

Town of Townshend
Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014)

156th Annual Report



Holt Family Farm
East Hill Road

TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	
P.O. BOX 223 - 2006 VT ROUTE 30 - TOWNSHEND, VT 05353	
PHONE – 802-365-7300 FAX – 802-365-7309	
911 FOR EMERGENCIES	
Population: 1,232	Registered Voters 911
Elevation : 574 Feet Area: 27,200 Acres Roads: 63 Miles	
First Constable 221-0467	Highway Dept. 365-4260
Second Constable 365-7334	Library 365-4039
Townshend Dam Picnic/Swimming 365-7703 For Reservations 877-444-6777	L&G Union HS 365-7355
Elementary School 365-7506	Town Hall 365-7300
TOWN CLERK HOURS	
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Saturday by Appointment, Closed Thursday	
COMPACTOR	
Wednesday - 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.	
Saturday - 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.	
MEETINGS	
CEMETERY COMMISSION	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
3rd Monday - 5:00 P.M. at Town Hall	2nd Monday of each month 7:00 P.M. at the Elementary School
FIRE DEPARTMENT	SELECT BOARD
4th Monday - 7:00 P.M. Work Detail	1st & 3rd Monday - 6:00 P.M. at Town Hall
2nd Thursday - 7:00 P.M. Business Meeting at Fire Station	
PLANNING COMMISSION	LIBRARY TRUSTEES
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7:15 P.M. at Town Hall	2nd Wednesday - 6:00 P.M. at the Library
AUDITORS	LIBRARY HOURS
Meet monthly at Town Hall at their discretion	Monday - 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
LELAND & GRAY	Tuesday - 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Leland & Gray Library	Wednesday - 1:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
LISTER HOURS	Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
Tuesday & Friday - 8:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	Saturday - 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
TOWN Informational Meeting Monday, February 23, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.	
<i>Please bring this Report to Town Meeting, March 3, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.</i>	

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WARNING FOR THE TOWN OF TOWNSHEND 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Townshend are hereby notified and WARNED to meet at the Town Hall in Townshend, Vermont, on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. to act on the following articles, viz:

- ARTICLE I.** To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year:
- ARTICLE II.** To act upon the July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 Auditors' Report:
- ARTICLE III.** To see if the Town will vote to reduce the Office of Lister to three elected officials.
- ARTICLE IV.** To see what salaries the Town will vote to pay its various officials for the ensuing year:
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|---|------------------|
| Town Clerk: | \$ 34,540.00/ yr |
| Town Treasurer: | \$ 2,282.00/ yr |
| Select Board: (1) Chair: | \$ 900.00/ yr |
| (4) Members: | \$ 775.00/ yr |
| Listers, Auditors, assistants and casual labor: | \$ 13.65/ hr |
- ARTICLE V.** To elect all Town Officials for the ensuing year(s):
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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Town Clerk: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Town Treasurer: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Select Board: | (1) 3 yr term |
| | (1) 1 yr remaining 3 yr term |
| | (2) 1 yr term |
| Listers: | (1) 3 yr term |
| | (2) 1 yr term |
| Auditors: | (1) 3 yr term |
| | (1) 2 yr remaining 3 yr term |
| | (1) 1 yr remaining 3 yr term |
| Property Tax Collector: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Delinquent Tax Collector: | (1) 1 yr term |
| First Constable: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Second Constable: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Town Grand Juror: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Town Agent: | (1) 1 yr term |
| Library Trustees: | (1) 5 yr term |
| | (1) 2 yr remaining 5 yr term |
| Cemetery Commissioner: | (1) 5 yr term |
- ARTICLE VI.** To see if the Town will authorize its Property Tax Collector to receive its Real Property Taxes quarterly, August 28, 2015; November 30, 2015; February 26, 2016; and May 27, 2016? Monthly interest will be charged at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) or fraction thereof; interest of one percent (1%) or fraction thereof plus penalties will commence on June 1, 2016.
- ARTICLE VII.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$ 498,959.00, to pay for the running expenses and liabilities of the Town, of which \$ 737,501.00, to be raised by taxation?

- ARTICLE VIII.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$ 690,242.00, for the running expenses and liabilities of maintaining the Town's roads, of which \$ 206,735.00, to be raised by taxation?
- ARTICLE IX.** To see if the Town will vote to contract for law enforcement services, costs of which to be raised by taxation, and, if so, how much?
- ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 43,588.00, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of the Library?
- ARTICLE XI.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the Capital Expenditure Fund Fire Department Reserve toward a future pumper?
- ARTICLE XII.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 1,500.00, by taxation, for the Old Cemetery Fund?
- ARTICLE XIII.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 14,375.00, by taxation, for the support of Social Services, as recommended by the Screening Committee?
- ARTICLE XIV.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to cover all monies raised for municipal entities for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, and to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?
- ARTICLE XV.** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or convey properties received through gift or other means, including Parcel 0810-000 of 17.0 +/- acres in West Townshend and to execute, acknowledge and deliver deed and other transfer documents upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem to be in the interest of the Town?
- ARTICLE XVI.** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift or purchase, land for municipal forest, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forestry practices?
- ARTICLE XVII.** To see if the Town will vote to set the first Tuesday in March 2016, as the date for the 2016 Town of Townshend Annual Meeting?
- ARTICLE XVIII.** To transact any other non-binding business to properly come before said Meeting?

Dated at Townshend, this 28th day of January 2015.

TOWNSHEND SELECT BOARD


Kathy Hege


Robert LeCours


Dale West


Carole Melis


Kyle LaPointe

Auditors' Report FY 2013-2014

We have examined the accompanying financial statements of the Town as of and for the fiscal year June 30, 2014 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. To the best of our knowledge, the contents of the town Report accurately reflect the financial position of each of the fund types and account groups as well as the result of operations of said fund types as of June 30, 2014.

The three auditor positions became vacant.. Two of the present auditors were sworn in during the month of August, and the third member joined in November. In order to address the backlog of auditing tasks, we felt it necessary to meet bi-weekly. Auditors met to reconcile cash accounts and to examine and review Town records for the year.

The auditors would like to inform the town that due to the Community Development Grant received by Valley Cares, there will be a professional audit done for the 2013-14 fiscal year. This audit will be paid for by Valley Cares.

We would like to thank the Historical Society for the photos in this book.

A note of explanation about the requests for funding in the current Town Warning:

In 2013 the Board of Selectmen decided not to raised by taxation as much as had been voted at Town Meeting. Due to accounting requirements the Highway and Equipment accounts needed to be fully funded despite reduced spending, leaving large surpluses in both accounts. See page 15 and 16 of Highway and Equipment Reports. The General Fund was therefore underfunded. To conform to required accounting practices, the Town Report reflects these numbers accurately.

Our email address is <tnaud@svcable.net>. Any input is valued and encouraged.

Barbara Bedortha

Margaret Bills

Alice Gausch

TOWN TREASURER'S / TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – (1/1/ 2014 – 12/31/2014)

Another year has come and gone. It seems to have gone by extremely fast. I guess the old saying is true; “the older you get the faster time seems to go by.”

Tax money, so far this year, has been coming in at a very steady pace. Many taxpayers opted to pay their property tax bill in full rather than in quarterly installments.

I hate to keep repeating myself, but it really speeds up the payment process when people bring in their whole bill making it possible for us to tear off the payment stub and issue a hand written receipt if the computer is being used. This helps move things along much quicker especially during the last few days of the payment period.

I would like to thank the taxpayers who have been putting their parcel numbers on their check. It truly makes it much easier to process the payment.

The Treasurer's job stays about the same from year to year. I contact different banking institutions looking for the best interest rate when the town's CDs come due. Unfortunately the rates don't change much from year to year making it difficult for the town to earn any substantial return on its investment.

Once again, as a reminder;

I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WHO HAVE THEIR PROPERTY TAXES ESCROWED TO CHECK WITH THEIR MORTGAGE COMPANIES OR BANKS TO BE SURE THEY RECEIVED A COPY OF THE TAX BILL. WE ONLY SEND THEM TO THE COMPANIES THAT REQUEST THEM.

Joe Daigneault

REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In the 1970 *Townshend Town Plan* the Planning Commission noted, “The increase in the Board of Selectmen to five members should distribute their mounting workload. Increasing complexity of their responsibilities and skyrocketing costs of all goods and services demand the most economical and imaginative approaches in the conduct of the Town’s business.” That observation is as true today as it was 45 years ago.

This Select Board has been faced with several unique challenges. First and foremost, it has found itself without a sitting member who had any current history with the Board. Lack of continuity in its membership has left the Board with no basis on which to make decisions on projects that were inherited from previous Boards. This has greatly hindered our ability to follow through on multiple projects that were in the queue when the Board took over in March. The learning curve has been steep for all of us as we wrestle with both the old and new issues.

At the top of the list of projects that the Board has dealt with is the new solar field at the old town dump. As of this writing it is just coming online with power generation and the Town should reap a substantial savings in its electric bills within a few months. The completion of the ancient road site visits and hearings is another accomplishment for this Board after many years of work by numerous citizens in our Town. Many of the old class 4 roads will be added to the State VTRANS map and be officially recognized. The newly adopted Parking Ordinance with parking ticket enforcement has helped to alleviate some of the parking congestion along Route 35 toward the hospital. We have also been involved with the new AT&T cell tower process that is proposed for the Town’s center behind the post office. Service is still several months away but it appears the project will move forward toward completion.

A new purchase requisition system for all purchases made on behalf of the Town has been initiated recently. While still in its infancy, the new system helps the Board keep track of items that have been ordered and ensures that goods are purchased for the best price possible. A side benefit of this new procedure comes to the Board by way of controlling cash flow for the Town. Non-emergency expenses can be postponed to better coordinate with the cash flow from the collection of taxes.

As stated in the excerpt from the 1970 *Town Plan*, the increasing complexities of the responsibilities of the Selectmen require an imaginative approach to the business of the Town. After wading through contacts for solar fields and closeouts for Vermont Community Development grants for Valley Cares it has become evident to this Board that the Town needs something more than a group of 5 volunteers to oversee its resources. Just keeping up with the legal wrangling that surrounded the Open Meeting Law changes was challenging. Trying to make heads or tails out of the new Act 148 Universal Recycling Law and its impact on the Town is more than should be on the plate of the Select Board without some type of professional support. Weighing the proposed restrictions of this new law against the Town’s need for a new compactor has led the Board to purchase a “gently used” older trash truck. The Board did not wish to invest taxpayer money in a brand new \$130,000 compactor that might not be able to be used just a few years down the road. These types of decisions could be made more readily if the Board had a professional manager to keep track of the ever-changing rules for this law and to do the research necessary to determine the best course of action for the use of tax resources. None of us on the Board had the time or expertise to attend all the meetings and workshops necessary to understand just this one issue before having to decide what to do about replacing the compactor. In the absence of a trained administrator we chose to err on the side of caution and follow our common sense. We can only hope the future is kind when we look back on that decision.

Given the magnitude of the responsibilities laid on the Select Board's shoulders, both legal and financial, perhaps it is time for an open discussion about moving to a Town Manager form of government. While all decisions would ultimately be left to the elected Select Board, the recommendations from a Town Manager would take some of the uncertainty out of the decisions made during the Board meetings. More information can only bring better efficiency to the business of running the Town. An ad hoc citizen's committee would be the ideal place to start exploring the possibilities for expert help for the government of the Town of Townshend. If you would be interested in serving on this committee please notify Craig Hunt of your willingness to participate. Ideally this group would have some kind of recommendation for discussion at Town Meeting 2016.

As always we welcome your attendance and participation at our bi-monthly meetings.

Members of the Select Board:

Kathy Hege – Chair

Robert Lecours

Kyle Lapointe

Carole Melis

Dale West

Remembering
Janet Gould Stowell

Jann Stowell loved Townshend. For many years she served as lister, auditor and in various other offices for the town of Townshend. She was especially proud to be the representative to Senior Solutions/ Council on Aging for a number years. She was a voice for those who did not have one. Many of our town reports over the years were the result of Jann's hard work. She enjoyed helping others and was really active in the community.

You always knew where you stood with Jann. Straight forward, no-nonsense answers were her specialty. If she had something to say, she said it. Jann had a deep knowledge of the history of the town and the people who grew up here.

Jann will long be remembered by her community for her quick wit, sense of humor, generous spirit and her attempts to keep everyone on their toes.



Jann with husband Irvin and granddaughter

Jann was uncompromising in her love of her family and those she considered family. She had vast knowledge of family history and genealogy, not just her own family but many families in the valley. Jann really loved her town.

Photo courtesy of Karl Decker 2015

FY2014 TOWN GENERAL FUND

EXPENSES - VOTED & ACTUAL

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
SELECTBOARD				
Wages - Select Board	3,350.00	3,225.25	3,225.00	4,000.00
Wages – Administrative Assistant	14,040.00	15,486.10	32,500.00	33,475.00
Insurance benefits-administrative ass	0.00	1,626.28	82.00	2,530.00
Training - Administrative Assistant	0.00		1,000.00	0.00
Supplies	500.00	62.14	500.00	250.00
Tax Bill Expense	700.00	1,000.36	750.00	750.00
WEB Expense	250.00	96.50	150.00	100.00
Technical Support-SB	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notices	1,700.00	0.00	2,000.00	500.00
Windham Regional Assessment	2,500.00	2,193.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
VLCT Assessment	2,000.00	1,984.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance	5,000.00	4,918.03	5,000.00	4,792.00
Legal Expense	2,500.00	5,979.26	5,000.00	5,000.00
Travel/meetings	200.00	1,202.05	200.00	200.00
Total	32,740.00	37,772.97	55,907.00	56,097.00
TAFT MEADOWS				
Maintenance Expense	1,500.00	292.50	500.00	300.00
ELECTIONS				
Wages - Ballot Clerks	300.00	410.36	300.00	0.00
Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Total	500.00	410.36	500.00	0.00
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR				
Wages-del tax collector	paid by fees	12,699.23	paid by fees	paid by fees
Employer costs- del tax collector	0.00	1,012.76	0.00	1,905.00
Supplies	500.00	480.55	500.00	500.00
Computer	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
Bond Delinquent tax collector	105.00	110.04	100.00	100.00
Total	755.00	14,302.58	750.00	2,655.00
AUDITORS				
Wages	3,000.00	4,034.66	2,000.00	6,000.00
Supplies	200.00	5.69	200.00	25.00
Computer	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
computer training - auditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Town Report – Printing & mailing	4,000.00	2,030.83	2,000.00	2,400.00
Travel/Meetings	150.00	97.08	150.00	150.00
Total	7,350.00	6,168.26	4,350.00	9,125.00
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY				
Supplies	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00
Appeals	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
Total	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
LISTERS				
Wages	25,000.00	19,947.16	20,000.00	18,000.00
Supplies	750.00	487.03	350.00	500.00
Map Expense	0.00	750.00	0.00	0.00
Computer expense	500.00	644.39	500.00	500.00
Contractual Service	0.00	1,604.52	0.00	1,750.00
Software Licenses	500.00	238.81	500.00	500.00
Technical Support	1,000.00	917.92	1,000.00	1,000.00
Notices-listers	500.00	1,062.64	500.00	500.00
Legal Expense	0.00	3,168.75	0.00	0.00
Travel/Meetings	500.00	605.66	500.00	750.00
Equipment	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Total	28,750.00	29,426.88	23,600.00	23,750.00
FINANCE OFFICE				
Salary - Treasurer	2,215.00	2,215.00	2,215.00	2,281.00
Wages - Current Tax Collector	4,845.00	5,452.38	4,845.00	4,990.00
Wages - Bookkeeper	17,555.00	17,329.50	0.00	17,200.00
Bond - Treasurer	265.00	272.91	250.00	265.00
Technical Support	1,000.00	2,136.67	1,000.00	1,000.00
Supplies	800.00	288.53	800.00	500.00
Computer	250.00	122.53	250.00	250.00
Training/Professional Development	200.00	831.25	200.00	200.00
Payroll Services	2,100.00	1,739.91	2,100.00	2,100.00
Total	29,230.00	30,388.68	11,660.00	28,786.00
TOWN CLERK				
Salary	33,535.00	33,539.81	33,535.00	34,541.00
Wages - Clerk's Assistant	5,100.00	2,893.91	4,000.00	4,120.00
Insurance benefits - town clerk	19,850.00	13,596.78	15,932.00	13,988.00
Supplies	1,500.00	1,276.12	1,200.00	1,200.00
Computer	500.00	781.52	500.00	500.00
Repair/Maintenance	0.00	47.00	250.00	250.00
Training/Professional Development	500.00	447.91	500.00	500.00
Record Maintenance	0.00	1,939.20	0.00	0.00
Bond - Town clerk	30.00	30.82	30.00	30.00
Total	61,015.00	54,553.07	55,947.00	55,129.00
PLANNING COMMISSION				
Supplies-planning board	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Map Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Printing	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Town Plan	100.00	0.00	5,000.00	2,000.00
Notices	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Travel/Meetings	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00
Clerical	1,500.00	490.25	1,500.00	773.00
Total	3,000.00	490.25	7,900.00	3,873.00

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
TOWN HALL				
Wages - Janitorial	2,000.00	1,458.85	2,000.00	2,060.00
Supplies	1,500.00	2,155.86	1,500.00	2,000.00
Copier/Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,866.63	2,500.00	2,500.00
Computer Expense	400.00	249.37	400.00	400.00
Insurance	7,000.00	7,336.00	7,000.00	7,400.00
Lawn Care	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00
Repair/Maintenance	5,000.00	32,900.88	5,000.00	15,000.00
Clock Contract	100.00	0.00	125.00	125.00
Electricity	2,000.00	2,409.10	2,000.00	2,000.00
Fuel oil/propane -Town Hall	9,000.00	8,984.62	9,000.00	9,000.00
Telephone	1,700.00	1,684.31	1,800.00	1,500.00
Alarm	0.00	295.00	300.00	300.00
New Equipment	500.00	1,000.00	500.00	0.00
Town Hall Renovations	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
Total	35,800.00	60,440.62	37,225.00	42,485.00
Total Town Government	200,715.00	234,246.17	198,414.00	222,275.00
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Rescue Inc	33,000.00	30,176.19	33,000.00	33,250.00
Constable	1,000.00	598.27	800.00	800.00
Law Enforcement - see special article	25,000.00	18,333.37	20,000.00	0.00
<i>Transfer from Reserve</i>	-5,900.00			
Emergency Management	10,000.00	489.58	10,000.00	1,500.00
Forest Fire	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Pound keeper	1,500.00	310.00	500.00	500.00
Subtotal public safety	68,100.00	49,907.41	67,800.00	39,550.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT - STATION				
Supplies	500.00	200.85	500.00	500.00
Dues	15,000.00	17,038.00	15,000.00	17,800.00
Insurance	2,000.00	1,911.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Worker's Compensation Insurance	1,500.00	412.00	1,500.00	500.00
Required Medical Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Repair/Maintenance	4,000.00	591.27	4,000.00	4,000.00
Communication	5,000.00	116.50	5,000.00	5,000.00
Fire Pond**	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	900.00	938.30	900.00	800.00
Fuel	5,000.00	6,800.35	5,000.00	5,000.00
Telephone	525.00	509.10	525.00	525.00
New Equipment	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	8,800.00
Total Fire Department Station	49,925.00	28,517.37	44,925.00	44,925.00

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
FIRE DEPARTMENT - VEHICLES				
Supplies	1,000.00	1,367.37	1,000.00	1,400.00
Insurance/Registration	4,500.00	4,860.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Repair - fire truck	3,000.00	-752.53	3,000.00	3,000.00
New Equipment	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total	11,500.00	5,474.84	11,500.00	11,900.00
Board of Health	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Public Safety	129,625.00	83,899.62	124,225.00	96,375.00
PUBLIC WORKS				
SIDEWALKS/STREET LIGHTS				
Wages - snow blowing	500.00	344.51	500.00	515.00
Street Lights	6,000.00	6,097.00	6,500.00	4,050.00
Sidewalk Study/Repairs**	0.00	412.88	0.00	0.00
Total	6,500.00	6,854.39	7,000.00	4,565.00
HIGHWAY GARAGE				
Custodial wages	0.00	1,246.38	800.00	1,200.00
Supplies	1,000.00	671.81	1,200.00	1,000.00
Insurance	4,300.00	4,453.00	4,300.00	4,500.00
Repair/Maintenance	1,500.00	498.15	6,000.00	9,000.00
Electricity	4,500.00	4,613.31	4,000.00	3,500.00
Fuel	5,500.00	9,771.44	5,500.00	8,000.00
Telephone	700.00	582.40	700.00	600.00
Computer	200.00	229.43	200.00	200.00
Total	17,700.00	22,065.92	22,700.00	28,000.00
WASTE/RECYCLING/COMPACTOR				
WSWMD Assessment	14,800.00	14,789.60	14,800.00	17,024.00
Wages	10,710.00	10,494.12	11,000.00	12,000.00
Supplies	100.00	766.58	100.00	0.00
Insurance	120.00	175.00	120.00	175.00
Tipping Fees	25,000.00	16,630.00	22,000.00	22,000.00
Repair/Maintenance	1,500.00	858.72	0.00	1,000.00
Total	52,230.00	43,714.02	48,020.00	52,199.00
COMMON				
Gazebo Maintenance	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Supplies	500.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Lawn Care	600.00	724.81	1,000.00	1,030.00
Tree Care	2,000.00	610.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fountain Care	200.00	150.99	400.00	400.00
Electricity	400.00	418.96	400.00	400.00
Total	3,700.00	1,904.76	3,900.00	2,930.00
RECREATION				
Ball field	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
General Recreation	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Total	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
Total Public Works	80,130.00	74,539.09	81,920.00	87,994.00

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
EMPLOYER EXPENSE - TOWN				
Payroll Taxes	11,000.00	9,465.99	11,000.00	11,918.00
Workers' Compensation	1,000.00	-1,083.22	1,000.00	1,989.00
Unemployment Insurance	300.00	356.00	500.00	358.00
	12,300.00	8,738.77	12,500.00	14,265.00
OTHER EXPENSES				
Debt Service - Garage Bond Principal	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Debt Service - Garage Bond Interest	25,500.00	26,735.94	25,500.00	26,750.00
Windham County Tax	11,000.00	9,963.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
Memorial Day Expense	250.00	280.73	250.00	300.00
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	16.70	0.00	0.00
Total Other Expenses	76,750.00	76,996.37	76,750.00	78,050.00
Total Employer & Other	89,050.00	85,735.14	89,250.00	92,315.00
Total Expenditure General Fund	499,520.00	478,420.02	493,809.00	498,959.00

FY2014 LIST OF TOWN PROPERTIES

Buildings:

Town Hall, town garage, sand/salt shed, library, elementary school, fire station compactor office, cemetery tool house, commons gazebo.

Lands:

Town athletic field, gravel pit, old dumpsite, Taft meadows, 15 cemeteries, several sale lots, 1 share WSWMD.

Town Hall:

York fire safe, plat cabinet, map cabinet office furniture, computers, printers & peripherals, fax machine, copiers, phone system, pa system, stage curtains & lighting, chairlift, voting booths, kitchen appliances & equipment, storage & filing cabinets, Mosler safe, Tower clock.

Elementary school:

tables, desks & chairs, office furniture, computers & peripherals, phone system, pa system, kitchen appliance & equipment, scholastic supplies & sporting goods.

Miscellaneous:

mowers, park benches, fountain, flags, gates.

Town Garage:

1992 International compactor
2012 Freightliner - truck #1
2011 International - truck #9
2012 F550 - truck #2
2007 Sterling - truck #8
2001 John Deere loader
2002 John Deere grader
2008 John Deere backhoe
John Deere mower/snowblower, utility trailer, calcium chloride spreader, 1993 Bandit chipper, York rake, snow torches, battery charger, electric grinder, chainsaws, hand & power tools, culverts, signage, video surveillance system, office furniture, kitchen equipment chairs & table, lockers, 300 gallon gasoline tank 2000 gallon diesel tank with pumps.
Fire Department:
1951 4WD Dodge truck & trailer, 1976 Chevy pumper, 1987 GMC pumper tanker, 1991 Ford utility truck, 2000 pumper-tanker, radio system, pressure washer, safety equipment.

FY2014 TOWN GENERAL FUND				
REVENUE - VOTED & ACTUAL				
	VOTED	ACTUAL	VOTED	PROPOSED
	FY2014	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
TAX REVENUE				
Property tax -General Fund Expenses	429,020.00		406,301.00	370,303.00
Deduct Surplus/Add Deficit	-176,500.00		-105,426.00	367,198.00
Total Non-Tax Revenue	115,906.00	149,858.44	108,406.00	117,656.00
Property TAX REVENUE				
Property tax	184,114.00	-66,211.04	192,506.00	370,303.00
Interest - Late Tax Payments	1,000.00	3,502.82	1,000.00	1,000.00
Abated taxes	-3,000.00	-11,821.91	-3,000.00	0.00
Interest paid adj/appeal	0.00	30.28	0.00	0.00
Tax sale revenue	0.00	7,924.03	0.00	0.00
Del. Tax Penalty revenue	0.00	15,058.13	0.00	0.00
Interest - Delinquent Taxes	20,000.00	12,881.55	20,000.00	10,000.00
Total property taxes	202,114.00	-38,636.14	210,506.00	381,303.00
Total General Fund Revenue	318,020.00		318,912.00	498,959.00
ACTUAL REVENUE RECEIVED		111,222.30		
TOTAL TO BE RAISED IN TAXES	451,926.00		493,527.00	737,501.00
NON-TAX REVENUE				
LICENSES & PERMITS				
Liquor Licenses	250.00	555.00	250.00	500.00
Dog Licenses	1,200.00	1,408.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Marriage Licenses	100.00	105.00	100.00	100.00
Fish & Game Licenses	250.00	699.00	250.00	250.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL				
Dam Tax-Loss Payment	5,656.00	8,042.00	5,656.00	5,656.00
PILOT - Pmt in Lieu of Taxes on				
State Owned Land	5,000.00	4619.94	5,000.00	5,000.00
Current Use "Hold Harmless" Pmt	40,000.00	37,761.00	40,000.00	55,000.00
Civil/Local Fines	25,000.00	20,329.93	25,000.00	15,000.00
Public Safety Grant	0.00	393.55	0.00	0.00
OTHER REVENUE				
Interest	700.00	605.85	700.00	700.00
Rent - Town Hall	750.00	935.00	750.00	750.00
Town Office Fees	15,000.00	6,117.20	7,500.00	6,500.00
Recording Fees	0.00	9,558.00	0.00	5,000.00
Compactor Fees	22,000.00	21,139.50	22,000.00	22,000.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	37,589.47	0	0.00
Total Non-Tax Revenue	115,906.00	149,858.44	108,406.00	117,656.00
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**FY 2014 GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

	6/30/2013	6/30/2014
ASSETS		
Cash Accounts & Petty Cash	141,407.41	205,222.58
Tax Sale Excess	16,866.18	
Receivables		
<i>Delinquent Taxes</i>	43,175.63	165,192.93
<i>Current taxes</i>	148,843.24	2,932.83
<i>Due from Other Funds</i>	36,372.35	
<i>Due to Other Funds</i>	0.00	-322,075.95
<i>Advances from GF</i>	-30,496.24	0.00
Prepaid Utilities & Expenses	0.00	0.00
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	356,168.57	51,272.39
 LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES		
Accounts Payable	-10,306.50	3,296.43
Holding accounts	6,877.93	-2,274.34
Tax Sales Payable	16,866.18	5,958.38
Deferred Revenue	0.00	157,044.53
Deferred Taxes	136,742.80	
TOTAL PAYABLES	150,180.41	164,025.00
 Due Other Funds		
STVT Education \$		25,000.00
Social Services	-1,100.00	5,190.00
Gazebo	500.00	500.00
TOTAL DUE OTHER FUNDS	-600.00	30,690.00
 RESERVES		
Restore Records	13,213.07	16,195.32
Reappraisal	75,185.62	75,185.62
Infrastructure	15,846.35	15,846.35
Firetruck reserve		10,000.00
Firepond reserve		4,989.00
Planning Commission	4,220.58	4,220.58
TOTAL RESERVES	108,465.62	126,436.87
 Special Articles		
Law Enforcement	5,909.33	5,909.33
TOTAL SPECIAL ARTICLES	5,909.33	5,909.33
 Fund Balance - Prior Year	197,639.36	91,408.91
Fund Balance - Current Year	-105,426.15	-367,197.72
 TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES	356,168.57	51,272.39

FY2014 HIGHWAY FUND				
REVENUE & EXPENSES - VOTED & ACTUAL				
	VOTED	ACTUAL	VOTED	PROPOSED
	FY2014	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
GENERAL MAINTENANCE				
Wages	146,000.00	145,142.64	146,000.00	150,380.00
Materials & Supplies	130,000.00	140,518.89	110,000.00	140,000.00
Road Signs	15,000.00	408.36	30,000.00	0.00
Contracted Services	18,000.00	3,465.00	20,000.00	18,500.00
RETREATMENT	130,000.00	103,537.40	137,000.00	72,000.00
GRAVEL CRUSHING	25,000.00	25,000.00	50,000.00	25,000.00
FOG LINE PAINTING	5,000.00	0.00	7,500.00	0.00
Irene - contractors		159,456.69		
SPECIAL PROJECTS	55,000.00	8,700.75	75,000.00	55,000.00
TOTAL DIRECT HIGHWAY	524,000.00	586,229.73	575,500.00	460,880.00
ANCILLARY EXPENSES				
Liability Insurance	3,000.00	3,187.00	3,000.00	3,200.00
Uniforms	6,000.00	6,860.97	6,000.00	3,000.00
Training	200.00	468.50	200.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	209.00	750.00	200.00
Total	10,200.00	10,725.47	9,950.00	6,900.00
EMPLOYER EXPENSE				
Payroll Taxes	11,500.00	10,495.39	12,000.00	11,505.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00	534	1,500.00	1,260.00
Health Insurance	36,000.00	12626.83	14,246.00	13,395.00
Retirement	8,250.00	7251.32	9,000.00	8,083.00
Workers' Compensation	8,500.00	1452.92	8,500.00	9,449.00
Total	65,250.00	32,360.46	45,246.00	43,692.00
TOTAL INDIRECT HIGHWAY	75,450.00	43,085.93	55,196.00	50,592.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENSE	599,450.00	629,315.66	630,696.00	511,472.00
NON-TAX HIGHWAY REVENUE				
State of Vermont Annual Program	109,000.00	112,048.89	109,000.00	109,000.00
State of Vermont Grant Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highway Revenue-Plow other Town	4,000.00	6,100.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Irene reimbursements		133,608.17		0.00
Federal Grants (USDA-NRC)	0	0	0	0
total non-tax highway revenue	113,000.00	251,757.06	113,000.00	113,000.00
taxes raised - Highway	566,450.00	566,450.00	517,696.00	398,472.00
total highway revenue	679,450.00	818,207.06	630,696.00	511,472.00
total highway expenses	599,450.00	629,315.66	630,696.00	511,472.00
Net Highway	80,000.00	188,891.40	0.00	0.00

FY2014 EQUIPMENT FUND				
EXPENSES - VOTED & ACTUAL				
	VOTED	ACTUAL	VOTED	PROPOSED
	FY2014	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
Maintenance Expenses				
Truck # 7 - 2006 Ford 1-ton	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Truck #8 - 2007 Sterling	15,000.00	8,226.00	15,000.00	0.00
Truck #9 - 2011 International	5,000.00	327.37	8,000.00	9,000.00
Truck #1 - 2012 Freightliner	5,000.00	12,914.05	6,000.00	8,000.00
Truck #2 – 2012 Ford F550	3,000.00	2,137.45	1,000.00	3,000.00
replacement, purchase cancelled	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Truck #3 2015 Int'l				7,000.00
Loader - 2001 John Deere 554	7,500.00	2,307.81	12,500.00	30,000.00
Grader - 2002 John Deere 772	22,000.00	3,048.59	20,000.00	10,000.00
Tractor – John Deere 755	1,500.00	490.62	1,500.00	2,200.00
Backhoe - 2008 John Deere	4,000.00	2,698.19	4,000.00	4,200.00
Miscellaneous Equipment	3,000.00	1,798.20	3,000.00	2,000.00
ALL EQUIPMENT EXPENSES				
Miscellaneous Shop Supplies	6,000.00	9,684.92	8,000.00	8,000.00
Diesel	50,000.00	52,068.92	60,000.00	55,000.00
Unleaded Gas	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	250.00
Insurance	6,000.00	6,049.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
total direct equipment expense	130,000.00	101,751.12	148,000.00	145,650.00
other equipment expense				
Equipment Purchases	11,000.00	64.99	0.00	5,000.00
Tank Expenses-Diesel & Gas	500.00	4,431.60	0.00	0.00
Rented Equipment	7,000.00	8,024.15	2,500.00	0.00
Liquid Chlorine Machine	500.00		500.00	1,000.00
Debt Service – Interest on EQ Finance	3,431.00	2,411.40	3,500.00	0.00
total other equipment	22,431.00	14,932.14	6,500.00	6,000.00
total expenditures	152,431.00	116,683.26	154,500.00	151,650.00
Equipment Earnings				
Town Meeting Appropriation (EQ Fund)	298,201.00	298,201.00	154,500.00	151,650.00
Miscellaneous/Interest Income		98.81		
total equipment fund earnings	298,201.00	298,299.81	154,500.00	151,650.00
net equipment fund	145,770.00	181,616.55	0.00	0.00
Equipment Purchases				
Debt Service – Principal on EQ Finance	60,770.00	45,770.00	60,500.00	27,120.00
2015 Int'l (FY12 purchase canceled)	150,000.00		155,000.00	
total equipment purchases	210,770.00	45,770.00	215,500.00	27,120.00

FY2014 HIGHWAY FUND				
REVENUE - VOTED & ACTUAL				
	VOTED	ACTUAL	VOTED	PROPOSED
	FY2014	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
PROPOSED APPROPRIATION	FY2014	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
Total Highway expenses	599,450.00	629,315.66	630,696.00	511,472.00
Total Equipment expenses	152,431.00	116,683.26	161,259.00	151,650.00
total equipment purchases	210,770.00	45,770.00	215,500.00	27,120.00
Total highway & equipment exp	962,651.00	791,768.92	1,007,455.00	690,242.00
Remaining Irene Deficit	37,000.00			0.00
less non-tax highway revenue	-113,000.00	-251,757.06	-248,000.00	-113,000.00
surplus/deficit calculation				
highway surplus		188,891.40	0.00	0.00
equipment fund surplus		181,616.55	0.00	0.00
total surplus		370,507.95	0.00	0.00
actual surplus deducted next budge	-107,000.00			-370,508.00
actual deficit added next budget			4,759.15	0.00
TOTAL TO BE RAISED IN TAXES	779,651.00		759,455.00	206,734.00

FY2014 Reserve Funds

Common Fund	Sewer Fund	Sidewalk Fund
balance 6/30/13 - 5,716.6	balance 6/30/13 - 40,351.63	balance 6/30/13 - 6,719.64
interest - 4.98	interest - 144.2	interest - 13.45
balance 6/30/14 - 5,721.58	balance 6/30/14 - 40,495.83	balance 6/30/14 - 6,733.09

Firetruck Reserve Fund

balance 6/30/13 - 180,951.14
interest - 567.72
balance 6/30/14 -181,518.86

FY2014 Special Town Funds

Moseley Fund

balance 6/30/13-61,270.97
interest - 122.67
balance 6/30/14-61,393.64

Pilot/RDAG Fund

balance 6/30/13 - 108,328.48
interest - 257.92
withdrawl - 31,747.82*
balance 6/30/14 - 76,838.58

* reimbursed town for town hall fire doors.

**FY 2014 HIGHWAY FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

	6/30/2013	6/30/2014
ASSETS		
Due from General Fund	718,800.50	897,363.30
Prior year expense reimburse		7,560.00
TOTAL ASSETS	718,800.50	904,923.30
LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES		
Due to General Fund		0.00
Gravel Crushing Reserve	0.00	0.00
Fogline Painting Reserve	2,775.12	2,775.12
Special Project Reserve		0.00
Retreatment Reserve	6,221.00	6,221.00
Fund Balance - Prior Year	496,951.64	707,035.78
Fund Balance - Current Year	212,852.74	188,891.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES	718,800.50	904,923.30

**FY 2014 EQUIPMENT FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

	6/30/2013	6/30/2014
ASSETS		
Cash Account - Other	61,934.22	84,445.03
cash account - compactor	22,412.00	
due to/from other accounts	-558,404.03	-424,110.04
TOTAL ASSETS	-474,057.81	-339,665.01
LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES		
Municipal Equipment Note - Truck 2	30,000.00	24,000.00
Municipal Equipment Note - Backhoe	14,370.00	
Municipal Equipment Note - Truck 9	28,200.00	2,800.00
Municipal Equipment Note - Truck 1	48,000.00	48,000.00
Compactor Reserve	22,493.93	22,493.93
Fund Balance - Prior Year	-422,949.09	-618,575.49
Fund Balance - Current Year	-194,172.65	181,616.55
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCES	-474,057.81	-339,665.01

EQUIPMENT LOAN SCHEDULE

	Balance 6/30/2013	Paid	Balance 6/30/2014
Truck # 1 2012 Freightliner	36,000.00	12,000.00	24,000.00
Truck #2 2012 F550	30,000.00	6,000.00	24,000.00
Truck #8 2007 Sterling	0.00	sold	0.00
Backhoe - 2008 John Deere	14,370.00	14,370.00	0.00
Truck #9 - 2011 International	26,800.00	13,400.00	14,800.00

Results of the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING March 4, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Moderator David Liebow at 9:06 A.M.

ARTICLE I. David Liebow was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Town Meeting recessed from 9:20 to 10:49 A.M. for the Townshend Elementary School District 2014 Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE II. The Auditors' Report was approved.

ARTICLE III. The Town voted not to employ a Town Manager.

ARTICLE IV. The Town voted not to replace the office of Lister with professionally qualified assessors.

ARTICLE V. The Town voted not to replace the office of Auditor with professionally qualified auditors.

ARTICLE VI. Salaries were approved for Town officers for the ensuing year.

Town Clerk: \$ 33,535.00 / yr

Town Treasurer: \$ 2,215.00 / yr

Select Board: (1) Chair: \$ 725.00 / yr

(4) Members: \$ 625.00 / yr

Lister, Auditors, Assistants and Casual Labor: \$ 13.25 / hr

ARTICLE VII. The Town elected Town Officials for the ensuing year(s). See page 68.

ARTICLE VIII. The Town authorized the Property Tax Collector to receive its Real Property Taxes quarterly. Monthly interest will be charged at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) or fraction thereof; interest of one percent (1%) or fraction thereof plus penalties will commence on June 1, 2015.

ARTICLE IX. The Town voted to appropriate \$ 428,309.00 to pay for the running expenses and liabilities of the Town, of which \$ 191,649.00 to be raised by taxation.

ARTICLE X. The Town voted to raise \$ 95,000.00, by taxation, to be used toward the purchase of a new Highway Department truck.

ARTICLE XI. The Town voted to appropriate \$ 1,007,455.15 for the running expenses and liabilities of maintaining the Town's roads, of which \$ 759,455.15 to be raised by taxation.

ARTICLE XII. The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to spend up to \$125,000 for a new compactor.

ARTICLE XIII. The Town voted to raise \$ 44,832.00, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of the Library.

ARTICLE XIV. The Town voted to raise \$10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the Capital Expenditure Fund Fire Department Reserve toward a future pumper.

ARTICLE XV. The Town voted to raise \$ 1,500.00, by taxation, for the Old Cemetery Fund.

ARTICLE XVI. The Town voted to raise \$ 14,410.00, by taxation, for the support of Social Services, as recommended by the Screening Committee.

ARTICLE XVII. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to cover all monies raised for municipal entities for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, and to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE XVIII. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or convey properties acquired by the Town through tax sales and to execute, acknowledge and deliver deed and other transfer documents upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem to be in the interest of the Town.

ARTICLE XIX. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift or purchase, land for municipal forest, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forestry practices.

ARTICLE XX. The Town voted to set 9 A.M. on the first Tuesday in March 2015, as the time and date for the 2015 Town of Townshend Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE XXI. Non-binding business discussion included Thank You to all appointed Town Officers, establishing committees for recycling and to study town government, mailing Town Report to all taxpayers and voters.

Librarian's Report

Someone suggested that I describe a typical day at the Library for this year's town report and that seemed like a nice change.

I often start my day checking Library email. The state email system does a good job of filtering spam and junk mail but I still receive 30-50 emails a day. Most are items from other VT libraries but also things from our vendors, or companies that I have taken courses from. We receive inter-library loan requests via email and so mailing those out is the next order of business. A trip to the post office in early winter is always a highlight because of the donations that I hope to find in our box. The donations help to supplement our budget and allow us to provide many wonderful services. If new books arrive I usually enter them into the system right away unless there are extenuating circumstances as is the case currently. Right now we have a software glitch that is causing some catalog records to be invisible in our catalog. Not very helpful for a library trying to share its resources! Diagnosing and resolving this has taken up most of my time, patience, and desk space for the last month and as of today it is still causing problems, but I'm hopeful.

Some other tasks that I juggle during the day include working on book orders, using inter-library loan to borrow items for our patrons, preparing for my preschoolers story hour, teaching patrons computer skills, updating our website, keeping our signs and the Library looking good, implementing new skills from the above mentioned courses, exploring relevant software, assisting the Library Board, resolving computer issues, applying for grants, evaluating how to make eBooks more accessible, planning our summer reading program, taking phone calls that deal with anything from questions about books, our hours, etc. to getting a dog license. (The Town Hall phone number is incorrectly listed in phone books). Hopefully less frequently I have to resolve building maintenance issues, fix the copier, or shop for supplies. Each day I try to help our patrons find some great books or movies, and tell them about our other services. I also try to let the staff, volunteers and Trustees know how appreciated they are because Townshend has a great library and it wouldn't be possible without them.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen LaRue

**FY2014 TOWNSHEND PUBLIC LIBRARY
REVENUES & EXPENSES - VOTED & ACTUAL**

	VOTED FY2014	ACTUAL FY2014	VOTED FY2015	PROPOSED FY2016
Appropriation	43,257.00	43,257.00	44,832.00	43,588.00
Library Expenses				
Salary - Librarian	20,265.00	20,085.71	20,670.00	21,290.00
Wages - Asst/Subs	5,512.00	4,851.23	5,512.00	7,098.00
Wages - Custodian	880.00	900.90	900.00	1,040.00
Emp. Payroll Expense	2,000.00	1,995.32	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurances	2,000.00	1,292.25	2,000.00	2,000.00
Utilities	4,500.00	4,980.63	4,500.00	3,500.00
Postage	800.00	754.83	850.00	850.00
Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Snow Removal	600.00	535.00	600.00	600.00
Travel/Meetings	650.00	332.83	650.00	500.00
Telephone	550.00	587.94	650.00	650.00
Maintenance/Repair	3,000.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total library expenses	43,257.00	41,816.64	44,832.00	44,832.00
 Total Library	 0.00	 1440.36	 0	

FY2014 TOWNSHEND LIBRARY TRUSTEES

LIBRARY RECEIPTS

Fund Drive	10,425.00	Reimburse	560.83	Memorials	1,045.00
Donations	908.61	Book Club	2,621.88	Book Sale	240.87
Friends Library	2,400.00	State Grant	158.00	Interest	29.89

DISBURSEMENTS

				total receipts	18,914.58
Supplies	1,200.00	1,138.89	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Audio Visual	800.00	1,663.28	800.00	800.00	
Subscriptions	650.00	731.40	650.00	650.00	
Programs	2,000.00	1,531.34	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Fundraisers	200.00	106.21	200.00	300.00	
Prof Expenses	500.00	436.00	500.00	500.00	
Books	12,000.00	4,498.83	12,000.00	8,000.00	
Performers	675.00	300.00	675.00	675.00	
EE Gifts	300.00	234.99	300.00	300.00	
Technology	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Newsletter	200.00	229.45	200.00	200.00	
Book Club	0.00	2,545.31	0.00	0.00	
Friends	0.00	2,115.55	0.00	0.00	
Misc	200.00	21.23	200.00	200.00	
Total	19,725.00	15,552.48	19,725.00	15,825.00	

Trustees' Money market as of 6/30/14 \$32,675.54

TOWNSHEND LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

Townshend has a very vibrant resource in the town library where so much community interaction takes place. On any day most areas of the building are being used by patrons in a variety of ways under the capable leadership of our librarian, Karen LaRue. The meeting room might be a quiet place to work on a laptop, read the paper, participate in a book club, or be part of a community meeting. The downstairs area provides space for children's literacy programs, exploration of our large collection of good children's literature by parents and young readers (and not yet readers), an alcove for the use of young adults, and the popular summer reading program. The main room usually has all computers in use, stacks bursting with books, CDs, DVDs, recorded books and always a few neighbors to visit with. All this has been made possible by the generosity of the people of Townshend to maintain the library building and the staff and by donations to the Trustees' fundraising efforts which provide all reading materials and programs. If you haven't been in the library lately, stop by for a tour and a cup of coffee.

Trustees: Ann Allbee, Marilee Attley, and Marjorie Holt

Cemetery Commission

It has been a good year for Townshend's cemeteries. Wayne Beattie and his crew took care of Oakwood and Russell Petronic maintained three cemeteries. We thank them for their hard work. The other cemeteries in town also received the regular care for the year.

In the spring, the Townshend Historical Society had a cemetery tour program. An enthusiastic group traveled around town looking at several of the more remote burial grounds.

The Commission has gone to the Select Board and asked them to secure formal rights of ways to several cemeteries that are surrounded by private land. While the Commission maintains these cemeteries and Vermont Statutes protect access, we feel it is time to have the access paths guaranteed in writing. Recently the land around three of the cemeteries has been sold.

When you drive by Maple Grove Cemetery on Rt. 30 you may notice a new kiosk next to the East gate. This kiosk was built and installed by Leland and Gray students, and we thank them and their teachers that helped. The purpose of the kiosk is to provide a space for people who stop by and have questions about Townshend burials to write down their questions and leave them for us to answer. To date, several people have left questions for us to answer.

Howard Graff, Chrm, Scott Nystrom, Vice Chrm., Charles Marchant, Agent, Rick Snow, & Bruce Bills.

TOWNSHEND CEMETERY COMMISSION FUND
FY2014

	<i>Oakwood</i>	<i>Oakwood Wtr</i>	<i>Round Hill</i>	<i>Maple Gr/Old</i>	<i>Total</i>
Balances 6/30/13	159,090.59	6,193.88	7,530.71	9,674.41	182,489.59
Perpetual Care	87,294.57		8,386.31	2,267.28	97,948.16
Stone Fund				75.00	75.00
General Fund	70,220.77	7,234.69	1,544.83	5,055.16	84,055.45
FY 14 Revenue	1,934.91	0.00	40.00	1,500.00	3,474.91
FY 14 Expense	-7,945.72	-59.43	-405.46	-1,244.46	-9,655.07
Balances 6/30/14	153,079.78	6,134.45	7,165.25	9,929.95	176,309.43
Perpetual Care					
Stone Fund					
General Fund					

Bank Balances: RVCU MM \$8,017.98; Perpetual care CD \$108,937.13; Cemetery CD \$67,566.66

Perpetual Care:

FY 14 Cemetery Receipts

	<i>Oakwood</i>	<i>Oakwood Wtr</i>	<i>Round Hill</i>	<i>Maple Gr/Old</i>	<i>Total</i>
Town Appropriation				1,500.00	1,500.00
Interest					738.35
General	1,404.91				1,404.91
Annual Care	180.00		40.00		220.00
Perpetual Care	300.00				300.00
Sale of Lots	50.00				50.00
Fees: Deed & Burial					0.00
Taxes Voted					0.00
Misc - GC Field Use					0.00
Total Revenue	1,934.91	0.00	40.00	1,500.00	4,213.26

FY 14 Cemetery Warrants Paid

	<i>Oakwood</i>	<i>Oakwood Wtr</i>	<i>Round Hill</i>	<i>Maple Gr/Old</i>	<i>Total</i>
Wages	539.95	351.14		886.38	1,777.47
FICA	41.31	26.86		64.35	132.52
Insurance	84.61				84.61
Postage	9.20				9.20
Deed Fees					0.00
water/electricity	59.43				59.43
Contract	1,850.00				1,850.00
Maint/Repair	5,275.00			187.00	5,462.00
Electricity	49.48				49.48
Use of Equipment	66.50	7.00		47.88	121.38
Mileage				58.85	58.85
Supplies	32.67	20.46			53.13
Total Expenses	8,008.15	405.46	0.00	1,244.46	9,658.07

SOCIAL SERVICES SCREENING COMMITTEE – 2015-16 REPORT

American Red Cross of Vermont and NH Upper Valley Region provides planning preparedness and relief from disasters.

2015 appropriation: \$500 2016 request: \$500 **2016 recommendation: \$500**

Brattleboro Area Drop in Center, Inc. provides emergency food assistance, outreach, and case management services. They continue to serve a significant number of Townshend residents.

2015 appropriation: \$200 2016 request: \$ 0 **2016 recommendation: \$ 0**

Brattleboro Area Hospice, Inc. provides non-medical, volunteer-staffed programs for dying and grieving community members. One hundred percent locally-funded, they provide education to increase understanding and ability to cope with issues of death and dying.

2015 appropriation: \$300 2016 request: \$300 **2016 recommendation: \$300**

The Current (operated by the Connecticut River Transit, Inc.) provides transportation for elderly, disabled and/or children and families who receive Medicaid. Dial-A-Ride service to Townshend in 2014 included 732 rides, 2,991 miles, costing \$20,383.

2015 appropriation: \$500 2016 request: \$ 750 **2016 recommendation: \$600**

Gathering Place provides a safe, supportive environment, a full array of services and activities for elders and adults with disabilities.

2015 appropriation: \$400 2015 request: \$400 **2016 recommendation: \$400**

Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) wants to continue to support and develop programs for seniors who wish to volunteer within the community.

2015 appropriation: \$275 2016 request: \$275 **2016 recommendation: \$275**

Green Up Vermont sponsors Green Up Day

2015 appropriation: \$0 2016 request: \$100 **2016 recommendation: \$100**

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services provides a comprehensive range of community-based services, which include client advocacy and public education for 4,108 Windham and Windsor county residents.

2015 appropriation: \$1,100 2016 request: \$1,100 **2016 recommendation: \$1,100**

Morningside is the only year-round homeless shelter in southeastern Vermont, providing supportive housing services to struggling families and individuals. The need for shelter and supportive services continues to grow in our area.

2015 appropriation: \$1,000 2016 request: \$1,000 **2016 recommendation: \$1,000**

Newbrook Fire and Rescue provides fire protection and rescue service to Townshend residents.

2015 appropriation: \$1,500 2016 request: \$1,500 **2016 recommendation: \$1,500**

Senior Solutions Southeastern VT fosters and supports successful aging of seniors in Townshend through information and assistance, senior nutrition, transportation, case management and advocacy and care-giver respite.

2015 appropriation: \$750 2016 request: \$750 **2016 recommendation: \$ 750**

Southern Vermont Community Action, Inc. (SEVCA) is an anti-poverty, community based, non-profit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965. In Townshend, the following services were provided: weatherization, emergency heating repair, individual development accounts, tax preparation, thrift store vouchers, emergency services, fuel/utility assistance and disaster recovery.

2015 appropriation: \$1,500 2016 request: \$1,500 **2016 recommendation: \$1,500**

SOCIAL SERVICES SCREENING COMMITTEE - continued

Townshend Community Food Shelf, housed in the Townshend Community Church, provides food much needed food on a weekly basis.

2015 appropriation: \$700 2016 request: \$700 **2016 recommendation: \$700**

Vermont Center For Independent Living is a statewide non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities.

2015 appropriation: \$255 2016 request: \$255 **2016 recommendation: \$250**

Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT and NH made 404 homecare visits to 31 Townshend residents.

2015 appropriation: \$2,690 2016 request: \$2,690 **2016 recommendation: \$2,700**

Women's Freedom Center's mission is to work to end physical, sexual and emotional violence against the women and children of Windham County. They provided emergency support to 11 women and 8 children in Townshend.

2015 appropriation: \$1,200 2016 request: \$1,200 **2016 recommendation: \$1,200**

Youth Services coordinates the Big Brother/Big Sister program, provides in-home parent education and support, and a 24/7 crisis line. They help youth and families thrive. They served 12 residents this past year.

2015 appropriation: \$1,540 2016 request: \$1,540 **2016 recommendation: \$1,500**

2014 appropriations	requests	recommendations
Totals: \$14,410	\$14,560	\$14,375

Complete requests from each of these social service agencies are available for review at the Towns Clerk's office.

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR 2013-2014 REPORT

After receiving the warrant in June of 2014 for \$151,933.87, the total in delinquent taxes owed to the Town of Townshend was \$195,227.53 Prior to receiving the warrant, the total due for delinquent taxes was about \$54,000. I held a tax sale in April 2014 in which one property was auctioned off and has since been redeemed by its original owner. I am currently in the process of another tax sale.

The tax sale that I am working on right now consists of 14 properties and about \$65,000 in delinquent taxes. I am in hopes this tax sale will be completed by Town Meeting. This year I have been left with quite a few properties with delinquent taxes where the owner has deceased and I am working with the estates as well as the Town's attorney. This can be a lengthy process in certain situations. In addition, I have one property in which I have been unable to track down the owner. One parcel that has continuously been in bankruptcy court has finally been dismissed and will be included in the tax sale proceedings. The remaining dollars on my list are under monthly payment arrangements with me to pay their balances off within 12 months.

I do my best to work with everyone as best as I can and stick to my policy that I implemented when I began collecting delinquent taxes. I would be happy to serve the Town in this position for another year.

BECKY NYSTROM

2013-2014 Delinquent Tax Statement

	<u>7/1/2013</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Adjusted</u>	<u>6/30/2014</u>
2004	382.19	0		382.19
2005	2,578.92	0		2,578.92
2006	352.65	0		352.65
2006-2007	2,785.44	0		2,785.44
2007-2008	939.13	0		939.13
2008-2009	821.10	0		821.10
2009-2010	355.68	44.59	(44.59)	355.68
2010-2011	4,928.96	1,657.62	849.92	4,121.26
2011-2012	34,995.10	28,815.94	869.74	7,048.90
2012-2013	144,680.00	131,087.44	(309.23)	13,283.33
2013-2014*	151,933.87	17,967.70	(1,441.84)	<u>132,524.33</u>
	344,753.04			165,192.93

***Warrant: 6/6/2014 151,933.87**

Amounts from 2012-2013 Annual Report	
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Sheet 1

2013-2014 Delinquent Tax Report (Tax Only)

2013-2014	2012-2013	Previous Years	2013-2014	2012-2013	Previous Years
\$254.09	\$458.06		\$6,195.45		
\$1,198.55	\$1,269.54	\$2.17	\$53.71		
\$6,306.64			\$229.30		
\$56.80			\$3,926.44		
\$689.95	\$696.62	\$46.90	\$84.69		
\$290.27			\$1,584.39		
\$132.21	\$126.83		\$675.48	\$521.56	\$901.12
\$21.18			\$731.82	\$1,341.52	
\$4,678.74	\$1,821.03		\$84.69	\$77.62	\$46.53
\$112.58			\$658.96		
\$3,875.25			\$1,218.76		
\$2,022.32			\$593.09		
\$1,517.79	\$505.43		\$1,741.12		
\$609.40			\$152.86		
\$51.11					\$1,099.80
\$206.57				\$607.33	\$804.67
\$545.35			\$2,557.34		
\$3,131.60					\$436.46
\$874.07	\$229.26		\$146.66		
\$90.89			\$45.44		
\$140.34			\$2,532.55		
\$258.22					
\$2,856.87					
\$97.09	\$90.87	\$110.39	\$61,249.92	\$604.94	\$36.80
\$2,241.28	\$1,165.44		68.38	0.00	0.00
\$245.82	\$143.87	\$146.83			
\$2,583.41		\$12,153.18	\$132,566.46	\$13,232.21	\$19,394.26
	\$193.05				
\$332.57				TOTAL	\$165,192.93
\$4,065.30					
\$570.63					
\$1,270.41	\$1,819.17	\$3,609.41		Collected in full before report printed	
\$128.07			*	Abated after 6/30/14	
\$834.54					
\$276.81					
\$211.01					
\$820.09	\$237.00				
\$1,788.89					
\$2,785.46	\$1,323.07				

Townshend 2014 AS Billed Grand List
Form 411 - (Town code: 651)
Main District

Listers

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
Residential I R1	344	57,554,600	34,165,400	23,389,200	57,554,600
Residential II R2	295	77,267,400	39,466,200	37,801,200	77,267,400
Mobile Homes-U MHU	15	119,300	7,000	112,300	119,300
Mobile Homes-L MHL	20	2,288,000	627,400	1,660,600	2,288,000
Seasonal I S1	8	1,538,900	0	1,538,900	1,538,900
Seasonal II S2	3	663,000	0	663,000	663,000
Commercial C	31	13,367,300	959,700	12,407,600	13,367,300
Commercial Apts CA	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial I	1	382,800	0	382,800	382,800
Utilities-E UE	3	17,868,400	0	17,868,400	17,868,400
Utilities-O UO	0	0	0	0	0
Farm F	2	844,500	0	844,500	844,500
Other O	145	3,962,100	0	3,962,100	3,962,100
Woodland W	91	10,509,500	1,994,000	8,515,500	10,509,500
Miscellaneous M	59	3,292,000	1,087,000	2,205,000	3,292,000
TOTAL LISTED REAL	1,017	189,657,800	78,306,700	111,351,100	189,657,800
P.P. Cable	1	152,321		152,321	152,321
P.P. Equipment	0	0			
P.P. Inventory	0	0			
TOTAL LISTED P.P.	1	152,321		152,321	152,321
TOTAL LISTED VALUE		189,810,121	78,306,700	111,503,421	189,810,121
EXEMPTIONS					
Veterans 10K	4/4	40,000	30,000	10,000	40,000
Veterans >10K		120,000			
Total Veterans		160,000	30,000	10,000	40,000
P.P. Contracts	1	152,321			
Contract Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv(voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total Contracts	1/0	152,321	0	0	0
FarmStab Apprv VEPC	0/0	0	0	0	0
Farm Grandfathered	0/0	0	0	0	0
Non-Apprv(voted)	0/0	0			
Owner Pays Ed Tax	0/0	0			
Total FarmStabContr	0/0	0	0	0	0
Current Use	92/92	12,178,496	2,465,000	9,713,496	12,178,496
Special Exemptions	0		0	0	0
Partial Statutory	0/0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Exemptions		12,490,817	2,495,000	9,723,496	12,218,496
Total Exemptions		12,490,817	2,495,000	9,723,496	12,218,496
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GRAND LIST		1,773,193.04			
TOTAL EDUCATION GRAND LIST			758,117.00	1,017,799.25	1,775,916.25
NON-TAX					
38 NON-TAX PARCELS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE 411					

(Taxable properties only - State and Non-tax status properties are not listed below)

REAL ESTATE Category/Code	Parcel Count	Municipal Listed Value	Homestead Ed Listed Value	Non-Resi Ed. Listed Value	Total Education Listed Value
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Status on Personal Property	
1) Has inventory been exempted by vote of town/city?	Yes <u>XX</u> No <u> </u>
2) Has machinery and equipment been exempted by vote of your town/city?	Yes <u>XX</u> No <u> </u>
3) If yes for #2, what portion is now exempt? (include percentage)	<u>100.00</u>
4) If no for #2, please indicate below how your town/city is assessing business personal property (Place "X" by option used)	
a) at fair market value <u> </u>	b) at depreciated value <u> </u>
Summary of Adjustments to Taxable Values (Local Agreements Etc.)	
Approved (VEPC) Contracts/Exemptions	0
Grandfathered Contracts/Exemptions	0
Non-Approved (Voted) Contracts/Exemptions	0
Homestead Non-Approved (Voted) Contracts/Exemptions	0
Non-Resi Non-Approved (Voted) Contracts/Exemptions	0
Municipal Contracts (Owner Pays Ed Tax)	0
Special Exemptions	0
Current Use (Use Value Appraisal Program)	12,178,496
Veteran Exemptions	40,000
Homestead Veteran Exemptions beyond 10K	90,000
Non-Resi Veteran Exemptions beyond 10K	30,000
Partial Statutory Exemptions	0

DATE VOTED	PARCEL ID	NAME	CAT. CODE	BEGINNING DATE	ENDING DATE	STATUTE CODE TITLE	VALUE BEFORE EXEMPTION	CONTRACT AMOUNT	ASSMT LESS CONTRACT
/ /	PPS02-000 651-205-11126	SOUTHERN VERMONT CABLE CO	PC	/ /	/ /	3618	152,321 Non-residential	152,321 0	0 152,321
Municipal Contracts (Owner Pays Ed Tax)								152,321	

The real property parcels listed below are exempt from the property tax under Vermont law. These parcels are included in the grand list book in accord with 32 VSA section 41.52 and subject to parcel payments under 32 VSA section 4041a. Payment can only be issues if complete and accurate information is provided. Do not include parcels subject to local agreements.

OWNER NAME	PARCEL ID	CATEGORY	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	VALUE ESTIMATE
CALVARY CHAPEL OF WEST RIVER VALLEY	04054-000	C	LAND BLDG RT30 N VILLAGE		331,400
CARLOS G OTIS HEALTH CARE CENTER IN	09072-100	C	LAND		22,000
GRACE COTTAGE HOSPITAL	09068-000	C			5,891,500
GREEN MOUNTAIN COUNCIL OF BOY SCOUT	02012-000	R1	LAND		20,000
KINDLE FARM CHILDREN'S SERVICE, INC	12081-000	R2	LAND BLDGS RT 30S		369,100
LADY OF THE VALLEY	09129-000	C			479,900
LELAND & GRAY UNION HS	09134-000	C	LAND & BLDGS		9,088,300
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH	04042-100	C			221,600
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	02032-000	M	LAND		15,800
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	02033-000	M	LAND		16,400
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	04062-000	M	LAND		9,500
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	04070-000	M	LAND		19,100
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	04078-000	M	LAND		9,500
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	04079-000	R1	FAVREAU'S CORNER ROAD		16,700
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	05082-000	M	LAND		14,500
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	05083-000	M	LAND		14,500
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	06020-000	M	LAND		30,300
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	06057-000	M	LAND		18,500
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	08010-000	M	LAND TH39 WEST HILL (OFF)		32,000
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09026-000	C	TOWN BARN		676,000
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09089-000	M	LAND RT30 NW		20,000
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09089-100	M	LAND		17,000
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09097-000	M	LAND RT30 NW TAFT MEADOWS		55,400
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09109-000	C	LAND & BLDGS LIBRARY		169,400
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09135-000	C	LAND & BLDGS		677,800
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09141-000	M	OAKWOOD		29,300
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09143-100	M	LAND		95,300
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09151-000	M	LAND & BLDG		57,100
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09151-200	M	OFF RT 30		31,000
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	09159-000	C			163,900
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	12083-000	M	LAND		10,200
TOWN OF TOWNSHEND	13069-000	M	LAND		22,000
TOWNSHEND CHURCH	09113-300	C	BLDG		625,400
TOWNSHEND SCHOOL DISTRICT	09113-100	C	LAND		1,660,500
U S A	08003-000	M	LAND & BLDGS		1,101,000

TOTAL NUMBER OF EXEMPT PARCELS: 35

We certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the grand list of TOWNSHEND for the year 2014.
Given under our hands at TOWNSHEND on this 9th day of JANUARY in the year 2015.
Richard Leclerc Gore Ruch LISTERS

I hereby certify that I have examined the grand list for the year 2014 now on file and hereby certify this abstract in
accord with 32 V.S.A. 4183.

Attest Quita Bear TOWN CLERK

Date: January 9, 2015

Section 5404(b) of Title 32 of the V.S.A. requires the following.

The clerk of a municipality, or the supervisor of an unorganized town or gore, annually
by August 15 shall transmit to the director, in electronic format prescribed by the
director, education and munici grand list data, including exemption information and grand
list abstracts.

If changes or additions to the grand list are made by the listers or other officials
authorized to do so after the transmission of the electronic grand list and abstract of
the grand list, such clerks shall forthwith certify the same to the director by
transmitting an updated electronic grand list book and electronic abstract of the grand
list.

Board of Listers 2013-2014 Annual Report

**The Board of Listers wishes to dedicate this year's report to the memory of
Steve Lott.**

We have had a busy & productive year. We heard four grievances, one of which was
appealed to the Board of Civil Authority. There were fewer grievances because sales of
properties have been consistent with last year's town-wide reappraisal done by
Marazoff Assessing Services.

We again would also like to thank Camperama and Bald Mountain Campgrounds for
their continued help and cooperation. Additionally, we wish to thank the Town Clerk and
finance offices for all of their assistance.

All taxpayers are reminded to file a Homestead Declaration annually.

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
JANUARY 1, TO DECEMBER 31, 2014**

I am always unsure what to say when I do my report. I try and come up with something new so as not to be repetitive or boring.

There haven't been too many changes in the office this year. With the institution of the Point of Sale (POS) System with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the income that the town receives for selling Hunting and Fishing Licenses has declined since people who have their own computers and internet service are able to purchase their licenses on line without the need to come to the town office. Of course there are others, like myself, who are still living in their homes without that luxury and convenience and, therefore, need to acquire their licenses through alternate sources.

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

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the townspeople who helped put the town hall back together after Town Meeting. The after lunch cleanup process was a little more time consuming due to the new luncheon provider. I really appreciated all the people who stepped up and made it easy.

I also want to say thank you to all who helped out at the Primary and General Elections. I was truly surprised at the amount of voters who showed up especially for the Primary Election in August. At the end of the day it is always a welcome relief to know that I have dedicated individuals who are always willing to help out.

Of course, as usual, I have to say thanks to my assistants Kathy Hege, Dick Jackson and Kurt Tietz for all they do to make my job a little easier and less stressful.

As a final thought, after the events of the year, I have truly come to realize that life can be cut short in an instant. We all have our difficulties and sometimes feel that life is very unfair but, in actuality, whether there are good times or bad times, life is a gift we should treasure and never take for granted. That being said, I happened upon this poem and wanted to share it with all of you. I hope it helps.

LIFE

I've walked along the many halls, the corridors of life
and looked into the open doors to rooms of joy and strife.

Some rooms are dark and quiet still, so filled are they with sadness.
But many too are bright and gay and overflowing with gladness.

The way is long, that I have come and looking back, I sigh.
Yet up ahead I hope there's more that I must still pass by.

For life is made of misty tears and tinkling bells of laughter.
The path is sweet and wonderful with heaven our hereafter.

As always, I want to say thank you to all the residents of the town for giving me the opportunity to serve as Town Clerk.

*Anita Bean,
Town Clerk*

VITAL STATISTICS DEATHS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
YOUNG, JERALD	68	01/02/14	JAMAICA
JALBERT, DOUGLAS	68	01/09/14	SOUTH NEWFANE
LANDMAN, BEVERLY	95	01/14/14	JAMAICA
BRUCE, GLADYS	94	02/04/14	WARDSBORO
FEIFEL, SR., JOHN	84	02/20/14	WILLIAMSVILLE
DERRY, HELEN	85	02/21/14	TOWNSHEND
BRISTOL, SUSAN	54	02/22/14	PUTNEY
GRIECO, ANGELO	89	02/27/14	CHESHIRE, CT
CHAPIN, ELAINE	81	03/15/14	NEWFANE
MOBERLY, VERNE	76	03/18/14	WEST TOWNSHEND
DEMUZIO, JOSEF	93	05/22/14	BELLOWS FALLS
WENKER, JR., HAROLD	88	05/24/14	TOWNSHEND
HESSE, BONNIE	66	05/30/14	ROCKINGHAM
WHITE, FREDRICK	83	06/02/14	GRAFTON
MAUSOLFF, ANNE	91	06/08/14	TOWNSHEND
WALSH, THOMAS	46	06/20/14	ELLINGTON, CT
SCHEUERMAN, JR., WILLIAM	78	06/21/14	TOWNSHEND
BROWN, LILIANE	91	06/18/14	TOWNSHEND
CONKLIN, LOUELLA	93	07/03/14	TOWNSHEND
HARRISON, CHAD	31	07/08/14	TOWNSHEND
CHAMBERLIN, EFFIE	74	07/09/14	TOWNSHEND
BROOKS, MICHAEL	81	07/17/14	TOWNSHEND
STOWELL, JANET	76	07/19/14	TOWNSHEND
RANDALL, MARY	81	08/07/14	WILLIAMSVILLE
WIRGHT, JOYCE	73	08/09/14	EAST DOVER
LEPKOFF, REBECCA	98	08/17/14	TOWNSHEND
BRODEUR, SHANE	26	08/20/14	TOWNSHEND
MCFADDEN, KATELYN	20	08/20/14	TOWNSHEND
VEYSEY, MARY	60	08/23/14	ATHENS
BRUEN, ROBERT	67	10/07/14	WILMINGTON
VACHON, CECILE	78	10/13/14	TOWNSHEND
ANKER, KJELL	81	10/27/14	WEST DOVER
POSWIATOSKI, EDWARD	70	11/14/14	SOUTHBRIDGE, MA
LOTT, STEVEN	60	11/18/14	TOWNSHEND
LOTT, JAMIS	28	11/18/14	NEWFANE
PROUTY, ELISHA	87	11/20/14	TOWNSHEND

IGOE, HAROLD
 FRIEDLI, SHEILA
 DAIGLE, JOHN
 BUJNOFSKY, EDMOND
 SMITH, BETTE
 COLE, ERNEST
 MOSHER, MARIAN

85 11/30/14
 85 12/04/14
 88 12/06/14
 87 12/13/14
 91 12/29/14
 78 12/26/14
 88 12/30/14

TOWNSHEND
 WINDHAM
 GRAFTON
 WEST WARDSBORO
 TOWNSHEND
 NEWFANE
 TOWNSHEND

BIRTHS

<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF FATHER</u>	<u>NAME OF MOTHER</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
FELION, ISAIAH	M	01/17/14	FELION, KENNETH	PECK, ALYSSA	TOWNSHEND
PHONENIX, ALEC	M	02/14/14	PHOENIX, ELI	PHOENIX, KAYLINA	TOWNSHEND
BERTRAM, TOBIAS	M	05/24/14	BERTRAM, DAVID	BERTRAM, LINDSEY	TOWNSHEND
KEEGAN, OLIVIA	F	07/30/14	KEEGAN, MICHAEL	BELCHER, CAROLYN	TOWNSHEND
WILSON, LUELLA	F	08/29/14	WILSON, ROBERT	WASUNG-LOTT, ELLENKA	TOWNSHEND
PARADEE, BRENTLEY	M	12/21/14	PARADEE, TIMOTHY	RUSS, AMBER	TOWNSHEND

CIVIL MARRIAGES

<u>SPOUSE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>SPOUSE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE</u>
WHEELER, JESSICA	TOWNSHEND	THOMAS, JR., DONALD	TOWNSHEND	02/15/14	TOWNSHEND
GRUBERT, SUSAN	WESTFIELD, MA	MARTIN, THOMAS	WESTFIELD, MA	05/17/14	TOWNSHEND
COUGHLIN, KRISTA	N. BERGEN, NJ	GALBRAITH, ELI	N. BERGEN, NJ	08/23/14	TOWNSHEND
AYERS, AMBER	W. TOWNSHEND	AHERN, WILLIAM	W. TOWNSHEND	10/04/14	SO. WARDSBORO
FELKER, HALEY	TOWNSHEND	FARRELL, BENJAMIN	TOWNSHEND	10/04/14	TOWNSHEND
CLINES, SUSAN	NEWINGTON, CT	GREGOIRE, KEVIN	NEWINGTON, CT	10/18/14	TOWNSHEND
WOOD, JENNIFER	TOWNSHEND	O'CONNOR, DONALD	TOWNSHEND	11/01/14	TOWNSHEND
MANSFIELD, CRYSTAL	TOWNSHEND	LACKNEY, CHRISTOPHER	BRATTLEBORO	12/21/14	TOWNSHEND

WARNING
Townshend School District Annual Meeting
Tuesday, March 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Town of Townshend, in the County of Windham and the State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at 1:00 P.M. in the Town Hall in said Town of Townshend on the first Tuesday, March 3rd, 2015, to transact the following business and act upon the following articles:

viz:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator for a term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To accept the reports of the School Directors as presented in the July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014 Treasurers' Report.

ARTICLE 3. To elect School Directors for the following terms:
Townshend School District -one (1) - three year term - until March 2018
Townshend School District -two (2) - one year terms - until March 2016
Leland & Gray UHS/MS – one (1) – three year term – until March 2018

ARTICLE 4. To elect a School District Treasurer for a term of one year.

ARTICLE 5. To see what salaries the Townshend School District will approve for Town School District

Officers.	Treasurer	\$1,790.00
	School Directors(1) Chair	\$500.00
	(4) Members \$250 ea.	\$1,000.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Townshend School District will approve \$1,487,233 for the running expenses and liabilities of the School.

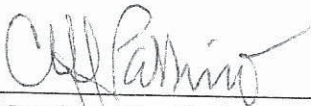
ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Townshend School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of revenue?

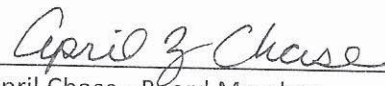
ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the Townshend School District authorize the School Directors to spend "unanticipated" funds such as grants or gifts that may be received by the District for school purposes?

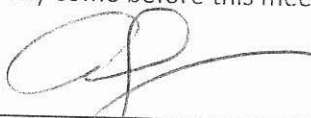
ARTICLE 9. To set the date and time of the Annual Meeting of the Townshend School District for the First Tuesday of March in the year of 2016 at 9:05 a.m.

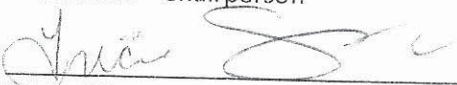
ARTICLE 10. To transact any other non-binding business to properly come before this meeting.

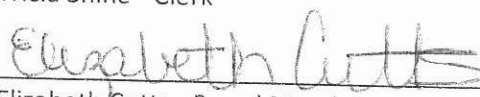
Dated this 22nd day of January, 2015.


Cliff Passino - Vice Chairperson


April Chase - Board Member


Al Claussen - Chairperson


Tricia Shine - Clerk


Elizabeth Cutts - Board Member

TOWNSHEND SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS – March 2015

As we head into 2015 it is necessary to shed light on some of the budgetary difficulties we face in Townshend in the upcoming years.

First, how did we get here?

- **Declining Enrollment** – our student population through 2012 hovered around 90, but in the last couple years we have dropped into the high 70's
- **Unforeseen Expenses** – expenses that were under-budgeted or not budgeted at all, particularly in the area of special education
- **Inflation** – some areas of the budget, for example healthcare, have had higher rates of increase relative to the standard cost of living, placing pressure to make budgetary cuts elsewhere

The cumulative effect is two years in a row (FY 13 and 14) in which we have overspent our budget.

What have we done about it so far?

- We have moved from seven primary teachers to five, covering pre-K to 6th grade
- We are collaborating with neighboring towns in planning for the future; unfortunately, we are not alone in this crisis

What's next?

Our budget, FY 2016, has been prepared to resolve some of the accumulated overspend as well as provide a great education for our children. As always, the state will cover a portion of our expenses and the property owners of Townshend will pay the rest. Unfortunately, with the perfect storm elements noted above, the gap between what the state and town pays has grown as have our taxes. We are also dangerously close to exceeding the cost per student cap mandated by the state, a simple formula of the total budget less Act 68 revenue divided by the student population. If this occurs the state will impose a penalty and costs will rise further.

Further action

Our board will continue to work closely with the administration and Superintendent's office on solutions to our budgetary issues. Given the scope of the situation, we may be looking at some novel ideas that seek to maintain our high standards of education as well as control the tax burden placed on the people of Townshend. This will likely involve transformational change.

With this in mind, we need the help of our community members to help in the decision-making and determine what our level of tolerance is for change in Townshend, VT. Our meetings are on the second Monday of every month in the Art room. Please be involved to the extent that you can. This is an important time in the long history of Townshend Elementary School. With everyone working toward a common solution, we are confident that our school will not only survive, but thrive!

Thank you for your continued support of Townshend Elementary School!

Al Claussen, Townshend School Board Chair

2014 Townshend Elementary School Principal's Report
Celebrating individuality, creativity and the concept of excellence!

As a small school (80 students) we continue to experience a declining enrollment, which impacts our budget. We have full day, five day a week Pre-K (4 year olds) and Kindergarten programs. We currently enroll 9 Pre-K students from Townshend. These four year olds love attending all day and never seem to get tired!

NECAP (New England Common Assessment Program) data below tell us how we compare with the state of Vermont in reading, math, science and writing.

Percentage of students who Achieved the Standard Fall 2013& Spring 2014 NECAP

	Reading	Math	Science	Writing
TES Students	80%	71%	57%	60%
State of VT	71%	64%	43%	53%

Staff Changes: Judy Gould & Barbara Bedortha retired from classroom teaching in June 2014. Both teachers have returned this year in the following capacity: Judy as a literacy coach for nine hours a week and Barbara as a Title 1 teacher for fifteen hours a week. Title 1 is a federally funded program. Deborah Leggott has absorbed the counseling program within her principal position and supervises an Antioch University intern to teach social skills and counsel students three days a week.

Technology: You can check on school activities, calendar and our food menu by visiting our website www.townshendschool.org If you want to send us an email, our school email address is tespr@townshendschool.org.

After School Programs: We are in the fourth year of 21st Century Grant for After School Programs. Heidi Russ has continued as our site coordinator and has brought many wonderfully innovative programs to our students. Transportation home at 4:30PM is paid for by the grant.

Food Program: Due to the over 50% poverty rate of families in Townsend, we qualify for federal reimbursement for after-school supper which is served during after school programming. This is free to every child who stays after school.

School Club: Our School Club is comprised of a group of vibrant, committed parents whose generosity is unending. School Club officers are: Jesse Thomas, President, Beth Beattie, Vice-presidents, Carley Sanderson, Treasurer, and Michelle Sanderson, Secretary. Besides conducting productive monthly meetings, the School Club members voted to spend much of their fund-raised budget on enrichment activities for the students: Camp Keewaydin for grade 5, Winter Sports scholarships, 6th grade graduation, Teacher Appreciation luncheon, scholarships to Leland & Gray students from Townshend, field trips and arts residencies. A huge thank you to School Club for the thousands of dollars they have raised and donated to TES to enrich each child.

As Principal of the Townshend Elementary School for nineteen years, I look forward to each new day with our wonderful students and staff. I wish to thank our dedicated School Board members for hours of work on our behalf and to everyone who volunteers to spend their time with us.

With sincere gratitude, Deborah M.

Leggott, Principal

“How can we afford to sustain and improve the quality of our public school system?”

This question continues to press our state representatives and local boards. By the time you read this letter the legislature will be considering a number of proposals intended to reduce the local property tax rates. Although no one can predict the results of future legislation, we can all take pride in our students and our schools as Vermont continues to lead the nation in high-school graduation rates. Highly qualified teachers provide effective instruction for our students in every school.

The ten member districts of the Windham Central Supervisory Union operate eight schools:

School District	School (grade levels)	# of Students	Pays tuition for Grades
Brookline	NewBrook Elementary (K-6)	122	Pre-K only
Dover	Dover School (PK – 6)	110	7-12
Jamaica	Jamaica Village School	62	None
Marlboro	Marlboro School (K-8)	79	Pre-K & 9-12
Newfane	NewBrook Elementary (K-6)	122	Pre-K only
Stratton	None	(32)	Pre-K through 12
Townshend	Townshend Elementary (PK-6)	81	None
Wardsboro	Wardsboro Central School (PK-6)	58	7-12
Windham	Windham Elementary (K-6)	19	None
LGUM/HSD #34	Leland and Gray Union M/H (7-12)	361	Windham Regional Career Center

A few notable developments across the WCSU include:

- For Fall 2015 all WCSU member districts will either provide or support 10 hours/week of Pre-K education for any children 3 and 4 years of age at parent request.
- Our seven largest schools provide federally supported hot meals.
- Schools provide after-school programs supported by a federal 21st Century Grant and partially matching funds from local school budgets.
- A fiber-optic network providing high-speed access to the web now connects all eight schools.
- The 2015-2016 Superintendent's Budget is down 1% compared to this year.

Your school's staff and administration work together following your school's Action Plan to improve student learning and achievement. The WCSU provides continuing professional training to improve instruction in all disciplines, with particular attention to reading/writing across the curriculum and mathematics PK-12. Implementation of the *Common Core State Standards* and reporting on student progress using a standards-based report card for K-6 is a WCSU goal for this school year. The State Board of Education's more recently adopted *Next Generation Science Standards* will be our major focus for FY16 and beyond.

The keys to meeting the challenge of providing for our students in coming years are within our reach if school districts continue to “collaborate, share and seek creative solutions” following the *Core Values for the WCSU*. NewBrook Elementary School is a fine example of collaboration that benefits every student in Brookline and Newfane. NewBrook is under the direction of a Joint Contract School Board combining the school boards of both towns. The Jamaica and Townshend Boards are jointly exploring the possibility of building a new elementary school to serve both communities.

A school budget provides the plan for investing in opportunities for student learning and growth. The members of your school board carefully considered every detail of their proposed FY16 Budget. Your school board welcomes your opinions and suggestions, weighs them carefully, and makes tough decisions while keeping the needs of *all* students as their top priority. I urge you to support this work by approving your board's proposed budget for the 2015-2016 school year.

Steven B. John, Ed.D., WCSU Superintendent of Schools

District: **Townshend**
County: **Windham**

T208
Windham Central

Statutory calculation.
See note at bottom of
page.

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

9,459

1.00

Expenditures

		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$1,310,501	\$1,399,191	\$1,496,472	\$1,602,232	1.
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	3.
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$1,310,501	\$1,399,191	\$1,496,472	\$1,602,232	4.
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7.	Total Budget	\$1,310,501	\$1,399,191	\$1,496,472	\$1,602,232	7.
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.

Revenues

10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$299,387	\$320,511	\$321,362	\$326,459	10.
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	12.
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$299,387	\$320,511	\$321,362	\$326,459	13.

14.	Education Spending	\$1,011,114	\$1,078,680	\$1,175,110	\$1,275,773	14.
15.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	84.23	80.90	73.18	75.89	15.

16.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$12,004.20	\$13,333.50	\$16,057.80	\$16,810.82	16.
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	-	-	-	-	17.
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	-	-	-	-	18.
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-	19.
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-	20.
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-	21.
22.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	-	-	-	22.
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-	23.
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	NA	NA	NA	-	24.
25.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	threshold = \$14,841	threshold = \$15,456	threshold = \$16,166	threshold = \$17,103	25.
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$12,004	\$13,334	\$16,058	\$16,811	26.
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$16,811 / \$9,459)	137.615% based on \$8,723	145.705% based on \$9,151	172.943% based on \$9,285	177.723% based on \$9,459	27.

Prorating the local tax rate

28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (177.723% x \$1.000)	\$1.2248 based on \$0.89	\$1.3696 based on \$0.94	\$1.6948 based on \$0.98	\$1.7772 based on \$1.00	28.
29.	Percent of Townshend equalized pupils not in a union school district	51.83%	49.60%	45.36%	46.35%	29.
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (46.35% x \$1.78)	\$0.6348	\$0.6793	\$0.7688	\$0.8237	30.
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	96.51%	91.26%	103.31%	105.03%	31.
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$0.8237 / 105.03%)	\$0.6578 based on \$0.89	\$0.7444 based on \$0.94	\$0.7442 based on \$0.98	\$0.7843 based on \$1.00	32.

If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a **PARTIAL** homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.

33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (177.723% x 1.94%)	2.48% based on 1.80%	2.62% based on 1.80%	3.36% based on 1.94%	3.45% based on 1.94%	33.
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (46.35% x 3.45%)	1.29% based on 1.80%	1.30% based on 1.80%	1.52% based on 1.94%	1.60% based on 1.94%	34.
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at Leland & Gray UHSD	48.17%	50.40%	54.64%	53.65%	35.
36.		-	-	-	-	36.

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

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Townshend Village School
S.U.: Windham Central S.U.

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

FY2014 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment < 100
 (47 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 16 out of 47

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller ->	Shrewsbury Mountain School	PK - 6	74	9.70	0.70	7.63	105.71	13.86
	Addison Central School	PK - 6	75	8.20	0.60	9.15	125.00	13.67
	Middletown Springs Elementary School	PK - 6	76	7.20	1.00	10.56	76.00	7.20
Townshend Village School		PK - 6	76	6.08	1.00	12.50	76.00	6.08
<- Larger	Wells Village School	PK - 6	76	9.90	1.00	7.68	76.00	9.90
	Doty Memorial School	PK - 6	78	8.30	0.80	9.40	97.50	10.38
	Lakeview USD #43	PK - 6	83	6.20	1.00	13.39	83.00	6.20
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			65.43	6.69	0.78	9.78	84.06	8.60

School District: Townshend
LEA ID: T208

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

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

FY2013 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2013 FTE < 100
 (45 school districts in cohort)

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

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

Cohort Rank by FTE
 (1 is largest)
 9 out of 45

Smaller ->	Shoreham	PK-6	78.45	\$16,556
	West Windsor	K-6	82.97	\$12,130
	Cornwall	PK-6	86.72	\$13,638
Townshend		PK-6	86.78	\$13,242
<- Larger	Addison	PK-6	87.50	\$17,348
	Waterville	PK-6	88.50	\$13,808
	Athens/Grafton Joint Contract Dist.	PK-6	92.36	\$12,192
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			62.16	\$14,733

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

FY2015 School District Data

LEA ID School District		Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchlDist Equalized Pupils	SchlDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchlDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller ->	U043 Lakeview USD #43	PK-6	69.90	15,923.35	1.6807	-	-	-
	T032 Brookfield	K-6	71.78	14,407.47	1.5207	1.5019	122.75%	1.2235
	T190 Shrewsbury	PK-6	71.81	12,011.53	1.2678	1.3767	105.66%	1.3029
T208 Townshend		PK-6	73.18	16,057.80	1.6948	1.6907	103.31%	1.6366
<- Larger	T029 Bridport	PK-6	75.03	16,861.36	1.7797	1.7549	95.57%	1.8363
	T001 Addison	PK-6	77.20	14,820.70	1.5643	1.5881	110.97%	1.4311
	T189 Shoreham	PK-6	78.87	15,423.11	1.6279	1.6876	105.86%	1.5942

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

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

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

District: **Townshend**
County: **Windham Central**LEA: **T208**
S.U.: **Windham**

1.	Local budgeted expenditures including any separate articles		1,602,232	1.
2.	Act 144 expenditures	-		2.
3.	Obligation to a regional technical center school district if any	-		3.
4.	Obligation to repay a deficit per 24 V.S.A. § 1523(b)	-		4.
5.	Obligation to repay difference between allowable and announced tuition	-		5.
6.	Total Expenditures net of Act 144 dollars	(lines 1 + 3 + 4 + 5) - line 2	1,602,232	6.
7.	Offsetting revenues (do NOT include revcode 3114, the on-behalf payment)		326,459	7.
8.	Act 144 dedicated revenues	-		8.
9.	Act 144 expenditures to raise locally	line 2 - line 8	-	9.
10.	Offsetting revenues less Act 144 revenues	line 7 - (lines 8 + 9)	326,459	10.
11.	Initial Education Spending	line 6 - line 10	1,275,773	11.
12.	Capital debt hold-harmless aid	line 16, "CDaid" page	-	12.
13.	Education Spending	line 11 - line 12	1,275,773	13.
14.	Equalized pupils		75.89	14.
15.	Education spending per equalized pupil	line 13 / line 14	16,810.82	15.

Excess Spending Calculation

16.	NET Eligible FY2016 construction costs, including P&I	-		16.
17.	Borrowing in anticipation of delayed state construction aid due district	-		17.
18.	P&I for approved construction or payment into reserve fund (24 V.S.A. § 2804)	-		18.
19.	Cost of planning the merger of a small school (average grade size ≤ 20 students)	-		19.
20.	SpEd costs, two years prior, in excess of \$50,000 per pupil	-		20.
21.	If tuitioning all students, a deficit due SOLELY to the cost of new students moving in after the budget vote	-		21.
22.	If tuitioning all students and new students move in after census period, student number greater than ADM times average tuition rate	-		22.
23.	Total tuitions if tuitioning all K - 12 students unless electorate has authorized payments greater than average announced tuitions	-		23.
24.	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	-		24.
25.	If a district has ≤ 20 equpup and tuitions grades K - 12, any excess spending due SOLELY to new special education spending (2007, No. 66, § 12)	-		25.
26.	Total eligible exclusions	Sum of lines 16 - 25	-	26.
27.	Eligible FY2016 exclusions per pupil, including P&I	line 26 / line 14	-	27.
28.	Per pupil figure to use for Excess Spending	line 15 - line 27	16,810.82	28.
29.	Excess spending threshold		17,103	29.
30.	Per pupil spending above the threshold	line 28 - line 29	NA	30.

31.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Spending Adjustment	line 15 + line 30	16,810.82	31.
32.	District spending adjustment	max of 100% or (line 31 / 9,459)	177.723%	32.
33.	Equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated	line 32 x \$1.00	1.7772	33.
34.	Percent of Townshend equalized pupils not in a union school district		46.35%	34.
35.	Portion of equalized homestead tax rate to be assessed by town	lines 33 x line 34	0.8237	35.
36.	Common level of appraisal		105.03%	36.
37.	Estimated actual homestead tax rate of district to be assessed	lines 35 / line 36	0.7843	37.
38.	Equalized homestead rate from Leland and Gray UHSD #34	MANUAL	1.7557	38.
39.	Percent of Townshend equalized pupils at Leland and Gray UHSD #34		53.65%	39.
40.	Prorated equalized rate from Leland and Gray UHSD #34		0.9419	40.
41.	Estimated actual rate from Leland and Gray UHSD #34 to be assessed	lines 40 / line 36	0.8968	41.
42.		MANUAL		42.
43.			-	43.
44.			-	44.
45.			-	45.
46.	Total equalized homestead rate for Townshend	lines 34 + 39 + 43	1.7656	46.
47.	Total estimated actual homestead rate for Townshend	lines 36 + 40 + 44	1.6811	47.
48.	Equalized non-residential tax rate		1.535	48.
49.	Estimated actual non-residential tax rate	lines 48 / line 36	1.4615	49.

50.	Education spending	line 13	1,275,773	50.
51.	Tech FTE's		-	51.
52.	Base education amount for tech FTE's, paid on behalf of district (This is not a local revenue. It reduces the education spending a district is owed.)	line 51 x 9,459 x 87%	-	52.
53.	Adjusted education spending due the district from Ed Fund	lines 50 - 52	1,275,773	53.

54.	Amount to raise locally for Act 144	line 9	-	54.
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55.	Prorated income cap percentage for Townshend education property tax if eligible	1.94% x 0.00% x 0.00% (lines 32 & 34)	1.60%	55.
56.	Spending adjustment from Leland and Gray UHSD #34	"FY14EstUnion", line 20	175.57%	56.
57.	Prorated income cap percentage from Leland and Gray UHSD #34	1.94% x 53.65% x 175.57%	1.83%	57.
58.		"FY14EstUnion", line 20 (%)		58.
59.			-	59.
60.	Estimated income cap percentage for Townshend education property tax		3.43%	60.

Description	Total
0101 - Cash Account	\$ 3,048.65
0140 - Receivable Governmental	\$ 28,257.23
Subtotal Assets	\$ 31,305.88
0410 - Payable Governmental	\$ 20,000.00
0421 - Payable Account	\$ 1,162.00
0450 - Notes Payable	\$ 150,000.00
0461 - Accrued Salaries	\$ 34,299.88
0471 - Withholding	\$ 19,455.41
0481 - Deferred Revenue	\$ 21,488.00
Subtotal Liability	\$ 246,405.29
0770 - Fund Balance	\$ (107,043.98)
Net Increase/Decrease	\$ (108,055.43)
Subtotal of Account Type: Fund Balance/Retained Earnings	\$ (215,099.41)

WCSU Proposed Fiscal Year 2015 Budget

REVENUES	FY14 Actual	FY15 Adopted Budget	FY16 Proposed Budget
Interest Income	\$ 553	\$ 200	\$ 200
Erate Grant	\$ 6,498	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Assessments			
Brookline (combined into NewBrook)			
Dover Assessment	\$ 57,137	\$ 62,576	\$ 81,574
Jamaica Assessment	\$ 51,448	\$ 51,762	\$ 55,108
Marlboro Assessment	\$ 56,473	\$ 69,796	\$ 65,259
NewBrook Assessment	\$ 107,437	\$ 115,330	\$ 115,304
Stratton Assessment	\$ 8,324	\$ 10,897	\$ 11,022
Townshend Assessment	\$ 55,986	\$ 59,935	\$ 66,978
Wardsboro Assessment	\$ 43,126	\$ 47,222	\$ 49,174
Windham Assessment	\$ 10,592	\$ 13,622	\$ 16,956
Leland & Gray UHS Assessment	\$ 252,705	\$ 320,562	\$ 297,586
Total General Fund Assessment	\$ 643,228	\$ 751,702	\$ 758,960
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 650,279	\$ 757,902	\$ 765,160

EXPENDITURES

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Professional Salaries	\$ 214,794	\$ 219,692	\$ 211,860
Professional Salaries-Tech & PD	\$ -	\$ 76,853	\$ 77,431
Clerical Salaries	\$ 34,250	\$ 35,020	\$ 39,780
Reserve for Salaries & Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Health & Dental Benefits	\$ 41,154	\$ 57,035	\$ 49,019
Fica Benefits	\$ 18,508	\$ 25,365	\$ 25,174
Disability & Life Ins.	\$ 2,844	\$ 10,933	\$ 3,516
Retirement	\$ 6,986	\$ -	\$ 7,466
Workmen's Comp insurance	\$ 2,060	\$ 3,153	\$ 3,291
Unemployment insurance	\$ (1,567)	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Legal & Professional Services	\$ 3,796	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Audit Services	\$ 6,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Information System Services	\$ 23,105	\$ 22,441	\$ 22,441
Curriculum	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Professional Development	\$ 5,878	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Bond Insurance & Prof. Liability	\$ 6,623	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Telephone	\$ 6,997	\$ 6,270	\$ 6,270
Postage	\$ 1,484	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Advertising	\$ 763	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Travel	\$ 4,853	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Conferences	\$ 3,333	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Supplies	\$ 2,497	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500

WCSU Proposed Fiscal Year 2015 Budget

Equipment	\$ 3,341	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Dues	\$ 6,226	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,400
Misc. Expenses	\$ 50	\$ 100	\$ 100
Total Superintendent's Office	\$ 394,475	\$ 514,462	\$ 503,948

BUSINESS OFFICE

Salaries (A/P, Payroll, Accountant, HR)	\$ 141,128	\$ 139,015	\$ 151,274
Health & Dental Benefits	\$ 46,036	\$ 54,278	\$ 47,573
Fica Benefits	\$ 10,238	\$ 10,635	\$ 11,572
Disability & Life Ins.	\$ 1,289		\$ 1,515
Retirement	\$ 7,026		\$ 7,753
Workmen's Comp insurance	\$ 1,411		\$ 1,513
Unemployment insurance	\$ 2,435	\$ 1,563	\$ 1,563
Professional Services			\$ 500
Equipment Repair	\$ -	\$ 800	\$ 800
Bank Fees	\$ 1,593	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800
Supplies	\$ 2,063	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Equipment	\$ 4,750	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Total Business Office	\$ 217,969	\$ 214,091	\$ 231,863

BUILDING MAINTENANCE/SERVICES

Property Services - Custodial	\$ 2,919	\$ 3,250	\$ 3,250
Property Services - Maintenance & Repair	\$ 967	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Rent	\$ 14,103	\$ 14,800	\$ 14,800
Electric/Fuel	\$ 8,544	\$ 7,800	\$ 7,800
Equipment	\$ 800	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Total Custodial/Building Maintenance	\$ 27,333	\$ 29,350	\$ 29,350
Total Superintendent Office/Instruction Exp.	\$ 639,777	\$ 757,903	\$ 765,160
GENERAL FUND - SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	\$ 10,502	\$ -	\$ -

Townshend Proposed Budget Fy 2016

Description	FY2014 Actual	FY 2014 Adopted Budget	FY 2015 Adopted Budget	FY 2016 Proposed Budget
Revenues - To be updated by AOE				
Tuition/Misc	\$ 7,695	\$ 13,300	\$ 1,200	\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Food Service - Local Sales	\$ 13,553	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 13,500
Total Local Revenue	\$ 21,327	\$ 38,300	\$ 26,200	\$ 13,500
State Aid-Education Spending Grant	\$ 1,078,679	\$ 1,078,680	\$ 1,181,590	\$ 1,275,773
State Aid-Small Schools Grant	\$ 80,108	\$ 80,108	\$ 83,965	\$ 82,907
State Aid-Transportation	\$ 6,731	\$ 6,740	\$ 11,678	\$ 12,022
State Aid - Special Ed Block Grant	\$ 31,034	\$ 31,034	\$ 31,034	\$ 26,013
State Aid - Intensive Needs	\$ 108,396	\$ 93,907	\$ 93,502	\$ 109,959
State Aid-Extraordinary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Ed Care & Custody	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State Aid-Special Ed EEE	\$ 11,643	\$ 11,643	\$ 11,643	\$ 8,249
WCSU Sub grant Medicaid	\$ 20,552	\$ 4,860	\$ 21,860	\$ 12,736
WCSU Sub grant Title I	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,805
State Aid-Food Program	\$ 34,039	\$ 30,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 41,268
Fruits and Vegetables Grant	\$ -	\$ -		
Total Other Revenue	\$ 1,371,182	\$ 1,336,972	\$ 1,470,272	\$ 1,588,732
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 1,392,509	\$ 1,375,272	\$ 1,496,472	\$ 1,602,232

Description	FY2014 Actual	FY 2014 Adopted Budget	FY 2015 Adopted Budget	FY 2016 Proposed Budget
Direct Inst Teacher Salary	\$ 386,897	\$ 385,778	\$ 332,407	\$ 347,906
Federal Jobs Salary			\$ 17,000	\$ 16,829
Literacy Coach Salary			\$ 10,000	\$ 10,317
Reserve Salary & Benefits	\$ -	\$ 9,742	\$ -	\$ -
Early Ed Para Support Salary	\$ 20,704	\$ 14,433	\$ 20,012	\$ 20,787
Direct Inst Support Staff Salary	\$ 420	\$ -		
Direct Inst Substitues	\$ 4,958	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Direct Instructional Services-Health Ins	\$ 3,835	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,330
Direct Inst Health	\$ 75,050	\$ 70,524	\$ 64,853	\$ 67,771
Direct Inst Dental	\$ 5,007	\$ 5,279	\$ 4,233	\$ 4,111
Early Ed Para Fica	\$ 1,547	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,611
Direct Inst FICA	\$ 28,719	\$ 31,667	\$ 29,332	\$ 29,067
Direct Inst Life/Disab Ins	\$ 1,597	\$ 1,809	\$ 1,654	\$ 1,654
Direct Inst Retirement 403b	\$ -	\$ 4,843		
Early Retirement - Teachers	\$ 9,719	\$ -		
Direct Inst Workers Comp	\$ 3,780	\$ 3,855	\$ 3,855	\$ 3,855
Direct Inst Unemployment	\$ 66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Direct Instructional Services-Contracted Services	\$ 1,128	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,145	\$ 3,000
Contracted Services Pre-K	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,400
Enrichment Programs	\$ 94	\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
Direct Inst Equip Repairs/Maint	\$ 507	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Direct Inst Supplies	\$ 10,866	\$ 11,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Direct Inst Text Books	\$ 2,758	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Direct Inst Software/Internet	\$ 5,164	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Direct Inst Equipment	\$ 7,107	\$ 11,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Subtotal Direct Instruction	\$ 569,923	\$ 565,430	\$ 527,991	\$ 562,138
Art Svcs WCSU	\$ 16,654	\$ 16,654	\$ 17,888	\$ 18,267
Subtotal Art	\$ 16,654	\$ 16,654	\$ 17,888	\$ 18,267
PE Svcs WCSU	\$ 32,116	\$ 32,116	\$ 33,081	\$ 26,132
Subtotal PE	\$ 32,116	\$ 32,116	\$ 33,081	\$ 26,132

Townshend Proposed Budget Fy 2016

Description	FY2014 Actual	FY 2014 Adopted Budget	FY 2015 Adopted Budget	FY 2016 Proposed Budget
Music Instrumental Svcs WCSU	\$ 19,362	\$ 19,362	\$ 20,305	\$ 20,099
Subtotal Instrumental Music	\$ 19,362	\$ 19,362	\$ 20,305	\$ 20,099
Music Education Svcs WCSU	\$ 18,482	\$ 18,482	\$ 18,804	\$ 18,979
Subtotal Music Education	\$ 18,482	\$ 18,482	\$ 18,804	\$ 18,979
Spec Ed Support Staff Salary	\$ 88,950	\$ 64,178	\$ 87,810	\$ -
Spec Ed Substitutes	\$ 5,052	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Spec Ed Health	\$ 5,114	\$ 13,766	\$ 14,028	\$ -
Spec Ed FICA	\$ 6,874	\$ 4,910	\$ 6,717	\$ -
Spec Ed Contracted Svcs	\$ 4,751	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Paraeducators WCSU				\$ 154,889
Spec Ed Supplies	\$ 735	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
EEE Aide	\$ 23,569	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Ed-Health Ins	\$ 5,114	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EEE FICA	\$ 1,648	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EEE Purchases Svcs	\$ 4,327	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EEE Assessmnt WCSU	\$ 22,027	\$ 22,027	\$ 28,823	\$ 19,984
Special Ed Assessment WCSU	\$ 114,181	\$ 114,181	\$ 102,130	\$ 89,084
EEE Svcs-WCSU	\$ 57,327	\$ 53,666	\$ 88,766	\$ 83,037
EEE Tuition Private	\$ 15,015	\$ -	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Subtotal Special Education	\$ 354,684	\$ 278,428	\$ 339,974	\$ 358,694
Guidance Services WCSU				\$ 6,420
Subtotal Guidance				\$ 6,420
Nurse Svcs WCSU	\$ 8,184	\$ 8,184	\$ 10,062	\$ 11,094
Nurse Supplies	\$ 165	\$ 150	\$ 150	
Subtotal Nurse	\$ 8,349	\$ 8,334	\$ 10,212	\$ 11,094
OT Svcs WCSU	\$ 17,826	\$ 11,364	\$ -	\$ -
Subtotal OT Services	\$ 17,826	\$ 11,364	\$ -	\$ -
PT Svcs WCSU	\$ 4,590	\$ 9,012	\$ -	\$ -
Subtotal PT Services	\$ 4,590	\$ 9,012	\$ -	\$ -
Prof. Dev. Teacher Directed	\$ 3,818	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,474
Prof. Dev. Admin Directed	\$ 1,869	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Subtotal Professional Development	\$ 5,687	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,974
Tech Svcs WCSU	\$ 14,208	\$ 14,208	\$ 5,707	\$ 5,803
Subtotal Technology Services	\$ 14,208	\$ 14,208	\$ 5,707	\$ 5,803
Library Svcs WCSU	\$ 6,407	\$ 6,407	\$ 6,560	\$ 5,296
Library Books	\$ 50	\$ -		
Subtotal Library	\$ 6,457	\$ 6,407	\$ 6,560	\$ 5,296
School Board Salary	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
School Board FICA	\$ 115	\$ 115	\$ 115	\$ 116
School Board Contracted Svcs	\$ 460	\$ 435	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000

Townshend Proposed Budget Fy 2016

Description	FY2014 Actual	FY 2014 Adopted Budget	FY 2015 Adopted Budget	FY 2016 Proposed Budget
School Board Legal Svcs	\$ 88	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
School Board Auditing Fees	\$ 9,922	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
School Board Liab & Bond Ins	\$ 1,078	\$ 70	\$ 1,182	\$ 1,182
School Board Post/Advertising	\$ 381	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
School Board Supplies/Transportation	\$ 46	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100
School Board Dues	\$ 306	\$ 565	\$ 100	\$ 100
Subtotal School Board	\$ 13,896	\$ 14,485	\$ 15,597	\$ 15,698
Admin Assessment WCSU	\$ 55,988	\$ 55,988	\$ 59,935	\$ 66,978
Subtotal WCSU Assessment	\$ 55,988	\$ 55,988	\$ 59,935	\$ 66,978
Principal Salary	\$ 78,664	\$ 76,521	\$ 81,024	\$ 81,024
Principal Admin Assist Salary	\$ 38,999	\$ 37,499	\$ 39,705	\$ 39,705
Principal Health	\$ 31,111	\$ 31,821	\$ 32,426	\$ 34,256
Principal Dental	\$ 1,072	\$ 967	\$ 896	\$ 1,088
Principal FICA	\$ 8,610	\$ 8,723	\$ 9,236	\$ 9,356
Principal Life/Disability Ins	\$ 426	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Principal Retirement 403b	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,281
Principal Tuition & Prof. Dev.	\$ 1,062	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Principal Repairs/Maint	\$ 28	\$ 450	\$ 450	\$ 450
Principal Supplies	\$ 1,158	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
VPA Dues	\$ 565	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 565
Subtotal Principal's Office	\$ 162,695	\$ 158,481	\$ 166,237	\$ 170,225
Treasurer Salary	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,790
Treasurer FICA	\$ 137	\$ 137	\$ 137	\$ 139
Subtotal Treasurer	\$ 1,927	\$ 1,927	\$ 1,927	\$ 1,929
Custodian Salary	\$ 29,673	\$ 27,924	\$ 28,603	\$ 28,603
Custodian FICA	\$ 2,270	\$ 2,136	\$ 2,188	\$ 2,217
Custodian Workers Comp	\$ (250)	\$ 260	\$ 260	\$ 260
Facility Support Services (Asbestos)	\$ 525	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 525
Building Lawn/Snow/Mowing/Disposal Services	\$ 2,967	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Building Repairs/Maint	\$ 14,748	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,000
Building Construction Services Cap Plan	\$ 1,486	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Building Property Ins	\$ 2,908	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Building Telephone	\$ 5,241	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Building Supplies	\$ 5,119	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Building Electricity	\$ 12,988	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,000
Fuel Oil	\$ 21,677	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
Subtotal Facilities	\$ 99,352	\$ 89,320	\$ 89,051	\$ 89,605
Student Trans Svcs WCSU	\$ 27,572	\$ 27,572	\$ 28,399	\$ 28,123
Subtotal Transportation	\$ 27,572	\$ 27,572	\$ 28,399	\$ 28,123
Food Salary	\$ 19,754	\$ 16,705	\$ 19,313	\$ 20,688
Food Health	\$ 6,712	\$ 6,883	\$ 7,014	\$ 7,014
Food FICA	\$ 925	\$ 1,278	\$ 1,477	\$ 1,603
Food Service - WCSU	\$ 755	\$ 755	\$ 755	\$ 3,474
Food Equip Repairs/Maint	\$ 358	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Food Program Supplies	\$ 287	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Food Purchases	\$ 37,978	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,245	\$ 38,000
Subtotal Food Services	\$ 66,769	\$ 62,621	\$ 65,804	\$ 72,779

Townshend Proposed Budget Fy 2016

Description	FY2014 Actual	FY 2014 Adopted Budget	FY 2015 Adopted Budget	FY 2016 Proposed Budget
Debt Service Interest	\$ 4,033	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Subtotal Debt Service	\$ 4,033	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
	\$ 1,500,570	\$ 1,399,191	\$ 1,416,472	\$ 1,487,233
Fund Balance	\$ (215,099)		\$ 80,000	\$ 115,000
Surplus			\$ 80,000	\$ 115,000
Surplus Applied			\$ (80,000)	\$ (115,000)
Total Expenditure				\$ 1,602,233

	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
Preliminary Statistics				
Budgeted Grants and Local Revenues	\$ 299,387.00	\$ 320,511.00	\$ 321,362.00	\$ 326,459.00
Local Education Spending	\$ 1,011,114.00	\$ 1,078,680.00	\$ 1,175,110.00	\$ 1,275,773.00
Equalized Student AOE	84.23	80.90	73.18	75.89
State Excess Spending Threshold	\$ 14,841.00	\$ 15,456.00	\$ 16,166.00	\$ 17,103.00
Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$ 12,004.00	\$ 13,333.00	\$ 16,058.00	\$ 16,811.00
vs. State Threshold	\$ (2,837.00)	\$ (2,123.00)	\$ (108.00)	\$ (292.00)
Base Education Spending Index	\$ 8,723.00	\$ 9,151.00	\$ 9,285.00	\$ 9,459.00
Statewide base property tax rate	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.94	\$ 0.98	\$ 1.00

Act 68 Statistics & Tax Impact Estimates

Est. Equalized Homestead Tax rate (PK-6)	\$ 1.2248	\$ 1.3696	\$ 1.6948	\$ 1.7772
Percent of District Pupils at PK-6	51.83%	49.60%	45.36%	46.35
Portion of Equalized Homestead rate assessed	\$ 0.6348	\$ 0.6793	\$ 0.7688	\$ 0.8237
Common Level of Appraisal	96.51%	91.26%	103.31%	105.03%
Estimated Actual Tax Rate(PK-6)	\$ 0.6578	\$ 0.0744	\$ 0.7442	\$ 0.7843
Income sensitivity base index	1.80%	1.80%	1.94%	1.94%
Income sensitivity Percent	2.48%	2.62%	3.36%	3.45%

Estimated Combined School Tax Rate Including Leland & Gray

Provided by Agency of Education	\$ 1.6780	\$ 1.6811
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Estimated School Tax Impact on \$200,00 home & 2 acres - no income sensitivity (PK-12)	\$ 3,356.00	\$ 3,362.20
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LAND TRANSACTIONS – JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31 2014

Total Transfer Returns Filed

Primary Residents

2013 - 44

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WELCOME TO TOWNSHEND (NEW PROPERTY OWNERS)

Caleb Judy & Patrick Kiernan

Daniel Buendgen & Becky McHugh

Jamie & Teresa Bernard

Dawn McCormick

Ellenka Wasung-Lott & Robert Wilson

ORDINANCES

Health Ordinance

Human Bit by Animal

Solid Waste Disposal

No overnight parking

Wireless Telecommunication

Facilities (Cell Towers)

Parking

SPEED LIMIT ORDINANCES

Grafton Road (Revised)

Unpaved Town Roads

Local Enforcement on State

Highway Speed Limit

Riverdale Road (Revised)

LIQUOR/TOBACCO LICENSES

Harmonyville Store

River Bend Farm Market

Windham Hill Inn

Lawrence's Smoke Shop & Country Store

West Townshend Country Store

SEPTIC APPLICATIONS

Septic Applications must be obtained by the property owner from the State of Vermont when installing or replacing a septic system and/or replacing a tank.

ANIMAL LICENSING

All dogs 6 months or older must be licensed on or before April 1st. An up-to-date Certificate of Vaccination for Rabies is required for licensing. If you are moving or your dog has died, please contact the Town Clerk's office.

Licensing Fees: \$8.00 spayed/neutered \$12.00 not spayed/neutered.

Late Fees: \$2.00 spayed/neutered - \$4.00 not spayed/neutered

The annual **PET VACCINATION CLINIC** will be held March 7, 2015 at the Newbrook Fire House from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

PERMIT TO KINDLE: BURN BRUSH ONLY

Fire Permits for burning must be obtained from the Town Clerk's office.

Individuals must notify Keene Mutual Aid prior to burning at 603-352-1291.

This Permit does not relieve you from any liability related to damage caused by the fire.

Permits can also be obtained from Roger Brown, Fire Warden.

REMINDER: Burning household trash, treated/painted wood and construction materials is against the law.

Townshend Residents - RESOURCE CENTER - TOWN OFFICE

Information: past & present for public review
 Certified copies: birth, marriage, death - \$10.00
 Meetings: times, minutes, posted and warned
 Compactor: rules & regulations, tokens and sticker
 Licenses: civil marriage, animal, VT Fish & Game
 Auto: renewals and State forms
 Permits: driveway access & outside burning
 Property: location, taxes, appraisal, owners name, 911, etc.
 Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
 CLOSED – Thursdays and Saturdays

NOTE: IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS FOR ANY REASON, PLEASE BE SURE TO NOTIFY THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE SO THAT NOTICES/PUBLICATIONS/TAX BILLS CAN GET TO YOU IN A TIMELY MANNER

Town Clerk Fees processed as of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

		Fiscal 2012/2013	Fiscal 2013/2014
Recording/Filing		\$ 16,550.00	\$ 12,750.00
Title Searching w/copies		\$ 2,585.15	\$ 2,716.45
Certified Copies (vital records)		\$ 3,760.00	\$ 2,980.00
Burial Transits		\$ 175.00	\$ 155.00
DMV		\$ 333.00	\$ 228.00
Vermont Fish & Wildlife	Town	\$ 294.50	\$ 200.50
	State	\$ 4,661.00	\$ 3,178.00
Posting Land		\$ 35.00	\$ 25.00
Marriage/Civil Unions	Town	\$ 60.00	\$ 70.00
	State	\$ 210.00	\$ 245.00
Animal Licenses	Town	\$ 1,236.00	\$ 1,392.00
	State	\$ 920.00	\$ 920.00
Miscellaneous		\$ 218.50	\$ 138.00
Green Mountain Passes		\$ 10.00	\$ 8.00
Town Hall Rental		\$ 945.00	\$ 935.00
Liquor/Tobacco Licenses		\$ 250.00	\$ 555.00
Total:		\$ 32,243.15	\$ 26,495.95

Townshend Historical Society

Our mission as a historical society is to help to preserve documents, artifacts, and places of historical interest. Our work includes documenting local history in order to communicate the historical and cultural story of this area for the purposes of education, entertainment and community spirit.

Activities this year included a Stone Arch Bridge and Cemetery Hike in May, led by Charlie Marchant. In addition we participated in the June History Expo at Tunbridge, through an exhibit featuring impressionists, Theodore Robinson and Lucy Booth. We also continue to make progress in researching our new book about West Townshend which is being written up by Castle Freeman. Our Annual Meeting in November featured archaeological exhibits and a talk by Charlie Marchant entitled, "Found in your Own Backyard!" Check out the display case in the Town Hall lobby for a related exhibit. We have plans for a cellar-hole tour in the spring and a possible barn tour in the fall.

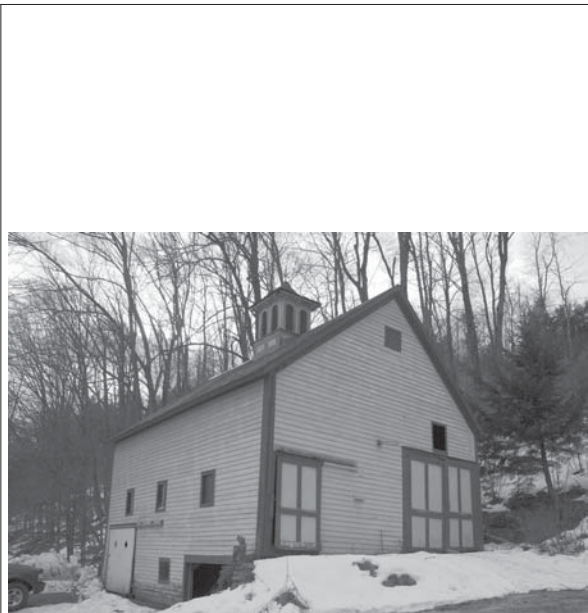
Now located upstairs at *The Taft Hill Gallery* on Route 30, the historical society is grateful for the many acquisitions over the past year including a 20 X 36" interior photo of Scott Bridge; archaeological findings from around town; two account books by James Phelps, writer of *Collections Relating to the History and Inhabitants of Townshend, Vermont*; and numerous photographs.

Our website at townshendvt.org is here to serve the community by sharing historic photos from our collection. Please help us identify these photos on-line. If you have photos that you wish to share, or for us to scan onto our computer, please contact us at THS@dugrenier.com.

Trustees: *Heidi Clawson, Walter Corcoran, Robert DuGrenier, Marge Holt, Charles Marchant*



Kearley - Derry Barn



Taft - Steiner Barn



We Go Beyond Patient Care

2014 was a significant year in the 65-year history of Grace Cottage Hospital. With tremendous support from people in your community, Grace Cottage reaffirmed its continuing role as an independent rural hospital dedicated to delivering personalized, professional health care to the residents and visitors of Windham County. During 2014, Grace Cottage was named by GoLoProv.com as the top hospital in Vermont and 14th in New England for overall patient satisfaction, based on the latest results of Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) surveys. As Senator Bernie Sanders noted in his letter of congratulations: "This award signifies the outstanding work that the Grace Cottage Hospital team has done to become one of the finest hospitals in the region. Especially impressive is Grace Cottage Hospital's high level of patient satisfaction, which demonstrates the dedication the Grace Cottage staff brings to the job."

As part of Vermont's Blueprint for Health, Grace Cottage's Community Health Team, composed of skilled health care professionals, is working with many area patients to help them develop plans to meet their personal healthcare goals. Services offered (free of charge to Vermont residents following a referral by a medical provider), include chronic disease management, nutrition and exercise education, mental health/substance abuse assessment, connections to community and financial resources, diabetes education, health education, medication management, weight management, home visits, and a wide variety of health education programs.

Up-to-date technology is being used by Grace Cottage's medical professionals (five family practice physicians, a pediatrician, a full-time psychiatrist, two physician assistants, a family nurse practitioner, eleven physical therapists, five occupational therapists, a speech therapist, and five pharmacists) to care for patients of all ages, from newborn to hospice. Patients can access medical records and communicate with their physician or provider's office through Grace Cottage Connections, a free Patient Portal, implemented in early 2014.

812 residents of Townshend (zip code 05353) and 290 residents of West Townshend/Windham (zip code 05359) used our hospital, emergency department, lab, X-ray, rehabilitation, doctors' offices, and wellness programs during 2014. Thank you for your support of Grace Cottage Hospital, the heart of healthcare in the West River Valley.



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For more information, news, alerts and resources: Visit us on the web at www.healthvermont.gov.
Join us on facebook.com/vdhbrattleboro and follow us on www.twitter.com/healthvermont.

Vermont Department of Health Report for Townshend

Your Health Department district office is in Brattleboro at the address and phone number above. Come visit or give us a call! At the Vermont Department of Health, we are working every day for your health. With our headquarters and laboratory in Burlington and 12 district offices around the state, we deliver a wide range of public health services and support to your community. For example, in 2014 the Health Department:

Supported healthy communities: Five Prevention Coalitions in Windham County together received a second year \$130,000 Partnership for Success grant to reduce underage and binge drinking and reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse through a targeted regional approach.

Provided WIC food and nutrition education to families: The WIC Program (Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program) served about half of all Vermont families with pregnant women and children to age 5. WIC provides individualized nutrition education and breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and a debit card to buy fruit and vegetables. The average value of foods provided is \$50 per person per month. In Townshend 39 women, infants and children were enrolled in WIC. A monthly WIC Clinic is held at the Library.

Worked to prevent and control the spread of disease: From January through October, 2014 we responded to 193 cases of infectious disease in Windham County. In 2013, over \$13 million of vaccine for vaccine-preventable diseases were distributed to healthcare providers statewide; \$821,964 of which was in our district.

Facilitated discussion on opiate addiction: Following the Governor's Forum on Opiate Addiction, regional meetings took place around the state.

Started an Oral Health Program: In November, we hired an experienced public health dental hygienist as part of an effort to address serious oral health problems through prevention, education and links to treatment.

Volunteer Fire Department

The fire department has had an active year. We have had several new members. Our brush truck has been completely refurbished, and the hose truck was recently sold at auction.

The brush truck has been turned into a gem through the efforts of a dedicated group of members.

After much discussion, it was decided to sell the hose truck. With the use of tanker relays, the need for a truck with so much hose that couldn't be used very well as an attack truck was deemed unnecessary.

In terms of calls, we continue to have lots of DHART, vehicle, and alarm calls. Regarding DHART, there is continued talk about putting an automatic landing zone at Onyon Field. This is not the first time this has come up. On the alarm calls, remind those who have internal alarms to keep them properly serviced. Unless someone is present, to confirm the situation, we must respond to see what the problem is. If this is at a private residence, we request the caretaker show up, so we don't have to enter the building to see what the problem is. Fortunately most of these calls turn out to be due to faulty equipment.

Another category of call is for mutual aid. This year we had a number of calls in other towns that resulted in structural loss. Fortunately Townshend didn't have a major structural situation since our last report, but the mutual aid system is strong and we will be helped just as we have helped our mutual aid partners.

We continue to look for new members. If interested, contact Chief Winot or come to one of our meetings: second Thursday and fourth Monday 7 PM

Many thanks to Dave and Janice Onyon for the use of their field for DHART landings and Beth Cutts and Deirdre Beattie for their hard work on the annual picnic.

Charles Marchant, Sec. TFD

Rescue Inc.

It is our pleasure to provide emergency medical services to your community. Last year was busy for the staff at Rescue Inc. We responded to 4,732 calls during our last reporting year ending in October, with 3,551 patients transported. Patients were transported to 32 area hospitals, specialty centers, and nursing homes with treatment requirements ranging from basic first aid to invasive lifesaving interventions. Our service is provided by a staff of fifty-three full time, part time and volunteer staff members operating a fleet of seven ambulances out of two stations.

As a regional non-profit, we rely heavily on the support of the communities we serve. The commitment to our community started in 1966 and continues today as we all try to navigate through changes in our health care system. The nature of health care and emergency medicine has become extremely sophisticated. Access to specialists and the latest technology during emergencies often requires critical care level transports to more distant hospitals. In the last year we have seen this trend, which often takes our ambulances out of the area several times a day. To meet this new demand we have had to increase our daily staffing and have purchased smaller, more fuel efficient, ambulances. This past year has also been a year of upgrading our medical technology. Thanks to your support during our annual "heart of the matter campaign", we have been able to replace half of our cardiac monitors with the newest technology available. We hope to replace the remaining monitors at the conclusion of this year's campaign.

The changes nationally in emergency medical treatment have increased the demand on our training and education programs for professional medical staff as well as the public. We are running monthly CPR and AED programs and have been able to provide equipment and training to many of the West River Valley schools with funding from the Holt Foundation. Training for professional rescuers is now being done at our Flat Street training center. These programs support development of new local responders and provide for the continuing education. This year we anticipate additional changes as a result of healthcare reform and will watch several pieces of federal legislation in hopes that a long term ambulance funding bill will bring some predictability from the federal insurers. Regardless, we will work to ensure that the emergency medical treatment, transportation and rescue services in our region continue to be cutting edge and affordable.

WINDHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Keith D. Clark, Sheriff

PO Box 266, Newfane VT 05345

Tel: (802) 365-4942

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Call types & quantities: Accident-injury -1, Accident – PD -1, Animal Problem -2, Assist – Agency -8, Assist – Citizen -5, Assist – Motorist -3, Bad Check – 1, Citizen Dispute -1, Cruelty to Animals -1, Directed Patrol -6, DLS -1, Fire -1, Information -3, Juvenile Problem -5, Larceny from Vehicle -1, Larceny, other -1, Mental Health Issue -2, Motor Vehicle Complaint -3, Phone problem -1, Property Watch -2, SMART Cart -1, Suspicious Event -3, Theft -2, Threats/Harassment -1, Traffic Hazard -3, Trespass -3, Vandalism -1, VIN verification -12, Welfare Check -2.

The Windham County Sheriff's Office provided an augmented police service to the people of Townshend FY2014 (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014) in the amount of \$20000, or approximately 465 hours of service for the year. Our office provided 552.25 hours of service, at no additional cost to the town. During FY14, we issued a total of 190 tickets. Under Vermont law, the town could receive up to \$20472 in fund disbursement from the Vermont Court Administrator's Office/Vermont Judicial Bureau from this ticket revenue. Additionally, 56 warnings were issued and 77 calls for service were answered.

This year has been year of growth and change in our office. The Vermont Legislature supported our pilot GPS monitoring program. We are also actively involved in the security planning with the closure of Vermont Yankee. Our radio systems are beginning to see significant improvement as we transition from analog to digital systems. You'll also notice our uniforms look different. Following difficulties in ordering uniforms for new personnel, we decided to change from our traditional blue and gray to our new black and tan.

The Windham County Sheriff's Office has again been pleased to serve the people of Townshend and look forward to the upcoming year. If you have a need for our services, please don't hesitate to contact our office at 802-365-4942 for non-emergencies or 911 for emergencies.

The Windham Regional Commission

The mission of the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) is to assist towns in Southeastern Vermont to provide effective local government and to work cooperatively with them to address regional issues. In the absence of county government, we provide an essential link between towns, the state, and the federal government.

Highlights from the past year reflect the range of services we provide to the towns of the region. We assisted 23 towns at their request with plans, zoning and zoning administration, flood hazard area regulation updates, and community revitalization. Staff and the WRC's Project Review Committee received and reviewed 109 Act 250 applications and 9 Section 248 applications. Culvert inventories, road/infrastructure inventories, traffic studies and/or sign inventories were provided for 18 towns. We assisted all of our towns with the development and submittal of Local Emergency Operations Plans and other requirements to maximize benefits related to the Emergency Relief Assistance Fund, which provides state funding to match federal dollars in the event of a federally-declared disaster. We have led the region's response to the announcement of the closure of Entergy Vermont Yankee, including understanding what the economic impacts will be and what the decommissioning process will entail. As part of the Irene Recovery Project collaboration funded by the U.S. Economic Development Agency we completed 17 long-term recovery plans for the hardest hit villages and downtowns. An annual report is available on our website (www.windhamregional.org). Click on the heading "About Us."

Funding for the Windham Regional Commission is provided through contracts with state agencies, federal grants, and town assessments. While town assessments make up a relatively small percentage of our budget – about 7 percent of a \$1.2 million budget for FY 2015 – it is virtually the only funding we receive that has no conditions placed upon it by entities beyond the Commission's borders. Your town's assessment makes it possible for us to leverage the resources that enable us to serve you across the range of activities mentioned above. We have based our budget on a modest increase in the per resident assessment rate from \$1.83 to \$1.88. The \$1.88 per resident rate will result in a total assessment of \$2303 from Townshend for the new fiscal year. Townshend may wish to budget additional amounts for town-specific work needed from the WRC. To see our detailed Program of Work and budget for FY 2015, visit our website and click on the heading "About Us."

Townshend Planning Commission Annual Report

The Townshend Planning Commission has had another active year reviewing Act 250 applications and permits, planning municipal infrastructure development and preparing to revise the Townshend Town Plan for 2016. The Commission continues to assess ways to improve our community, preserve its character while encouraging smart growth and limit restrictions while striving to help Townshend comply with State and Federal mandates.

We have worked closely with the Windham Regional Commission on drafting flood hazard and hazard mitigation plans to complement our existing ordinances and maintain our status with FEMA and the National Flood Insurance Program. We have reviewed changes to the Windham Regional Commission's plan and neighboring town plans; have studied and commented upon four separate alternative energy production proposals, monitored the threat to our forests from non-native invasive insects, and proposals from the Rural Education District Study Committee that would greatly impact Townshend Village.

As always, much work continues to be done. Members of the Planning Commission are honored to serve our community and welcome public input and participation.

Art Monette, chairman

John Evans, vice-chairman

Susan LeCours, clerk

Stanley Holt

Robert DeSiervo

Tree Warden Report

Vermont remains vigilant for several invasive insect species that could radically change our forests. The Emerald Ash Borer which attacks only ash trees is found in all surrounding states. Where the insect has been seen, virtually all the ash trees in that area are killed in a relatively short period of time. As far as we know, it is not here yet.

The Asian Longhorn Beetle attacks only hardwoods and its preferred tree is the Maple. Unlike the Emerald Ash Borer which is a strong flyer and probably will get here eventually, the Asian Longhorn Beetle relies on humans to travel significant distances hence, one of the reasons we emphasize not moving firewood, only buying it locally. The Hemlock Woolly Adelgid is here in Townshend already. This insect feeds on the hemlock needles and can eventually kill the tree. Sustained low temperatures (below -22°F) kills the insect and locally last year there appears to of been a fairly high mortality reducing its impact on our trees.

Last year (2014) some folks thought they saw evidence of the Emerald Ash Borer and I visited those sites to determine if it was present. Luckily, the trees that were unhealthy did not appear to have Emerald Ash Borer infestation.

We have been trying to pull together a small group of volunteers to survey Townshend roads and right-of-way for ash trees, knowing that when EAB gets here, trees along these roads will die, creating hazards and need to be dealt with. Preplanning will help the town rather than be surprised. A local ATV club currently seems to have interest and we will be working together.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob DeSiervo, Tree Warden

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

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

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

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

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

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

Brattleboro Area Hospice
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www.brattleborohospice.org

Brattleboro Area Hospice provides non-Medical, volunteer-staffed programs for dying and grieving community members. We develop, train, place and support volunteers. We provide education and outreach to increase our community's understanding of and ability to cope with the issues of death and dying.

Brattleboro Area Hospice is dedicated to the belief that each of us can offer companionship and support to those around us who are dying or grieving. We are one of fewer than 200 volunteer hospice left in the United States. Our volunteers provide wide-ranging support to clients and their families regardless of whether a patient resides at home, is in a hospital, a long term care facility or some other location. Hospice volunteers organize and participate in round the clock vigils when the time is close and family can't be present. We offer bereavement support groups creating a safe environment for sharing experiences, exploring feelings, providing mutual support and gaining insight into the grieving process. We publish a bereavement newsletter SEASONS, offer one-on-one grief counseling, and conduct an Annual Service Remembrance at our Hospice Memorial Garden at Living Memorial Park.

One hundred percent of our funding is local—we receive no money from state, federal or insurance sources. All of our services are offered free-of-charge. Your financial support helps to make this possible. We are grateful to provide this compassionate care to our friends and neighbors, and grateful for the community's support which makes our work possible.

In the past year, Brattleboro Area Hospice served 8 Townshend residents. Three Townshend residents served as volunteers. Please call us at 257-0775 with any questions on death or dying or visit us at www.brattleborohospice.org.

The Gathering Place

The Gathering Place (TGP) is a 501c3 not-for-profit Adult Day and Home Care organization that has proudly served the elders and adults with disabilities residents of Windham County since 1989. TGP is conveniently located on 30 Terrace Street in Brattleboro. Seniors and adult disabled individuals of a variety of ages, races, religions and socioeconomic status enjoy the benefits of the Center and its services. TGP is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing care at home and an affordable alternative to nursing facility placement. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

TGP's myriad of services and activities are designed to bring health, fun, laughter and companionship to the lives of our participants and peace of mind to their families in the center and at home.

Our Center services include: Nursing oversight and personal care (showers, podiatry, hairdressing), Access to on-site counseling, and occupational and physical therapies and transportation, Daily exercise program and therapeutic recreation and social activities, Nutritious meals and snacks and outreach services.

Home Care services include: Personal care and outreach services, Companionship, housekeeping, shopping and food preparation, Up to 24/7 care and supervision.

Green Mountain RSVP

The Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), part of the Corporation for National and Community Service- Senior Corps, is a nation-wide program for people age 55 and older who wish to make positive impacts in the communities in which they reside. Through meaningful and significant use of their skills and knowledge, they volunteer their services to programs and non-profits in the local area. At Green Mountain RSVP we view our senior population as our most valuable asset in keeping our communities strong through volunteerism.

RSVP has been helping local non-profit and civic organizations by recruiting and placing volunteers to meet vital community needs. Our goal is to ensure that volunteers contribute their time and talents to programs that have a significant, positive impact on the quality of life in Windham County. Our Volunteers address community concerns that are vital for our senior population and their neighbors. They include supporting Healthy Futures and Aging in Place through food pantry support, meal delivery, and transportation. For instance in our companionship & wellness programs we offer 11 Bone Builder classes throughout Windham County serving over 400 seniors around Southern Vermont.

Volunteers in Townshend served hours in support of programs that benefit local area non-profits and senior services. Our volunteers worked to support Grace Cottage Hospital, sewing blankets for the Linus Project and supporting local Elementary Schools as tutor and mentors. Other volunteers assist by leading Bone Builder Classes and supporting numerous other community priorities throughout Windham County. GMRSVP volunteers from Townsend donated over 645 hours and all of Windham County generously donated over 19,000 hours of service last year. RSVP will continue to build programming around support of Aging in Place and Healthy Futures in Windham County in the upcoming year.

You are always welcome to contact us in our Windham office at (802) 254-7515 or speak to me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 447-1545.

We are more than happy to attend a town meeting to discuss the changes in our program and answer any questions that you may have.

Thank-you for your continued support for our program.

Elaine Haytko

Morningside

Founded in 1979, our mission is to provide a safe space and ongoing support to families and individuals facing challenges to maintaining stable housing. Over the past 35 years, Morningside has developed the knowledge, systems, and institutional capacity to effectively assist homeless families and individuals in securing and successfully maintaining stable housing. Last year, Morningside Shelter was “home” to 118 individual people, roughly a third of whom were children. As the only year-round homeless shelter in southeastern Vermont, our services are in high demand:

MORNINGSIDE SHELTER offers 30 beds and intensive case management for individuals and families experiencing homelessness - we work collaboratively to help residents connect to a wide range of wrap-around services, and assist in identifying and applying for affordable housing. HOUSING SUPPORT CASE MANAGEMENT provides housing retention support services to individuals and families as they transition back into housing.

THE REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE PROGRAM offers intermediary financial management for Social Security recipients; ensuring that rent and basic living expenses are paid, to keep participants housed and in good financial standing.

THE YOUTH SHELTER COLLABORATIVE provides cost-effective shelter for homeless youth – Morningside holds the master lease on the apartment, providing shelter for youth receiving case management through Youth Services.

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**American Red Cross
Vermont & New Hampshire
Upper Valley Region**

The American Red Cross of Vermont & the New Hampshire Upper Valley is on call to help our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year. A local Red Cross volunteer is often the first “neighbor on the scene” after a disaster strikes offering a hot cup of coffee, a warm blanket and a glimmer of hope to those in need. Supported primarily by volunteers, the Red Cross provides emergency support for victims of fire, flood and other disasters as well as instruction in health, safety and aquatics courses. Whether we are helping one family recover from a devastating home fire, providing emergency shelter and supplies to hundreds of families after a major disaster, or food and water for first responders, we have historically been a vital part of the local community.

Fiscal year 2014 was especially busy across our region and the Red Cross was there providing vital services to our community.

- Responded to 206 disasters/emergencies in our region
- Collected 45,000 pints of local blood and blood products
- Assisted 163 members of the military and their families from our area
- Empowered more than 1,200 trained volunteers to assist their neighbors during times of need
- Provided free babysitter training to over 250 youths in our region

Since the Red Cross is not a government agency, we rely on individuals, businesses and local communities to support our efforts in helping to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. Toward that end, we are asking each community for a donation based on its current population. We would greatly appreciate your support in the amount of \$500 this year. Your partnership will help ensure that the American Red Cross has the resources to support communities like the Town of Townshend and throughout Vermont and the Upper Valley when they need it most.

Thankfully, we did not have any calls for disaster response in the Town of Townshend this year, however, our volunteers are ready to respond should the need arise. Your support is much appreciated and we look forward to building our partnership for years to come. Thank you for considering our cause for funding again this year - every little bit helps!

Regional Headquarters: 29 Mansfield Ave., Burlington, VT 05401-3323 T: 802-660-9130 F: 802-660-9136 Toll Free in Vermont: 800-660-9130. www.redcross.org/vermont

Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA)

Southeastern Vermont Community Action is an anti-poverty, community based, nonprofit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965.

Our mission is to enable people to cope with and reduce the hardships of poverty; create sustainable self-sufficiency; reduce the causes and move toward the elimination of poverty. SEVCA has a variety of programs and services to meet this end. In the community of Townshend we have provided the following services during FY2014:

Weatherization: 4 homes (7 people) were weatherized at a cost of \$19,050

Micro-Business Development: 1 household (4 people) received counseling, technical assistance and support to start, sustain or expand a small business, valued at \$2,203

Individual Development Accounts: 4 participants (13 in households) earned \$3,504 in matched savings, and received financial literacy training and services valued at \$1,814

Tax Preparation: 2 households (3 people) received tax credits and services totaling \$393

VT Health Connect: 4 households (9 people) received assistance with enrolling in the VT Health Exchange, valued at \$576

Emergency Services: 18 households (39 people) received 149 services (including crisis intervention, financial counseling, nutrition education, referral to and assistance with accessing needed services), valued at \$929

Fuel/Utility Assistance: 14 households (27 people) received services valued at \$7,333

Housing & Other Support Services: 4 households (7 people) received services valued at \$8,746

Disaster Recovery: 2 households (5 people) received disaster recovery assistance and case management, valued at \$7,900

Working Bridges (Resource Coordination): 2 employees (9 in families) in local businesses received help with employee retention, advancement, and financial stability, valued at \$969

Emergency Home Repair: 1 household (2 people) received services to address health & Safety issues, structural problems, and to reduce energy waste, valued at \$1,925

We thank the residents of Townshend for their continued support.

The Townshend Community Food Shelf

The Townshend Community Food Shelf is located in the Townshend Church. The food shelf provides free food to low income families and individuals who need additional food they cannot otherwise afford.

Our client list continues to grow every year. From January 2014 through September 2014 we had 893 family visits covering 2271 individuals. Forty seven new families became our clients. During this same time period The Townshend Community Food Shelf provided food to 164 families and a total of 377 individuals from Townshend.

In November we held our second annual Turkey Drop to raise money for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. Local individuals donated prizes for this event. No animals or food was used during this fund raiser. We also offered a pancake breakfast Memorial Day weekend as another fund raiser and will offer it again in 2015.

We are staffed entirely by volunteers. Some volunteers directly assist our customers while others help with food ordering, food pickup and various administrative tasks. The sixth grade class from the Townshend Elementary School helps stock our shelves weekly as well as moving the monthly deliveries from the Vermont Food Bank. We continue to benefit from a core group of long term volunteers. Without these dedicated volunteers we could not function. Thank you!

Food shelf donors of time, food and funds continue to be generous and we thank each of them on behalf of our neighbors who need us. The food shelf is open Mondays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Food donations can be dropped off on Mondays 5:30 to 6:00. To reach us call 365-4348.

Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL)

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with significant disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. To learn more about VCIL please call: **1-800-639-1522**, or, visit our web site at www.vcil.org.

Preliminary numbers for our FY'14 (10/2013-9/2014) show VCIL responded to over **2,000** requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **244** individuals to help increase their independent living skills (including **10** peers who were served by the AgrAbility program and **16** peers who received specialized Benefits to Work Counseling). VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **196** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 51 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **122** individuals with information on assistive technology; 36 of these received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **392** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During FY '14, VCIL provided direct services to Vermont residents utilizing the following programs/services:

- Information, Referral and Assistance (I,R &A)
- Home Access Program (HAP)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at: **1-800-639-1522**, or, visit our web site at www.vcil.org.

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Townshend, VT

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips.

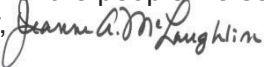
Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, VNH made 404 homecare visits to 31 Townshend residents. This included approximately \$25,031 in unreimbursed care to Townshend residents.

Home Health Care: 336 home visits to 24 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.

Long-Term Care: 55 home visits to 4 residents with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.

Maternal and Child Health Services: 13 home visits to 3 residents for well baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely, 

Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

Women's Freedom Center

The mission of the Women's Freedom Center is to work to end physical, sexual and emotional violence against the women and children of Windham County. The Freedom Center works to fulfill its mission by educating the community regarding the root causes of violence against women, challenging the systems that help keep it in place and by providing support and services, including shelter and safe housing, to women and their children who have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence.

Emergency support such as shelter, safety planning, financial assistance, and information and referral is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Ongoing individual and group support for women and children; legal, medical, housing and social services advocacy; and cooperative work with other agencies are provided during the week.

During the fiscal year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, the Freedom Center worked with a total of 505 women and their 527 children; providing emergency supports, including shelter, to 7 women and their 7 children from Townshend. We also responded to over 1,000 crisis telephone calls during this time, several hundred of which did not specify their location, therefore some may well have been from your town.

The Women's Freedom Center is a private, non-profit organization relying heavily on community support to provide our free and confidential services. We thank you for your Town's contributions to the Freedom Center, and hope you will look upon it as an investment in creating a future free from violence, something we all deserve. Women's Freedom Center 802-257-7364, 24hr Hotline 802-254-6954 www.womensfreedomcenter.net

Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT)

Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT) is a non-profit organization serving the residents of Windham and southern Windsor County. The organization was founded in 1987.

WWHT's mission is *to strengthen the communities of Southeast Vermont through the development and stewardship of permanently affordable housing and through ongoing support and advocacy for its residents.*

Our purpose is to enhance the quality of life for low and moderate income citizens; to preserve and revitalize neighborhoods; to foster diversity; and to improve the social, economic, and cultural health of communities of Windham and southern Windsor County.

Homeownership Center

The **Revolving Loan Fund** provides low cost loans to low and moderate income homeowners throughout Windham and Windsor counties to make critical home repairs. This includes repairs necessary to bring homes up to code and make them a safe place to live. A staff rehabilitation specialist inspects the home, determines which repairs are necessary, and works with the homeowner to plan and finance the project.

Housing Counseling Services are available to all residents in both counties. We provide homebuyer education, credit counseling, delinquency counseling, and foreclosure prevention counseling.

The **Shared Equity Program** provides grants to income-eligible homebuyers to subsidize the purchase of single-family homes. Grants are used towards the purchase price of the land underneath the home, lowering the cost to the homebuyer. Windham & Windsor Housing Trust retains ownership of the land and ensures long-term affordability through special ground lease provisions.

H.E.A.T. Squad provides services to any home owner to assist with energy efficiency upgrades.

Rental Housing Development Program-In order to meet the diverse housing needs of a community, WWHT develops affordable rental housing opportunities. This might take the form of housing rehabilitation or the construction of new apartments. WWHT can work with towns to plan for meeting affordable housing or community development needs.

Rental Housing Management Program-WWHT manages many of their rental properties and uses Stewart Property Management Services to manage the remaining properties. WWHT takes pride in the appearance of its multi-family housing and is committed to providing the staff and financial resources necessary to ensure long-term health and safety for its residents.

For more information, please visit us on the web at www.w-wht.org

Youth Services

Since Youth Services was established in 1972, we have assisted over 1,000 children, youth and families throughout Windham County annually. We help youth and families thrive. We help youth and young adults living in difficult circumstances learn the life skills that will assist them in living successfully on their own and as engaged and productive community citizens. Program services include:

Big Brothers Big Sisters one-to-one mentoring

Transitioning youth in foster care to independent living as young adults

Assistance to teens leaving home or at-risk for running away with counseling, family mediation, and housing

Home-based counseling to keep families together, thereby avoiding the placement of children outside their home

Court Diversion for youth and adults, an alternative to the traditional court system using a restorative justice approach to repair the harm to victims and the community while addressing the underlying issues of the people who violated the law

Therapeutic case management services, support and referral

Career development focused groups and one-on-one mentoring for high school students with behavioral and learning disabilities

Substance abuse prevention and intervention for youth and adults

Supervised visitation and Child Advocacy services.

We served 12 residents from Townshend during Fiscal Year 2014. Your continued support is beneficial to the children, youth and families in your town.

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

Julie Davenson

Executive Director

Youth and Families: Healthy, Empowered, Valued

WSWMD ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBER TOWNS

July 1, 2014 was the start date for implementation of Act 148, Vermont's Universal Recycling Law, and WSWMD staff and town supervisors have spent considerable time assisting member towns in gearing up for the law. Most town transfer stations were already offering recycling along with trash collection so they were in compliance with the first phase of the law. However, starting July 1, 2015, Variable Rate Pricing (VRP), or Pay-As-You-Throw, becomes mandatory, and the District will pass an ordinance on behalf of member towns that requires trash haulers to register with WSWMD and provide a copy of their VRP plan. For information on Act 148 please visit the WSWMD's website: www.windhamsolidwaste.org.

During the past year, WSWMD continued to operate our 20-year old dual stream material recycling facility (MRF) in Brattleboro, losing significant amounts of recyclable materials to single stream programs being offered by some haulers. The District has over 100 roll-off containers that are utilized at town transfer stations and 24-7 recycling drop-off centers, and District trucks haul the boxes to the MRF. The District decided to continue providing the 24-7 recycling boxes until at least December 2015 to determine the impact of Act 148 on quantities of recyclables dropped off, and the extent of illegal dumping of trash in the boxes.

Due to a stagnant world economy, both the volume and value of the recyclable materials collected has decreased over the past two years, necessitating a 9 percent increase in the assessments to the member towns for FY 2015. Fortunately, the increase in the FY 2016 budget was contained to just 5.6 percent despite additional educational program requirements of Act 148.

The District conducted 8 Household Hazard Waste (HHW) collections this year in Brattleboro, Guilford, Halifax, Newfane, Wardsboro, Westminster, Wilmington, and Winhall. A total of 595 households participated in the collections. WSWMD has increased household participation rates in the HHW collection every year since 2010 through use of direct mailing notices to residents. Act 148 eventually requires that four HHW collections per year be offered in each town.

In May 2014, WSWMD joined the Vermont Paintcare Program, which provides free recycling of leftover paints, primers, coatings, sealers, stains, shellacs, waterproofing and rust preventatives. We now offer year-round collection at our Brattleboro convenience center so that residents no longer have to wait for a hazardous waste collection event to recycle leftover paint products.

The District continues to grow its composting facility, which accepts food scraps and non-recyclable paper from the Town of Brattleboro's residential curbside collection program, the only such program in Vermont. By 2020, curbside residential food scrap collection will be mandatory. Our composting facility is also processing food scraps from supermarkets, and other large generators. With a grant from Vermont ANR, composting programs are being established at four regional middle and high schools in the District. In addition, the District began selling its compost to residents in the fall.

A project was started in 2014 to install solar panels on the 25-acre closed landfill owned by WSWMD. This will directly benefit member towns by providing lower cost electricity to towns and school districts.

The District offers tours of our facilities to schools and interested residents. We also provide educational materials about reuse, recycling, composting, and we sell discounted backyard composters at the District office.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Spencer
Executive Director

FY2014 Salaries and Wages

Auditors

Ryan Hockertlotz	732.08
Kristine Grotz-Kuch	2,481.08

Cemetery

Russell Petronic	1,311.10
Charles Marchant	1,041.61

Compactor Attendant

Arnold Cole	10,494.12
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Delinquent Tax Collector

Becky Nystrom	13,238.46
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Elections

Anita Bean	201.51
Joseph Daigneault	251.75
Kathleen Hege	486.94
Kurt Tietz	79.50

Finance Office

bookkeeper	
Christine Cathcart	1,344.00
Craig Hunt	17,555.00
tax collector	
Joseph Daigneault	5,452.38
treasurer	
Joseph Daigneault	2,215.00

Highway Department

Kurt Bostrom	55,236.82
Joseph Daigneault	2,582.85
Robert LeCours	38,828.66
Jeffrey Russ	217.50
Edward Smith	47,767.67

Planning Commission

Craig Hunt	490.25
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Library

Beth Etman	2,832.38
Karen LaRue	20,621.19
Carly LeBlanc	172.00
Zoe Millette	693.98
Wendy O'Connell	63.00
Louise Sirois	2,037.58
Donna Trumbull	906.30

Lister

Mike Bills	6,491.85
Gene Kuch	1,212.39
Steve Lott	4,667.81
Richard Lucier	1,126.27
Paula Newton	433.16
Robin O'Neill	5,719.35

Mowing & Snowblowing

Michael Cutts	562.50
Dale Davis	892.88
Bryan White	344.51

Selectboard

Scott Chase	625.00
David Dezendorf	625.00
Chad Greenwood	625.00
Hedy Harris	625.00
Henry Martin	725.25
Craig Hunt	13,651.25

Town Clerk

Anita Bean	33,514.23
Kathleen Hege	61.70
Richard Jackson	449.93
Kurt Tietz	1,843.45

Town Hall Maintenance

Andrea Burniske	1,841.76
Annie Mae Gervais	872.17

THE HOWARD LEGACY FUND
For Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2014

Aurelius Chapin Howard, born in 1812 in Townshend, died in 1881 and through his Will, he left to the Town the sum of \$10,000.00. He directed that the interest earned on this sum be used to assist the poor of the Town. The Fund is still being administered as directed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Principal Balance of CD - 6/30/2013	\$10,000.00	
Total Interest Earned through 6/30/2014	151.13	\$
Balance of Money Market - 6/30/2013	\$12,926.99	
Total Interest Earned through 6/30/2014	25.23	\$
Disbursements	-\$810.91	
Ending Balance as of 6/30/14	\$12,292.44	

Trustees: Ellen Stratton Fuller, Ernest A. (Ted) Redfield and Carole J. Melis



2014-15 Town of Townshend Officer Appointments

Position:	Term:2013-14:	2014-15	
911 Coordinator	2014	Carole Melis	Carole Melis
		Charmayne Shirks	Charmayne Shirks
911 Fire Dept. Liaison	2014	Phillip Trevorrow	Phillip Trevorrow
Cell Tower	2014	Craig Hunt	Craig Hunt
Senior Solutions	2014	Janet Stowell	Janet Stowell
Emer. Mgmt Coordinator	2014	David Dezendorf	David Dezendorf
Energy Coordinator	2014	Clay Turnbull	Craig Hunt
FEMA Administrator (Flood)	2014	Select Board	Select Board
Fence Viewer	2014	Douglas Ballantine	Douglas Ballantine
	2014	Amon DeWitt	Amon DeWitt
	2014	Craig Hunt	Craig Hunt
Health Officer	2017	Tim Shafer	Tim Shafer
Deputy Health Officer	2017	Holly Hockertlotz	Holly Hockertlotz
Howard Legacy	2014	Carole Melis	Carole Melis
	2014		
Inspector of Shingles	2014	David Fontaine	David Fontaine
Inspector of Wood & Timber	2014	Otto Tarbell	Otto Tarbell
Planning Commission	2014	Stanley Holt	Stanley Holt
	2014	Robert DeSiervo	Robert DeSiervo
	2015	John Evans	John Evans
	2017	Sue LeCours	Sue LeCours
	2017	Art Monette	Art Monette
Animal Control Officer(s)	2014	Constables	Constables
Pound Keeper	2014	Select Board	Select Board
Recreation Committee	2013		Chad Greenwood
	2013		
Rescue Inc.	2014	Kathy Hege	Kathy Hege
Social Services Screening	2014	Margaret Bills	Margaret Bills
	2014	Ellie Lemire	Ellie Lemire
	2014	Barbara Bedortha	Barbara Bedortha
Business Loan Committee	2014		Business Association
Town Service Officer	2014	Cynthia Davis	Cynthia Davis
Tree Warden	2014	Bob DeSiervo	Bob DeSiervo
Valley Cares Board	2014	Margaret Bills	Margaret Bills
Vermont State Police Liaison	2013		
Visiting Nurse Assoc.	2014	Mary Morgan	
Weigher of Coal	2014	Joseph Daigneault	Joseph Daigneault
	2014	Margaret Bills	Margaret Bills
	2014	James Newton	Susan Hunt
Windham County Sheriff Liaison	2014	Constables	Constables
Windham Regional Com.	2014	Brad Horn	Brad Horn
	2014	Clay Turnbull	Craig Hunt
Windham Regional - Traffic	2014	John Evans	John Evans
Windham Solid Waste Mgmt.	2014	Irvin Stowell	Irvin Stowell
	2014	Scott Chase	Dale West

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2014

TOWN CLERK

Anita Bean (1 year term) to March 2015

TOWN TREASURER

Joseph Daigneault (1 year term) to March 2015

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Anita Bean (1 year term) to March 2015

TOWN MODERATOR

David Liebow to March 2015

SELECT BOARD

Kathy Hege (3 year term) to March 2017

Hedy Harris (3 year term) to March 2016

(Resigned) – Kyle Lapointe Appointed

David Dezendorf (3 year term) to March 2015

(Resigned) – Carole Melis Appointed

Robert Lecours (1 year term) to March 2015

Dale West (1 year term) to March 2015

SCHOOL BOARD

Cliff Passino (3 year term) to March 2017

April Chase (3 year term) to March 2016

Tricia Shine (1 year term) to March 2015

Elizabeth Cutts (3 year term) to March 2015

Alfred Claussen (3 year term) to March 2015

LELAND & GRAY

Joseph Winrich (3 year term) to March 2017

Twillia Holden (3 year term) to March 2017

Michael Dolan (3 year term) to March 2015

LISTERS

Eugene Kuch (3 year term) to March 2017

Richard Lucier (3 year term) to March 2016

Mike Bills (3 year term) to March 2015

Steve Lott (1 year term) to March 2015

Robin O'Neil (1 year term) to March 2015

AUDITORS

Ryan Hockertlotz (3 year term) to March 2017

(Resigned) Alice Gausch Appointed

Kristine Grotz-Kuch (3 year term) to March 2016

(Resigned) Barbara Bedortha Appointed

Ernest Ellingson (3 year term) to March 2015

(Resigned) Adriane Esquivio Appointed

(Resigned) Margaret Bills Appointed

DEL TAX COLLECTOR

Becky Nystrom to March 2014

FIRST CONSTABLE

Warren Beattie to March 2014

SECOND CONSTABLE

Michael Cutts to March 2014

TOWN GRAND JUROR

Margaret Bills to March 2014

TOWN AGENT

Carole Melis to March 2014

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ann Allbee (5 year term) to March 2019

Margaret Bills (5 year term) to March 2018

Marjorie Holt (5 year term) to March 2017

Marilee Attley (5 year term) to March 2016

Robin O'Neill (5 year term) to March 2015

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Howard Graff (5 year term) to March 2018

Bruce Bills (5 year term) to March 2019

Rickey Snow (5 year term) to March 2015

Scott Nystrom (5 year term) to March 2016

Charles Marchant (5 year term) to March 2017

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