3,212.38	750.00	2,425.00
001-1105-56400-10-100 Language Arts-Textbooks	1,546.46	1,471.19	2,315.00	1,550.00
001-1105-56700-10-100 Lang Arts Software	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,415.00
Sub-Total	2,374.56	4,683.57	3,065.00	5,390.00
001-1106-56100-10-100 World Language- Supplies	306.38	71.55	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	306.38	71.55	0.00	0.00

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001-1108-54300-10-100	Phys. Ed.-Repairs/Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
001-1108-56100-10-100	Phys. Ed.-Supplies	0.00	120.12	0.00	600.00
001-1108-57300-10-100	Phys Ed.-Equipment	1,861.43	189.00	0.00	700.00
	Sub-Total	1,861.43	309.12	0.00	1,800.00
001-1111-56100-10-100	Math-Supplies	524.02	409.55	674.00	2,665.00
001-1111-56400-10-100	Math-Textbooks	540.10	9,794.49	1,175.00	2,870.00
001-1111-56900-10-100	Math-Manipulatives	17.00	34.45	825.00	455.00
	Sub-Total	1,081.12	10,238.49	2,674.00	5,990.00
001-1112-56100-10-100	Music - Supplies	293.35	104.23	46.00	200.00
001-1112-56400-10-100	Music-Textbooks	86.00	198.33	107.00	0.00
001-1112-57300-10-100	Music -Equipment	179.97	219.98	300.00	400.00
	Sub-Total	559.32	522.54	453.00	600.00
001-1113-53300-10-100	Four Winds	0.00	0.00	1,260.00	1,400.00
001-1113-56100-10-100	Science- Supplies	2,824.83	80.00	825.00	1,350.00
001-1113-56400-10-100	Science-Textbooks	62.68	733.58	1,575.00	855.00
001-1113-57300-10-100	Science-Equipment	144.10	0.00	200.00	110.00
	Sub-Total	3,031.61	813.58	3,860.00	3,715.00
001-1115-56100-10-100	Social Studies-Supplies	183.54	355.09	75.00	880.00
001-1115-56400-10-100	Social Studies-Textbooks	402.44	117.14	175.00	735.00
	Sub-Total	585.98	472.23	250.00	1,615.00
001-1126-56100-10-290	Compensatory Ed- Supplies	534.09	617.77	250.00	200.00
001-1126-56400-10-290	Compensatory Ed-Textbooks	386.75	822.80	1,000.00	2,400.00
001-1126-56500-10-290	Compensatory Ed - Software	0.00	0.00	0.00	510.00
001-1126-57300-10-290	Compensatory Ed- Equipment	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
	Sub-Total	920.84	1,440.57	1,750.00	3,110.00
001-1129-56100-10-100	Testing- Supplies	761.32	605.99	1,500.00	0.00
001-1129-56500-10-100	Testing-Software	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
	Sub-Total	761.32	605.99	1,500.00	400.00
001-1130-51100-10-100	Technician Salary	0.00	10,169.40	10,169.00	33,774.00
001-1130-52100-10-100	Tech Health Insurance	0.00	3,635.53	3,799.00	0.00
001-1130-52200-10-100	Tech FICA	0.00	777.96	778.00	2,584.00
001-1130-52300-10-100	Tech Life Insurance	0.00	12.60	80.00	0.00
001-1130-52400-10-100	Tech Municipal Retirement	0.00	0.00	407.00	0.00
001-1130-52500-10-100	Tech Workers Compensation	0.00	51.00	56.00	0.00
001-1130-52900-10-100	Tech Dental Insurance	0.00	140.76	141.00	683.00
001-1130-52920-10-100	Tech Disability Insurance	0.00	46.91	61.00	0.00
001-1130-54300-10-100	Technology.-Repairs	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
001-1130-56100-10-100	Technology - Supplies	600.00	2,869.11	800.00	1,500.00
001-1130-56700-10-100	Technology.-Software	1,500.00	4,249.77	600.00	1,000.00
001-1130-57300-10-100	Technology.-Equipment	7,000.00	14,677.79	6,000.00	0.00
001-1130-57390-10-100	Technology.- Instructional Technology	0.00	169.95	10,000.00	0.00

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	Sub-Total	11,100.00	36,800.78	32,891.00	42,041.00
001-1140-51100-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Salary	48,114.00	50,335.96	49,798.00	0.00
001-1140-51120-10-100	Enrichment- World Language Salary	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
001-1140-52100-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Health Insurance	12,390.82	12,427.61	13,855.00	0.00
001-1140-52200-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Social Security	3,687.54	3,598.07	4,039.00	0.00
001-1140-52300-10-100	Enrichment/Technology -Term Life	63.00	50.26	70.00	0.00
001-1140-52500-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Workers Comp.	256.30	282.14	290.00	0.00
001-1140-52900-10-100	Enrichment/Technology - Dental Ins.	855.00	586.81	725.00	0.00
001-1140-56100-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Supplies	0.00	253.50	0.00	500.00
001-1140-57300-10-100	Enrichment/Technology-Equipment	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
	Sub-Total	68,366.66	67,534.35	71,977.00	500.00
001-1200-51100-10-211	Special Ed.- Teachers Salaries	107,357.67	116,731.05	0.00	0.00
001-1200-51150-10-211	Special Ed.- Paraeducator Salaries	145,729.80	108,182.21	0.00	0.00
001-1200-51200-10-211	Sp.Ed -Substitutes	45.00	520.00	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52100-10-211	Special Ed.-Health Insurance	71,827.27	81,594.74	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52200-10-211	Special Ed.-Social Security	18,528.10	16,900.22	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52300-10-211	Special Ed -Term Life	504.00	316.73	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52400-10-211	Special Ed.-Municipal Retirement	5,219.12	4,654.08	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52500-10-211	Special Ed.-Workers Comp.	1,303.21	1,084.18	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52600-10-211	Special Ed-Unemployment Ins.	0.00	(20.60)	0.00	0.00
001-1200-52900-10-211	Special Ed. -Dental Ins.	6,030.06	3,392.07	0.00	0.00
001-1200-53300-10-211	Special Ed.Contractd Services	22,510.46	22,818.52	0.00	0.00
001-1200-53320-10-211	Special Ed. - Evaluations	10,521.89	11,060.00	0.00	0.00
001-1200-53330-10-211	Special Ed.- OT/PT	12,018.75	12,482.50	0.00	0.00
001-1200-56100-10-211	Special Ed.- Supplies	259.18	1,644.81	0.00	0.00
001-1200-56400-10-211	Special Ed.-Textbooks	81.08	93.96	0.00	0.00
001-1200-56700-10-211	Special Ed.-Software	229.39	198.90	0.00	0.00
001-1200-57390-10-211	Special Ed.-Equipment	119.99	67.50	0.00	0.00
	Sub-Total	402,284.97	381,720.87	0.00	0.00
001-1400-51100-10-900	Extracurricular-Coaches & Advisors	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
001-1400-52200-10-900	Extracurricular-Social Security	59.28	76.03	76.00	77.00
001-1400-52500-10-900	Extracurricular-Workers Comp	5.35	0.00	60.00	0.00
001-1400-56100-10-900	Extracurricular-Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
	Sub-Total	1,064.63	1,076.03	1,136.00	1,577.00
001-2120-51100-10-100	Guidance-Salary	45,750.04	47,229.55	47,192.00	51,810.00
001-2120-52100-10-100	Guidance-Health Insurance	2,282.77	2,000.00	2,153.00	0.00
001-2120-52200-10-100	Guidance-Social Security	3,499.99	3,613.19	3,610.00	3,963.00
001-2120-52300-10-100	Guidance-Term Life	105.00	60.38	69.00	0.00
001-2120-52500-10-100	Guidance-Workers Comp	243.23	264.73	260.00	0.00
001-2120-52900-10-100	Guidance-Dental Insurance	167.64	(117.35)	0.00	0.00
001-2120-53210-10-100	Guidance-Guidance Activities	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
001-2120-53300-10-100	Guidance-Consultation/Training	245.00	210.00	315.00	350.00
001-2120-56100-10-100	Guidance-Supplies	401.85	450.54	400.00	200.00
001-2120-56400-10-100	Guidance-Textbooks	0.00	329.44	200.00	530.00
001-2120-56700-10-100	Guidance Software	0.00	98.34	0.00	200.00
	Sub-Total	52,695.52	54,138.82	54,299.00	57,153.00

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001-2130-51100-10-100	Health Services - Nurse Salary	45,977.23	48,098.50	50,847.00	45,032.00
001-2130-51200-10-100	Nurse Substitute	0.00	910.00	0.00	0.00
001-2130-52100-10-100	Health Services-Health Insurance	18,326.04	15,917.83	18,573.00	17,541.00
001-2130-52200-10-100	Health Services-Social Security	3,222.82	3,408.49	3,890.00	3,445.00
001-2130-52300-10-100	Health Services-Term Life	63.00	60.38	69.00	0.00
001-2130-52500-10-100	Health Services-Workers Comp	263.20	274.70	280.00	0.00
001-2130-52900-10-100	Health Services-Dental Ins.	704.16	674.83	725.00	683.00
001-2130-54300-10-100	Health Services-Repair & Maint.	0.00	61.00	200.00	200.00
001-2130-56100-10-100	Health Services-Supplies	666.16	653.88	600.00	650.00
001-2130-57300-10-100	Health Services-Equipment	23.00	229.94	0.00	100.00
Sub-Total		69,245.61	70,289.55	75,184.00	67,651.00
001-2150-51100-10-211	Speech Pathology-Teacher Salaries	44,151.43	37,695.40	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52100-10-211	Speech Pathology-Health Insurance	14,129.05	12,554.22	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52200-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Social Security	3,066.63	2,550.52	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52300-10-211	Speech Pathology-Term Life	52.50	57.56	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52500-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Workers Comp.	237.61	165.75	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52600-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Unemployment Ins.	0.00	(3.00)	0.00	0.00
001-2150-52900-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Dental Insurance	609.06	457.39	0.00	0.00
001-2150-53300-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Evaluations	541.12	56.25	0.00	0.00
001-2150-56100-10-211	Speech Pathology.- Supplies	212.45	975.60	0.00	0.00
001-2150-56400-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Textbooks	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-2150-57300-10-211	Speech Pathology.-Equipment	0.00	841.39	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total		62,999.85	55,351.08	0.00	0.00
001-2220-51100-10-100	Library/Media-Salary	23,503.29	24,129.75	23,596.00	25,905.00
001-2220-52100-10-100	Library/Media-Health Insurance	8,304.84	8,236.71	9,237.00	5,923.00
001-2220-52200-10-100	Library/Media-Social Security	1,691.40	1,713.43	1,805.00	1,982.00
001-2220-52300-10-100	Library/Media-Term Life	42.00	39.38	35.00	0.00
001-2220-52500-10-100	Library/Media-Workers Comp	121.62	135.25	130.00	0.00
001-2220-52900-10-100	Library/Media-Dental Ins.	469.46	440.13	483.00	683.00
001-2220-56100-10-100	Library/Media-Supplies	80.25	0.00	300.00	200.00
001-2220-56400-10-100	Library/Media-Books & Periodicals	2,452.32	2,326.67	300.00	3,000.00
001-2220-56500-10-100	Library/Media-Software	40.00	83.16	0.00	500.00
001-2220-57300-10-100	Library/Media-Computer	0.00	480.00	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total		36,705.18	37,584.48	35,886.00	38,193.00
001-2310-51100-10-010	Board -Stipends	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
001-2310-52200-10-010	Board-Social Security	229.50	229.50	230.00	230.00
001-2310-53300-10-010	Board-Facilities Planning	462.68	1,835.20	500.00	500.00
001-2310-53600-10-010	Board-Legal Fees	1,552.50	0.00	500.00	500.00
001-2310-53700-10-010	Board-Audit	13,989.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-2310-55220-10-010	Board-Errors & Omissions Ins.	3,233.00	3,374.00	3,300.00	6,723.00
001-2310-55300-10-010	Board-Postage	451.38	239.73	200.00	200.00
001-2310-55400-10-010	Board-Advertising	667.84	985.29	800.00	500.00
001-2310-55500-10-010	Board-Printing	0.00	1,161.29	500.00	300.00
001-2310-56100-10-010	Board - Supplies	223.18	1,151.79	500.00	150.00
001-2310-58100-10-010	Board -VSBA Dues	1,648.00	1,505.84	1,700.00	1,700.00
Sub-Total		25,457.08	13,482.64	11,230.00	13,803.00

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001-2321-53310-10-010	District Services-ANWSU Assess.	196,767.00	208,368.00	192,911.00	272,346.00
001-2321-53320-10-010	Disrict Services - Special Ed. Assess.	0.00	0.00	716,640.00	880,745.00
001-2321-53340-10-050	District Services - EEE Assess.	201,057.00	166,384.00	157,493.00	185,862.00
001-2321-53330-10-010	Transportation Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	82,000.00
Sub-Total		397,824.00	374,752.00	1,067,044.00	1,420,953.00
001-2410-51100-10-100	Principal's Office-Principal	86,388.45	89,452.43	88,294.00	94,580.00
001-2410-51120-10-100	Principal's Office- Secretary	36,314.91	36,777.74	38,246.00	39,398.00
001-2410-52100-10-100	Principal's Office -Health Insurance	28,852.24	31,333.56	32,743.00	34,217.00
001-2410-52200-10-100	Principal's Office-Social Security	9,087.29	9,288.00	9,680.00	10,249.00
001-2410-52300-10-100	Principal's Office-Term Life	315.00	315.00	345.00	0.00
001-2410-52400-10-100	Principal's Office-Municipal Ret.	1,452.61	1,471.12	1,530.00	1,576.00
001-2410-52500-10-100	Principal's Office-Workers Comp.	638.14	707.53	696.00	0.00
001-2410-52900-10-100	Principal's Office-Dental Insurance	1,409.28	1,409.28	1,450.00	1,366.00
001-2410-53200-10-100	Principal's Office-InService	611.23	0.00	500.00	1,000.00
001-2410-54300-10-100	Principal's Office-Software Maint.	2,133.70	1,821.01	4,350.00	0.00
001-2410-54420-10-100	Principal's Office-Equipment Lease	8,088.77	8,566.42	6,200.00	8,300.00
001-2410-55300-10-100	Principal's Office-Postage	1,950.39	349.07	1,500.00	1,500.00
001-2410-55800-10-100	Principal's Office-Travel	658.67	477.94	1,000.00	1,000.00
001-2410-56100-10-100	Principal's Office- Supplies	2,593.49	636.92	1,000.00	1,000.00
001-2410-56400-10-100	Principal's Office-Books & Materials	101.91	0.00	100.00	100.00
001-2410-57300-10-100	Principal's Office-Equipment	399.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
001-2410-58100-10-100	Principal's Office-Dues	894.00	924.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Sub-Total		181,889.08	183,530.02	188,634.00	195,586.00
001-2520-51100-10-010	Fiscal Services-Treasurer	500.00	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
001-2520-52200-10-010	Fiscal Services-Social Security	38.25	38.25	77.00	77.00
001-2520-53300-10-010	Fiscal Services -Sect. 125 Administratio	617.50	146.25	700.00	150.00
001-2520-58130-10-100	Bank Fees	0.00	216.70	0.00	0.00
001-2520-58300-10-010	Fiscal Services-Interest T.A.N.	8,852.08	8,735.24	9,000.00	9,000.00
Sub-Total		10,007.83	9,636.44	10,777.00	10,227.00
001-2600-51120-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Custodians	71,454.48	71,369.14	75,130.00	77,397.00
001-2600-51130-10-100	Custodian Substitute	0.00	665.98	0.00	0.00
001-2600-52100-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Health Insurance	23,645.16	27,119.76	28,340.00	29,616.00
001-2600-52200-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Social Security	5,247.33	5,259.70	5,747.00	5,921.00
001-2600-52300-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Term Life	103.92	103.92	138.00	100.00
001-2600-52400-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Municipal Ret.	2,858.19	2,881.44	3,005.00	3,096.00
001-2600-52500-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Workers Comp.	3,416.49	3,770.04	3,869.00	590.00
001-2600-52900-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Dental Insurance	1,410.24	1,410.24	1,450.00	1,366.00
001-2600-54110-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Water & Sewer	1,600.00	3,344.41	2,000.00	3,600.00
001-2600-54210-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Trash Removal	5,232.02	7,003.83	5,500.00	5,500.00
001-2600-54240-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Lawn Care	2,250.00	3,312.50	0.00	4,000.00
001-2600-54250-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Grounds Repair	3,480.00	3,755.00	3,000.00	4,000.00
001-2600-54260-10-100	Operations & Maint. - Playground Mainten	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
001-2600-54300-10-100	Operations. & Maint.-Building Repair	12,524.62	20,134.64	8,000.00	8,000.00
001-2600-54310-10-100	Operations & Maint. - Security Upgrades	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
001-2600-54400-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Building Lease	509.18	434.25	0.00	0.00
001-2600-55210-10-100	Operations & .Maint-Property./Liab. Ins.	9,440.00	9,447.00	9,500.00	6,350.00
001-2600-55300-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Telephone	3,111.47	3,464.26	3,200.00	3,200.00
001-2600-55800-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Travel	650.77	940.20	500.00	500.00
001-2600-56100-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Supplies	11,154.33	13,843.49	12,500.00	15,000.00

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001-2600-56220-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Electricity	24,337.24	25,545.84	25,000.00	25,000.00
001-2600-56230-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Propane	2,976.60	3,278.31	3,200.00	3,200.00
001-2600-56240-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Fuel Oil	28,345.06	24,797.70	30,000.00	30,000.00
001-2600-57300-10-100	Operations & Maint.-Equipment	3,389.48	5,078.95	1,000.00	1,000.00
Sub-Total		217,136.58	236,960.60	241,079.00	228,436.00
001-2711-55190-10-100	Transp.-Contracted Services	195,903.51	101,168.50	200,000.00	0.00
001-2711-55800-00-010	Transportation Homeless	3,382.94	2,470.44	3,000.00	2,000.00
001-2720-55190-10-100	Transportation-Field Trips/Extracurr.	2,154.12	2,782.41	4,450.00	5,525.00
Sub-Total		201,440.57	106,421.35	207,450.00	7,525.00
001-3100-52100-10-910	Food Service Health Ins	31,173.91	29,660.38	37,991.00	
001-3100-52300-10-910	Food Service Term Life	147.00	152.16	150.00	
001-3100-52400-10-910	Food Service - Municipal Retirement	2,048.47	1,761.91	2,400.00	
001-3100-52500-10-910	Food Service - Workers Comp	319.53	1,090.70	500.00	
001-3100-52900-10-910	Food Service - Dental Ins	1,555.88	1,322.75	1,450.00	
001-3100-57300-10-910	Food Service - Equipment			500.00	
Sub-Total		35,244.79	33,987.90	42,991.00	0.00
001-5100-58300-10-032	Debt Service-Interest-Bond	60,844.87	58,825.88	58,050.00	53,948.00
001-5100-59100-10-032	Debt Service-Principal/Bond	90,000.00	90,000.00	100,715.00	90,000.00
Sub-Total		150,844.87	148,825.88	158,765.00	143,948.00
001-5100-59100-10-910	Hot Lunch Transfer	0.00		12,000.00	19,995.00
Sub-Total		0.00	0.00	12,000.00	19,995.00
Total		3,199,212.62	3,193,514.21	3,518,873.00	3,623,335.00

2.97%

Ferrisburgh Town School District

2015-2016 Proposed Revenue

	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Proposed
Balance Forward			(63,500.00)	(49,665.00)
001-0000-41310-00-000 Tuition	971.66	1,457.46	0.00	0.00
001-0000-41422-00-000 VUHS Transportation Reimb.	102,363.02	98,327.77	103,000.00	0.00
001-0000-41510-00-000 Interest Income	249.69	3,615.17	300.00	200.00
001-0000-41910-00-000 Facility Rental	920.00	1,125.00	500.00	700.00
001-0000-41990-00-000 Misc. Local Revenue	585.00	953.00	0.00	1,000.00
001-0000-43110-00-000 Education Fund Payment	2,761,271.00	2,871,812.00	3,098,694.00	3,023,192.00
001-0000-43113-00-000 Tech Ed Adjustment				0.00
001-0000-43114-00-000 State Support to Tech Ctr				0.00
001-0000-43150-00-000 State Transportation Aid	41,253.00	44,915.00	42,261.00	44,214.00
001-0000-43201-00-000 Mainstream Block Grant	70,322.00	76,105.00	75,401.00	74,866.00
001-0000-43202-00-000 Special Ed. Expenditures Reimbursement	157,704.00	177,117.00	363,033.00	414,377.00
001-0000-43203-00-000 Extraordinary Reimbursement				86,612.00
001-0000-43204-00-000 Essential Early Education	28,762.00	31,271.00	30,433.00	27,839.00
001-0000-43205-00-000 State Placed Student Reimb.	3,627.00			0.00
	3,168,028.37	3,306,698.40	3,650,122.00	3,623,335.00

Estimated Equalized Homestead Tax Rates

ALL TAX RATES BELOW ARE ESTIMATED BASED ON PROPOSED BUDGETS AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BASE HOMESTEAD TAX RATES

		Equalized Pupils	% of Total	Estimated Tax Rate	Prorated Rate
Addison	Elementary	76.99	38.63%	1.5998	0.5614
	VUHS	122.3	61.37%	1.7323	1.0631
	Town Total				1.6245
Ferrisburgh	Elementary	194.11	50.64%	1.6662	0.8216
	VUHS	189.21	49.36%	1.7323	0.855
	Town Total				1.6766
Panton	Elementary	47.9	48.56%	1.4532	0.7058
	VUHS	50.73	51.44%	1.7323	0.8909
	Town Total				1.5967
Vergennes	Elementary	202.36	53.07%	1.4532	0.7714
	VUHS	178.88	46.93%	1.7323	0.8127
	Town Total				1.5841
Waltham	Elementary	32.33	50.68%	1.4532	0.7364
	VUHS	31.46	49.32%	1.7323	0.8543
	Town Total				1.5907

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PRELIMINARY

Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by AOE

ESTIMATES ONLY

District: **Ferrisburgh**
County: **Addison**

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Addison Northwest

Statutory calculation
See note at bottom of
page

Recommended homestead
rate from Tax
Commissioner. See note at
bottom of page.

9,459 **1.00**

Expenditures		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$3,167,605	\$3,313,721	\$3,612,373	\$3,623,335	1.
2.	<i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	\$36,000	2.
3.	<i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$3,167,605	\$3,313,721	\$3,612,373	\$3,659,335	4.
5.	<i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	<i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Total Budget	\$3,167,605	\$3,313,721	\$3,612,373	\$3,659,335	7.
8.	S. U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.
Revenues						
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$406,334	\$441,909	\$609,343	\$600,143	10.
11.	<i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	<i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	12.
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$406,334	\$441,909	\$609,343	\$600,143	13.
14.	Education Spending	\$2,761,271	\$2,871,812	\$3,003,030	\$3,059,192	14.
15.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	199.16	203.69	201.63	194.11	15.
16.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$13,864.59	\$14,098.93	\$14,893.77	\$15,760.09	16.
17.	<i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$757.41	\$730.64	\$734.27	-	17.
18.	<i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	-	-	18.
19.	<i>minus</i> Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-	19.
20.	<i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	<i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	<i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	-	-	-	22.
23.	<i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-	23.
24.	<i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	NA	NA	NA	-	24.
25.	<i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-	25.
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$13,865	\$14,099	\$14,894	\$15,760	26.
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$15,760 / \$9,459)	158.943% based on \$8,723	154.070% based on \$9,151	160.407% based on \$9,285	166.615% based on \$9,459	27.
Prorating the local tax rate						
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (166.615% x \$1.00)	\$1.4146 based on \$0.89	\$1.4483 based on \$0.94	\$1.5720 based on \$0.98	\$1.6662 based on \$1.00	28.
29.	Percent of Ferrisburgh equalized pupils not in a union school district	48.96%	49.54%	50.76%	50.64%	29.
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (50.64% x \$1.67)	\$0.6926	\$0.7175	\$0.7979	\$0.8438	30.
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	99.06%	109.47%	102.01%	102.70%	31.
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.8438 / 102.70%)	\$0.6992 based on \$0.89	\$0.6554 based on \$0.94	\$0.7822 based on \$0.98	\$0.8216 based on \$1.00	32.
<p>If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.</p>						
33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (166.615% x 1.94%)	2.86% based on 1.80%	2.77% based on 1.80%	3.11% based on 1.94%	3.23% based on 1.94%	33.
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (50.64% x 3.23%)	1.40% based on 1.80%	1.37% based on 1.80%	1.58% based on 1.94%	1.64% based on 1.94%	34.
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at Vergennes UHSD	51.04%	50.46%	49.24%	49.36%	35.
36.		-	-	-	-	36.

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,459. The Tax Commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.00 and \$1.535. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 1.94%.

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Ferrisburgh Central School
S.U.: Addison Northwest S.U.

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

FY2014 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment ≥ 200 but <300
 (40 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 39 out of 40

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Fisher School	PK - 5	201	20.00	2.00	10.05	100.50	10.00
	Ferrisburgh Central School	PK - 6	205	18.90	1.00	10.85	205.00	18.90
-> Larger	Thetford Elementary School	PK - 6	210	21.90	1.00	9.59	210.00	21.90
	Berlin Elementary School	PK - 6	213	18.90	1.00	11.27	213.00	18.90
	Poultney Elementary School	PK - 6	219	18.00	1.00	12.17	219.00	18.00
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			250.20	20.73	1.06	12.07	235.48	19.51

School District: Ferrisburgh
LEA ID: T076

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

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

FY2013 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2013 FTE ≥ 200 but < 300
 (16 school districts in cohort)

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

Cohort Rank by FTE
 (1 is largest)
 14 out of 16

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

Smaller ->	Thetford	PK-6	205.76	\$14,330
	Berlin	PK-6	211.41	\$12,397
	Ferrisburgh	PK-6	212.45	\$12,913
-> Larger	East Montpelier	PK-6	220.37	\$12,335
	Westminster	PK-6	226.11	\$13,562
	Bradford ID	PK-6	227.98	\$10,819
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			243.53	\$11,716

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

FY2015 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchIDist	SchIDist	SchIDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
			Equalized Pupils	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller ->	T019 Berlin	PK-6	185.16	14,852.79	1.5677	1.6031	105.33%	1.5219
	T065 East Montpelier	PK-6	197.39	18,308.34	1.9324	1.7801	98.98%	1.7984
	T076 Ferrisburgh	PK-6	201.63	14,893.77	1.5720	1.5869	102.01%	1.5557
-> Larger	T023 Bradford ID	PK-6	207.81	13,568.12	1.4321	1.4646	103.69%	1.4125
	T154 Pittsford	PK-6	211.76	14,783.77	1.5604	1.5430	107.96%	1.4292
	U029 Chester-Andover USD #2	PK-6	214.17	13,665.53	1.4424	-	-	-

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

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

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

A FREE APPROPRIATE EDUCATION

is guaranteed by federal and state law for children with disabilities.

Please help the Supervisory Union locate children between the ages of 3 through 21 years who may need special services in order to acquire an education.

If you are aware of any such child in your town, please contact the Superintendent's office or your school's principal.

Homeless Children?

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act grants certain rights or protections to families and youth who are living in homeless situations.

If anyone is aware of homeless families with children or homeless youth who are not attending school, please contact the office of the Superintendent of Schools.



The Vergennes Union High School District #5 Annual Report goes to the residents in all five of our communities.

In an effort to save the printing costs of *Annual Reports* for our respective towns, we have made the decision to publish the **Addison Northwest Supervisory Union Budgets and Central Office Reports** in the VUHS District #5 Report **ONLY**.

Also, in an effort to contain costs and reduce waste, the 2014-15 VUES District #44 and VUHS District #5 Annual Reports will be available online at **www.anwsu.org** – *Annual Reports* or by calling 802-877-3332 to request a copy for pick up or mailed to your home. Copies will also be available at the Town Offices.

Thank you!

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Ferrisburgh are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Ferrisburgh Central School, in said town, on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. to transact the following business not involving voting by Australian Ballot: NOTE: Polls for Australian balloting will be open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at the Town Hall.

- ARTICLE 1:** To see if the voters of the Town authorize the Selectboard to spend unanticipated funds, such as grants and interest on investments?

- ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town voters authorize the Selectboard to purchase certain real property adjacent to the Ferrisburgh Town Offices and Community Center, identified as Lot 11 of the Atkins Farm Subdivision, for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to be raised by property taxes?

- ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town voters will increase the highway contingency fund by \$10,000 per year for a total of \$30,000 per year?

- ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town voters will establish a reserve fund for building maintenance of town owned buildings, to be funded each year with \$30,000?

- ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,768,339 to defray the General Expenses of the Town for the 2015/2016 fiscal year, the amount of such sum to be raised by taxes to be reduced by receipts, state aid, grants, and other income, excluding any amounts in the following Articles?

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town voters will approve the following monies for the agencies listed below:

Addison County Court Diversion	\$800.00
Addison County Humane Society	\$1,000.00
Addison County Transit Resources	\$2,412.00
HOPE (Formerly ACCAG)	\$2,000.00
Addison County Economic Development Corporation	\$500.00
Addison County Home Health & Hospice, Inc.	\$2,983.00
Addison County Parent Child Center	\$1,600.00
Addison County Readers, Inc.	\$600.00
Addison County River Watch Collaborative	\$500.00
American Legion - Memorial Day Observation	\$300.00
Boys and Girls Club of Greater Vergennes	\$500.00
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	\$1,100.00
Community Health Services Open Door Clinic	\$400.00
Counseling Service of Addison County, Inc.	\$1,650.00
Elderly Services, Inc.	\$1,100.00
The Friends of the Vergennes Opera House	\$500.00
Gage Cemetery Association	\$1,500.00
Green Up Vermont	\$150.00
Hospice Volunteer Services	\$250.00
John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Service, Inc.	\$825.00

Lewis Creek Association	\$500.00
North Ferrisburgh Cemetery Association	\$2500.00
Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	\$275.00
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	\$210.00
Rokeby Museum	\$1,000.00
Union Cemetery	\$2,400.00
Vergennes Summer Rec Program	\$1,000.00
Vermont Adult Learning	\$785.00
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$250.00
WomanSafe	\$1250.00

TOTAL **\$30,840.00**

ARTICLE 7: To transact any other non-binding business as legally may come before said meeting at this time.

At the close of the above business, the meeting shall be recessed until March 3, 2015 at 7:00 a.m. at the Ferrisburgh Town Hall to vote by Australian ballot on the following matters, to wit:

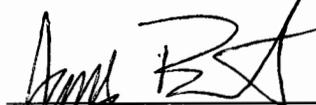
ARTICLE 8: To elect by Australian Ballot the following officers of the Town:

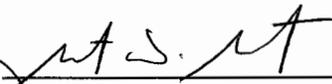
Moderator – 1 year term	Moderator for Town School – 1 year term
Town Grand Juror – 1 year term	Town School Director – 2 year term
Selectperson – 2 year term	Town School Director – 3 year term
Selectperson – 3 year term	Union High School Director – 3 year term
First Constable – 1 year term	Union High School Director – 2 year term
Auditor – 1 year term	Lister – 3 year term
Auditor – 2 year term	Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 year term
Auditor – 3 year term	Town Agent – 1 year term
Trustee for Rogers & Hazard Relief Society – 2 year term	

Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Dated at Ferrisburgh, Vermont this 28th day of January, 2015.


Loretta Lawrence, Chair


James Benoit


Steve Gutowski


Sally Torrey


James Warden

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