

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF
FAYSTON

VERMONT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019



*Please bring this report to Town Meeting
Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
at Robert Vasseur Town Hall*

DEDICATION TO JARED CADWELL



I first met Jared Cadwell when we were both 21 years old, and he has always been interested in local Vermont politics. Growing up on a dairy farm in Pittsford, Vermont, he is deeply connected to land and community. When I asked Jared why he remains so dedicated to his work on the Selectboard he responded, “I grew up believing that it is a civic duty to contribute to keeping our local communities strong. My dad, my mom, my great aunts and uncles were all very active in local community activities. They modeled deep community engagement to the six boys in our family, whether that was participating in local government, volunteering with the Chamber of Commerce, serving on the School Board, helping our local church or joining the Arts Council.”

Jared’s commitment to the town of Fayston is deep and genuine. He is always eager to talk about what makes Fayston different than the other Valley towns. “The geography of Fayston makes our town distinctive. With the Green Mountains serving as our Western boundary we are an interesting mix of true locals, old timers and new residents,” he said, flashing a great smile. “I enjoy the independent spirit of Fayston- the ‘rugged hill people’ of Vermont. These individuals were pretty resourceful and pretty frugal and they still inspire me today.”

“Service to others” has been a motto for Jared his entire life. You would be astonished at the countless number of hours he spends working on behalf of the town—preparing for meetings, attending meetings and following up with meetings. In our family we often joke that “Jared loves meetings!” He believes in the strength of deep personal relationships, and he takes the time to meet with people face to face when challenges arise. “I love working with people to solve problems,” he told me, “I enjoy meeting with members of the local community to work out solutions to big and small problems, be that figuring out a local zoning regulations, an animal control issue or figuring out the best financial plan for the town.”

Jared embodies the spirit of his Vermont ancestors: practicality blended with altruism and deep loyalty to the land, to community, and to the power of local politics. He demonstrates personal commitment and courage, as exemplified by his strong conviction that “it is always better to be involved and risk being criticized than stand on the sidelines and complain.”

•Katherine, Celia and Parker Cadwell

25 years as a Fayston Select Board member...WOW! Many of us have not spent that amount of time with a single company in our working careers! And you “volunteered” for this duty? Despite the fact that it can require more time than your day job?! I’m sure that most folks would be surprised to know the depth of responsibilities of a select board member. They may watch Mad River Valley TV to see the twice-monthly board meetings, but don’t get a sense for all the time and effort required behind the scenes...budget meetings, committee meetings (town related and Mad River Valley), sub-committee meetings (town hall renovations, managing grant work), regularly interfacing with town staff and road crew on day-to-day issues, as well as dealing with concerns raised by Fayston residents (from dog complaints to law suits). At times it can feel like a full time job. And you have done this for 25 years! For the princely sum of \$750 per year! For that “time” alone, I thank you! But your reach as a Fayston Selectboard member has extended well beyond the Town, into the broader community. Your many years on the Mad River Valley Planning District Steering Committee, much of that as Chairman, had positive impacts on all the Valley communities, while your time with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns had state wide ramifications. And it goes beyond the time and breadth of your involvement. In the 17 years I have known you, and worked with you on so many boards and committees, I have found you to be a good listener, a fair negotiator, an inspiring mentor, a true community “leader”, avid Bruins fan, avid Red Sox fan, and a friend truly deserving of this recognition.

Chuck Martel
Fellow Select Board member

I have only known Jared for a shorter time period. I am personally struck by his passion for the Town of Fayston and for civic service. I was appointed to the Select board in 2017 and have worked with Jared on the range of issues that come to us. His ability to listen, participate in, and foster agreement on issues is unparalleled. Working with him has greatly expanded my ability and understanding in these areas. I look forward to our meetings and discussions on issues. As he always has an understanding and the background to help our select board come to resolutions. I do believe that the he will continue to help the hill people of Fayston continue their resourceful, frugal and independent ways. It has been a great pleasure to get to know him.

Michael Jordan
Fellow Select Board Member

It is with gratefulness that I too have this opportunity to thank Jared for his work for the Town and Mad River Valley as a whole. His support, dedication, caring, sense of humor, and tireless effort on behalf of us all is unsurpassed. We are a Town with an amazing team and am truly honored to have worked with him for so many years.

Patti Lewis
Town Clerk & Treasurer
Assistant to Selectboard

INVITATION

To All Citizenry and Other Interested People,

The registered voting residents of the Town of Fayston welcome any interested Fayston landowner or winter residents to our annual town meeting to be held at the Fayston Municipal Office on Tuesday, March 3, 2020. The meeting will be called to order at 9:30 A.M. The agenda/warning of Town Meeting can be found on page 4 of this report.

Although only residents on the legal checklist are allowed to vote on the issues, we hope you will come, meet your neighbors and become better acquainted with your town and its officers.



For more information about Town Meeting, contact the Municipal Offices at 496-2454 (9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.)

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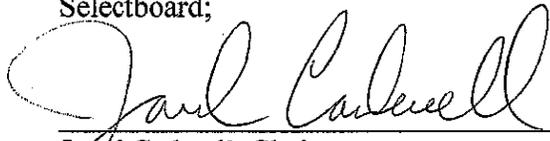
WARNING OF TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Fayston are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Fayston Municipal Building/Robert Vasseur Town Hall on Tuesday March 3, 2020 at 9:30 A.M. to transact the following business:

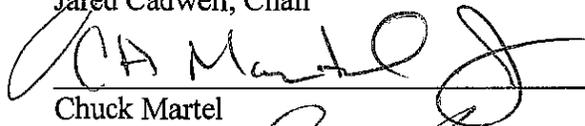
- Article 1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing. Rick Rayfield's term expires.
- Article 2. To elect a Town Clerk for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the year 2019.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of general revenue and with short term notes fund the Capital Budget.
- Article 5. Shall the Town pay the Selectboard expenses, and if so, how much?
- Article 6. To assess a time of payment of education and municipal taxes. Property taxes are due 30 days from generation of the bills. Taxes not paid by November 1, 2020 (postmarks (not metered mail) accepted), a one-time penalty of 8% and interest of 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter shall be applied. (November 1, 2020 falls on a Sunday therefore, Treasurer's office will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)
- Article 7. To elect a Treasurer for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.
- Article 8. To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.
- Article 9. To elect a Selectboard for a three-year term. Mike Jordan's term expires.
- Article 10. To elect a Lister for a three-year term. Leo Crain's term expires.
- Article 11. To elect a Second Constable for a one-year term. Kevin Vanschaick's term expires.
- Article 12. To elect a Cemetery Commissioner for a three-year term. Zelda LaVanway's term expires.
- Article 13. To elect a Grand Juror for a one-year term. Matt Howes' term expires.
- Article 14. To elect a Town Agent for a one-year term. Lindsay Browning's term expires.
- Article 15. Shall the Town establish a reserve fund to be called the Town Forest Reserve Fund, to be used for maintenance/care of Town forest lands, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?
- Article 16. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to fund the Town Forest Reserve Fund?
- Article 17. Shall the voters authorize a sum of money (\$1,302,482.00) to pay debts and expenses of the Town of Fayston for the year ending December 31, 2020?

- Article 18. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to move funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the established Municipal Building Maintenance Reserve Fund to the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund?
- Article 19. Shall the voters approve a contribution to support the Mad River Valley Ambulance Service in the amount of \$15,000, contingent upon the voters of Warren, Waitsfield and Moretown each also authorizing appropriations to support the Service in the same amount?
- Article 20. Shall the voters authorize an additional appropriation to support the Mad River Valley Recreation District in the amount of \$15,000, contingent upon the voters of Warren and Waitsfield each also authorizing additional appropriations to support the District in the same amount?
- Article 21. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to set the necessary tax rate after the Grand List has been completed and lodged in the Office of the Town Clerk?
- Article 22. Shall the Town vote to start next year's Town Meeting (March 2, 2021) at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon at the Fayston Municipal Building/Robert Vasseur Town Hall?
- Article 23. To transact any other business which may properly come before the meeting?

Selectboard:



Jared Cadwell, Chair



Chuck Martel



Michael Jordan

Dated this 30 day of January 2020 at Fayston, Vermont



Patti Lewis, Fayston Town Clerk

Received and recorded this 31 day of January 2020.

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING MARCH 5, 2109

The legal voters of the Town of Fayston were notified and warned to meet at the Fayston Municipal Building/Robert Vasseur Town Hall on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 to transact the following business:

9:35 a.m. Jared Cadwell opened the meeting and welcomed all. He asked for a moment of silence to remember, Kris Colvin, Gerald (Bruce) Dunbar, Robert Griffin, and John Winchell.

He called attention to the town report dedication to Lisa & Ky Koitzsch and thanked them for their contributions to the Town of Fayston through the Fayston Conservation Commission.

He also thanked John Shea, who is stepping down as DRB Chair, for his 20+ years of service on the DRB. All heartedly clapped and agreed.

Jared then read Article 1,

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing. Rick Rayfield's term expires.

Tony Egan nominated Rick Rayfield (Rick). Reed Henry seconded.

No further nominations were heard.

Jared cast one ballot on behalf of the house and Rick was elected as Moderator for the ensuing year.

Before moving to the next article Rick explained that all voters needed to have a purple card in order to vote. All non-registered voters would not be able to vote nor speak unless permission was granted by the body. He asked permission from the body to allow the HUUSD representatives to speak as well. He explained Robert's Rule of Order, amendments, division of the house, and the process to request a paper ballot.

Rick then read Article 2,

Article 2. To elect a Town Clerk for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.

Carolyn Bauer nominated Patti Lewis. Reed Henry seconded.

No further nominations were heard.

Rick cast one ballot for the election of Patti Lewis for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the year 2018.

Jared Cadwell went over pieces of the Selectboard Report found on page 14 of the Town Report. He introduced the DRB members and asked that anyone interested in serving please let the Selectboard know.

He emphasized the benefit of the Town having its own gravel pit.

He touched on the municipal building ADA standards stating it would be explained further along in the agenda.

He wished to recognize the Planning Commission and DRB members for their hard work during the Zoning Regulation updates and as they move forward with the Town Plan updates. To which Carol Chamberlin noted the Town Plan should be updated by the end of the year.

He stated his appreciation for Ed Read and Russ Bowen for their oversight of the town finances.

Jared Cadwell noted that the Selectboard members also serve on other boards. Jared Cadwell is on the Mad River Valley Planning District Steering Committee and Chuck Martel sits on the Mad River Solid Waste Management Alliance.

There being no further questions or comments Rick moved on to article 4,

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of general revenue and with short term notes fund the Capital Budget.

Freddie Graves made a motion to so authorize. Ed Read seconded. Jared Cadwell explained it allows the Selectboard flexibility should borrowing be necessary leading up to the collection of taxes, but that this was rarely necessary.

No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 5. Shall the Town pay the Selectboard expenses, and if so, how much?

Freddie Graves made a motion to continue to pay the Selectboard members \$750.00/year. Michael Quenneville seconded.

No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 6. To assess a time of payment of education and municipal taxes. Property taxes are due 30 days from generation of the bills. Taxes not paid by Friday November 1, 2019 (postmarks (not metered mail) accepted), a one-time penalty of 8% and interest of 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter shall be applied.

Freddie Graves moved the article as written. Reed Henry seconded.

Happy Mayer asked questions about percentage of people who pay on time and should the due date be extended from 30 days to 45. Patti Lewis thought that probably 50% pay on time. After clarification it was noted that tax payers have more like 90 days to pay as the delinquent date is not until Nov. 1 of each year. Happy Mayer asked what percentage pay before becoming delinquent and Patti Lewis replied the majority pay on time.

Rick restated the question. No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 7. To elect a Treasurer for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.

Michael Quenneville nominated Patti Lewis. Ben Bridgewater seconded.

No further nominations were heard.

Rick cast one ballot for the election of Patti Lewis for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for the year ensuing. Patti Lewis' term expires.

Ed Read nominated Patti Lewis. Reed Henry seconded.

Tony Egan asked if that salary was directly connected to the delinquent tax payers and the answer was yes.

No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of Patti Lewis for the

ensuing year.

Article 9. To elect a Selectman for a three-year term. Chuck Martel's term expires.

Reed Henry nominated Chuck Martel.
Robert Newton nominated Michele Gaboriau.
No further nomination was heard.

Each candidate spoke about their backgrounds and interests in serving. Jared Cadwell asked for a division of the house vs voice vote. Gail Breslauer asked for a paper ballot. Rick asked for a show of hands in favor of a paper ballot and counted more than seven and thus moved to a paper ballot.

Rick read results of the balloting with 57 votes for Chuck Martel and 16 for Michele Gaboriau.

Chuck Martel elected to a three- year term on the Selectboard.

Article 10. To elect a Lister for a three-year term. Sarah Stavrazy's term expires.

Gussie nominated Sarah Stavrazy. Tony Egan seconded.
No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of Sarah Stavrazy for a three-year term.

Article 11. No article 11 present on warning.

Article 12. To elect a Second Constable for a one-year term. Kevin Vanschaick's term expires.

Freddie Graves nominated Kevin Van Schaick. Albert Coccagna seconded.
No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of Kevin Vanschaick for the ensuing year.

Article 13. No article 13 on warning.

Article 14. To elect a Cemetery Commissioner for a three-year term. David Koepele's term expires.

Jared Cadwell nominated David Koepele. Michael Quenneville seconded.

David Koepele spoke briefly on the columbarium project. Question was asked what the timeline looked like and would there be opportunity for public input. David Koepele answered that anyone interested should contact one of the Cemetery Commissioners.

No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of David Koepele for a three-year term.

Article 15. To elect a Grand Juror for a one-year term. Matt Howes' term expires.

Chuck Martel nominated Matt Howes. Jared Cadwell seconded.
Question was asked what a Grand Juror does and answered that it is mostly an obsolete office and would likely soon be an eliminated position.

Theresa Membrino asked if the Selectboard members were allowed to make nominations. Rick replied that they may.

No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of Matt Howes for the year ensuing.

Article 16. To elect a Town Agent for a one-year term. Lindsay Browning's term expires.

Michael Quenneville nominated Lindsay Browning. Shane Mullen seconded. Question was asked what a Town Agent does and Lindsay Browning responded she provides legal assistance to the Selectboard. Jared stated it was greatly appreciated this past year. No further nominations were heard and Rick cast one ballot for the election of Lindsay Browning for the ensuing year.

Article 17. Shall the Town establish a reserve fund to be called the Municipal Building Reserve Fund, to be used for ADA Compliant and Maintenance Projects, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?

David Koepele made a motion to establish a reserve fund. Tony Egan seconded.

Questions, not limited to, were asked and answered regarding Efficiency Vermont's involvement, (\$20k energy savings since 2010) ADA Compliance issues (bathrooms & front entry), maintenance issues (windows, doors, insulation, humidity problems), the cost of \$54,000.00 to remedy those issues, a deeper look into the building needs vs. spending this money now with a potential of undoing some of that work later.

Question was asked what portion of the \$1.2 million budget is slated for the ADA upgrades and the answer was \$54k.

Question was asked if the Town would incur a penalty if it did not meet ADA compliance. Answered no penalty that the Selectboard was aware of.

Freddie Graves asked to call the question. By a show of hands all were in favor of calling the question.

No further discussion, Rick restated the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 18. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$34,000.00 to fund the Municipal Building Reserve Fund?

Paul Sipple made a motion to appropriate \$34,000 to fund the Municipal Building Reserve Fund. Ed Read seconded.

Question was asked if it was funded \$34,000 this year would that amount need to be spent? Answer was no, it would not need to be spent in 2019.

Question was asked where the \$34,000 came from when the project was projected at \$54,000.00. Chuck advised people to look at Article 20 for the additional \$20,000.

Question was asked if all our bridges are in good shape in consideration of moving reserve funds from that fund.

Question was asked if the \$34,000.00 was enough to cover the ADA compliance issues without other projects included. Answer no and that \$43,000.00 was needed to complete the ADA

projects alone.

Question was asked if just the \$34,000 was approved what would happen and Chuck Martel replied he guessed they would have to scale back the project and to complete only a portion of the work.

Ed Read explained that the point of creating a separate reserve account is that it is an ongoing account vs. a line item that has funds that go away from year to year vs. being reserved for specific projects. I.E., no blending in with the general budget line items.

No further discussion, Rick restated the question, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 19. Shall the voters authorize a sum of money (\$1,274,584.82) to pay debts and expenses of the Town of Fayston for the year ending December 31, 2019?

Freddie Graves made the motion. Ed Read seconded.

Jared Cadwell then walked the body through budget income and expense line items including but not limited to; the funds needed to be raised of \$1,008,796.82, additional administrative support needed in direct response to the general road permit issues, the rationale behind moving funds within reserve funds (bridge reserve is earmarked for the bridge by the municipal building which has been dropped of AOT radar, and reappraisal reserve is healthy, as is our CLA currently at 100%), Fayston tax as compared to other Washington County towns, highway equipment replacement schedule being reduced from 10 years to 7, the need for additional zoning administration hours, and shifting money vs. borrowing.

Jared Alvord noted a difference between the fire reserve number on Page 24 and 29. Page 24 is correct.

Ned Kelley and Carolyn Bauer both expressed their appreciation for the hard work of the road crew. Carolyn Bauer asked if a guard rail might be installed at the bottom of Bragg Hill. Road department will look into that.

Rick restated Article 19. All in favor, motion carried.

At this point Rick asked permission to allow Kari Dolan, Fayston's State Representative to speak to the body. All agreed.

Ms. Dolan highlighted some of the items on the "Town Meeting Report" she and Maxine Grad had created. She spoke of her accomplishments and goals. Inviting all to meet with her at one of her coffee break meetings.

Theresa Membrino asked permission to speak prior to Article 24 as she had a scheduling conflict. The body allowed her to do so. She first thanked Jill Ellis for her six years on the HUUSD Board. All heartedly clapped and agreed. Theresa Membrino then went over some of her views at the HUUSD level. Including, but not limited to, high school renovations with or without Crossett Brook, numbers to renovations, bond vote not happening in June, unity across the district re: Harwood upgrades needed, alternative teaching models, and her desire to think about the district holistically.

Tim Jones then introduced himself as a candidate to the HUUSD Board being voted by Australian ballot today. He has been a resident since 2003, had two children, is an environmental consultant, and his work in the public domain.

Article 20. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to move funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the established Re-Appraisal Reserve Fund and \$10,000.00 from the Bridge Reserve Fund to the Municipal Building Reserve Fund if Article 17 passes?

Gussie Graves made a motion to move funds within the reserve accounts. Jody Chamberlin seconded.

No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 21. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to set the necessary tax rate after the Grand List has been completed and lodged in the Office of the Town Clerk?

Carol Chamberlin made the motion. Candace Porter seconded.
No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 22. Shall the Town vote to eliminate the appointed positions of Fence Viewers?

Jared Cadwell introduced the current fence views as himself, Kevin Wry and Ed Read.

Freddie Graves made the motion. Sue Jefferys seconded.

Question was asked what a fence viewer did and Jared Cadwell responded that in the past they would make decisions on maintenance of fences between neighbors. The Zoning Administrator now takes care of any zoning regulation issues.

No further discussion, majority in favor, motion carried.

Article 23. Shall the Town vote to start next year's Town Meeting (March 3, 2020) at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon at the Fayston Municipal Building/Robert Vasseur Town Hall?

Tony Egan made the motion, Reed Henry seconded.

There was discussion including, but not limited to, who makes the decision on location (answered the Selectboard), efficiency of holding it at town hall vs. the school, space differences, if HUUSD would charge the Town for school usage, parking considerations at both locations, and road crew work to move chairs/tables one way or another.

Paul Sipple made a motion to amend the article to state that the Town Meeting should be at the Fayston Elementary School. Sue Jefferys seconded.

Rick restated the question. Voice vote was undeterminable so a hand count was conducted. 35 voted in favor of keeping the Town Meeting at the Town Hall with 20 voting against.

Rick restated the main motion. No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Article 24. To elect a representative to fill a 3-year term to the Harwood Union Unified School District Board of Directors. Jill Ellis' term expires. Article to be voted by Australian ballot at the Robert Vasseur Town Hall from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on this date.

Article 25. To transact any other business which may properly come before the meeting?

Carol Chamberlin, on behalf of the Planning Commission, wanted to acknowledge Polly McMurtry for her many years of service on that Board. All heartedly clapped and agreed. Carol told everyone of the need to update the Town Plan by the end of the year and the survey that was out there on the Town website, encouraging everyone to participate.

Freddie Graves and Holiday Rayfield discussed a lunch at Town Meeting in the future. It was decided to bring back pot-luck next year and see what happens.

Holiday Rayfield asked about an email list that was talked about last year. Mike Jordan responded it should be launched in a short period and that it would be an opt in or out system.

Wesley Bell asked about the 1% LOT Tax. Jared Cadwell responded that they have had three Town meetings with additional smaller meetings around the valley. It is a continuing process. Albert Coccagna asked if it would eventually come to a town meeting vote and Jared Cadwell responded that was likely a fair conclusion.

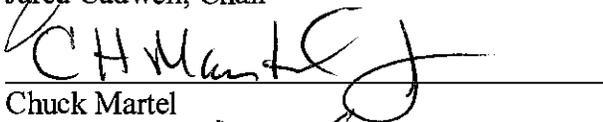
Kevin Van Schaick read a letter with more detail and support of the MRVAS report in the town report on page 33. They were not asking for funds at this meeting but asking individuals to please support the MRVAS to enable it to continue its service to the Valley. If anyone wants to join the MRVAS they will pay for training.

12:37 p.m. Sue Jefferys made a motion to adjourn. Jody Chamberlin seconded. No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Selectboard;



Jared Cadwell, Chair

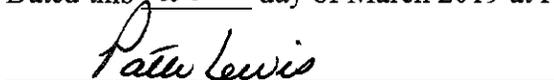


Chuck Martel



Michael Jordan

Dated this 26 day of March 2019 at Fayston, Vermont



Patti Lewis, Fayston Town Clerk

Received and recorded this 28 day of March 2019.

TOWN OFFICIALS

ELECTED AT TOWN MEETING								
Selectboard	Jared Cadwell (Chair)	V/S	496-3295	P.O. Box 691	Waitsfield	05673	3 year	2021
Selectboard	Chuck Martel	V/S	496-5932	713 Randell Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
Selectboard	Mike Jordan	V/S	496-4929	563 Big Basin Rd	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Town Clerk	Patti Lewis	P	496-2454 x 21	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Town Treasurer	Patti Lewis	P	496-2454 x 21	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Delinquent Tax Collector	Patti Lewis	P	496-2454 x 21	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
HUUSD School Director	Timothy Jones	V	496-7855	3195 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
HUUSD School Director	Theresa Membrino	V	496-2681	152 Mansfield Road	Fayston	05673	3 year	2021
Lister	Doug Mosle	P	496-2454 x 24	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	3 year	2021
Lister	Sarah Stavrazy	P	496-2454 x 24	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
Lister	Leo Crain	P	583-1416	1742 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Second Constable	Kevin Vanschaick	V	496-5378	78 Hoffman Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Cemetery Commissioner	Ken Amann	V	496-4111	P.O. Box 875	Waitsfield	05673	3 year	2021
Cemetery Commissioner	Zelda La Vanway	V	496-4201	2913 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Cemetery Commissioner	David Koepele	V	496-1799	3400 Center Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
Grand Juror	Matt Howes	V	496-9107	78 Ward Hollow Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Town Agent	Lindsay Browning	V/P	496-5603	38 Nelson Farm Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Joslin Library Trustee	Sally Reisner	V	496-7010	P.O. Box 1299	Waitsfield	05673	5 year	2021
(elected by Library Board)	Trish Read	V	496-3052	92 Fire Pond Lane	Fayston	05673	5 year	2023
Moderator	Fredrick Rayfield	V	496-5667	P.O. Box 819	Waitsfield	05673	1 year	2020
APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS								
Road Foreman	Stuart Hallstrom	P	496-8827	41 Town Garage Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Assistant Town Clerk & Treas	Sarah Stavrazy	P	496-2454 x 23	866 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Assistant Town Clerk & Treas	Lisa Koitzsch	P	496-9419 x 23	968 Bragg Hill Road	Fayston	05673	1 year	2020
Assistant Town Clerk/Elections	Ken Scott/Elections	V/P	496-5373	P.O. Box 539	Waitsfield	05673	1 year	2021
Selectboard Assistant	Patti Lewis	P	496-2454 x 21	866 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Zoning Administrator	John Weir	P	496-2454 x 25	866 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
First Constable	Raymond Munn	V	496-3582	P.O. Box 544	Moretown	05660	1 year	2020
Animal Control Officers	Jeremiah Rutledge	P	496-4424	483 Smith Road	Fayston	05673	1 year	2020
Shingle Inspector		V					1 year	
Tree Warden	Michael Quenneville	V	496-8827	866 N. Fayston Rd.	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Service Officer	Nicole Migneault	V	496-2083	3685 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Health Officer	John Weir	V	496-2454 x 25	866 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Energy Coordinator	David Frank	V	496-666	c/o 866 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Emergency Management	Craig Snell	V	496-3677	2410 Center Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Fire Warden	Bob Lockett	V/S	496-2653	1444 German Flats Road	Fayston	05673	1 year	2020
Planning Commission	Carol Chamberlin (Chair)	V	496-4611	21 Randell Road	Fayston	05660	4 year	2022
Planning Commission	Don Siminoni	V	496-4183	414 Deer Run Lane	Fayston	05660	4 year	2020
Planning Commission	Doug Day	V	496-4374	406 Deer Run Lane	Fayston	05660	4 year	2022
Planning Commission	Peter Ludlow	V	496-5193	P.O. Box 574	Waitsfield	05673	4 year	2021

TOWN OFFICIALS

Planning Commission	Karl Klein	V	496-5637	1439 Kew-Vasseur Road	Moretown	05660	4 year	2022
Development Review Board	Ky Koitzsch	V	496-9419	968 Bragg Hill Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
Development Review Board	Peter Ludlow	V	496-5193	P.O. Box 574	Waitsfield	05673	3 year	2020
Development Review Board	Shane Mullen (Chair)	V	496-7997	347 Glen View Road	Fayston	05673	3 year	2021
Development Review Board	Michael Quenneville	V	496-2190	353 Murphy Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2022
Development Review Board	Lindsay Browning	V	496-5603	38 Nelson Farm Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Development Review Board	Nicholas Skwira, Alternate	V		2945 N. Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Development Review Board	Jared Alvord, Alternate	V	595-2115	P.O. Box 672	Waitsfield	05673	1 year	2020
Conservation Commission	Corrie Miller	V	802-999-2213	Confidential	Fayston	05660	3 year	2021
Conservation Commission	Gene Fialkoff	V	496-6668	1667 Bragg Hill Road	Fayston	05673	3 year	2022
Conservation Commission	Geri Procaccini	V	793-8805	1673 Bragg Hill Road	Fayston	05673	3 year	2020
Conservation Commission	Ned Kelley	V	496-9420	576 Smith Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Conservation Commission	Akhil Kaplan	V	279-9272	3531 Center Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2021
Conservation Commission	Ky Koitzsch, Alternate	V	279-3237	P.O. Box 953	Waitsfield	05673	3 year	2022
Conservation Commission	Lisa Koitzsch (Chair)	V	279-2173	P.O. Box 953	Waitsfield	05673	3 year	2022
MRVPD	Jared Cadwell	V	496-3295	P.O. Box 691	Waitsfield	05673	1 year	2020
MRVPD	Chuck Martel- Alternate	V	496-5932	713 Randell Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Recreation District	Chrissy Bellmyer	V	917-687-9752	42 Catamount Lane	Fayston	05673	3 year	2021
Recreation District	John Stokes	V	496-2170	916 Phen Basin Road	Fayston	05660	3 year	2020
Cntrl. Vt. Regional Planning	Carol Chamberlin	V	496-4611	21 Randell Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
TAC	Matt Lillard	V	583-2063	934 Center Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Police Advisory Committee	James McCaffrey	V	496-3512	2572 North Fayston Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
Camel's Hump	Doug Wilson	V	496-3836	1169 Kew Vasseur Road	Fayston	05673	1 year	2020
MR Resource Mngmt Alliance	Chuck Martel	V	496-5932	713 Randell Road	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
MR Resource Mngmt Alliance	Mike Jordan, Alternate	V	496-4929	563 Big Basin Rd	Fayston	05660	1 year	2020
ELECTED AT GENERAL ELECTION								
Justice Of The Peace	Peter Forbes	V	496-5685	700 Bragg Hill Road	Fayston	05673	2 year	2021
Justice Of The Peace	Jared Cadwell	V	496-3295	P.O. Box 691	Waitsfield	05673	2 year	2021
Justice Of The Peace	Lisa Koitzsch	V	279-2173	P.O. Box 953	Waitsfield	05673	2 year	2021
Justice Of The Peace	Fredrick Rayfield	V	496-5667	P.O. Box 819	Waitsfield	05673	2 year	2021
Justice of the Peace	Jodi Chamberlin	V	469-4611	21 Randell Road	Fayston	05673	2 year	2021
V=VOLUNTEER								
P=PAID								
V/S=VOLUNTEER/STIPEND								
V/P=VOLUNTEER/MAY PAY								

SELECTBOARD REPORT 2019

It was another busy year in the Town of Fayston. The Selectboard oversaw a number of infrastructure projects that were ably executed by our road crew and subcontractors:

- 1) Milling and re-paving Bragg Hill Road – a special thanks to ST Paving for their diligence
- 2) Re-build of a troublesome section of Kew Vasseur Road
- 3) Preparation and mining of a new section of the Sharp shooter's Gravel Pit
- 4) Prompt repair of early October Stagecoach Road flood damage
- 5) Culvert replacement and ditching work
- 6) Regular grading and brush-hogging from May thru October

The Town Garage Study Committee (Ed Read, David Frank, Tom Clark, SB members, Stuart Hallstrom, John Weir) met several times in 2019 to discuss and assess options for the facility. The Selectboard agreed to employ architect Karyn Scherer to oversee a technical review of the Town Garage site and potential schematic designs. The SB will give a short report at Town Meeting on the committee's work to date.

2020 road/culvert projects include new culverts on Stagecoach Road, stone-lining ditches of sections of Bragg Hill, Randell Road and Harris Hill.

SB Member Chuck Martel is the town's representative to the Mad River Resource Management Alliance. Their annual report can be found in the Town Report.

SB member Jared Cadwell and Planning Commission member Don Simonini are the town's representatives to the Mad River Valley Planning District's Steering Committee. The MRVPD's annual report can be found in the Town Report. Members Cadwell and Simonini applaud the MRVPD's staff (Joshua Schwartz and Kale Gallagher) hard work and success as they coordinate and, in some cases, oversee numerous Mad River Valley projects. Exs: Trails Collaboration, Waitsfield Sidewalk project, Housing Coalition renewal.

SB Member Jared Cadwell chairs the MRVPD LOT subcommittee which has met numerous times over the past year to develop a proposal for a three town (Fayston, Warren, Waitsfield) local option tax. The meetings are open to the public and its agendas and minutes are posted on the <mrplot.org> website. The next step in the process is the Town of Waitsfield's upcoming town meeting vote to approve a charter amendment which would allow it to enact a local option tax. Fayston and Warren already have that status. SB members Cadwell and Jordan are also engaged in the tri-town negotiation to establish a governance and grant-making structure for a valley wide LOT. The negotiation committee's goal is to have a proposal for public review and vote by November 2020.

The SB thanks the town's listers led by Doug Mosle (Sarah Stavaky, Leo Crain) for their careful maintenance of the town's grand list and coordination of taxpayer grievances and appeals.

The SB thanks Karyn Scherer and David Frank for overseeing the Town Hall renovations. All the interior items have been satisfactorily completed. The exterior front walkway upgrade will be completed this summer.

We hope to see many of you at Town Meeting!

Jared Cadwell, Chair
Chuck Martel
Michael Jordan

LISTER REPORT

The busy pace of development we saw in 2018, continued throughout 2019 and well into 2020. The town granted permits for 15 new residential homes/ accessory structures, 10 residential additions, 3 decks and/or sheds, 3 land subdivisions, 8 Certificates of Occupancy and 15 conditional use/ change of use or other. Additionally we continued the work of updating records for 38 projects that were unfinished from 2018. We are consistently pleased by the generosity of time granted to us by our fellow citizens in completing the work of municipal assessment. And while we enjoy these opportunities for community outreach, it is also important to note that your cooperation saves the town money, by ensuring that our grand list remains as up-to-date as possible. And an up-to-date grand list helps to prevent drastic changes in the tax rate, which in turn keeps our taxes in check, and delays the necessity for costly reappraisals.

Permit Updates - During the course of the winter and spring we will visit all properties that have zoning permits outstanding. If you would like to schedule a visit, please contact the Listers at 496-2454 x23 or by email at faystonlister@madriver.com. We don't mind knocking, but scheduling an appointment makes your life and our job easier.

Homestead Declarations – Just an annual and friendly reminder that the State of Vermont requires each resident to declare their homestead status **each year**. This declaration may be done online beginning in February by visiting the Vermont Department of Taxes website. **THERE IS A PENALTY IF YOU DO NOT FILE.**

Sales Study - The data utilized to calculate the CLA and the COD are gathered by tracking all sales during the course of the year. Each sale is analyzed to determine whether it represents a "fair market sale". This is done through deed research, property tax returns and questionnaires sent to all parties in a transaction. By removing sales that do not represent a fair market sale, and include sales that DO we are able to gather a snapshot each year as to how our assessed property values are holding up compared to actual sales within our town, which provides essential evidence as to the fairness of our town-wide appraisal.

The **Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)** represents the average ratio (shown as a percentage) of sales in the town during the past three years, as compared to their assessed value.

This is an historic look at CLA and COD, including reappraisal years (RA):		
Year	CLA	COD
2010	100.33%	7.18% (RA)
2011	100.98%	6.15%
2012	101.57%	6.13%
2013	105.84%	8.06%
2014	104.65%	12.09%
2015	105.27%	11.47%
2016	105.21%	13%
2017	100.54%	4.59% (RA)
2018	99.76%	5.84%
2019	97.15%	7.62%

Therefore a CLA of 100% indicates that, on average, homes over the past three years sold for their assessed value. A lower CLA indicates that properties are selling above the town's assessment; a higher CLA indicates the opposite. The **Coefficient of Dispersion (COD)** represents the average absolute difference of each property's sale ratio from the median sales ratio, an indicator of how fairly the property tax burden is distributed within the town. Therefore a higher COD indicates greater disparity and a lower COD indicates greater parity.

Thanks again for all you do to support the Listers in maintaining the Town's Grand List. We look forward to seeing you around town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Mosle, Sarah Stavrakys, Leo Crain
Fayston Board of Listers

2019 ZONING & PLANNING REPORT

The Fayston Planning Commission is currently a five-member volunteer board which over time seeks out new members. If you are interested in taking part in Fayston's planning process, contact John Weir, Planning & Zoning Administrator, at faystonzoning@madriver.com.

Beginning in the summer of 2018, the Planning Commission began updating the Town Plan, as the next iteration of the Plan is due to be finalized. The 2020 Plan will include updated data and survey results, and strengthens consistency with the following goals: (1) provide a strong and diverse economy; (2) encourage the efficient use of energy and the development of renewable energy resources; (3) maintain and enhance recreational opportunities; (4) encourage and strengthen agricultural and forest industries; and (5) encourage flood resilient communities. Once ready, the Plan will be presented to the Selectboard for their approval and adoption.

With a new timeframe of Town Plan updates being required every eight years, the PC will be able to focus more on following through with completion of some of the goals and objectives outlined in the Plan. These goals guide planning, budgeting, and policy decisions made by local boards and officials, and there will be potential for involvement of Fayston's residents as plans for working on these goals and objectives is outlined by the Commission in the coming months.

The Fayston Zoning & Planning Administrator (ZA) and the Development Review Board (DRB) charge is to enforce the LURs. As part of the ZA's job is the responsibility to attend to all Zoning Permit activities, issue permits, keep detailed records of permit activity, to interpret the LURs and provide guidance to permit applicants. The ZA also provides administrative support to the Planning Commission and to the Development Review Board for all Conditional Use and Subdivision applications.

In 2019, the ZA and the Development Review Board worked closely to review a grand total of 50 applications, as follows:

2019 ZONING & PLANNING REPORT

<u>Type of Zoning Permit:</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Subdivision & Amend.	3	5	7	5	7	3	2
Single-Family Homes	12	8	8	6	9	8	11
Additions/Other Structures	19	31	20	28	18	21	37
Certificates of Occupancy	7	7	8	11	2	4	7
Conditional Use	9	8	3	5	3	5	11
Home Occupation	0	0	1	0	1	3	0

Wastewater applications are reviewed by the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources Wastewater Management Division, which implements the state-wide Wastewater Permit Program. The state issued 16 permits to Fayston landowners in 2019, up 2 from the previous year. Fayston continues to require that a Certificate of Occupancy be applied for once a new residence or wastewater system is constructed. This certificate is applied for through the Zoning & Planning office. Forms can be obtained by mail or on the Town of Fayston Website under Permits.

Fayston Zoning Permits are required for all new buildings, additions, decks, sheds, barns, garages, accessory buildings, home occupations, accessory apartments, ponds, subdivisions, and other uses detailed in the Land Use Regulations. Applications, minutes of public hearings, zoning regulations, agendas, and Notices of Decisions are all available at the Town Office and Town of Fayston website. Residents with questions are encouraged to contact the ZA Mondays - Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Weir
 Fayston Zoning and Planning Administrator/E-911 Coord./THO
 802-496-2454 ext. 25
faystonzoning@madriver.com

TOWN CLERK STATEMENT & VITALS

Happy Town Meeting time once again. See you at the Fayston Municipal Offices/Robert Vasseur Town Hall on March 3, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

First comment this year is congratulations to Sarah Stavrakys for receiving the award of Vermont Assistant Treasurer of the Year from the Vermont Town Clerks & Treasures Association!! It was a huge honor to nominate and see her receive the award. We should all be proud to know we have such a dedicated, knowledgeable, and honest person working with our tax dollars!

I am certainly proud this year of all the back scanning work that was done with our land records. We are back forty (40) years (which is often the number of years a title researcher needs to examine)! This took many many many hours of Sarah, Lisa, and my time, but within four months it was accomplished. A huge thank you to Sarah and Lisa for their dedication and accomplishment of the goal.

Also wish to thank Karyn Scherer and David Frank for their work on the municipal building ADA bathroom project. The upgrade came out beautifully with their careful oversight.

Another election year is upon us. Reminder that ballots are available for early voting forty-five days prior to a State or Federal election. Not only can one come into the office to early vote but you may also request an absentee ballot through the mail or by going to My Voter Page, through the State of Vermont website, set up your own account, and request. Please be sure to check which elections you wish to receive ballots for. We are always looking for people to help at the polls on election days. If you have a few hours to spare, good focus, and a desire to get involved with the process, please let me know. We would greatly appreciate your assistance.

The new Vital Record Law that went in to effect on July 1, 2019 has worked out okay for Fayston although I have heard many a story of how it has made things more difficult for some situations. The State did adjust the application form to accommodate some scenarios that came up and our legislative representatives through the VMCTA, will be addressing further issues with them this session.

Again, a huge thank you to Sarah and Lisa for all their hard work and good humor in 2019!

Patti Lewis
Town Clerk & Treasurer

LIQUOR LICENSES	\$1265.00
DOG LICENSES (NET OF STATE FEES)	\$1967.00
MARRIAGE/CU LICENSES (NET OF STATE FEES)	\$60.00
RECORDING/SEARCH/FEES/COPIES	\$26,152.15

VITAL RECORDS: BIRTHS 4 –DEATHS 3– MARRIAGES 6

DOG LICENSE FEES	NEUTERED	UNNEUTERED
On or before April 1 st	\$9.00	\$13.00
After April 1 st	\$11.00	\$17.00

Please remember all owners or keepers of domestic dog and wolf-hybrids who are 6 months of age or older must obtain a license on or before April 1, 2020. To obtain a license the animal must have a valid rabies vaccination and a copy of the certificate filed with the town clerk. **If you license by mail, please enclose a self-addressed return envelope.**

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Fayston Cemetery Commission 2019 Financials	
INCOME	
12 Lot sales	\$ 8,150.00
6 Grave Openings	\$ 1,800.00
Perpetual Care Int	\$ 2,500.00
Check Balance Dec 31, 2018	\$ 701.04
	\$ 13,151.04
EXPENSE	
2 Set Corner stone	\$ 390.00
SeHng Corner St one	\$ 60.00
6 Dg Flags	\$ 72.00
Mad River Prop Maint - Grave Openings	\$ 525.00
Mignault & Barnes - Grounds maintenance	\$ 6,000.00
Edward Jones Perpetual Care Premium	\$ 1,500.00
	\$ 8,547.00
ASSET	
Check Balance Dec 31, 2019	\$ 4,579.04
Perpetual Care Principal	\$ 28,075.00
Perpetual Care Interest	\$ 4,176.59
Restricted Fund	\$ 151,864.77
	\$ 188,695.40
<u>North Fayston</u>	
1 cremaUon	
2 ground markers	
<u>South Fayston</u>	
5 cremaUons	
3 headstones	
3 ground markers	

FAYSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Fayston Conservation Commission (FCC) had a busy 2019. Most notably, the Town received a generous donation of 93 acres of land at the top of Boyce Road in North Fayston. This spectacular parcel is well known and loved by members of the Fayston community and offers sweeping views of the Green Mountains and the Shepherd Brook valley. The Town took ownership of the land in mid-December and the Vermont Land Trust holds a conservation easement. The FCC worked to complete an Interim Management Plan for the newly named “Boyce Hill Town Forest” as a requisite for the land transfer. This plan, which outlines the interim allowable uses for the property, can be found on the FCC page of the Fayston Town website. Beginning in 2020, the FCC will begin a longer-term management planning process for the new town forest that will benefit from thoughtful consideration of natural resources and community input. The first year of the process will be dedicated to learning about the land and engaging the public in that learning. The FCC will coordinate site visits by state agencies and organizations with expertise to offer, consult with a professional to produce a natural resources inventory, and organize opportunities for the public to learn more or experience the property in new ways. The second year, in 2021, the process will focus on gathering public input and ideas as the Commission works towards drafting a longer-term management plan for the property.

Early in 2019, a kiosk was installed near the parking area next to the McCullough Barn as part of the MRV Unified Trailhead Kiosk Project. The new sign marks the gateway to the Chase Brook Town Forest (CBTF) and access to many connecting trails. Our trail partners, Mad River Riders and Mad River Path Association, continued to maintain the CBTF trails and the Riders completed a new trail connecting the trailhead to the Catamount Trail. The Commission also continued to remove knotweed from the trailhead parking area near the McCullough Barn and this removal is an ongoing management need.

In early fall, the FCC participated in the “Celebrating Biodiversity” event at American Flatbread, sponsored by the Vermont Alliance for Half-Earth and several others. The event focused on the importance of biodiversity and what Mad River watershed residents can do to provide healthy habitats that foster thriving Vermont plant and wildlife populations.

In October, the FCC sponsored a community composting talk by Aaron Shepard from the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District. This was the first of what the Commission hopes will be an ongoing conversation with the community about our composting options when the State Universal Recycling and Composting Law (Act 148) goes into effect on July 1, 2020 to ban disposal of food scraps in landfills.

Also this fall, the FCC participated in a planning session for the first Vermont Master Naturalist, Mad River Valley offering. This new program, a partnership with Friends of the Mad River and the Vermont Alliance for Half-Earth, trains participants in the watershed’s natural and cultural history, teaches them to “read” local landscapes, and supports them as they give back to the community through local conservation education or stewardship projects.

Thank you to our Fayston community for your enjoyment of the amazing natural resources in our town and your continued dedication and support in taking good care of them. Respectfully submitted,

The Fayston Conservation Commission (faystonconservation@madriver.com):

Lisa Koitzsch (Chair), Corrie Miller (Treasurer), Geri Procaccini (Secretary), Gene Fialkoff, Akhil Kaplan, and Ned Kelley

ENERGY COORDINATOR REPORT

Fayston - Town Energy 2019

The Town of Fayston is entering its 10th year after having done a major energy retrofit & upgrade to its Town hall, which resulted in it setting a model example for other towns to follow. In 2009 Fayston Town Hall received an energy retrofit after having been awarded a Clean Energy Development Fund - Block Grant. This extensive energy efficiency and renewable energy project resulted in a reoccurring savings to the town of over \$3,500. annually & cumulative savings of over \$35,000. The grant paid for 98% of all of the work, combined with in-kind work from Fayston residents. Because of this, Fayston enjoys the designation of the 1st Vermont town hall with the smallest carbon footprint.

Fayston residents can also take advantage of programs that provide professional advice and financial assistance to help determine and accomplish their own energy goals.

These programs along with personal energy habits can potentially reduce you home energy consumption and related expenses by one half or more. Many Fayston residents have already done so and are setting a great example.

These programs include consulting, financial assistance and incentives for:

- Home & Business Energy Audits
- Energy Efficiency Measures
- Weatherization Insulating & Air Sealing
- Solar Electric PV systems
- High Efficiency Advanced Wood Pellet & Cord Wood Heating Systems
- Air Source Heat Pumps
- Advice on Energy reduction devices, methods & programs

Listed below are the three leading Vermont organizations that can help you initiate and navigate the process at no charge.

- Efficiency Vermont - (888) 921-5990 efficiencyvermont.com
- Renewable Energy Resource Center (877)888-7372 rerc-vt.org
- Renewable Energy Vermont (802)229-0099 revermont.org

If you have further questions or would like local advice on energy efficiency or renewable energy please call or email Fayston's Town Energy Coordinator 802-496-6666 or at FaystonEnergy@gmail.com

AUDITOR'S REPORT NOTICE

**FOTHERGILL SEGALE & VALLEY
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

**COMPILATION REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2018**

PLEASE NOTE:

AS OF 2009

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GENERAL FUND: BUDGET FOR 2020

BUDGET WORKSHEET 2020							
			Jan 1 - 12/31/19	Budget	Diff	%	Proposed
Income							
INCOME							
	4000	Town Taxes	940,675.37	1,010,609.57	-69,934.20	93.08%	
	4010	State Aid Highway	67,993.86	67,000.00	993.86	101.48%	68,000.00
	4012	Grant Income	18,859.01	0.00	18,859.01	100.0%	0.00
	4013	State Emergency Funds (Grant)	2,750.00	0.00	2,750.00	100.0%	0.00
	4015	Green Mountain Valley School	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.0%	4,000.00
	4020	Liquor licenses	1,265.00	1,000.00	265.00	126.5%	1,000.00
	4025	Marriage licenses	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%	100.00
	4035	Dog licenses	1,957.71	1,000.00	957.71	195.77%	1,500.00
	4036	Record Preservation	4,938.00	0.00	4,938.00	100.0%	2,000.00
	4040	Other income	2,785.97	5,000.00	-2,214.03	55.72%	3,000.00
	4041	Hall rental	3,680.00	4,000.00	-320.00	92.0%	4,000.00
	4042	Fees	26,152.15	18,000.00	8,152.15	145.29%	20,000.00
	4043	Permits-EW	390.00	400.00	-10.00	97.5%	400.00
	4048	Zoning-fees	9,834.39	8,000.00	1,834.39	122.93%	9,000.00
	4049	Zoning-fines	29,000.00	0.00	29,000.00	100.0%	0.00
	4050	Waitsfield road work	8,140.00	8,140.00	0.00	100.0%	11,500.00
	4052	Delinquent tax interest	11,995.33	12,000.00	-4.67	99.96%	12,000.00
	4054	Delinquent tax penalties	11,792.12	0.00	11,792.12	100.0%	10,000.00
	4065	Interest-CD	1,805.13	600.00	1,205.13	300.86%	1,200.00
	4075	Interest - General Fund	7,118.32	3,500.00	3,618.32	203.38%	5,000.00
	4700	Current Use	41,822.00	38,000.00	3,822.00	110.06%	40,000.00
	4805	PILOT	15,393.60	16,000.00	-606.40	96.21%	15,000.00
Total INCOME			1,212,347.96	1,197,349.57	14,998.39	101.25%	207,700.00
Total Income			1,212,347.96	1,197,349.57	14,998.39	101.25%	
	4999	Fund Balance Prior Year		79,048.00			15,998.91
			1,212,347.96	1,276,397.57	-64,049.61	94.98%	223,698.91
Expense							
ADMINISTRATIVE							
	5305	Pound	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.0%	2,000.00
	5320	Legal					
		0712 - Ermoine LLC subdivision	931.00	0.00	931.00	100.0%	
		0714 - LOT MOU	1,188.64	0.00	1,188.64	100.0%	
		0716 - HUUSD	1,455.00	0.00	1,455.00	100.0%	
		0715 - Ermione LLC	2,457.50	0.00	2,457.50	100.0%	
		5320 - Legal - Other	1,057.50	5,000.00	-3,942.50	21.15%	
		Total 5320 - Legal	7,089.64	5,000.00	2,089.64	141.79%	7,500.00
	5322	Audit expense	7,200.00	7,200.00	0.00	100.0%	13,500.00
	5323	Fire Warden	300.00	300.00	0.00	100.0%	300.00
	5325	Public Safety	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%	300.00
	5335	MRV Solid Waste Alliance	8,456.00	8,456.00	0.00	100.0%	9,471.00
	5340	Contingency & miscellaneous	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%	0.00
	5910	Leagues of Cities & Towns	2,644.00	2,644.00	0.00	100.0%	2,751.25
Total ADMINISTRATIVE			27,689.64	26,900.00	789.64	102.94%	35,822.25
BENEFITS							
	5050	Hospitalization	82,680.29	86,000.00	-3,319.71	96.14%	94,442.00
	5055	Retirement	17,027.46	17,000.00	27.46	100.16%	19,000.00
	5060	Taxes - payroll	24,719.09	25,579.52	-860.43	96.64%	25,837.00
	5065	Uniforms	1,990.10	1,800.00	190.10	110.56%	1,800.00
	5066	Dental	7,002.78	8,500.00	-1,497.22	82.39%	7,500.00

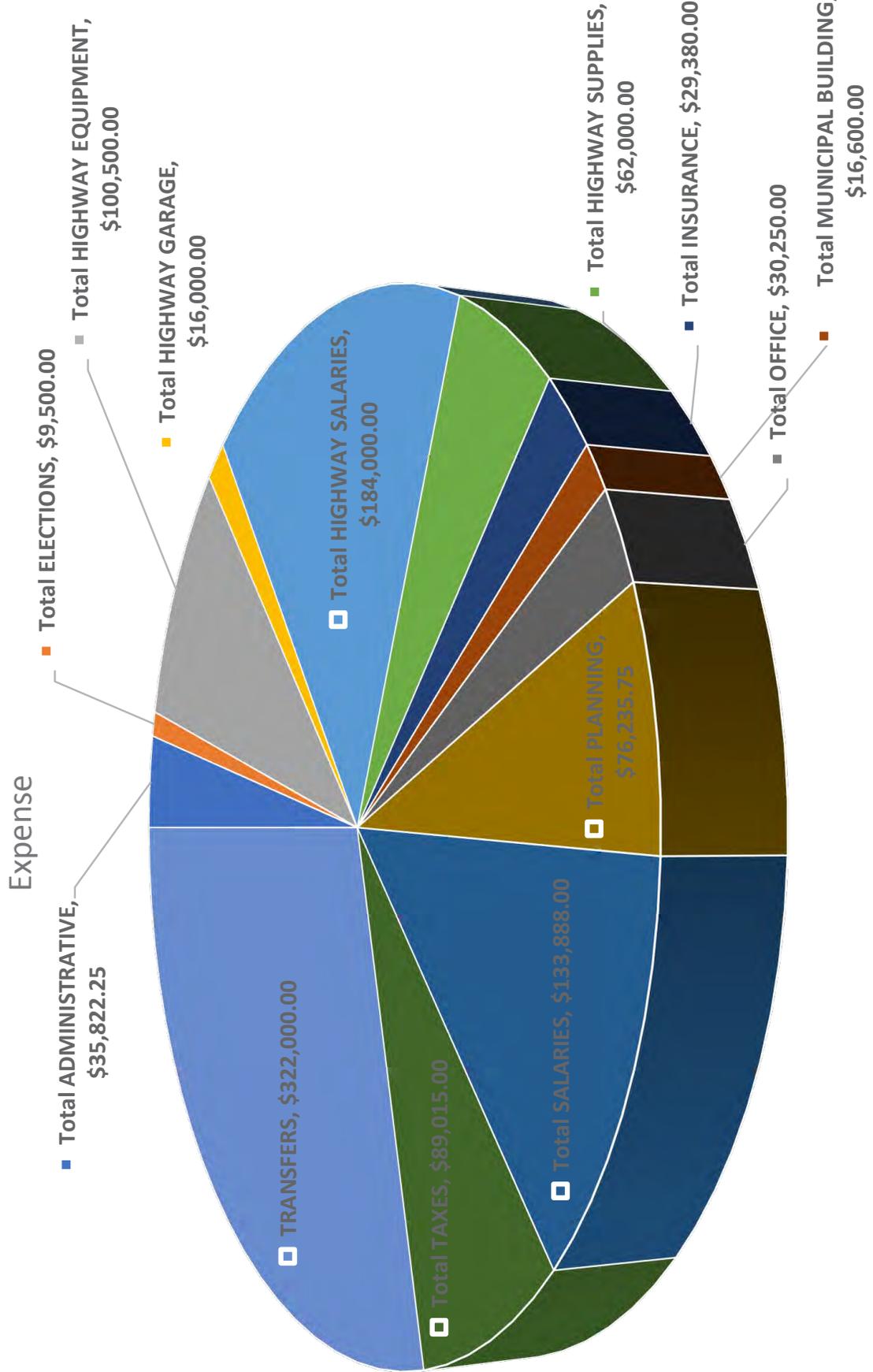
Total BENEFITS		133,419.72	138,879.52	-5,459.80	96.07%	148,579.00
ELECTIONS						
	6005 · Election clerks	92.96	500.00	-407.04	18.59%	1,500.00
	6010 · Supplies	160.79	1,500.00	-1,339.21	10.72%	4,000.00
	6015 · Town Report	3,588.66	4,000.00	-411.34	89.72%	4,000.00
Total ELECTIONS		3,842.41	6,000.00	-2,157.59	64.04%	9,500.00
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT						
	5090 · Blades	4,467.91	6,000.00	-1,532.09	74.47%	6,000.00
	5095 · Diesel	34,762.80	38,000.00	-3,237.20	91.48%	40,000.00
	5100 · Repairs	20,992.36	25,000.00	-4,007.64	83.97%	25,000.00
	5105 · Gasoline	401.27	400.00	1.27	100.32%	500.00
	5110 · Oil	2,420.00	2,000.00	420.00	121.0%	3,000.00
	5115 · Other parts	8,260.95	8,000.00	260.95	103.26%	8,000.00
	5120 · Rental	6,100.00	6,000.00	100.00	101.67%	10,000.00
	5125 · Tires	7,513.25	8,000.00	-486.75	93.92%	8,000.00
Total HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT		84,918.54	93,400.00	-8,481.46	90.92%	100,500.00
HIGHWAY GARAGE						
	5130 · Electricity	2,139.08	2,200.00	-60.92	97.23%	2,500.00
	5135 · Heat	5,745.68	8,000.00	-2,254.32	71.82%	8,000.00
	5140 · Maintenance and repairs	4,353.78	3,500.00	853.78	124.39%	3,500.00
	5150 · Telephone	1,811.46	2,000.00	-188.54	90.57%	2,000.00
Total HIGHWAY GARAGE		14,050.00	15,700.00	-1,650.00	89.49%	16,000.00
HIGHWAY SALARIES						
	5170 · Salaries	177,609.83	176,000.00	1,609.83	100.92%	176,000.00
	5171 · Highway Administration	4,200.63	14,664.00	-10,463.37	28.65%	8,000.00
Total HIGHWAY SALARIES		181,810.46	190,664.00	-8,853.54	95.36%	184,000.00
HIGHWAY SUPPLIES						
	5070 · Calcium	8,372.00	10,000.00	-1,628.00	83.72%	8,500.00
	5075 · Sand	20,239.11	16,000.00	4,239.11	126.49%	17,000.00
	5080 · Other supplies	1,391.45	1,500.00	-108.55	92.76%	1,500.00
	5085 · Salt	40,908.83	35,000.00	5,908.83	116.88%	35,000.00
Total HIGHWAY SUPPLIES		70,911.39	62,500.00	8,411.39	113.46%	62,000.00
INSURANCE						
	5400 · Property and Casualty	14,195.14	12,866.00	1,329.14	110.33%	12,667.00
	5410 · Public Officials	1,766.00	1,766.00	0.00	100.0%	1,795.00
	5430 · Workers' comp	9,821.00	10,000.00	-179.00	98.21%	12,509.00
	5435 · Employment Practices	1,961.00	1,961.00	0.00	100.0%	1,735.00
	5440 · VLCT Unemployment	214.00	477.00	-263.00	44.86%	674.00
Total INSURANCE		27,957.14	27,070.00	887.14	103.28%	29,380.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDING						
	5450 · Cleaning	1,540.00	1,900.00	-360.00	81.05%	1,900.00
	5455 · Electricity	2,776.35	3,000.00	-223.65	92.55%	3,000.00
	5460 · Heat	5,904.95	3,000.00	2,904.95	196.83%	3,500.00
	5470 · Maintenance	6,689.48	9,000.00	-2,310.52	74.33%	5,000.00
	5475 · Telephone	3,067.27	3,000.00	67.27	102.24%	3,200.00
Total MUNICIPAL BUILDING		19,978.05	19,900.00	78.05	100.39%	16,600.00
OFFICE						
	5600 · Computer expenses	5,806.99	6,000.00	-193.01	96.78%	10,000.00
	5605 · Equipment purchase	1,608.00	3,000.00	-1,392.00	53.6%	3,000.00
	5610 · Listers-expenses	436.55	1,000.00	-563.45	43.66%	750.00
	5611 · 911 Wages	1,580.38	500.00	1,080.38	316.08%	1,000.00
	5612 · Tax Mapping	2,127.50	2,500.00	-372.50	85.1%	2,500.00
	5615 · Selectmen	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.00	100.0%	2,250.00

	5625 · Postage	1,860.31	2,250.00	-389.69	82.68%	2,250.00
	5630 · Equipment rental	1,977.66	2,000.00	-22.34	98.88%	2,000.00
	5635 · Supplies	2,964.37	3,000.00	-35.63	98.81%	3,000.00
	5650 · Seminars/dues	1,949.00	3,500.00	-1,551.00	55.69%	3,500.00
Total OFFICE		22,560.76	26,000.00	-3,439.24	86.77%	30,250.00
PLANNING						
	5700 · Advertising	1,349.43	2,000.00	-650.57	67.47%	2,000.00
	5705 · CVRPC	1,623.60	1,623.60	0.00	100.0%	1,668.75
	5706 · FCC	997.29	1,000.00	-2.71	99.73%	1,000.00
	5710 · ZA Exp/Misc	105.96	250.00	-144.04	42.38%	250.00
	5711 · Planning-supplies	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%	500.00
	5714 · MRVPD	45,067.00	44,067.00	1,000.00	102.27%	45,317.00
	5720 · Planning/DRB Resources	1,179.44	500.00	679.44	235.89%	500.00
	5830 · Zoning Administration	24,826.22	24,440.00	386.22	101.58%	25,000.00
Total PLANNING		75,148.94	74,130.60	1,018.34	101.37%	76,235.75
SALARIES						
	5810 · Clerk,Treasurer & Tax Collector	57,580.12	57,580.00	0.12	100.0%	59,365.00
	5812 · Selectboard Assistant	12,267.30	12,192.70	74.60	100.61%	12,523.00
	5815 · Listers	14,268.63	17,200.00	-2,931.37	82.96%	25,000.00
	5838 · Asst TC & Asst Treasurer	30,501.36	34,700.00	-4,198.64	87.9%	37,000.00
Total SALARIES		114,617.41	121,672.70	-7,055.29	94.2%	133,888.00
TAXES						
	5900 · Joslin Library Donation	24,907.50	25,224.00	-316.50	98.75%	25,672.00
	5925 · Washington County	29,244.00	29,244.00	0.00	100.0%	30,255.00
	5930 · Donations	18,888.00	18,888.00	0.00	100.0%	18,088.00
	5935 · Recreation District	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.0%	15,000.00
Total TAXES		88,039.50	88,356.00	-316.50	99.64%	89,015.00
TRANSFERS						
	8001 · Transfer Road Retreatment	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00	100.0%	80,000.00
	8002 · Transfer Equipment	125,000.00	125,000.00	0.00	100.0%	125,000.00
	8003 · Transfer Bridge	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.0%	5,000.00
	8004 · Transfer Fire Equipment	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	100.0%	30,000.00
	8006 · Transfer Road Construction	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	100.0%	50,000.00
	8008 · Transfer Re-Appraisal Reserve	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	100.0%	2,500.00
	8011 · Transfer FCC	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	100.0%	3,500.00
	8012 · Transfer Town Garage Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.0%	5,000.00
	8013 · Transfer Record Preservation	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	100.0%	2,500.00
	8014 · Transfer - Culvert Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.0%	15,000.00
	8015 · Transfer Municipal Bldg Mainten	34,000.00	34,000.00	0.00	100.0%	0.00
	8016 · Transfer Town Forest Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	3,500.00
Total TRANSFERS		341,500.00	341,500.00	0.00	100.0%	322,000.00
Waitsfield & Fayston Fire Dept.						
	5380 · Waitsfield/Fayston Contract	44,748.43	39,912.00	4,836.43	112.12%	48,712.00
Total Waitsfield & Fayston Fire Dept.		44,748.43	39,912.00	4,836.43	112.12%	48,712.00
	5087 Grant Expenses	24,027.81	0.00	24,027.81	100.0%	0.00
	530 Adjustments	176.85	0.00	176.85	100.0%	0.00
Total Expense		1,275,397.05	1,274,584.82	812.23	100.06%	1,302,482.00
		-63,049.09	1,812.75	-64,861.84	-3,478.09%	-1,078,783.09
	4999 Fund Balance 1/1/19	\$ 79,048.00	Fund Balance Used to Reduce 2019 Tax Rate			
	4999 Fund Balance 12/31/19	\$ 15,998.91	Fund Balance To Be Used To Reduce 2020 Tax Rate			

GENERAL & CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY

	BUDGET 2019	ACTUAL 2019	BUDGET 2020
GENERAL FUND BUDGET			
ADMINISTRATIVE	\$26,900.00	\$27,689.64	\$35,822.25
BENEFITS	\$138,879.52	\$133,419.72	\$148,579.00
ELECTIONS	\$6,000.00	\$3,842.41	\$9,500.00
FIRE	\$39,912.00	\$44,748.43	\$48,712.00
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$93,400.00	\$84,918.54	\$100,500.00
HIGHWAY GARAGE	\$15,700.00	\$14,050.00	\$16,000.00
HIGHWAY SALARIES	\$190,664.00	\$181,810.46	\$184,000.00
HIGHWAY SUPPLIES	\$62,500.00	\$70,911.39	\$62,000.00
INSURANCE	\$27,070.00	\$27,957.14	\$29,380.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$19,900.00	\$19,978.05	\$16,600.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES/EXPENSES	\$28,000.00	\$22,560.76	\$30,250.00
PLANNING	\$74,130.60	\$75,148.94	\$76,235.75
OFFICER SALARIES	\$121,672.70	\$114,617.41	\$133,888.00
TAXES	\$88,356.00	\$88,039.50	\$89,015.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$933,084.82	\$909,692.39	\$980,482.00
CAPITAL FUND BUDGET			
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
ROAD RETREATMENT	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00
EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00
FIRE EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00
BRIDGE RESERVE	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
REAPPRAISAL	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
TOWN RECORD RESTORATION	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
CULVERT RESERVE	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
FCC	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00
TOWN GARAGE RESERVE	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
TOWN FOREST RESERVE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$34,000.00	\$34,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$341,500.00	\$341,500.00	\$322,000.00
GENERAL & CAPITAL FUND TOTALS	\$1,274,584.82	\$1,251,192.39	\$1,302,482.00

P&L COMPARISON



TOWN OF FAYSTON
Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison
January 1 through December 29, 2019

P&L COMPARISON

	Jan - Dec 12	Jan - Dec 13	Jan - Dec 14	Jan - Dec 15	Jan - Dec 16	Jan - Dec 17	Jan - Dec 18	Jan - Dec 19	Budget 2020	Trend
Income										
INCOME										
Total INCOME	948,644.12	944,586.03	1,022,472.66	1,126,532.28	968,851.73	1,098,967.68	1,125,525.85	1,190,738.95	207,700.00	
4600 - Plan Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
4012 - Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,717.49	9,700.00	18,859.01	0.00	
4013 - State Emergency Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,750.00	0.00	
4999 - Fund Balance Prior Yr.									15,998.91	
Total Income	948,644.12	944,586.03	1,022,472.66	1,126,532.28	968,851.73	1,125,685.17	1,135,225.85	1,212,347.96	223,698.91	
Gross Revenue	948,644.12	944,586.03	1,022,472.66	1,126,532.28	968,851.73	1,125,685.17	1,135,225.85	1,212,347.96	223,698.91	
Expense										
Total ADMINISTRATIVE	24,578.22	38,557.96	17,796.60	28,411.94	24,618.42	38,866.39	25,986.84	27,689.64	35,822.25	
Total BENEFITS	115,973.85	114,215.29	111,781.22	107,411.46	112,284.26	127,439.40	119,813.66	133,419.72	148,579.00	
Total ELECTIONS	5,910.14	3,532.43	6,705.29	4,169.84	6,666.32	3,454.00	5,560.27	3,842.41	9,500.00	
Total HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	86,081.57	103,547.53	96,059.74	83,706.12	74,364.55	92,233.32	106,890.98	84,918.54	100,500.00	
Total HIGHWAY GARAGE	5,551.45	5,700.78	8,463.20	8,390.50	15,462.82	8,140.51	11,898.39	14,050.00	16,000.00	
Total HIGHWAY SALARIES	134,826.07	134,205.95	141,311.99	141,407.45	151,035.22	153,464.14	174,533.51	181,810.46	184,000.00	
Total HIGHWAY SUPPLIES	45,811.24	49,027.56	51,981.54	50,947.66	55,997.70	61,453.40	66,997.52	70,911.39	62,000.00	
Total INSURANCE	24,156.00	28,876.00	33,583.00	28,172.00	28,749.00	29,047.00	29,475.00	27,957.14	29,380.00	
Total MUNICIPAL BUILDING	12,377.67	12,103.11	13,997.55	15,421.22	13,362.29	20,681.45	19,081.70	19,978.05	16,600.00	
Total OFFICE	17,279.69	20,656.26	22,969.15	18,672.08	22,175.89	19,271.14	21,766.19	22,560.76	30,250.00	
Total PLANNING	37,955.44	40,566.70	49,085.24	47,067.44	46,611.82	59,040.32	60,536.84	75,148.94	76,235.75	
Total SALARIES	112,571.82	95,981.44	100,120.31	103,301.11	126,960.38	97,103.41	112,865.14	114,617.41	133,888.00	
Total TAXES	90,207.75	102,429.25	93,371.75	119,688.00	108,782.00	114,593.00	95,899.50	88,039.50	89,015.00	
TRANSFERS										
8001 - Transfer-road retirement	55,000.00	60,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	
8002 - Transfer-equipment	60,000.00	70,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	105,000.00	125,000.00	125,000.00	125,000.00	
8003 - Transfer-bridge	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
8004 - Transfer-fire equipment	15,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	25,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	20,000.00	30,000.00	
8006 - Transfer to road construction	35,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	
8008 - Transfer re-appraisal reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
8011 - Transfer - FNRC Conser Fund	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
8012 - Transfer to Town Garage Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
8013 - Transfer Record Preservation	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,325.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
8014 - Culvert Reserve	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
8015 Transfer - Municipal Bldg Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,000.00	0.00	
8016 - Transfer Municipal Bldg Mainten	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	
Total TRANSFERS	200,000.00	228,000.00	248,000.00	248,000.00	267,825.00	337,500.00	337,500.00	341,800.00	322,000.00	
Waitsfield & Fayston Fire Dept.										
5380 - Waitsfield/Fayston Contract	30,997.01	33,667.97	27,230.39	36,631.39	33,066.30	22,283.88	43,091.52	44,748.43	48,712.00	
Total Waitsfield & Fayston Fire Dept.	30,997.01	33,667.97	27,230.39	36,631.39	33,066.30	22,283.88	43,091.52	44,748.43	48,712.00	
5380 - Bad Debt	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	2.50	-25.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	
66900 - Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	-1.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5087 - Grant Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,027.81	0.00	
530 - Misc. Adjustments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176.85	0.00	
Total Expense	944,277.92	1,011,070.23	1,026,455.97	1,041,398.21	1,077,964.47	1,184,566.14	1,231,897.06	1,275,397.05	1,302,482.00	

CAPITAL BUDGET & PROGRAM 2020 - 2025

PURPOSE:

Municipalities are authorized to adopt capital budgets and programs under 24 VSA Section 4430, the Municipal and Regional Planning and Development Act, provided a facilities and services plan has been adopted as part of the town plan. Such a plan has been adopted by the Town of Fayston. The purposes of the capital budget and program are:

- To stabilize the tax rate;
- To improve municipal management practices;
- To enable orderly growth and development consistent with the town's fiscal ability to provide facilities and services, in accordance with the town plan; and
- To anticipate facility and service problems and take advantage of opportunities for service efficiencies

PROCESS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM:

1. Identification of Capital Projects

A Capital project is any major, nonrecurring expenditure, such as land or road equipment purchase, or building construction or improvement. These differ from regular ongoing operating expenses such as salaries, utilities, road maintenance, etc.

According to Vermont's law, "a capital budget shall list and describe the capital projects to be undertaken during the coming fiscal year, the estimated cost of those projects, and the proposed method of financing. A capital program is a plan of capital projects proposed to be undertaken during each of the following five years, the estimated cost of those projects, and the proposed method of financing." (24 VSA Section 4430)

To develop Fayston's capital program, the Selectmen identified the capital projects they anticipate over the next six years. Among their considerations were condition of present equipment, equipment needs, new growth requirements, and facilities to store additional equipment.

2. Financial Analysis

In order to determine Fayston's capacity to finance future capital expenditures, a financial analysis of the Town's expenditures and revenues was developed. Trends in expenditures, both operating and capital since 2011 were studied. Types of expenditures – roads, schools, fire and police and in general administration – were broken out to identify where growth is occurring. Changes in the grand list, tax rate and other sources of revenue were also analyzed.

Based on past trends, as adjusted, projections were made of the Town's future revenue base and operating expenditures to the year 2024. Capital project costs and grand list growth (the major revenue base) and given in today's dollar. Debt service already committed to by the Town was factored into the projections as well. A tax rate was applied to the projected grand list to estimate future revenues. By subtracting projected operating costs, and estimate of revenue available for capital expenditures was derived. These calculations are contained in the Appendix.

3. Budget and Program

Capital projects were programmed according to the expected timing of their need. The method of funding for the projects (outright purchase, short term notes, reserve fund, etc.) was based on municipal financial practices and the ability of the budget to absorb expenditures. In other words, if a project would result in a major increase in the tax rate for one year, phasing of the expenditure either by funding through a note, depreciation account, or reserve fund was proposed. The result is a more even distribution of annual expenditures by the municipalities and a more stable tax rate.

ADOPTION OF THE CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM:

The capital budget and program is adopted in accordance with the provisions of 24 VSA Sec*on 4404 (a) of the Municipal and Regional Planning and Development Act. This sec*on requires at least one public hearing by the Selectmen and filing of the proposal with the Town Clerk and Secretary of the Planning Commission at least 15 days prior to the hearing. The Planning Commission may submit a report the Selectmen on the proposal prior to the hearing. The capital budget and program is then adopted by an act of the legisla*ve body promptly a] er the final public hearing.

PROCESS FOR USE AND UPDATING A CAPITAL BUDGET PROGRAM:

As the Selectmen prepare their budget for Town Mee*ng, the first year of the capital program is reviewed for inclusion as the capital budget for that year. Adjustments are made as necessary to the capital budget to reflect more recent cost data and any changes in financing.

The projec*ons for opera*ng expenses and grand list used in developing the program should be weighted against actual experience and modified as necessary. At the same *me as the budget is prepared, other capital items in the program should be reviewed. If there are any changes in these items they can be made at this *me. Examples of changes are deferral of a project due to unforeseen priority needs or financial constraints, and addi*ons to the program. Each year as the capital budget is finalized, one more year is added to the capital program. Sugges*ons for new capital projects should be solicited from the planning commission and the road commissioner. As the capital projects are added, considera*on should be given to the method of financing them. Projec*ons of opera*ng expenditures and debt service should be extended at the same *me to determine the effect of any capital items on the budget for the addi*onal year.

FORMAT FOR THE CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM:

The chart on the following page represents the Fayston Capital Budget and Program for the period 2019-2024. The chart lists capital projects which is a list of the Town’s an*cipated capital needs, including various road equipment, road and bridge improvements, town buildings, and reserve accounts. A cost is listed for each item in columns represen*ng the years within the program period. A total dollar amount for capital expenditures is provided by year. Contribu*ons to deprecia*on accounts and reserve funds present the *ming and amount of proposed “deposits” to reserve funds for various an*cipated capital projects.

The capital projects for 2019 in the Town Report will show the NET total amount of capital expenditures proposed and represent in the year’s capital expenditures, minus revenues take from exis*ng reserve funds, plus revenues deposited in reserve funds.

PURCHASES & EQUIPMENT	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
FCC CONSERVATION FUND	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
ROAD RETREATMENT	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
EQUIPMENT RESERVE	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
FIRE EQUIPMENT RESERVE	30000	30000	30000	30000	30000	30000
BRIDGE RESERVE	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
TOWN GARAGE RESERVE	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
REAPPRAISAL RESERVE	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
TOWN FOREST RESERVE	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500
TOWN RECORDS RESTORATION	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
CULVERT RESERVE	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
TOTAL TOWN CAPITAL	322000	322000	322000	322000	322000	322000

FIXED ASSETS

REAL PROPERTY	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
MUNICIPAL BUILDING & LAND (6.7AC)	\$589,200.00	\$589,200.00	\$647,500.00	\$647,500.00	\$647,500.00
N. FAYSTON & AIRPORT ROADS (.10AC)	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
TOWN GARAGE & LAND (7.2AC)	\$316,700.00	\$316,700.00	\$342,300.00	\$342,300.00	\$342,300.00
GRAVEL PIT & CAMP (40.6AC)	\$390,400.00	\$390,400.00	\$395,900.00	\$395,900.00	\$395,900.00
BASSETT HILL ROAD (12.4AC)	\$95,900.00	\$95,900.00	\$106,600.00	\$106,600.00	\$106,600.00
MILL BROOK ROAD STORE (1AC)	\$50,400.00	\$50,400.00	\$50,400.00	\$50,400.00	\$50,400.00
MILL BROOK ROAD (.30AC)	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00
HENRYS WAY (7.5AC)	\$78,500.00	\$78,500.00	\$78,500.00	\$78,500.00	\$78,500.00
SCHOOL (7AC)	\$1,465,000.00	\$1,465,000.00	\$1,614,300.00	\$1,614,300.00	\$1,614,300.00
GERMAN FLATS ROAD (.25AC)	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00
GERMAN FLATS ROAD (73.34AC) CHASE BROOK	\$274,700.00	\$274,700.00	\$274,500.00	\$274,500.00	\$274,500.00
CEMETERIES (3)	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
TOTAL	\$3,282,200.00	\$3,282,200.00	\$3,531,400.00	\$3,531,400.00	\$3,531,400.00
ROAD DEPARTMENT	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
2018 JOHN DEER TRACTOR/MOWER				\$103,500.00	\$93,150.00
2017 DODGE 5500			\$65,577.00	\$59,019.30	\$53,117.37
2017 HYDRO SEEDER			\$12,840.00	\$11,556.00	\$10,400.40
2016 LOADER		\$136,400.00	\$122,760.00	\$110,484.00	\$99,435.60
2015 WESTERN STAR TRUCK	\$128,853.00	\$115,967.70	\$104,370.93	\$93,933.84	\$84,540.45
2013 WESTERN STAR TRUCK	\$85,406.67	\$76,866.00	\$69,179.40	\$62,261.46	\$56,035.31
2009 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK	\$62,235.51	\$56,011.96	\$50,410.76	\$45,369.69	\$40,832.72
2004 GRADER	\$45,328.20	\$40,795.38	\$36,715.84	\$33,044.26	\$29,739.83
2009 GMC PICKUP	\$14,259.94	\$12,833.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2003 LOADER	\$29,637.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2011 BACKHOE	\$58,458.51	\$52,612.66	\$47,351.39	\$42,616.25	\$38,354.63
MISC. TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$16,200.00	\$14,580.00
2006 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$444,179.50	\$511,487.65	\$527,205.33	\$577,984.80	\$520,186.32



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REQUEST FOR FUNDS

NAME	Approved 2015	Approved 2016	Approved 2017	Approved 2018	Approved 2019	Approved 2020
AMERICAN RED CROSS	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB/YOUTH SERVICES	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
CAPSTONE COMMUNITY ACTION**	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
CENTRAL VT. ADULT BASIC EDUCATION					\$600.00	\$600.00
CENTRAL VT. COUNCIL ON AGING	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
CENTRAL VT. HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
CIRCLE (FKA Battered Women's Service)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
FAMILY CTR. OF WASHINGTON COUNTY	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
GOOD BEGINNINGS OF CENTRAL VERMONT						\$200.00
GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT AGENCY	\$588.00	\$588.00	\$588.00	\$588.00	\$588.00	\$588.00
GREEN UP VERMONT	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
HOME SHARE NOW				\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
MAD RIVER SENIORS	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
MAD RIVER VALLEY HC, INC.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
MRV PUBLIC ACCESS TV - CHANNEL 44	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
PEOPLE'S HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
RETIRED & SENIOR VOL. PROGRAM	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS TEAM	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
VT. ASSOCIATION FOR BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
VT. CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
VT. RURAL FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE				\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
SUB TOTAL	\$19,388.00	\$20,538.00	\$19,588.00	\$18,988.00	\$18,888.00	\$18,088.00
JOSLIN LIBRARY	\$21,026.00	\$22,552.00	\$22,666.00	\$24,591.00	\$25,224.00	\$25,672.00
MAD RIVER RECREATION DISTRICT	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$23,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
SUB TOTAL	\$33,526.00	\$35,052.00	\$37,666.00	\$48,091.00	\$40,224.00	\$40,672.00
TOTAL	\$52,914.00	\$55,590.00	\$57,254.00	\$67,079.00	\$59,112.00	\$58,760.00

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FRIENDS OF MAD RIVER

Annual Report to Watershed Towns - 2019

Friends of the Mad River is a nonprofit organization dedicated to stewarding the Mad River watershed's healthy land and clean water for our community and for future generations. We build diverse partnerships of neighbors, businesses, towns, and other organizations. Together, we learn about the health of the land and water; conserve our natural resources; and celebrate this special place.

More information available at: FriendsOfTheMadRiver.org and RidgeToRiver.org.

Healthy Land. Clean Water. Vibrant Community. This is the heart and soul of our work. Friends' 2019 successes are those of our community coming together to embrace challenges we face. In 2019, with the help of municipal, governmental, and non-profit partners, Friends of the Mad River:

- Led the Ridge to River taskforce of municipal and community leaders in implementing their action plan for keeping water clean and strengthening our flood resilience by addressing stormwater runoff problems;
- Worked with homeowners through the Storm Smart program at over 70 properties to find ways to address soil erosion and runoff problems, preventing costly repairs later while also safeguarding swimholes and downstream communities;
- Hosted Road Roundtables and facilitated the five watershed town road crews as they work to bring our roads to new standards that reduce damaging pollutants and sediment;
- Identified and prioritized opportunities in each watershed town to reduce damaging runoff and engineered a suite of 25 total designs that reduce impact on the watershed and downstream communities;
- Collaborated with the Town of Warren and agency and non-profit partners to replace a culvert over a Lincoln Brook tributary with a new, larger one that provides brook trout access to upstream cold water habitat and allows flood waters to pass without damage to public and private property.
- Planted 350 trees and shrubs to foster the transition of Waitsfield's 5-acre Auslin parcel to a native floodplain forest that functions better for flood resilience, wildlife habitat, and clean water;
- Collected 290 water samples from 35 sites across the watershed, analyzing the samples for bacteria and pollutants to identify areas needing management improvement as part of our Mad River Watch program;
- And, provided technical assistance to Mad River Valley select boards, conservation commissions, road crews, and individual landowners as they steward watershed resources.

Threats to our quality of life in the Mad River Valley continue to evolve and challenges grow increasingly complex. Friends of the Mad River works with neighbors and partners to embrace conservation challenges with creativity and thoughtfulfulness. Our conservation work would not be possible without town leaders and staff dedicated to making thoughtful decisions, committed and hearty volunteers, donors who believe in the value of our work, active partners, and a community committed to keeping this place special. Thank you!

Please join us in this important work as a volunteer, donor, partner, or thoughtful lands steward.

Corrie Miller, Executive Director

And the Board of Directors: Richard Czaplinski, Ned Farquhar, Ned Kelley, Susosh Norton, Kinny Perot, Jeannie Nicklas, Brian Shupe, Kale Sullivan, and Max Williams.

JOSLIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2019 was a very busy year for the Library. Last winter, the Library underwent significant renovations, which resulted in a refreshed & renewed space. A few of the highlights include an expanded children's area downstairs, as well as a meeting room. Upstairs, we now have 4 new public access computers, as well as a gas fireplace with cozy chairs. Overall, the Library space is greatly improved. If you haven't yet visited, please come & have a look for yourself!

In August, I came on as Library Director, replacing previous director Kacie Borque-Johnson. Though I have been working at the Library for the past four years, becoming Library Director has been a whole new experience for me, & has really opened my eyes to the potential of what we can provide for the Mad River Valley community. With our improved space, I intend to work hard making sure it is utilized to its greatest extent.

Looking at our numbers for the year, we circulated a total of 7,594 items, including over 7,000 books! Our two most circulated books were 'If You Give A Dog A Donut' & 'The Nightingale', which speaks to the fact that the Library is visited by adults & families equally. Speaking of patrons, this year we reached 1,106 registered patrons. With an increase in patronage, we have had a significant rise in visits over the past year: 6,266 all told. Most people who visit the Library are long-time patrons, but many visitors in the last few months have come to check out the new & improved space, some even for the very first time. The reaction we have received has been overwhelmingly positive.

The Library continues to evolve. In addition to offering nearly 11,000 circulatable items, we are also working on other ways that we can serve the community. This includes offering free online classes through Learning Express--everything from Career Preparation, to College Admissions Test Preparation, & much more. In addition, we also have Thom McAllister from Central Vermont Adult Basic Education coming to the Library on Thursday afternoons from 1:30-4:30 to provide adult education & literacy services to those who need it. Looking ahead to the coming year, the Joslin Memorial Library will work to increase its partnership with the Warren Public, & Moretown Memorial Libraries, so that we may offer a full breadth of services to the Valley & beyond.

The Library continues to have valuable help from our Volunteers. A special thanks to Liz Laferriere, Judith Abboe, Billi Shcloss, Suzy Wolski, Ann Felderman, Pat Apigian, Sue Davies, Mary Elsinger, Barbara Hannon, Suzanne Meier, Julie Murray, Sandra Reilly, Karleen Richardson, Virginia Scarpato, Jane Birnn, Laura Caffrey, & Sue Chiapea. The Library is a better place for their efforts. We hope to see you at our Library soon!

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Jason Butler
Library Director.-

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CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

2019 ANNUAL REPORT -- TOWN OF FAYSTON

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission is a consortium of 23 towns and cities in Washington County and western Orange County. The Commission provides planning, development, and project implementation assistance to communities. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by a locally appointed member to the governing Board of Commissioners.

2019 Fayston Activities

- ❖ Assisted with Town Plan survey collection.
- ❖ Provided assistance with Town Plan energy update process.
- ❖ Assisted with a Local Emergency Management Plan update.
- ❖ Provided training on the Agency of Natural Resources' Municipal Roads General Permit road erosion implementation portal.
- ❖ Met with Town officials to discuss a potential to improve an undersized culvert that causes flood damages at the Elementary School driveway and German Flats Road.

Regional Commissioner

Carol Chamberlin

Transportation Advisory Committee

Kevin Russell

CVRPC Projects & Programs

- ❖ *Municipal plan and bylaw updates:* Focus on predictable and effective local permitting through education, bylaw modernization, and plan updates.
- ❖ *Brownfields:* Complete environmental site assessments so properties can be sold, developed or redeveloped to benefit the community, stimulate the economy, create/protect jobs and increase housing opportunities.
- ❖ *Transportation planning:* Coordinate local involvement in transportation decisions through the Transportation Advisory Committee and provide studies, plans, data collection, and counts.
- ❖ *Emergency planning:* Better prepare our region and state for disasters by coordinating with local volunteers and the state on emergency planning, exercises, and training.
- ❖ *Energy conservation and development:* Foster projects that support energy conservation to save energy and tax dollars and identify opportunities for renewable energy generation.
- ❖ *Natural resource planning and projects:* Implement activities to protect water resources/supplies, enhance recreational opportunities, maintain the forest products industry, and enhance environmental health.
- ❖ *Regional plans:* Coordinate infrastructure, community development, and growth at the regional level through the development, adoption, and implementation of a regional plan.
- ❖ *Geographic Information System services:* Provide municipalities, state agencies, and regional groups with mapping and data analysis in support of their projects.
- ❖ *Special projects:* Complete special projects, such as downtown revitalization, recreation paths, farmland preservation, economic development, and affordable housing projects.
- ❖ *Grants:* Identify appropriate grant sources, define project scopes, write applications, and manage projects.

The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; each year, we request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to help offset costs and provide local matching funds needed for state and federal funding.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is appreciated! CVRPC is your resource -- please contact us at 802-229-0389 or cvrpc@cvregion.com for assistance.

CENTRAL VERMONT HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE



**Central Vermont
Home Health & Hospice**

2019 ANNUAL SERVICE REPORT

TOWN OF FAYSTON

Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice (CVHHH) is a not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association serving 23 communities in central Vermont with skilled nursing care, physical, speech, and occupational therapy, medication management, social work support, and a personal care to central Vermonters of all ages in the comfort and privacy of home. The organization is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, each of whom lives in CVHHH's service area. CVHHH is guided by a mission to care for all central Vermonters regardless of a person's ability to pay, their geographic remoteness, or the complexity of their care needs. CVHHH embraces new technology and collaborates with other local providers to ensure that central Vermonters' care needs are met. In addition to providing medically necessary care, CVHHH promotes the general welfare of community members with public foot care clinics and grief and bereavement support groups. To learn more, visit www.cvhhh.org.

CVHHH Services to the Residents of Fayston Jan 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Program	# of Visits
Home Health Care	456
Hospice Care	8
Long Term Care	0
Maternal Child Health	19
TOTAL VISITS/CONTACTS	483
TOTAL PATIENTS	27
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	35

Town funding will help to ensure that CVHHH provides services in Fayston through 2020 and beyond. For more information contact Sandy Rousse, President & CEO, or Kim Farnum, Manager of Community Relations & Development at 223-1878.

MAD RIVER VALLEY AMBULANCE

"The Mission of the Mad River Valley Ambulance Service is to provide the five Mad River Valley towns of Fayston, North Fayston, Moretown, Waitsfield and Warren the highest quality of Emergency Medical Services utilizing dedicated volunteers, technology and community support."

Imagine living in the beautiful Mad River Valley without being confident you could get to a hospital if needed? For 50 years (2020 is OUR 50th ANNIVERSARY), the men and women of the Mad River Valley Ambulance Service (MRVAS) have volunteered to care for their neighbors in times of their greatest need. Through rain and snow, at dawn and late into the night, MRVAS volunteers have left work or the comfort of their own homes and missed celebrations and meetings to dispatch calls, jump into emergency vehicles and save lives. At any given time, 70 highly-trained and dedicated volunteers donate 60 or more hours of their time each month to make the Mad River Valley a better place to live. It's hard to imagine that type of commitment, but MRVAS volunteers make their community a priority year in and year out.

MRVAS is one of only a handful of all-volunteer squads left in Vermont.

Many services have closed after being unable to raise funds and recruit enough volunteers. In many of those towns, taxpayers saw taxes raised to pay for emergency services. MRVAS is very proud to be completely self-sufficient financially – it bills, interfaces with insurance companies and purchases its own supplies, equipment and vehicles. Through a history of local outreach, MRVAS has managed to recruit and train volunteers to meet community needs.

MRVAS's operating budget for 2020 projects a \$7.9K loss before depreciation and other income such as donations. This is the first time in many years we have projected an operating loss.

MRVAS has had to spend \$600,000 in the last two years to replace two aging ambulances. Our third ambulance is fourteen years old and is scheduled to be replaced in 2021.

While we are not in immediate financial jeopardy, funding the new ambulance will exhaust all our resources—including working capital for day to day operations-- and leave us with a \$90,000 deficit.

For the past fifty years we have been able to remain independent—relying on our 70 plus volunteers and the generosity of valley residents, visitors and businesses. We have never approached the valley towns (or taxpayers) for financial assistance. We had hoped to continue this course, but the current trend of rising costs and stagnating revenues leaves us no choice but to change our financial model and request a donation from each our valley towns.

We are requesting \$15,000 from each town in 2020 in and 2021. If our financial pressures continue, this request will likely be necessary beyond

MAD RIVER AMBULANCE

2021 as we will have to continue our cycle of ambulance replacement to care for our valley community.

In most years, MRVAS responds to 500+ calls for help. MRVAS must maintain the capacity to put three vehicles and crews on the road simultaneously. With three emergency vehicles, MRVAS handles approximately 98% of all calls without requesting the assistance of other agencies. This is critical to the well-being of our community and visitors, as requests for outside assistance can add 20 minutes or more to response times. Two calls within a three-hour period is a common happening and as round trip calls are typically 3 hours, MRVAS must have three vehicles, so one is always at the ready.

At MRVAS, we take our training seriously; keeping up with frequent changes in state protocol and medical care, as well as the evolving needs of our growing community. Training is no easy task and requires numerous additional hours per year to stay certified, even after the initial training investment. We strive to incorporate and utilize the latest technology; incorporating innovations such as “Active 911” and EMS Manager” in order to communicate well and to provide clear, efficient, rapid response to any given location.

Wouldn't you like to become a member of MRVAS? We are always happy to bring new members onto our squad and to provide them with the necessary training! If you feel that serving your community in this way would enrich your life (as it has ours), please visit our website (www.mrvas.org) or call 496-8888 for further information.

Do keep in mind that MRVAS uses the E-911 system in its response, and that we look for E-911 numbers posted near your residences when responding to emergencies. Take a moment to reflect on the following: If you needed us in an emergency, is your location clearly marked? If not, help us help you! Give us a call if you need assistance determining how to mark your home properly. Numbers must be clearly visible from both directions when approaching your driveway.

Finally, we would like to thank you, the residents of this Mad River Valley, as well as second homeowners and visitors for supporting our dedicated staff of volunteers. It is your generous donations and subscriptions for service that allow us to continue to function as a team of professionals.

It continues to be our pleasure and honor to serve you. Feel free to visit our website (www.mrvas.org) or call us if you have questions.

Respectfully,

Richard M. Lord, Esq., AEMT
President and Head of Service

MAD RIVER PATH ASSOCIATION

2019 was another productive year for the Mad River Path (MRP). A major focus on Heart of the Valley trail improvements and additions continued, while maintenance along all path and trail sections stayed strong. MRP is financially stable and stayed within our FY19 budget after spending just under \$70,000. We are maintaining our operating reserve, which is important for long-term stability and can be used for unexpected expenses, opportunistic projects, capacity building, and to fill short-term unpredictable gaps. The charts at the end of this report illustrate MRP's 2019 revenues and expenses. MRP transitioned from a part-time to a full time executive director this year, which will help the Path accelerate new path and trail sections. In addition to the executive director, MRP employees a seasonal trail manager for about 500 hours each year from about May through October.

We would like to note that the work we accomplish cannot be done without the generous and enthusiastic Mad River Valley community. More than 250 individuals/households and 90 businesses supported MRP in 2019 with financial gifts. Plus, dozens of individuals contributed to our successes through volunteering, in-kind contributions, and donated construction materials.

Below is a list of projects and other accomplishments from 2019:

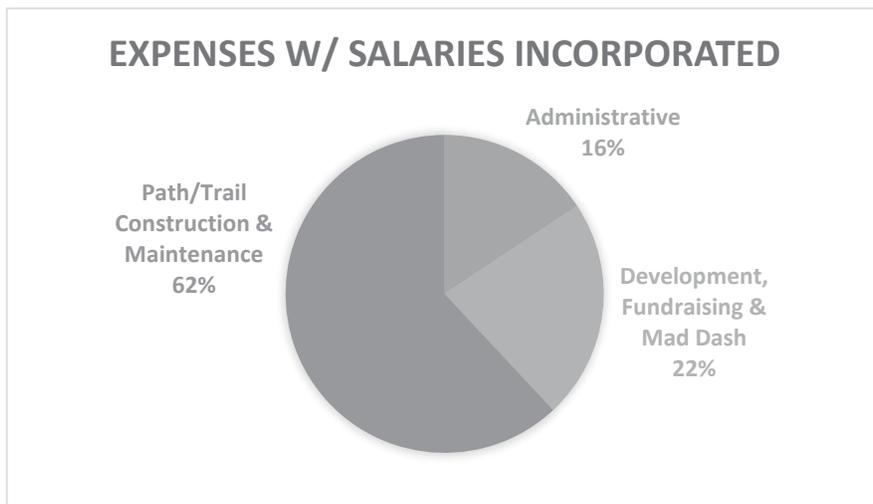
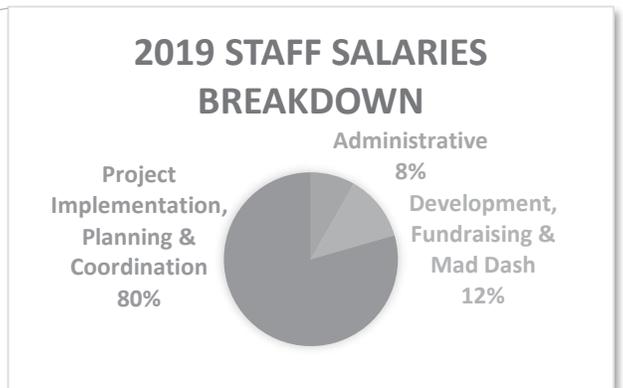
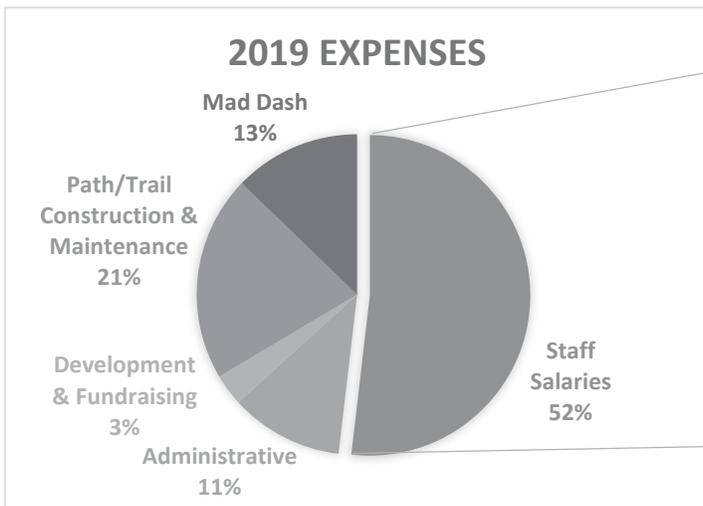
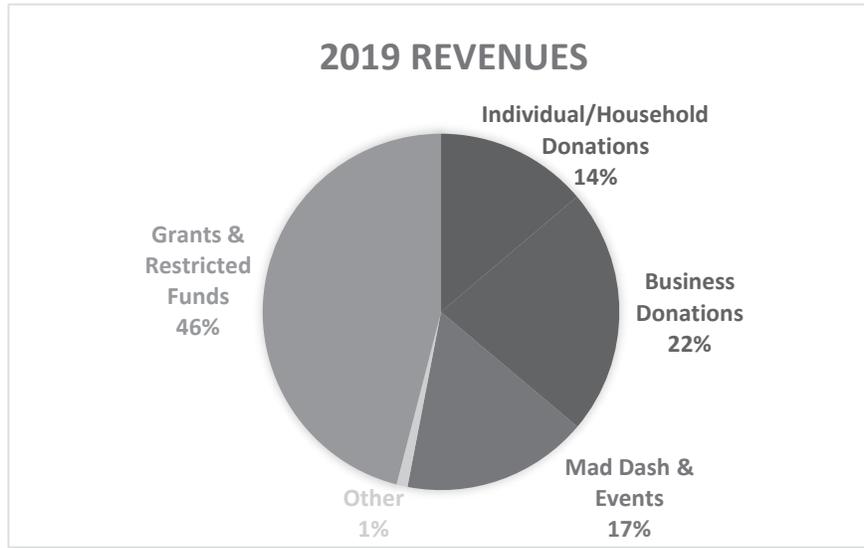
On-the-ground Projects

- Completed the Carroll Road boardwalk and surrounding site work with partners
- Upgraded a bridge on the Sugarbush Snowmaking Pond Loop
- Worked with Crosspoint to paint new crosswalk next to Taste Place, creating a safer pedestrian crossing
- Successfully petitioned VTrans to paint new crosswalk from Carroll Road Boardwalk to the Route 100 sidewalk, thanks to collaborative work with MRV Planning District, the Town of Waitsfield, and public comments
- Constructed a new public trail from The Swanson Inn to the Mill Brook Trail
- Installed more than a dozen new trailhead kiosks in partnership with the MRV Trails Collaborative
- Removed enough invasive honey suckle from the Hosford Highway Boardwalk wetland to fill a small bus
- Completed the knotweed eradication pilot project on the Austin Parcel with the Town of Waitsfield, Friends of the Mad River, and Intervale Conservation Nursery
- Restored and improved the gazebo on the West Greenway
- Established an extension of Wait's Way from the Route 100 sidewalk to behind the General Wait House parking lot
- Began winter maintenance program for the Heart of the Valley trail in Irasville

Planning & Assessments

- Determined priority maintenance and path/trail resilience projects for 2020
- Mapped new trails behind the Big Pic and began partnership with private landowner; applied for state and local funds to construct these trails with downtown access. Note: this is phase 1 to connect downtown with existing trail networks
- Created public survey to gain a better understanding of the community's wants and needs related to the Path and trails; survey results will be available in early 2020
- Continued discussions with landowners to complete important gaps in the Warren to Moretown Path
- Met with partners to strengthen collaborations on trail building and maintenance in the MRV

MAD RIVER PATH ASSOCIATION



Board of Directors

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MAD RIVER HOUSING COALITION

The Mad River Valley Housing Coalition(MRVHC) is a registered 501(c)(3) organization serving the towns of Fayston, Warren, Waitsfield, Moretown and Duxbury.

The Coalition was created in 1989 to support the planning and production of a wide variety of housing options within the Mad River Valley (MRV) through education, information, advocacy, endorsement and direct action. MRVHC serves as a resource, clearing house and potential funding administrator for developers, individuals, municipalities and non-profits involved in the promotion, construction and facilitation of affordable and workforce housing in the MRV.

2019 has been a year of transition for the MRVHC. At the start of the year, our Board and Coalition Members held several strategic planning sessions. We elected a new board and determined our focus for the coming years. We will concentrate on both short and long-term solutions to the need for more diverse housing types within the MRV.

The MRVHC intends to use 2020 to bolster our mission. In an effort to take greater action between monthly meetings, we have received funding from the MRV Community Fund to contract a part time position concentrated on furthering the impact of our work. In addition, the MRV Housing Demand & Market Analysis commissioned by the MRVPD and MRV Towns will be of great use to us as we assess potential housing solutions for the MRV. The data derived from this report will play a central role in our MRV Housing Summit, to be held in 2020.

Our board meets monthly to discuss progress and explore new ideas. Our meetings are open to the public and we encourage attendance.

Board Members:

Karl Klein
Mac Rood
Ward Smyth
Don Simonini
Bob Ackland
Jordan Gonda
Charlie Hosford
Neil Johnson
Karen Winchell
Paul Sipple

MAD RIVER VALLEY HEALTH CENTER

The Mad River Valley Health Center (MRVHC) is committed to promoting and facilitating access to health services to the local community. We wish to thank the Valley Towns for their financial contributions to MRVHC in the past and look forward to your continued support.

When Dr. Fran Cook came to town, the community supported him by buying the building so that he could provide affordable health care. Over the years that building was replaced by the current health center financed by an outpouring of community support. We now have a state-of-the-art facility, with a mortgage, that rents space to CVMC (UVM Health Network), Hannah's House, Three Moons Wellness and Dr. Richard Davis. With your generous contribution and support, we are able to keep rents competitive and keep our healthcare local.

MRVHC continues to coordinate the distribution of bike racks in conjunction with the Valley Walk-and-Ride effort and we coordinate the Fun Run for kids as part of the Mad Dash.

The MRVHC is in good physical and financial condition due to a dedicated board of directors, the support of the community and our wonderful tenants.

MAD RIVER PLANNING DISTRICT

The Mad River Valley Planning District (MRVPD) was created in 1985 by the Towns of Fayston, Waitsfield & Warren to carry out a program of planning for the MRV directed toward its physical, social, economic, fiscal, environmental, cultural and aesthetic wellbeing. To this end, MRVPD provides professional planning, leadership, coordination, awareness, implementation and grant support. Staffing consists of Joshua Schwartz, Executive Director, & Kati Gallagher, Community Planner. MRVPD brought \$180k in grants to the MRV in 2019, either through direct grant pursuit or through guidance to town officials or local entities, totaling \$3.7 million since 2009. Below are a few highlights from 2019:

Unified Trailhead Kiosk & Mapping Project: This collaborative project ramped up in 2019 as part of a Valley-wide effort to provide greater awareness of local trails and emphasizing connectivity from town to town and valley to ridges. MRVPD has been happy to serve as project manager for this MRV Trails Collaborative effort (representing 13 local partners). With assistance from local contractors and dozens of volunteers, trailhead kiosks were designed, fabricated, and installed. 30 trailhead kiosks were installed in 2019, with the remaining 20 to be in the ground by summer 2020. An updated waterproof Mad River Valley Trail Map was completed; 1,000 maps were made available to the community via town offices and libraries. Digital trail map to be released in early 2020. This project serves to implement a portion of the MRV Moves Active Transportation Plan, a 2016 public involvement process that articulated a unified, multi-town, watershed-wide vision for recreational trails and non-motorized transportation facilities.

Housing: Following the MRVPD authored 2017 MRV Housing Study, highlighting an increased need for affordable and accessible housing, MRVPD staff facilitated the revitalization of the MRV Housing Coalition. The MRV Housing Coalition, a unique 501(c)(3) founded in 1989, is poised for renewal and fresh energy to tackle current housing barriers. The reorganization efforts resulted in new membership and Board of Directors established in April 2019. To support the upcoming work of the MRV Housing Coalition and MRV towns, MRVPD coordinated the recently released MRV Housing Demand & Market Analysis.

Transportation: During the 2018-19 season, Green Mountain Transit's MRV Service provided over 51,000 bus rides to Sugarbush and along the valley floor. To improve service for community members and contain costs, stakeholders pursued amended routes for the Valley Floor bus for the 2019-20 season, providing additional stops within Irasville and Waitsfield Village. Given the MRV's limited transit options beyond the winter bus, MRVPD worked to support community transit efforts by coordinating MRV TAC, local stakeholders, VTrans, and Central VT Council on Aging to explore options & resources.

2019 MRV Annual Data Report: The most recent version of the annual data report includes a multitude of community data points, many new to the program. The updated MRV Data Report is available at .

MRV Town Leadership Meeting: MRVPD hosted a combined meeting of the Selectboards from across the five MRV towns of Warren, Waitsfield, Fayston, Moretown & Duxbury. The well-attended valley-wide discussion focused on three important topics that transcend individual municipal boards and boundaries.

Budget: For FY21, MRVPD requests \$45,317 from each of its four funders, Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren, and Sugarbush Resort, representing a 3% increase over the previous year. A 7-voting member Steering Committee, consisting of a representative from the Selectboard and Planning Commission from each of its member towns, and a representative from the MRV Chamber of Commerce, oversee MRVPD activities. Additionally, representatives from Sugarbush and the Central VT Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) serve as non-voting members. Meetings are open to the public and are usually held on the third Thursday of each month at the General Wait House in Waitsfield, 7pm.

Mad River Valley Planning District Steering Committee

Bob Ackland, Warren Selectboard (Chair)
Jon Jamieson, Waitsfield Selectboard (Vice Chair)
Jared Cadwell, Fayston Selectboard (Secretary & Treasurer)
Dan Raddock, Warren Planning Commission
Steve Shea, Waitsfield Planning Commission
Donald Simonini, Fayston Planning Commission
Margo Wade, Sugarbush Resort
Peter MacLaren, MRV Chamber of Commerce
Bonnie Waninger, Central VT Regional Planning Commission

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PUBLIC ACCESS TELEVISION CHANNEL 44

MRVTV 2019 HIGHLIGHTS: Significant Increase in Fayston Select Board Viewership, Substantial Growth on Social Media

Mad River Valley TV is the Valley's public access management organization (AMO) dedicated to giving the community media access to what's happening in their towns, schools and with elected officials. The station celebrated its 20th year on the air during 2019 and covered nearly every meeting of the Fayston Select Board, various community meetings as well as most meetings of the Harwood Unified Union School District board.

MRVTV's Channels 44 (Community) and 45 (Municipal) are part of Waitsfield Cable's basic tier of service. In 2018 MRVTV added two High Definition (HD) Channels, 244 (Community) and 245 (Municipal), which are part of Waitsfield Cable's basic tier of HD channels. MRVTV is one of the few public access TV stations in Vermont broadcasting in HD. In fact, it is also one of the very few to do so in the U.S., with less than 10% of all public access TV stations in the country broadcasting in HD.

All locally produced programming, from meetings to school and community events is also on the MRVTV website, <https://mrvtv.com>, within a few days of its taping. During 2019, Fayston Select Board videos generated 917 views, a 47% increase versus a year ago. Harwood Unified Union School District board meetings had 4,506 views, ranking number one among all programs available on the site (note that TV viewing data is unavailable from Waitsfield Cable). Views for the School Board during 2019 were up 28% as compared to last year.

MRVTV is primarily funded by Waitsfield Cable as required by state and federal regulations. Cable subscribers see a 5% PEG access surcharge on their cable bills. Additionally, the towns of Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren and Moretown grant MRVTV sponsorship funds, which help to defray the cost of municipal meeting coverage and makes the web storage of our municipal programming available for all, anytime, even without cable service.

As for TV programming, MRVTV aired a wide range of community-based shows in 2019, from an ongoing yoga series, to talk shows, lectures, children's plays, and high school sporting events. To capture more events, the station encourages nonprofits to find a member in their organization who can become a "media person" for coverage. MRVTV has equipment available to the community so the public can produce shows and access the airwaves. MRVTV also has a full studio available for taping shows and welcomes new users and producers for non-commercial community interest programs.

In 2019 MRVTV made use of many hours of statewide programming available on the Vermont Media Exchange (VMX). We showed 262 VMX programs produced by other public access centers around the state, with many timely governmental programs coming from the VT Statehouse.

On the digital side, MRVTV experienced significant growth on its social media platforms. YouTube subscribers nearly doubled, growing from 2,862 to 5,292 by the end of the year. On Facebook MRVTV more than tripled its following, with page likes increasing from 2,233 to 6,769. MRVTV now has more YouTube subscribers and Facebook likes than any other public access TV center in Vermont.

- YouTube Launched 6/30/17 5,292 Subscribers
- Total Minutes Viewed: 9,556,834 (2019) Views: 1,268,914 (2019)
- Facebook 6,769 likes
- Instagram Launched 8/14/17 351 Followers
- Twitter 295 Followers

To connect with viewers in real-time, MRVTV live streamed a number of public events, including the Mad River Valley Town Leadership meeting and the Warren 4th of July Parade.

Regarding personnel, Keith Berkelhamer has served as the Executive Director

for the past two and a half years while Tony Italiano has worked as the station's Program/Media Manager the past twelve and a half years.

To learn more how you can be involved with MRVTV, please contact us at 583-4488 (44TV) or by email at keith@mrvtv.com. You also can just stop by our studio offices at the north end of the Village Square Shopping Center. And you can find us, all local programs, our schedules, and lots of affiliated information on the web at <https://mrvtv.com>. Members of the MRVTV board are: Lisa Loomis, Rob Williams, Liz Levey, Brian Shupe, Dan Eckstein, John Daniell, Ilse Sigmund, Ian Sweet and Ned Farquhar. We meet quarterly and actively welcome public input to our meetings or to any board member.

MAD RIVER VALLEY RECREATION DISTRICT

Mad River Valley Recreation District Annual Report	\$47,600																																								
<p>Mad River Valley Recreation District (MRVRD) is a Union Municipal District formed by the towns of Waitsfield, Warren and Fayston in 1994. The MRVRD seeks to facilitate, enhance and create recreational opportunities throughout the Mad River Valley that promote community vitality, physical fitness, appreciation for the outdoors and a high quality of life. The MRVRD owns and manages the Mad River Park Recreational Fields, operates a recreation grant program and supports diverse recreational opportunities important for community health and economic vitality in the Valley.</p> <p>In 2019, the MRVRD awarded 8 grants, providing \$30,771 in financial support to the newly formed Bocce Club, Couples Club, the Skatium, the Mad River Path Association, Mad River Riders, Mad River Ridge Runners, Mad River Little League, and Warren Skate Park. In January 2020, the MRVRD will consider 14 grant requests and allocate approximately \$40,000 from funds approved by voters in 2019 for new initiatives and long-standing programs. These investments will increase access to diverse recreational opportunities for all members of our community, as well as visitors.</p> <p>MRVRD is requesting increased funding for the fiscal year 2020, in the amount of \$30,000 from each member town. These funds will enable the continuation of the recreation grant program, provide operating expenses for Mad River Park, and support a new Recreation Coordinator and Facility Manager position to advance the MRVRD's strategic organizational goals through recreation trails, events, programming, parks and facilities management and recreation planning.</p> <p>The MRVRD Board encourages groups and individuals who are interested in creating recreational opportunities in the Mad River Valley to visit mrvrd.org or contact any member of the Board. The board meets the third Tuesday of each month at the General Wait House in Waitsfield, and seeks involvement and input from the community.</p> <p>The volunteer MRVRD board members have been appointed by the Select Boards of their respective towns and serve 1 or 3 year terms. Contact any of us if you are interested in joining the team.</p> <p>Liza Walker, Waitsfield – Co-Chair Alice Rodgers, Warren - Co-Chair Doug Bergstein, Warren – Treasurer Jeff Whibingham, Waitsfield - Secretary Chrissy Bellmyer, Fayston Luke Foley, Waitsfield Michael Nucci, Waitsfield Whitney Phillips, Warren John Stokes, Fayston</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td>Income</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Funding from Towns</td><td>\$45,000</td></tr> <tr><td>Expenditures</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Bocce Club</td><td>\$2,500</td></tr> <tr><td>Celebration of Summer</td><td>\$400</td></tr> <tr><td>Couples Club</td><td>\$3,000</td></tr> <tr><td>Mad River Little League</td><td>\$3,500</td></tr> <tr><td>Mad River Park</td><td>\$6,250</td></tr> <tr><td>Mad River Path</td><td>\$6,820</td></tr> <tr><td>Mad River Riders</td><td>\$6,820</td></tr> <tr><td>Mad River Ridge Runners</td><td>\$5,000</td></tr> <tr><td>Skatium</td><td>\$1,176</td></tr> <tr><td>Warren Skate Park</td><td>\$1,955</td></tr> <tr><td>Membership (VRPA)</td><td>\$110</td></tr> <tr><td>Website</td><td>\$107</td></tr> <tr><td>Total Expenditures</td><td>\$37,529</td></tr> <tr><td>Ending Balance (Dec. 31, 2019)</td><td>\$54,962.43</td></tr> <tr><td>End Balance for Kiosk Project</td><td>\$3,491</td></tr> <tr><td>End Balance for Mad River Park</td><td>\$8,656.78</td></tr> <tr><td>Projected Grants for 2020</td><td>\$42,000</td></tr> </table>	Income		Funding from Towns	\$45,000	Expenditures		Bocce Club	\$2,500	Celebration of Summer	\$400	Couples Club	\$3,000	Mad River Little League	\$3,500	Mad River Park	\$6,250	Mad River Path	\$6,820	Mad River Riders	\$6,820	Mad River Ridge Runners	\$5,000	Skatium	\$1,176	Warren Skate Park	\$1,955	Membership (VRPA)	\$110	Website	\$107	Total Expenditures	\$37,529	Ending Balance (Dec. 31, 2019)	\$54,962.43	End Balance for Kiosk Project	\$3,491	End Balance for Mad River Park	\$8,656.78	Projected Grants for 2020	\$42,000
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MAD RIVER VALLEY SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens (MRVSC) Board of Directors sincerely appreciates the continued support of the Town of Fayston. With that support, we have been successful in our mission to provide nutritional meals, opportunities for social connection, and access to health and wellness resources for seniors in our community for over 30 years. In addition to three part-time staff, we are fortunate to have so many caring volunteers who are central to this success. In FY2019 we served over 8,382 meals at the senior center dining room in Evergreen Place in Waitsfield and to our Meals On Wheels (MOW) clients in four towns. We serve three weekly community meals (Monday Community Breakfast, Tuesday and Thursday Congregate lunches) and prepare daily dietitian-approved lunches for MOW clients five days a week and frozen for weekends. All meals are by donation except for breakfast.

In addition to donations from patrons and clients, MRVSC receives financial support from the Central Vermont Council On Aging, the four Valley towns, Vermont Center for Independent Living, The Warren United Church, The Mad River Valley Rotary, Mehuron's, Shaws, Lawson's, The Village Grocery, and local businesses and individuals that provide us with generous donations through gifts, attendance at our fundraisers, and coin collection cans at area retailers.

Respectfully Submitted: MRVSC Board of Directors – Nancy Emory, President; Sue Stoehr, Treasurer; Susan Day, Secretary; Marise Lane; Spencer Porter, Candance Porter, and Michael Bransfield.



Photo by Taylor Quenneville.

MAD RIVER VALLEY RESOURCE ALLIANCE

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January 5, 2020

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

During 2019 the Alliance held two regular Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day events at the Harwood Union High School in Duxbury on May 11, 2019 and on October 5, 2019. A total of 629 households participated in the regular events this year which represents 12.5% of our population. We collected 18.59 tons of household hazardous waste at the two events. Residents within the Alliance communities are able to bring all their architectural paints, waste pesticides, alkaline batteries and up to 10 additional gallons of hazardous waste to each event for disposal at no charge. The Alliance will swap your mercury fever thermometer for a digital thermometer at no charge at these events. Bring your mercury thermostats to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and you will receive a coupon that can be redeemed for a \$5.00 rebate by the Thermostat Recycling Corporation which will process the thermostats. Residents can also bring all their compact fluorescent bulbs(CFLs) and up to ten or fewer non-CFL general purpose mercury containing lamps at no charge. We are again planning two collection day events in 2020, at Harwood Union High School. They are scheduled for May 9 and October 3, 2020.

A total of 390 gallons of used crankcase oil was collected within the Alliance at our Used Oil Collection Tank during 2019. The tank is located in Waitsfield at the Earthwise Transfer Station.

Grow Compost of Vermont in Moretown collected food scraps and food processing residuals from the Washington West Supervisory Union waste streams and from other large generators in the MRRMA. A total of 465.3 tons of food scraps were collected by Grow Compost of Vermont in 2019 in the MRRMA. Visit our web site at madriverrma.org. You will find information on solid waste issues on this web site.

The twenty third truckload sale of compost bins resulted in the distribution of 46 compost bins and 10 Green Cones. It is estimated that each compost bin can compost 650 pounds of garden and kitchen waste annually. This means rich soil to add to your garden and less waste to go to the landfill. We held two composting workshops for Alliance residents this year and expect to hold more in 2020. We will hold our twenty fourth Compost Bin Sale this spring. The Alliance held a car and pickup truck tire and metal collection event at the Earthwise Transfer Station in conjunction with Green Up Day in 2019. A total of 15.08 tons of tires and a ton of metal were collected during this event. In the fall Alliance residents participated in the Wheels for Warmth Program held on October 26, 2019. We are planning to hold a spring tire and metal collection in conjunction with Green Up Day on May 2, 2020. The Village Grocery in Waitsfield again provided a local site for folks to deliver tires for Wheels for Warmth.

Alliance residents can bring their mixed paper, glass bottles and jars, metal cans and plastics #1 through #7, except for plastic film wrap and bags and beaded styrofoam for single stream recycling to the Earthwise Transfer Station, Rodney's Rubbish Transfer Station and Redemption Center or Northfield Transfer Station. There are also local haulers and Saturday Fast Trash Collections available in the Mad River Resource Management Alliance. Currently the recyclables are taken to the Chittenden County Materials Recovery Facility for processing. Due to market conditions there is now a charge for collecting and processing recyclables. Computers, printers, monitors and televisions can be recycled at no charge at the Earthwise Transfer Station, the State Surplus Property Office on Route 2 in Waterbury or the Northfield Transfer Station. Other e-waste can be brought to the State Surplus Property facility in Waterbury and recycled at a small per pound fee. During 2019, 28.70 tons of e-waste was collected. Additional information on this program is found on our web site. The Alliance is a member of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association which helps us market some recyclable commodities such as tires, propane cylinders and other materials. The Alliance is also a member of the Product Stewardship Institute(PSI). As a stakeholder in the PSI we work with other entities to reduce the environmental and health impacts of a variety of consumer products. This is accomplished by looking at the life cycle impacts of products and their packaging. Things like energy and materials consumption, emissions during manufacturing, toxicity, worker safety and waste disposal are among the issues reviewed. The objective of product stewardship is to rethink the way things are created in order to have more sustainable products in the future. We are also a member of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council which provides a local focus on legislative initiatives and other stewardship issues.

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

Backyard burning of trash is illegal and causes air pollution problems. Be a good neighbor and don't burn trash. If you know of any illegal dumping sites within your town that would benefit from an Adopt a Site Program give John Malter, Alliance Administrator a call at 244-7373 and let's see what we can do to help eliminate these types of problems together. The FY20 assessment for the administration and programs is \$7.00 per capita.

The representatives of the Alliance include: Fayston, Chuck Martel; Moretown, Jonathan Siegel; Roxbury, Dave McShane; Waitsfield, Sal Spinosa; Warren, Margo Wade; Waterbury, Alec Tuscany and John Malter from Waterbury is the Administrator for the Alliance. Thanks to Clay Mays for his past participation as the Warren Representative.

MAD RIVER VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE

	Draft							
MRRMA	BUDGET	2020						
						Budget	Budget	
INCOME						2019	2020	
Town Assessments Per Capita			(\$7.00)					
Based on 2010 Population								
Fayston		1353				8456	9471	
Moretown		1658				10363	11606	
Roxbury		691				4319	4837	
Waitsfield		1719				10744	12033	
Warren		1705				10656	11935	
Waterbury		5064				31650	35448	
Subtotal Assessment (1)		12,190				76188	85,330	
		11,499					80,493	
Household Hazardous Waste:								
Ag. Pest. Grant						8000	5000	
Small Quantity Generators						1500	2000	
DEC SWIP HHW Grant						13425	13448	
Subtotal HHW Income:						22,925	20,448	
Miscellaneous Income:								
Compost Bins						3350	2540	
Tires						1500	1800	
Subtotal Misc. Income						4,850	4340	
Total Income:						103,963	110,118	
EXPENSES:								
Administration:								
Administration:	600 hours/	540 hours				22,800	21,136	
Travel/Office						1000	500	
Insurance						797	797	
Solid Waste Manager Association						1283	1283	
VLCT Bookkeeping						1496	1496	
Subtotal Administration:						27,376	25,212	
Education:								
Administration	469 hours	422 hours				17,822	16,517	
Travel/Office						500	500	
Newsletter/Printing/Mailing						6500	6500	
Educational Programs	GreenUp/Website/Special Events					9500	2,000	
N.R.R.A. Membership						180	180	
Conference						600	600	
Product Stewardship Institute						300	300	
Subtotal Education						35,402	26,597	
Household Hazardous Waste:								
Administration	275 hours	248 hours				10450	9707	
Travel/Office						1000	500	
HHW Contractor						26400	40,000	
Sheriff/Traffic Control						0	1100	
Subtotal HHW:						37850	51,307	
Misc. Expenses:								
Equipment Maintenance						235	200	
Tire Collection						2000	2500	
Waste Audit						250	0	
Compost Bins						2464	625	
Subtotal Miscellaneous:						4949	3325	
TOTAL EXPENSES:						105,577	106,441	

SKATIUM

SKATIUM is a Mad River Valley community outdoor ice skating facility located in Irasville Center. It is owned and operated by Skatium, Inc., a local non-profit corporation with 501.c. 3 status under the IRS code. The current facility operates with natural ice made on a crushed stone surface, zambonies and other pertinent equipment and several ancillary structures on 5.4 acres owned by SKATIUM. Plans and most permits are in place to construct a new concrete surface with refrigeration and eventually a covered structure that will accommodate a variety of seasonal uses, subject to fundraising.

In an effort to expedite realizing future planned improvements, a Board of Advisors has been formed that is comprised of local officials, local business persons, individuals experienced in the development of multi-functional recreation facilities, and individuals experienced in fundraising. The Board is revisiting some of SKATIUM'S future plans with the goal of providing a wider range of seasonal recreational activities and spectator events within a partially enclosed structure that is both architecturally attractive and financially feasible. In the meantime, improvements to the existing facility are made on an as-needed basis.

2019 marked the 27th anniversary for winter operations. Skatium has opened in December for the Christmas Holidays for the three years in a row, in large part due to its regraded ice making surface which allows making ice quickly in response to the onset of cold weather.

Typical activities at SKATIUM include public skating, stick time, adult hockey, and group and party rentals. In addition, SKATIUM continues to offer ice time free of charge to people with physical and cognitive disabilities. For this, SKATIUM is partnering with VERMONT ADAPTIVE SKI and SPORTS and the CENTRAL VERMONT PIONEERS sled hockey organization. The rink is also made available at no charge to valley elementary school programs. SKATIUM can make its facilities available for summer usage upon request.

SKATIUM typically operates with a \$25,000.00 - \$30,000.00 annual budget. Approximately half of the budget expenses are for payroll for its 3 employees. A very significant amount of the labor requirement is provided by volunteers at no charge. Major expenses in addition to payroll include electricity, propane, property taxes, insurance, municipal water, and snow removal. SKATIUM derives its income from revenues from ice use, skate rentals, board advertising, and a limited amount from fundraising events and donations. Last year the Mad River Valley Recreation District contributed \$1,176.00 to help fund rink improvements. Seasons passes for families, individuals and students are offered in addition to day passes.

Visit our Facebook page or call 496-8845 for ice conditions and hours.

We thank you for your support.

SKATIUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Zeke Church
Mike Eramo
Bill Moore
Debbie Smith
Don Swain

WAITSFIELD-FAYSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Calls By Type and Town- 2017

Calls by Type	Waitsfield	Fayston	Moretown	Duxbury	Total
Motor Vehicle Accident	16	4	1	1	22
Fire Alarm Activation- No Fire Found	20	8	0	0	28
CO Detector Activation- No CO Found	4	1	0	0	5
CO Found	0	1	0	0	1
Power lines Down	3	7	0	0	10
Chimney Fire	2	2	0	0	4
Structure Fire	1	1	0	0	2
Dumpster Fire	2	1	0	0	3
Elevator Malfunction	2	0	0	0	2
Ambulance Assist	3	0	0	0	3
Propane Leak	1	1	0	0	2
Electrical Wiring Malfunction	2	1	0	0	3
Sprinkler System Malfunction	0	1	0	0	1
Odor Investigation	2	0	0	0	2
Gasoline/Diesel Spill	2	0	0	0	2
Unauthorized Burn	1	1	0	0	2
Good Intent	1	2	0	0	3
Service Call	1	1	0	0	2
Totals	62	33	1	1	97

2019 ACTUAL TAXES AND TAX RATE COMPARISON

2019 ACTUAL Taxes and Tax Rates							
Washington							
Town Name	Education Homestead Taxes	Education Nonhomestead Taxes	Municipal Taxes	Education Homestead Tax Rate	Education Nonhomestead Tax Rate	Municipal Tax Rate	Local Agreement Tax Rate
Barre City	3,024,768	4,316,955	9,174,726	1.3002	1.6274	1.8552	0.0261
Barre Town	6,696,375	3,502,891	6,156,942	1.4926	1.8683	0.9438	0.0036
Berlin	2,932,745	4,561,900	2,870,754	1.7155	1.5606	0.5664	0.0012
Cabot	1,524,720	1,158,256	1,059,887	1.7305	1.5966	0.6036	0.0044
Calais	2,448,847	1,115,033	1,430,610	1.8152	1.6513	0.7107	0.0064
Duxbury	1,818,082	948,991	945,634	1.6817	1.6481	0.5717	0.0018
East Montpelier	3,951,508	1,512,490	1,880,844	1.8382	1.6723	0.6155	0.0027
Fayston	2,275,430	3,732,487	1,006,615	1.6304	1.5978	0.2650	0.0002
Marshfield	1,530,792	748,330	856,501	1.9275	1.7916	0.7089	0.0061
<i>Marshfield Village</i>	0	0	24,923	0	0	0.2121	0
Middlesex	2,973,485	1,008,408	1,062,794	1.8008	1.6382	0.4700	0.0024
Montpelier	7,099,568	7,248,128	9,740,927	1.6455	1.7776	1.1194	0.0096
<i>Montpel Swr Separat</i>	0	0	584,982	0	0	0.0700	0
<i>Montpel Swr Benefit</i>	0	0	167,138	0	0	0.0200	0
Moretown	2,433,935	1,359,397	987,102	1.6998	1.6658	0.4394	0
Northfield	2,728,161	2,288,878	3,082,543	1.4529	1.6573	0.9520	0.0082
Plainfield	1,459,301	608,132	907,181	1.8267	1.6979	0.7859	0.0043
Roxbury	668,799	601,077	804,551	1.7034	1.6414	1.0611	0
Waitsfield	2,771,461	3,388,977	1,617,001	1.6548	1.6217	0.4308	0.0035
Warren	2,677,671	9,322,489	2,938,923	1.6784	1.6448	0.4000	0.0002
Waterbury	6,992,735	5,615,287	3,857,715	1.6820	1.6484	0.5100	0.0018
Woodbury	1,017,869	1,065,921	734,205	1.6361	1.5443	0.5610	0
Worcester	1,142,856	482,756	570,766	1.7909	1.6292	0.6117	0.0005
County Totals	58,169,109	54,586,783	52,463,263				

EQUALIZED EDUCATION GRANT LIST COMPARISON

Equalized Education Grand List Effective January 1, 2020 Washington					
Town Name	Total Taxable Parcel Count	Education Grand List	Education CLA	COD	Total Equalized Education Grand List
* Barre City	3,137	5,025,329	96.37	11.89	5,214,770
Barre Town	3,540	6,361,291	83.48	15.70	7,620,250
Berlin	1,465	4,632,727	103.09	13.20	4,493,710
Cabot	850	1,606,538	99.26	27.47	1,618,570
Calais	966	2,024,324	95.61	15.49	2,117,210
Duxbury	725	1,656,907	92.67	11.07	1,787,970
East Montpelier	1,190	3,054,099	93.82	10.58	3,255,440
Fayston	1,174	3,731,643	97.15	7.62	3,841,290
Marshfield	797	1,211,873	89.58	13.35	1,352,880
Middlesex	910	2,266,761	98.93	10.08	2,291,280
Montpelier	2,918	8,392,015	86.86	10.05	9,661,700
Moretown	918	2,247,958	94.87	14.66	2,369,500
Northfield	1,876	3,258,823	94.78	16.34	3,438,290
Plainfield	585	1,157,040	93.87	10.88	1,232,650
Roxbury	575	758,824	97.64	19.89	777,200
Waitsfield	1,081	3,764,569	98.92	19.19	3,805,810
Warren	3,168	7,263,227	97.13	15.47	7,477,700
Waterbury	2,234	7,563,900	94.03	10.55	8,043,760
Woodbury	861	1,312,360	101.68	15.70	1,290,660
Worcester	476	934,461	100.35	12.90	931,170
County Totals	29,446	68,224,669			72,621,810

* Municipality has active TIF district. For more information, refer to introduction preceding this report.

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Agency of Administration

December 20, 2019

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CORRECTED 2019 Equalization Study Results

This letter serves as notification of the results of Property Valuation and Review (PVR)'s 2019 equalization study. Every year we are required to certify the equalized education property value (EEPV or EEGL) and coefficient of dispersion (COD) for each Vermont town (32 V.S.A § 5406). This letter also communicates the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) for your town and explains how it will impact your homestead and nonhomestead education tax rates.

Education Grand List (from 411):	\$373,164,307
Equalized Education Grand List (EEGL):	\$384,128,851
Common Level of Appraisal (CLA):	97.15 % or 0.9715
Coefficient of Dispersion (COD):	7.62%

For a copy of your town final computation sheet and certified sales report, please see:

tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/equalization-study

The **education grand list** listed here is what was reported by your town to the state on the 411 form with your town's cable (if applicable) and tax increment financing (TIF) amounts (if any) included. This number represents the town's total property value that is subject to the education property tax (from the most recent grand list available) and serves as the numerator in the computation of the CLA. Please note: tax revenue from any TIF property value is subject to allocation (32 V.S.A. § 5404a).

The **equalized education grand list (EEGL)** represents PVR's statutorily-mandated estimate of total fair market value of the education grand list in your town and serves as the denominator in the computation of the CLA. To find out more about how the equalization study is conducted, how to read the certified sales report, and additional instructions on how to appeal your results, please see the "Introduction to Vermont's Equalization Study" document at:

tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/reports/equalization-study

The **common level of appraisal (CLA)** is determined by dividing the education grand list by the equalized education grand list (32 V.S.A. § 5401). A number over 100% indicates that property in your town is generally listed for more than its fair market value. A number less than 100% indicates that

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property is generally listed for less than its fair market value. A CLA below 85% or over 115% necessitates a reappraisal (32 V.S.A § 4041a). The homestead and nonhomestead tax rates in your town will be adjusted by your town's CLA (32 V.S.A § 5402). The nonhomestead rate in your town will be the statewide nonhomestead rate divided by your CLA. The homestead rate will be the town homestead rate (which is determined by the per-pupil spending of any school district(s) to which your town belongs) divided by the CLA. A CLA greater than 100% will result in a downward adjustment of tax rates, and a CLA less than 100% will result in upward adjustment.

To get answers to many common questions about tax rates and how they are determined and to see how the current year property tax rates for your town were calculated, please see the department's education tax resources at:

<http://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/understanding-property-taxes/education-tax-rate>

The **coefficient of dispersion (COD)** is a measure of how fairly distributed the property tax is within your town. It is calculated as the average of the (absolute) difference of each sales ratio (list price divided by sales price) in the study from the median ratio. That result is then divided by the median ratio to get the COD, which is expressed as a percent (32 V.S.A. § 5401). A high COD means that within your town many taxpayers are paying more than their fair share and many are paying less than their fair share. A COD over 20% necessitates a reappraisal (32 V.S.A. § 4041a).

Appeals: A municipality may petition the director of Property Valuation and Review for a redetermination of its EEPV and/or COD (32 V.S.A § 5408). All petitions must be in writing and signed by the chair of the municipality's legislative body. Petitions should contain a plain statement of matters being appealed and a statement of the remedy being sought. **Petitions must be received by PVR by the close of business on the 35th day after mailing of this letter.** Additional instructions on appeals can be found in the "Introduction to Vermont's Equalization Study" document at:

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If you have any questions, please contact your **district advisor** or call 802-828-5860.

Sincerely,



Jill Remick, Director
Property Valuation and Review

cc: Chair, Board of Listers
Chair, School Board
Chair, Select Board
Superintendent of Schools

HUUSD FY2020 BUDGET AVAILABILITY

In accordance with Article 9 of the Harwood Unified Union School District (HUUSD) organizational meeting held on August 31, 2016, we are notifying you that the HUUSD Annual Report, which includes the proposed 2020-2021 school budget, will be available February 13, 2020.

The report will be available online at huusd.org. Paper copies will be available at any HUUSD school or town office. You may also request a copy by calling 802-583-7953.

The HUUSD school board will hold an annual meeting, which will include information about the budget, on March 2, 2020 at 6PM at the Harwood Union High School library.

On March 3, 2020 the budget vote will be by Australian ballot in all six towns. Contact your town clerk about early voting.



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MEETINGS

Selectboard

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building

Planning Commission

1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building

Development Review Board

2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. or on call of Chairman

Board of Civil Authority

On call of Town Clerk

HUUSD Board of School Directors

2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at Harwood Library

Municipal Phone Numbers

Town Clerk & Treasurer - 496-2454 x 21, Email: faystontc@madriver.com & faystontres@madriver.com

Asst. Town Clerk & Asst. Treasurer - 496 -2454 x. 23, Email: assttc@gmail.com

Asst. to Selectboard - Email: faystonsb@madriver.com or patti@madriver.com

Listers - 496-2454 x 24, Email: faystonlisters@madriver.com

Town Garage - 496-8827, Email: faystontowngarage@madriver.com

Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS HOURS:

Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or by appointment

Zoning Administrator		496-2454 x25
	Fax	496-9850
	E-mail	faystonzoning@madriver.com
Town Garage		496-8827
Elementary School		496-3636
	Fax	496-5297
Harwood Union High School		244-5186
		1-800-639-1094
	Fax	882-1199

Emergency Telephone Numbers

Ambulance	496-3600 or 911
Fire	496-2400 or 911
State Police	496-2262 or 911
Valley Health Center	496-3838
Central Vermont Hospital	229-9121
Poison Control Center	1-802-658-3456

WEBSITES:

Town of Fayston

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Fayston Elementary School

www.FaystonVT.com

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